

# The Arkansas Methodist.

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BY BENNETT & THORNBURG.

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## NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

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## ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

(Continued from last week.)

Traveling preachers ordained:  
Deacons: A. J. Cullum, P. Merrill, W. H. Dyer, W. P. Hamilton, J. W. Baldwin, W. S. Bristow.

Local preachers ordained:  
Deacons: W. M. Taylor, Arthur Marston, J. W. Griffin, Wm. Sherman, F. A. Hill; while they are traveling preachers, were ordained because they had served four years as local preachers. Basil B. Thomas, J. T. McCullison, L. N. Shenk, J. B. Pressly, J. H. Bradshaw, I. N. Sinton, L. B. Estes, T. A. Setzer, T. Q. Woodmore, S. J. Burns.

Traveling preachers ordained:  
Elders: I. R. Harris, G. W. O. Davis, J. W. Head, A. C. Miller, H. A. Armstrong, J. M. C. Hamilton, W. H. H. Ruble was ordained a local elder.

J. C. Weaver was continued in the class of the first year. Y. A. Gilmore, J. H. Myers, J. M. McAnally, were advanced to the class of third year.

The traveling Elders were all examined and passed in character. H. M. Granade, J. B. Williams and Stewart C. Maddox have died in the faith during the year.

Presidents Babcock, Miller, Tucker and Burrow gave the Conference most hopeful and encouraging reports of the institutions under their control.

J. C. Shipp was continued in the class of the first year. C. H. Culpepper remains in his present relation. The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Presiding Elders be especially charged with the collection of the Ministerial Aid Fund, and that it be paid to the treasurer of the Board of Education.

W. H. Corley was granted a superannuated relation. B. Williams was placed on the effective list.

Russellville was chosen as the seat of the next session.

Conference Board of Colportage: J. M. Cantrell, P. P. Burke, G. W. Daman, J. E. Dunaway, J. M. C. Hamilton.

The vote by which P. E. Hileman was admitted on trial was, at his request, reconsidered, and his application withdrawn.

## VOTE OF THANKS.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference are due, and they are hereby tendered to the citizens of Eureka Springs for the kind and hospitable entertainment extended to the members of the Conference and to the visitors attending the session.

J. S. CLOVER,

Resolved, That the members of the Arkansas Conference do hereby tender our thanks to the Little Rock and Ft. Smith, Frisco, & Eureka Springs Railways for reduced fare on their lines, and also to the bus lines of the city for transportation, and to the several Churches of the

city for the use of their houses of worship.

J. E. DUNAWAY,

E. L. MASSEY.

The citizens of Eureka Springs in mass meeting assembled communicated the following resolution to Conference, which was read and ordered to be placed on the Journal:

## RESOLUTION.

Be it Resolved, by the people of Eureka Springs, in mass meeting assembled, That the Arkansas Conference now assembled in our city are our guests and under our protection.

That we have the utmost confidence in their integrity and in their ability to transact their business in a proper manner and in a Christian spirit; and we denounce as an insult to our guests any attempt to interfere with, or censure their action on any subject.

JOHN D. JORDAN, Ch'mn.  
D. B. McFARLANE, Sec.

## REPORT OF TREASURER OF CHURCH EXTENSION BOARD.

|                  |      |          |
|------------------|------|----------|
| Fort Smith Dist. | paid | \$165 65 |
| Clarksville      | "    | 61 50    |
| Morrilton        | "    | 203 00   |
| Dardanelle       | "    | 67 80    |
| Fayetteville     | "    | 108 00   |
| Harrison         | "    | 38 00    |

\$638 95  
Forwarded to the Gen. B'd, 319 47

In the hands of Conf. B'd, \$319 48

Applied as follows:

|                     |         |
|---------------------|---------|
| Culpepper Mountain, | \$20 00 |
| Center Ridge,       | 60 00   |
| Clinton,            | 20 00   |
| Brentwood,          | 34 45   |
| Decatur,            | 20 00   |
| Chester,            | 30 00   |
| Cassville,          | 15 00   |
| Cauthron,           | 25 00   |
| Mansfield,          | 55 00   |
| Mt. Pisgah,         | 20 00   |
| Big Flat,           | 20 00   |

## Assessments made by the Board of Church Extension:

|                      |          |
|----------------------|----------|
| Fort Smith District, | \$375 00 |
| Clarksville          | 362 00   |
| Dardanelle           | 362 00   |
| Fayetteville         | 375 00   |
| Morrilton            | 300 00   |
| Harrison             | 150 00   |
| Eureka Springs       | 75 00    |

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That, in order to arouse a deeper interest among our people in this great work, each preacher is requested to hold a Church Extension mass meeting in each congregation at some appropriate time during the year.

Assessed by the Board of Missions for missions:

| Dist.           | FOREIGN. | DOMESTIC. |
|-----------------|----------|-----------|
| Fort Smith,     | \$1000.  | \$650.    |
| Clarksville,    | 850.     | 550.      |
| Dardanelle,     | 850.     | 550.      |
| Morrilton,      | 800.     | 550.      |
| Fayetteville,   | 800.     | 550.      |
| Eureka Springs, | 300.     | 250.      |
| Harrison,       | 400.     | 350.      |

J. A. WALDEN, Sec.

[In addition to the Secretary's report, we give on pages 2 and 6 other important reports of Committees and Boards adopted by the Conference.—Ed.]

## FORT SMITH DISTRICT.

Please take notice of rapidity of the first round, and remember that your Quarterly meeting will soon be on hand. There will be preaching each day at 11 a. m., when the Quarterly Conference is to follow at 2 p. m. There will be preaching also at night whenever practicable. My object is to get over the entire District as soon as possible after the District Stewards' meeting. I have noticed that some charges will wait till the first Quarterly meeting, even though it be two months coming, to begin active work. It is vastly more important that every charge should get an early start than that the Presiding Elder should preach one or two sermons on that charge. The Conferences are held on a week day anyhow—usually on Saturday. It takes no more time to hold them up on any other day, and the Presiding Elder ought to be able to preach as good a sermon on Tuesday at 11 a. m., as he can preach on Saturday at the same hour. Further, the first round over before Jan. 1st, the P. E. has time to help in the preaching where help is most needed without being compelled to rush on to the next place, because the schedule demands it.

Now, beloved brethren, give us a full attendance on the first round. Be sure that the journal is there, and let every preacher with the recording Steward answer in advance the 3th question. Will the Stewards please make a round of collecting before the Quarterly Conference? It will be needed.

JAMES A. ANDERSON,

## LETTER FROM CHINA.

DEAR BRO. BENNETT:—The China Mission Annual Conference convened on the 15th inst. and closed yesterday. The large Conferences at home may think it strange that a Conference of so few members as ours has required a week for its session. But it is easily accounted for when we remember that the business is attended to in two languages, almost equal to going over the same business twice. The session was a busy one, though not a hurried one. It was not the occasion of spiritual power that I had hoped for, still the Spirit's presence was very manifest and the occasion was much enjoyed by us all, and no doubt all of us feel like taking a fresh start and trying to do more than ever before.

The statistics show an increase of thirty-three in the membership of our Church. The falling off in the number of local preachers is accounted for by the number that have been admitted on trial. Last year we admitted four native preachers on trial and at this Conference we admitted three. The following are the appointments for this year:

Shanghai District.—M. B. Hill, P. E.  
Shanghai Station.—M. B. Hill, C. F. Reid, Sy Ty Kia.  
College Chapel.—G. J. Allen, G. R. Loehr.

Hongkew.—W. B. Bonnell, H. L. Gray.

Tai Pao.—To be supplied by Tsen Tsy Ven.

Sung Kiang.—W. B. Burke, Dyung Sau Tser.

Tai Tsang.—O. E. Brown, Dyungying San, Sen Gon Peh.

Anglo-Chinese College.—Y. J. Allen, Pres't; Geo. R. Loehr, W. B. Bonnell, H. L. Gray, Profs.

Szechow District.—D. L. Anderson, P. E.

Szechow Station.—T. A. Hearn, Dyung Gung Kiang.

Kwen San.—Dong Mob San, Luh Chih.—Tsa Vang Tsang.

Chong Shuh.—B. D. Lucas, Li Ty I.

Nan Zing.—J. L. Hendry, C. K. Marshall.

Buffington Institute.—A. P. Parker.

Among these appointments you will find the names of our new missionaries. We are rejoiced to have them with us, and of course I am especially rejoiced to have with us our Bro. T. A. Hearn, with whom I entered the Little Rock Conference in 1882. He was married to Miss Kate R. Roberts, on the evening of the 15th inst. He is happy and we are happy for him. But we need the prayers of you all.

MOSES B. HILL.

Shanghai, China, Oct. 22.

## THE COURTS AGAINST THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

The decision of Judge Caldwell has put the temperance people on their feet again. The State laws are in force. The decision is so clear and strong, that but few doubt its confirmation by the Supreme court. But on the heels of that comes another from the Supreme court, farther reaching than Judge Caldwell's decision.

A man in California wanted to sell liquor where it was prohibited, because he had U. S. license. The Supreme court not only decided that the community had the right to prohibit him from selling, but also that no individual had the inherent right to sell intoxicating liquor. Justice Field wrote the decision. From it we clip the following:

"There is no inherent right of a citizen to sell intoxicating liquor by retail; it is not a privilege of the citizen of the State or a citizen of the United States. In the prohibition or regulation of the traffic, discretion may be invested in officers to decide to whom to grant and to whom to refuse liquor license. The officers may not always exercise the power conferred upon them with wisdom or justice to the parties affected, but that is a matter which does not affect the authority of the State, or one which can be brought under the cognizance of the United States."

This is in harmony with the original package decision—matters of Inter-State commerce are under control of the U. S. But the logical effect of this decision will be to strengthen the admitted right of cities to refuse liquor license when against the expressed will of the people in that locality. It establishes, by the highest tribunal of the land, the right of the several States to regulate, as it seems to them best, the sale of intoxicating liquors. As Justice Field says "their sale by the glass may be absolutely prohibited. It is a question of public expediency and public morality, and not of Federal law." It removes wholly from the individual the power to claim an inherent right in the sale of intoxicating liquors. "Personal liberty" and "individual rights," with their spread-eagle oratory are all gone.

The Brewers' organ at Washington City, makes several remarks on this decision. Here is one: "It shows that our highest court is no longer governed by constitutional obligations, but has become the hot bed of the craziest puritanical fanaticism."

My! what impudence! He remarks further: "Neither does it shrink from the enormity of denouncing, as an evil, a business which is as old as mankind, a necessity in every civilized country, and a time-honored occupation."

"Time honored"—"necessity in civilized country"—"old as mankind." I have heard of the meaning of words being corrupted, but never before have I seen these words with such associates. He says: "With such a Supreme court behind it, National Prohibition is only a question of time, and we no longer look on Prohibitionists as visionists when they cry on to Washington! Let us have National Prohibition!"

Shall we close our eyes to our own opportunities? Let us vote as we pray and soon the hand of God will write the doom of this great evil.

H. W. BROOKS.

## HEREDITY.

There is no more striking illustration of the truth of the Scripture declaration, that the sins of the fathers shall be visited upon the children unto the third and fourth generation, than is to be seen in the transmitted effects of alcohol. Dr. Elam, author of "Degeneration in Man," says: "The children unquestionably do suffer from the sins of the parents to untold generations." Nowhere is the law of heredity more strikingly apparent, and a writer who has made a study of this subject, says he never saw an inebriate cured of his appetite for strong drink, who inherited the taste from his parents. So well was this law known to the ancients, that Aristotle says that a drunken woman brings forth children like herself, and the Greeks forbade the use of wine to women. Plutarch says that one drunkard begets another.

Dr. Turner, a distinguished New York physician says, that out of one thousand, four hundred and six cases of delirium tremens in the New York State Inebriate Asylum, nine hundred and eighty had an inebriate parent or grand-parent, or both. Fowler gives a case in "Hereditary Descent," where a tippling physician, from a total abstaining family, made the greater part of his descendants drunkards to the fifth generation.

Insanity is one of the most terrible transmitted effects of intemperance, and directly or indirectly, it is probable that at least one-half of the insanity of the civilized world is traceable to its use. The children of drunkards are also liable to idiocy, and Dr. Albert Day, of the Binghamton Lunatic Asylum, says that "epilepsy, idiocy and insanity, whether noticed at birth or developed later in life, are among the direful effects so often seen by medical men in the children of those addicted to habits of intoxication, and that alcohol is responsible for a large share of the cases of mental derangement. And its evil influences, content with one generation, spread their malignant taint among our descendants, and darken the future of our children's children."

I heard a minister of the gospel say not long since, that while he had never touched whiskey or brandy in his life, he had inherited a taste for alcoholic stimulants from both his parental and maternal grand-fathers, who were addicted to the use of intoxicants; and that sometimes this hereditary appetite almost overpowered him. A lawyer of prominence, who was a drunkard, once said to me, with intense bitterness and sorrow, pointing to his three-year-old child, "That boy has inherited the fearful appetite for drink from his unhappy father, and I fear one day it will be his ruin as it has been mine."

To me, this is one of the most fearful results of intemperance. A dying man who had lived a wicked life once said, "Oh, that I could gather up my influence and bury it with me!" If the work of intemperance was finished when the voluntary victim was in his grave, we might shed tears of pity over the poor drunkard and feel that that was the end of it. But it strikes through the parent into the child, and transmits virus instead of life. If prohibition were absolute to-day, it would be centuries before the human race could throw off the vile effects of intemperance. May God hasten the day when the government of this country shall strike at the root of this great evil. M. B. CHAPMAN.

## LETTER FROM DR. COTTRELL.

The reception of THE ARKANSAS METHODIST with the appointments of the Memphis Conference and notes by different contributors, of the proceedings of the Conference at Dyersburg, creates remembrance of my engagement farther to contribute to its columns. That ugly attack of indigestion which so disqualified me for service was occasion—cause—of forgetfulness of much that I had hoped to note for your columns. A call to lecture at Fulton on Friday night, hastened my leaving, and it was difficult for me to determine to come on home after the lecture instead of returning to Dyersburg, in compliance with the pressing invitation of Bro. Hamner. Proximity to Memphis and to Sylvestria, in the neighborhood of Holly Springs, Miss., where years of my boyhood were spent, was occasion of temptation to beat around that range; but duty seemed to require return to my charge and it prevailed.

This is Tuesday the 25th day of November; a day as bright and lovely as ever gladdened firmament and earth. A day intervenes betwixt this and the one appointed for Thanksgiving and I'm seeking in my study, readiness to minister appropriately and effectively on the occasion. O, it is wonderful; this apprehension of Divine appointment, and of human indebtedness and obligation! multiplied variations of coloring, relation, form and significance! Terms fraught with spiritual force, the medium of our converse with our fellows, and for communion in the love that is the light and the life of the Kingdom wherein we realize this royalty of brotherhood and sisterhood—are they not above estimate? The franchise we have in this power of utterance and of expression through laughter and through tears! Infancy! boyhood and girlhood! brotherhood and sisterhood! and the relation that "signifies unto us the mystical union which is between Christ and the Church!" The ministries through prayer and song and proclamation of the Word and symbols, covenantal! Why, oh! why is it that all may not be in ecstasy? There ought to be no prose in this life of loving service, reciprocal, wherein it is privilege "in honor" to prefer one another. As I sat among the preachers at Dyersburg, contemplating the vocation that has organized them so distinctively—differentiating them from all other bodies of men, how vividly came up memories of the days when, at old Sylvestria, McMahon, Dodson, Blackwell, McPherson, John M. Holland, Morgan, Hawkins, Jarrett, Collins and Thweatt used to preach!—the days when the school girls of Ben. Cottrell's Academy marched two abreast, over to the church on the hill! The Indians used, occasionally, to come and hang around on the edge of the scenes; some remnants of tribes remaining after the transference of their people across the Mississippi.

What a history the years intervening betwixt then and now, have unfolded! Contemplation of it attenuates us from deepest depressions to heights of exultation. "The morning cometh! Also the night." At the recent session of the Louisville Conference, at Bowling Green, Ky., Rev. Elias Cottrell, of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, their Educational Agent—was introduced and made us an address. He is a grandson of old Aunt Anarkie, for whom I kept off the calves and by whose side I carried the cotton roe; and the son of Uncle Dan, by the side of whom I used to ride the off-wheel mule as he waggoned in the produce of the farm! These were my first teachers, with the memory of whom are associated forms of creatures that seemed was wrought, organically, with the life that unified the home! This intensification of our experience of associative life, as the years multiply upon us, must be of the nature of prophecy!

"There is no death! What seems so is transition!" This matter of religion is one of the simplest, childlike acceptance. "I have come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." Life and religion are one. The keeping of it clean behooves each of us. And, O! what delight of love there is in it! I've come across a little scrap from Dr. Parker of London, with which I'll close, that gives felicitously, a thought I've endeavored to express in talking and in writing: Rev. Dr. Parker, of the City Temple, London, in a recent lecture said he deplored the fact that some men had no sense of humor whatever. Such men were arithmetical, prosaic and too serious to be really enthusiastic about anything. There was a seriousness that was mere woodenness. The man who never laughed

never really cried. Nearly all great preachers have been humorists. Luther had his broad jokes. Whitfield laughed with a will. Some of the wittiest things ever uttered were spoken by John Wesley. Even Mr. Spurgeon's grim Calvinism could not stifle his merriest jokes. Henry Ward Beecher's grandson said: "I like to go to meeting, because I like to hear grandpa's little jokes."

With regard to pulpit humor, Dr. Parker pointed out that there was a buffoonery which all wise men would frown upon—the rude, clumsy, clownish joking worthy only of contempt, not on the high ground of its irreverence, but on the low ground of simple imbecility and indecency. On the other hand, there was a refined humor, which no more burdened the discourse than the dew burdened the rosebud on which it glistened. As to laughter, the whole universe was full of it. When the universe was sympathetically interpreted what was laughter, rational and timely, but a species of music? Was not laughter another name for gladness? Was there no gladness in the sunny universe? It was not mere joking that elicited laughter. There was a laughter born of reason, inspired by thankfulness, chastened by the ever-present melancholy in whose gray climate all human life had lived. Commerce would do its shop-keeping better if it had laughed heartily now and then. The house would be more of a home if its inmates were more cheerful.

JOSEPH B. COTTRELL.

Franklin, Ky.

## TO ADVERTISERS.

The circulation of THE ARKANSAS METHODIST is fifty per cent larger than that of any other paper, religious or political, published in Arkansas. Advertisers should make a note of this.

## TO PREACHERS OF WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

DEAR BRETHREN:—I wish to call your attention to the fact that in 1886 at the session of our Conference, held at Jonesboro, you passed a resolution to the effect that each preacher be required to collect the amount of \$1.00 from his charge, in addition to his other general collections, said amount to be applied to the payment of cost of publication of the minutes of the Conference. I wish to say that it is of much importance that this little collection be attended to before Conference if the same has not already been done. The amount is very small and it seems to me that there is not a charge in the White River Conference but what would pay this cheerfully, if presented properly. I had great trouble last year in getting money sufficient to pay for publishing the minutes. This trouble can all be done away with if only each preacher will take a few minutes to collect this small claim. I trust this notice will not be overlooked. Please pardon me for calling attention to this matter, but I thought it important and I trust no one will think me presumptuous for doing so. My only motive is for the welfare of the Church. Very fraternally yours, A. L. MALONE.

Jonesboro, Nov. 25.

The N. Y. Witness says: It is claimed that the McKinley tariff bill can not be repealed until 1893, and that by that time the voters will be so pleased with its working that they will not desire to repeal it. This assertion is based upon the assurance that the Senate would block any attempt on the part of the House to amend the law, or that, if it did not, Mr. Harrison would veto such a bill. This calculation cannot be relied upon. It is known that some of the Republican Senators were very averse to voting for the McKinley bill in the first place, and it is certain that after the emphatic action of the voters this Fall these men would hesitate long before refusing their assent to a reasonable measure of tariff reform. Politicians are not usually anxious to commit political suicide with their eyes open. We very much doubt if even President Harrison would venture to veto such a bill. He was elected to carry out, not to block, the will of the people, and if he has any aspirations after future honors it would not be wise for him to defy a popular movement so pronounced as the demand for tariff reform now is. We believe, indeed, that the Republican leaders in Congress could not do a smarter thing than to take the bull by the horns and revise the McKinley tariff in a very radical way during the approaching short session. They could then meet the voters next Fall with some hope of securing a partial reversal of this year's verdict.

## ARKANSAS METHODIST.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 3, 1890.

DO YOU WANT THEM?  
READ AND SEE.

1. For \$2.00 from any new or renewing subscriber we will send this paper one year and the Peerless Atlas, Pub.'s price \$1.00, advertised on page 2, Oct. 22.

2. For \$2.00 from any new or renewing subscriber we will send this paper one year and the Complete Housekeeper, Pub.'s price \$1.50, advertised on page 3, Oct. 22.

3. For \$2.00 from any new or renewing subscriber we will send this paper one year and the "3 Model Books," Pub.'s price \$4.50, liberally advertised in this paper in 1888 and '89. During that time we furnished our subscribers probably 1,000 or more sets of the 3 "Model Books."

4. For \$2.50 we will send the paper and Atlas and Housekeeper, or either of them and the "3 Model Books," or for \$3.00 the paper and all the books named.

5. This paper and the Arkansas Weekly Gazette are clubbed at \$2 for both papers one year; also this paper and the Arkansas Weekly Democrat will be clubbed at same price.

We prefer that subscribers order through their pastors, who will be allowed the usual commission on all subscriptions for this paper.

These offers are made purely as a favor to our patrons, for whom we will cheerfully order other books and papers on the most favorable terms.

## ARKANSAS CONFERENCE DOCUMENTS.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

It is a matter of regret that we can not report larger receipts for missions than is manifest from the exhibit given below. Nevertheless, we are glad to note a deepening interest in the minds of many of our people on this great subject. The enthusiasm and liberality of the Morriston District as shown in paying nearly all missionary assessments and providing for the support in Japan of the Rev. Crowder B. Moseley, is worthy of praise and imitation. We hope the Conference will heed the earnest request of our Missionary Secretary, Dr. W. H. Potter, and take collections early in the year—thus saving to the Parent Board the item of interest, and protecting these claims from the contingencies of droughts, fires, rains, wash-outs and such things. The shortage in our Domestic Mission collection is deplorable. To pay from 60 to 70 per cent of our small assessments for this fund is a great wrong to the faithful men who cultivate our mission territory, and a reproach upon us which should be nipped away as soon as possible. We sincerely hope that the contributions of the incoming year will be so increased as to enable the Board at its next meeting to pay every dollar of appropriation. We herewith present the statement of receipts for the past year, and of assessments and appropriations for the year to come, together with other action of the Board.

The Board of Missions submit the following report:

| DIST.          | For. Mis.      | Dom. Mis.      |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Ark. Smith     | \$225,397 00   | \$680,319 00   |
| Clarksville    | 775,324 00     | 560,381 25     |
| Dardanelle     | 775,366 10     | 560,338 62     |
| Morrilton      | 750,128 73     | 520,330 00     |
| Fayetteville   | 825,417 07     | 520,360 00     |
| Eureka Springs | 460,182 70     | 350,217 45     |
| Harrison       | 460,182 70     | 350,217 45     |
| Total          | \$4,500,309 25 | \$3,210,214 92 |

Assessments for the ensuing year: Foreign Missions, \$5,000; Domestic Missions, \$3,400, and apportioned as follows:

| DISTRICT       | For. Mis. | Dom. Mis. |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| Ark. Smith     | \$1,000   | \$650     |
| Clarksville    | 350       | 350       |
| Dardanelle     | 350       | 350       |
| Morrilton      | 350       | 350       |
| Fayetteville   | 350       | 350       |
| Eureka Springs | 350       | 350       |
| Harrison       | 350       | 350       |

The following appropriations have been made for the ensuing year:

| DISTRICT   | For. Mis. | Dom. Mis. |
|------------|-----------|-----------|
| Ark. Smith | \$120     | \$120     |
| Roseville  | 120       | 120       |
| Magazine   | 80        | 80        |

CLARKSVILLE DISTRICT.

|         |       |           |      |
|---------|-------|-----------|------|
| Altus   | \$120 | Ozone     | \$80 |
| Chester | 150   | Cove City | 80   |

MORRILTON DISTRICT.

|                |       |
|----------------|-------|
| Conway Mission | \$120 |
| Bee Branch     | 80    |
| Cleveland      | 100   |
| Coppell        | 100   |
| Perryville     | 80    |

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

|                     |       |
|---------------------|-------|
| White River Mission | \$120 |
|---------------------|-------|

EUREKA SPRINGS DISTRICT.

|                |      |
|----------------|------|
| Eureka Springs | \$50 |
| King's River   | 80   |
| Kingston       | 100  |
| Jasper         | 80   |
| Cassville      | 120  |
| St. Paul       | 120  |

HARRISON DISTRICT.

|                   |       |
|-------------------|-------|
| Harrison District | \$200 |
| Omaha Mission     | 80    |
| Osland            | 80    |
| Big Flat          | 80    |
| Archey            | 80    |
| Witt Springs      | 80    |

Your Board would recommend that the Sunday-schools of the Conference raise the balance (\$384.50) necessary to support a single missionary in the foreign field. We also recommend

that the amount raised in each school be reported through THE ARKANSAS METHODIST, and the money be sent to Conf. Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,  
S. H. BABCOCK, Pres.  
V. V. HARLAN, Sec.

## Board of Church Extension.

The Board of Church Extension of the M. E. Church, South, convened in Eureka Springs Nov. 24, 1890, during the session of the Conference. W. H. Williams, in the chair, W. H. W. Burns, Secretary, Frank Parke, Treasurer, J. L. Massey, S. S. Key.

The Treasurer's report of receipts for the fiscal year 1889-90 was as follows:

| Fort Smith   | Dist. | Ass'ts. | Receipts. |
|--------------|-------|---------|-----------|
| Clarksville  |       | \$75 00 | \$165 65  |
| Morrilton    |       | 375 00  | 61 50     |
| Dardanelle   |       | 332 50  | 203 00    |
| Clarksville  |       | 332 50  | 67 89     |
| Fayetteville |       | 332 50  | 108 00    |
| Harrison     |       | 150 00  | 33 00     |

Total Assessments \$1,725 00  
Total Receipts \$938 95  
Due the General Board \$319 47. Leaving for the appropriation of Conference Board, \$319 47.

The appropriations, with amounts asked for, and the value of property secured as follows:

## Applications.

MORRILTON DISTRICT.

| Culpeper Mt. | App'd for | App'd Prop. |
|--------------|-----------|-------------|
| Clarksville  | \$50 00   | \$20 00     |
| Clinton      | 100 00    | 20 00       |
| Clinton      | 50 00     | 20 00       |

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

|           |          |         |
|-----------|----------|---------|
| Brentwood | \$100 00 | \$34 45 |
| Decatur   | 75 00    | 20 00   |

CLARKSVILLE DISTRICT.

|           |          |         |
|-----------|----------|---------|
| Chester   | \$100 00 | \$30 00 |
| Cassville | 60 00    | 15 00   |

FORT SMITH DISTRICT.

|           |         |         |
|-----------|---------|---------|
| Canthron  | \$75 00 | \$25 00 |
| Mansfield | 150 00  | 55 00   |

DARDANELLE DISTRICT.

|            |         |         |
|------------|---------|---------|
| Mt. Pisgah | \$50 00 | \$20 00 |
|------------|---------|---------|

HARRISON DISTRICT.

|          |         |         |
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| Big Flat | \$40 00 | \$20 00 |
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Totals, \$840 00 \$310 45 \$880 00.

The Board made the following assessments for the ensuing Conference:

| Fort Smith   | Dist. | Ass'ts.  |
|--------------|-------|----------|
| Clarksville  |       | \$375 00 |
| Dardanelle   |       | 362 50   |
| Fayetteville |       | 362 50   |
| Morrilton    |       | 375 00   |
| Harrison     |       | 300 00   |
| Eureka       |       | 150 00   |
|              |       | 75 00    |

Total, \$2,000 00

The Board recommends the following resolutions to the Conference for adoption:

Resolved I, That in as much as there has been heretofore much informality in the application made to the Conference for aid, that hereafter no application will be considered wherein there is not a certified statement to the following particulars: B. P. E. P. C. Board Trustees first that the title to the property is clear. Second, That the deed is recorded and incorporates the required Disciplinary clause. Third, The value of the property when finished. Fourth, The eligibility of the site and probable prospect for the future growth of the Church in the community.

2. That no application to the General Board be considered in the interval of the Annual Conference.

3. That in order to arouse a deeper interest among our people in this great work, that each preacher be required to hold a church extension mass-meeting in each congregation at some appropriate time during the year.

For the Woman's Department of Church Extension, the Board recommended the following officers:

Conference Secretary, Mrs. Jas. A. Peebles, Conference Treasurer, Mrs. D. J. Miller, Fort Smith, Ark.

## DISTRICT SECRETARIES.

Harrison Dist.—Mrs. J. B. Crump, Harrison, Ark.

Fort Smith Dist.—Mrs. B. H. Tabor, Fort Smith, Ark.

Clarksville Dist.—Mrs. S. E. Howell, Alma, Ark.

Dardanelle Dist.—Miss Viola Boles, Dardanelle, Ark.

Eureka Dist.—Miss Florence Haskins, Eureka, Ark.

Morrilton Dist.—Mrs. M. L. P. Harkey, Quitman, Ark.

B. WILLIAMS, Pres.

W. H. W. BURNS, Sec'y.

## BOARDS AND COMMITTEES.

Board of Missions: S. H. Babcock, J. W. Head, G. W. Boyles, P. B. Summers, B. Williams, D. O. Horton, J. H. Watts, B. Monk.

Board of Education: H. M. Welch, J. C. Brown, J. A. Walden, W. B. Scoggins, B. C. Matthews, J. F. Munday, W. W. Martin.

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ON COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION.

2nd year. W. B. J. J. in place of H. J. Brown.

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Quitman College: S. F. Dykes, Jas. A. Peebles, J. M. Cantrell.

## BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Report No. 1.

## VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

Our Conference relation to the University remains the same. Being situated at the center of our connection, its influence in reaching all departments of church work but in none more than in the Theological department. From it many young men are going both to the home and foreign fields full equipped for the battle. As a Conference we pledge ourselves anew to the support of the University.

## Report No. 2.

## HENDRIX COLLEGE.

This institution is the pride of our Conference. As is well known to you the college has been moved during this Conference year, from Altus to Conway. We congratulate the Church of the whole State upon so satisfactory and so successful a settlement of this question. Every thing has been carried out in strict harmony with the compact between the three Conferences, which are joint owners of the college. If the Conference were not satisfied with the action of the Board of Trustees, we recognize that there is no room for dissent, since the whole matter was committed by the three Conferences to the Board with plenary powers. But we see every reason for satisfaction. The Board did exceedingly well. Conway's munificence deserves the thanks of this Conference and of every Methodist in the State of Arkansas.

Three buildings, the Tabor Hall and two dormitories, all brick and in the best of style, have already been erected, and the main building is progressing nicely. Every thing is being done in the best of style, and the citizens of Conway continue in the most substantial way to manifest the high interest which secured to them the prize. In going to Conway we have obtained not only \$72,000 in money and valuable land. We have here a central position for the whole State. We have healthfulness, attested by every accessible record. We have a community whose morality is unquestioned anywhere, and whose liberality still stands back of the college. While no effort is being made to get girls to attend Hendrix—these being conceded to Galloway—and the college therefore has but two girl boarders, and while boys under fourteen are not any longer admitted, yet the attendance is not diminished. One hundred and seventeen are enrolled, 90 of whom are boarders and 20 of whom are preparing for the ministry. The faculty is harmonious, vigilant and able. The Board of Trustees, which has held two meetings the past year, are greatly gratified at the administration. President Millar is maintaining the same superior discipline, and, with the faculty, is giving us thorough work. The high position already taken by the College, calls upon us for still greater efforts in its behalf. Conway's gift provides largely for the necessary buildings; the Church must maintain it by an increased patronage, by an increase in the amount paid on the ministerial aid fund, and finally by an endowment. A thousand dollars now will be worth ten thousand ten years hence. A boy now is worth more than ten boys ten years hence. We must pull hard now, and our success is assured. The undivided support of the entire Methodist constituency of the State, according to the agreement under which the enterprise was launched is what we need, and all we need. Your Board would ask:

1. For the re-appointment of Rev. A. C. Millar to the Presidency and Rev. V. V. Harlan as Financial Agent.

2. That Rev. E. A. Tabor be elected Trustee for six years.

3. That \$500 be assessed for Education and Ministerial Aid Fund for Hendrix College.

## Report No. 3.

## GALLOWAY FEMALE COLLEGE.

Galloway is a marvel of success. It is without a parallel in the history of female colleges. Having just entered its second year with 17 teachers and 250 students; boarders 121, pianos 17, and 131 students in music. A fine religious spirit prevails, 90 per cent of the young ladies are members of the Church. It is a Christian home for the Christian education of our daughters. President Babcock has wrought well, and the Church throughout the State, in its patronage has gone beyond the expectations of the most sanguine. Is not this a providence? An open door for still greater things? Let the Church be ready.

Your Board would respectfully recommend:

1. That Rev. S. H. Babcock be re-appointed to the Presidency.

2. That in view of a probable financial embarrassment on the building, that the Bishop is hereby requested to appoint an Agent to secure at once the amount now due on the building.

## Report No. 4.

## QUITMAN COLLEGE.

From the report of the President and Board of Trustees we learn that this institution, the oldest Methodist College in the State, is fully abreast with the times and is doing satisfactory educational work. A new brick building is in process of erection, and the old building is to be retained as the Preparatory department or Training school. The cost of the new building, twelve thousand dollars, has been provided for by the Board. We commend the wise action of the Board in this matter, and feel assured that the blessings of the Lord will abide upon Quitman College. Your Board would ask:

1. That R. T. Spence, H. P. Martin and J. M. Jenkins be appointed to fill vacancies in the Board as required by the charter.

2. That Rev. O. H. Tucker be re-appointed to the Presidency.

3. That the sum of \$400 be appropriated to Quitman College on Ministerial Aid fund.

## Report No. 5.

## DISTRICT SCHOOLS.

We have had official reports from the Belleville Academy and the Yellville Institute. None from Booneville, Prairie Grove or Wallace Institute. These being especially under the care of the District within whose bounds they are situated, we deem it unnecessary to do more now than to request that all our Methodist people patronize these as training schools for our colleges.

## Report No. 6.

## Assessment on Ministerial Aid Fund.

Fort Smith Dist., \$180; Clarksville, \$153; Dardanelle, \$153; Morrilton, \$144; Fayetteville, \$144; Eureka Springs, \$54; Harrison, \$72.

Respectfully,

H. M. WELCH,  
O. H. TUCKER.

## Question 33. What are the educational statistics?

Answer. Number of high schools, 4; value, \$17,500; teachers, 13; scholars, 600.

Quitman College—Value, \$25,000; teachers, 6; students, 253; ministerial students, 6; children of ministers, 20.

Hendrix College—Value, \$55,000; teachers, 6; students, 117; ministerial students, 20; children of ministers, 8.

Galloway Female College—Value, \$50,000; teachers, 17; students, 231; children of ministers, 12.

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## WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

The following arrangements have been made with various Railroad Companies for reduced rates of fare to the session of the White River Conference to convene at Marianna, Dec. 17, 1890. The Kansas City, Ft. Scott & Memphis Railroad Co. will sell tickets from all points on their lines in Arkansas to Nettleton at full fare going and will be sold return tickets at one third on presentation of certificate signed by myself, showing that they attended the Conference and paid full fare going. Every one buying tickets to Nettleton, must, at the time of purchasing them, procure from the Agent a certificate showing that they paid full fare going. I will sign said certificates in the Conference room and this will entitle them to return tickets from Nettleton at one third fare.

The same arrangements have been made with the St. Louis Iron Mountain and Southern, provided that as many as 100 procure certificates. All those who purchase tickets over this road must pay full fare to Marianna and procure certificates. It is very important for every one who goes to Conference (including preachers, delegates and visitors) to secure certificates over this line, for if we do not get 100 we will get no reduction returning. The Memphis & Little Rock Road will sell tickets to Forrest City at full fare going, but there will be no certificates given by the Agent selling tickets over this line. I have blank certificates that I will sign in the Conference room to all who paid full fare going and this will entitle them to return tickets at one third. The Arkansas Midland Railroad will sell tickets to terminal points on its line at full fare going and give certificates to be signed by me in the Conference room and return at one third same as the Iron Mountain. The Batesville and Brinkley Railroad will sell round trip tickets over their line at one and one third fare for the round trip without giving certificates.

I have tried to make these instructions as plain as it is possible, to make them and I hope that every one will understand them. Please note that the reduced rates apply to preachers, delegates and visitors. Again I want to urge upon every one going over the Iron Mountain to procure certificates in order that we may be sure to have as many as 100. Also please remember that where two or more lines are to be traveled over in going to Conference, that tickets must be bought for each road and not through tickets over two or more lines.

A. L. MALONE.

## LATER INSTRUCTIONS.

On account of the very close connections at Nettleton between the trains on the Iron Mountain and the Kansas City roads returning from Marianna, I have induced the Kansas City road to sell round trip tickets from all points on their line in Arkansas to Nettleton and return, at one and one-third fare for the round trip. This will save the preachers, delegates and visitors the trouble of getting certificates on this line and of buying return tickets at Nettleton. On returning from Marianna to Nettleton there is only ten minutes difference between the time of arrival of the trains at Nettleton and the time of arrival of trains on the Kansas City road. This would not give time to buy return tickets and for this reason I have gotten the other arrangements. All that will now have to be done is to call for round trip tickets to Nettleton at one and one-third fare for the round trip.

Please remember, however, that this is only to Nettleton. After arriving at Nettleton tickets must be bought over the Iron Mountain to Marianna, paying full fare going and at the same time ask the Agent for certificate showing that full fare has been paid going. This certificate when signed by myself will entitle the holder to return at one-third fare. There is no change in any of the other roads. A. L. MALONE. Jonesboro, Nov. 28.

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## CORPUS CHRISTI CAMP-MEETING AND CHAUTAUQU.

Rev. W. E. Rutledge informed a reporter for The Caller that a contract had been let for the erection of twelve comfortable cottages on the camp-meeting grounds near the tabernacle. This is a grand move and in the right direction. Mr. Rutledge is another of our great workers.—Corpus Christi Caller.

## A GENEROUS DONATION.

Last Wednesday Col. E. H. Ropes, of this city, donated lands on The Cliffs to the value of \$25,000 as a site for the erection thereon of a magnificent brick college to cost \$40,000, work to begin the first of the new year. This new educational institution will be built by the Methodists under the direction of that enterprising and far-seeing gentleman, Rev. W. E. Rutledge, of Corpus Christi. The college will be erected near the dividing line of The Cliffs and the camp-meeting grounds, and will prove a mighty good thing for Corpus Christi. Among other things, this will soon be the educational and religious center of Texas. The Caller congratulates the Methodist people on the acquisition of this most valuable tract for the worthy purpose to which it is to be devoted, and at the same time warmly applauds Col. Ropes for his generous donation.—Corpus Christi Caller.

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## NEWPORT DISTRICT.

I am nearing the close of the 4th round. We have some things of which we are glad. There have been about 900 conversions in the District and about 600 additions to the Church. We have reported some \$1,500 in building and repairs. Our finances are behind, owing to late crops and much rain. At three points in the District we were in the overflow for five months, but on the whole our financial report will be equal to or in advance of last year.

We have a good band of field hands in this District; every man standing to his post. There is still room for improvement all along the line. Pray for us often. Fraternally yours, F. E. TAYLOR.

## THE FREE METHODISTS.

The eighth session of the Louisiana Conference of the Free Methodists was held in Funny Louis, La., Oct. 29-Nov. 3. The following appointments were made for Arkansas:

Arkansas District, N. T. Holcombe, Chairman. Providence, H. P. Blakeley; Macon and Pine Bluff, R. M. Reid; Mt. Zion, J. B. Clemmens; Red Hill and Prescott, W. A. Taylor; Harrison, to be supplied; Stuttgart, Lonoke, Hazen and Beebe, E. G. Cary; North Ark. Mission, N. W. Plymate.

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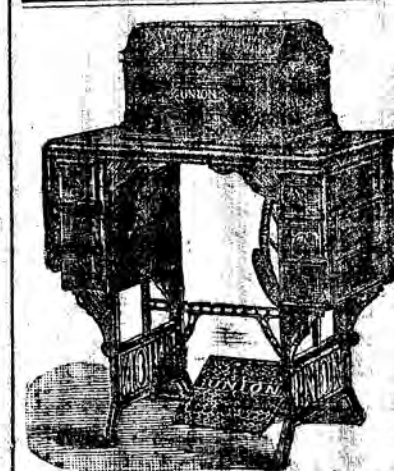
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Rev. Z. T. BENNETT, Editor.

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## R. R. FARE TO THE WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

We publish again on page 3 and call special attention to Bro. Malone's notice of reduced rail-road fare to the White River Conference at Marianna. Read also his "Later Instructions" on the same subject, and it may be well to cut out both notices and carry them along for reference.

Disused religious capability is first enfeebled, then paralyzed, and then lost. This is to perish. When the capacity for religion is lost, the man is lost.

The man who gets all the benefit he can from a religious organization, and then turns against it the first time it crosses his whims, needs to take a new lesson in Christ on ethics.

Every preacher should read the thirteenth chapter of First Corinthians at least once every week. It may be called the preachers' chapter. Why so? Read it, and see.

We commend to the thoughtful consideration of our readers the report (page 6) on the Spiritual State of the Church, adopted by the Arkansas Conference. We think it is in the main one of the best documents we have read in a long time, and its perusal brought to mind the earnest and able speech of Rev. E. N. Evans on the same subject in the District Conference at Warren last Summer.

The Missionary Society of the M. E. Church at its late annual meeting made appropriations to the extent of \$566,352 for Foreign Missions, and \$459,648 for missionary work in the United States. Of the latter sum decidedly the larger part is for missions among people who do not speak the English as their native language. For its "white" work (English speaking) in the South the Society appropriated \$58,370 and for its "colored" work \$54,995—total, \$113,365 against \$86,542 for the entire Rocky Mountain region and Pacific coast.

Revs. James A. Anderson, S. F. Dykes, F. S. H. Johnson and D. J. Weems were continued in the Presiding Eldership of the Arkansas Conference, and except Bro. Weems were returned to their former Districts. From these four zealous, vigorous and aggressive leaders our Church may well expect consecrated and efficient service, magnifying the important office, which each of these brethren would personally be glad to surrender for station or circuit work. It is safe to say many intelligent members of our Church do not suitably appreciate either the importance (and necessity to our itinerancy) of the Presiding Eldership, or the self-denial and hardship often incurred in faithfully performing the arduous duties it imposes. It is in the power of the pastors and the official laymen, as well as of the Presiding Elders themselves, to increase the appreciation of this office, and we sincerely hope all these may do so more and more as the years go by, that Quarterly Conference occasions may be invested with the religious interest and power of former times.

We hear that the preachers of the Arkansas Conference were generally both satisfied and pleased with their appointments, and we hope the same feeling will be shared by the charges they are to serve for the ensuing year. Revs. Geo. W. Hill, S. S. Key and A. H. Williams were placed in the Presiding Eldership, and we feel confident their fidelity and efficiency will prove the wisdom of their appointments, as Bro. Hill has had successful experience in that office, and Bros. Key and Williams are both in the prime of vigorous manhood and zealously devoted to the gospel of Christ as believed and preached by our Church. After four years of faithful service on the Dardanelle District Rev. G. W. Boyles received an easier and (to him) a more pleasant appoint-

ment in charge of Alma and Mulberry station. Many may be surprised at the change of Rev. V. V. Harlan from the Morjilton District after but one year of consecrated labor, wise leadership and notable success; and really, but for the very important charge, Conway station, to which he has been assigned, we should regard this change as a mistake. It is said 'there is no success like succeeding'; measured by this standard, Bro. Harlan's ministerial record shows continuous success in all grades of appointments. May his work and efficiency for the coming year be blessed of God and duly appreciated by the excellent charge he serves.

## THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

As an ecclesiastical term, the word Conference is of Methodist origin. In the formative period of our Methodist polity the preachers met to confer with regard to the work and the workers, in a devout and careful, yet informal way. As to legislation, there was little to do; the great movement had not yet crystallized into a system; it was a movement that took shape under God as it went forward under the impelling and guiding power of the Holy Ghost. Those men of mighty faith and mighty works met to confer—not to legislate, not to chop logic over curious and abstract questions in theology or casuistry, not to wrangle over trifles or to scramble for office. In fact, there were no offices to fill, to travel, preach, save souls, and enroll them as members of the societies that sprung up as by spontaneous spiritual generation in the heat of that great revival, kept them busy enough. The early Conference moved within these narrow lines and was a time of preaching, prayer and holy song rather than of statistical reporting, committee work on a large scale, ordinations, etc., as now. The evolution of the Conference has been far-reaching. If Wesley and Fletcher and Asbury could come back and appear in bodily presence at one of Annual Conferences of to-day in one of our Methodist strongholds, they would see what they never saw with their bodily eyes while here in the flesh, and perhaps what they never dreamed of.

The Annual Conference has become a piece of rather complex ecclesiastical machinery on the principle that the more perfect the organization the greater must be the complexity. A steam engine is a mighty thing in its completeness, but every wheel, even the smallest, is necessary to its strength. No objection need be made to the machinery of our modern Methodism, though we will do well to take care that we do not multiply machinery more rapidly than we generate power. This is the rock on which old ecclesiasticisms have split. Let us avoid it by never growing old. Let the new life of the Lord flow into the Church unceasingly. Let us also avoid sinking into a mere ecclesiasticism. Let us keep in motion, going into all the world to preach the gospel to every creature, leaving to others so inclined the privilege of everlasting tinkering as ecclesiastical machinists. Let the preachers read their statistics of membership and of material progress if they will, but with the statistics and all that is patent to the natural eye let us have that which gave the name and was characteristically descriptive of the Methodist Conference at the first. Let it be a season of spiritual revival rather than of retrogression. Let it be a time of brotherly re-union rather than of unbrotherly wrangling. Let it be a Conference of brethren rather than a contention of rivals. Let it be the spiritual climax of the past year, and the prelude to the unity, vigor and success of the year to come. In a word, let the Annual Conference crown the ecclesiastical year with the fullest measure of the Spirit's presence and power, with the freest outflow of brotherly love, with the most Christ-like manifestations of all that is highest and most magnanimous in Christian ethics. With the order and system of to-day let us have the glow and the unction of the first days when the dew of the morning of the New Testament revival called Methodism was upon our fathers in their annual assemblages. O. P. F.

Two weeks ago we published part of a letter written from Newark, N. J. to Rev. J. H. Bradford for the ostensible purpose of inducing him to visit that city to buy counterfeit money. It is probable the author of that letter will fleece some dis-

honest and gullible persons, in spite of the fact that the "green goods game" has been repeatedly exposed. A press report from Newark, N. J., Nov. 29, says: "Two Mississippi farmers, whose names have been suppressed by the police, started for their home in Jackson last night, after an eventful visit to this city. They were found on Thursday afternoon in the depot of the Pennsylvania road on Market street, where they had been sitting since morning, having arrived on an early train. Sergeant Dieff, whose suspicions were aroused by remarks made by the men, took them to police headquarters, where they confessed that they had visited Newark for the purpose of purchasing counterfeit money. Both men were heavily armed, and there is every possibility that the attempt to run the sawdust game on them would have been followed by bloodshed. The circular which they gave the police ordered them to go to the Adams House, on Market street, where they would be recognized by the use of the password '701.' Instead of reaching the city on Wednesday, as had been arranged, a delay brought them a day later, and on arriving in Newark they determined not to proceed further in the game. The police are now hunting up the members of the gang."

## FIXING THE APPOINTMENTS.

Supposing the Arkansas Conference appointments would be read out Monday night, too late to be sent by mail from Eureka Springs in time for our last issue, we advised the Business Manager of the Arkansas Gazette to have them telegraphed to his paper, promising to assist his telegraph editor in making a correct list of the names of preachers and charges. Our suggestion was promptly accepted by Bro. Kavanaugh, who by the way is a nephew of our late Bishop Kavanaugh, and at a late hour Monday night we were in the Gazette office anxious to see the appointments and to help in shaping them for the printers, that we might use the same list the following day. We waited long, but the appointments came not (because of interruption in the wires), and we concluded it would be necessary to incur heavy expense in having them wired to our paper in day time without any special rates. Tuesday, however, we learned with pleasure that the Gazette's delayed special would still come, if needed, and in the afternoon it was placed at our service. With Bro. Thornburgh's assistance we began copying the special message, and soon we realized as never before how almost impossible it is for a secular paper to avoid very numerous mistakes in the telegraphed reports of Conference appointments.

For a short time our trouble in "fixing" the appointments for publication was, perhaps, much greater than any experienced by the Bishop and Presiding Elders before they were read out. As illustrations, both the names of the Fort Smith District and James A. Anderson were omitted altogether; at Fort Smith c't simply Baldwin and at Hackett City c't Geo. A. Samsy; Waldron c't, W. H. Metheneck, Russellville, B. W. Williams, Danville c't, B. E. Martin, Dentman (for Quitman), A. H. Tacker, A. H. Luck, President Quitman College, Elm Springs c't, W. H. Digers, Eureka Springs, J. P. Adler, Clifty miss, J. W. Dalton, Huntsville c't, J. A. Lindsay, Wells Cove c't, J. H. Walls, Big Flat miss., L. H. Green, &c., &c. For the last name we should have had D. H. Groover, and by unaccountable oversight in our great haste we failed to notice and correct the omission of Harrison District, S. F. Dykes, P. E. (neither in the telegraphed report), and thus the new P. E., Rev. A. H. Williams, was apparently given a double portion. Bro. Williams writes that his father, Rev. B. Williams, "is not a 'supernummate' nor has he been at any time." He was so written by the Secretary and in the telegraphed report of appointments, but we exercised a little authority and put him at Russellville station instead of B. W. Williams. Under all the circumstances we think we did fairly well, except as to the Harrison District, which we give below, corrected by the Bishop's list:

## HARRISON DISTRICT.

S. F. Dykes, P. E.  
Harrison and Bellefonte—T. A. Martin.  
Bellefonte c't.—J. H. Cammins.  
Valley Springs c't.—R. D. Moon.  
Wiley's Cove c't.—J. H. Watts.  
Witt Springs miss.—H. R. Shinn.  
Arcley miss.—W. F. M. England, supply.  
Big Flat miss.—D. H. Groover.  
McPherson c't.—W. B. Schoggen, supply.  
Mountain Home c't.—J. M. Cantrell.  
Oakland miss.—G. B. Griffin.  
Yellville c't.—D. C. Ross.  
Powell c't.—H. K. Biggs.  
Lead Hill c't.—J. S. Hooker.  
Omaha miss.—To be supplied.

## THE ARK. CONFERENCE GROSSLY SLANDERED.

During the recent session of the Arkansas Conference a committee, composed of Revs. John W. Boswell, Julien C. Brown and W. B. Johnsey, was appointed to investigate charges against Rev. T. M. C. Birmingham, because of a certain real estate transaction in which Capt. Joe Evans was interested and claimed to be defrauded by said Birmingham. After carefully examining the papers in evidence on this case, the committee reported no trial necessary; and Dr. Boswell for the committee said they found that the title to the land was not in Birmingham, that it was sold publicly under an execution in his favor, and that as agent for Capt. Evans he bought the land for him (Evans), to whom title was to pass directly and not through Birmingham, who should not be held responsible for Capt. E's misfortune in purchasing land without a clear title. We think the foregoing is substantially and almost verbally what Dr. Boswell said in explanation of the finding of the committee on the charges referred to them, and they reported upon no other complaints whatever. Immediately after this report a motion was made, that Rev. T. M. C. Birmingham be located on the ground of "unacceptability." Speaking in his own behalf, though several times called to order, he was permitted by the President to indulge in what others called a "political harangue, to which no reply was made nor any speech against him; but when the motion was submitted to the Conference, it was adopted without a single dissenting vote, and thus the said Birmingham was located on the ground before stated.

To many of our readers it is well known, that he was a candidate on the Union-Labor State ticket before the last September election, but he did not abandon any pastoral charge to make the canvass, being simply colporteur by appointment at the preceding session of his Conference. During the year before that Conference he had refused to serve the Clarksville circuit to which he had been assigned, urging as his excuse the condition of his family, but manifesting the purpose to censure publicly Bishop Key and his advisers for unjust treatment. He was then criticised rather severely in the opinion of some by a P. E., who stated without contradiction (but improperly we thought), that Birmingham had sought influence to be made Presiding Elder of the Clarksville District, and hence that his refusal to serve the circuit was not alone due to the condition of his family. Further, we were reliably informed, that Bro. Birmingham was during that Conference (November '89) advised that no Presiding Elder in the Conference desired him in his District, or had a suitable appointment for him; whereupon Bro. Birmingham himself wrote the resolution requesting the appointment of a colporteur, and he was thus nominally assigned work for the ecclesiastical year just ended.

The foregoing facts are here given to show, that his "unacceptability" did not begin with his participation in a political canvass; that however much the Arkansas Conference might disapprove of a traveling preacher's entrance into partisan politics, and however unjust and false many may regard certain of his printed utterances since the election—that he was not located, simply because he was a candidate of the Union-Labor party and an advocate of the Prohibition party, as some are trying to make the motive appear, with very great injustice to the Arkansas Conference. To what extent such effort may have Birmingham's endorsement and aid we know not, though we feel confident he either wrote or dictated at least one of the special dispatches to the Globe-Democrat concerning the action of the Conference in his case; nor are we informed whether or not the proposed "indignation meeting" in Eureka Springs began by his request, approval or consent. Of one thing we feel sure; he should in the name of truth and righteousness do all he reasonably can to vindicate the Arkansas Conference against the gross slander contained in The Issue, which is published in Nashville, Tenn. and in behalf of the Prohibition party.

The Issue of Nov. 27, under the heading, "The Disease Spreading," says: "It has struck the Arkansas Conference and Rev. T. M. C. Birmingham is the victim of anti-Prohibition, Democratic Methodism,

Bishop Fitzgerald presiding. Being the candidate of the Labor party for State Superintendent of Public Instruction he was a sinner against the orthodox political religion of Arkansas, and the Conference located him because "unacceptable to many of the people." Unacceptable to whom? To Democratic whisky bosses whose hatred of Prohibition drove them to hang this righteous man in effigy, because he dared to proclaim his religious and political convictions."

"Were he more devoted to Democracy than he is to Christ and His truth no such cruel treatment would have been meted out to him."

"He uncovered and denounced the crime of ballot-box stuffing as practiced by Democracy and the Conference resented this attack on that party and deposed him."

Now, "this righteous man" and "martyr for the truth" ought to advise The Issue of several pertinent facts: That the licensed liquor traffic has been excluded from most of the counties and towns of Arkansas, under excellent Local Option laws enacted by the Democratic party, which declared in its platform in favor of settling the liquor question by Local Option; that T. M. C. Birmingham was a delegate to and accepted a nomination from the Union-Labor convention, which refused to make any deliverance whatever upon the liquor question, and that said Birmingham (according to report) did not raise his voice in that convention for Prohibition; and finally that the Arkansas Conference embraces more territory exempt from the licensed liquor traffic than The Issue can boast of in the entire State of Tennessee, and that this Conference of noble, true and brave men has led in the grand work of making Arkansas the banner State in the Temperance movement.

## DEATH OF MR. J. C. GIST.

Last Wednesday evening between 5 and 6 o'clock in Argenta, Bro. J. C. Gist of Conway was suddenly and most distressingly injured by a collision, which caused his death in a few hours. He had been in this city on business, and starting homeward he crossed the river on the lower bridge and was riding in a street car to the depot of the Fort Smith crossing to take the out-going train to Conway, when the fatal, if not careless, accident occurred. According to the Gazette's report, "when the car arrived at the county road, on Newton avenue, where its track crosses that of a switch of the Little Rock and Memphis Road, a moment before the street car attempted to cross the track, a switch engine, with three cars attached, passed by going south. As soon as the train came to a stop it backed up, catching the car on the track. It was struck with tremendous force, throwing it around and turning it over. Mr. Gist was the only passenger in the car, and as soon as he saw the danger he was in he ran to the rear platform and jumped, the car falling on him. His right arm was broken, several ribs were fractured, and he received a number of bruises about the body, besides internal injuries which caused his death a couple of hours later."

He was taken to a hotel and all possible aid rendered, but he died before the arrival of his wife, relatives and friends, who came on the first train in answer to the sad message about his condition.

Coroner Bond of this city held an inquest, and the jury rendered the following verdict: "That the said J. C. Gist came to his death by a collision of cars of the Little Rock and Memphis Railway Company with a car of the Little Rock and Argenta Street Railway Company. The jury is of the opinion that the accident was caused by negligence on the part of the companies."

Bro. Gist was a prominent business man and an enterprising and noble citizen. He was sincere in his convictions of duty and fearless in the advocacy of what he believed to be right. A member of our Church and Superintendent of our Sunday-school in Conway, one of the largest contributors to Hendrix College and foremost in every good work, the untimely death of Bro. Gist is sadly regarded a calamity upon that community. To his devoted wife and children and relatives we offer the sincere condolence of a sorrowing and bereaved friend.

The Philadelphia Presbyterian says: Away up in the far North-West, in Behring Strait, there are two islands, one of which belongs to Asia and the other to America. They are only two miles apart, and Russia and the United States are thus brought very close together. Just as close, we may say, and say it heartily, as we wish to be, while Russia remains what she is, a reactionary power, a dark, gloomy despotism. Years ago there was a sympathy quite recognizable between

Russia and the United States. But that bond is growing very thin and weak. The persecutions of the Lutherans in some of her provinces, the expulsion of the Jews from others, the unveiling of the horrors of Siberian exile, have changed the temper of our people, and while we cannot wish well to the Nihilists, we would look on very calmly at any convulsion which would scare the Russian Government into humane and generous dealing with all classes of her subjects, and constrain her rulers to do justice and love and mercy.

## CONSUMPTION.

We have not the time to follow the secular press in its frequent reports concerning the reported consumption specific discovered by Prof. Koch of Berlin. As the subject is one of considerable interest just now, we copy the following from the N. Y. Advocate:

"The excitement in Europe and America over Prof. Koch's supposed specific for the scourge that slays more than war, famine and pestilence, earthquake and tempest by sea and land combined, is prodigious and infects all classes. From the day that his discovery of the bacillus of consumption till now we have read every thing accessible, and have had the opportunity of listening to lectures, upon it both in Europe and America by some of the most eminent professors.

The bacilli we know to be real, for we have seen them under the microscope as distinctly as we can see the sun in the heavens. But some of the greatest, as well as some of the most candid, medical men believe that it is yet uncertain whether the presence of the bacillus is the cause or the concomitant and consequence of the disease. The only proved fact is that where tuberculous consumption is there these microbes are, and it is apparently proved that they are not where consumption or some other tuberculous condition is not.

But the excitement now raging appears to us most unfortunate—a repetition on a larger scale of the transient craze over Brown-Squard's elixir of life. It is less than seventy-five days since the mystic lymph was first applied to human patients. Already it is conceded that only mild and early cases are likely to be cured by it. Now, the fluctuations in consumption are proverbially numerous, often giving some months of seeming restoration, followed by greater decline.

Our hope is that something valuable has been discovered. Prof. Koch's scientific attainments are of the highest. But an ebullition such as is now seen shows that the public, including a multitude of medical men, is not imbued with the true spirit of science, which is patience. Meanwhile most cases of consumption in the early stages are curable by hygienic measures, and have been so recognized for many years. Formerly it was said that most such cases recovering were not real consumption. Many no doubt were not; but post mortems in the hospitals of Europe and America have shown that a large number of persons who had consumption have recovered and lived many years, dying of other diseases. Let no one, in the hope of securing lymph, delay in resorting to those measures; for whatever Prof. Koch has invented this is certain, that a disregard of the laws of health will produce chronic diseases which shorten life, and in many instances a return to those laws will repair the damage."

## LITTLE ROCK CHURCHES.

## WORK OF THE YEAR PAST.

The year has been one of prosperity, spiritually and financially, with our Churches in this city. Pastors and people have worked together for the salvation of souls and the prosperity of the Churches. The following are the reports:

First Church, M. B. Chapman, D. D., Pastor. No. of members received, 134; adult baptisms, 21; infant baptisms, 18; paid for Pastor's salary, \$1,800; house rent, \$360; Presiding Elder, \$237.50; foreign missions, \$255; domestic missions, \$150.50; Church Extension, \$68.25; Bishop's Fund, \$21.95; Ministerial Aid, \$14.60; Conference Minutes, \$7.30; Widows and Orphans, \$144; Raised by Ladies Aid Society, \$855.20; Raised by Young Ladies Auxiliary, \$500; Paid for Georgia Orphan's Home, \$265; Paid on Culpepper's meetings, \$522.55; Paid and subscribed for Winfield Memorial, \$2,100; Paid and subscribed on debt on Chapel, \$1,785.25; For the poor, \$125.05; Sunday-school collections \$173.70; (Sunday-school also raised \$77.65 for missions, reported in total for Foreign Missions.) Incidentals, \$1,050.33; District Parsonage, \$53.60; Bible Cause, \$28; Children's Day, \$12.25; Parsonage Fund, \$448; Total, \$14,928.03.

In the Sunday-school there are 30 officers and teachers, and 235 scholars. We also have a mission school with 12 officers and teachers, and 35 scholars.

Winfield Memorial Church.—R. R. Moore, pastor. Received into Church, 55; Dismissed by letter and otherwise, 107; Loss, 52.

Finance: Money raised for church debt, \$9,000; Paid on pastor's salary \$1,000; Paid on assessments, \$92.85; Paid on organ, \$40.00; Paid on Sunday-school supplies, \$24.65;



## ARKANSAS METHODIST.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 3, 1890.

## CHRISTIAN LIFE.

## ARKANSAS CONFERENCE DOCUMENTS.

## SPIRITUAL STATE OF THE CHURCH.

Your committee appointed to consider the spiritual interests of the Church beg leave to offer the following:

## OUR PROSPERITY.

Under God, great prosperity has attended our labors through the past year. Hundreds of souls have been born unto God. Many of our charges have been most graciously blessed with the "times of refreshing from the presence of the Lord." While others have not been so signally blessed, we have cause to believe and to rejoice in the fact, that much substantial advancement has everywhere crowned the labors of our preachers and people. But when we consider the infinite resources of the gospel and the multiplied help with which an Allwise Providence has blessed us, we are lost in astonishment at the meager results of our labors. "The Gospel is the power of God unto salvation unto every one that believeth," and it is said that God is "able to do exceeding abundantly above, all ye ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us." Then may we not ask, Why this limited success and enquire the causes that prevent us.

Our past history as a Church, compared with the present, will reveal to any thoughtful mind, the humiliating fact that we have not maintained our former power over the hearts and consciences of men.

The times of the Wesleys, of Coke, of Asbury and McKendree and even the times of our fathers, are not being repeated among us. These were the days of the baptism "of fire and the Holy Ghost." God wrought mightily through and among his people in the pulling down of the strongholds of Satan and the building up of his kingdom.

1. *Preaching.* We might mention among the causes that led to such glorious results in the early times of Methodism, that the most prominent of all, perhaps, was the plain, simple preaching of the doctrines of the Gospel.

Repentance, justification by faith, regeneration, sanctification and the witness of the Spirit were the great themes of the early Methodist pulpit. While your committee would not arraign the ministrations of any preacher or the tastes of any people, we may be permitted in the interests of the great cause you have called us to consider, to suggest, that such pulpit efforts as only gratify critical tastes and entertain the hearers, without alarming their guilty fears and disquieting their guilty consciences, are wanting in the very elements that constitute the Gospel of the Son of God. We cannot afford to lower the standard of the "Glorious Gospel," and its lofty demands for the sake of popular applause. Wherever and whenever sin is rebuked by the pulpit and mourned in the pew, the people will be saved and the Church built up.

2. *Evangelism.* From the knowledge that we can gain from the various sources at our command, we feel compelled to say that the methods frequently used by Evangelists, so-called, who travel from place to place and hold services for the avowed object of the conversion of sinners, have wrought a great evil among us. Their work to our mind is evidently of a superficial character and serves more to bring the work of salvation into disrepute than to save men from sin and death. It is the earnest conviction of your committee, that the old Methodist plans of dealing with sin and sinners have proven themselves more efficient in the conversion of men than all other besides. We need no better way than that which has made us a people, who were not a people, which has elevated and distinguished us among all the various branches of the Christian Church and even before the world, as the most potent factor in the evangelization of men. When we discard our Methodist usages and lay down the customs of our fathers for the easy methods practiced by the professional Evangelists, we shall have bartered off the engines of power that have been our chief glory in the past.

We believe that our spiritual interests demand that we as preachers and people do our own work and in our own way, praying earnestly for and depending alone upon the Holy Spirit for success. Let our pastors hold their own services with such help as they may invite from among our own brethren of the Conference, and let the local preachers and the lay brethren co-operate with them as we were wont to do in days gone by and trust God for results.

3. *Societies.* We furthermore consider the various societies which have sprung up in the last decade and in to which our young people more especially have been led, have proven and are proving contrary to these holy interests for which we plead. These societies, however good they may be in design, serve to divert the minds and labors of our people from the Church. We do not hesitate to assert that the Church offers every facility and means for Christian work

and endeavor that has been or can be offered, by any society proposing such.

May we not entertain the fear that the great evil complained of in pulpit and press—the absence of our young people from the Church—in a measure finds its solution here. The Church should be pre-eminent and command in all good works. We cannot afford to cultivate and build up institutions of the world, though professedly Christian, at the hazard of the Church of Christ. From these considerations let it be

*Resolved*, That we esteem the spiritual interests of the Church above all other interests and that in every pastoral charge we will strive to promote by our most strenuous efforts.

2. That in order to this end we will preach earnestly and plainly the Gospel of Christ; urge our people to our peculiar Methodist means of grace; maintain our own usages and customs and endeavor by the help of God to win more souls to Christ the ensuing year than we have done during the past.

N. FETTERELL, Chairman.

Provided, however, that nothing herein contained is intended to reflect upon the Y. M. C. A. or the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor.

## TEMPERANCE.

DEAR BRETHREN:—In as much as "the liquor traffic is so pernicious in all its bearings, so inimical to honest trade, so injurious to the peace and order of society, so hurtful to the home, to the Church and to the body politic, and utterly antagonistic to all that is precious in life, that the only proper attitude toward it, for the Christian, is that of *unrelenting hostility*," Therefore,

*Resolved* 1. That it is the sense of this Conference that the manufacture and sale of intoxicating beverages should be as positively prohibited, as are other crimes in our State and national domain.

2. That we hereby pledge ourselves to labor with all diligence, through pulpit and press, for the overthrow of this giant evil, and we hereby express our solemn conviction, that Christian men should attend the primaries and by ballot secure the nomination and election of such men only as will work perseveringly to this end.

P. B. SUMMERS, Chairman.  
A. J. DYER, Sec'y.

## REV. H. M. GRANADE.

The subject of this memoir, Rev. Hervey M. Granade, was born in Tennessee, Dec. 22, 1836.

He was converted when but a small boy; of this event he often spoke and never doubted that it was the work of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit so clearly bore witness with his spirit that he was adopted into the family of God, that he never hesitated to proclaim himself a child of the King immortal, eternal, invisible, and an heir of all things. In July, 1859, he was licensed to preach and in the same year at Searcy, White county, Ark., he was admitted on trial in the Arkansas Conference and was appointed to Ozark circuit, where he impressed himself so deeply upon the hearts of the people that in many of the older families his name is still held in great esteem. Here through the industry that characterized him till the day of his death, he erected at least one church (Granade's Chapel) which stood for many years a monument to his youthful zeal. This was the beginning of a life of thirty years in the itinerancy, which was spent in the Arkansas, White River and Indian Mission Conferences. These thirty years were years of great activity. He could not be idle. Like the greatest of all preachers he must be about his Father's business. He had zeal like a Jehu and a spirit like an Elijah. He hated sin and many a transgressor was made to writhe beneath his scourings as the thieves writhe beneath the scourings of the Lord. He would have scourged sin out of the world if he could. He was a man of strong convictions and his courage was equal to them. He always had an opinion of his own and did not hesitate to express it. Being a man of such a positive character he made enemies; trials beset him almost everywhere he went. But while he made strong enemies he made fast friends and his friends were always of the best class of people. Many revere his name as they revere the name of but few men.

While all that has been said is literally true, it is also true paradoxical as it may seem—that he was as gentle as a lamb and as tender as a woman. He loved children as but few men love them. Like our Savior he often took them up in his arms and blessed them, and was never happier than when catechizing them in the family circle or preaching to them in the congregation. Little children are always quick to detect their true friends and they never hesitated to give Bro. Granade their confidence and love.

He was a sweet singer and found great satisfaction in exercising this heavenly gift. Long ere this he has joined the blood-washed throng John saw, in singing with rapture the song of redemption, which no man in the flesh can learn.

He had great sympathy for the poor and among his last acts was the raising of money to build a house for a poor widow. As a preacher he was hortatory rather than expository,

and fluent rather than eloquent, but his abilities were above the average preacher. All his life long he was the victim of that terrible disease dyspepsia, which sometimes made him nervous and put him at a discount among those who did not thoroughly understand him; but underneath all this there was a deep vein of solid piety which bound him in unflinching fidelity to his Lord.

A little over a year ago he discovered that a tumor was growing in his armpit. The doctors pronounced it an incurable cancerous affection, that would soon result in his death. This announcement did not alarm him—for like David he was prepared to say, "Although I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil; for thy rod and thy staff they comfort me." But he did seem to dread the protracted sufferings he would have had to pass through if he had died of cancer; but God in mercy cut the work short and he died suddenly and unexpectedly on the 11th of March, 1890, of another disease. He died with the harness on. He was preacher in charge of the Elm Spring circuit, and thus in accordance with his own wishes he ceased at once to work and live.

Servant of God well done,  
Rest from thy loved employ,  
The battle fought, the victory won,  
Enter thy Master's joy.

B. H. GREATHOUSE,  
W. T. LOCKE,  
J. S. CLOWER,  
JNO. M. CANTRELL.

## REV. J. B. WILLIAMS.

Rev. James B. Williams was reared near Yellville, Marion county, Ark. He had not the advantage of early training either in religion or in literature. But when he became old enough to manage for himself, the kind hand of Providence led him to a religious home among religious people. He professed religion in the Fall of 1879, under the ministry of Rev. Thos. Seawell who soon after entered upon his eternal reward. Bro. Williams was happily married first to Miss Lucy Higgs, who encouraged him to take up his cross answering the call which he had to the ministry. He was licensed to preach in the Fall of 1880, and began at once to prepare for the regular work in the ministry. But soon the companion of his youth was called from the sorrows of the earth to her home in heaven. A few years later he was joined in holy matrimony to Miss Cora Layton, who made him an efficient helper in the work of the Master till his work was finished. He was admitted on trial in the Arkansas Conference Nov. 25, 1885, and appointed to the Lone Rock circuit. In Nov. 1886 his committee approved his examination. He having been a local preacher the time required by law, and having traveled one year he was ordained Deacon and appointed to Carrollton circuit. In 1887 he was received by the Arkansas Conference into full connection and returned to Carrollton circuit where he labored faithfully and acceptably about half of that year, when his failing health so far gave way that his physicians advised him to go to Texas, which he did. But he carried with him that earnest zeal which he hitherto had for the spread of Christ's kingdom. After reaching Texas he felt that his health had improved and he consented to take work in the pastorate. It was soon known that it was the uncompromising hand of Consumption that oppressed him. And when his people saw that he must soon die they furnished him money that he might return to Arkansas and spend the remaining months of his life with his precious wife and three dear little ones, who now mourn their earthly comfort fled. For a long time he was a constant, patient sufferer. But, in his home near Yellville, on the 21st day of Aug., 1890, the death angel caught his sweet spirit away to join loved ones in the sweet beyond. His death reminds us that

"Time speeds away, away, away,  
Like torrents in a stormy day;  
He terminates the stately tower,  
Uproots the tree and snaps the flower,  
And sweeps from our distracted breast  
The friends that loved, the friends that  
blessed.  
And leaves us weeping on the shore  
To which they can return no more."  
But thank God we can go to Bro. Williams, for we know where and how to find him. He told this writer just a few days before his death, that he only desired to live that he might care for his family and preach the gospel of Christ. Bro. Ross, who was his pastor at the time of his death, testifies that he died in great peace. Earth loses an earnest worker, but heaven gains a noble spirit.

B. H. GREATHOUSE,  
J. M. CANTRELL,  
J. S. CLOWER,  
W. T. LOCKE.

## REV. S. C. MADDOX.

Rev. Steward Carlile Maddox, son of Rev. J. R. and Allie Maddox, was born Jan. 5, 1861, in Faulkner county, Arkansas. In early life he professed religion and joined the M. E. Church, South. He was happily married to Miss Arabella Loven in 1883, and licensed to preach in the autumn of 1887. After spending one year in acceptable labor as local preacher, he was admitted into the Arkansas Annual Conference on trial at Fort Smith in 1888. Bro. Maddox's first work was Conway mis-

sion. He served this charge faithfully and acceptably. He passed his examination. His second charge was Bee Branch mission. Bro. Maddox entered promptly upon the duties of his pastorate on this mission and prosecuted the work with fidelity until he was stricken with disease which terminated his earthly life on the 10th day of September, 1890, after a tedious illness of six weeks. Bro. Maddox was a man of feeble body, but was possessed of a vigorous mind. He was diligent in efforts to store his mind with useful knowledge that he might be an efficient minister of the New Testament. He was adding to his library that he might be a well instructed scribe, bringing out of his treasure things both new and old. He was a good preacher for his age in the ministry. Bro. Maddox was a conscientious, sweet spirited, earnest Christian gentleman, an affectionate husband and a tender and considerate father. Bro. Maddox was very prompt in the discharge of his pastoral duties. In his private life he stands without a blemish, and is an example worthy the imitation of his young associates in the gospel ministry. Bro. Maddox bore his last illness with Christian meekness and left unmistakable and comforting evidence of his ultimate triumph over death. In his last hours he remembered tenderly his class in the Arkansas Conference and sent the following message to his young brethren: "There is not a cloud, not a mist between me and heaven." Bro. Maddox leaves a sorrowing widow and three sprightly little boys to mourn their irreparable loss, and we hereby tender to them our heartfelt sympathy and prayers.

At the request of the class of the second year the committee have incorporated the following preamble and resolutions in their report:

WHEREAS, God in his wisdom and mercy has seen fit to remove from labor to reward our sweet spirited and much beloved Bro. Steward C. Maddox, and

WHEREAS, He died in the full triumphs of a living faith, leaving behind him the satisfactory and comforting evidence of the soundness and genuineness of his faith, and sent to his class the glorious testimony that not a single cloud obscured his vision, of a happy eternity; therefore

*Resolved*, That though this sad calamity has befallen us in the hour of apparent success in the ministerial field, that we bow with humble submission to the Divine edict in the removal of our beloved brother, realizing, too as we do, that the Church has lost one of her most godly examples, and socially one of her brightest ornaments; and

*Resolved* Further, that we endeavor to emulate his solid piety, holy consecration and abundant faith, that as he died so may we; and

*Resolved*, That to further perpetuate his memory among us—we the members of his class obligate ourselves to take a private collection each year in our congregations for the assistance of his sorely bereaved widow and fatherless children.

*Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to THE ARKANSAS METHODIST, Christian Advocate, to his widow, and one be presented to committee on memoirs.

Class: J. W. Baldwin, Ch'm'n, A. J. Cullam, W. P. Hamilton, H. R. Shinn, S. W. Whetson, J. H. Roberts, J. H. Smith, Pierce Merrill, K. S. VanVandt, W. M. Taylor, W. S. Bristow, W. H. Dyer.

Respectfully submitted,  
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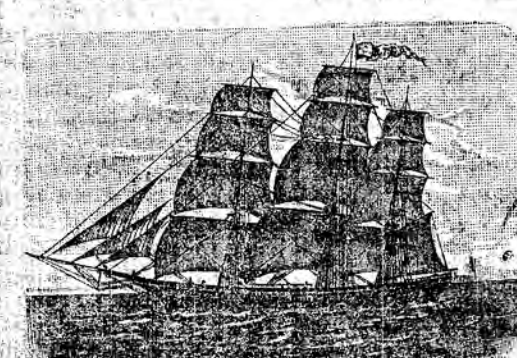
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