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General News.

Russia and England.

The situation abroad remains comparatively unchanged since our last report. Of course the eyes of the whole world have turned recently to these two great countries, whose immense armies were about to be hurled in deadly conflict against each other. Earl Granville says that a conference has been held between himself, the Earl of Kimberley (Secretary of India) and Baron De Staal (Russian Minister at London), and the Afghan question was discussed and an agreement reached, which was perfectly satisfactory to each of the parties. It is to be hoped it will meet the endorsement of each of their governments, and that the useless, sinful and sanguinary struggle may be averted.

Our Own Country.

Seven hundred thousand dollars worth of lumber destroyed by fire in Chicago last week.

Another holocaust in Brooklyn. On the 5th inst., several large factories burned, in which it is believed fifty women lost their lives.

Ex-Secretary Lincoln attended the cremation of Major Lyford of the ordinance corps U. S. A., at Lancaster, Pa., last Wednesday.

The Southern Baptist Convention met in Augusta, Ga., last week. It was largely attended. Two ladies from Arkansas appeared as delegates, but were not received as such.

There was a sort of go-as-you-please free fight at Dodge City, Kansas, last Sunday night, in which one man was killed and two others wounded. Nice Sunday business that. "Oh, Lord! how long?"

William Wright, an ex-cowboy and soldier in the U. S. army, has recently been arrested at Terre Haute, Ind., charged with the recent robbery of a train in Indiana and killing the express messenger.

The steamer *Helvetia*, of the White Cross line, with a cargo valued at \$400,000, sunk last Saturday off Seattle, Cape Breton. That was the fourth vessel belonging to that line that has sunk in the last four years.

Hon. S. S. Cox, of New York, recently appointed Minister to Turkey, expects to leave for that country the last of the month, although a number of his influential friends are trying to dissuade him and get his appointment revoked.

A great many places are waiting for Sam Jones to come and stir them. He is doing a wonderful work, but no preacher ought to defer his revival long for anybody. Do your own work in the name and by the help of the Lord. Many in your congregations will be dead before Jones can get there.

The President and Cabinet are now sneeringly dubbed a temperance society, because no drunkard can get an appointment. The Supreme Court of Arkansas has been similarly charged. Most of the great railroad companies and industrial corporations have declared for sober men only. Verily, the blessed leaven is working, slowly perhaps, but surely.

The president, Cleveland, has appointed the following board of visitors to the United States Military academy: Hon. John Bigelow, of New York; Charles R. Codman, of Massachusetts; General Fitzhugh Lee, of Virginia; Hon. George Hoadley, of Ohio; James C. Tappan, of Arkansas; Prof. Edward S. Holden, of Wisconsin, and Geo. L. Miller, of Nebraska.

Maxwell, who it is believed murdered Preller at the Southern Hotel, St. Louis, a few weeks since and put him in a trunk, has been caught at Auckland, New Zealand. The dispatch which insured his arrest traveled thousands of miles, and over a circuitous route, through different countries before it reached its destination, but it was there in time when his vessel arrived.

State News.

The Grand Lodge of K. of P. will meet next week in Fort Smith.

The Grand Commandery of Knight Templars is in session in this city this week.

Fort Smith, Conway and Mountain Home have each had a mad-dog excitement recently.

The Arkansas Press excursionists reached New Orleans the 10th inst. in fine health and spirits.

The jury in the Mose C. Harris case gave him \$1250 damages. He sued for \$100,000. He has appealed for a new trial.

A cold wave struck our mercury, corn and cotton midships last week, and from which neither has yet fully recovered.

Senator Sam J. Johnson has been appointed postmaster at Pocahontas, Col. Witt at Conway, and Mr. Owen at Jonesboro.

Col. Conger, manager of Hot Springs railway, has tendered the Sunday-schools at Malvern an invitation to visit Hot Springs.

Pine Bluff is infested with a set of sneak-thieves, who slip into houses after all are asleep, and escape with whatever valuables they can get.

Strawberries are being gathered and hurried to market. They opened here at fifty cents per box; but have dropped now to twelve and half cents.

The skating rink craze has struck Arkansas, and holds most of the towns in its unrelenting grasp. Well, let us be thankful, it might have been worse—the cholera.

We see from the papers that the committee in charge of the banquet given the press association in Helena, omitted the wine. An excellent precedent. All honor to the ladies and gentlemen composing that committee.

Attorney-General Jones has rendered an elaborate opinion to the Board of Railroad Commissioners as to the constitutionality of the act of exempting railroad cuts, tunnels and bridges from taxation. He holds they are not exempt from taxation.

The State Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union met in this city Wednesday and Thursday. We regret that our attention was not called to it in time to announce it in our columns. May God bless them in their great work.

Look out for the locusts! Prof. C. V. Riley, entomologist of agricultural department, says the country will soon be visited by two great broods of locusts, of the seventeen and thirteen years variety, and this will be the first time they have appeared in conjunction in 221 years. They will tarry till late in July.

There will be another excursion from the Northern and Northwestern States over the St. L. & I. M. road the 27th inst., and another on the 4th of June. We welcome them and hope they will come to stay. We need more people, industrious and law-abiding people. Such will help us to make Arkansas one of the first States of the Union.

The increased interest in fine blooded stock reported in Lonoke county, is an item of interest we are glad to record. We need better horses, hogs, mules and cows. Blooded stock eat but little more than common stock ought to have. But a Jersey cow is an endowment in any family. Just think of that butter test in Baltimore. One cow gave the milk that made 44 lbs and 2 oz. unsalted butter in one week. How we do wish that every one of our preachers, and readers indeed, had a Jersey cow. Her weekly contributions would beat most of your Sunday hat collections.

Personal.

Col. James H. VanHoose, of Fayetteville, called this week.

Rev. W. W. Mills, Maumelle circuit, made us a pleasant call last week. He circulates the *METHODIST*.

Rev. J. R. Edwards, Blytheville, sends us 5 more subscribers, and says he is after the dictionary.

Rev. E. Garrison, Searcy station, began his protracted meeting last Sunday. We wish him abundant success.

Rev. E. L. Beard, Toledo, called Tuesday. He was going to Lonoke, where he has many warm friends.

Rev. M. H. Wells, our gifted correspondent from Texas, is in the midst of a great awakening in Weatherford.

Bishop Granberry will hold the next Conferences in Arkansas. The sweet-spirited superintendent will be warmly welcomed.

Rev. J. S. Brooke, La Crosse, sends us some subscriptions, and says the *METHODIST* gets better and better. Go on; the Lord will prosper you.

Col. John P. Penn, of Augusta, is in Philadelphia for his health. We are delighted to hear of his convalescence and also that of his niece, Mrs. Polk House, who is with him.

Rev. B. Harris, Mountain View circuit, favored this office with names and money last week. We wish our dear and devout friend restored health and great success in his new field.

Capt. J. H. Barton, the enterprising real estate agent of Little Rock, is contributing much to the development of Little Rock and Argenta, and indeed Memphis as well.

Rev. H. M. Granade, P. E., Batesville, and others have published a call for a preachers' (local and traveling) meeting, to be held at LaCrosse, June 11th and 12th. See call next week.

Rev. Sam Jones fired the opening shot of the summer campaign in Nashville, last Sabbath. He will bombard the ramparts of sin till the serried hosts of Satan will capitulate or emigrate. He stirred Chattanooga from center to circumference.

Col. Thomas Essex met an excursion train at St. Louis last week, and escorted them through our State, and in his own fluent and felicitous way portrayed to them the great resources of Arkansas. He and the company of which he is the efficient agent are doing much to attract immigration.

We invite the attention of our city readers to the announcement of Judge R. W. Martin for Mayor. He possesses excellent business capacity and executive ability, and if elected would meet the high expectations of his friends. From an intimate acquaintance running back over many years, we believe he would discharge the duties of the office ably and faithfully.

Mayor Kramer is a candidate for reelection at the ensuing election. He is much better known to the citizens of Little Rock than this writer, being one of its old citizens, and has filled the position several terms. He wishes us to say, if elected he will rigidly enforce the law, and devote himself to the work assigned him, to the utmost of his ability.

Rev. C. C. Godden says his book business is improving, but that the White River conference does not patronize him very liberally. We regret this, and take great pleasure in commending brother Godden to the confidence of our brethren, and his house to their hearty and liberal patronage. He is trying to meet a long-felt want in Arkansas, and if properly encouraged will succeed and thereby contribute vastly to the developing of Methodism and good morals in our beloved State. Send your order to C. C. Godden & Co.

Field Notes.

We begin this week with a second report from Prof. W. C. Parham, of Central Collegiate Institute. We delight in hearing revival news at any time and in any place, but we do particularly delight in hearing of so gracious a work among our schools. It is a great thing to see young people coming to Christ. Sanctified education is a demand of the times. But read: "Last week I wrote you, reporting thirteen conversions and as many accessions to the Church. I now supplement that report, as follows: Fifteen conversions and eight accessions—in all, 28 conversions and 21 accessions. All but two of the conversions are from the body of our pupils, and all the accessions are pupils. The meeting closed last night. The moral bent of the school is excellent. Rev. B. C. Matthews came over from Paris and rendered effective pulpit services for more than a week. Rev. J. R. Moore, of Arkadelphia, will preach our commencement sermon. Can't our commencement be glorious?"

Next we will give a brief report from Rev. J. B. Thomas, from Bright Star, and that Star still shines: "Success to you and your most excellent paper. By the way, some of your subscribers began to complain in the winter, but now they are anxious to see the paper and say they must have it. So turn on the light, and let's have a paper not excelled by any. If there was any money here I would be able to give you quite a lift. I hope we will get money soon." All right; we are dreadfully in need of money. We hope all of our field hands will remember this is our dry season, and we need help.

Here is a good note from a subscriber. We like this note and this way of doing. Of course we will wait on you. Glad to do so, my brother: "Being aware that my time is out since Feb. 16th, 1885, thinking that I would get the money to send you to pay for this year's subscription, but falling to I will have to ask you to indulge me on credit for awhile. I will hand the money to brother J. P. Calloway, our preacher, as soon as I get it, because I can't do without it." Now that is kind from brother McReynolds, and we appreciate it.

We next give a good report from our brother, Rev. John McLaughlan, at Camden. Rev. John McLaughlan is a true man. Read: "Believing a few notes from this, your home of former years, would be of interest to you at least, if not to the readers of the *METHODIST*, I pen the following. I commenced my labors here on the second Sunday in December, 1884. Was kindly received, and have had many tokens of the kind appreciation of my people since I came. Not satisfied with occasional presents of provisions—pickles, canned fruits, etc.—on last Tuesday night they stormed the parsonage in force—fathers, mothers, young men, maidens, and a little army of Sunday-school children, each one bearing an offering, until the large table fairly groaned with the burden of substantial and luxuries of almost every description, with which it was loaded. I will not attempt a description of the joyous scene or the many pleasant things that were said, nor the many songs and joyous laughter of the throng, nor how the hearts of the preacher and his better-half were gladdened that God's providence had cast their lot among so kind and appreciative a people. In regard to the spiritual condition of the work, the signs are propitious. Congregations are large and attentive, and increasing in numbers every Sabbath. Have been devoting special attention to the children; preach to them the first Sunday in every month. Have taken in to the Church 12 children and young people, all of whom are members of

the Sunday-school. Financial outlook promising. I took up a collection for missions on last Sunday in March, and raised, in cash and subscription, \$140. Will take up my other collections in due time. You may set Camden down at conference as 'collections all fall.' I am doing what I can for the *METHODIST*. God speed you in your noble efforts to bring the Church up to the Bible standard of Christian piety." That is good from our old home. They are a very clever people.

Rev. J. R. Edwards writes us from Blytheville, as follows: "Owing to the severe winter I did not reach my work until the 18th of March, consequently got a late start, but am getting on very well. Have so far been able to meet my appointments. My work is very large; so I have not been able to visit all my people yet. We are having good meetings—old-fashioned Methodist meetings. You and the readers of the *METHODIST* will understand that this means happy times. The Lord is with us at every appointment. The good people of Chickasawba circuit received us warmly and made us feel at home the first hour we spent with them. We have not been visited with storms and tornadoes like brother Ritter, but have had one continued gentle shower, and no sign of slacking. I send some subscribers."

We close this week with a letter from our old-time friend, Rev. J. E. Caldwell. Precious man! God bless him: "Leaving farming matters to take care of themselves a day or two, in company with my wife I started last Saturday for Rock Spring, where I had an appointment Sunday to preach the funeral of Thomas C. Hudson. Spent an hour or two most pleasantly with an old parishioner, a faithful, Christian woman, now enjoying the grace of God and exulting in the hope of eternal life, Mrs. Sarah West, who came to Arkansas from Tennessee in 1844. She enjoyed our having prayers with the family. We are soon where scores of the Methodist preachers in Arkansas have often delighted to be, and where they received not only a cordial welcome and an abundant hospitality, but the assurance of a deeply religious sympathy in their work—familiarily called by everybody 'Aunt Miama's.' Just how much we enjoyed that visit, after two years' absence, this pen will never undertake to say. True, the dark shadow was on the hearth; one, who for more than thirty years had been accustomed to meet us with heart and hand in welcome, was not, for God had taken him. But, thank God, Thomas C. Hudson was not only full of years but abundant in good works, revered and loved by all who knew him. This was well attested in the large congregation that attended his funeral, both white and colored. Nearly fifty years ago this veteran struck tent on the bank of the Ouachita river where Arkadelphia is now, and cutting his road as he went he settled in the Manchester community. From that day to the one that witnessed his glorious departure for heaven, never heart beat truer to the cause of religion than did that of Thomas C. Hudson. We felt that the words, 'Well done, good and faithful servant,' were perfectly appropriate. How precious the memory of such a man! We spent Sunday night with another blessed patriarch of Methodism in this region, Mrs. Nancy Strong, now in her eighty-fifth year. How she loves to talk of forty-eight years ago, and the preachers that visited her house then! Two things I have always found in reaching distance of Aunt Nancy, her Bible and the old Advocate. She is very pronounced in favor of camp-meetings and class-meetings. These have been two blessed days with the deaf preacher, and I felt like I wanted to tell it. May I add one word to pastors: Brethren, don't neglect the aged in your pastoral work."

ARKANSAS METHODIST

ADVOCATE FAMILY.

SATURDAY, MAY 16, 1885.

Tennessee Letter.

EDITORS METHODIST:—Many thanks for the ARKANSAS METHODIST, and my best bow for placing me among the Tennessee stars. One star differeth from another star in glory, but it should be glory enough for a woman. She be placed among those who do shine.

By the way, will the vexed and vexing question of woman and woman's rights "never be done with." I think all parties are having more to say about it than woman herself. I do not know any women in our part of the country who are clamorous for the ballot-box and high places. The question of meat and bread and how to get them, many are called upon night seriously to ponder—and the number will increase so long as men are privileged to spend for liquor that which should feed the hungry and clothe the naked.

You say, "let the women keep to the school room," and another brother, ripe at least in years, says no woman should be allowed to teach school—that they ought all to marry and their husbands should support them! What an inspiration! But, what of that luckless number who say, lord, no man hath asked us, or the widowed or the infirm, or—but the list is too long. Meantime we can sew, and scrub, and teach when a place can be had, row boat, mix medicines, fit in to any convenient place or fill, and I am glad that the filling is as essential as the warp and woof to the perfect piece.

Bishop McTear once wisely said, "A woman might as well be a druggist as a drudgist," but, I do not know what he would have said had it been a question of the law. I saw the other day an enumeration of the failures in business in a certain city, six of the houses, and it was not a large per cent, were managed by women. The editor, in commenting, said, "six years ago they would not have been allowed the privilege even of failure." The world moves—do we move with it?

The whole discussion reminds me of the wonder expressed in this Southern country about twenty years ago, as to whether a negro could learn to read!

Remember, too, an article that I once prepared for the press, and ventured to put my own name to it, and at once it was claimed that my husband had helped me, or done the best part of it. And so it is—we can't do, we must not do, and if we do some body does the best part of it! It would be funny if it were not so sad!

Still something of the same sort is seen on the other side. I have just read an article that takes all the glory away from our American-born artists, and this list does not even include women. These "pretentious artists" were all born in other countries, or came to this in their baby hood.

Worse still, a large collection of paintings sent from New York to Paris as original works by the best masters has been placed under suspect, as very clever Yankee imitations. The Art Exposition in our own city of Rocks is said by connoisseurs in such things to be a creditable collection, and some of the work is by women!

I don't know much about pictures, that is the execution of them. Besides, "artist's strolls," and what I have seen in books and in the great book that with open volume stands, my opportunities have not been many for seeing pictures. Still I agree with Will Carleton in what he says of that splendid old artist-king—the sun—and if the color is true I can tell. I am not so fortunate always as to the form—don't always take in what was the artists' mind when he outlined.

Let me illustrate. There are many books now on "object teaching," and the objects are given. Well, one night while a little one was preparing her lessons the members of the family had a discussion as to whether the object was a dog, a rat or a cat! The conclusion was not reached!

Our village was unusually lively

last week. There was a lecture on "Our Poor Kin," by Rev. Thos. Eaton pastor of the first Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky., though he is a native Tennessean. Our Poor Kin have always had a hard time of it, the only time according to Mr. Dickens, when they go cordially to the house of a rich relative is when he dies, and then they flock in from the four quarters, expecting a feast at the funeral! This was not the line of thought followed by the lecturer. The thought enlarged upon and emphasized was, "The Brotherhood of Mankind—that mankind is man kin."

Then a marriage, in which more than ordinary interest was felt. I witnessed the marriage, but not in the old sense of that word, and enjoyed the decorations.

Next, Presbytery (C. P. Church) which attracted an unusual number of visitors from the regions round about. The preaching was good, though it was not my privilege to hear any of it, as I was sick all the time. The house-keepers lived through the occasion. I cannot say so much for the sheep and chickens. One of my hens was brought in dead. She had taken time by the forelock, as I should have killed her!

Mrs. SUE F. MOONEY.

Bell Buckle, May 2 1885.

Letter from Louisiana.

EDITORS METHODIST:—The last copy of the ARKANSAS METHODIST, in the Dutchman's language, makes me feel "better as good." That you should have aroused the ire of the Hon. A. A. C. Rogers, succeeded in gaining the enmity of the "Old Lady" of Little Rock, called the "Gazette," and even have gone far enough to move to righteous indignation against you, the staid and virtuous "Democrat." With the added discovery that the weak-kneed and time serving are threatening to withdraw their support and influence from your paper, has made me "exceeding glad." "There's life in the old land yet." "The animals are being paraded" and the howls of rage, and the flinging of mud, convince me that sharp and resolute treatment has never been more needed than now. "Your bucket and their mud," in the classic language of Sam Jones.

The great central of Nashville may have a word of compliment before the lecture for the "famous" (might I not as well commence it with an "In?") Brooklynite of Sharp's Rifle and Moulton-Tilton notoriety, followed with a note of warning after the lecture because of the dose of heterodoxy so nauseating to Southern Methodist stomachs. The former great of the Little Rock Conference, now of Alabama, may with "tweedle-dum" and "tweedle-dee" consider "exceedingly unfortunate" the controversy between Church and State schools. And even one of our "chief pastors" may think it about time to put "down the brakes" on these independent Church editors. But never mind, go on; stir the waters; give us a live, independent, fearless sheet. Keep a clear head, and with a strong arm strike for

"Our altars and our fires,
The green graves of our sires,
God and our native land."

The danger of Methodism to-day is not from without, stagnation, corruption and death are threatening to sap her spiritual life blood. God has raised up a Sam Jones and the ARKANSAS METHODIST, and various "lesser lights" and commanded them to go out and stir, sting, lacerate, and make the "far fly" generally. Don't fail to keep up your "end of the row."

There are true hearts and brave hands, that will rally to and back you, and best of all, the Master is with you. "Is not my word like as a fire, saith the Lord, and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces?"

Haven't we grace enough, courage enough, and love enough for our Master's cause, as represented by Southern Methodism, to purify and save the church without the Master being forced to put her through the fires of persecution until forged? We shall see, or our children will for us. I do not endorse all I see, editorially, in the METHODIST. Who expects me to? Not you I know. But what of that? Do you expect to please everybody? But I do endorse your independent, manly, outspoken course.

And more, I like your stand on the school question, the whiskey, theatre, circus, tobacco, Beecher, Grant, Mal-lilleu and woman questions. And further, if I mistake not yours is the only Southern Methodist paper which has favored and presented the correct and proper view that Presiding Elders should, "by law," be made an advisory cabinet for our Bishops. Why should precedent rule without law and no legal responsibility for results? Why should the most important work, and the work that effects most vitally our beloved Methodism, be "done in a corner?" Be performed actually, mainly, or very largely by those who in law are not known in the matter? and thus leave the blame for mismanagement, or the praise for extra good, and fruitful results to rest, or be given, where it does not truly and properly belong? If it is a fact that certain men in a Conference are largely responsible for certain results? Why not let the law recognize their actual status? Echo answers why? Is the glory, so earnestly desired, and so highly esteemed, as to be a factor in this matter?

I mail you a copy of our last minutes. You will see that our secretary, Dr. Evans, has done his work well. I may not be a judge, but I think these minutes are worthy of the Centennial year, and of the Louisiana Conference, and this is saying a great deal.

Keep my METHODIST coming, we cannot do without it.

F. D. VANVALKENBURGH.

P. S.—We are working hard to drive whiskey out of this parish (De-Soto) and have a fine prospect for doing so at an election to be held in June next.

F. D. V.

Esther, or the Right Use of Physical Talent.

EDITORS METHODIST:—Why is it that the talent—physical beauty—is so often abused? Why is it not fully consecrated and set apart for the Master's service? Why is it not used with loving eagerness and determined willingness to promote the glory of the Master in seeking to use it at all times for the highest possible good of all over whom we have an influence?

What a lesson does the romantic and eventful life of Esther teach to all who would lay it to heart. It is one of the most striking delineations of God's working by means, and that means, the face and form of a beautiful woman. Physical talent used for the highest possible good. A girl of foreign parentage, emerging from a home of obscurity, and ascending a throne, there to queen it over all hearts within the circle of her influence—not merely in a legal point of view, but a heart-homage constantly went up around the youthful queen. Telling her in unmistakable language, that royal robes and golden scepters were but secondary things. The eyes of her husband had been turned into heart mirrors, and told her at every glance, that the fingers of the great Jehovah had touched her cheek with ruby, her lips with coral, her teeth with ivory whiteness, and her forehead carved like snowy marble, reflected the light of heart-purity, and sapphire orbs, that melted in liquid sweetness and tresses, that hung in ripple grace, the crowning glory of all. Ah! me, what a pedestal to be placed upon! How must Mordecai's heart have stood still with intense anxiety to see which way the fondly treasured "one" would choose. Whether this physical talent, with its inevitable consequences, shall be placed upon the altar of self, or would it be used to promote the highest possible good of her nation?

Would the youthful heart become intoxicated with the smiles of love and looks of admiration? Would she, amid the splendors of the scene, forget that hundreds of her less favored sisters were at that moment weeping tears of blood, so to speak, because the sword of destruction was pending over the heads of all that they held dear; just waiting, perhaps, until the nuptial festivals should have passed, to do its cruel work.

But stop, and stand here for a little season, and let us behold what was wrong by the combining of a beautiful face with the fear of God in the heart. And let me tell you, when the fear of God is in the heart, we have the motive power which drives in the

right direction" always.

I imagine I see Esther as with sad earnest face she gathers her maids about her, and gives them a vivid description of the gloomy situation of her own dear people. If they had done anything that deserved death, that would have changed the face of affairs a little; but no, they were to be sacrificed to the pride and hatred of one bad man. And now she tells them we must fast and with all of our hearts implore the aid and power of the Omnipotent Jehovah. And I will use to the highest purpose every personal advantage in arraying myself to appear before the King. I shall wear those things, and daintily blend those colors, that will tend to the enhancement of every charm. And my every motion in his presence shall be that of supplication. For in appearing before him as I do, uncalled for, my own life is at his tender mercy.

And now fair readers get your Bibles, and turn to the Book of Esther, and read and study the history of this noble, beautiful, consecrated woman. And may the word of God be a "lamp to your feet and a light to your path way" all along life's journey.

ANNA M. GRANADE.

A loud amen in church is a great help to the preacher and a blessing to the people, provided it comes from an honest, devout heart; but oh! how harsh! coming from the lips of either inconsistency or hypocrisy.

Letter from Rev. M. M. Smith.

EDITORS METHODIST:—We are moving along smoothly with the work of our new district, I cannot trespass upon your valuable space by writing up in order every preacher and his work. They are all at their post of duty, preaching, praying and working for a gracious outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and a glorious revival of religion. Our help is in the Lord, and by his grace we hope to see his cause prosper, sinners convicted—soundly convicted—made conscious of their lost and ruinous condition, and then hear them shout victory and praise God. Pray for us.

The financial interests of the district are not as good as desired; but perhaps compare favorably with other districts. And I never saw more determination upon the part of both preachers and people to make a fair showing financially. The stewards say the preachers shall be paid. The preachers say they will do their best to raise the general collections.

I thought at the commencement of the year that I would be able to secure a large list of subscribers for the METHODIST, but I find I cannot get as many as I anticipated. Cause—all the preachers are so vigorous and successfully pressing its claims that they leave no stone unturned. I heard one of my preachers the other day give the METHODIST a name above the name of every paper in our church. Its claims shall be looked after, and you can put me down as one who will work to give it the circulation you desire in the time specified.

I like your firm stand and correct position on both the whiskey and tobacco question, though I don't regard the use of tobacco as an evil like that of whiskey, nor do I class its users with sinners, yet I believe it to be an evil, and confess that I am somewhat astonished to see any one attempt to vindicate its use—I thought the verdict of all who use it was that it was both an expensive and useless habit. I never heard them recommending its use. I don't remember to have ever heard but one man in a public speech attempt to vindicate the use of tobacco from a Bible standpoint, and his only proof text was, "He which is filthy let him be filthy still." This text he applied to those who used tobacco, and if his application was correct I have been guilty of its violation, for I have since quit its use. And one thing that caused me to quit was that I could not reconcile its use with such passages as "glorify God with your bodies, &c. And if, as Paul says, our "body is the temple of the Holy Ghost," I saw no room for tobacco, I have no desire to enter into this discussion, but believing that my esteemed friend and dear Brother Cochran will excuse me, if I say that reference to the example of such men as our good and great Bishop Pierce is no argument in favor of the use of tobacco, I have no idea that he ever

recommended its use, nor do I believe that the good Bishop ever desired to be quoted as an advocate of its use. But oh! I am trespassing on you with a note of too great a length; pardon or consign to the waste basket as you see proper.

Smithville, Ark., April 28, 1885.

A Flower for the Grave of Bishop Parker.

Extract from a private letter read a few days ago: "I am so sorry to hear of the death of Bishop Parker. But you could almost hear the rustling of the angels' wings when you thought of him! When some people die, you feel doubtful; but not so with him. The way seems clear and open. Oh! that all were just such.—ONE THAT LOVED HIM."

ANNA M. GRANADE.

Batesville, Ark.

The Liquor Traffic.

EDITORS METHODIST:—The general church has learned, I suppose with universal surprise and with the deepest sorrow, of the connection of the churches in Nashville with the sale of intoxicating liquors. Now, if it is thus with the heart, what may we expect of the extremities? But Nashville is not the only place where some in the churches are worse than the open world. Why this condition of things? Who is responsible for it? I answer; we in the ministry—not they, but we. Who of us has done his clear, and full, and positive duty in the way of keeping the church pure? Our trouble as churches is amongst ourselves. It does not arise from the condition and the doings of those who are boldly and shamefully wicked, and who are glaringly out in the open world. Lord, is it I? Can I answer nay? Can I say that I am guiltless in this great matter? I cannot. I am now endeavoring to be better, and to be more faithful. Allow me to make a few inquiries of a direct and of a general character: 1st., Can any man or any company be honest, and really honorable, and at the same time be engaged in the liquor traffic? Look at this matter calmly and candidly. If I take money from my neighbor and do not give him value received for it, and if I know this fact clearly and positively at the time, can I be an honest man? I think not. This question of character then is settled. No man can engage in a low, disreputable, hurtful business, out of which comes, necessarily, continual evil and no good, and at the same time, be really honest and honorable.

If what I have just stated is true, it is useless to add further inquiries. I intended, however, to ask, secondly, if it was possible for any man, with a normal christian conscience, to engage in the liquor traffic? I think not. It seems to me that the very thought would be instinctively and utterly abhorrent to every man whose soul has ever positively accepted the principles of the gospel.

There is one supreme and awful fact connected with this liquor business. It should be kept continually before the minds of all men every where. That fact is this: The whiskey power and influence is a lawless element in society. They have no regard for any law, either human or divine, if it comes in their way, and they have the power to resist it. This, I say, is an awful fact. Those who oppose law favor decline, and retrogression, and anarchy, and ruin. While we are in waters that are comparatively placid, let us look at those waters in a clear light.

L. PULLIAM.

The ARKANSAS METHODIST has obtained a large circulation. Its success under its present management is almost without parallel in the State. Messrs. Dye & Winfield bought it last July. It then had a good circulation, but it has been doubled since in the State and quadrupled in the city and surrounding country. Its proprietors, numerous agents and friends are pushing it.—[Arkansas Democrat.

Messrs. Dye & Winfield are making a success of the METHODIST, and they certainly deserve every bit of it, for they are untiring in their efforts, and we are happy to know of their success. The METHODIST is gaining patronage in advertising and subscriptions.—[Searcy Wheel-Enterprise.

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THE ARKANSAS METHODIST.

SATURDAY, MAY 16, 1885.

Temperance.

EDITORS METHODIST:—I was glad to see my letter in the METHODIST. I told my wife I believed you were a fair man after all. But you keep talking about prohibition counties, such as Logan, Franklin and Cleveland. Now don't you know, Parson, that more liquor is drank in those counties than anywhere. When you make people believe you can't buy whiskey in those counties, you do the counties great injury. Nobody will immigrate to a prohibition county, and you keep settlers out of them. That's wrong.

Some time since a friend of mine—a teetotaler and a prohibitionist—was telling me a yarn. He was agent for some cotton buyers last winter. He had a friend who, by the orders of the house they were working for, was to travel with him and see to shipping the cotton when bought. They went by rail to Magnolia. On the way he observed his friend had a bottle, and, with some companions, was drinking freely. Reaching Magnolia, he was fit for nothing but to go to bed and sleep off his drunk. Next morning when he waked up, you know how he felt. I beg pardon, Parson, you don't know, but you have heard. He went to the clerk at the hotel and asked him where he could get a drink. The clerk said: "Young man, I reckon Camden is the nearest place. There are no saloons in Magnolia." The poor fellow was all stove up. He said to the clerk: "I will give you five dollars if you will find me a drink of whiskey." No; can't do it. "I'll give you twenty." "Can't do it." My friend came along to tell of cotton bought which he must ship. He said he could not without a dram, and offered him fifty dollars to find him a dram, which he could not do.

How I pitied that poor fellow, and how sorry I felt for Magnolia, for the people and the place! I knew it must be a dull, dead town. Nobody would settle there, no business would thrive there, everything would be still and dull. Everybody would want to move away. The whole story made me sad. But while I was thinking about it I was dusting the shelves, and looking at an old newspaper lying on one I saw the heading, "Magnolia Flowers." As Magnolia was on my mind, I noticed it and read it. It was an old Gazette of date about the time my friend was in Magnolia, and in this letter from Magnolia, by the Gazette's man, was a paragraph like this: "The jug business is very lively in Magnolia, and a sober man is a regular circus." When I read that I fairly "hollered." I had a great mind to sell out and move to Magnolia. Now how kind in the Gazette. Magnolia being a prohibition town, it is easy for such slanderous stories to get abroad, as the one my friend had just been telling, to the great injury of the place. But the Gazette sets us right. There is whiskey in Magnolia; everybody drinks it; everybody gets drunk; everybody stays drunk; "a sober man is a regular circus," drunken merchants sell goods to drunken buyers; drunken lawyers plead before a drunken court, to a drunken jury, for a drunken client; drunken doctors give calomel and whiskey to drunken patients; drunken school-teachers educate the drunkards' children, and first of all teach them to drink. What a bully town! Mr. Editor, that's the place for me. I'm sure things are lively. I hope they understand how much they owe the Gazette.

Now that is what prohibition does. Aren't all your prohibition counties that way?

But I read another thing not long after that that bothered me a little. Cleveland county (then called Dorsey) has no saloons, and I think it was in the Pine Bluff Commercial I read where the editor said: "A correspondent from Dorsey county informs us that a great religious revival is going on in his neighborhood. He also says there is a very brisk jug trade with Pine Bluff." Something like that was what I read. A jug trade and a religious revival all at the same time, and both lively, would make a lively time, wouldn't it? I thought I'd go down and stay a few days, if I could

find out where it was. Court was in session at Toledo, so I went and saw men from every part of the county, and every man said he knew nothing about a religious revival, and there was no jug trade in his neighborhood; if there was, men kept their jugs mighty close. After the most diligent inquiry, I am sure somebody imposed on that Pine Bluff editor; and though it was for the good of the county, yet it made me fear that things were not so lovely at Magnolia as the Gazette puts it. I expect I'll want to move next winter, and I'd like to know for certain about Magnolia; for if there is a town where there is no sober man that's the place to bring up my children. R. GIN.

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A man who never pays his honest debts, and one whom business men are afraid to trust, should be very quiet in church. Take a back pew, but you do harm.

"Charity covers a multitude of faults," and "charity thinketh no evil," but St. Paul did not mean that we were not to expose wickedness and condemn evil. By no means, for he says in another place that we are to rebuke our neighbor, and in no wise suffer sin in him.

Some people are so much afraid of giving offense that they will allow sin to go unrebuked, and crime concealed, and have no word of condemnation for evil and evil doers.

If there is to be no line of distinction between the church and the world, and all are to have the same enjoyments, indulge in the same worldly pleasures, and show no difference in either spirit or life, what use have we for the church?

If Sam Jones succeeds in driving all the liquor dealers out of the churches in Nashville, he will have done a great work, and can well afford for people to abuse him. Let down your bucket, Brother Sam, deep and strong, and if you stir the mud of other folks, all right, they should not have had the mud to stir.

Louisville is being stirred with the "boy Harrison." Nashville is to have Sam Jones, Moody is engaged elsewhere, now what is to become of all the rest of our towns and cities? Suppose the regular pastors try a little blue work and plain Holy Ghost preaching, and see if they can't have a revival without any evangelist from abroad. Brethren, get to your work right, for you are dishonoring your calling.

Men who never attend prayer-meetings and actually hate class meetings, are poorly prepared to appreciate christian education, and it is no wonder they slur at denominational schools.

Some people are wincing wonderfully at our hits on dancing, theatre going, church gambling, &c., and they begin to tell us of pulling out the beam. Ah, my friends, we don't forget that beam! but you will please remember the things mentioned are not notes, but sins, and if you do not quit them, you will be very certain to be turned off on the left hand.

Some body complains that some of our people are guilty of the things mentioned as well as other churches. Remember we make no exceptions, but say all these things are very wrong for church members.

Wonderful Statement.

In spite of the adverse criticisms on Rev. Sam. Jones and his methods, we have it on good authority that the church attendance has been largely increased this week, the prayer-meetings in all the city churches were larger than for many months, and the people must be doing a great deal of thinking, and inquiries are being made as to whether these things are so or not. All the critics have touched the church whisky item, and are amazed at the statement that the church furnishes the whisky for the people. The matter has been investigated, and there are 36 licensed wholesale houses, 81 persons in the business as owners, 68 of them are church members, divided about as follows: 19 Catholic, 15 Methodist, 12 Presbyterian, 7 Episcopalian, 6 Christian, 6 Baptist and 3 Cumberland Presbyterian. That looks very much like the church runs the whisky business. It is evident that the church influence and patronage withdrawn from the liquor traffic would seriously cripple it.—Holston Methodist.

Has Dr. Fitzgerald seen the above? Is this a slander on Nashville? Can it be possible that there are 15 wholesale liquor dealers in the Methodist Church? Will the doctor give us the facts? We shall wait impatiently for his answer.

HONESTY.

It is astonishing how potent a trite saying or axiom is for evil or good. We are led to that remark in thinking of the oft repeated remark or aphorism, that "Honesty is the best policy." Now we undertake to say that a man who is only honest through policy is not honest at all. Honesty is principle, not policy. Principle means to do right regardless of consequences, and policy means to do right if it will pay—if not, do wrong. Only honest to serve a purpose, by either gaining popular favor or by seeking the advantage that seeming honesty gives in the individual and business transactions of life. The truly honest man is so from strong convictions of absolute right and a fixed determination to abandon all evil even the very appearance of it. True honesty rises above all selfish considerations and can see our brother's rights as well as our own, and would rather be defrauded than to take the advantage of our fellows. We once heard a minister say that he had told another minister that he believed that it was utterly impossible for him to deal fairly where his own interests were involved. How shocking! A man to yield to selfishness and mercenary feeling till he can see no one's interest but his own. Poor humanity! how frail and how fallen! We heard the great Joshua Green once say, "that the very least religion could do for a man was to make him honest," and yet how very few really honest people there are in the world. Men claim to be honest who have paid their debts a half dozen times twenty or thirty cents on the dollar, and still live and move in style. Such honesty may pass with our present society, but really it is an offense to God. Men claim to be honest who have bankrupted on widowhood and defrauded orphanage, and that, too, by borrowing the very money they were dependant upon for a living. We have heard men talk of being honest, when we knew that they would take the advantage of every law in the land to prevent paying their just debts. Men take all sorts of advantages in horse trading, by hiding their horses defects or by deceiving either by word or oath, and then talk of being honest. We can see them daily taking all sorts of advantages to rob the government, to cheat men, and to defraud society, and still think of getting to heaven by honesty. Thousands of men who are not as honest as the law requires, and think they will be saved because they are so much more honest than many of their fellow men. To reach heaven a man must deal justly, love mercy and walk humbly with his God. Nothing short of this will answer. It must be Bible honesty as well as Bible mercy, and nothing will be allowed for man's short comings, either from ignorance or weakness. The true rule in honest transactions is always to reverse positions. If you are buying, imagine yourself the seller, if you are selling, reckon yourself the buyer. Act upon this rule, and remember that heaven will always demand one hundred cents on the dollar. Keep out of debt is the safest and wisest, but if you can't avoid debt be certain to pay to the very uttermost farthing. Be certain to show no disposition to avoid your creditors. If you are unfortunate and cannot meet your honest obligations, march up like a man and say so. Our church is suffering by the failure of so many of our ministers and people to pay their debts. We have known of ministers being ruined by moving from place to place and leaving their debts unpaid and many of our people spend more to bank rupt or run away than it would take to pay their debts. Our standard will have to be raised, or we will suffer great loss. We need a revival of old fashioned, straightforward honesty. We can remember when church membership meant something in this regard. A man in the church could get credit, and the church would turn him out if he failed to pay his debts unless he could show good reasons; but not so now. Our church is being filled with dishonest men living in splendor to the great dishonor of religion. A few sermons on honesty all through our state would be a blessing. Who will begin? But be certain your record is clear in every respect before you be-

gin. Don't commence and be brought to a halt like the men who brought the adulterous women to the Master. They were in a sad fix, let ministers take warning. When you stand in the pulpit be like old Samuel, turn to the people and "say whose ox have I stolen, &c," or challenge them like "grand old Joshua, to bring forward any charge against you." Happy any minister in such a state as that. We hope all our ministers and people will read this and let their be a heart and pocket searching time. A return to honesty will hasten the millennium.

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE

Tuesday, May the 5th, was the time appointed for a large number of the heroes and heroines of the quill to leave Little Rock en route to Helena, where the Press Association was to hold its annual meeting. Our train was attached to the regular one that leaves daily at 2:50. Capt. Harry McDonald was our conductor, and, of course, everything passed off pleasantly. The cars were not unpleasantly crowded, and every thing went as merrily as a marriage bell. On the way we had the pleasure of making the acquaintance of "Bill Arp" alias Charles H. Smith, formerly of Rome, Georgia. He and the now celebrated Sam Jones were both raised in Rome. The Major had some good ones to tell of his former citizen, and we suspect Rev. Sam could return the compliment. We thanked him for the first good laugh we had after the surrender of Gen. Lee, and reminded him of the fact that Bill Arp came very near defeating Charles Jones for representative. We found him very talkative and pleasant, and he has promised us something for our columns. At Forrest City the citizens treated us to a fine supper, and Col. Dunn to a speech of welcome, which was happily responded to by the Prest., C. C. Colburn. Reached Helena at 10 p.m., and found the people waiting for us, and this writer was soon at his accustomed home at Brother Nelson's, and ready for sleep. Wednesday morning at 9 the Association met in the Grand Opera House, and was soon under full headway. The address of the President was good in every way. Full of wise suggestions, and thoughtful considerations. He is a first-class man. We had good papers from Mr. Job, Prof. Shinn and many others, which elicited much discussion. Wednesday night was the address of welcome by Judge Horner, and the response by Rev. Z. T. Bennett, followed by the address of Col. Smithee, and a poem by Mr. Ludwig. All of these were said to be very fine, and highly creditable to the speakers, but this scribe was at prayer-meeting, where we had a most delightful time. Of course they must have a ball, and many of the preachers and members forgot their church vows and went. The excuse was they only wanted to see and hear the address of welcome by young Hindman. It was said to be very good, but we were willing to take the word of other people. Wicked people have no right to make such preparation for christian people, and they dishonor themselves by an attendance. We left the army of scribes on Thursday at 2 p.m., for Milan, Tennessee, via Forrest City and Memphis, to attend the Sunday-school Conference of the Paris District. We found P. E. Whitten, and a large crowd of delegates on hand, and immersed in work. There were over seventy delegates and a large number of visitors. The whole programme was splendid and we never listened to better papers or richer discussions. Every man seemed at his best, and the criticisms were very exhaustive. If the Sabbath-school work on that district is not wonderfully improved, we shall be badly disappointed. Whitten is a born Captain and made to lead. Only a little friction in the whole proceedings. The Sunday-school Conference is a new piece of machinery of Methodism and neither the membership or work, is clearly defined in our discipline. Some ladies had been elected delegates and the P. E. ruled that they could not be admitted to seats, and we think he ruled correctly. By the law of analogy he was certainly correct; but then he erred in permitting an appeal from this decision to the Conference, and by which they were seated. It was a question of law,

and no decision could be had only to the Bishop at the next Conference, and the question must be brought to Bishop Hargrove at the next session of the Memphis Conference, and settled. Of course we are opposed to ladies being admitted as members of our Conferences, and if they can be admitted to one, then why not to all. Woman's work for woman neither requires or demands any thing of the kind. But let the matter rest till we hear the decision of the Bishop, and then every body will be satisfied. It was a grand conference. Brothers Mahon and Pepper from Memphis, Brother Moore from Humboldt, Brother Wilson from Trenton, and Brother Heflin from Hickman, added much to the occasion; but Miss Lochie Rankin, our returned missionary, was the central figure. Her parents live here, and from their humble christian home have gone forth two missionary teachers to China, and one preacher to the Golden Shore. Honored home! noble christian parents! We never enjoyed a better meeting. It was earnest, lively, social and deeply religious. Would to God there could be just such an one held in every district in our church. These conferences must be held, and that, too, separate and apart from the District Conference. The Sabbath-school work is too important to be hurried over. Great complaint that there were no catalogues of our books and Sunday-school periodicals on hand. We hope the Agent will see that these are on hand where needed. Many thanks to all the brethren who helped us in our work and with our paper. We will soon have a good showing in Tennessee, and we intend to invade Missouri and Texas. We expect a very great time at the Paris District Conference at McKenzie in July, but P. E. Whitten can't beat this conference. We are now at Central Memphis helping Dr. Mahon. More next week. Milan is a nice town and took care of every body and gave us all a grand time. Hope to visit them again.

Letter from Rev. S. M. Cherry.

EDITORS METHODIST:—The daily Nashville Banner of Tuesday gives nearly an entire column to Religious Record, with head lines of "A Great Awakening in the Churches of the City—Gossip About Some Leading Lights of the Pulpit." Just twenty names of preachers are given beginning with Bishop McTyeire and closing with Rev. Sam Jones, who is to begin his meeting in his Gospel Tent May 10th. And what is remarkable the twenty are all Methodist's and the revivals mentioned are all at Methodist Churches—Elm Street, 15 conversions last Sunday night—prayer-meeting at 8 a. m., announced for this week. Tulip Street meeting just closed, 150 conversion, additions 111. "The most remarkable revival that has ever occurred in North Edgefield is now in progress at the Foster Street Church, over 60 conversions in less than two weeks." No mention is made of any preachers or revivals other than the Methodist's. But the column closes with a puff of a "Palatial New Saloon" and of "Opera Puff Cigarettes." The column being filled out with such notices reminds me of what Mrs. Mooney wrote you recently about Methodist revivals and the closing of saloons, and the notice of the Gospel Tent and the new saloon in the same line of street cars, recalls what Bro. Sam Jones said of church members selling whiskey in Nashville.

"Liquor Dealers Tax," is the caption of the more than a column in the Banner of the same date, April 28th, this leading article in the leading daily of that city states that in 1884 of the 2,010 wholesale and retail liquor dealers only 1,210 paid the tax to the State, leaving 800 who failed to pay. The committee appointed by our legislature, after full investigation, report that \$94,720.50 due the State has not been paid. Only \$154,678.80 collected of this revenue. The committee indicate that clerks and courts favor the whiskey dealers thus. Some clerks violate the law by allowing dealers license without pay in advance. Some clerks report from the largest cities, when they have parties arrested for selling liquor without license in every instance the courts have released the parties by the payment of the costs and the nominal

fine which invariably amounts to less than the cost of the State license. And the clerks say that it is impossible to enforce the law when it costs less to do business in violation of the law than in conformity to law.

The report gives Davidson county 316 whiskey dealers, 103 of whom failed to pay \$15,000 due the State—Nashville is in that county—one-eighth of the delinquent dealers in and near the capitol, and nearly one-sixth of the money of which the State is defrauded by clerks, courts and liquor dealers in and near Nashville. But Memphis is far worse, 365 of the 800 delinquent dealers are in Shelby county and \$45,250 of the \$94,720.50 is in that county. Nearly half of the fraud of the State in one city or county. The Nashville Liquor Dealers Association, just before our last State election, issued a circular telling their friends who to vote for in Davidson county for the legislature, and those they named were generally elected.

And yet from Rev. Sam Jones and the Nashville American we learn that five-sixths of the wholesale liquor dealers of Nashville belong to seven leading denominations of christian churches. I wish I knew what proportion of those who are defrauding the State of the blood money belonging to the church. I shall go to Nashville (d v) when Rev. Sam Jones returns, and hear him unmask this horrible corruption in the churches. I do not wonder that men who deal in liquor try to swindle the state of the sum for which they are authorized to kill the souls and bodies of men. I am glad you thunder out so boldly against the drink curse. No wonder your circulation has more than doubled in less than a year. When you go to Nashville will you please whisper in the ears of our Agent and Editors to continue the castigation of "The Whiskey Devil" in all our publications there? The former has some timely and telling articles in the Advocate on the evils which now threaten the spiritual power and prosperity of the church. When he gets through with those which he has so long and faithfully throated, I trust he will strike some sledge hammer blows upon the giant evil which now defies both church and state. The age and ability of the Doctor and his influence in the church eminently qualify him for this important work.

We are anticipating the visit and services of your senior here in the pulpit and on the platform with promises of both pleasure and profit to the people.

Culleoka, Tenn., April 30, 1885.

The Arkansas Democrat says, "that the ARKANSAS METHODIST can get a discussion out of the "Gazette" about most any subject except comparative circulation, but about this the "Gazette" "fights shy." Since which the "Gazette" says, "that they issue sworn statements monthly of their circulation," but did not say what that circulation was. This is very indefinite it is true, but "small favors &c. &c." Let us hope that we may yet be favored with the "Gazette's" circulation.

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ARKANSAS METHODIST

SATURDAY, MAY 16, 1885.

Missionary Department

The following preamble and resolutions were presented at a recent meeting of the First Church Woman's Missionary Society, and unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, It has come about, as we believe, in the order of divine Providence, that our dear friends and fellow-laborers, Mrs. N. H. and Miss Lizzie Pirtle are soon to take their departure for a home in a distant state, and in all probability will not meet with us soon again, therefore be it

Resolved, That in parting with these our dear friends, we as a society, relinquish with deepest regret, two of our longest-trying and most efficient members. Two, whose words of encouragement and efforts in behalf of the cause they so much love have never been wanting; and be it

Resolved, further, That they carry with them our prayers for health, happiness and all blessings, the Father above can bestow, and for our final re-union when life's work is over.

MRS. M. J. MCALMONT,
MRS. SUE WINFIELD,
MRS. FLORIE FIELD.

The Eighth Street Sunday-school also adopted similar resolutions.

Plan of Episcopal Visitations for 1885.

1ST DISTRICT—BISHOP HARGROVE.

- Denver Conf., July 16—Trinidad, Col.
- Montana Conf., Aug. 6—Willow Creek, Mont.
- Columbia Conf., Sept. 10—Albany, Oregon.
- Pacific Conf., Sept. 30—Sacramento, Cal.
- Los Angeles Conf., Oct. 28—Los Angeles, Cal.
- N. Mississippi Conf., Dec. 2—Kosciusco, Miss.
- Memphis Conf., Dec. 10—Paducah, Ky.
- Florida Conf., Jan. 6—Orlando, Fla.

2D DISTRICT—BISHOP GRANBERY.

- Western Conf., Sept. 2—Wyandotte, Kan.
- Missouri Conf., Sept. 9—Columbia, Mo.
- Indian Mission Conf., Sept. 17—Oak Lodge, Ind. Ter.
- St. Louis Conf., Sept. 23—Charleston, Mo.
- S.-W. Mo. Conf., Sept. 30—Lexington, Mo.
- Arkansas Conf., Nov. 25—Morrilton, Ark.
- Little Rock Conf., Dec. 2—Arkadelphia, Ark.
- White River Conf., Dec. 9—Helena, Ark.

3D DISTRICT—BISHOP M'TYRE.

- Mexican Border Mission Conf., Oct. 29—San Antonio, Tex.
- West Texas Conf., Nov. 4—Gonzales, Texas.
- Northwest Texas Conf., Nov. 11—Corsicana, Texas.
- North Texas Conf., Nov. 18—Paris, Texas.
- German Mission Conf., Nov. 26—New Fountain, Texas.
- Texas Conf., Dec. 2—Austin, Texas.
- East Texas Conf., Dec. 9—Beaumont, Texas.
- Mississippi Conf., Dec. 16—Meridian, Miss.
- Baltimore Conf., March 10—Staunton, Va.

4TH DISTRICT—BISHOP KEENER.

- Illinois Conf., Sept. 30—Pana, Ill.
- W. Virginia Conf., Oct. 7—Ashland, Ky.
- Holston Conf., Oct. 21—Cleveland, Tenn.
- Virginia Conf., Nov. 11—Petersburg, Va.
- N. Carolina Conf., Nov. 25—Charlotte, N. C.
- S. Carolina Conf., Dec. 9—Columbus, S. C.
- Louisiana Conf., Jan. 6—Baton Rouge, La.
- Central Mexican Mission, Feb. 24—City of Mexico, Mex.

5TH DISTRICT—BISHOP WILSON.

- Kentucky Conf., Sept. 9—Versailles, Ky.
- Tennessee Conf., Oct. 7—Columbia, Tenn.
- N. Alabama Conf., Nov. 18—Gadsden, Ala.
- N. Georgia Conf., Nov. 25—Newman, Ga.
- S. Georgia Conf., Dec. 9—Brunswick, Ga.
- Alabama Conf., Dec. 16—Union Springs, Ala.

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QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

- Arkadelphia District—Third Round.
H. D. McKinnon, P. E.
Malvern sta, May 2, 3.
Arkadelphia sta, 9, 10.
Social Hill ct, 16, 17.
Hot Springs sta, 23, 24.
Hot Springs ct, 30, 31.
Malvern ct, June 8, 9.
Clark ct, 13, 14.
Amity ct, 20, 21.
Caddo ct, 27, 28.
Tulip ct, July 4, 5.
Gurdon ct, 11, 12.
Mt Ida ct, 18, 19.
Cedar Glades miss, 25, 26.
Princeton ct, August 1, 2.

Washington District—Third Round.

- D. T. Holmes, P. E.
Prescott sta, June 6, 7.
Washington, 13, 14.
Hope, 20, 21.
Fulton circuit, 20, 21.
Murfreesboro ct, 27, 28.
Mineral Springs ct, 27, 28.
Texarkana ct, July 4, 5.
Midway, 11, 12.
Lockesburg ct, 18, 19.
Saline circuit, 18, 19.
Center Point ct, 22-27 (this will be at the camp-meeting at Pump Spring).
Dallas circuit, Aug. 8, 9.
Cove mission, 1, 2.
Chapel Hill, 15, 16.
Richmond and Rocky Comfort, 22, 23.
Little River ct, 29, 30.

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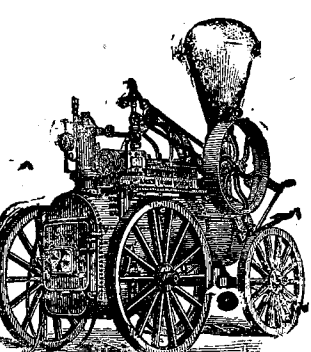
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SATURDAY, MAY 16, 1885.

Little Helpers.

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

A Walking Talk.

Come, my little ones, and let us take a walk out into the gardens, orchards, fields and woods, and enjoy the beauties of nature. See those lovely little flowers, blooming so innocently all about us. Hear the music of a thousand birds that have come with the lovely spring time. How pleasant is the warm sunshine! What a happy change has come over all the world in a few bright days! How good is our Father, who art in heaven, to let us have so many pleasant things and see such lovely changes in all the scenes about us. And do you know that He wants us all to take on new beauties of life and character continually, just as the plants and trees do in the pleasant spring? Just as the noble sun draws the dew-drops over the gardens, distills the rain along the furrows and warms the orchards into new life, beauty and fruitfulness, so does the great Sun of Righteousness draw our hearts toward a new life of moral loveliness and joy. And remember, children, that all this great change in nature has been done by each little plant standing right in his own humble place, doing his little best to respond to the call of our great Father. Suppose the violet and all the other dear little flowers were to go to putting and stubbornly refuse to grow or look bright or be sweet, just because they cannot all be great big trees, towering high in the air like forest kings. Can every plant be a tree? Of course not. Neither can we all be what the world calls "big folks." But I tell you what we can all do. We can each one open our little hearts and take in the life of God's spirit, which will make us grow good; keep our minds in bright and lovely frame all the time, and cause us to bear fruits of life eternal. Shall we gather some of these pretty flowers to take home with us? Yes, the very sweetest we can find. And our Heavenly Father will send the angels to gather many a little soul from earth to live in heaven this year. Who will it be? Oh! let us all keep pure and sweet, so if He sends for us we will be ready. What a lovely world heaven must be! It gets all the pure, true and lovely of earth, and none of the ugly or bad.

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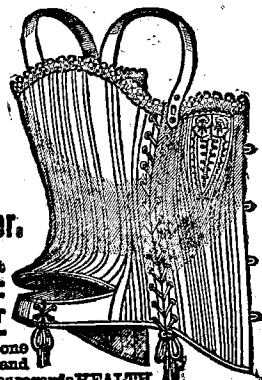
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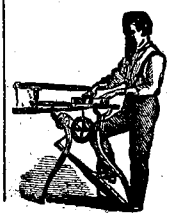
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SATURDAY, MAY 16, 1885.

OBITUARIES.

HIGHFILL.—Rev. Hezekiah Highfill was born in South Carolina, May 4, 1807, and after living in several other States, he came to Arkansas and settled in Greene county in 1857, and died at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Sarah Wood, near Bethel, April 17, 1885, being nearly 78 years old. "One by one" God's faithful servants are crossing over to the other shore, and leaving bright and glorious evidence behind that they enter the rest prepared for the righteous in a better world. Father Highfill was one of the best men I ever knew, and as a local preacher he was eminently useful in leading sinners to Christ and building up the Church of God. He loved the Church, and especially the Methodist Church, South, of which he was a member and minister for more than forty years, and he loved all good people, and he loved to work for the Lord and rejoiced in the prosperity of Zion. But his work on earth is done and he has gone to his reward on high, leaving several children, grand-children and a large circle of devoted friends to mourn his loss; but they rejoice in the firm and consoling belief that their loss, however great and irreparable, is his eternal gain. Sleep on in peace, my dear, old, faithful brother! Together, for more than a quarter of a century, have we labored in the vineyard of the Lord and against the powers of sin and darkness; but your part of the work is finished, and you have put aside the armor of God on earth for the victor's crown among the redeemed, while I tarry still on the field of battle, waiting for the Master's permission to "come up higher." May God help me and all who read these lines to be as fully prepared for the welcome plaudit as I believe he was: "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." D. B. WARREN.

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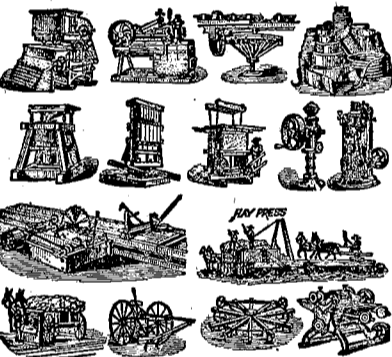
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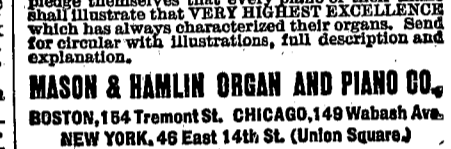
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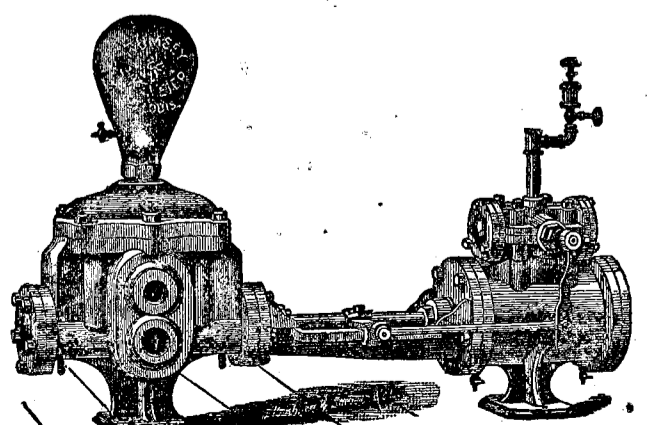
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