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DISTRICT CONFERENCES.

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Newport	Walnut Ridge	" 17—20,
Fayetteville	Springfield	" 24—27,
Pine Bluff	Rison	July 23—26,

OUR NASHVILLE LETTER.

MY DEAR METHODIST:—Last Friday, March 21, was the 80th birthday of our venerable Chancellor, Dr. L. C. Garland. In recognition of the event, the Faculty of the University called upon him in a body. This action was not designed to be a mere formal token of respect, but was intended as an expression of sincere and friendly esteem. Nothing could surpass the high regard in which Dr. Garland is held by his colleagues. He is worthy, moreover, of all the honor he receives. As an absolutely guileless and single-minded Christian man, as a scholar of large and varied attainments, as a teacher of extraordinary skill and power, he stands among the foremost. With the exception of a brief interval of two years, he has been in the lecture room continuously since he was nineteen. There is not the slightest sign of abatement in his mental energy. As an instructor in the difficult and progressive science of physics, he holds his own from year to year. Long may he live to give the world the benefit of his pure and stainless character, and of the rich resources of his well-stored mind!

You will see from the Advocate of this week that your occasional correspondent, Dr. James A. Orman, now the P. E. of the Murfreesboro District in the Tennessee Conference, is soon to become the President of Martin Female College of Pulaski. All the circumstances connected with his election are specially complimentary to him. He is a man of affairs, has had a large experience in managing difficult and delicate matters, and will no doubt make a great success in his new field. It may be taken for granted that the interests of the Methodist Church will suffer no loss under his eye. In this connection, it will not be amiss to say that the Nashville Female College, Dr. G. W. F. Price, President, is having the most successful year of its history. No school within my acquaintance has gone forward with so uniform a step as this one. Dr. Price might well say to himself what his modesty will not allow him to say, *Exegi monumentum.* Blessed is the man who gives a Christian education to the daughters of the land.

The news concerning the location of Hendrix College at Conway has just reached me. What a noble spirit that little town has shown! The sum of $72,385 is, under all the circumstances, a remarkable contribution. If any community in America has ever done better I do not know it. All honor to pastor Tabor whose untiring energy and unbounded hopefulness have been main factors in reaching this result. And all honor to that modest and unassuming bachelor layman, Mr. William Martin, whose money has so freely gone into the enterprise. If the Trustees do not put his name into prominent and permanent relation to the College, they will be lacking both in gratitude and in wisdom. The Arkansas Methodists would be perfectly justified in singing a *te Deum* over the providential turn of events. Let them, however, recognize the fact that what has now been done is only a fair beginning: and let them, on the broad foundation that has been laid build wisely and well for the years to come.

At the recent session of Central Tennessee Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Rev. Dr. Villars, late President of McKendree College at Lebanon, Illinois, a platform and pulpit orator of ability and an author of repute, was transferred from the Illinois Conference and stationed at the Spruce Street Church in this city. If any man of his denomination could have succeeded in this field, it is likely that he would have done so. After making the experiment, however, for about five months he is satisfied, and will soon return North. Some one else will take his place, and keep up the farce. There was never a more preposterous idea than that of our Northern brethren wasting missionary money here. Nashville is perhaps the most solidly Methodistic city in the world. Out of a population of about 100,000 there are nearly, so says Dr Young, 10,000 actual communicants in our Church. When any city in the North begins to show a like condition of things, it will be ample time to waste the Lord's missionary money here. The Spruce Street congregation above referred to was organized twenty-five years ago. It has had appropriations running up into scores of thousands. The net result after all these years of effort is a beggarly handful of empty benches. The attendance on the Sunday morning services will not average fifty souls. Dr, Villars has made many friends while here. The pastors of the various denominations in the city have shown him brotherly courtesies, as was right and proper. He will carry away with him the respect and good will of all who have met him. Why should such a man be put to lead a forlorn hope in the interest of a mere ecclesiasticism? Let those who are responsible in the premises, answer this question in the fear of God.

I notice that some of our preachers are wonderfully fascinated with Mr. Edward Bellamy's socialistic novel "Looking Backward." That it is an interesting volume no one can deny. There is in it and through it the heart-throb of a generous nature. The picture which it draws of the wretchedness and misery of the working classes, especially in our larger cities, is a sad one. I hail with joy the sound of any voice that speaks for the poor and the downtrodden. But the scheme of renovation which Mr. Bellamy proposes is the wildest and most nonsensical that was ever elaborated from a human brain. The cordinal error in it is, the fact that it ignores the innate selfishness and wickedness of the human heart. The idea that all our ills are due to defective social organization is not a new one. We may trace it back at least as far as to Plato. In any form it is a delusion and a snare. The great trouble lies in the fact that unregenerate men are not disposed to deal with one another in the spirit of fairness and love. The only remedy is found in the Gospel doctrine of the spiritual new birth. Until we get men into right relation to God and one another, no mere change of existing institutions is going to be of any value. This process is a slow one to be sure; we may bewail the fact that it is so, but so it is. One by one the Gospel is to transform and renew the sons of Adam. It does not propose to deal with them in the mass, nor to effect wholesale and instantaneous revolutions. The sooner we recognize this truth, and adjust our plans in accordance with it the better it will be for us.

E. E. HOSS.

Nashville, Tenn, March 26.

REV. H. M. GRANADE.

DEAR BROTHER BENNETT:—My father, Rev. H. M. Granade, who was always so busy about his Master's work, has finished his labors and gone to rest in the House of many mansions. We had thought he would be with us much longer, even though it had been as an invalid; but God knew best, and took him from his bed of suffering to enjoy eternal life in that City where there is no pain or sickness or death.

Hervey Milton Granade was born in Fayette County, Tennessee, Dec. 22, 1837. His parents, H. W. and N. C. Granade, were Christains, and from his earliest infancy he was trained in the way he should go. He made a public profession of religion at ten years of age, while attending a meeting held by the Missionary Baptists in Shelby County, Tennessee. He says in a journal written years ago:—"The conviction that I was 'called to preach' was made on my mind so early, that I can not remember when I was not impressed with that belief."

He attended school in Tennessee, and improved his knowledge and understanding by reading all the useful books he could obtain, and by diligent study of the Bible. In November 1855 his father removed to Green Co., Ark., where there was a greater call for laborers in the vineyard of the Lord, and he continued to prepare himself for what he felt to be his life work. He was licensed to preach July 2nd. 1859, and received on trial at the session of the Arkansas Conference at Searcy, the same year. From Conference he repaired to his first field, Ozark Mission, where he found many kind friends whom he never ceased to love. The absence of Bishops from the west of the Mississippi prevented his ordination as Deacon and Elder till 1864, when he was set apart to both offices, Nov. 18, by Bishop Paine, at his own home in Aberdeen, Miss. His fields of labor were in the Arkansas Conference till 1879, when he was transferred to the Indian Mission Conference. Here he spent two years among the Indian brethren, whom he ever held in dear remembrance. For a year or two soon after this time, he was unable to engage in the itinerant work on account of bronchitis; but as soon as possible, in 1882 I think, he took work in the bounds of the White River Conference. Here he continued, till failing health again caused him to seek recuperation in the bracing air of Washington County. In 1888 he received the appointment of Cincinnati Circuit, Arkansas Conference, and in 1889, that of Elm Springs Circuit. This year he was able to do very little in his loved employ, for he was suffering from the disease which caused his death. This was a tumor which grew in his right side, and which gave the most excruciating pains; at first at long intervals, but later almost constantly. For about four weeks before his death he was confined to his bed, and only obtained ease by use of opiates. On Monday night before his death he was seized by the most agonizing pain he had ever suffered, and which seemed to pervade the whole system. Tuesday morning his physician roused him from the stupor, caused by the pain, and told him the end was near. Father heard the verdict calmly, and said he was *ready.* He told us not to weep—that all was well with him—then he drifted again on the sea of unconsciousness and lingered till forty minutes past ten, Tuesday night, March 11th, when he breathed his last. His body rests in Springdale Cemetery, till that day when it shall be raised in incorruption and glory.

How hard it is to realize that he will go and come no more among us. It seems that he is only gone on a journey and must soon return. He is gone and will not return to us; but we may go to him, and may we live so that we will at last be an unbroken family in heaven.

MRS. ANNIE G. WELD.

Springdale, Ark., March 25.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IN ARKANSAS.

EDITOR METHODIST:—The Trustees of Hendrix College have met, and, after singularly thorough and able discussion of the subject of location, have named Conway as the future site of our central College. Aside from the disappointment of unsuccessful localities, whose citizens so gallantly competed for the prize, after mature deliberation, I think we will all be prepared to endorse the action of the Trustees as the wisest that could have been taken. The magnitude and solidity of the financial offer of the town of Conway, the fact that it was more centrally located to the average neighborhood in the patronizing territory of the three Conferences, the attitude of Faulkner County on the Temperance question, the fear that at least one location prominent in the race, there would have been generated, not a friendly emulation. as suggested, but a rivalry degenerating into a bitter opposition between the worthy enterprise of a sister denomination, and our own, and last but not least, the fact that the entire citizenship of Conway, without regard to age or church connection, were all on fire with enthusiasm and in that frame of mind calculated to give promise of a unanimous local support without the possibility of a rival in the field to be occupied, all entered into the controversy and naturally turned the scales in favor of that place.

The decision has been reached. No one will question the perfect good faith and desire on the part of the Board to act for the greatest for the greatest number, and for the good ultimate success of our central College for boys. It now remains for every one, in like good faith, sinking personal preferences, and adhering to the educational plan already outlined, in the Southern Connection in our State, to fall into line and to give the nomination the same hearty support that we should have expected had all had the first choice.

Already, under the administration of our Board of Education of the Little Rock Conference, there have been established three Conference high schools, one at Stuttgart, one at Fordyce and one at Dallas. These are in successful operation and are waking up the surrounding country in their particular locliaties by the importance of Christian Education. By reference to the Minutes of our last Annual Conference, it will be seen that it is expressly stipulated that the Course of Study in these schools shall go no higher than the second year at Hendrix. In other words they shall not be developed into rival colleges to our central institution. At these schools both boys and girls can be systematically prepared for a finishing course at Galloway or Hendrix. That is to say, co-education up to a certain age in schools inspiring the population in their particular neighborhoods with a desire for Christian education, and after that a finishing course in our central Colleges where the pupils will be separated.

This is an outline of the plan. It is a magnificient one, surpassing, in my humble judgment, in its system and *uniformity* any plan heretofore adopted by any section of our Church; and, if the Conferences will supplement the work already commenced, by establishing other high schools, and discourage any disposition to establish other colleges under the patronage of separate Conferences, in a very short time we will have not only the grandest boys and girls college but the most complete scheme for methodical Christian education west of the great river, and the fame thereof will overleap the boundaries of our State and draw support, not only in the form of patronage, but in the form of endowment from distant points. I sincerely hope that nothing will be done and no steps be taken any where that will tend to mar the harmony of the plan, but that our brethren everywhere will join hands in an effort to make it a success.

Fraternally,

C. S. COLLINS.

Little Rock, March 29.

THE MORAL STATUS OF INFANTS. BY REV. J. L, MASSEY.

Woe unto the world because of offences; for it must needs be that offences come; but woe to that man by whom the offence cometh. Matt. 18:7.

Pilate saith unto him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice. John xviii:37.

This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, without natural affection, truce breakers, false-accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, traitors, heady, high minded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof, from such turn away. 2 Tim. iii:1-5.

For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies; these are the things which defile a man. Matt. xv:19-20.

The child is in the heart of the first passage quoted. The great offence of the Protestant Christian world is the neglect of childhood. And as doctrine is the pillar and stay of the Church, shaping its teaching and polity and life, we should seek to hold the truth in righteousness. Open Thou mine eyes, that I may see wondrous things in thy law. We have need to have the eyes of our understanding not only opened, but anointed by the Holy One, that we may know as well as believe the truth. In all seriousness I am reminded of what Paul says in 1 Cor. 14:26, "How is it then, brethren, when you come together, every one of you hath a psalm, hath a doctrine, hath a tongue, hath a resolution, hath an interpretation?" Is there not a system of truth, as old as Adam and as fresh and new as the child just given to its loving parents? Does truth vary with the ages? Is there a time in the future, when repentance and faith and grace and regeneration will not be needed, and when the faithful and true saying "that Christ came into the world to save sinners" will be relegated to the past? And Moses, Isaiah, the Son of God and Paul will be counted too stupid and slow of heart to believe and understand and teach the truth? Ought we to theorize, speculate, sentimentalize when dealing with the awful truths of our existence and of the universe? To my mind there is relief in accepting as the trinity of doctrine. Man's Ruin, Man's Redemption, Man's Regeneration, the three Rs. And now the question before us is this—are infants depraved and in need of the atonement and regeneration? We are told that we baptize the infant because it is a "child of God." The Scriptural doctrine seems to me to be this: "The propagation of the entire man, body and soul and spirit, according to the mysterious law of God under which the first man was formed," so that we regard all infants as the children of God. Adam who was the son of God is the father of us all, and we are grateful for our lineage; but we ought to bear in mind, that the human race was propagated after the fall and like begets like. Sin originated, deep and dark and malignant, is seen in the first family; seen in the blood, the blood of Abel.

Now I am not saying that Bro. Massey denies depravity. He *sorter* believes that there is something wrong, but he had rather not, if he could help himself. God and angels, prophets and apostles in harmony with the Son of God, are against him. Let us be reminded that we have definitions of sin in God's word. "All unrighteousness is sin;" "Whatsoever is not of faith is sin;" "The transgression of the law is sin." These definitions are equally important. Sin is greater than sins. Were there no sin in the world there would be no transgression.

"What ails the child?" What is the matter with it? It is lost; this the word used by our Lord when teaching our relation to it and the destiny of children, "It is not the will of your Father in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish." Read the entire paragraph, the most instructive lesson in all the word upon the subject. Baptized, because it is a "child of God"! And not much good in the act and less sense in the prayer—a mockery and farce. The Church don't so understand it, and the intelligent and spiritual fathers and mothers of Christendom didn't so understand the truth, as it is in Jesus and in childhood. They bring their children to the Church and have them baptized, because they feel in their hearts that they need in fullness of blessing and presence the grace the Father, through the Son, by the Holy Spirit can bestow upon them. For this they travail day and night. What are we all but needy helpless children, just as dependent upon the Almighty Father and Son and Spirit as a child we bring. The child plane is the highest in the universe. Who is the mightiest and highest one in our Father's kingdom? The "child born, the Son given." Would we be great, we must be children, real children like our Lord. Bring the children to the Lord. They need him; he reaches out his arms to embrace them. His tears and his blood overforce all. On his way to the cross burdened and weary, he turned to the weeping widows and said weep not for me, but for yourselves and your children. And as you come you need not sing.

"My thoughts on awful subjects roll—
Damnation and the dead."

But rather,

See Israel's gentle shepherd stand,
With all engaging charms;
Hark, how he calls the tender lambs,
And folds them in his arms.

We bring them, Lord, in thankful hands,
And yield them up to thee;
Joyful that we ourselves are thine,
Thine let our offspring be.

This may suffice for the present; will write one or two articles more on this subject. Surely we are not drifting from the true foundation. Other foundation can no man lay than Christ. But does not this mean, while we accept him that we accept his doctrine as we find it in his word? The spirit of Christ was in Moses and with Moses. The Old Testament is his word. Every doctrine of the New Testament is found in the Old. Take as an example, the fundamental doctrine of repentance. Where do you find a definition? In Isaiah, writen seven hundred years before the coming of Christ. "Let the wicked forsake his way and the unrighteous man his thoughts, and let him return unto the Lord and he will have mercy upon him, and to our God for he will abundantly pardon." The object lesson is given by our Lord in the parable of the prodigal son. Read the words of the prophet and then this parable and you will see wonderful agreement. So of every doctrine. They are one—the Old and New Testaments reveal the same truth touching the fall of man and its effect upon universal humanity as I propose to prove clearly in my next article.

JAS. A. PEEBLES.

BATTLE FIELD MEDITATIONS.

DEAR BRO. BENNETT:—Last Saturday morning I rode over a plat of ground, on my way to one of my appointments made historic, by the play of arms, the shedding of blood and the capture of twenty-two hundred prisoners, known as Marks Mill battle ground. Many of the men doubtless are now living who took part in this battle, which will go down to history as a fragment of the war between the States. During the few years of my ministry in Southern Arkansas, now and then I have met a man that could tell what transpired in part, on that sad day. Not alone in this State are they to be found but North, South, East and West. Col. Drake of the Union army was wounded and carried to the home of Dr. W. D. Barnett, where he was kindly cared for by the family and others until he was able to return to the Federal headquarters at Pine Bluff. It was given out that he died from the wound, but Mr. Evin Marks tells me that he recovered and is now living in the State of Iowa. The rest of the wounded Federal soldiers were conveyed to the residence of Mrs. S. Meeks, not very far from the field of carnage, where they were kindly looked after by the ladies and friends until other arrangements could be made. The Confederate wounded were scattered from place to place in the neighborhood so that they could be provided for as well as the circumstances would allow. This very sad transaction took place more than twenty-five years ago, and yet it is fresh in the minds of many of the old citizens of this country. And I have no doubt that some fathers and mothers now living in Missouri and other Southern States whose sons were with Gen's. Shelby, Cable and Dickery, that were never heard of again after that, and will not until God shall come to make up his jewels in the last great day. Many young men and maidens raised by widowed mothers whose husbands lost their lives in the defense of what they thought to be right, will look back over the many years as they have gone by to this and other pages of like history with sad reflections. They would gladly go and plant a rose or some other beautiful flowers or evergreens to cherish the fond memory of their loved ones; but alsa! in many, many instances this they cannot do.

As I was passing the place where some of those brave fallen heroes were buried I dismounted and walked out among them, not to look at monuments or beautiful inscriptions, but to gather a few wild flowers that were blooming about those desolate graves. What a time for reflection! How delightful the doctrine of the resurrection! No event in the history of the human race is of so much importance to us on occasions like this as the resurrection of our blessed Lord. Upon this fact all our hopes are stayed. His incarnation was of importance; for without it he could not have been our kinsman and brother. His crucifixion was necessary; for if he had not died the divine law could not have been vindicated, and the guilt of our race could not have been atoned for. "If Christ be not risen our preaching is vain, and we are found false witnesses before God." "But now is Christ risen from the dead and become the first fruits of them that slept." I hope every Southern Methodist preacher will call attention to these fallen heroes next Sunday morning as we celebrate in our annual feast the resurrection of Christ.

Let us not forget their merit, though their cause was lost and their friends were not able to go and gather up their scattered bones, placing them in some beautiful cemetery. They were ours, and will be ours, in the morning of eternity.

Z. T. MCCANN.

New Edinburgh, Mar. 27.

WEATHER PROPHETS.

The associated press sent out the following from St. Louis, March 29: "Rev Hicks of this city, who has achieved much more than local reputation as a weather prophet, and who predicted the last storms with wonderful accuracy, now gives the forecast for April, which includes numerous marked changes in the temperature, and three distinct storm periods. He says that the month will open with summer temperature, and vernal storms will occur on the 1st and 2nd, especially on the 2nd. The 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th are designated as danger days, when there will be heavy storms of lightning, wind and hail, with snow in northern sections. About the 13th it will be cold with much frost. Active and violent storms will again occur on the 19th, 20th and 21st, moving from West to East. From this on there will be the usual April showers. The month will go out with a high thermometer. The dates of the greatest earthquake probabilities are given as 5th, 19th, 20th and 21st. Prof. George Root, of Canton, Mo., another successful weather prognosticator, predicts a tornado period from the 20th to 25th of April, and says that it will be the worst storm period of the year. He says this has not been predicted by any other meteorologist, and asks that the phenomina occuring between the dates named be specially noted by the weather service and reported to him. He thinks that it will establish the existence of the new planet, Urbanus."

It is not quite four years since the first convert to the Christian faith was made in Korea. It is not three years since the first church was organized with ten members. At the end of two years the members in this one Presbyterian Church numbered one hundred. If in our home mission churches there had been in three years a tenfold growth, how great would have been our exultation! It is in the light of such facts and comparisons that we may most heartily deny that Foreign Missions have been "a failure."—Phila. Presbyterian.

ARKANSAS METHODIST

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, 1890

CONWAY AND HENDRIX COLLEGE.

EDITOR METHODIST:—When the news, "Conway gets Hendrix College," came flashing over the wires early last Saturday morning, the enthusiasm of our people, which had been up to the highest pitch for weeks, fairly ran over, and by the time the 11 o'clock train came in, a vast concourse of our citizens had gathered at the depot to welcome our returning delegates from Little Rock with brass bands, and banners flying, and loud hurrahs for "Conway," "Hendrix College," "Tabor," and "Martin."

It was a sight never witnessed here before. Strong men who had been enemies for years, with tears of joy coursing down their cheeks, clasped each other's hands in brotherly love, and buried forever all strife and malice. Friendships were renewed, and love and hope beamed from every countenance. The location of Hendrix College here has been equal to a sweeping revival of religion. There has never before been such unanimity of feeling in our midst.

The beautiful part of it is that when Conway laid $72,000 on the altar for Hendrix College, although her citizens realized the vast monetary value that would accrue to the town and surrounding country, if it should be located here, the chief thought and aim that actuated and enthused our people was the moral advantage to be derived from it, and the increased rise in culture, refinement and education.

A bright future is before us. Conway has the most generous people, I believe, in Arkansas. Like Banquo's ghost, they "will not down," when once their wills and energies are aroused. While every body, with very few exceptions, has contributed generously and gladly to this cause, we feel that Bro. Tabor, our pastor, and Mr. W. W. Martin, one of our merchants, who gave $11,000, are the heroes of the occasion. The school will be ready for all the young men that may come, by September, and our homes and hearts will be opened to receive them.

I see in one number of your paper that Rev. Geo. W. Miles, of the Holston Conference, is visiting in your city. What memories his name calls up! When I was quite a little girl, he received me into the Church, in the ancient town of Jonesboro, among the olive mountains of East Tennessee. He baptized my father, whom my brother, Rev. E. E. Hoss, then in the first year of his ministerial life, had just received into the Church. He, nor any one else, who lived in that section of country after the war, can not forget the troubled times and harrassing scenes that Southern Methodism passed through, caused by the uncalled interference of our brethren from the Northern Methodist Church. May his old age be fully rounded, and sweetly perfected!

Our Church is prospering here. With Bro. Harlan as P. E., and Bro. Tabor as pastor, and consecration on the part of the members, much good can be accomplished for Christianity. Your paper grows better and better. It is second to none. May it live long and prosper! M. H. PRINCE.

Conway, March 24.

SUPERANNUATE SUPPORT—DIVIDENDS AND LEGACIES.

The Michigan Advocate tells about a bequest of more than $5,000 that came recently into the treasuty of the Detroit Conference Superannuated Preachers' Relief Society; and we know of other legacies, small and large, falling to similar organizations for the aid of faithful ministers, retired by age or disease from active service. It really seems too bad that a few well-meaning people persist in thus "destroying" the collection for Conference claimants. For if the drift of the argument among our Southern brethren be correct—in the discussion now going forward, and which was precipitated by a dividend of $5,000 from their Publishing House—that the tendency of such aid is to break down the "Fifth Collection," then endowments and legacies for the benefit of aged and disabled ministers must also be hurtful. The logic seems to be that the "regular collection" has been so satisfactory, that it is hazardous to imperil it. Yet we know that in most cases it is a regular pittance only, even poorer than the "claimants" and feebler than the faith of those who fear for its health. Frail indeed it must be, and miserable the purpose behind it, if a breath of helpful cheer from the Book Concern or from some grateful Christian may blow it away, or dry up its source.

How we long to whisper in the ears of our brothers down there that their fears are groundless; that their dividends will rather stimulate both the sales of their Publishing House and the collections for the claimants, *if the pastors and presiding elders are only careful to show the people* that *these dividends*, with their *annual gifts, reasonably increased*, may presently enable the Church to do what it never has been able to do, with all its other obgations, give a decent support to its veteran ministers! The effect of dividends, legacies, and all other helps, depends on the turn given the facts by the pastor. The people only need light and encouragement.

EARL CRANSTON.

[Dr. Cranston is an agent of the Western Book Concern of the M. E. Church, and has had splendid opportunities for observation.—ED.]

PROGRAM OF THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONFERENCE.

To be held in the Monticello District, Monticello, Ark., May 20—22, 1890.

Tuesday night:—Opening sermon by Dr. H. R. Withers; subject, Family Religion.

WEDNESDAY—FIRST DAY.

Morning session:—8:30 to 9, Prayer meeting. 9 to 12, Reports from pastors and superintendents.

Afternoon session:—2:30 to 5, Officers of the school—pastor, superintendent, secretary, treasurer, librarian, teachers. Opening addresses by E. N. Evans and J. R. Jones.

Night session:—7:30 to 9, How to secure attendance and interest in Sunday-school work. Opening addresses by L. B. Hawley and J. W. Dixon.

THURSDAY—SECOND DAY.

Morning session:—8:30 to 9, Religious services. 9 to 10:30, Relation of parents to the Sunday-school. Opening addresses by J. R. Sanders and J. M. Carr. 10:30 to 12, Relation of the Sunday-school to the Church. Opening addresses by T. D. Scott and E. H. Carson.

Afternoon session:—2:30 to 4, The aim and end of Sunday-school work. Opening addresses by J. A. Sage and A. S. Scott. 4 to 5, Deportment of teachers and pupils in the Sunday-school. Opening addresse by R. Y. H. Terry and J. L. Johnston.

Night session:—7:30 to 9, Exemplification of Sunday-school work by J. H. Hinemon. Criticisms.

All the traveling and local preachers and Sunday-school superintendents in the District, and two delegates from each Sunday-school will be members of the S. S. Conference.

WILL THE GENERAL CONFERENCE ESTABLISH A PARENT BOARD OF EDUCATION?

The Church has an inherent right in every true system of education. Hence the necessity of establishing Denominational schools. The Public school system is an outgrowth of Protestant Christianity. Would the parent seek to destroy the liberty of his child? Roman Catholicism wants the Church to rule the State. Presbyterianism desires to "render unto Cæsar the things which are Cæsar's and unto God the things which are God's."

If the Public Schools is an outgrowth of Protestantism, the son, grown to manhood, should it not be inclosed to array himself against the mother who gave him birth. On this school question there is no difference between the Church and State, Roman Catholicism, infidelity and the Saloon are seeking to control them. We desire to protect them against such baleful influence. Any casual reader may easily see this trend of events.

The enthusiasm manifested throughout the whole country, and especially in Arkansas, indicates the mind of the people on the subject of Christian Education. The people are ready to establish the schools needed. Is the the Church? What school policy has the Southern Methodist Church, save that "blazed out" by some independent spirit for his particular locality. A movement to form a policy was attempted more than a year ago, but it was wisely postponed until the meeting of the next General Conference.

If the General Conference will organize a Board of Education, what will be its policy? It appears to me to be a movement of the greatest necessity to the permanent prosperity of the Church. How can the Church without injury, put off longer adopting a school policy and organizing to carry out that policy?

The vicissitudes of war have thrown our schools into confusion. Our colleges were dismantled. Since the establishment of the Public Schools throughout the Southern States we have not been able to adjust ourselves to the situation. After surveying the field, there seem to be two positions for the church to fill. The College or University and the Training-school.

These should be so inaugurated as not only not to interfere, but to correlate each other. The Webb's and several others have given us models for Training-schools, for a College or University. a model is not so easily found. We have only a few Colleges, because we have not a sufficient number of Training-schools to supply them. Hence the prime necessity of establishing on a firm foundation our Training-schools.

How shall the collections for educational purposes be raised? By the same methods as for mission and church extension, &c. For what objects shall this money be expended? Building and Endowing Schools, Ministerial Aid, Education of our colored people, &c? I wish some who have been thinking on this subject would write. The policy of the Northern Methodists will not suit us. I know of no policy of any other Church exactly suited to our purpose.

Throw open your columns for the discussion of this question. It may bear good fruit. H. W. BROOKS.

REV. DR. HAYGOOD ON THE RACE QUESTION.

We give below the remainder of Dr. Haygood's long article on the race question:

Another illustration of the ill-fortune of my people (a wise Northern friend told me not to use this phrase; I must while they are victimized by conspiracies of prejudice, suspicion and injustice) in the hands of their many critics and supervisors, I bring forward for its unique originality.

Joseph Cook, lecturer of all nations, has recently taken the South in hand in good earnest. Some while since he told a friend of mine that he was "studying the Southern question." He has finished his studies and is now with affidavit-manner and tone, giving the world his "conclusions." Where, from the nature of the case, ordinary men would be a trifle in doubt, this extraordinary man asseverates with a ponderous emphasis all his own.

In one of his published lectures the Boston sage, studying the South through a telescope with stained glass, told his audience that a "New York syndicate" provided "five thousand newspapers with his lectures." A good man so related to five thousand newspapers, in making affirmations concerning difficult subjects, involving the vital interests of twenty millions of his fellow-citizens, of the whole American nation, he seems to believe, unless a very brave, or a very foolish man, would be a little careful of his statements. It is the scientific spirit; it is also good morals.

I am not replying to Mr. Cook; I am only illustrating our misfortune, by showing his utter recklessness or his abject ignorance.

Take this paragraph as it appears in one of the "five thousand." He said: "The cancer of caste clings to the Tropic of Cancer! Your poor white laborers in the South begin early in the morning and close about 10 o'clock in the morning; and beginning at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, work until the cool of the evening. The colored laborer works from 6 to 6."

Doubtless the lecturer can find the "Tropic of Cancer" on the map; it is doubtful if he knows where the Southern States are; it is certain that he does not know what they are.

What does it matter to Joseph Cook that not a part of the States he was misrepresenting is anywhere near the "Tropic of Cancer?" He could not resist the pure and the alliterative absurdity. No man, so far as I know, ever yet made so specific statements, by the town clock, concerning the labor customs of the South—a paradise for poor white men with six hours of blessed nooning for reading Joseph's lectures. The poor negro—most industrious of mortals—toiling "from six to six," must read them by pine-knot fires. He has given us news.

But he knows no better. Everybody who knows enough of Southern labor customs to venture an opinion knows three things: 1. Where they work for wages, white men and negroes work by the bell, and that a day's work is ten hours. 2. That where they direct their own labor, white men work more days and more hours a day than the negro. 3. That white and negro laborers can do in the South, what the "cancer of caste" disallows in Boston—work side by side.

Our Boston "solver" of the race question, adviser general to the United States and special "exhorter" to the congress, reaches his climax when he comes to cause and cure. In the manner of a last analysis investigator, he says that the "chiefest source" of race troubles of all sorts in the South is "climate;" his chiefest remedy is some sort of government regulation of elections! As suited to the disease and as logical as Voudoo remedies for warts. Perhaps he knows what they are: "His foible is omniscience." It would be an abuse of language to apply to him the other part of Sidney Smith's witticism about Dr. Whewell, "his forte is science."

The trouble is not that Joseph Cook says such false and absurd things, but thousands swear by this egotist of all the ages.

Mr. Cook's "prelude" was about "Race Riots in the South." This trick of startling and alliterative headlines, has done the South no little hurt. A street fight—generally due to drink—is head-lined by Joseph Cook's "five thousand newspapers" as a "Race War." There should be few survivors by this time, and the South should be bankrupt beyond redemption. The census will show a healthy increase in population and wealth. The last cotton crop should be worth something in evidence. The negroes, rushing by thousands into Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas and Texas, because richer lands and scarcity of labor allow them larger wages, show what they believe, unless those who worry most about their voting are mistaken as to the degree of their intelligence.

In the lecture alluded to, this big slanderer of people who have never harmed him, and of whom he is profoundly ignorant, affirmed: "The conditions of absolute barbarism exist in the rural regions of the South." Do the money-kings who have placed hundreds of millions in the South since 1880 believe this? What does Joseph Cook—evolving facts out of his prejudiced consciousness—know of the rural regions of the South?

The South has suffered sorely in another way of which it is a grief to write. If some come South "having cases to make out," some go North having "axes to grind." Many of these people, white and black are known to me. Many who go North to collect funds to carry on costly educational and philanthropic work are among the honorable of the earth. But some have found out that big collections are drawn out by lurid rhetoric. The worst things that can be told are found useful in securing contributions. The excitement over the "Glenn bill" that never became a law, was a veritable bonanza in the fall and winter of 1887 and the spring of 1888. Bonanza was the very word one of the most successful of collectors employed in telling me of the golden harvest his society had reaped. The temptation must be very great. In such a case one may form such a habit that he can remember only the bad things; may indeed lose faculty for seeing the good.

As I could not speak in New York this month, I offer my views on one other vexed question, involving the two races in the South; the question of whites and blacks on the railroads. I have had long and varied opportunity for observation on every important Southern railroad.

With a few exceptions, throughout the South, the whites and blacks ride in different cars. Respecting the hard facts, as they they apply to both races, it is, in my judgment, necessary for both races that they ride apart. What the year, 1990 may show, I do not know. I write of 1890.

This much is also clear as sunlight. Where they pay the same fare negroes should have, in every respect, as good accommodations as white people. This is simple justice of the same elementary sort that requires a grocer to give a negro as much and as good flour for the same money as the white buyer gets.

There is a difficulty not understood north; some leading roads have set apart for their negro passengers as good cars as are furnished white people. But one difficulty is, these cars, after a few months' use, are no longer as good as the white people's cars. Facts must have precedence in thinking of these matters; what I say on this subject I have seen.

The highest courts have decided that under the constitution the roads can't be forced to mix their passengers. What is the remedy? I offer a remedy, absolutely simple, absolutely ample. No human being in the south will object to the plan I offer, unless some negro, who, not respecting his own blood, wishes to ride with white people just to show that he can. Against my own plan there is no law human or divine; there is nothing to hinder, so far as the south is concerned, in nature or grace. I fear it will not be adopted.

Let those who own and control the southern railroads provide as good cars for negroes as for white people. Will they do it? It is not for me to say. Let those inquire who live where the owners live.

Every railroad of consequence in the south is controlled and mostly owned in the north. They control the sleeping cars and own them. The true missionary ground, as to the wrongs and discomforts of the negroes on southern railroads, is Wall street. Let Joseph Cook "stand before" the railroad kings there and discourse to his heart's content. Let our merciless critics pour their vitriol on the real culprits. Let them cease abusing poor conductors and train hands who know they will be "fired" if they do not "obey orders" and keep the races apart in southern cars. It is with the railroad kings simply a question of economy. Will they do justice by the negro? Not while the northern critics are concentrating their attention upon people who do not own or control railroads. Let the big northern railroad men "put up" the needed cars; else let our critics "shut up"—at least change their fire.

There is but one injustice that can match the injustice done southern people by their northern fault-finders and slanderers; it is the injustice we of the south commit when we mistreat those who are doing their best to truly teach, civilize and Christianize the poor negroes in our midst.

ATTICUS G. HAYGOOD.

Sheffield, Ala., March 12, 1890.

WHO CAN FORGIVE?

When the scribes asked, "Who can forgive sins but God only?" Christ turned the question in to an assertion by works which proved him to be God. Neither Moses before him, nor any of the apostles after him, ever forgave sins. Nothing in the Bible indicates that Peter regarded the "power of the keys" as an authority to forgive sin.

In the Roman Church of to-day every priest claims to do what Peter could not do. And their claim is urged, not on hardened sinners only, but on little children. The *Sunday-school Chronicle* reprints from a "Manual for the Children of the Church," published by the Kilburn Sisterhood, the follwing hymn for children:

Yes, I am going to God's priest,
To tell him all my sins;
And from this very hour I'll strive
A new life to begin.

When I confess, with contrite heart,
My sins unto the priest;
I do believe from all their guilt
That moment I'm released.

I go, then, with an humble heart,
To have my sins forgiven;
And angels, while I kneel, will sing
A hymn of joy in heaven.

We passed a Sabbath some years ago in a New Mexico town, and noticing that the Roman Catholic Church was closed, asked the reason. "Oh the padre is drunk," was the reply. Recently, meeting a resident of this place, we asked after the padre, and learned that he is still in charge, though a sad wreck from too much liquor. Yet he has, according to the Roman theology, power to forgive sins.

During a visit to old Mexico, we saw, with some wonder, at Guadaloupe, a number of gambling-booths, run by priests in the interest of the cathedral improvement fund. We have heard of such things, on a smaller scale, presided over by priests, in our own more favored land. It would hardly accord with the fitness of things for a clerk, whose conscience troubled him because, perhaps he had used the money of his employer and spent it in gambling, to go to one of the fathers for absolution who had presided over the faro bank or wheel of fortune at which he had lost his money.

The doctrine that any man can forgive sin is equally unscriptural, and no less repugnant than the practice of a Church which, by receiving money in payment for absolution, becomes partaker in the sin it pretends to forgive.—*Herald and Presbyter.*

WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE MINUTES.

To the members of the White River Conference:—DEAR BRETHREN; Please bear with me a little while longer. There has been unavoidable delay in getting out our Minutes. The printers have been sick with La Grippe. The publishers wife has been sick and other things have hindered us. I think they will certainly be ready inside of two weeks. However, there is about $15 yet liking to pay the printer as there will be more pages than I calculated on. I trust the preachers who have not yet subscribed for any copies will do so at once. And I would be glad if those who have already subscribed would take a few more copies. Will send them for 10cts each. They can easily be sold for that and no body lose any thing. I regret the delay but it could not be prevented.

Fraternally,

A. L. MALONE, Sec'y.

P. S. I would call the attention of the members of the Woman's Missionary Society that their proceedings are published in the Minutes and that perhaps they could sell some copies. Would be glad to hear from them.

A. L. M.

GENERAL CONFERENCE EXPENSES.

BROTHER BENNETT:—I do not remember of ever reading anything that I gave a more hearty Amen to than I did to Bro. Godden's article concerning delegates' expenses while at St. Louis. It is wrong and the law ought to be repealed by all means. Let every Methodist preacher in the M. E. Church, South, say amen to it.

Corning, Ark. D. J. LEAKE.

[Bro. Godden is opposed to the present plan and wants it repealed; but we do not think he wants the delegates, *while at St. Louis*, to pay their own board bills, which they must do, unless the Conferences represented shall pay boarding as well as traveling expenses. In this case these expenses should be provided for, whether the plan is continued or repealed. ED.]

The Pope of Rome had the audacity and effrontery to demand that his delegate to the Berlin Conference now in session should have precedence over all others. This wild and foolish ambition was nipped in the bud, but none the less it shows the animus of the papacy. It is the same unblushing, scheming, unscrupulous power that it was in the Dark Ages, and lacks nothing but the ability to put its heel upon the neck of every country in the world. It shamelessly sets itself up as the supreme authority in the governments of earth. Those Protestants who have no fear of papal supremacy seem not to understand the spirit and purpose of the Jesuits. If by intrigue and low cunning they finally get possession of this country we shall have nobody to blame but ourselves. If we do not know the wiles of this arch-enemy of liberty it because we are too stupid to read history. It behooves all Protestants to use eternal vigilance, the of liberty, that Romanism be not permitted to trample our institutions under its slimy heel.—Cumberland Presbyterian.

HENDRIX COLLEGE.

EDITORS METHODIST:—Searcy *was* first, second, and last with me; but *now*, Conway *is* first, second, and last. God bless Hendrix College, and the spunky pastor, Tabor, who did so much in ousting whisky from Conway. Amen to S. S. Key's honor to Gov. Nichols, and let *all* say amen.

JAS. F. JERNIGAN.

Walnut Ridge, March 7.

A CARD.

To our many friends who have written kind letters of sympathy and condolence since our sad bereavement we say, from our hearts we thank you. How precious to us these expressions are, they know who have passed through a similar trial. As it is not possible at this time to write to all, we take this method to thank you *all*, and we pray that God's best blessings may rest upon you.

Sincerely your friends,

MRS. ANNA M. GRANADE,
MRS. ANNIE G. WELD.

Springdale, Ark., March 25, 1890.

The Boston *Transcript*, is authority for the statement that more men (employes) are killed on the steam railroads of the country every year than fell in the battle of the Wilderness. This is a startling and awful fact, if true. It is all the more worthy of attention because the most of the men who thus lost their lives owe it to the failure of the railroad companies to adopt proper methods and machinery to protect their enployes. The popular voice should be heard in such tones of indignation that the companies would be made to promptly heed it. And then, Congress and the State legislatures should enact laws which would compel greater care in this direction. President Harrison thought the matter of sufficient importance to be embodied in his message to Congress, and he deserves honor for so doing.—Pittsburgh Advocate.

FRIENDS OF THE SABBATH ATTENTION.

Dr. Wilbur F. Crafts, president of the National Sabbath Union, will be in Little Rock on April 13th and 14th. On Sunday the 13th he will preach on Sabbath Reform. A convention is therefore called to meet in Little Rock on April 13th, 14th and 15th, for the purpose of organizing a State association to co-operate with the National Union. The object of this movement is to secure such legislation, State and national, as will protect every man in his rights to rest on the Sabbath day and the passage and enforcement of laws to prevent the public violation of the Sabbath. There is no design to use legal methods to secure the religious observation of the Sabbath, but it is the object of the Union to promote this latter by spiritual methods. With this purpose not only Christians, but all lovers of law and liberty can sympathize. Therefore let every city and town in the State send deligates to the convention at Little Rock.

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CHAIRMAN OF TEMPORARY COMMITTEE.

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Rev. David Holmes says: "It will do good. It ought to promote holiness." Dr. W. P. Harrison, editor of the Southern Methodist Review, says: "It is a valuable contribution to our *thinking* literature."

Seeing so many curious things in the Old Testament, at which skeptics stumble and no one seems to understand, induced the author to attempt an explanation.

Agents are allowed fifty per cent for selling, if they buy from the author. Apply to Rev. H. R. Withers, Hamburg, Ark. Or to the publisher, J. D. Barbee, Nashville, Tenn.

The author assumes that Christ has died but once; that before his death there was no atonement for sin, except in the blood of beast, and that was insufficient for final salvation; and on that account, there was a first covenant and a first Testament, suitable to a provisional state of grace before the fulness of grace appeared in the better atonement made in the person of Jesus Christ at his death.

Any atonement in Christ before he died is Calvinistic. If we say God knew it as a fact before Jesus died, we may as well say He knew everything else as a fact before it was; and, therefore, all things are the same as decreed. That is Calvinism. Jesus had not died before it occurred at Calvary—and there was, therefore, no atonement till then. What then? See "Behold The Lamb."

ARKANSAS METHODIST

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, 1890.

MISS ANNIE KEADLE.

To the President and Members of the Woman's Missionary Society at Dalark:—In obedience to your request we your committee submit the following:

WHEREAS, The angel of death entered our Society on Feb. 6, 1890, and removed from us our much beloved sister, Annie, daughter of our pastor, Rev. O. H. Keadle, in the bloom of womanhood, therefore

RESOLVED, That we bow in humble submission to the will of our heavenly Father who doeth all things well.

2. That the Society has lost a faithful friend and helper in the Mission cause.

3. That while we sincerely lament our loss, we rejoice in the hope of her exchange of sickness and pain for the glory of heaven.

4. That through this sad event we are forcibly reminded that we must all die, and that we will endeavor to live so that when the call comes to us we will be, as we think she was, ready.

5. That we hereby tender our sincere sympathy and condolence to the bereaved parents, brothers and sisters, and commend them to the comforting care of our heavenly Father.

6. That these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the Society, a copy be presented to the family of the deceased, and a copy be sent to THE ARKANSAS METHODIST for publication.

MRS. EMMA WILSON,
MISS MAGGIE ATCHLEY,
MISS MOLLIE LITTLEJOHN,
MISS NELLIE LITTLEJOHN,
MRS DISDA HOLLOWAY, } Com.

QUESTIONS FOR PREACHERS ONLY.

1. Do you *pray much* that the word preached may be "in demonstration of the Spirit and of power?" Or do you *study more* to speak "with excellency of speech or of wisdom," "with enticing words of man's wisdom?"

2. Have you the single eye in all done and said, or are you guilty of "eye-service as *men pleasers*?" "The *creature*, said Arthur, in his "Tongue of Fire," "who covets and earns the reward of being counted 'an acceptable preacher'—a miserable poise, fit only for an impotent and soulless discourser—but shakes no sinner's heart . . . may spin fine paragraphs, but what reward will crown his resurrection?"

3. In seeking to "be all things to all men," haven't you compromised and run to the other extreme to have "all men speak well of you?" Remember the Master's "woe" to all such.

4. Knowing "the love of money to be the *root of all evil*," the curse of this age, do you seek, in the fear of God, to tear their hearts from their idols? or do you avoid this subject as often as possible to keep in favor with the people; and when you speak the declarations are so tame that no prejudices or idols are given up? It may be that "thou art the man."

We may write again. In the mean time we are keeping our eyes open.

WATCHMAN.

—Wesleyan Advocate.

DOES NOT PREVENT SPIRITUALITY.

It is frequently claimed that the business matters of the church, such as lifting collections, the proceedings of quarterly and annual conferences, interfere with spirituality. This can not be true if the business be regarded as the Lord's, and is carried on in fear of God as it should be. There is no reason why any part of the Lord's work should not be done in the deepest spirituality, since if it be God's work, there is nothing in it to prevent the presence of the Spirit, and if he is present it cannot be unspiritual. Not such things do not prevent spirituality. In the language of Mr. Wesley—sermon 114—"possibly it may prevent loud shouting, horrid, unnatural screaming, repeating the same words twenty or thirty times, jumping two or three feet high, and throwing about the arms or legs, both of men and women, in a manner shocking not only to religion, but to common decency; but it never will check, much less prevent, true scriptural devotion." To reiterate, that man is spiritual who has the fruit of the Spirit and that work is spiritual which partakes of that fruit. St. Paul enumerates nine graces as the fruit of the Spirit. It is well, therefore, to be careful that while we give prominence to one, we do not set aside the others. It is well to remember that ministering to the sufferings of the afflicted, and giving money to sending the gospel to the heathen, are as spiritual as singing psalms, and paying the preacher of the gospel is spiritual work as well as preaching the gospel.—Texas Christian Advocate.

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Hon. S. M. Finger, Superintendent Public Instruction, Raleigh, N. C.

Prof. E. R. Dickson, Superintendent City Schools, Mobile, Ala.

Hon. Jas. H. Rice, State Superintendent of South Carolina, Columbia.

Prof. D. Anderson, Superintendent City Schools, Huntsville, Ala.

Prof. John L. Webber, Charleston, S. C.

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Prof. P. A. Witmer, Hagerstown, Md.

Dr. W. A. Candler, Oxford, Ga.

Mrs. J. E. B. Stuart, Staunton, Va.

Josiah H. Shinn, Little Rock.

About three score others have signified a willingness to respond to papers or to discuss the same.

The Committee on Programme hope to arrange and submit the programme in thirty days. One fare railroad rates have been secured from all points in the country. Invitations have been extended to several prominent educators in the North, and many of them are expected to be present, including Dr. W. T. Harris, United States Comissioner, who writes in the most kindly vein.—Gazette.

A TRUTH.—Pleasure is necessarily reciprocal; no one feels it who does not at the same time give it. To be pleased one must please. What pleases you in others will in general please them in you.

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Rev. Z. T. BENNETT, Editor.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, 1890.

In the St. Louis Advocate Rev. Dr. J. Ditzler closes a letter in answer to inquiries with these words: "There is not a great standard lexicon extant, of modern print, recognized by the European universities and critics that does not give sprinkle or pour or both in the language in which the lexicon is published, as a definition or definitions of *baptidzo*."

Last Saturday the building occupied as the boarding department for the young ladies of Ouachita College at Arkadelphia was quickly destroyed by fire. All the girls escaped from the building, but most of them lost their trunks and wearing apparel. Citizens promptly provided them homes in private families. The building was valued at $15,000 and neured for $7,000.

If it was announced this paper would be forced to suspend in thirty days, unless liberal and speedy aid was rendered, how some now apparently indifferent preachers would bestir themselves! How cheerfully and earnestly and effectively they would work to sustain the paper! And how promptly would hundreds of subscribers send forward the money they owe for the paper! And how quickly hundreds more would renew in advance!

We believe fully in the literal resurrection of the identical body in which we live and move and suffer. We regard, therefore all "modern" teaching to the contrary, as opposed to the Bible on this cardinal doctrine ot our holy religion. With the editor of the St. Louis Advocate we think "the Bible doctrine of a literal resurrection of the body, in contrast with these visionary and super-ethereal views, commends itself to reason as well as to faith. The idea that pervades the Bible, is the idea of a literal resurrection of the earthly body. This body that has been a partner with the spirit in its obedience and faith, or its partner in its sin, will be partner in the honors and rewards of the future life, or a partner in its shame and punishment."

Our Mississippi brethren are moving steadily and grandly in their male college enterprise. They have in cash and sucscriptions nearly $100,000 for endowment, and will probably raise $50,000 more, as Bro. Millsaps offers to add $25,000 to his gift of $50,000, if other Methodists in that State will raise $25,000 more. The city or town, which secures the location of Millsaps College, will probably give $10.000 in real estate and buildings. Then our two Conferences in Miss. will have $250,000 in their male college. We heartily congratulate them upon the flattering prospects for their noble enterprise. The world is moving and the Church of the living God is progressing in advance of the times, in the cause of higher education.

A fearfully destructive tornado last Thursday night swept through Louisville, Ky., and some other towns in that section of country. In Louisville the calamity was inexpressibly sad and appalling, about 100 persons being killed, a larger number wounded and property worth $3,000,000 or more destroyed. Many were killed and wounded in other towns, and in the track of desolation great suffering has been reported among poor people. To the suffering and sorrowing have gone many expressions of profound sympathy and material aid. In the midst of life death comes by wind and flood and flame; and how impotent is man snd how frail is his most substantial structures! O may all who read these lines be prepared to meet God, whenever and wherever death may meet them!

In the N. Y. Herald, Mr. E. H. Farrar, a prominent lawyer of New Orleans, shows that the charter of the Louisiana Lottery Co., is simply a revocable license, purely within the domain of the police power of the State; hence, that fraud is a perpetual menace in the politics of Louisiana. He says; "Now, the only way they can protect such a grant is by perpetually controlling the majority of every Legislature that may hereafter be elected in this State. They must, therefore, be a perpetual factor in politics and a factor only in the interest of corruption; because it is only by the exercise of such widespread corruption in the future as they notoriously exercised in the past that they can hope to control a majority of all future Legislatures. They will then be brought into such relations with the whole gamut of politics that they will necessarily end by controlling the whole politics of the State. The result of this will be that all honorable and independent men will be excluded from public office, and no man who will not bow his head to their degrading yoke can ever hope to obtain any political honor."

An old Methodist in the Florida Advocate related his testimony in poetry, which he thought had wings to soar, though lame in the "feet." He thus speaks of itinerants in the long ago:

"The circuit riders of them days
Were not so fine and grand;
They took "degrees" a-hauling logs,
And clearing up the land;
But when one of them rose to preach,
I tell you we could smell
The fragrant flowers of heaven
And the stifling smoke of hell."

As he can not reasonably expect a return to all the customs of "them days," and seems to anticipate social distinctions among the saints in the hereafter, he thus finds comfort in the thought of not being confined to even the heavenly city:

"And when I reach fair Canaan,
The Lord will doubtless see
That mansions in the city will
Not do for such as me—;
So He will let me go among
Old-fashioned saints, I think,
And praise Him 'neath the trees of life,
Upon the river's brink."

ABOUT OUR PAPER.

To the Preachers and Members of the M. E. Church, South, in Arkansas:

You have been given a short report of the annual meeting of the Publishing Committee. At that meeting my bre hren requested me to address you in behalf of THE ARKANSAS METHODIST, the official organ of our Conferences in this State.

These Conferences at their last sessions renewed their endorsement and commendation of our paper, as they had done the year before. Our action in the re-election of Rev. Z. T. Bennett as Editor, was as naturally expected as it will be cordially approved. In his faithful devotion to our Church and his constant, arduous labor on the paper, he deserves the sympathy and cheerful co-operation of all our preachers and members in the patronizing Conferences. Moreover he regards his position and service, as by appointment from our Church, at whose will and pleasure he stands ready to relinquish the responsible trust committed to his hands.

Bro. George Thornburgh, a prominent and honored layman, is now associated with Bro. Bennett in the ownership of the paper, and as its Business Manager is devoting his time and energy to the service of our Church. I have been in their office frequently enough to see, that both of these brethren have all they can do to meet the demands upon them; and if all the readers of THE METHODIST fully knew the constant labor and heavy expense required in its publication, few indeed would be lacking in proper appreciatian of the paper. Knowing its cost in work and money, they would surely encourage the aim and effort to maintain our paper at $1.50, a lower price than charged for any of the local Conference organs.

This leads me to express regret, that so many fail to renew in advance and that many do not even keep their subscriptions paid up. These things ought not to be so; and I don't think they would be, if all subscribers only knew how a paper may be embarrassed by many unpaid subscription accounts. At this point I repeat the words of the Publishing Committee one year ago: THE METHODIST "has borne and still carries a burden in the large amount of unpaid subscriptions, representing honest earnings in good faith, and which in all fairness, justice and good faith should be paid. We see clearly the importance and necessity of closer collections to operate the Organ of our Conferences on safe business principles; and we feel sure the patrons themselves, who often through *forgetfulness* allow their subscriptions to become large, would soon and generally be better satisfied by paying in advance."

Further, quoting again from the address of the Committee last year, I wish to emphasize the fact that it is "a matter of special and personal interest to every member of our Church in Arkansas to give our paper such a strong patronage, as will not only remove all embarrassment in publishing it, but also enable its proprietors to furnish us, as we confidently believe they will, a paper truly creditable to Southern Methodism. There can be no debate as to the ability of our people to sustain our paper in ample manner; and when we state that its patrons are getting more reading matter for $1.50 than is given by some other papers at higher prices, it is proper and just that all should show their appreciation by securing a larger circulation for our own paper."

In conclusion, THE METHODIST is meeting the wants of our Church in Arkansas as no other outside paper can do. We need and must keep a denominational paper in this State. And while we are not asked for *donations* to help sustain it, we should all give it such a warm and liberal support, that it may grow in circulation and larger power for good. Our purpose should be to introduce it into every home where our Church has a member. If this can be generally done, and all will adopt as their motto, "Pay as they go," there will be no difficulty in sustaining *our* paper and improving it more and more.

Respectfully,
A. HUNTER,
for Publishing Committee.

"Blessed are the peace-makers." Many pastors have known this blessedness. They possess the sacred art of quelling strife. They never compromise principle. They do not let worldiness into the church in order to keep strife out; but they oppose evils wisely. Their methods, their tone, and their spirit cannot be withstood. The qualities of such a man are worthy of study. He is unselfish and impartial and true and sincere and pliable as water in nonessentials, but firm as a rock when principle is involved. He has not received "the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind."—N. Y. Advocate.

The Watchman, of Boston, thinks that the rumor circulated from time to time to the effect that Joseph Cook is "giving out," is a great mistake. His lectures this year attracted large audiences in Boston, and were more fully reported in the Boston papers than for many years. It thinks that a man who can deliver an annual course of lectures for fifteen years with these results does not show many signs of "giving out."—Pittsburg Advocate.

His recent utterances about the South will make many intelligent people think it unsafe to accept the Bostonian estimate of his ability and unfailing resources. If he is not "giving out,", he is certainly spreading out to the disgust of sensible people in the South, but possibly to the delectation of Boston "culture."

Rev. Dr. William Barry in the April Forum says: "The struggle for wealth is turning out barbarians by the million, on as large a scale, in fact, as any other products of our expensive machinery. Competition, governed by no higher principle than the "higgling of the market," creates poverty, drunkenness, vice, physical degradation, bestial indifference to every human good. The abundance which ought to feed civilization is choking it. The "labor market" has taken the place of the slave market, and men, women, and children are sold in it every day. But the wage-earner comes cheaper than the slave. He belongs to nobody. His fee simple in our magnificent social progress is but a "contingent remainder" in the workhouse— where no useful work is ever done, lest it should increase the competition outside and so multiply paupers."

Trinity College will not be removed to Raleigh, as heretofore agreed upon, but to Durham, N. C. Two citizens of Durham, Washington Duke and Julian S. Carr, offer respectively $85,000 and $20,000 to secure the college in Durham, and others will give about $15,000. In his letter to the Board of Trustees Mr. Duke said: "I make this gift, not with any spirit or intent of rivalry with the city of Raleigh, but for the sole purpose of assisting in placing the college upon a sure foundation from which it may grow in usefulness and power, to the extent of enabling it to rival the best colleges elsewhere and attract students by its superior advantages. I desire to promote the highest learning under the guidance of Christian men. To do so, the financial resources of the Board of Trustees must be increased so as to enable them to get and keep the most talented professors and instructors in the faculty, to thoroughly equip every department of the college with the best and most approved buildings and appliances for doing this work and secure the largest patronage by opening these advantages to all young men of whatever financial ability, who are prepared to avail themselves of them. I am aware that this gift is not large enough to do all for the college that I desire to see done for it, but I make it with the expectation that it will be speedily supplemented by liberal donations from the Methodists and friends of the Institution throughout the State, and that they will also rally heartily to the support of the college by sending their sons to this, the college of their own Church, and thus make this great work an assured success."

STEAM AND ELECTRICITY FOR BUSINESS: OX-CARTS FOR THE CHURCH.

A generation ago the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, began, in a tentative way to do a little mission work among the heathen. Those were the days of small movements and we made them. It took a long time to do things. Our first missionaries "went round the Cape;" even when our Dr. Allen went to China the voyage was a matter of six months. Not so to-day; Nellie Bly made the big circuit round the globe, in about three months. A letter from my sister and other friends in Shanghai often comes to my desk in thirty days. In those old days—measured by the world's movement since we began in China, centuries ago—a letter from a missionary once in six months was a thing of general interest. A returned missionary as well as an out-going missionary made a stir. Well do I remember the Sunday Dr. Jenkins and his specimen Chinaman dined at my father's house. It is all different now; they go and come as much as others do.

In those days with our little mission in China and our chief mission work among the plantations one Secretary going round among a few Conferences, selling certificates of membership in the Missionary Society—about covered the ground. In those far away days to my young eyes it seemed that a pretty big business was going on in the matter of converting the heathen. So it seemed to me the first time I saw an old fashioned passenger train of two cars, stringers and snake-head for track, one coach for the folks, and one box for the mail and baggage. One train a day and about sixteen miles an hour made the schedule then. To accommodate the travel between two stations, six miles apart, on the same road, I have seen seven trains go daily each way. It is a long ways from the little, feeble, uncertain, slow-going two-coach trains of those old dead days and the vestibule palace cars sweeping across the continent, day and night, making fifty miles an hour. How would the anti-bellum, antiquated organization for running a railroad forty years ago do now? As well as our meager, narrow plans for running the missionary work of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, suit us.

Missions in China, missions in Japan, missions on the Mexican Border, missions in Central Mexico, missions in Brazil—to say nothing of the Indians and our Pacific and Northwestern mission Conferences—a wider empire than Asbury ever dreamed of, and one Secretary. More correspondence now in one month than in those ancient days a twelve month called for and one Secretary as aforetime, before the flood. Needing a half million next year and one Secretary. Needing to have a great Church aroused from center to circumference and one Secretary. Needing to have a wide and almost unbroken field sowed down with the very best seed and one Secretary.

Ask the railroads to go back to their old plans, they would laugh us to scorn. Ask "the developers," opening mines, tunneling mountains, building factories, creating cities, to depend on the old methods, and they would count us mad. Who was it that said. "The children of this world are wiser in their generation than the children of light?"

Will it be always so? Is it "in the nature of things" that the Church, which should lead the world's movement in breadth and boldness must creep while business leaps? Is steam, is electricity for the money-makers only? Is the Church chained to a creaking ox-cart? He, of the ancient view, may spare the pains of telling us that "the Church depends upon her pastors." He may as well say "twice two are four." Let him consider this matter of fact: the Churches on both sides of the water that are really carrying on the work of missions to the henthen have enlarged their plans and strengthened their organization, not to the guage of modern business, but to a measure far beyond. This twelve hundred thousand Church we love best of all.

ATTICUS G. HAYGOOD.

Sheffield, Ala., March 28.

NEWPORT DISTRICT.

DEAR ARKANSAS METHODIST:—I have just closed the first round on this District. The preachers are all at their posts except one; he is suffing the will of God. Pray the Master to sustain him. Through the blessing of God I have been at every appointment. Considering the amount of rain and the very high water, the preachers are doing splendidly. Signs of improvement, some conversions and more spirituality in the Churches generally. The preachers have been well received. Finances about the same as last year. I find your paper a helper on the District; it is doing good work. Come to our District Conference, and pray for our success,

F. E. TAYLOR.

Walnut Ridge, March 31.

WARREN ROSEBUDS.

DEAR BRO. BENNETT:—For the encouragement of the Church ane our children we wish to say that wd have organized in our Methodist Church here a Juvenile Missionary Society, named the Warren Rosebuds which has now about 70 names enrolled, and increasing in interest and numbers.

The following are the officers elect for this term: President, Miss Mary L. Watson; Vice-Presidents, Misses Ruth Turner and Fannie Koonce; Recording Secretary, Miss Lettie Langston; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Laura Langston; Treasurer, Miss Jessie Turner.

We meet three Sundays every month. Since commencing in January we have raised, in contributions the sum of $6.05, which has been sent to Sister McAlmont, Treasurer Woman's Missionary Board of L. R. Conference. We urged all the children to try and earn their nickles by some kind of work, and when they in turn come up to bring their contributions, to tell the audience how they earned it, and this plan has been very amusing and works so admirably. One says, "I earned it sweeping the yard," and another, "bringing in wood," and "washing clothes," and one little boy said "carrying notes to the young ladies;" and one little girl too little to do any kind of work, said she earned her nickle "singing Peek-a-Boo, for papa and mamma." And many other laudable ways too numerous to mention here, but this gives an idea how it is conducted. We read to them interesting missionary leaflets and stories, with short Bible lessons interspersed with songs. We find it an excellent place to give pastoral instruction to children, and we seem to have their attention better than we could get it in public services, or in pastoral visiting when we find so many children away from home or out to play. Private pastoral work is good, of which we do all we can, but we fear many of our children are drifting away from the Church for want of more such public work with them, something like the above. It seems this is a good way to raise missionaries at home, some of whom may go to foreign fields after a while, having learned to love the cause in their childhood. Preaching missionary sermons and organizing Woman's Missionary Societies are all good in their place, but special missionary work with the children now seems to be the work of the Church mostly needed. Do this, and twenty-five and thirty years from now you will not have so many people saying, "I don't believe in foreign missions," when you are taking the collections. And then, eternity alone will reveal the great good spiritually that will be done. Of course this close work with children can't be done on circuits where pastors are present only monthly, but we felt guided by the Spirit to make these statements to encourage all the activity possible in this glorious field of labor.

Yours, etc.,
JOHN R. SANDERS.

Warren, March 25.

CONCERNING CONFERENCE MINUTES.

EDITOR METHODIST and all concerned, greeting:—Are Conference Minutes "private affairs," as was said of "trusts" by a prominent American politician not long since? Are they such holy documents that omissions, seeming contradictions, etc., etc., must be spoken and written of in private only? Or, are they public property, and distributed to inform the Church in a given Conference as to what it has accomplished during a Conference year as to spiritual and material advancement or retrogression? The latter is the writer's view as to why Minutes or Journals of Conferences or Associations are printed and distributed. All criticisms that draw out facts and point out mistakes it appears to the writer are a benefit.

As far as I can judge Bro. Reynolds does not deny a single defect pointed out in my letter as to defects in our printed Minutes. I was criticizing the Minutes as they came from the printer. There being an increase in the number of churches and parsonages it was a reasonable inference, that there would be an increase of their aggregate value. That the table was incorrect is evident from the following statement taken from Bro. Reynolds' letter in the last METHODIST: "Below is appended a *corrected* report of the membership, adult and infant baptisms for the year, which it is hoped will prove satisfactory to all concerned—the editor of the Arkansas Baptist especially." (Italics mine).

It was two and a half months after Conference ere the writer received copies of the Journal. It appears that by correspondence with the Presiding Elders or Pastors of the charges not reporting, the vacant blanks might have been filled before the Journal was published. I presume Minutes will always be quoted in preference to newspaper articles, although as in this case the latter may be more correct. Just as Bro. Bennett quotes from the Minutes of M. E. or Baptist Churches, so our members will be estimated from our Minutes by ministers and editors in other Churches. But they should be correct for the facts in the case, for our own people even. So far as the Statistical Book of the Conference is concerned, few can see it or perhaps desire to see it. It is not likely to be seen by the people of my charge, neither could it be sent to friends in other States, nor to a Bishop if he desired to see a report of my last year's work in order to judge of my capacities for some other field of labor. In neither case could my report be found in the printed Journal.

And yet "Brethren don't rush into print unless you have a real grievance." Webster gives as the first meaning of the latter word, "cause for uneasiness or complaint." O yes, your reports sent on and omitted from the Minutes, but don't complain, I'll insert them in the Conference Book, if you will send me the duplicate! Why not have inserted when you had them, my dear brother? But you reply I misplaced them or words to that effect. Well now, that is just the reason I have not sent on a duplicate report. I have misplaced my Conference reports; hence if I was ever so good in addition and subtraction, I would not make a good Statistical Secretary, because I am *careless*.

Bro. Reynolds you say "There is often a wide difference in amounts reported and amounts received." Certainly the preachers "do not manufacture reports"? Should not the cash and receipts from the Treasurers at Louisville and Nashville agree with the reports in the table of statistics? Especially should not this be the case, when all the money is received by Conference Boards? Why cannot there be a meeting of the Secretaries of the Boards and the Statistical Secretary, and of the preachers whose reports and monies or receipts do not tally, and thus avoid such unpleasant looking differences as have existed? I write these lines in order to show that reports of Boards and Statistical Secretaries should agree, if there is any possible way to bring such agreement about. All criticisms written by me were prompted by this one leading idea—"can we not have more correct Minutes, and will not the pointing out of defects in our present ones, tend to this desirable end"? Yours respectfully,

H. J. BROWN.

Bentonville, March 28.

FROM OZARK STATION.

We are now beginning the sixth week of our meeting. Thirty souls have been regenerated, many backsliders brought back to their first love and others have sought and obtained the blessing of perfect love. We have had forty-five accessions since Conference—fifteen of these came from Webb City—just across the river. Ozark Church has the only successful class meeting I ever saw; from seventy-five to one hundred attend every Sunday at 8 p. m. I have said that the class meeting in our Church was a failure, but will not say so again. When the people get religion enough they will meet and talk about it. Our Sunday-school has an average attendance of 110. Our superintendent, W. W. Jennings, is in many respects a model superintendent.

The writer has preached in four States and in many towns in Arkansas, but Ozark is the only Church he ever knew that paid the P. C. a living salary, and then gave him a living besides. They have pounded the preacher and his family for the last four months, a little here and a little there, but last Monday night after preaching they capped the climax, when the great crowd of people came to see the P. C's family, and brought almost every needed article of food and clothing. God is surely blessing this people. I want to close this field note by saying I am enjoying a deeper experience of religion than at any period of my life. Truly,

B. C. MATTHEWS.

March 31.

NATIONAL SALVATION.

Rev. Thos. M. C. Birmingham, of the Arkansas Conference, preached a very interesting and able sermon at the Eighth St. Methodist Church last Thursday evening from Prov. xiv, 34: "Righteousness exaltheth a nation." The preacher made a striking contrast between the condition of the nations of Christianity, and especially Protestant Christianity, and the other nations of the earth. In the course of his sermon he made a strong plea for the sanctity of the Sabbath, and adduced many unanswerable arguments in favor of national prohibition. Bro. Birmingham has devoted a great deal of study and research to this subject, and he presents an array of facts and figures that cannot fail to interest and profit those who hear him. We feel that those who listened to him Thursday were edified by the discourse. The daily Democrat gave five columns to a report of it—a thing unprecedented in journalism in this city.

M. P. VENABLE.

ARKANSAS METHODIST

WEDNESDAY, APRIL. 2, 1890

PERSONALS.

President A. C. Miller of Hendrix College was in this city last week and honored our office with several pleasant calls.

Rev. Thos. M. C. Birmingham preached last week at Argenta and at our First Church in this city, on National Salvation, and gave us a friendly call while here.

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. W. G. Miller of Memphis are visiting their former parishioners in this city, guests of Dr. and Mrs. Thompson. We sincerely wish Dr. Miller's health may be much improved by this visit.

We regret to learn of the protracted illness of Rev. Dr. Kirkland, editor of the Southern Christian Advocate. For three weeks his admirable paper has indicated his absence, though well edited by a competent proxy.

Rev. J. H. Bradford, of El Dorado C't, gave us a cheerful call Tuesday p. m., and reported having held an interesting meeting at Concord on the Austin C't. At the close of the services which embraced the Quarterly meeting, there were 14 accessions, and 12 children baptized.

Bishop Key and wife are looking well, though the Bishop complains at present of very bad cold. He holds the Terrell District Conference this week at Kaufman, and from there, we understand, he leaves the State to meet other engagements, and will not return until after the General Conference.—*Texas Advocate.*

We have neglected to mention that Bro. Logan D. Dameron had sold his entire interest in the St. Louis Christian Advocate to Rev. J. W. Lowrance, who becomes Business Manager and nominally associate editor. We extend our best wishes to the retiring and the incoming Manager of that excellent paper.

On Tuesday we had a delightful visit from Bishop J. S. Key, en route from his home in Fort Worth, Texas, to Morrilton to hold the District Conference there this week. He was in fair health, despite a recent attack of la grippe, and gave cheering report of Texas Methodism, to which he has contributed largely by his consecrated and efficient services. He is a *traveling* preacher and a *preaching* Bishop.

Before receiving her letter (on second page) we knew our good sister, Mrs. Judge Prince, must be very happy over Conway's good fortune. And just like the modest Christian lady that she is, she claims no meed of praise for the elect ladies of Conway. But for them what would have been done by Bro. Tabor, or Gist or Harton or Prince or Bruce or others or even our royal bachelor brother, W. W. Martin? These and all other noble citizens deserve praise, but let it never be forgotten, that the dear ladies there have won palms of victory in Conway's elevation, as the world shall know in the crowning day that's coming.

SPECIAL AND SUNDRY.

George Francis Train proposes to travel arround the world in sixty days, and thus beat the records of Misses Bly and Bisland.

Rev. A. J. Cullom, P. C. of Conway mission, gives notice that Children's Day will be observed in the grove near the parsonage, the first Sunday in May.

Rev J. S. Nicholson writes that sister Mary Hicks, wife of Bro. E. M. Hicks, died March 23 from measles and la grippe, and that in her death a good and true woman has gone to her reward.

Rev. Geo. W. Hill reports a fine meeting in progress in Morrilton station, with eleven conversions and four professions of sanctification. Rev. John P. Lowery was assisting in the meeting.

Read the annual statement of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, one of the very best life insurance companies in the United States. For particular information address the Agents in this city.

Our preachers and friends generally made April last year a splendid month for the business of THE ARKANSAS METHODIST. It is both possible and *needful* to make it so this year. Kind reader, will *you* help to this end?

Rev. J. S. Clower, P. C. of Quitman C't, writes: "I second Bro. Key's motion. The "Beauregard—Early swindling lottery" should be stamped out, and every honest man should lend his aid to accomplish this much desired result."

Rev. Dr. Chapman informs us, that every dollar due from our First Church for any purpose is provided for by cash and subscription; all expenses paid in full to date, with some money left in the treasury; and 42 accessions to the Church since Conference.

Bro. J. N. Blackburn of Madison county writes, that his grand-mother Catherine Blackburn died March 13, aged 82 years, and her husband, Rev. S. W. Blackburn died March 18, aged 81 years. He had been a Free Will Baptist minister for 50 years. In a good old age he and his companion laid their armor by for a happy home in the beautiful city.

Bro. R. J. Cook of Barton sent $1 to continue our paper to the poor widow recently mentioned in our paper; and later Dr. T. J. Wilson of Walnut Ridge sent $1 for same purpose, or for some other poor widow. We wish we had a helping fund of $500 for the benefit of poor but deserving persons. It could be well applied, and would carry gladness to many lonely hearts.

If you wish to save 25 to 40 per cent on future purchases of Family Bibles, Teacher's Bibles, School Books, Law Books, Medical Books, Miscellaneous Books, Magazines and Shoes, write to Wm. Cooke, Secretary, Chattanooga Tenn., for interesting information 4-2-8t.

A MISSIONARY SUNDAY-SCHOOL.

The Sunday-school of the First M. E. Church, South, in this city, was on last Sunday organized into a Missionary Society, as contemplated by the Discipline. A constitution was adopted, and the Society named "The Macedonian Missionary Society of the First M. E. Church, South, Little Rock, Ark."

The following named were elected officers of the Society: George Thornburgh, President; J. M. Dungan, Vice-President; Miss Bessie Collins, Secretary; Miss Lucy Grant, Treas. Each class in the school selected a name by which it will be called. The first Sunday in each month will be missionary day in the Sunday-school. The classes will be called by name and their contributions recorded, so that at the end of the year it will be known how much each class contributed.

HON. THOS. B. MARTIN.

In this issue we announce Hon. Thos. B. Martin, as candidate for Judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit. The call asking him to become a candidate was signed by favorably known and eminent lawyers, U. M. Rose, J. M. Moore, W. E. Atkinson, C. B. Moore, John Fletcher, J. W. House, J. E. Williams, C. S. Collins, Dan. W. Jones and others, besides many of the best and most substantial citizens of this city. Thus they indicated their opinion of the integrity and qualification of Mr. Martin for the high and honorable position he now seeks, and if he is elected we feel sure the office will be ably, faithfully and impartially filled.

CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice, had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all Throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints. Having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, and desiring to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge to all who wish it, this recipe in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing, with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. NOYES, 820 Powers' Block, Rochester, N. Y.

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THE JOE P. Q. D. G. CO.

All our readers will observe the large advertisement of the Joe P. Quinn Dry Goods Co., but most of them would be charmed, if not rather bewildered, to see the magnificent display of goods in this very extensive and really progressive Dry Goods and Clothing House. Note carefully their mode of doing business and write for samples of goods desired, feeling assured of as fair treatment by mail as you would expect, if personally present. A lady with exquisite taste for the beautiful might describe their establishment, but we can not and will not try now, at any rate. It is enough for us to say the house is strictly first-class and its management altogether reliable.

WILLING WORKERS.

J. S. Hackler, $3.00; B. G. Johnston, 1.50; S. D. Evans, 2.00; J. A. Sage, 2.40; R. J. Raiford, 5.00; J. S. Brooke, 2.25; B. A. Few, 1.50; S. L. Cochran, 5.50; O. H. Keadle, 3.00; W. R. Harrison, 10.75; Jno. H. Smith, 2.85; J. H. Watts, 2.00; J. S. Clower, 1.50; J. W. Lively, 3.00; W. D. Kelly, 3.50; J. R. Rushing, 4.50; Jackson B. Cox, 2.50; F. M. Smith, 2.50; A. D. Jenkins, 7.70; G. S. Sexton, 1.50; C. M. Keith, 1.00; D. C. Ross, 1.60; Wm. Sherman, 4.70; S. N. Burns, 1.50; S. A. Hill, 3.00; G. S. Turrentine, 2.05; J. R. Cason, 3.50; W. B. Schoggin, 1.00; R. M. Traylor, 5.10; D. J. Weemr, 1.20; J. C. Moore, 1.20; J. M. Scott, 1.00.

W. S. King, 1.50; Jno. Eidson, 1.50; J. H. Bradford, 1.25; F. E. Taylor, 1.25; J. Loving, 10.00; A. D. Jenkins, 6.15; H. J. Brown, 4.00; J. S. Brooke 3.50; J. R. Sanders, 7.40; A. M. Robertson, 1.00; D. J. Leake, 1.50; W. W. Anderson, 1.00; J. R. Maxwell, 1.50; W. A. Freeman, 1.50; Geo. W. Logan, 3.50; Wm. S. Bristow, 2.50; J. D. Whiteside, 1.50. This is report for past two weeks.

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This new method of "one remedy for one disease" must appeal to the common sense of all sufferers, many of whom have experienced ill effects, and thoroughly realize the absurdity of the claims of Patent Medicines which are guaranteed to cure every ill out of a single bottle, and the use of which statistics prove, has ruined more stomachs than alcohol. A circular describing these new remedies is sent free on receipt of stamp to pay postage, by Hospital Remedy Company, Toronto, Canada, sole proprietors. dec. 25 eow 1yr.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Circuit Judge.

THE METHODIST is authorized to announce Robert J. Lea, of Pulaski County, a candidate for Circuit Judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, subject to the action of the Democratic Convention.

THE METHODIST is authorized to announce Thomas B. Martin, of Pulaski County, a candidate for Judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, subject to the action of Democratic Convention.

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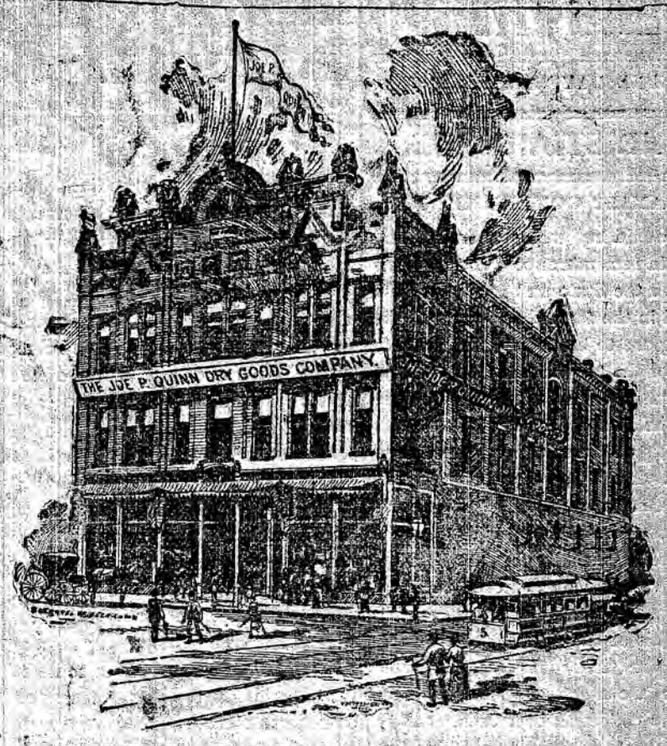

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OF THE UNITED STATES,

For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1889.

Amount of Ledger Assets, January 1st, 1889		$89,427,026.92
Less Contingent Sinking Fund		600,000.00
		$88,827,026.92
INCOME.		
Premiums	$25,357,522.75	
Interest, Rents, etc.	5,035,765.53	30,393,288.28
		$119,220,315.20
DISBURSEMENTS.		
Claims by Death and Matured Endowments	$7,878,499.53	
Dividends, Surrender Values, Annuities and Dis. End'ts	3,964,358.36	
Total Paid Policy Holders	*$11,842,857.89*	
Dividend on Capital	7,000.00	
Commissions, Advertising, Postage and Exchange	3,176,239.09	
General Expenses, State, County and City Taxes	2,820,855.91	17,846,952.89
Net Ledger Assets, Dec. 31, 1889		*$101,373,362.31*
ASSETS.		
Bonds and Mortgages	$23,637,873.52	
Real Estate, including the Equitable Buildings and purchases under foreclosure of mortgages	16,536,541.38	
United States Stocks, State Stocks, City Stocks, in Trust Companies and other Investments	45,545,395.63	
Loans secured by Bonds and Stocks (Market Value, $3,404,859)	3,705,000.00	
Real Estate outside the State of New York, including purchases under foreclosure of mortgages	8,116,755.06	
Cash in Banks and in transit (since rec'd and invested)	3,960,630.63	
Due from Agents on account of Premiums	771,166.14	$101,373,362.31
Market value of stocks and bonds over book value		2,697,138.55
Interest and Rent due and accrued		880,995.96
Premiums deferred and in transit		2,249,813.00
Total Assets Dec. 31, 1889		*$107,150,309.12*

I hereby certify, that after a personal examination of the securities and accounts described in this statement, I find the same to be true and correct as stated. *John A. McCall, Comptroller.*

Total Liabilities, including legal reserve or all existing Policies (4 per cent Standard)	*$84,329,234.92*
Total Undivided Surplus, over 4 per cent Reserve	*$22,821,074.20*
Of which the proportion contributed (as computed) by Policies in general class, is	$6,848,611.20
Of which the proportion contributed (as computed) by Policies in Tontine class, is	15,972,463.00

We certifify to the correctness of the above calculation of the reserve and surplus. From this surplus the usual dividends will be made. GEO. W. PHILLIPS, J. G. VAN CISE, } Actuaries.

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Total Outstanding Assurance	*631,016,666*

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ARKANSAS METHODIST.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, 1890.

CHRISTIAN LIFE.

FAMILY GOVERNMENT.

It would be well to know and keep in remembrance that the basis of both the State and the Church is found in the family, in which the young are to be trained for civil life and for the kingdom of God. From the fifth commandment, it is obvious that the Almighty would have us attach great importance to obedience to parents. Where this is not found, there can be neither good morals nor good government. Where such obedience is lacking in the family, no city or country can be well governed. Family government is the basis of all other government, and where the root is bad, the trunk and fruit can not be good. A city is but a collection of houses, and if there be no government in the separate houses, how can a city, or province, or country be well governed? If families are badly controlled, the father and mother ruling badly, the children having their own way, then neither city, country, kingdom or empire can be well and peacefully governed. The right training of children is a divine requirement. Parents are not free to do with children as they please; they are entrusted with parental authority that they may train their offspring for usefulness in this world and happiness in the next; and primarily and specially, this duty devolves on the parents. They may lawfully use the talents and influence and skill of others to assist them in this work, but that does not relieve them from the primal responsibility. In our judgment a proper recognition and performance of this duty is the great want of this time and country; and unless it be more faithfully performed than is being done now, communities will grow worse and worse. —St. Louis Advocate.

RICH TOWARD GOD.

What is needed now is that all Christians everywhere consecrate their wealth to the service of God. Too many are wasting or hoarding the Lord's money. Too many are consuming it upon their lusts. In the meantime, the evangelization of the world is retarded. We can not plead poverty; this is a false plea. The Chinese are incomparably poorer than we are, and yet they spend $200,000,000 a year in ancestral worship. The people of this country pay a billion dollars a year for drink. There are as many Christian people in America as there are drinking people, and they are immeasurably better off. We spend $50,000,000 a year for finger rings alone. In these last days, when God is opening the doors of all nations and speaking to us as never before to go forward and win these lands from savagery and superstition to civilization and Christianity, we are shamefully hoarding what He has given to us in trust. Myriads of Christian lives need to be reconstructed. There are those who need to be taught that they must economize for Christ's sake. An eminent Christian woman tells how she was taught when a child to save rags, to pick up pins, and to save the old bones. The family dressed plainly and lived plainly that they might give the more. We are living in a grand and awful time; we are living in an age such as the world never passed through before. Never were such demands as are made now. We can give more than we have ever thought of giving. A poor Church decided to give a tenth of their income, and they were surprised to find that the increase was two thousand per cent. The story is told of some converted Ojibways—thirty in all—who gave out of their poverty $180 for missions. There is no telling what Christendom could do if all would resolve to be rich toward God.—Christian Standard.

ONE STITCH AT A TIME.

"What is the secret of your beautiful work?" asked a friend, looking at an exquisite piece of crochet work wrought by the lady to whom the question was addressed.

"There is no secret about it," replied the lady; "I only make every stitch as perfect as I can, and am always careful to put it in the right place. There isn't a wrong or careless stitch in all that work. If I make a mistake, I ravel it out, and correct it."

One perfect stitch at a time! So the fabrics of lace worth fabulous prices are made. So the exquisite embroideries are wrought. So the costly garments of men and women are put together. One perfect stitch at a time.

The noblest lives are lived one moment at a time. No moments wasted, no moments carelessly or viciously spent. Wrong stitches in crochet can be raveled out and made right. Wrong stitches in garments can be picked out and made right again. But who can reverse the tide of time, undo a wrong act, and make it right again?

One stitch at a time! Sometimes we become confused with the thought that we have a dozen things to do at once. But that is a mistake. We can do but one thing at a time, think one thought at a time, speak one word at a time, see one thing at a time. For every duty really required of us we have time given to do it in. We may pass rapidly from one task to another; we may construct engines by which much of our work may be done simultaneously; but no mortal can live two minutes at once, nor can recall one fact or one moment of the past.

"Let us, then, be up and doing,
Heart with hand and God o'erhead!"
—Presbyterian Journal.

DOUBT AND DOUBTERS.

Doubt has three stages of development. These are position, opposition, and composition. It reminds one of a three-volume novel. In the first volume you have the young people happy in each other's love—that is position. In the second volume a wicked old uncle appears on the scene, and the happiness is for a time marred and clouded—that is opposition; while in the third volume all comes right again, and they are united for life—that is composition. Or, to be more personal, a young man comes to college believing, with his father and mother, that the Bible is an authority on everything—that is position, that is paradise. The second stage opens with his entering the biology and geology class, where he hears of evolution, and where he is taught that the six days of creation are not literal days—this inaugurates the era of opposition. How is he to pass out of it? Doubt, like limitation, now becomes a discipline, to put him down or up, to lead him either in the cold, marshy swamps of skepticism, or upon the clear, sunny hights of faith. He begins to see that the Bible itself is an evolution—presented in the literary form suitable to the childhood of the race. There were no sciences in that early morning; it would be an anachronism. Further on he reads of moral codes which he cannot understand. He sees, by-and-by, that morality itself is evolved. Thus, little by little, it dawns upon him that the Bible is a much richer book than he had ever thought. Now for the remedy.

He must begin by giving up all attempt to solve the unsolvable, just as he begins mathematics by giving up all attempts to square the circle, or discover perpetual motion. Not that it is wrong to face these things, but is is not profitable, and life is too short to spend it in what is of no profit. Honest men feeling their way to faith should go to the authorities, just as men do in science. If I wanted to be posted up in the natural history of the electric organ in the skate, I should go to Prof. Cossar Ewart; but if I wanted a bit of good fish for my breakfast table I should go to the best fish-monger! Remember that religion is in life, not in thought. The world in which we live is a real world, not a mere thought world. Mechanics is not a thing of mere theory; it is seen in waterfall, and with thunder. We *finish* our demonstrations with a Q. E. D. Christ *began* with that. Seventy times he begins with "Verily, verily." There was no "perhaps" with Christ. It was absolute assurance. The Pharisees could not see spirit for letter, the Sadducees could not see spirit for matter. Christ was peculiarly tender in his intercourse with the doubter. He loved to turn from the hollow, heartless formalists around him to talk with the mid-night inquirer, and with the despondent, semi-skeptic disciple—Thomas. Few text-books have illumination or grace in them. How full of grace and light Christ's teaching is! Ever and anon he surprises us by his exquisite "asides." He taught by parables, not by syllogisms.—Prof. Henry Drummond.

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OUR YOUNG FOLKS

HOW TO DO IT.

The fields are all white,
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We children are willing,
But what can we do
To work for our Lord in his harvest?

Our hands are so small,
And our words are so weak,
We can not teach others;
How then shall we seek
To work for our Lord in his harvest?

We'll work by our prayers,
By the pennies we bring,
By small self-denials—
The least little thing
May work for our Lord in his harvest?

Until by and by,
As the years pass at length,
We, too, may be reapers,
And go forth in strength
To work for our Lord in his harvest.
—Children's Record.

DOING THE BEST YOU CAN.

Young people should strive to make their lives. They should seek to develop all their powers, so as to be the very best men and women they possibly can be. There is another side to the subject. Being is the first thing, but there must also be doing. A story is told of one who stood before a statue of a soldier. As he looked at the matchless figure, so perfect as almost to have the resemblance of life, he became spell-bound in his admiration, and forgetting that it was but the marble image of the soldier that he saw, he exclaimed, "Now, march!" His involuntary thought was that anything so perfect ought to have capacity for motion. A fine character is not enough. The life that is developed to its best must also put forth its best activities; it must do something in the world worthy of its fine powers; it must be of use, honoring God, and blessing men. Young people need to think of this side of the subject as well as the other. Plan your life to do the best work you can do. This council applies to ordinary secular things as well as to religious duties. Do everything well; always do your best; learn to work carefully; never slight anything you do, if it is only the writing of a postal-card or the sharpening of a pencil. Whatever is worth doing at all, is worth doing well. It is by doing things well that we learn to do them better, and it is by faithfulness in doing little things that we prepare for doing larger and more important things. Those who do small things carelessly are never intrusted with large things. Every young person should fix it as a rule of life, never to be disregarded, always to do his very best.—Self-Help.

SOWING WILD OATS.

The theory is abroad that the young must first sow their wild oats. Let me break the delusion. You see aged men about us at eighty, erect, agile, splendid, grand old men. How much wild oats did they sow between eighteen years and thirty? None. God does not often honor with old age those who have in early life sacrificed swine on the altar of the bodily temple. Trembling and staggering along these streets to-day are men, all bent and decayed, and prematurely old, for the reason that they are paying for liens they put upon their physical estate before they were thirty. By early dissipation they put upon their body a first mortgage, a second, a third mortgage; and these mortgages are now being foreclosed, and all that remains of their earthly estate the undertaker will soon put out of sight. "I promise to pay my life thirty years from date at the bank of the grave," says every infraction of the laws of your physical being. When some of you die, if your friends put on your tombstone a truthful epitaph it will read: "Here lies the victim of late suppers;" or "Behold what chicken salad at night will do for man;" or, "Ten cigars a day closed my earthly existence; or, "Here is the consequence of sitting half a day with wet feet;" or, "This is where I have stacked my harvest of wild oats." I charge you, in the name of Christ and usefulness and eternal destiny, take better care of your health!"—Talmage.

ABOUT PET NAMES.

A pet name is a pretty thing, when used in its proper place. When a father, in kissing his daughter good night, calls her "Pussy;" or when a mother, taking her daughter into her arms and realizing all the blessedness that motherhood means, calls her "Pet," these little names have a signification. They belong to the beautiful free masonry of the home, and make a part of its little mystery of pass words and symbolism.

But what do you think of the taste which permits such combinations as "Miss Pussy Smith and Miss Pet Jones," on visiting cards? What do you think of the taste that permits the merest acquaintance to address a young lady as "Miss Kit," or "Miss Dot," or "Miss Duckie?" What do you think of the taste that permits a newspaper announcement, to the effect that Miss Dovie Johnson has just returned from a visit to her friend, Miss Blossom Jenkins?

Dear girls, don't indulge yourselves in the vulgar habit of living your every-day family life before the whole world. Cultivate rather the habit of reserve. The deep, tender thoughts and feeling of this life are cheapened by publicity.

Don't be *everybody's* "Pets," or everybody's "Pussies." Don't permit irreverent voices to speak the names which should have for you none but the dearest associations. Keep those names sacred for the lips of those you love, and be, to the dear five hundred, "Miss Lucy Smith," and "Miss Emma Jones." —Christian Standard.

A SOFT ANSWER.

The Bible says: "A soft answer turneth away wrath." The Irish Times tells of a case in which a gentle action served the same purpose: "A brave, active, intelligent terrier, belonging to a lady friend, one day discovered a monkey, belonging to an itinerant organ-grinder, seated upon a bank within the grounds, and at once made a dash for him. The monkey, who was attired in jacket and hat, awaited the onset in such undisturbed tranquility that the dog halted within a few feet of him to reconnoiter. Both animals took a long steady stare at each other, but the dog evidently was recovering from his surprise, and was about to make a spring for the intruder. At this critical juncture the monkey, who had remained perfectly quiet hitherto, raised his paw and gracefully saluted by lifting his hat. The effect was magical. The dog's head and tail dropped, and he sneaked off to the house, refusing to leave it until his polite but mysterious guest had departed." There are times when some animals act more sensibly than some people; and this poor organ-grinder's monkey preached an excellent sermon to all who are too ready with fists or angry words. It takes two to quarrel always, and if one *won't* the other *can't*.—Selected.

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OBITUARIES.

LEWIS.—Lenora Lewis, infant daughter of W. J. and Mary L. Lewis, was born December 16th, 1888, and departed this life March 7th, 1890. Little Lenora's stay on earth was short, yet it was long enough for her parents to set their affections on her. But He who gave her life saw fit to take it again. What a comment on the Master's warning—be ye also ready; for in a day ye think not, the Son of man cometh. My dear parents, weep not for your loved one, for you know she is with Jesus. Watch and pray that you may meet her in heaven.

JOHN T. MARTIN.

HOUSTON.—James Houston died of pneumonia Feb. 17, 1890, in the 54th year of his age. He professed faith in Christ when twenty years of age, and joined the M. E. Church, South, soon after his conversion. Bro. Houston was a good man, poor in this world's goods, but rich in faith, and Bro. H. told me he had no fears of death; he was ready to go at the Master's bidding. Truly it can be said of him, he has exchanged a cross for a crown. Thank God our people die well, and may the Lord comfort the bereaved wife and bless the fatherless children, and bring them all to him at last.

A. J. BLAKEMORE.

COOPER.—Henry Campbell Cooper, infant son of L. L. and D. B. Cooper, was born Nov. 23, 1889, and died March 9, 1890. He was sick six weeks. Little Henry was a bright, sweet little babe until taken sick Jan. 25. Short and sweet was the stay of our little babe. He wass too pure and bright to stay on this vile and sinful earth, and the good Lord has taken him into his care in heaven where he will no more sicken and die. Sadly, O, sadly do we miss him. O, could we see him as he is to-day we would wish him on earth no more.

"My son, thou wact my heart's delight
Thy morn of life was gay and cheery;
That morn has rushed to sudden night,
Thy mother's arms are empty and her heart is sad and dreary."

HIS MOTHER.

McBRIDE.—Fanuie McBride wife of I. V. McBride was born Jan. 1st 1849; married to I. V. McBride November 12th, 1868; professed religion under ministry of Rev. C. B. Hunton, Aug. 1880 and joined the M. E. Church, South, at Hopewell Church, Smithville circuit with her husband; departed this life Dec. 12th, 1889. She leaves a husband and eight children and a multitude of friends to mourn their loss. She was a good wife, good mother and a good Christian. She said when she was first taken sick, that she would never get well, and she did not want to get well. Before her departure for the better land she called her husband and children to her and told them how to live in this life so as to meet her in the better land. May God bless Brother McBride in his lonely condition and may he live so as to meet his dear companion in a better world. Children remember the request of your loving mother and meet her in the sweet by-and-by.

A. J. MOORE.

FORREST.—Violet Forrest, daughter of Geo. W. and Martha Houseman was born Oct. 26, 1868; married Gus Forrest Nov. 1886; professed faith in the blessed Master in the 17th year of her age; was received in the M. E. Church, South, by Rev. J. D. Rutledge, Aug. 1886, and remained a consistent member of the same until the day of her death, which occurred Dec. 27, 1889. Death was a welcome messenger to her. When asked by her father if all was well with her, she told him she was ready and willing to die and nothing troubled her save that of leaving her little infant motherless. Just before she died she told her aunt she was going to brighter, better world than this, where sorrow and sighing are not known. And thus this sainted woman leaned her head on Jesus brest and breathed her life out sweetly there. May the Lord bless her mother, brothers and relatives. And may this their loss and her eternal gain give them courage to win the prize and after glory run, and ultimately make an unbroken family in the paradise of God. Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord.

A. J. BLAKEMAN.

St. Francis, Ark.

LINDLEY.—Sister Martha A. Lindley was born in Tennessee June 6, 1828, and died at her home near New Hope, Craighead co., Ark., March 5, 1890. She professed religion in the days of her youth and joined the M. E. Church, South, in which she lived a consistent Christian life until death came and took her away. By her death the Church at New Hope has lost one of its best members and the community a true and tried friend. She loved the Church and its doctrines and was always at church services, if not providentially hindered. Her husband and several of the children preceded her to the better land, while she leaves four children and a host of friends to mourn their loss. These children have lost the best earthly friend they ever had. She was a kind-hearted and loving mother, always ready and willing to do all that she could to make them happy in this life. During her widowhood her house was one of the stopping places for the preacher and he always felt himself at home and was well cared for. Her children are all religious but one, and I hope that the prayers of that mother will bring him to Christ. Children follow your mother as she followed Christ, and this separation that death has brought about will be bound up and you will meet her again where parting will be no more, and God will wipe all tears from your eyes.

JOHN EIDSON.

SULLINS.—Sister Leonia, daughter of J. D. and Rachel Sullins, died of consumption at her home near Kingsville, Ark., Feby. 2, 1890, aged 18 years 3 month, and 27 days. Sister Leonia professed religion and joined the M. E. Church, South, under the ministry of Rev. J. F. Troy in 1884, and lived a worthy member of the same till God called her home. She suffered greatly for sometime before her death, but bore her afflictions patiently, and many times expressed not only a willingness but a desire to depart and be at rest. At last the summons came, God sent his angels to bear her spirit home on their heavenly pinions to meet a sainted mother, two brothers and one sister, who preceded her to the glory land to welcome her a happy entrance into the city of the living God, the home of the good where parting is no more. The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. J. F. Armstrong, her pastor, to a large congregation of relatives and friends. After which the body was borne by loving hands and deposited in the silent tomb to await the resurrection morn, where the great trump of God shall sound and call forth the sleeping dust. Would say to the bereaved father, three brothers and four sisters left behind, weep not for dear Leonia; for your loss is her eternal gain. May you be influenced by her example to follow the footprints of Jesus and discharge your Christian duties, that in the sweet-by-and-by, you may all meet on that beautiful shore and sing paises to God for ever.

T. A. BOWEN.

ESTES.—On the 24th of February, 1890, the hand of death released Miss Fannie Estes from her prison of pain. She was born in Georgia, Jan. 10, 1849, moved to Arkansas and joined the Southern Methodist Church shortly after coming to the State, which was in 1870. From the time she united with the Church she lived a most consistent Christian life. She taught by example more than precept. During four years' protracted sickness she never seemed to lose hope, and when death came she seemed to be fully ready. While she often talked of her departure, it was with becoming meekness and patience. She often talked of the "pretty angels" during her last days. She left an aged mother, one brother, three sisters and a host of nephews and nieces to mourn their loss. Nevertheless, her last words to her mother were, "Don't grieve for for me." To her mother I would say, weep not, knowing she lived a useful life, died a brave death; rest assured she now has a glorious reward—rest. Besides it will be but a few years at best before we shall meet face to face around the throne of God. Relatives of the deceased, weep not as those that have no hope; for if we live the life that she did we will meet on the radiant shores above, where pain and sorrow come no more: "And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain; for the former things are passed away."

MATTIE GENTRY.

WOOLFOLK.—Whereas our heavenly Father in His mysterious providence, has been pleased to take from our midst, our young sister and Sunday-school scholar, Louie Woolfolk, aged 14 years—who connected herself with M. E. Church in 1887, was transplanted from her temporal home on earth, in the early bloom of womanhood, to a heavenly clime Oct. 11th, 1889; And whereas though young and her Christian life short, her decided firmness of character manifested in refusing to take part in worldly amusements—such as she considered inconsistent with Christian conduct—gave evidence of her desire to be faithful to her church vows;—therefore resolved,

1. That in the death of our much beloved Louie we have lost a bright and zealous Sunday-school pupil—whose sunny face and cheery presence will be long remembered, and sadly missed in our social circle, but more especially in our Sunday-school.

2. That as teachers and pupils of the Sunday-school at St. Charles, we will strive to be faithful in our work, and so adorn our Christian profession with a godly walk that we may form one unbroken school in the Sabbath of eternal rest.

3. That we tender our loving sympathy to the bereaved father, mother, sisters, and brothers, and pray that this sore affliction may lead them heavenward, and that we all bow in humble submission to Him who doeth all things well.

4. That a copy of these resolutions be spread on our minutes, a copy furnished the family, also a copy sent to THE ARKANSAS METHODIST.

MRS. ELLA EDDINS,
MRS. SALLIE DAVIDSON,
MRS. CALLIE MURRAY,
J. H. MURRAY, Sec. } Com.

BAILEY.—Elisabeth Bailey, mother of Rev. W. W. Bailey of Ravenden Springs, Ark., was born in South Carolina June 10, 1815, and was married to Rev. John Bailey July 15, 1831; imigrated to Georgia in 1836, to Alabama 1848, to Arkansas 1857; professed religion at 14 years and joined the Missionary Baptist Church—some years after which she with her husband joined the Methodist Church and she lived an acceptable member of same till time of her death which occurred in Lawrence Co., Ark., March 16, 1890 aged 74 years, 9 months, 6 days. Mother Bailey had been a sufferer for many years—her health failing almost completely soon after this writer made her acquaintance 15 years ago. Her husband had proceded her to the future state several years, and now they have met no doubt in the happy land. Sister Bailey was a religious women attended church whenever practicable, loved the Church and preachers, and gave to the Church a good local preacher in her son, Rev. W. W. Bailey. Our sister sustained a heavy loss sometime last year in the death of one of her pious daughters, an excellent member of our Church. She leaves behind six children, one brother, old father Land, in feebleness extream to mourn their loss, also a large number of grand-children, friends and neighbors. Our ascended mother in Israel has a number of relatives and friends gone on to the other shore. I imagine I hear the bells of heaven ringing amid the rejoicing of the happy reunion of the sister and the relationship of husband, children, son-in-law, the Rev. Allen Griffith, a local preacher of precious memory with whom she was connected in this life. To-day I tried in a sermon to console the bereaved. Our sister died right. May the writer as well as the relatives meet her in Heaven.

J. F. ARMSTRONG.

Kingsville, Ark.

GOLDEN.—George W. Golden, son of W. B. and Margaret Golden, was born in Clark county, Ark., July 26, 1849. In September, 1878, he was married to Miss Cladelia A. Wingfield of Pike county, Ark., which proved to be both a happy and prosperous union. In September, 1882, he was elected sheriff of Montgomery county, which office he filled with honor to himself and satisfaction to the county, until his death, which occurred March 15, 1890. Since 1883 he has resided at Mt. Ida, where he and his estimable wife won the esteem and confidence of almost all who knew them. In July, 1885, he and his wife were happily converted to Christ, and joined the M. E. Church, South, in which he lived until death. Owing to his official duties his seat was sometimes vacant at church; still he was an exemplary Christian, carrying his religion into every department of business, never forgetting his obligation to the Church. He contributed liberally to the Church and was a true friend to its preachers, who always found a hearty welcome at his home. Bro. Golden was confined to his bed only about ten days, during which time he suffered much, but bore it all with patience and Christian fortitude, meekly submitting to Him who doeth all things well. The writer visited him during his sickness, read for him a part of the 14th chapter of John, and then prayed with him, after which he said, 'I believe in Christ, and I have no fears of death; my way is clear, my prospects bright.' He retained consciousness and the power of speech until the last, and in his last moments he requested his dear wife and friends to meet him in heaven. He leaves a sorrowing wife, a mother and a number of brothers and sisters and friends to mourn their loss—to whom we extend sympathy, especially to his wife, and bid her go to a throne of grace that she may obtain mercy and find grace to help in this her time of great need. Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from henceforth, for they rest from their labors and their works do follow them. Bro. Golden sleeps in the cemetery at Mt. Ida in Montgomery county, Ark., there to await the resurrection morn. May we all meet him in heaven, where we'll never part again.

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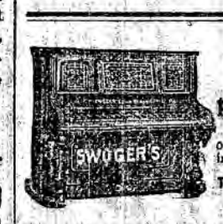

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FIELD NOTES.

ENGLAND C'T.—Our first Quarterly Conference convened last Saturday March 22d. Our beloved P. E., Bro. E. N. Watson, was with us in great power and preached four excellent sermons. Saturday morning he preached on the necessity of mutual prayer between pastor and people. It was certainly the best I ever heard on the subject—his soul seemed saturated with the religion that makes men preach well and pray well. As he preached the electric sympathies waved to and fro, between him and his hearers and almost the entire audience caught fire and we had a general hand shaking all over the house. May God bless our P. E., and impress us all with the necessity of mutual prayer. May we not only sing but realize that old song, "The more I pray the happier I am" I think we are getting along very well, both spiritually and financially; received this year twelve members into the Church; thirteen infants baptized. I became greatly attached to this people last year. I was met at every appointmemt with bright faces and hearty welcome. O how it cheers the preacher to think he is appreciated by his people! We think the outlook favorable for a good year's work for the Lord. Pray for us, brethren. Success to THE METHODIST. We are working for it. Every Methodist family should take it.

K. W. DODSON,

England, March 26.

BRYANT (formerly Benton) C'T.—Our first Q. M. over and good report of C't. Are planing for a new church-house at Sardis Camp-ground and improving our church-houses at every other appointment on the work. Have purchased and partly paid for a parsonage at Bryant and "ye scribe" is now occupying it with a good degree of comfort. On the next evening after our arrival we were the happy recipients of an overflow of good things—a pounding with that noble layman Dr. V. D. Lafferty, Representative of Saline Co., leading the van with a sack of flour on his shoulder. We enjoyed the occasion by singing with Prof. Baldrige performing on the organ, and prayers by "Uncle" Barr, the oldest member of the party, and the pastor. May the Lord bless our people. My assessments for For. and Dom. Missions all secured and over one-third in hand *The Church* (Baptist) have turned crossways in our path here, but our train with Christ for conductor will not be hindered nor side-tracked. So fall into line, my Baptist brethren, for heaven, since ours is a through-freight for that point.

O. A. BAYLESS, P. C.

Bryant, March 29.

BAY, ARK.—DEAR BRO. BENNETT: Our beloved steward Bro. B. Vick of Bay Ark, has been very near the margin for nearly a week. This morning he is better. There were no doubts or fears; all was peace and joy. His house was set in order he was ready for the journey. He had La Grippe.

God bless THE METHODIST.

J. Y. JOHNSON.

TWO ITEMS.

That the law requiring the Church to pay the hotel expenses of our General Conference may be repealed I devoutly pray.

Another item, Mr. Editor, if you please. By all means let the American Bible Society have the benefit of one collection throughout each pastoral charge. I presume the object in designating Feby, as the month to take the collection was, that it might reach the Bible House in time to be reported in its fiscal year, March 31st—later will do.

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SUNDAY-SCHOOL WORK.

MR. EDITOR:—As the District Conferences of the Little Rock Conference are approaching, let me ask the P. E's to please hold in connection with their District Conferences a Sunday-school Convention, as the Discipline of our Church directs. Prepare the programme for the occasion and let all be familiar with it, before the time of meeting. We further suggest that each charge hold a Sunday-school Mass Meeting. Let the pastors and superintendents prepare a good programme and meet and discuss *plans* and *methods* of of work. The time has passed for side issues. Get down to the most practical and wholesome way of conducting Sunday-schools and doing the most good.

These Sabbath-schools are the great feeders of our Church, and if we do not foster and build them up, we will have to depend upon something else to reach and save our children. When I look at the membership of our Conference, 26,506, I am gratified at the prosperity of our Church; but it saddens my heart to see the number of our Sabbath-schools so small in our Conference. It seems that we are not thoroughly aroused to this important branch of our work.

The statistics of last year show only 15,539 children in Sunday-school. When I can name three cities in our Conference that ought to furnish one-third that number. A member of the Church ought to have a mighty good excuse, if he or she is not a member of the Sabbath-school. Fifteen thousand (in round numbers) is a small number to the showing we ought to make this year. Can you not organize a Mission Sabbath-school in your charge and do good? We will gladly assist any Mission Sabbath school to purchase literature. Organize at once.

Let us hope the brethren will hold Sunday-school mass meetings and observe Children's Day. Send to the Publishing House for the printed Programme and follow instructions as best you can, take up your collections and send the 10 per cent to D. M. Smith, Nashville, Tenn, and 90 per cent to Bro. A. F. Blount Stephens, Ark., Treas. the of the Conference Board. Brethren if you neglect your Sabbath-school you will leave a gap down that may sap the foundations of society and the Church of God! Let me urge all to diligent and faithful work this year, and let us try to shape the Future happiness of our children and our pesple.

W. A. STEELE, Pres.,
S. S. BOARD, Little Rock Conference.

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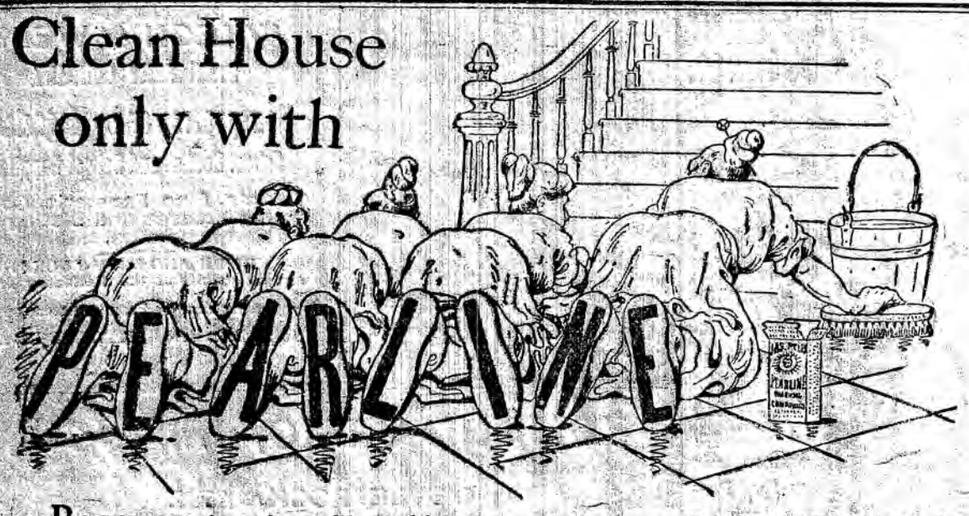

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