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## **General News.**

#### Russia and England.

The English parliament has adjourned, hence we are not treated to the usual interrogatories propounded to Mr. Gladstone by the opposition. relative to the negotiations between England and Russia. England's active and vigorous preparations for war, and the ominous reticence of the constituted authorities, have strengthened the belief that there has been a hitch is the proceedings looking to a peaceful adjustment of their differences.

Vandals continue their work of defacing and destroying paintings in the Royal Academy, London, despite the vigilance of detectives.

Burton and Cunningham, the noted dynamiters, for some time on trial in England, have been sentenced to imprisonment for life. France.

Is in mourning over the demise of Victor Hugo, the poet and novelist. The prospect of a financial crisis there is causing much alarm.

Germany.

It is reported that England has gained a signal victory over Russia,in winning Bismarck to her cause. That the astute and wily diplomat has been well paid none will doubt, if indeed his favor has been thus purchased.

Egypt. The natives of Dongola fearing massacre at the hands of El Mahdi, since the evacuation of the Soudan by the British, are leaving in large numbers. Japan.

Is coming up on education. Threefourths of her children are reported in attendance upon their public schools. Mexico,

Yellow fever is reported in the Northern Mexican States, and against which the Arazonians want a quarantine.

Our Own Country.

Tornadoes are abroad in the land again. They have made a few close calls in the Northwest recently.

A plague known as the black tongue diphtheria, has broken out at Paris, Pa., and is spreading in the Ohio valley. Yellow Jack peeping at us from the West and cholera from the East, while cyclones and black tongue diphtheria are see-sawing in the middle, would seem sufficient to provoke seriousness for the nonce, but in producing cankering anxiety, they are not to be compared to the tardiness of the President and Cabinet in the removal of the "ins" and the installing of the

The peach crop promises an unusual vield. Gardens hereabouts are being gladdened by an occasional spring shower. Senator Dick Waller is a candidate for Congress from the Third District,

State News.

The general assembly of the C. P. Church is in session in Bentonville, Ark. Circuit court was in session last

week in Jacksonport, Judge Powell, presiding. An unsuccessful attempt was made

to burn a block of wooden buildings in Hope, recently.

Newport has a new, nice and well equipped temperance reading-room for young men.

Mrs. Judge Aiken died suddenly of appoplexy last, Saturday. We extend our sympathy. Dr. Dunn, of Little River Co., sports

a chicken with four well developed legs, and four wings. C. W. Clark was the lowest bidder,

and got the contract for the new addition to the Insane Asylum. His bid was \$59,700.

Col. Greenhaw and Dr. Redwine, of Marshall, Searcy county, called Tuesday, and report health, peace and plenty in their county.

The United States marshals arrived in Fort Smith from the Indian nation this week, with their usual and varied cargo and contribution of criminals.

Messrs. Martin & Thompson are pushing the B. & B. railroad to completion to Newport. The graders are nearing Auvergne, ten miles out from Newport.

Mr. R. L. Davis, of Jackson county, mourns the death of his noble wife. It was our sad pleasure to talk and pray with her just before she died. Bro. Ritter will turnish obituary.

Many farmers in Woodruff and other counties in the state, have had to plow up their cotton on account of a poor stand. Those who had the seed planted the second time, and those who did not planted corn.

Onr newly elected mayor, or rather re-elected, is already in trouble. It is said that he is conniving at opening the gambling houses and other infamous places. We will say no more at present, but await developements.

Our grand jury, it is said, will investigate the late election and see who spent money to influence voting. Go bottom, gentlemen, and let no escape, either high or low, rich or or. The ballot box must be kept pure or we are gone.

Personal. Bishop McTyeire is said to be one of

#### Sam Jones' early hearers. Rev. S. M. Cherry sends us a fine letter from Culleoka to adorn our col-

umns.

Rev. Ed. T. Jones, Augusta, our old and valued friend, delighted us with a pleasant call last week.

Rev. Frank Ritter, Newport, we were glad to find in greatly improved health, and quite hopeful and happy. Rev. W. A. Harris, Staunton, Virginia, sends us his programme this week, and his "ad" will soon appear. Rev. J. W. Rush, editor of the Alabama Advocate, is strongly opposed to any change in our church name. So are we.

Rev. Horace Jewell reports an unusually large audience last Sunday. He will preach every night next week. We wish him abundant success.

Col. G. W. Murphey, and his broth er-in-law, Col. Moore, called to see us last week. Sorry we were not in to see them. Hope they will call again. Rev. J. B. McFerrin, D. D., preaches the commencement sermon of Huntsville Female College, and Rev. A. Monk delivers the graduating address. Rev. Julian C. Brown will deliver an address at McKenzie, Tenn., and at Altus, Ark. Those schools will be delighted with our gifted young orator.

Rev. B. M. Messick, D. D., of Louisville, Ky., has kindly added his name to our rapidly increasing subscription list. He is one of our rapidly developed men.

Judge J. S. Triplett, of St. Louis, and formerly of Searcy, is in the city. The recent death of his bright and manly boy, John, has grayed and saddened him.

Rev. David T. Leith was rendering faithful service the past week at Central church, in Memphis, and our good Brother Steele was also on hand and preached grandly.

Rev. Geo. M. Hill writes of a splendid meeting at Ozark. Twenty-nine conversions and the church much built up. P. E. Harlan was on hand and aided in the meeting.

Hon. Fred. Kramer, our newly elected mayor, is already the target for some shot and shell. He will catch more if he undertakes to open up saloons and gambling dens.

Rev. W. C. Johnson, D. D., formerly editor of the Western Methodist, was to be in fine health and spirits. Rev. E. N. Evans paid us a nice

**Field Notes.** 

We begin the weekly report from the field hands with a note from one of our former field hands and now filling a worthy place in the local ranks. Rev. Dejalma Leake is now at Lacey, and sends us the following report: "I suppose you are aware of the fact that I have been appointed by the Elder to take charge of the Lacey circuit. So to-day finds us fully installed as preacher in charge, going ahead best we can, looking after all the interests of our blessed Church. Our Church in south-east Arkansas, to some extent, is behind, but I feel that on Lacev circuit she is moving up to the front. The people are taking a greater interest in going to church than ever before, and I feel that the P.C. is doing the best preaching of his life. The older I get the more need I feel for it, and I pray that this year may. be the grandest year of our ministry; many souls may be added to the in favor with my people, and long may it continue to grow, until every family in Arkansas shall welcome its coming." So we find that our brother is again a field hand in the full acceptation of the term, and we offer the right hand of fellowship and shall expect great things for the METHO-DIST.

Now we will give some good notes from the indomitable Granade: "In nearly every charge in Batesville district, White River conference, we are having refreshing times trom God. The old fire burns-family altars are kept up-personal piety is growing with many-Sunday-schools are flourishing and growing in true spirituality-churches are being built; class and prayer-meetings, church conferences and love feasts are greatly increased and improved; our papers and literature used; large numbers attend the sessions of our quarterly conferences. Methodism asserts her loving power under God to meet the spiritual demands of the day and save the people. The preachers though receiving only a pittance of a support are bravely battling on, looking for success and trusting God and his people for supplies. Our local preachers, many of them, are stirring up themselves to renewed effort, and will be a power for good. Discipline is being enforced where needed, and this does good. Whiskey nearly gone from our borin at Central church prayer meeting ders, many under conviction about last Wednesday morning. He seemed tobacco, peace and good will prevail. We will succeed if we faint not." A traveling preacher in a private letter to his P. E. says: "I have a great desire to work in my Master's vineyard. 'I love thy kingdom Lord: the house of thine abode,' and I love our particular branch of the kingdom. I realize more fully than ever the necessity of thoroughly indoctrinating and methodising our people. Our system of salvation is scriptural in all its parts. The redemption of children, their relation to God through the atonement: a possible salvation to every sinner; the free moral agency of every man, all the time from the moment he becomes responsible until he enters the kingdom above; the full and constant deliverance from all sin; the being perfected in love; yet subjected to temptation, and conscious of weakness and having always to watch unto prayer. And O if Methodists would but faithfully use the means of grace as furnished in our beloved Zion. I hope you will stir up our preachers and officials on these things, especially on the use of our social meetings and the faithful yet loving administration of discipline. I need rubbing up on these things myself. and it done in the presence of the Quarterly Conference it would do the officials good, and help to bring them more into co-operation with the pastor. Lord, what an unprofitable servant am I! Shall I ever live at this poor, eration to Christ."

dying rate?" This extract indicates that his mind is being moved by the Holy Spirit to do faithful work. This is what we now need. As the farmer must labor earnestly all through sowing and cultivating time in order to a harvest, so must we workers in the Lord's field. O Lord, still stir us up to strive and we will work on for souls and for thee."

Rey. Thos. Franks, pastor on Viela circuit, White River conference, writes to the P.E.: "We have had churck conferences at every place; have had some good meetings; have four menbers on trial for immorality; congregations getting larger each time; two regular prayer meetings; nine Sundas schools, only two of them Methodisk, the others are union; getting no support, but I am still living and not discouraged. A good interest manifested all over the work."

Rev. E. A. Garrison, P. C., White River Conference, sayt: "I wrote to church. The METHODIST is growing you last week but the waste basket devoured it; 'tis all right, you are editors, and I never was classed among the grumblers; will still were tor our paper and trust to add many to the hundred and odd subscribers here, gained by my honored predecessors and your Junior. This is the third week of our protracted meeting -church with armor on-our morning services enlivened with triumphans shouts of rejoicing christians; house crowded at night; twenty-six penk tents; several accessions; we expect greater things; we thank God and take courage. Presbyterian and Bap tist pastors are working with us. The sweet-spirited Jeffett and the ready, warm-hearted Bennett have the full armor on and battling nobly for the Master. Can not one of yet "come over and help us?" Reader. we ask you to pray for us."

Sorry we can not go, but the absence of the Senior necessitates our "tarr\* ing by the stuff."-[JUNIOR.

Now we will close this week with one from Brother S. W. Register, from Jamestown: "I thought I would write you a few lines about a Sunday-school celebration and picnic in my charge, at Pine Grove, on the 2d and 3d. The school met at 10 a.m. and formed in line and marched in procession withbanner with this inscription: "Pine-Grove Sunday-school" and "Work for Jesus." There were about 100 in the procession, and as they marched they sung some of those beautiful songs in the "New Life," such as "Work for Jesus," "Do Good," "What a Friend we Have in Jesus," "Happy Pilgrim," and several other beautiful pieces. After the march all were seated in the grove, estimated at about 600 persons in all, and we had three addresses, after opening with prayer by Bro. Z. T. Griffin, followed by an address by the writer, then one by Rev. Z. T. Griffin. We then adjourned for dinner, which consisted of a great many good things, such as ham, chicken. pies, custards, cake, and other things too tedious to mention. After dinner was over we had another speech by Rev. T. Hambey. The school then marched again and sang several songs and then dismissed. All passed off in peace and love. All religious denominations took part in the celebration. We had a nice time all the way through. We have a good, religious people on the mountain; old citizens tell me that they have not heard a profane oath on this mountain in years. People here live in the enjoyment of religion every day and are training up their children to love God. Oh what a good thing it is to see parents and children in the service of God. We have a Sunday-school at all of my appointments, all in good work. ing order, all Methodist schools. I hope that God will bless them all. I pray that they will be instrumental in bringing the young and rising gen-

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The President has appointed Mr. P Zack Montgomery, of California, attorney general for the Interior Department. He was nominated by Mr. Garland, and has been severely criticised on account of his supposed heterodoxy in religion and public schools, but we know not how justly.

Vice-President Hendricks is spending vacation at home in Indianapolis.

The opium habit in San Francisco is reported on the increase. The horrible death of Dr. Charles Pierce, a victim of the morphine habit, there, has aroused and called public attention to the subject anew.

Ex-Gov. St. John lectured in Springfield, Ill., Monday night, He severely castigated the Republican element of the Legislature which refused him the use of the hall. He lauded the South and said in all moral questions, and particularly temperance, it was far ahead of the North.

Senator Edmonds has been summoned to testify on points in American law before the British House of Lords. He will leave Sunday.

Secretary of Navy Whitney, is proving himself vigilant and capable, and is instituting very much needed reforms, and will save the government there. The question should be raised thousands of dollars.

Director-Gen. Burke, of the New Orleans Exposition, has resigned.

The Arkadelphia Standard says White county is the banner fruit county. She will ship \$200,000 worth of fruit and vegetables, and that fruit growers at Judsonia clear an average of \$160 an acre from tomatoes, and \$150 from strawberries.

The Searcy Wheel-Enterprise, week before last contained a ringing call to the citizens of Searcy and vicinity to stop and entertain the excursionists who are to pass Kensett, June 4th. It is to be hoped they will not let this opportunity pass to widely advertise their town.

Some of our contemporarirs have taken offence at our paragraph about patent outsides. Well, brethren, it is only an expression of our taste, but since you don't like it, we will take it all back, and you can have just as many as you want. Please consider it withdrawn and we are friends.

The editor of the Fordyce Enterprise having recently seen the displays of Mexico and China, at the N. O. Exposition, and considering them much superior to the U.S., says he will not subscribe again to send missionaries again as to what they go there for? There is another grander and very different exhibition ahead.

visit, and says we may tell everybody that the new Chapel is going right forward. Brother Clark, the celebrated brick man says the same. Hon. Simon P. Hughes, our worthy governor, will orate at Clinton on the 16th of June, before the Clinton High School. The preacher goes before the governor at that time and place. Rev. A, B. Jones, president of Huntsville Female College, lays us under

obligation by sending us an invitation to his next commencement. . The invitation is a beauty, and we know it will be a grand occasion.

Rev. Cadesman Pope has accepted the Presidency of Millersburg Female College, and will enter on duty next September. Arkansas will patronize her old son, for he is every way deserving.

Rev. J. J. Lafferty, editor of the Richmond Advocate, is one of the most liberal spirited christian men we wot of. He is delivering lectures to help repair a Baptistery in one of the Baptist churches of the Old Dominion. Noble example.

Our Senior returned from Somerville, Tenn., Saturday and left Sunday night at midnight, for Nashville and other points. He will be absent till June 5th. He delivers an address at Culleoka, May 28th, and at Huntsville. Ala., June 2d; Altus, Ark., June 10th, and at Clinton, Ark., June 14th.

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## SATURDAY, MAY 30, 1885.

ADVOCATE FAMILY.

#### Where are the Nine?

As Jesus was near a certain city he met ten lepers who besought him that they might be healed. In his compassion he looked upon them and bade them go "show themselves unto the priests; and as they went they were healed." As they went; not after they got there, but as they went. Of the ten only one returned to express his gratitude to Jesus for the goodness shown him. Jesus said, "Where are the nine?" No one could tell Only this poor stranger had the gratitude to return and give glory to God. This represents it. There are only about one in ten that show the thankfulness to Almighty God for his mercies. The heavens send down their blessings by day and by night, and we receive the fulness of things and go our way without sending up one good thought to the giver of all good.

These nine unthoughtful lepers represent a large class of ungrateful people of to-day. Only the other day a preacher, speaking of a revival in his church, said that about seventy souls had been converted to God, and only thirty had joined the church or offered to do so. Some one standing by inquired, "where are the forty?" No one could tell; they had gone their way. Like the lepers, they may have been healed, but they show very little appreciation of the benefit. There is little hope of a man ever doing any good in the world who professes conversion and then bums about and finally settles down without any church relations. He will most surely fall from grace. If he ever was healed of the deadly leprosy he will catch it again.

Pastors do a very poor thing to number among their converts those who decline to join the church-some shurch-right off. They need not be counted. The work is not very deep, or else the consecration would be more thorough. Call those converts only who fall right into line and give God the glory by giving him their heart, mind and strength. One stranger did more for the cause of Christ than the nine ungrateful creatures who went their way.

#### "As the Twig is Bent so Will it Grow."

This trite and worn adage is chosen -as the caption of this article, not because we think any of our dear readers are so foolish as to deny the philosophy of this literally applied, but many do deny it when metaphorically applied to the young scions of our race. Many fathers and mothers deny it, by disregarding the sound wisdom it teaches, in allowing the little twigs of the parent stem to grow at random, like so many weeds, in a hap-hazard

indulge in fits of temper? We plead many believers made happy. guilty with the rest of our sisters, but does that make it right? There is no mother who has ever

felt the soft touch of baby fingers upon her cheek, but whose heart is touched by the p'eading wail of a motherless little one, and yet if we neglect to perform our duty towards our children they are indeed to be pittied as the homeless wanderers. We will make our meaning more forcible by com- one conversions up to date and equalparison.

We have in mind, a good mother in Israel, one who is a mother in every sense of the word, and whose children are held up as examples, those that are left, and those that have gone up "higher." We often hear the remark: "How is it those children are so remarkable, intellectually, morally, religiously, and socially?" We answer, because they have a mother! The secret of the whole matter is crouched in that one little word. A mother, not only in name but reality. A nother, who looks forward to the future of her child. A mother, who is ready with mallet and chisel to cut away the jagged edges of stone that are often protruding in the dispositions of children. A mother, who forms the character of her child, and one who has the nerve to refuse what she knows is not for their good. This is often hard to do, and parents who do this are thought rigid and severe, by the untutored mind, but in the coming future, when our daughters fill our places, they will know we were right in our severity. Can we be true mothers by humoring every whim, and indulging their appetites for gayety and frivolous fashion, and neglect to prune the growing twigs of selfishness, bigotry, disobedience and disloyalty to parental love and authority?

We deny that such mothers possess the love for their children that God has for us. Why do we wonder at the "fastness" of the age, when the first thing the toddler is taught is to "show off." Ah! there comes the rub, mothers, this growing tendency to keep up with the age. Ah! whithmake some superficial show whether he or she can multiply two by two, or analyze a simple sentence of three words. Ah! I tell you mothers, this great evil must be met some where, some how, it is sapping the very life our race. The fault lies with you, this love of display is fostered in the lessons, religion, and a love of study. cabin standing where Hudgins Bros. guage, "Not a hill of beans."

Ah! mothers you may bless the little graves in the church-yard yonder. they lessen your responsibility to God. For just as surely as there is a God in strict account of the manner in which we have brought up our children. Mothers, could you bear the thought that you may be condemned by your own child in that great day? Not for want of affection, but because you neglected to guide your child in wisdom's ways? Think over it, pray over it, and may God give us all the strength, and grace to do our duty. A MOTHER.

mother, who does not now and then tion, mourners were converted and ful ordeal through which they had vine authority, its imperative de-

Bro. Burrow led the van in clapping his hands, Bro. Johnson seconded with a loud smile, while Bro. Jerry brought up the rear with a silent laugh, and this writer looked on with infinite satisfaction.

The meeting still increases, and will soon gather all the pupils and others who are not religious, if earnest work will reach them. Twentyly as many mourners on last night. Bro. Johnson 1s the right man in the right place.

This is certainly a good place to educate. The moral welfare of the pupils is made a specialty. The instruction is thorough and the training is perfect. Just think of it. Young men and young ladies came here this term irreligious and unpolished. Now they are refined and earnest chirstians gaining knowledge daily and at the same time working in the Master's vineyard.

This is a healthy location. This is proven by the vigorous look of the pupils. It is also stated by good authority that pupils who come here in bad health soon become strong and gain in weight.

The scenery is sublime. I have mounted the hight of .Vanderbilt University, stood on the pinnacle of Tennessee's capital, looked upon the blue grass of Kentucky, gazed on the prairies of Missouri, and the hills of Arkansas with wonderful admiration, but I was never so completely enraptured until I climed Burrow's ladder and viewed the surrounding country for miles away. We will not attempt a description. The school is on a firm foundation and increasing annually. Bro. Burrow deserves credit for founding and managing so skillfully this growing institution. May it prosper.

BENJ. C. MATTHEWS. Paris, Ark., April 29, 1885.

#### A True Panther Story.

In a beautiful valley, surrounded by the "everlasting hills," is the pretty little town of Dallas, county cite of Polk county, Ark. Were you to visit er are we drifting? My child must it now with its neat cottages, large store houses and pretty gardens, all surrounded by well cultivated farms, you would hardly realize that a few years ago it was almost an unbroken wilderness, and that wild animals disputed the title of the lords of creablood of true nobility of soul out of tion to the country that had been their homes for ages past. It was about 1830 perhaps when a man moved his young child to the exclusion of the family, consisting of wife and two foundation stones upon which char- daughters, one 13 years and the other acter is built, wholesome truths; moral a few months old, into a little log What does all this frivolous superfi- large, two-story brick store house cial life amount to? as our dear old now stands. All around was a wil-Presiding Elder says in his terse lan-derness with an almost impenetrable thicket within a few paces of the house.

On the day the incident here related occurred, the father was from home at | many miles away from a loved mothwork and the mother visiting some er, with the prospect of long months est-toned Christian gentlemen of our heaven, will we all have to give a neighbor, leaving for a while the care of absence before me, for the time I State. He pays liberally and consisthe babe asleep in the cradle to the felt like a prisoner. Homesick and ently to the support of all the institu-13 year old sister. After the mother heartsick, in my loneliness and friend- tions of the Church. Yet he is irrehad been gone some time, the girl, lessness, I bethought me of the coun- ligious, and with tears he acknowlhearing a slight noise at the cradle, sels of my christian parents and re- edges his sins and sincerely desires an which was to her back, turned, and membered that there is an almighty interest in the special prayers of the to her astonishment saw a large pan- friend who is always accessible. Church. Brethren, will you pray for ther standing with glaring eyes over Moved by the gracious spirit, I de- him? the little sleeper. Nor did it stand there long, but with her long white teeth she took the child by the neck and started off with it to the thicket; but the sister had no idea of surrendering her charge, so she did not faint ing, and the truths taught at home I much of the blazing truths of the gosnor scream, but as soon as she recovered from her momentary horror, forgetful of her own danger in thinking of the peril of the little one, she quickly pursued, picking up a large stick as she ran. The contortions of tience of an earnest enquirer for the the screaming infant caused the panther to drop it just as it reached the formed that three times a day I would edge of the thicket when the brave read my Bible in regular course, with religion in the Church and for the girl ran up and took it, literally, from the very jaws of the panther, that it Accordingly I commenced in the was so supprised and awed by the morning and read the first chapter of anxious in urging their claims upon bold step, that the girl had turned and was running for the house before I besought that he who commanded manner as to cause us to know that it thought of resistance. It now the light bounded after her with fearful strides, but she leaped in the house and quickly closed and barred the door. The word and at the mercy seat. Not ity, and what power we concede to be panther tried for some time to gain an long had I continued this practice be- in prayer when in proper communion enterance, walking around the house fore my Bible began to develop beauuntil the sound of voices, as the moth- ties which I had never conceived it to mingled with the spirit of God that instinctive quality, is imitation. Here, distance, who were in all parts of the spint of closes, us the monor intervence of the spint of the spin of the

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wounds in the neck of the babe, and day, but other related portions, and grateful praise must have ascended could be no appeal, demands from to the great giver of all good, for the which there could be no release. preservation of the little one and the gift of such a child as the older one. So brave, so true; but little time was wasted, the father was notified and the neighbors collected and a hunt instituted. All that day they scoured the surrounding country, but failed to find the panther; at dark a council was held and it was determined to renew the hunt next day. The next morning the party collected again, reinforced by others and all the dogs that could be collected. They divided into several parties and until late in the evening searched in every direction without finding any trace of the animal. Tired and discouraged, they met again at the house, and consulting about what to do, one of the dogs began to bark in the thicket near the house, he was soon joined by others, and from the noise they made, the hunters knew that it was the game for which they were hunting; but who would go in that thicket to face such an enemy? It would take a brave heart, a steady hand and a quick shot to hope for succes; but one volunteered to go, preparing his gun carefully, and guided by the sound from the dogs, he began to crawl through the under brush pushing his gun before him. He had not gone far before he saw the object of his search lying on a fal en tree, cauly looking at the dogs that prudently kept at some distancy. He raised his rifle and fired, the panther leaped in the midst of the dogs and fell dead. The other hupters came in and the thicket was searched, and the den of the panther with several cubs, but a few months old was found, and doubtless it was for a dinner for these that it intended the little babe when frustrated by the brave girl.

Well, it is but natural that all will want to know something of the subsequent history of these two girls. The elder died before she reached womanhood; the babe grew to wowanhood, married (I believe a Judge Mills) and now lives in Texas. She is now an old woman, but still has the scars of the panther teeth in her neck.

I relate the above substantially as t was told me by the old citizens of Dallas. Some of whom were living in the neghborhood at the time the incident occured. Т.

#### HowIFound Ohrist.

#### BY S. CORNELIUS. D. D.

I had left the home of my youth to become a student in a distant institution. Seated there in my room, termined that I would thenceforward seek his friendship. The Bible I had been taught from my youth. Morning and eving it had ran, our energetic P. E., was with us been read and expounded in my hear- and stayed several days; giving us had heard constantly reiterated in the pel of which he is very full. The house of God. I had also occasionally stewards continue to look with interread the precious volume for myself est after the welfare and convenience and prayed for an understanding of of their pastor, and the membership it, but never with the persistent patruth. But now my full resolve was prayer for divine enlightenment. Genesis, and then bowing in prayer, the Christians, and that too in such a would sh. ... n my heart. Again at they are to find their way into the fanoon and night I sought God in his

mand . its awful, yet mercitul appeals,

The door was opened, the tale of at once awakened and attracted me. horror was told, verified by the ugly I read not alone the portion for the the blood on its garments, how close read them as being indeed the oracles ly she hugs it to her bosem, and what of God, decisions from which there

Just as my mind thus began to yield to the force of truth, a poor negroemployed about the college in various menial offices, came to my room sometimes with the request that I would read the New Testament to him. After the reading Ned would have many questions to ask, questions which revealed to me my own ignorance. Then it was I began to pray as never before. "O Lord, open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law." An honored servant of Christ was announced to preach in the neighboring city. I went with the multitude to hear him, and never can I forget those thunder bursts of truth that came from his lips as he portrayed the doom of the ungodly. I saw that I must repent or perish, that I must believe or be damned.

The hour of my deliverance was near at hand. In company with a Christian friend I went to a morning prayer-meeting, and there while sympathizing friends were stretching their hands to heaven in my behalt, I was led to cast myself in full confidence into the arms of Jesus. I went out from the prayer-meeting. Surely so golden a sun never shone before as that which beamed upon me. The world seemed illuminated with the divine glory, and my soul basked in the sunshine of a Savior's love. Many years have since passed away, but still the gladness of that happy day is not lost. O how many a day has been made bright to me since by the Bible and the mercy seat !

Christless reader, the same joy, the same peace and the same assurance of taith and hope are offered to you in the gospei. Christ and eternal life are to be found in the scriptures. Search and you shall find them. Nor need you wait many days in order that your search be successful. Take those precious promises and invitations which your memory has in trust, and plead with God to fulfill them in yonr present experience. For he saith: "I have heard you in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succored thee; behold now is the accepted time; behold now is the day of salvation."

"HOME, May 13th, 1885. MR. WALKER:—Please accept the enclosed package from your friend, W. P. GIBES."

The package spoken of in the above note contained a very fine suit, for which this preacher returns many thanks. The donor is a comparatively young man, and has all the qualities of mind which, if only converted to the religion of Christ, would bring him at once to a place with the high-Marion circuit is coming to the front on all points. Our second quarterly meeting has been held, and Bro. Cochare all reconsecrating themselves to God's service, and promising to be more constant and earnest in faithful, secret prayer for a gracious revival of conversion of sinners, many of whom are becoming greatly interested and ne out of darkness they regard us as the light by which vor of our God. O! what responsibilwith the Lord-our souls are so com-

- sort of style.

Now, dear mothers, (for it is to you we would especially speak) do not hold up your hands in holy horror! and stick your fingers in your ears, and ory: "No sermonizing it you please." Listen, I appeal to the mother's heart that beat within you. Look at that precious darling, as it lies close to your bosom, in the sweet "innocency of sleep. Not a furrow on its brow, not a line of care. Satan has not trailed, serpent-like, across the citadel of the infant heart; it is a precious lamb from the fold, and it trusts you wholly-entirely. There it lies a bit of marble, to mould and shape at your will. Michael Angello never had a grander work before him. This great sculptor, with mallet and chisel, formed beautiful angels out of bits of stone; to the mother is given a nobler and more glorious work than his, that of forming the will, moulding and shaping the character of those earth-angels that are only loaned to us, for a little while, they are only little bits of clay and we assert that we can mould and shape them at our will. But we must begin early; aye even in infancy, for the out-croppings of satan commence almost with the lisping tongue. The first and most instinctive quality, is imitation. Here

Alexander, May 1, 1885.

A Beautiful Sight at Central Collegiate Institute, Altus, Ark. EDITORS METHODIST:-I have been assisting our earnest Bro. Johnson in a meeting at Altus, for two weeks. A good interest has been manifested all along and very gracious results have been obtained. But on last night the times of refreshing came in greater power and many were made to rejoice. The writer preached a short sermon and was followed by a warm exhortation from Bro. Johnson, and then the workers went out into the congregation and spoke to every sinner in the house. Many were persuaded to come and seek salvation. It was a beautiful sight, indeed, to see the workers. Some were new converts, some were boys and girls, some were pupils, young men and young ladies from a distance, who were in all parts of the

## THE ARKANSAS METHODIST.

## SATURDAY, MAY 30, 1885.

Temperance.

EDITORS METHODIST :-- I had a talk this morning with Barlow, my prohibition friend, the same who told me that Magnolia yarn. This time he seemed to be excited, and was very unfair. Said he, "When I first came to this place a year ago, as I was walking the street one evening I was accosted, by a perfect stranger, with a familiar slap on the shoulder and 'Hello, Jim! when did you come down here? Haven't seen you for a long time. Come in and let's take something.' I said, 'No, I never indulge.' 'Well,' said he, 'let's go upstairs and see what the boys are doing up there."" "Now," said Barlow, "that fellow knew I was a stranger. He was a bummer for the saloons and gambling dens. It was his business to rope in strangers and country greenhorns." And then he went on to abuse the saloon men for such efforts to increase their custom. He reminded me of what another man was telling me last summer. It seems he had in his charge an orphan boy, a nephew; and this boy came to him, telling his uncle that he had again and again been met on the street by such and such men, who invited him into a saloon, and when he declined, they had persuaded, urged and even threatened, to induce him to go with them. Said this man to me, "I had to see those men and tell them to let my nephew alone; and when it was repeated, I told the gentlemen if I heard of my nephew being annoyed again I would thoroughly punch their heads for them. Now all this is very unfair. Of course saloon men must push their business. Everybody that succeeds in business must solicit trade. Don't you boom the METHO-DIST all you can-urge the people to subscribe and stir your agents to a busy canvass? That's all right. But when a saloon man does it, some people think that's all wrong. How toolish! A saloon man has as much right to push his business as he has to do business; In fact, he has a better right than anybody. Do you ask why? Because his business is the life of the town. Don't you know if it was not for the whiskey business this town would be dead, and any other town would be dead. Grass would grow in the streets, and stagnation settle upon every channel of business. Very well. If the whiskey business is the life of the town, the more we push the business the better for the town. Everything that will increase the sale of whiskey is a blessed help to the place. Not only the saloon men themselves but every friend of the people ought to be doing what they can to encourage the drinking habit and make it more general. And we intend to do it. We will make our saloons delightful places of resort. We will treat every stranger with jolly good fellowship. We will gather in all the new custom we can. We will help the young to form habits of steady drinking. We will overcome every other advice and influence just as surely as we can. We will double the number of saloons and the number of customin every saloon just as soon as we can. Then business will be brisk, everybody get rich, and won't we have a lively time? Of course we have to use some discretion in pushing business. We would not try to get you into a saloon; but we will get your boy if we can. Yes we will, or any other man's boy. And I'd like to know why not. I am really sorry we cannot have access to the ladies. Somehow a sort of prejudice keeps them away from us. I believe they need the whiskey just as much as the men do. I'll tell you, sometimes on a wintry day I see a farmer come to town with two bales of cotton on his wagon, his wife sitting by him on the feremost bale. First thing, he enters a saloon, says he is nearly frozen and must have a drink at once or he will catch his death; and he neither brings his wife in nor takes a drink out to her. I know that's all wrong. He has another drink or two before he starts home, and carries a flask with him. And when I think of the long road of thirty miles and feel the keen, frosty wind on my face, I feel sorry for the

man and am so glad he's got the whiskey. For that is all that saves him from pneumonia. But why in the world his wife don't take the pneumonia, I can't tell. I believe she needs the whiskey just as much as he does, and has just as good a right to it, too. Don't you, parson?

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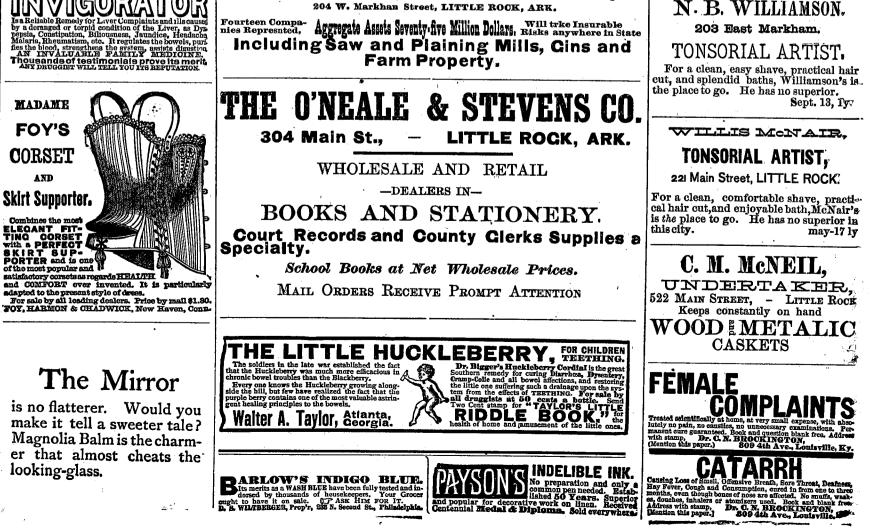
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#### SATURDAY, MAY 30, 1885.

#### MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.

We think it opportune to give our maders an article on the above subpet. Our work will not, and cannot prosper unless the workmen are supmarted; and our people are not alive to their duty. We lay it down as a Bible axiom, that every minister engaged in the regular performance of ministerial duty, is entitled to a support. We desire that our readers will gonder on that word-support. We do met mean a scanty, parsimonious iiving, eked out to God's servant as if he were a mere pensioner or church Bounty. You lower the standard of ministerial character, and lessen minservial usefulness, when you place your minister before your family and the world as an object of charity, and style what you pay your minister as a charitable gift. Your minister is as much entitled to his salary as any other man, whether doctor, lawyer, marchant or farmer. His work is the must important of all men, and he is satiled to his pay as one appointed of Bod to special duty. His is not a more profession, but a vocation. He is God's ambassador, sent out as his minister with terms of reconciliation to earth's rebellious sons and daughvers. He comes to bless your homes and help you to save your families. He is your spiritual advisor and Beavenly appointed teacher. How ihen can you degrade him in the estimation of your family by doling out to him a scanty support, and keep him harassed either with want or debt, and some times with both. Minmer's children are often lost to the church by the way their father is sup-Boried. Pride is perfectly natural. and is often found in good people's shildren, and they cannot bear to be Mought objects of charity, and their mass and living to be torever critiwised by people wondering how they can afford to dress so well, or why they do not dress better. Then again your own children turn away from your minister and family because they cannot afford to appear either at home or abroad, like the circle they wish move in and be associated with. We have heard of some parents who made it their especial duty to honor their minister and his family in the prosence of their children, and we Rave known others who seem to take systial pains to make them feel that their minister and his household were anly a part of those supported by their cold charity. The former are to 3s commended, and we pray that there number may be multipled; but and have much to do with the real we hope the race of the latter will make up of life. No man should Methodist wife at the 6 o'clock service. mon die out, and the sooner the betfor the church, and may they nother have any survivors. Another common evil on this question, is for moddy people to impress their childress that it would be a dreadful relausity to form matrimonial alliances with their minister or with his family. Immany cases it is true, but in most af cases the calamity falls on the minister. We beseech the church of and to wake up on this subject. God has called men, not angels, to preach his gospel and do his work, and he The instituded the church and appointed the ministry, ordained that this letter. Before the war LaGrange Be former should support the latter. It was a wise move when our church changed our discipline, and put the shapter in on ministerial support, and provided so good a plan to secure it. equally divided. Time, however, has Stallour districts, stations and circuits dealt far more gently with Somerville, work according to this plan, the end indeed, the old town has renewed its would be consummated, and our ma- growth and is still "beautiful for situchinery would move with less friction. ation." It can boast of having one of Arkansas needs toning up on this the finest court houses in that grand westion. With a very few exceptions old state. It is a marvel of architecthe salaries of our ministers are en- tural beauty, and is a very imposing Sizely too small, and unfortunately structure. The circuit court room is very few of these salaries are paid in very large and commodious, and is With Our presiding elders are derelict decidedly the best we have seen in ip preaching on a call to the ministry, the South or West. The chancery

neither have business sense or the grace of christian liberality. Others still nominate inconsistent men who are regarded liberal. Go back to apostolic plan, and seek after men as the apostles did for deacons to take the stewardship who is not resolved to do his whole du:y, not only in collecting and paying his minister, but in acting as one of his staff officers. In conclusion let us urge all the stewards who read this to go to work at once, and see to it that every dollar expected of him is fully ° paid before our next conference. We want a great and permanent advance in the Methodism of Arkansas; we can't have it room. Somerville still has a good with our unpaid ministy. Will the school building, and Prof. Farris has members of the church read this and proceed at once to pay their preacher every dollar due him. We would be above want and have a competency for old age, if the church would pay what they owe us on unpaid salary. We hope for better things for our successors in ministerial toil in Arkansas. There must be improvement or the church will suffer. Beloved, your ministers say but little, but they are enduring much. Look at your abundance, see what you are wasting, and go to work to help them, and that speedily and plentifully. Here we close for the present, for we are surrounded with a car full of people and our ears ring with the silly nothings they are uttering.

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE In 1849 this writer was the colleague of Rev. J. W. McFarland, on the La-Grange circuit, in the Memphis conference. It extended then from far beyond Bolivar to Somerville, embracing LaGrange and other important points. Four weeks circuit with two preachers was common then, and the one preacher arrangement was the exception. We still think it was an evil day for Methodism when it was given up. My colleagues on my three first circuits had much to do with my work in the church. They were my theological teachers and my instructors in discipline. No man ever had three better men. Bonner, Garrard and McFarland were a noble trio, and we owe them much. This was my first visit to Somerville since my transfer to Arkansas in November 1849. The dear old town maintains a great deal of its former greatness and beauty. The people were always refined and cultivated, and they are yet, though most of the old anti-bellum inhabitants have passed away, but their children and grand children have come on to take their places.

A few old familiar taces greeted us, and seemed to us as the golden links connecting the past with the present, and their conversation was like strains of long forgotten music, that stirred the hidden depths of the heart and brought up fragrant memories of the long ago. Our friends are a chosen heritage, and a God-given one,

with a tower rising to nearly 200 feet for quarter, and surrendered without conspicuous in this regard. Indeed, and a belfry, with a \$1,400 clock, delay. The first night penitents were which keeps time for all the town and called, four or five hundred arose. county. The north window is one of They were directed to the McKendree the finest we ever saw. It is stained and the First Presbyterian churches glass, globular in form and the entire a half mile distant, and I saw them charge of the poor. Let no man take nine has the names of the most re- rejoicing by the score in the latter an nowned law givers, and the names of their respective codes, above in the to take the central tiers of seats in main center is the blessed Bible, the each church. Methodist preachers book of the law, and far above all is written the inscription-Moses, the Presbyterian Church, and Presbytegreat law giver. In the main center of the building on the over-head ceiling is the All-seeing Eye; and then an inscription to justice. Take it all in all it is a perfect model of a court had a a fine school, notwithstanding he was greatly hindered by two epidemics. He is a splendid man, a christian gentleman, a first rate-teacher, and any school would do well to get him. We had the pleasure of addressing a fine audience in the morning, and of lecturing to a still larger at night on the Holy Land. promised in going and returning to hold prayer-meeting with Bro. Mahon's people, at old Central. He has had a fine meeting, and his church is in splendid working trim. Our visit to our old friends was one of real pleasure, and kind memories revived we hope will be strengthened and perpetuated by the weekly visit of our ARKANSAS METHODIST. Our Bro. Williams brought us under many obligations by kind attentions, and our stay at the parsonage was delightful. Help us put our paper among your people.

Letter from Rev. S. M. Oherry. EDITORS METHODIST :--- I did go to Nashville to see, hear and study the Rev. Sam Jones and his methods of "stirring the mud" and saving souls from sin. Also I had the privilege of saying, Amen, with a vim when he declared with such emphatic earnestness that all church members should quit clubs and the liquor traffic or quit the church. The preacher turned to the fifty preachers on the platform and said, "I wish you would all say, amon," and there came a hearty, rousing amen. I do not know that the entire fifty joined in the response, but I do know that Bishop McTyeire, Drs. McFerrin, Barbee, Leftwich and many city pastors and thirty members of the Tennessee Conference were on the platform, and I could look them full in the face while the little Georgia circuit preacher, who never filled a station in his life, was pounding the liquor traffic in the chuch with such terrible and telling blows. I am glad Bishop McTyeire put himself to record some years ago in the Advocate, telling the politicians that prohibition was coming. Now he can come to early-before breakfast serviceand sit amiling so serenely as he sees the sparks flying from the sledge hammer strokes of the gallant Georgian. Our State Governor looks on with wonder as he sits by his devout lightly esteem his friends or cease to They have come two miles to the Gospel Tent before breakfast. After the whiskey devil in the church has been rebuked by the preacher so sharply and severely, Gov W. H. Jackson astonishes the multitudes who rose to their feet, as he clambered on the platform to endorse Brother Jones All over the vast audience they tell of the presence and power of God lnanswer to prayer, and hundreds tell of what God is doing for the salvation of their husbands, sons, fathers and brothers from the thraldom of the drink demon and other degrading sins, and mighty spiritual power is stirring and sweeping Nashville as I never saw any city, town or village moved before. Ten times the preacher opened his batteries upon the orying sins among the members of the churches in the city, before he turned his guns upon the sinners outside of the church. And the shot and shell told so well upon the lukewarm and backslidden, that the sinners drew near to hear and see him smite shams, hypocray and formality, and were so much enamored with seeing the limping of METHODIST goes on its grand rounds the wounded, and hearing the dying with its superior and growing circucries of the slain in the church, that lation. It is also true that very many

ces. It is a two-story store building by hundreds on the field, and cried zette, we are pleased to add, has been hour later. All penitents were told were told by Sam Jones to go to the rian and Baptist preachers were sent to the Methodist Church. At the former Dr. Witherspoon clapped his hands, as he saw so many happy professions, and called the congregation to kneel in prayer with the penitents. Drs. Fitzgerald, Brown and other Methodist preachers led in prayer, and the instruction of the mourners, and we had, as Dr. McFerrin would say, a glorious meeting.

More than one hundred professions that night at the two churches, and at the tent the next night a greater number. Friday Sam Jones told the city pastors that they would have to "tote their own skillets" on Saturday and Sunday. He had spread and drawn to shore the net in five days and nights, and it was full of fishes of all kinds and sizes. He, by their aid and God's power, had caught and scaled the fish which they could string on Saturday, and get ready for their skillets Sunday morning. Yesterday afternoon he returned from his sick wife and six children in Cartersville, Georgia, where he rested a day. and in the afternoon and at night he let down his net for another and a larger draught. At night he preached his most searching sermon of the meeting on Profanity, Stealing, Sabbath Breaking, and Adultery-5,000 men, but no women present. Such a sermon! Gambling was treated under the head of stealing, "I would about as soon steal a dollar as to win it in the Louisiana State Lottery. R. E. Leegoes down to glory in the grave. Early and Beauregard will go to theirs in ignominy and shame." thank God that I have lived to see such a pentecost in Nashville Pastors of all the evangelical churches stand square and solid to Rev. Sam Jones. Even Elder Cave, of the Christian Church, as he styles it, sits on the platform; and I heard him pray for the Spirits presence with the preacher in his work, and the power of the Holy Ghost came and the preacher spake with great power.

All of our Nashville preachers have been opposed to the whiskey traffic in the church, but it was too strong a giant for a D. D. or station preacher to tackle, as the Georgia circuit rider comes with his sling and stone to smite the Goliath. The giant evil is in the dust. I go back to see his head severed. Hope to report a grand and glorious routing of the Philistines who have been plundering the Israel of Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Insti-God, and leading the church of Christ into the shameful worship of the dagon of drink for so many years. I

have no doubt but that one to three and persons will be converted from dancing, theatre-going, gaming, liquor selling and drinking, and other gross sins in Nashville.

since the late city election, their deep seriousness and repentance have been of the most unquestioned, if not the scriptural kind.

#### DISTRICT CONFERENCES.

Please publish that the Jonesboro District Conference will convene at Paragould, July 9, 1885, at 9 o'clock a. The opening sermon will be preached by Rev. H. T. Blythe, at 11 a. m., same day. I will expect one of you at least, to be with us at that time. Yours, in Christ,

S. L. COCHBAN.

Batesville District Conference, and Sunday-school Conference, at Salem, Fulton county, July 16-20. J. S. Brooke will preach the opening sermon. Let there be a full attendance of pastors, local preachers and delegates. Sunday-school workers invited; also ministers of other districts and denominations.

H. M. GBANADE, P. E. Monticello District Conference will meet at Rock Springs, July 16 at 8:30 a.m. Opening sermon to be preached on Wednesday the 15th at 8 p. m., by Rev. J. T. Rascoe.

THOS. H. WARE, P. E. The Dardanelle District Conference will be held at Danville, Yell county, June 26-28. Opening sermon Thursday night, June 25th, by Rev. J. P. Calloway

WM. D. MAITHEWS, P. E. The Washington District Conference will be held at Pump Spring C. G., during the camp meeting, July 22-27. The opening sermon will be preached by Rev. W. J. Davis, Wednesday at 8 p. m., July 22. You are cordially invited to be present. The Camp Ground is four miles from Nashville, the present terminus of the R. R from Hope. Fraternally,

D. T. HOLMES. P. E.

The Camden District Conference will convene at Atlanta on Thursday July 23. Opening sermon Wednesday at 8 p. m., by Rev. H. Armstrong. Brethren, see that your quarterly conference records are there.

J. J. JENKINS, P. E. The Pine Bluff District Conference will be held at Toledo, commencing on Thursday, July 23, at 10 a.m. Sermon at 11 a. m., by J. F. Carr.

J. H. RIGGIN, P. E.

The Little Rock District Conference will meet with the church at Benton on Thursday July 23. The opening sermon will be preached by the Rev. R. N. Ross, of Lonoke, on Wednesday night, before. Will the pastors please see that the quarterly conference records are sent up for examination. C. C. GODDEN, P. E.

The Morrillton District Conference will be held at Springfield, July 23-26. Preachers will please see that quarterly conference records are on SIDNEY H. BABCOCK, P. E. hand.

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strengthen friendship's silken bonds. The poet was in a dyspetic mood when he wrought the old familiar and untruthful lines:

"What is friendship but a name, A charm that lulls to sleep,

A shade that follows wealth and fame, And leaves the mouth to weep." That is in no sense true. Friendship is a rare flower of God's own planting, and never fails to send forth its sweetness on the desert air, and always enriches its possessor; but we must leave this moralizing and finish and Somerville were rivals for the palm of being the queen village in West Tennessee. Both were beautiful and their admirers were about and the duty of the church to support court room and the county court room they were in full and open range when secular papers devote more or less them. Our preachers are to blame are both separate from this, and all the grape and canister swept the space to religious matter, and latterly condense them, so that they may all for nominating worldly, unconverted the county officers have splendid offi- ground they held, and they went down our esteemed contemporary, the Ga- appear without delay.

Dr. Winfield, you do well to hit 'dancing, theatre-going and church gambling" such hard and healthy blows. And if any hint of beams and think such sins are motes, just copy some of the sayings of Rev.Sam Jones, or have him visit Little Rock and preach to your people in Arkansas. Heaverages from 5000 to 10,000 hearers daily in Nashville.

Culleoka, Tenn., May 18, 1885.

The Gazette gently taps denominational organs under the fifth rib, thus: "It (secular press) differs from the religious press in preaching to all classes, sects and creeds; and it thus avoids the narrow field to which denominational organs are necessarily confined." This is true as a general proposition, as there are many more secular papers than religious. But as between the Gazette and the ARKAN-SAS METHODIST it is not true. The narrow field is the one to which the Gazette seems confined, while the

Brethren, please direct all letters for publication in, or on business connected with, this paper, not to either one of the editors, but to the ARKAN-SAS METHODIST.

Brethren will continue to send us field notes and obituaries, but please

#### **Missionary Department**

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Arkansas Conference will hold its annual meeting in Clarksville, on the 11th, 12th and 13th of June, 1885.

Thursday, June 11th, at 3 p.m., a preliminary meeting will be held.

At 7:30 p. m. Devotional Exercises, conducted by Rev. J. L. Massey, pas-tor of Clarksville station.

Address of Welcome-Mrs. M. Mc-Kennon.

Response-Mrs. V. V. Harlin; al-ternate, Miss Bettie Carter.

Annual address of the President. At 8:30 a. m., June 12th, prayer meeting; at 9 o'clock appointment of committees; and at 10 a.m. regular business.

The exercises will be interspersed The exercises will be interspersed with singing, and papers from Mrs. Parke, Mrs. Beale, Mrs. Judge Floyd, Mrs. Birmingham, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. C. F. Saddler, Mrs. Varnell, Mrs. E. A. Gray, Mrs. L. M. Venable, Mrs. May and Mrs. Pennington. The corresponding scoretaries of the various auxiliaries will please send at once the names of the delegates and visitors to Mrs. Emma Cravens, cor-

visitors to Mrs. Emma Cravens, corvisitors to Mrs. Emma Cravens, cor-responding secretary of the Clarks-ville auxiliary, Clarksville, Ark. Am-ple provision will be made for their entertainment. We make an earnest appeal for a full delegation. May each one be given to much prayer and consecration for crowning blessings upon our meeting. MRS. O. H. TUCKER, President. MRS. L. M. VENABLE, Cor. Sec'y. Yellville, Ark., May 22, 1885.

## QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

WHATE RIVER CONFERENCE. Jonesboro District -- Third Ronnd. S. L. Cochran, P. E.

Wittsburg ct, at Wittsburg, June 30th and July 1st.

Harrisburg ct, at Sugar Creek, July 2, 3. Gainesville ct, at Harvey's Chapel,7, 8. Jonesboro et, at Oak Grove, 4, 5. Greensboro ct, at Paragould, 25, 26. Boydsville ct, 29, 30. Buffalo Island ct, Aug. 1, 2. Lake City miss, 3, 4. Tyronza miss, 6, 7. Marion ct, at Pleasant Grove, 8, 9. Osceola ct, 15, 16.

Chickasawba ct, 22, 23. L'Angui!e miss, 29, 30. Taylor's Creek ct, Sept. 1, 2.

## Batesville District--Third Round.

H, M. Granade, P. E. Melbourne ct, at Franklip, June 6, 7. Evening Shade ct, at LaCrosse, 13, 14. Bethesda ct, at Lee's Chapel, 20, 21. Viola ct, at Viola, 27, 28. Batesville sta, July 4, 5. Ash Flat et, at Shiloh, 11, 12. Salem ct, at Salem, 18, 19. Newburg ct, at Macedonia, 25, 26. Iuka ct, at Henderson, Aug. 1, 2. Mountain View ct, at at Concord, 8, 9. Mammoth Spring ct, at State Line, 15, 16.

Jamestown ct, 22, 23. Sulphur Rock ct, 29, 30.

ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

Favetteville District -- 3d Round-Partial. Jas. A. Anderson, P. E. Bentonville circuit, May 9, 10. Maysville circuit, 16, 17.

Chichalah mission, 28. Atkins circuit, Aug. 1, 2. Russellville station, 2, at night. Gravelly Hill circuit, 8, 9. Rover circuit, 11, Prairie View circuit, 15, 16,

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

J. H. Biggin, P. E .-- P. O., Pine Bluff. Tolede, May 23, 24. Flat Bayou, 30, 31. Old River, June 6, 7. DeWitt, at LaGrue, 20, 21. Pine Bluff miss, 27, 28. Auburn, at Pea Ridge, July 4, 5. Arkansas Post, 11, 12. New Edinburg, Aug. 1, 2. Sheridan, 8, 9. Lehi, 15, 16. Pine Bluff Station, 22, 23.

Little Rock District .--- Third Round. C. C. Godden, P. E.

First Church, Spring Street and Little Rock City Mission, June 13, 14.

Lonoke, 20, 21. Collegeville, 27, 28. Hickory Plains, July 4, 5. Des Arc and Benton Circuit, 11, 12. Galloway, 18, 19, Benton Station, 25, 26. Monmelle, Aug. 1, 2. Liberty and Pleasant Grove and White River, 8, 9.

Carlisle 15, 16. Austin ct, 22, 23.

Hazen, 29, 30.

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.

#### Camden District-Third Round.

J. J. Jenkins, P. E. Carolina, June 6, 7. Hampton, 13, 14. Camden sta, 20, 21. Harmony Grove miss, 27, 28. Falcon ct, July 4, 5. Camden ct, 11, 12, Magnolia sta, 18, 19. Atlanta ct, 25, 26. Ouachita ct, August 1, 2. Magnolia ct, 8, 9. Lewisville ct, 8, 9. Bright Star et, 15, 16. ElDorado, 22, 23. Lapile ct, 29, 30.

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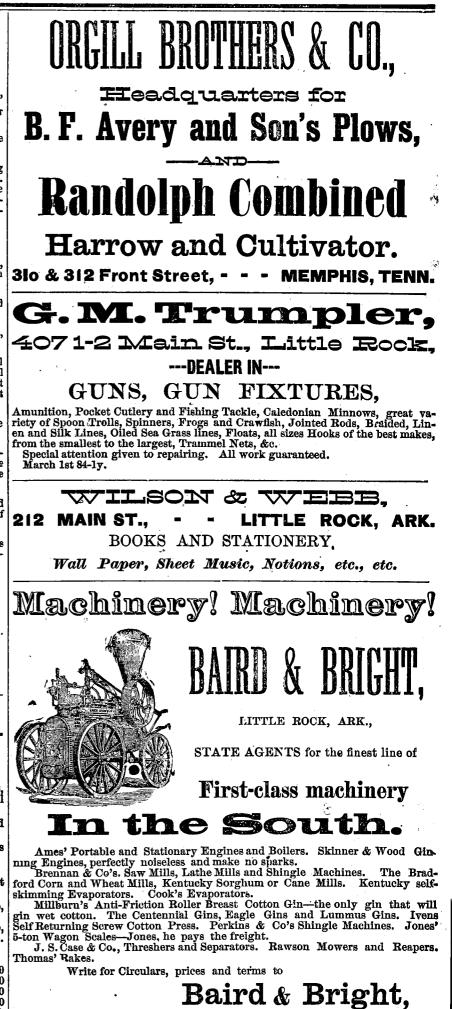
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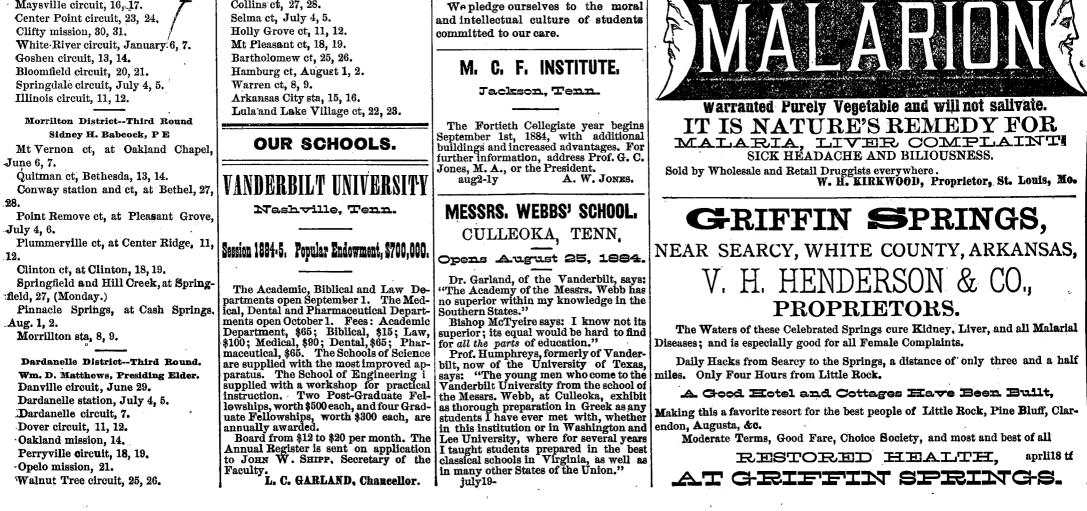
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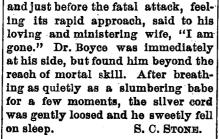
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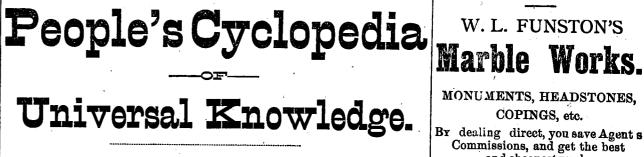
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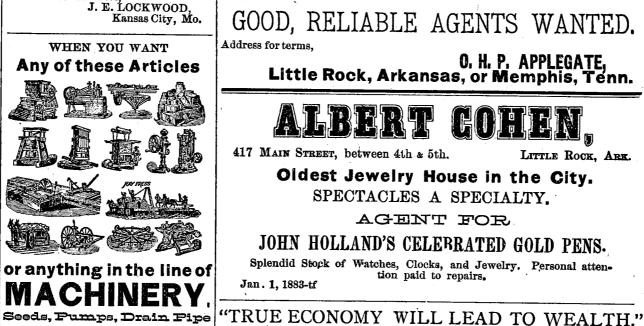
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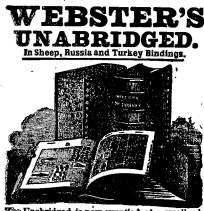


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