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## A PROFESSION OF FAITH.

The term "profession of faith" is of frequent occurrence in our religious literature and theological works, though it occurs but once in the Holy Scriptures. The apostle says "Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering," Heb. 10:23. The thought, however, is frequently expressed in other language. Dr. Clarke appears to prefer the translation "confession of our faith." It has occurred to me, that very many people, who frequently employ the term, are not fully aware of its meaning, and consequently misapply it. That it is our duty to confess Christ, and to make a profession of faith in him is readily granted by every one, who acknowledges him to be the Savior of men.

There is a very broad distinction, however, to be drawn between making a profession of faith in Christ, or confessing Christ; and professing to have made certain attainments in the Christian life. However proper each may be in its respective place, they are certainly very different things. The one is objective, and the other subjective. Now what is involved in a "profession of faith"? The Scriptural idea is to acknowledge Jesus Christ to be the Son of God, and to pledge our obedience to Him. There is not a single instance in the Holy Scriptures, where a convert was required to relate an experience of grace, or to profess any special attainments in the Christian life. There is not a single instance, where any Christian proclaimed to the world, or to the Church any special goodness, or purity of heart. If we examine the New Testament examples of a "profession of faith," we will find no allusions to personal, or internal condition of soul. In the notable confession of Peter where he says to Jesus "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God," there is not a word about his own spiritual condition. He confessed the Christ, not himself, and this confession brought forth those wonderful words of Christ, "Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

In this there is no statement from Peter in reference to his spiritual condition, or the degree of spirituality to which he had attained. While it is our duty to repent of our sins, and to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and while it is our privilege to receive the pardon of our sins, to have the witness of the Holy Spirit, to be justified and sanctified, we are not required to make a statement of these, in our "profession of faith." It is a fact of Christian experience, that the penitent believing sinner is justified and sanctified, and has a rich and joyous experience of fellowship with Christ; the profession of its attainment, however, is not involved in a "profession of faith." In that oldest of all the Christian Creeds, or professions of faith, there is nothing said of personal goodness or purity; the candidate says "I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth," etc.—a declaration of belief in certain fundamental articles of faith. He then makes certain promises of obedience to Christ.

In this respect the Methodist Episcopal Church has departed from the old landmarks, while the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has preserved the old original and true Methodist theory of qualification for Church membership. Previous to 1844, the Methodist Episcopal Church required the candidate to give "satisfactory assurances of the correctness of their faith, and their willingness to observe and keep the rules of the Church." The Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, reads "genuineness of their faith." Since the separation of the two Churches the Methodist Episcopal Church has inserted a clause requiring the candidate to profess "saving faith" in Christ. This is a departure from original Methodism. It will be seen that Southern Methodism has not, in the least, lowered the standard of Christian experience, but earnestly insists upon the necessity of the highest forms of spiritual life, and urges it as a duty as well as a privilege for all Christians to attain the high position of perfect love, or sanctification, and affords them every help to this gracious state.

The theory of Methodism is in full accord with the Scriptural teaching, that there are some exercises of the soul too sacred to be made public; it would be like casting pearls before swine. "The secret of the Lord is with them that fear him." "For the froward is abomination to the Lord; but his secret is with the righteous." There are some things that we may say in the pres-

ence of our fellow Christians, that we would not and ought not to say before the world or in a promiscuous congregation. It was for this special reason that the class meeting was established in Methodism. Originally none but the membership of the Church were permitted to enter the class meetings, or love-feasts of the Church. The reason was that there was a freedom of expression that none ought to hear, except those who were in perfect sympathy with each other. The band meetings of the early Methodists were designed for those who had experiences too sacred, for even the class meeting or the love-feasts. These consisted of not more than five or six persons of similar circumstances in life, and to some extent of similar taste, who met together to converse freely touching their Christian experience, and their habits of life. Their conversation was more minute and particular than would be proper in a more promiscuous assembly. There were experiences too sacred for even the class meeting, or love-feast. And then there are experiences that are too sacred for even a small company of devoted friends, feelings that are reserved for the intimacy of private friendship, in the quiet hour when friends are alone, the dearest, personal friends. And then, again, there are sweet and holy seasons of the soul with God, sacred secrets between the soul and Christ, which no mortal ear should hear, the secret of the Lord. And yet there are those who would tear these holy secrets of the soul from our hearts, and expose them to the heartless gaze of the world. There are earthly friendships too sacred to expose to public gaze. We speak of the sacredness of grief. I meet a man upon the street. I see the sign of mourning. I know that he has buried a loved one, every feeling of delicacy forbids that I should intrude upon the sacredness of his sorrow. If he is a dear friend, he may in the privacy of his own room unbosom to me his great sorrow. The richer experiences of our lives are reserved for the purer and more sacred associations of life, as well as the deepest sorrows. If this is true of the purest and best of earthly things, how much more is it true of our spiritual life.

I have sometimes been pained at the rude familiarity that some good people exhibit on the trains and in public places. Such expressions as "praise the Lord," "I am saved," uttered in a loud and boisterous tone to attract attention. I know the plea for such demonstrations, is that we should boldly confess Christ everywhere. A man should be ready to defend the reputation of his wife everywhere, but that would not justify him in publicly and boisterously calling attention to his devotion to her. The Christian is always ready to acknowledge his allegiance to Christ, but this is a very different thing from publicly calling attention to his personal experience of divine things. I grant that there may be occasions, where the loyal Christian may in a very public manner testify to his experiences in divine things; but he will not lay it down as a rule for the government of others. It is a very different thing from his "profession of faith." That I am in full accord with the teachings of Methodism will appear from the following quotations from standard Methodist authority. Speaking of the public profession of Christian perfection, Dr. Pope says: "The recorded experience and character of the saints should have its weight; their experience, not their testimony which is the nature of things is not to be expected, as there is no mystery more deeply hid in God, no consciousness more unconscious of self, than that of perfect holiness and love." Mr. Wesley in answer to the question whether one who had obtained this blessing should speak of it says "It would be advisable not to speak of it to them that know not God (it is likely it would only provoke them to contradict and blaspheme) nor to others without some particular reason, without some good view."

HORACE JEWELL.  
Little Rock, Feb. 13.

"Pre-Lenten dance." Such is the name given to a great ball held the night before the opening of the present Lenten season. For a time, at least, such frivolities must now cease. Piety may not restrain certain classes from such folly and wickedness, but custom will. During Lent they must seem to be religious. Well, this is so much to be set down to the credit of the season. It is a pity it could not be made to extend through the entire winter.—Pittsburgh Advocate.

## IN MEMORIAM.

Rev. C. H. Ford was born in Giles Co., Tenn., Nov. 22, 1840; came to Ark. in 1855; was converted and joined the Southern Methodist Church when young; was licensed to preach at Mar's Hill in Boyds-ville circuit in 1868, and was admitted on trial in the Arkansas Conference at Jacksonport two years before the White River Conference was organized, with Henry P. Cley, N. E. Fair, T. A. Ellis, G. F. Fair, W. H. Martin, C. S. Floyd, J. H. Porter, A. Good, E. B. H. Young and W. R. Young; of this number there is not one in the traveling connection in Ark. They have either transferred, located or died—so says Horace Jewell in his History of Methodism.

Bro. Ford was not a member of the Conference at his death which occurred at his residence in Greene Co., Ark. in the bounds of Gainsville circuit, but we trust a connectional feeling of love and sympathy existed between him and the entire Conference. All his friends regret his course in giving up his relation to the Conference. We hope that whatever mistake or error made either on his part or ours, was not due to an unchristian spirit. He was in sympathy with Methodism, stood ready to defend its doctrines to the last. He was with me last Summer in revivals at Friendship and Oak Grove, and seemed to enjoy and delight in the services, and did good work in the altar exercises so far as his strength would admit, being afflicted with something like paralysis several months before his death, and that so affected his tongue that his articulation in speech was very imperfect. How my heart was moved with sympathy when he stood at the altar of the Church at Friendship with tears in his eyes and asked the Church to offer a special prayer that God would loose his tongue and permit him to go and preach the gospel once more.

Bro. Ford was a strong man and filled some important appointments, circuits, stations, and in the Presiding Eldership, to the satisfaction of the people; but now his labor and afflictions are at an end on earth, and we trust he has entered into rest and great peace in heaven. I would say to his bereaved widow, four children, many kindred and friends, that we tender our heartfelt sympathy, praying that you may all so live as to meet each other in our Father's house above, to live together and praise God always.

P. B. WALLIS.  
Gainesville, Ark.

## SOME REMINISCENCES.

"He shall cover thee with his feathers and under his wings shalt thou trust," are words the force of which can only be felt when "the rains, winds and floods beat upon the house." There are other words like unto these from the lips of the Master: "How oft would I have gathered thy children together as a hen doth gather her brood under her wings." To attempt enlargement is to weaken the force of these words. An incident will illustrate. A blacker night never cast its mantle over a slumbering world; the darkness was like unto that which enveloped Egypt in Pharaoh's time. All night the "voice of Jehovah thundered marvelously" and the lightning shined under the dome of heaven in fitful, blinding glare; the windows of heaven were opened and the floods descending deluged the earth; streams burst from their channels and swept over farms, frightening sleeping families who hurried away to higher ground; iron bridges yielded to the pressure of the waters and went down, leaving trains standing for days on the siding. Before such a storm of wind, rain and hail the stoutest heart quailed. It is morning. Suddenly the thunder growls in the distance as if angry with the earth. A man steps into the backyard down the kitchen steps. Beneath the steps he hears a noise. On looking he beheld, what? Under her wings a hen had gathered her brood and over them had spread her soft covering of feathers and braved the howling storm as it mercilessly beat upon her, protected by only one plank. Her life was ebbing away—she would soon have paid the penalty of protecting her nestlings, not one of which was harmed. The man, minister of good tidings, folded her to his heart while his eyes were filling and said, "Now I know more of Christ than ever before." "Thou, faithful mother, hast interpreted the words of inspiration to me." "Between me and the hurtful storm He has thrown Himself and received in His own body that which was aimed at me." "We've ever pain, was ever love like this?" Be thou my strong habitation where-

unto I may continually resort. For many long, weary weeks the storm has beat upon us, and sometimes we were made to cry out, "Master, we perish;" the Master is saying now, "Peace, be still," and "There is a great calm"—yes, a great calm.

T. J. REYNOLDS.  
Van Buren, Feb. 16.

## EVANGELISTS.

Bro. Moore is carried by the force of his burning enthusiasm against the evangelist beyond the issue raised. "They are here; how shall we control them?" was the plain and pertinent issue raised in my article on the evangelist. The plan suggested was intended to introduce the subject, so that a profitable investigation would follow. It was a pleasure to have Bro. Moore appear in criticism of what had been written; expecting, from his fertile brain and good judgment, valuable and safe suggestions on the question involved. But instead of discussing the issue presented and controverting the plan submitted, he immediately proceeds to class me with those favoring, not only the system of evangelism itself, but also every loose and unbecoming practice of every possible evangelist. Did the brother really believe, from the wording of the article criticised, that it was my purpose to pose as the apologist of low and brutish evangelists? Then why the effort to make my reasoning appear in the ridiculous light of an argument to regulate the devil?

I was aware that our Church had never enacted a law authorizing the evangelist, and for that reason wrote the article which he controverts, advocating the importance of suitable legislation. Is it not strange my brother did not notice this fact? Our Church has never made a law authorizing the evangelist, but has never made one against and never will. Heretofore she seems to have thought the office sufficiently provided for in her regular ministry. While our pastoral system is more evangelistic than that of some other Churches, yet there seems to be a providential call for evangelism on a more extensive scale. If the movement be of the Lord, then the General Conference should give it recognition in some suitable form.

It is indeed a revelation from the learned brother, that a failure of the General Conference to provide the office of an evangelist, implies a law against his work and against all who may give him employment. Lay representation was repeatedly refused by the General Conference, but instead of such refusal bringing antagonism, it is now the high boast of the Church. If all assumed by Bro. Moore be correct, then the Annual Conferences have been guilty of pitiful stupidity or unpardonable indifference in not calling offenders to account and "meting out justice." The assumption is broad, far-reaching and cringing in its application.

If a lawyer were to use such tactics in conducting his case as are contained in the "protest" against minifying an Annual Conference, the people would readily conclude his motive to be the breaking down of his opponent by arraying prejudice against him. If the brethren of the Conference could be brought to think that I had compared them to a vulgar, brutal blasphemer, and even thought him to be better than they, I might readily expect them to resent the injury, at least so far as to withdraw their love. But Bro. Moore is a Christian and brother beloved and would not misconstrue me for an evil purpose. Could not one with an equal show of reason take from his article the sentence with reference to "unthinking preachers" and set him forth as minifying every brother, who has employed an evangelist? But Bro. Moore would rightfully resent such a construction as unfair to his real intention. The objectionable comparison was written from the standpoint of the difficulties attending the effort of a Quarterly Conference to control a brother of Bro. Jones's influence—provided he were disposed to go wrong. Would Bro. Moore deny that, in such a case, it would require the strength of an Annual Conference to hold in proper check? When my statement is studied in its proper connection, the reflection upon the dignity and honor of an Annual Conference will disappear. Suppose the remark, so vigorously criticised, were to remain just as written; who would feel injured by comparison with—not Sam Jones, the coarse, vulgar blasphemer, but with the real Sam Jones, who is better known as the uncompromising enemy of evil than any living man in America. It was not in my purpose to appear as

the special champion of Sam Jones or of any other evangelist, and I cannot imagine why the plain intention of my article called from Bro. Moore such vigorous assault against them. Does he desire to make them appear contemptible and then set them before the readers of The Methodist as the dear idols of Bro. Cason? Certainly not? But why does he raise the cry of "hero worship"? If the simple acknowledgment of the rightful claims of Sam Jones or of any other man constitutes "hero worship," then I plead guilty to the charge; but does not the analytical mind of Bro. Moore discern the difference?

While not endorsing everything in the methods of Sam Jones, yet am willing to admit that the Lord has given him talents, by which he is enabled to awaken more religious interest and start more souls heavenward, in one month, than can be reached and started by my humble ministry in a lifetime. But why should time be spent in an effort to shield him? He needs no defense from me. His record stands as an impregnable argument against his critics.

Did I say that "because a man refuses to be amenable to law, we must therefore accommodate the law to him"? or anything that would justify such a representation? Who refuses to be amenable to law? If Jones is meant, then the allegation is denied. He has always acted under Episcopal authority, and when Bishop Haygood refused to appoint him to the agency, with the understanding that he might preach at large, he promptly located. What law is he refusing to obey?

After concluding what he seems to regard the work of demolishing the issues raised in my article (which were only fanciful) he charges his pen with the inspiration of victory and raises a loud war-whoop for "Great Diana." Immediately upon recovery, he seems to discover an argument in my article for class legislation. Was immunity claimed for any evangelist or any attempt to justify his course? On the other hand it was because of existing irregularities, that a remedy was proposed. In the intent of the suggestion, the vote of Conference would be required to submit name of brother applying for evangelistic work. The provision of the law would leave it in power of Conference to prevent any member from enjoying the "immunity." Would not the principle raised apply with equal or increased force against Book Agent, College President and even editors?

The following sentence contained in my article will stand as its vindication against the charge of depreciating the pastor and the stressing of human effort to the exclusion of the divine Spirit: "The strongest sympathy is cherished for those who would jealously guard the influence of the pastor. It is believed that frequently the pastor unnecessarily depreciates himself by turning the entire management of the meeting over to the evangelist." It is also believed that frequently undue importance is attached to the coming of the evangelist. Pastor and people should not depend upon this for success, but upon Scriptural effort supplemented by Divine power. The man, who is successful in the accomplishment of good, is generally appreciated by those in sympathy with the end accomplished, and if this is deification, the evangelist is not to blame, and the people likely to continue delirious.

Evangelism should not be held responsible for filling the Church with unregenerated members. I believe in deep, genuine repentance and spiritual regeneration, but have no disposition to criticize the man who stands up or goes forward and gives his hand in token of his desire to lead a better life. It is always a sight that touches my heart. Did Methodism ever unchain such an incarnate devil as Corbett, the pugilist, and send him forth clothed with authority to preach the gospel of dirt and abuse? And is he still going? Then certainly the fact argues the necessity of additional restrictions and not looseness. Did Bro. Moore introduce statistics to show evangelism ineffective? Are those laboring within our bounds one tenth of our working force? How easy it is for us poor mortals to talk, but then oh! how hard to keep in the "middle of the road," and give a "honor to whom honor is due."

In Bro. Moore's closing paragraph, there is revealed a sad state of affairs. Considering the looseness disclosed, is it not strange that in the caption an additional looseness should be advocated? Certainly the brother does not mean to annihilate the gentleman, in the expression "Loose him and let him go." Then does the word "loose" mean

to take the "halter off" and let him roam at pleasure and impose upon the Church, through the stupidity of her "unthinking preachers"? Come, Bro. Moore, the issue was raised in all Christian earnestness, and not for the purpose of furnishing a "toy" upon which my brethren might find pleasure in practicing with the lance of ridicule. There was no intention of appearing as either the apologist of objectionable characters, or the evils connected with the system of evangelism. "We be brethren" and both equally interested in doing for the best. With the best of my ability the question of evangelism had been investigated. The better way was not clear. The cry was for bread, not a "stone nor a scorpion." I wrote to stimulate an investigation that would lead to a safe conclusion. Was glad when Bro. Moore appeared to give light, sorry he found it more convenient to shift the issue.

If as the case now stands, "every man that chooses becomes an evangelist" and because of "unthinking preachers" has no trouble in securing a job, then to my mind it argues the necessity of some action by the only law-making body in the Church, correcting existing evils. The question is upon us and I know of only four things that can be done: 1st, Let evangelists go as they now do. 2nd, Forbid a local preacher going beyond the bounds of his Quarterly Conference. 3rd, Try and expel them. 4th, Provide for them by appropriate legislation. The issue remains without a definite and satisfactory answer.

J. R. CASON.  
Stephens, Feb. 14.

## A CORRECTION.

Bro. Hill under the above caption claims that he has been misrepresented. Please look again at what I did say. "Like many others Bro. Hill has not been sufficiently guarded on this point. Speaking of those who cannot accept his interpretation of Wesley, Watson, &c." In this I did not allude to his recent article on sanctification, but to some things he had said and written in the past. Two years ago in one of his letters published in THE ARKANSAS METHODIST he became very enthusiastic over the teaching of Wesley, Clarke and Watson and I might say seemingly impatient with those who chanced as he thought not to see things in the same light with these great men. Of course I inferred it was only so far as they dissented from his interpretation of Clark and Wesley on the subject of sanctification. It was in this article he placed those dissenters, calling them "244 preachers, heads that could not stand the pressure of a logical sentence," and more still which I do not now remember. I suppose the article is on file in the Editor's office. Bro. Hill, I am sure you will remember this paper.

B. WILLIAMS.  
Eureka Springs, Feb. 12.

The Tribune of Chicago, chronicled last year 718 murders due to liquor alone and 297 cases of suicide due to the same cause. This makes over 1,000 cases of murder, or nearly 20 a week, not counting the much larger number due to "quarrels" and to other causes in which liquor plays a prominent part. The total number due to "strikes" and "riots" was 27, or about as many as are due to liquor alone every nine days.—N. Y. Voice.

Years ago a New England preacher said: "A steeple and a bell! The next thing will be an organ and choir, and then farewell to Methodism." We love the memory of our fathers, and respect their deep piety, but like us, their sons, they had some strange and extreme notions, and we think this prejudice against the steeple and bell, the organ and choir, was one of them. It is true that the steeple and bell might be substituted by the tower and gong, but the organ and choir are here to stay; for without them, poor indeed would be our Church music; not that they did not have good singing in their day, but that their style would not suit our city Churches of these days. Times have changed and men have changed with them. Thirty-five years ago, in a village church in the Alabama Conference, the question was raised, "Shall we have a stove in our church?" By the leading men of the congregation it was strenuously opposed. Speeches were made pro and con, and finally decided against the stove on the ground, that a man's religion ought to keep him warm enough in Church, no matter how cold it might be. Today, a larger church on the same lot, has two stoves, an organ and a choir, and the people as pious as in other days.—Alabama Advocate.

**[Or] Bible Studies on Sanctification.**  
**No. 2.**

In Ex. 24:7, we are told how they received the terms of the covenant with Moses having received them from the Lord, delivered them to the people. They answer, "All that the Lord hath said will we do, and obedient." Now here, as before, they make a promise of perfect obedience, and to make such a promise, is a great deal. It appears from the entire history of the transaction at Sinai, that while this was a covenant of works, yet it must have contained at least, the elements of that same inward life of holiness that belongs to the Church of the Christian age, and many of them became devoted to God in the inward, as well as the outward sense. This must be true at least of those who were sincere, and consecrated them-

So in conclusion, dear Bro. Bennett, please allow me hereby to acknowledge the receipt of letters from several kind brothers and sisters, in which are expressed very warm Christian sympathy and love at this our day of deep, dark sor-



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### BATESVILLE DISTRICT.

A RAINY DAY.  
I have heard it all my life—that is the part after I first heard it—"to lay up for a rainy day." Well, the rainy day is here, literally, and if this is the way one is to lay up for it, I would like to postpone the "laying up"—not that hurrying about where I am laying up—for I am at Joe. B. Isehower's, a good place to lay up, or down either—and by the way I sold him three books and a Microscope for one year, so you see what I am getting out of this rainy day. I don't exactly see the philosophy in the practical workings of laying up for a rainy day, it seems to me the day has been laying up for me, and I am laid up and to stay for a day or two; for the old South Fork is on a big boom. And here I want to quote from my friend, J. C. Ritter; I heard him say there were three things he did not intend to do when he could help it—1st, "Top tall trees, 2nd, dig deep wells and 3rd, ride behind "niggers." And I'll add the 4th one and say "them's my sentiments" with this one added, cross big, swift creeks when on a boom. So the rainy day has laid me up, but I submit, and thank God, and see him in the rain, in the cloud, in the clear dazzling day—see him in all the phases of his Providence, for I am following the leadings of duty, and duty suggests me to send on appointment to Bethel, and doing so I find myself on this side the creek, with an appointment at Salem tonight. But this is God's side of the creek as well as the other, and duty does not point two ways at once. Here is duty today and I am at it. My motto this year is not to see how little I can do, but how much; not how few times I can preach, but how many; not how many Quarterly Conferences I can hold (?) in a day and night, but how long I can hold one profitably to us, and glorify God—and move up Methodism. Amen.

I am going to feel at perfect liberty to make, on my own motion and earnest solicitation, an appointment anywhere and anywhere, it does not cross the engagement of one of our preachers' (I won't be small enough to say "my preachers," or mere little "the boys"). Here I'll say they have all expressed a decided fondness to have me cross their trails, and have given me a right of way to the people on getting subscribers for our Church papers, Bishops' fund and the educational collection. If these things fall on the Batesville District, the people are going to have a hard time failing. I have preached nearly 30 times up to date and taken nearly 30 many collections, and I took 'em—not took at 'em—I got 'em. Why, Sir, at one place (I won't tell) I got two buttons, and told 'em when a fellow knocked the buttons off, he was getting very close, and it was not the first time I'd preached buttons off of fellows." If the P. C. wants to tell he can do so—that is tell who he is, and where it was.

Upward, onward—higher, and further are the signals. This is a wonderful field. Much has been done by the faithful H. T. Gregory and his band of brethren, clerical and lay, but the point of self-denial has not been touched yet, by any P. E. P. C., local preacher, laymen, or laywomen; and this is the New Testament standard, "If any man will be my disciple let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me." And it requires a deep, spiritual, consecrated insight into duty's face to reach this. More sermons, more songs, more prayers (like Peter's, Lord save, or I perish), more Sunday-schools, more prayer meetings, more good books, more Church papers, more of our missionary literature, more of the wearing out of shoes on the bottom, more knee work, more pastoral work, as educators will enlighten, and give such an intelligent and tremendous view of duty, that we will ask with new life—and faith, "Lord, what will thou have me to do?" I am contented with this busy business, yet I feel idle at times. Plenty of room, good pure oxygen, thoughts from original sources—on mountain peak, in valley low, on rushing, limpid brook, on dry and barren sand, on dazzling splendor of bright and beautiful day, on lanky, dismal day—on all these scenes and more, I lay tribute and

grow rich germinal thought, ponder, that I put under my prayers and sermons to drive them home to heart—and lives. Spirit, speak and let us all hear: Phillip heard him and the Enoch was converted. So did Peter, and Cornelius and others were saved. Annanias heard and Paul was added to the followers of Him who spoke as never man spoke. Hear reader, hear, and go thou—and do likewise. God bless this rainy day's work. Send it on the wings of time to ten thousand hearts. Let it return to Joe Isehower's home, when it is done, to bless him, his good wife and sweet children, and especially his "preacher boy." And here Noe, Settle, Brooke, Vernon, Castleberry, Carter, Steele and Register will say amen, and so does Jas. F. JERNIGAN.  
Bethel, Feb. 8.

### MRS. MARY MARTIN SOMERVELL.

"The memory of the just is blessed." Never perhaps, was this Scripture more justly applicable or more strikingly illustrated than in the case of the saintly woman—relict of Willis L. Somervell of Tulip, Arkansas—of blessed memory also, whose name heads this article. She was born at Wake Forest, Wake county, North Carolina, Nov. 18, 1812, and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Johnson, in Texarkana, Arkansas, Nov. 21, 1893. Her child life was spent at the paternal home with her almost idolized father, who after losing his wife became almost a recluse and lavished his warmest affections upon his motherless daughter. After her father's death, visiting her sister, Mrs. Nat G. Smith in Hardeman county, Tenn., she met Willis Somervell to whom she was married January 16, 1834, and lived near Somervell, Tenn., until 1848, when they moved to Tulip, Ark., where the writer first knew her in 1860.

She was the mother of eleven children, seven of whom survive her. These children were brought up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, being taught to pray from their infancy, to obey their parents and to attend upon all the ordinances and services of God's house; thus having instilled into their hearts and minds those principles calculated to yield a harvest of good fruits in after years.

A more consistent, well-rounded, and beautiful Christian character is rarely met with. I knew her first before the war between the States in one of the best regulated homes it was ever my good fortune to visit; and, whether as the wife of a prominent citizen meeting the social demands of her station, or as mother, and mistress of a large household, discharging the daily round of what by some might be considered the commonplace and irksome duties of her sphere in life, she was always the same sweet-spirited, faithful, earnest and dignified Christian. Without the slightest approach to levity she was always cheerful, and without mere protestations of friendship, she was always cordial toward her friends. Her daily life was suggestive of Solomon's description of a model wife and mother, contained in Prov. XXXI:11-21. The calmness and serenity of her spirit indicated that she lived on a high plane and in constant communion with God.

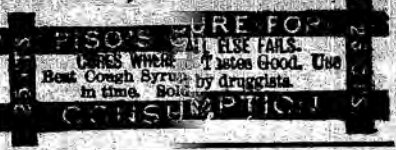
When the rude alarms of war started our nation and the sword drank the blood of so many of the noblest young men of the South, her eldest son was one of the first to lay down his life for his country's honor. This shock seemed almost more than she could bear and her friends feared lest she should succumb to it; but the faith which had borne so brightly in seasons of prosperity and joy bore her in triumph through the hours of darkness and bereavement, enabling her to bow with submission to the stern arbitrament of war. Added to this bereavement was another in the death of her noble husband, who with his family took refuge in Waco, Texas, whence he passed to his reward in November, 1864. Together with these personal bereavements came the loss of property as another result of the war. While all these things seemed to be against her, she rose superior to the spirit of murmuring and proclaimed as eloquently in a triumphant, Christlike submission to the divine will, as Job in words, "Though he slay me yet will I trust in him."

The secret of this triumph was found in the regular and unflinching discharge of every Christian duty. She observed one day in each week as a day of fasting and prayer in addition to the uniform habit of frequent daily prayer throughout her whole life. She was one of the most studious and diligent Bible readers I have ever known, having read the word of God through once a year for fifty years and for the last ten or fifteen years two or three times each year. As a consequence, she was ready in the quotation and application of Scripture and in giving every sermon and not only did not criticize ministers or sermons, but was sure to rebuke anything of the kind in others. Watch Night was always observed by her and the New Year welcomed upon her knees in humble supplications for grace to discharge its duties aright. Alas! when shall we look upon her like again? Surely she has left to her children a heritage richer far than earthly treasures, be they never so great or rare.

Though seemingly delicate she was a woman of wonderful powers of endurance and unexampled will force. She had awaited her summons from labor to reward with chastened anxiety for many years, for she longed to join the loved ones, who had preceded her to the beautiful land. It was my privilege to meet her occasionally until a year or so before her death but never a word of complaint or impatient anxiety escaped her lips, when referring to her long waiting. Storm swept as her heart had been, changed as was her condition as compared with that in 1860 when I first knew her; that heart was still the abode of the most cheerful faith and hope; and

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while she could say "to die is gain," she could with equal emphasis declare "to live is Christ," and though anxious to go she was content to abide her Father's will.

For months before her death she had looked forward to a visit from her daughters residing in Washington D. C., Mrs. J. K. Jones and Miss Annie Somervell, and had told many friends that if it was the Lord's will to take her during their stay it would be just the time. When they arrived Nov. 4, the physician being then at her bedside, her greeting was, "I think the Lord has sent you to nurse me," and so it was. Continuing to grow weaker from day to day they felt assured the end was nigh. Mrs. Jones writes, "It was a privilege to hear her emotionless voice as she spoke of her future." "No merriment, no wish to live but entire willingness to close her eyes and open them upon the light of an eternal day." Calling her daughters to her bedside she said, "If I should drop to sleep and never awake there are a few wishes I would communicate." She then told them of some mementoes of her dead soldier boy and other children, of her father, mother and husband and requested that they be put in her grave with her. She then gave directions about her burial clothes, which she had kept for years. Then taking the hand of Mrs. Jones in hers, she said, "Sue, it will be a hard task for you I fear, but I want you to dress my dead body for its last rest. You have always been brave and strong and I hope you can do this." After all her wishes had been made known she said, "At fifteen I devoted my life to God. Four times a day on bended knee every day of my life since that time, have I renewed my vows and asked His assistance to keep them. In the God who fulfills all his promises I trust, and into his keeping I commit myself fearing no evil."

After this she lingered some days and in a semi-conscious condition spoke of meeting loved ones. Once she said, "I walk through the valley of the shadow of death and fear no evil, no evil. Thy rod and thy staff they are mine, yes mine." Her eighty-first birthday was the 18th of November, just three days before she died, and on that day in 1864 her husband died. She remembered these events and hoped all day that that would be time of her departure; but she lingered till the 21st.

Her remains were conveyed to Waco, Texas, and in the presence of many friends and some of her old family servants, were laid to rest by the side of her husband and near her life-long friend and relative, Aunt Candie Taylor, with whom she had often taken sweet counsel and gone in company to the house of God. There, in sure and certain hope of a glorious resurrection, she sleeps the last long sleep. May her children all meet her in heaven. CADEMAN POPE.

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February 5, 1894. P. H. McNamee, Solicitor for Plaintiff. De E. Bradshaw, Attorney ad litem for non-resident defendant.

### Commissioner's Sale.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of the authority and directions contained in the decreal order of the Pulaski Chancery Court, made and entered on the 7th day of February, A. D. 1894, in a certain cause (No. 287) then pending therein between Mechanics Building and Loan Association, Plaintiff, vs. M. A. Suttler and T. W. Rose, Defendants, the undersigned as commissioner of said court will offer for sale to public outcry to the highest bidder at the East door or entrance of the Pulaski county court house, in which said court is held, in and for the county of Little Rock, within the hours prescribed by law for judicial sales on

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## PUBLIC SENTIMENT.

There are times when Christian citizens should be specially reminded of their obligation to the State as well as to the Church. In their relation to each their two-fold obligations, never in conflict, should be discharged with good conscience and in the fear of God. With this view we have tried to impress upon our readers their patriotic as well as their Christian duties, especially in advance of the municipal and general elections in our State. Such elections should indicate a righteously public sentiment, and this in the very nature of the case depends upon the active participation by Christian citizens in the affairs of State. They can and should make and maintain such public sentiment as will secure the enactment of wholesome law and its faithful administration. At the time of its enactment law is public sentiment crystallized and formulated. The laws of any people indicate their public sentiment at one time; but the administration of these laws may show different sentiment at another time. Then not the character of the laws alone but also the manner of their enforcement will indicate the public sentiment of those for whose welfare the laws were made. This is a necessary consequence in a government of the people, by the people and for the people.

Believing these things true, we are profoundly convinced of the imperative demand upon patriotic and Christian people for immediate and persistent effort to maintain such public sentiment as will indicate the lofty character of a righteous nation. Through indifference and forbearance many evils have become so entrenched in government and social customs, that toleration is deemed more feasible than extirpation and regulation more desirable than prohibition. Such a conclusion means compromise, exalting temporary expediency above righteous principle, while the evils deprecated are increasing in power, more hurtful to society and more hostile to the impartial administration of just government. As timely work may close up the break in a dike and thus prevent the devastation by a flood, so wise agitation and fearless contest for justice and fidelity in the enforcement of wholesome laws may secure happiness and peace instead of social ruin and public anarchy.

In their grand purpose to elevate and protect society patriotic and Christian citizens should not depend alone upon mere legal enactments however wise and just; for the people can not reasonably expect the desired and designed benefits of wholesome legislation except through the faithful and impartial administration of the laws. The quality of the administration in any State, county or municipality will usually be determined by the character of the executive and judicial officers. When such officers are not true and faithful and fearless in the discharge of their duties; and especially when they compromise principle and degrade justice through the hope of political favor or other corrupting influence—the majesty of the law will be dishonored, confidence in the courts paralyzed and the welfare of society imperiled in the consequent lawlessness of using might for right and liberty for license. When the people fail to elect executive and judicial officers of unimpeachable integrity, they sow to the wind and must reap the whirlwind in the prostitution of public trusts by embezzlement, the immoral acquittal of felons and the summary vengeance of mobs.

The patriotic and Christian citizens of our State can hasten the coming of the time, when the people may feel assured, that all the candidates nominated by any political party are competent, honest and sober; and no candidate, who can not fully meet this three-fold test, is worthy the suffrage of the people for any office. Though his popularity may be unrivaled and his competency unquestioned, if his honesty and sobriety are justly doubted, no party lash should bring to such a candidate the support of patriotic and Christian citizens. And we do not hesitate to say on general principles, that the people may well doubt the personal sobriety and official honesty of any candidate, who

has the hearty and united support of the saloon power and gambling fraternity; for when necessary they will spend their money freely and employ almost any methods to elect candidates known to be favorable, or at least indifferent to their business, which begets crime and fosters the most destructive curses in this or any other country. And it is a humiliating fact, that the combined influence of the saloon and the gambling house have had the balance of power in dictating the nomination of party candidates for the highest offices in the gift of the people!

## ONE WEEK!

We have received cheering responses from a large number of pastors since publishing our earnest appeal to all the pastors in our three Conferences to make February the best month in the history of THE ARKANSAS METHODIST—that all would each send, at least, one new subscriber during this month. The one week now remaining will afford ample time for every pastor, who has not yet done so, to give us the privilege and pleasure of putting his name in our Honor Roll for February. We send out this week more than the usual number of sample copies, which we hope will be wisely used to get new subscribers.

In conclusion, if all our pastors will make prompt and earnest efforts in behalf of their Conference paper, its Publishers will be able to make very desirable improvements in it, and to employ two men for editorial work. Now, Brethren, help and help promptly and vigorously in collecting from present subscribers and getting new ones, that your Conference paper may reach the largest measure of usefulness. Its success must depend largely upon the hearty co-operation of the pastors, for whom it will render helpful service every week.

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Of these Holy Land views the Richmond Advocate said last week: "For the first time, not the fingers of a man, but the hand of the God of heaven has furnished views of the land the Divine Son of Mary baptized with His tears and sanctified by His blood. The curious chemistry of his sun, which 'cannot lie,' portrays scenes as they appear to the tourist on the ground. The lens has become the handmaid of the Bible. With these portfolios of photographs (sun drawn, sun painted) under the eye, the Sacred Volume takes on new meaning. Under each scene is a brief description telling its connection with the Bible. Supply a household with these 112 engravings, and the Divine Word will be searched daily to gather the facts clustering around each spot in the Holy Writings."

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From one of our exchanges we clip the following statement worthy of consideration, even from a business standpoint alone: "The bank managers of Maine have just reported that of 661,000 people of that State, 146,666 have \$50,278,452 deposited in the savings banks, so that Prohibition cannot have ruined business. A glance at Local Option in operation in Illinois shows that the Prohibition town of Pullman, with a population of 11,000, gets along admirably with a police force of but two constables in all."

The Independent says that more than one half (or three and a quarter millions) of the immigrants that came to this country during the past decade were members of the Roman Catholic Church, the greater part of whom could neither read nor write

their own language. "According to the work house reports for 1892 the Roman Catholic Church, with six per cent of the population of Minneapolis, furnished 941 out of the 1,738 persons sent there for crime; in Toledo, with fourteen per cent of the population, 841 out of 1,437, and in Cleveland, with about the same percent of the population as in Toledo, it furnished 2,138 out of a total of 3,569."—Herald and Presbyter.

## CRIME FOR REVENUE.

Last week the Wesleyan Advocate, published in Atlanta, Ga., said: "It is a little peculiar. A Chinese gambling den was raided some time ago by Atlanta policemen. There were six of them, and they were fined last week by Judge Westmoreland \$75 apiece. The judge did right. But what has become of the fashionable fellows, in the elegantly furnished parlors whom the police visited a few weeks ago? There should be no difference between Chinese and Americans, nor as to that between men of any color or nation for violating our law, unless it be done by the penalty heavier on those who claim the greater intelligence and respectability."

It is probable the Chinese gambling den had not contributed for the city's revenue the regular fine, or practically license fee, for the privilege of gambling without fear of molestation by the city authorities. The policemen of this city occasionally make a brave raid on the Negro crap-shooters concealed in some "low dive," but they never—well, hardly ever—disturb the "intelligent and respectable" proprietors and patrons of the gambling houses, which pay their weekly fines, or license fees, for the privilege of defying law, outraging morality and cursing society. If the Circuit Judge, Prosecuting Attorney and Mayor, with the laws of our State, are not able to suppress these public gambling houses, then our social condition is pitiable in the extreme. But we do not believe our city authorities are seriously making any efforts whatever to suppress the gambling houses according to the mandatory, specific and ample provisions of the city ordinances. On the contrary they are tolerating these houses in shameful violation of law, as they would not do, if the proprietors of these gambling houses should refuse to pay the weekly fines, or license fees, which are not imposed for the purpose of suppression, but assessed to "regulate" them and to raise revenue for the city's expenses.

## FROM BISHOP GALLOWAY.

DEAR DR. BENNETT:—Your note received. I much appreciate an invitation to attend your Preachers Institute. But for duties elsewhere and far away, I should be present and render any service possible in making it an occasion of mental and spiritual profit. The plan is wise and the purpose worthy of all commendation. The meeting is needed and may be made a benediction. Its mental stimulus cannot be overestimated and its spiritual and pastoral helpfulness will justify all outlay of time and expense. It will encourage systematic study, the need of our ministry, and an essential condition of continued mental growth and broad culture. Some one has said that "habit is the magistrate of a man's life." What we want is the habit of study.

What a revelation an experience meeting would be, in which each testified as to his habits of study! These points should be heard from:

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5. Number, names and prices of books purchased last year.
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That sort of catechism would either thin the attendance or multiply the number of readers. But I only intended to acknowledge your kind letter and must not be betrayed into a homily. Truly and Fraternally,  
CHAS. B. GALLOWAY.  
Jackson, Miss., Feb. 17.

Any neglect of duty, will grieve the Spirit, will blur our spiritual vision, will paralyze our faith and engender doubts and fears. A neglect of any duty begins a departure from the living God, and in a measure every Christian grace feels the result. Peace is disturbed, faith is weakened, joy subsides and love is chilled; unless the soul hastens back to Christ by penitence and faith, it finds in itself an aching void and is shorn of its strength.—Florida Advocate.

The problem of the unemployed still engages mind and heart and purses the world over. What we are suffering here, every city in Europe experiences. The march of the hungry is heard around the world. Yet the coffers of capital are bulging out with unused money. Wheat has no market; and the poor are starving in the shadow of elevators

packed with golden grain.—Cincinnati Advocate.

## GAMBLING IN FUTURES.

A press dispatch from Chicago Feb. 10 stated: It is said on change today that Ed Partridge has cleared over \$2,000,000, in the last three months by selling the wheat market "short." "The bulk of his operations has been in wheat," Partridge appeared as a "bear," etc.

With you, Mr. Editor, I would be glad to see the whole system of gambling in futures abolished by act of Congress. For as you well say: "That system is operated to the painful and very great loss of the producing classes." In this connection I would like to ask those Senators and Congressmen who voted against the Hatch anti-option bill, on constitutional grounds, if an act declaring gambling in futures a felony, punishable by fine and imprisonment, would be unconstitutional? Surely there is some way to break up this most pernicious system of robbery. The courts class it with gambling. How far removed from robbery is gambling? It has in it some of the prime elements of robbery. Mr. Webster's definition of robbery is "stealing by force; a taking by violence, wrong or oppression."

That both wrong and oppression enter into gambling in futures, is as plain as that force and violence enter into highway robbery. The methods and the motives of the two characters are closely allied. The highwayman by selecting time and place, hedges you about with such conditions that he forces you against your will to stand and deliver. The gambler in futures sits in his office and so manipulates the markets, as to bring about such conditions as forces the producers to stand and deliver at ruinous, starvation prices. And some people call it speculation! It is robbery pure and simple.

Think of it. Here is a man of whom it is said, he cleared \$2,000,000 in three months. This vast sum represents the labor of ten thousand men twelve months, at \$200 each. And yet no remedy is found to protect these toiling tillers of the soil. It is true there is a bill pending in Congress to regulate—tax them for revenue. For revenue they may still go on and rob the people. If one man can clear \$2,000,000 in three months, how high must the tax be to regulate or stop it? If it is right to license sin in one form for revenue, why not license all forms of sin and wickedness for revenue only? It would be a broader statesmanship to put the brand of infamy upon all species of wrong, whether it be a lottery, pooling, gambling in futures or dealing in intoxicants for beverage purposes. The whole policy is wrong. It is at war with righteousness. It is making merchandise of sin. We need in every official station just now not only men who have the courage of their convictions, but men of stalwart convictions. Men who knowing the right dare to bravely do the right. "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord." Will such a nation license sin?  
E. L. BEARD.  
Washington, Feb. 16.

## REPLY TO B. W. SMITH.

IN THE METHODIST of this week Bro. B. W. Smith makes some startling statements which, I think, should be corrected at once. He says: "It is an undeniable fact, that we have some good consecrated men, good preachers, good pastors, whom we love and honor, who cannot get up a revival or keep one up if given them." If this statement be true, why? Is it possible that God will refuse to bless the labors of a pious, consecrated, intelligent preacher, simply because he is a faithful pastor, and not a roaming evangelist? What advantage has the most noted evangelist over the pastor whose head and heart are educated and consecrated alike to the service of the Lord? What promise has the evangelist more than the pastor? Is not that "Lo, I am with you always" unto the pastor? Now, where is one such man as that described by Bro. Smith, who can not get up a revival or keep one up when the fire is already in full blaze? Does it look reasonable that God would take one whom he had commissioned to call sinners to repentance and use him, or allow him to be used, as an instrument to smother the real fire that is burning up sin and saving men? If there is a pastor among us who is learned, pious, consecrated and lives up to the Bible standard of a Christian minister, and then fails to get up a revival, God alone can remove the evil. Surely no evangelist can remove it.

Again, Bro. Smith says: "We have men who are doing a grand and noble work as evangelists who would not sustain themselves as station preachers or pastors twelve months." Were I an evangelist I should consider this last statement a plea against me instead of for me. What use have we for such men? If they are so inferior that by persistent effort they cannot sustain themselves as pastors, how can we give them any other relation in our Conferences? The evangelist who can not, by arduous work, pull through the pastorate one year will never amount to anything even as an evangelist. It seems to me that the entire evangelistic scheme is out of

gear with the rest of Methodism. "But a large class will go to hear the evangelist that will not go to hear the preacher." True, enough, but why? Is it on account of his chaste language? Is it on account of his learning? Is it on account of his knowledge of the Scriptures? It is none of these things. Read what Dr. Hoss has to say about Sam Jones in Christian Advocate of Feb. 8. Bro. Moore has well said: "This whole system of evangelism is wrong."

JAS. H. O'BRYEN.  
Hartman, Feb. 16.

## FROM OKLAHOMA.

DEAR DOCTOR BENNETT:—When we met at Kansas City, Mo., last May, you said to me, "write us a letter from Oklahoma." You see I have waited long, but you remember I waited for you to come over to Kansas City, Kansas, to preach that rainy Sunday evening, and you did not come, and I had to preach for you. So you see I hold somewhat against you, but we have had plenty of time since then to think over the matter. So next time we meet we will shake hands and "forgive and forget," and if you can't get to the next appointment, and I am there I'll treat you brotherly and preach for you again.

We have recently had a shipment of a blizzard here that makes one feel like it might have been intended for the Dakotas, but lost its bearing and pounced down on us Oklahomans with its icy fingers and stifling breath. Our Winter has been lovely except one other storm before this, but by and by the storms will all be over, and we will dwell in flowery Eden. How comforting to think there is a world where storms never howl and clouds never dim the face of the sun. O hush time worn and tempest tossed pilgrim! That country is the one God has prepared for his children; are you his child? If so look up; there's land ahead and the land of rest.

Our Church work starts well this year for a new country. We have just closed the first round of Quarterly meetings on Oklahoma District. There were at least one hundred and twenty-five accessions to the Church, with a good attendance of official members at all the Quarterly Conferences. We are doing something in the way of securing parsonages and churches. The lack of churches in which to hold service is a great drawback to our work here, as in all new countries. This is a promising field, but requires hard work to plant the banner of the Cross here. This is only the sowing time. We are endeavoring to establish work in the "strip" at the most important towns. But I must stop this scroll; it is now half past two o'clock at night and all pious folks ought to be asleep.  
Fraternally,  
J. M. GROSS.  
Oklahoma City, Ok. T., Feb. 8.

## WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

The first week of the Moody and Sankey meeting closed last night. Nothing has been seen in Washington like the attendance at these meetings. There has been only one meeting at which every seat in the mammoth Convention Hall was not filled and overflow meetings held in nearby churches, and then it was a blinding storm of sleet and snow that slightly cut into the attendance. But even on that night it was estimated that nearly 4,000 people were there. I have only heard one criticism of the meeting, and that was so many regular Church goers attended that the non-Church going people were shut out in large numbers at every meeting, the Church goers having patience enough to go early and wait for the door to open.

Whence comes the wonderful power of these two men over their fellows? Why do everyday things when stated by Mr. Moody seem more convincing than ever before, and why do familiar words when sung by Mr. Sankey go more directly to the heart than when sung by others? That this power is God-given cannot be doubted. To see a person who has an hour before declared himself opposed to excitement at religious meetings, quivering with excitement brought on by hearing these men talk and sing and witnessing its electrical effect upon a vast mass of people, is enough to convince the most skeptical. They conquer the intending mockers as if by magic. On two nights Mr. Moody made the words of St. Paul in his epistle to the Galatians—"Be not deceived; God is not mocked. For whatsoever a man shall sow that also shall he reap"—his text, and he brought the full meaning home to his hearers by scores of homely illustrations. For instance, he said: "You cannot sow whiskey without reaping drunkards. A man cannot sell whiskey without reaping drunkenness. If I sold a drink of whiskey to a man, that man would sell a drink of the same to my son or one of my kinsmen, and I would surely reap what I had sown. No man who sells whiskey is pure and happy. He has a skeleton in the closet somewhere. He has some relative who is a drunkard. I do not say this to denounce the saloon keepers; I simply want to restate with them and plead with them to quit the business. Don't sell out. Don't sell the stuff. Knock out the bung and let it waste. Don't let any man talk to me about his Christianity while he has con-

nection with this traffic. No man has ever been in the business, but who has been cursed for it in various ways. No man should rent his property, at no matter how high a figure, for a saloon. The man who does this will reap just as surely as the man who sells the whiskey. I am talking facts, not poetry. I once knew a man who rented property to a rum seller, because the temptation of the rent was too much for him to withstand, and all the sons of the renter, four of them, died drunkards. Let us see what kind of seed we are sowing."

One of the notable features of these meetings is the large number of men prominent in public life who attended them occupying seats upon the platform from which Mr. Moody speaks. In one group at one of the meetings were the following well-known men: Justices Strong and Hagner; Admiral Jouett, of the Navy; Senators Frye, George, Squire, Proctor and Pepper, the first and last named taking part in the meeting to the extent of delivering fervent prayers. The ministers and Church workers are of course on hand at all the meetings to assist in the good work.

The Senate has spent the greater part of this week listening to speeches on the Hawaiian question, which Senators seem desirous of disposing of before the tariff discussion opens. It is yet uncertain when the tariff bill will be reported to the Senate, although the general belief is that it will not be later than the latter part of next week. The House spent the week in debating Mr. Bland's bill for the coinage of the seigniorage in the Treasury, which it is thought will be passed this week.  
Feb. 14.

## MORE CANDIDATES.

We invite the considerate attention of our readers to the announcements of the following gentlemen:

HON. J. P. CLARKE—  
Pronounced the best Attorney-General our State ever had—is a candidate for the office of Governor of Arkansas. In the legal profession he deservedly won honorable distinction as one of the ablest lawyers of our country, and the record of his public service both in the General Assembly and in the office he is filling so acceptably proves him a wise and upright statesman, true to his convictions of duty and eminently worthy of the confidence of the people. Having known well for many years, we do not hesitate to say we fully believe he would fill the office of Governor with distinguished credit to himself and with great benefit to the State at large. So far he has no avowed opponent and may not have for the nomination by his party.

HON. J. M. HARKEY,  
Of Pope county, where he has resided more than a half century, is a candidate for the office of State Land Commissioner. An intelligent citizen, most of his life a farmer, he is well qualified to discharge the duties of the office sought; and his service as Senator in the last General assembly showed the lofty integrity of his character and his unwavering fidelity to the interests of the people. He is prominent in the Masonic fraternity, a zealous worker in the cause of temperance, and highly esteemed where he is best known.

PROF. J. J. DOYNE—  
A graduate of the University of Virginia, and a successful teacher in our public schools for fifteen years, during nine of which he conducted Summer Normals—is a candidate for the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction. Being a practical educator he is thoroughly acquainted with the duties of the desired office, which he would fill efficiently and creditably to all concerned. He is a polished Christian gentleman and a leading member of the Baptist Church.

MR. E. A. RAMSEY—  
Is a candidate for re-election as Circuit Clerk of Pulaski county, the office he is now filling faithfully and acceptably. As he is making an efficient officer during his first term, his numerous friends believe he will and should be given the office for a second term. He is an official member of our Church in Argenta station, and we believe the only one of the county's officers living north of the river.

MR. JOHN BRODIE,  
Now serving very acceptably his third year as County Clerk of Pulaski county, is a candidate for re-election. Having spent most of his life in this county and having made an efficient and polite officer, he is very popular; otherwise his friends would not encourage him to enter the race for the third term.

## "THE CHRISTIAN'S SECRET OF A HAPPY LIFE."

In the Nashville Advocate of Feb. 1 Rev. T. S. Hubert called attention to some seriously objectionable teaching in the "New Edition, Revised and Enlarged," of "The Christian's Secret of A Happy Life." The chapters containing the objectionable teaching concerning the Holy Spirit and baptism are not in the edition of this popular book sold by Bennett & Thornburgh, and we advise Methodists against circulating the "New Edition, Revised and Enlarged," from the Willard Tract Repository.

## ARKANSAS METHODIST

THURSDAY, FEB. 22, 1894.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

## GOVERNOR.

We are authorized to announce James P. Clarke, of Phillips county, as a candidate for Governor of the State of Arkansas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

## STATE TREASURER.

We are authorized to announce H. C. Hinson, of Pulaski county, as a candidate for the office of State Treasurer, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

## STATE LAND COMMISSIONER.

We are authorized to announce J. M. Harkness, of Pope county, as a candidate for the office of State Land Commissioner, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

## SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

We are authorized to announce James Jordan, of Jefferson county, as a candidate for the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce J. J. Doyle, of Boone county, as a candidate for State Superintendent of Public Instruction, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

## CIRCUIT CLERK.

We are authorized to announce E. A. Ramsey as a candidate for the office of Circuit Clerk of Pulaski county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

## COUNTY CLERK.

We are authorized to announce J. J. Hicks as a candidate for the office of County Clerk of Pulaski county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

TO THE VOTERS OF PULASKI COUNTY.—I hereby announce myself as a candidate for reelection to the office of County Clerk, subject to the action of the Democratic primary. Respectfully,  
JOHN BRODIE.

## CHANCERY CLERK.

We are authorized to announce Charles M. Connor as a candidate for Clerk of the Pulaski Chancery Court, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

## ASSESSOR.

We are authorized to announce J. W. Colquett of Poncha township as a candidate for Assessor of Pulaski county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

## PERSONAL AND OTHER NOTES

Bro. John Bratton, of Leslie, made us his usual annual visit Tuesday and renewed his subscription to THE METHODIST.

Bro. S. A. Stewart, of Cato, called Tuesday. He not only takes THE METHODIST himself and pays ahead, but contributed \$1.00 to our Helping Fund to send the paper to such persons as the poor widow of whom we spoke last week.

Bro. J. B. Cook, of Commerce, Texas, sending cash for his renewal, says: "It is a great pleasure to myself and family to read THE METHODIST out here in Texas."

Bro. J. A. Pritchett, of Zuba, called this morning, paid \$2 on subscription, and spoke highly of the work of his pastor, Rev. S. H. Renfro.

Hon. Ransom Guiley's announcement as a candidate for State Treasurer will appear next week.

Tuesday our office was favored with brotherly calls from Rev. Dr. Andrew Hunter, Bro. W. W. Jennings, the great Sunday-school worker at Ozark, and Rev. James Thomas of Hot Springs. Bro. Thomas has engaged Rev. Sam P. Jones to lecture March 16, and expects to clear at least \$500 for Malvern Hill Church.

Rev. J. J. Douglas, P. C. of Archey mission, reports great damage from the rain Feb. 1 and 3 washing away fences and bridges; and that Aroney's Fork of Little Red River was higher than it has been since the War.

Rev. K. R. Moore, P. C. of Camden station, writes: "We are going to have a new church here soon; great enthusiasm among our people already."

Rev. Sam P. Jones will lecture at the Opera House in Pine Bluff, Tuesday, March 13, 8 p. m., under the auspices of Lakeside Church. Subject: "Sawcivety."

Our readers who send for the portfolios of Holy Land views will thank us for supplying them at nominal cost.

Tuesday we received two new subscribers through Rev. W. W. Christie, P. C. of Little Prairie mission. Is there a single pastor in our three Conferences not able to get any new subscribers for his Conference paper? If so, we would like to know who he is.

We received friendly calls Tuesday morning from Bros. J. R. Metcalf and C. J. Wilson, leading Methodists of Evening Shade, here to attend the Grand Lodge of Knights of Honor.

Monday p. m. Rev. W. C. Watson, P. C. of England C't, favored us with a brotherly and helpful call. He is succeeding in his charge, doing good work for THE METHODIST, and looking forward with much interest to the Preachers' Institute in June.

Dr. C. F. Simmons, the superintendent of the Sunday-school of Centenary Methodist Episcopal Church, South, St. Louis, spends, personally, about \$50 a week in the interest of the school, in the form of invitation cards, premiums for new scholars and for attendance, printing bills and other items. He has brought the school up from less than a hundred members to more than 1,200.—Central Advocate.

We have the pleasure of a personal acquaintance with Dr. Simmons, and so far as we know his work in the Sunday-school cause is without a parallel in our Church. In zeal, consecration, tact and personal magnetism he is a peerless organizer and leader, and it is probable no other citizen of St. Louis is known and loved by so many children.

## AWARDED

HIGHEST HONORS—WORLD'S FAIR

**DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER**

MOST PERFECT MADE.

A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant.

40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

On Wednesday last week we had a friendly call from Senator J. M. Harkney, one of the stalwart patriots and honored statesmen of Arkansas. May his type of noble manhood multiply with the passing years.

Bro. M. G. Hawkins, of Warsaw, called and renewed for THE METHODIST on Wednesday last week.

Bro. P. W. Moss, editor of the Solophone, and a good member of our Church at Paragould, called Monday.

We have received a copy of the last Minutes of the Little Rock Conference, edited by Rev. J. E. Moore, and neatly printed by the Wilson Printing Co., Pine Bluff.

Sending one new subscriber, Rev. J. R. Sanders, P. C. of Fordyce station, wrote Feb. 19: "Very large audiences yesterday, with very serious attention. Three penitents for prayer. The people are showing increased anxiety for the gospel. If this continues, good results are sure to follow soon."

Bro. W. C. Hayes, of Amity, called and renewed Monday.

Rev. J. M. Clayton, P. C. of Indian Springs mission, wrote Feb. 15: "Bro. Harkley did us most excellent service at my first Q. M. We are planning to build a new church at Nesh (or Gravelly), a new station five miles south of Sulphur Springs on our new railroad."

Hon. A. W. Dinsmore, father of Congressman Hugh A. Dinsmore, died last Saturday in Bentonville, where he had lived forty years—a leading citizen and zealous Christian.

To Prof. R. H. Waddell and family at Alexander we extend condolence in their sorrow from the death of their son Willie, who was accidentally shot and instantly killed last Saturday.

We learn our highly esteemed friend, Mr. H. F. Berkley, former Ticket Agent in this city for the Mo. Pacific R'y, has been offered the position of assistant to Mr. H. C. Townsend, G. P. & T. Agent, St. Louis. Mr. Berkley is eminently worthy of promotion.

We are indebted to that faithful Congressman, Hon. W. L. Terry, for a copy of his recent and able speech on the tariff. It has been highly complimented in and out of this State.

We hold over for our next issue several articles, including one from Rev. B. H. Greenhouse, appreciative of sentiments expressed by Sisters Layton, Peebles and Prince last week.

Brother Pastor, please use the sample copies we send you to the best advantage for this paper.

It is our wish to spend Thursday with the brethren of the Arkansas Conference Theological Institute at Ozark, and then Saturday and Sunday in Fort Smith.

On page 3 we publish a memoir of Mrs. Mary Martin Somers, a notable and venerable Christian of precious experience and large usefulness. We had the pleasure of meeting her once, when she came into a crowded train and accepted with thanks a seat promptly offered by a stranger, whose name she had often seen. As we heard her talk modestly of her devotion to Christ and the Church, we felt she was worthy of the Master's sweet and memorable words of praise: "The fragrant perfume of her piety will live after marble monuments have crumbled."

Sending Quarterly meeting notices for the Newport District, the P. E., Rev. N. E. Skinner, wrote: "My preachers are all on their charges and earnestly at work with fair prospects of success."

Bro. A. C. Carter, merchant and a prominent member of our Church at Cotton Plant, called last Thursday, renewed his subscription, and gave a good report of Rev. J. I. Maynard's pastorate.

Rev. J. R. Cason, P. E. of Camden District, wrote Feb. 14: "The prospects are brightening in my District work. A \$10,000 church is the determination at Camden. Prepare to be at our S. S. Conference at Bearden, which will meet Tuesday after 4th Sunday in April."

Besides a good list of renewals and new subscribers sent the last of January, Rev. N. E. Gardner, the stirring P. C. of Melbourne C't, sent last week the cash for three more renewals and three new subscribers. If all our pastors according to their opportunity would promptly do as well as Bro. Gardner has done since Conference, we would be ready to make an announcement pleasing to all our readers. Brother Pastor, help and help now to solve the problem of making your Conference paper what its Publishers so much desire.

Should not all our pastors make reasonable personal effort to circulate their Conference paper? If not, why not?

Let's see the names of all our pastors in our Honor Roll for February.

## L. R. Conference Minutes.

The Little Rock Conference Minutes have been mailed by Bro. J. R. Moore from Pine Bluff. We hope the preachers have all received copies by this time. If you do not receive them in a short time, write to Bro. Moore.

Geo. Thornburgh,

R. R. Moore,

W. A. Steele,

Pub. Com.

## W. M. S., SEARCY DISTRICT.

To Auxiliaries and Cor. Secretaries. Dear Sisters:—Will you please be prompt in giving me a duplicate of the quarterly reports which you will send to our Conf. Cor. Sec., Sister Neil. I wish very much to hear from every Auxiliary in the District, Adult, Young People and Juvenile, by the 1st or 5th of March. In Christian love and sympathy, yours,

MARY S. PEEBLES,

Dist. Sec'y, Searcy Dist.

Auvergne, Feb. 14.

We congratulate our readers on their present opportunity to get so many beautiful and instructive views of Palestine, at such small cost.

## SAM JONES AT RUSSELLVILLE.

Rev. Sam P. Jones, the evangelist, will lecture in the Opera House at Russellville, March 17. Between Conway and Ozark inclusive rail-road tickets for the round trip will be sold at one fare, good on regular trains three days from sale. For tickets to the lecture or other information address B. J. Strickland, Manager, Russellville, Ark.

It is probable no man on the American continent is fully equal to Sam. Jones in drawing and holding multitudes of hearers. His lectures are unique in combining the elements of sermon, prohibition speech and humorous harangue. Many who have never heard him will have the privilege of hearing him at Russellville, March 17.

## AT MORRILTON.

We spent last Sabbath, and at 9:30 a. m. attended our flourishing Sunday-school under the faithful leadership of the veteran superintendent, Bro. W. W. Garland, who filled the same position at Augusta twenty years ago. At 11 before an attentive audience we occupied the pulpit for Dr. Bagwell, who preached at night an instructive and forceful sermon. At both services the music was excellent—in three selections unsurpassed by any we have heard. Bro. Bagwell has made a most favorable impression as a preacher of great ability.

Morrilton is an attractive little city, having good churches, beautiful homes, many fine business houses, one bank, two newspapers, &c. Most of its citizens are of the best Southern type—so our genial host, Bro. H. V. Crozier, whose cheerful hospitality we shared in other years. As he is now a candidate for Sheriff, if we lived in Conway county, we would be for Crozier "first, last and all the time." Having known him well for twenty years, it is a genuine pleasure to record our very high appreciation of him as an honorable citizen and Christian gentleman, who would be faithful in the discharge of official duty, and would not connive at violations of law for political favor. Sober, honest and competent, he is worthy the hearty support of his fellow citizens.

We call attention to the advertisements of "Agents Wanted" in this issue of THE METHODIST. The Dr. Star's Herb Remedy Co., is composed of the Valentin Bros.

We call special attention to our Family and Teachers' Bibles advertised on pages 6 and 7. They are both self-promoting, and the Family Bible is decidedly the cheapest we ever saw.

Orders are coming for the Portfolios of Holy Land photographs, which will please the purchasers.

In December we offered as an inducement for immediate and active work, to give our preachers an additional 1-6 commission, on books, on subscriptions sent in. We stated in the circular that that offer would be "for a few weeks." We now withdraw that offer, but still allow the regular cash commission.

## MARRIED.

At the residence of the bride's father, Rev. J. S. Nicholson, Feb. 15, 1894, Mr. R. E. Joiner and Miss Ina Nicholson, all of Amity, Ark.—Rev. J. W. Berry officiating.

At the residence of the bride's mother, Jan. 21, 1894, William M. Davis of Chapel Hill and Miss Emma Sparrow of Silver Hill—Rev. H. H. Kiddings officiating.

Near Bryant on Feb. 11, 1894, at the residence of Mr. Thos. Martin, by Dr. A. Hunter, Mr. Augustus T. Hendrix and Miss Theodosia Martin—all of Saline county, Ark.

At the residence of the bride, in Clarendon, Ark., Feb. 11, 1894, by Rev. D. W. Reid, Mr. Jesse Anderson and Miss Laura Black.

In the M. E. Church, South, in Clarendon, Ark., Feb. 14, 1894, by Rev. D. W. Reid, Mr. T. A. Park and Miss Clara Thomas.

At the residence of the bride's father, Feb. 14, 1894, by Rev. Irvin F. Harris, Mr. Edgar Majors and Miss Henry E. Combs.



Mr. F. D. Hubbard.

## Dyspepsia and Consumption

## Health and Strength Come

Advised to Take Hood's Sarsaparilla and is Cured.

"C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.: 'I am glad to say that I am in better health now than I have been for a long time. Myself and wife have taken Hood's Sarsaparilla for the past four months, and I can truly say that it has done more good than any other medicine we have ever taken. I was troubled with dyspepsia for over two years. I also had a slight touch of consumption and was frequently on duty. Unable to work.'

I spent a good portion of my earnings for doctors' bills and other medicine which did me good only for a little time. My employers urged me to take Hood's Sarsaparilla so I bought one bottle and began its use about the first of April, at that time weighing only 150 pounds although my usual weight was 180 pounds. After using the bottle I felt that I was better, so I purchased five more bottles. I am taking the sixth bottle now and since commencing to take Hood's Sarsaparilla have had only one slight attack of illness.

Hood's Pills cure all liver ills, constipation, biliousness, jaundice, sick headache, indigestion.

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## EPWORTH LEAGUE.

Topic For Feb. 25, 1894.

## Justification by Faith.

Rom. 5:1-10; Acts 13:39; Gal. 2:16.

"The plain Scriptural notion of justification," says Mr. Wesley, "is pardon, the forgiveness of sins. It is that act of God the Father, whereby for the sake of the propitiation made by the blood of his Son, he 'showeth forth his righteousness (or mercy) by the remission of the sins that are past.' 'It implies,' says he in another place, 'what God does for us through his Son,' as distinguished from sanctification, which implies 'what he works in us by his Spirit.'"

In strict justice it is impossible for a man to blot out past violation of a law by present or future obedience to it; so that, if exact justice were meted out to us, each of us who has committed one sin would be hopelessly lost. It is seen therefore that the Bible statement that "by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified" is necessarily and clearly true. Gal. 2:16 states this very plainly, as does also Acts 13:39. All of these references are from St. Paul. This matter of justification receives its fullest treatment from him. He shows us (1) the necessity of justification, (2) the nature of justification, (3) the impossibility of justification by the law of Moses (Acts 13:39) or any law, (Gal. 2:16), and (4) therefore the necessity of justification by faith in Christ. Only those who have been injured or offended can forgive their injurers or offenders. The Jews objected at once whenever Christ assumed the prerogative of forgiving sins; for all sin is against God who, therefore, alone can forgive. Now the principle upon which they based their objection (since they could not see God in his Son) may be applied to justification by the law, for it is a kind of self-forgiveness and does not proceed at all from him whom we have offended. Moreover by keeping the law we are simply discharging a present obligation, while by a former violation we have neglected an obligation just as binding. Justification by faith is therefore a necessity. Let every Leaguer commit to memory these two stanzas of Hymn 376:

Lord, I believe thy precious blood,  
Which, at the mercy seat of God,  
Forever doth for sinners plead,  
For me, O on my soul, was shed.

Lord, I believe, were sinners more  
Than sands upon the ocean shore,  
Thou hast for all a ransom paid.  
For all a full atonement made.

In Rom. 5:1-10 we have the fruits of justification set forth, or perhaps it would be more accurate to say the accompaniments of justification; for they do not all so much flow from justification as from faith, upon which justification itself depends. Justification however precedes them all.

The argument proceeds upon the supposition that those who are addressed have been justified. From this state of grace they are exhorted to advance in spite of all drawbacks to the maturity of Christian growth. The apostle's vision sweeps clean through the whole of Christian experience from the beginning of faith to its consummation in glory. Those who are justified are to go on through peace, joy, patience in tribulation, experience, (that is, approval because of trials successfully borne), and hope, to "the love of God, shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us." Now to make such progress as this requires divine help and verses 6-10 are intended to prove that God will assist his children in living according to verses 1-5. As stated above, the argument proceeds upon the supposition that those addressed were already justified. God's love to us is shown to have been manifested to us most unmistakably, since, while a man might peradventure die for a righteous friend, Christ died for us while we were his sinful enemies. This love is the guarantee of God's further help. "For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son," upon much stronger ground we may conclude that "being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him." This passage is commonly given in text books on logic as a striking example of a *fortiori* argumentation.

In conclusion let me ask all my readers to read in connection with our lesson in Romans, II Peter 1:5-7 and I Cor. 13:13 and note these points of correspondence: 1. They are all three given as the direction for the formation of Christian character. 2. They all put faith first and love last, thus making faith the foundation and love the cap-stone of the pyramid. Faith is the beginning and love the perfection of Christian character and experience. 3. While there is some difference in the order of the virtues or graces coming between faith and love, Peter and Paul, together with the whole tenor of the New Testament, put faith at the first, the beginning, and love at the last, the completion. The man who has been justified by faith is on the right road to where

"perfect love casteth out fear", a point to which he should most certainly proceed. J. M. H.

## A PHYSICIAN TALKS.

The Remarkable Story and Affidavit of Dr. Lewis Blundin.

Afflicted with Paralysis for Twenty-five Years—Pronounced Incurable by the Foremost Physicians of the World—A Case of World Wide Interest.

(From the Philadelphia Times.)

Many survivors of our late war left the ranks unwarmed but with broken constitutions; an instance in point, is Lewis D. Blundin, a resident of Humesville, Bucks Co., Pa. In relating his experiences and what he had suffered in consequence of the hardships he had encountered Mr. Blundin said:

"I was born at Bridgewater, Pa., in 1841, and went through the war as private, sergeant and hospital steward in Company C, 28th Pennsylvania Volunteers. My service was active and while in Georgia I had an attack of Typhoid fever, which left me weak and a ready victim for future disease. My kidneys were then affected and this finally developed into spinal trouble which lasted through my army service. In 1866 I was mustered out with an honorable discharge and entered the Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia as a student. I graduated two years later with a diploma but did not practice. At that time I was living in Manayunk. One day, after I had graduated, I was lying on a sofa at my home in Manayunk, when I felt a cold sensation in my lower limbs as though the blood had suddenly left them. When I tried to move them I was horrified at the discovery that I was paralyzed from my hips to my toes. The paralysis was complete and a pin or a pinhead of the flesh caused no pain. I could not move a muscle. I called in Dr. William C. Todd of Philadelphia. He made a careful and exhaustive examination of my case, sounding and testing and finally announced that my trouble was caused by inflammation of the spinal cord, and that I would likely have another stroke of paralysis. I consulted Dr. I. W. Gross and Dr. Hancock of Jefferson College, Philadelphia, with the same result. I called in Dr. Morehouse, of Philadelphia, who said that no amount of medicine would ever prove of the slightest benefit to me.

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Let him exhort every one present to be brief and pointed in his prayers and remarks, then talk and pray five times as long as he should.

Let him have a face which would make one think he had lost all his friends, or else had dyspepsia of the worst kind.

If this does not kill a meeting, then it can not be killed.—Philadelphia Methodist.

A YEAR FAMOUS FOR BELIEVING.

"God grant that this may be a year famous for believing," was the wish which the excellent William Romane expressed for his congregation on a New Year's Sunday. Can we do better than to repeat it as we stand on the threshold of 1894? Great thinkers are not wanting in our generation, but are great believers as common as they have been in other days? If they are not, it may be the fault of the age, which cannot easily tolerate credulity, but sets the highest value on originality. "Give us a man who thinks for himself," is the demand of the hour. But there is nothing which the Church of God so much needs as strong men who think God's thoughts after him, and stagger not at the promises through unbelief. Faith and reason are like the two compartments of an hour-glass—when one is full the other is empty. That is to say, what we can prove logically or mathematically it requires no faith to accept; what we are obliged to accept solely on the testimony or promise of God it demands our utmost faith to credit. But in the last instance we are brought close to God. Trust in the soul's touch, laid at first perhaps upon the hem of Christ's garment, but learning little by little to lean upon his heart. Practice this much neglected grace, O reader! Accustom yourself to test the promises of God; learn the sweetness of confiding in the Lord in matters pertaining to everyday life; rejoice in everything that brings you into straits and shuts you up to the Almighty as your only refuge. Abundance of blessing almost always bring leanness of soul, and for the reason that faith has no strenuous exercise when our wants are all supplied. Blessed are the poor, for it is easy for such to be

rich in faith. Blessed are the rich who know how to be poor in spirit, living in humble dependence on God, though by earthly fortune they are called "independent." Faith makes us intimate with God; faith teaches us to demonstrate his power and his providence; faith gives eyes to the blind, feet to the lame, and a light to them that sit in darkness. Even the beatitudes, rich and comprehensive as they are, waited to be crowned by a new beatitude—one not given in the Sermon on the Mount, but spoken by the risen Christ: "Blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed."

If any of us shall make the coming year one famous for believing, it shall be also one memorable for communion with God and for contact with Christ. In a time when scholars are insisting on bringing Scripture to the test of "the scientific method," it is the Christian's great and exceptional opportunity to show what the Word of God can yield to the believing method.—A. J. Gordon, in the Methodist Recorder.

CHRONIC GRUMBLERS.

The deacon was just going out to the barn to fodder his cattle, when Mr. Bunnell came up and said:

"Good morning—if I can call such a cold morning good. Now, deacon, I've just one word to say. I can't bear our preaching. It's not to be endured. I get no good. There's so much that I don't want that I grow lean upon it. I lose my time and pains in listening to it."

"Mr. Bunnell, come in here. There's my cow, yonder. She can teach you a lesson in theology."

"A cow teach theology! I like that, I must confess. What do you mean?"

"Now see, I have just thrown her a forkful of hay, haven't I? Well, just watch her. There now! She has found a stick—you know sticks will get in the hay—and see how she tosses it to one side, and leaves it, and goes on to eat what is good! There again! She has found a burdock, and she throws it to one side, and goes on eating. And there! She don't relish at all that bunch of daisies, and she leaves them, and goes on eating. Before morning she will clear the manger of all, save a few sticks and weeds, and she will give milk. There's the milk in the hay, and she knows how to get it out, although there may now and then be a stick or a weed that she leaves. But, mark you, friend Bunnell, if she refused to eat and spent the time in scolding about the fodder, she, too, would 'grow lean,' and the milk would be dried up. Just so with our preaching. Do let the old cow teach you. Get all the good you can out of it, and leave the rest. You will find a great deal of nourishment in it."

Mr. Bunnell was silent for a moment; then he turned away saying: "Neighbor, that old cow is no fool at any rate."—Times of Refreshing.

HOUSEHOLD RELIGION.

Surely this is the only kind worth mentioning. That is, the religion which is not felt in the household from day to day, the religion which confines itself to the Church and to Sunday or to a certain round of outward observances, must be spurious. It certainly will not pass muster as genuine Christianity.

The sort of piety on which Christ puts his stamp studies the comfort of all around. It is full of sympathy, brotherly kindness, and friendly aid. It is considerate for others' feelings, and scrupulous about others' rights. It carries a cheerful countenance, speaks pleasant words, and abounds in little deeds of love. It does not forget that happiness is made up mainly of trifles, being not a single, magnificent gem, but a mosaic composed of a thousand pieces. And it resolves to enroll itself in the number of happiness-makers, burden-bearers, who scatter flowers, diffuse sunshine, and take all possible pains to give pleasure.

Of what vital importance it is to every household that it be a shrine of this religion. How otherwise can the children grow up good? Of what use is right instruction by the preacher one day in the week if it be offset by bad example at home six? What avails a formal lecture from the parent now and then if it be not emphasized by a consistent life?

Blessed are the children of true Christian parents, day by day drinking in wholesome spiritual food and strengthening moral nutriment! Blessed are the parents of Christian children, sending forth into the future prolonged influences for good, permanently represented on the earth by intelligence and virtue long years after they themselves have ascended to heaven! How miserable the estate of those whose names must go down to posterity linked with creatures of wretchedness, vice and crime! Too late for repentance do such behold the legitimate outcome of the absence of household religion.

Some have seen whose own parents had left in their hearts and lives a precious legacy of Christian faith and love divine. Yet they themselves were not pious, and so were making a break in the chain, and defrauding their children of that boon which should have passed on without diminution. Those children had no godly influences around

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them, and hence in the hour of temptation would have no sweet memories to hold them fast, and in the stress of the world's conflicts they would be almost sure to deteriorate. An impaired vitality of virtue would probably be passed on in turn to their children, and so the stock would degenerate. How sad! Let every man that is a man, every woman that is a woman, reflect very seriously on these things, and in some moment of sacred silence answer honestly one or two questions: Will your children have as good a chance as you had, not merely in temporal, but in spiritual matters? Or will they reproach you some day, and say that they have been robbed of the best part of what should have been theirs? Are you doing by them as you would wish to be done by? They have a right to receive from you an example of positive piety. It will be worth to them more than lands and gold.

Household religion—something that shall brighten the eye, sweeten the voice, check the hasty word, alter the impatient tone, make the brow smoother, the heart happier, and the home a paradise! This is what we need.—Zion's Herald.

Our Young Folks

THE LITTLE LOAF.

In the time of the famine a rich man permitted the poorest children of the city to come to his house, and said to them: "There stands a crate full of bread. Each of you may take a loaf from it, and you may come every day until God sends better times."

The children at once surrounded the basket, striving and quarreling over the bread, because each desired to obtain the finest; and they finally went off without a word of thanks.

Only Franziska, a clean but poorly clad little girl, remained standing at a distance, then took the smallest of the loaves left in the basket, kissed her hand gratefully to the man, and went quietly and becomingly home.

On the next day the children were equally ill-mannered, and Franziska this time had a loaf which was scarcely half as large as the others; but when she reached home and her mother broke the bread, there fell out quite a number of new silver pieces. The mother was frightened, and said: "Take the money back at once, for it certainly got into the bread by accident."

Franziska did as she was bid, but the benevolent man said to her: "No, no; it was not an accident. I had the silver baked in the smallest loaf in order to reward thee, thou good child. Ever remain as peace-loving and satisfied."

He who would rather have a smaller loaf than quarrel about a greater will always bring a blessing to the home, even though no gold is baked in the bread.—Reformed Messenger.

DECIDE NOW!

During the season of awakening in Yale College two young men were awakened at the same time. They both agreed one evening that they would go and call upon one of the professors and ask his counsel. When they reached the professor's gate, one of them, an amiable young man, leaned over the fence and said, "I believe that I won't go in." His companion, who had been somewhat wild, replied, "You can do as you please; but as for myself, I feel that I need all the counsel that a man of experience can give me; I am resolved to go in." They parted at the gate; and they parted for eternity! The same chance came to both; the one flung it away and the other grasped it. The student who went in and opened his heart to his kind teacher, decided for Christ, and from being a frolicsome youth, became a faithful Christian, and afterwards a successful minister. The other young man quenched the Holy Spirit, became hardened, fell off into vicious ways, went off in after years to the West Indies, and died a miserable inebriate! Human life has its pivot-hours, when decisions reach into eternity. Those two young men made their decision that evening, and Jesus Christ took them at their word. It was the young ruler and beggar Bartimeus all over again. The judgment day will unfold millions of just such decisions as that youth made when he went back to his room and locked Christ out of his heart.

Lay down this paper, and betake yourself to honest prayer. Ask Jesus Christ to let you follow him, and to forgive your past sins, and to give you the transcendent and

glorious gift of eternal life. Delay not one hour. Life and death, right and wrong, heaven and hell are set before you. Decide for Christ! What thou doest, do quickly. If you shut your ears to the voice of your own conscience, you may be deciding to be lost forever! "Too late! too late! will be your cry. Jesus of Nazareth has passed by!" —Dr. Cuyler, in the Evangelist.

THE BOY WHO HAD LEARNED TO OBEY.

Last week, we adverted to the railroad disaster at Hackensack Bridge, N. J. In connection with this, we have read of one of the boys on that train, Warwick Greene, a great-grandson of Nathaniel Greene, who was so prominent in the War of the Revolution, in 1776, and grandson of a General in the late War. The record reads that when he entered the train that foggy morning, he took his seat at the rear window of the rear car for light to read over his morning lesson at school. Suddenly the counsel of the cautious veteran, General Greene, (his grandfather), came to him that he should sit in the middle coaches. Up he rose, obedient as a soldier, and found a place with less light but more safety, and escaped uninjured when the accident came. His obedience saved his life.

But more than this. He who has learned to control himself, has taken one important step in learning to act in times of emergency. So it proved in his case. After the accident occurred, when others were bewildered, he bethought himself to find the axes, and had them used to chop passengers out of the wreck. He organized a water-pail brigade to put out the flames. To get at one poor fellow lying under the locomotive, and in danger of being parboiled with steam and hot water, he drew his thick, shaggy coat over his head and, crawling in under that shield, rescued the helpless sufferer. Covered with mud and blood, he seemed to be everywhere at once, and always doing the best thing that could be done.

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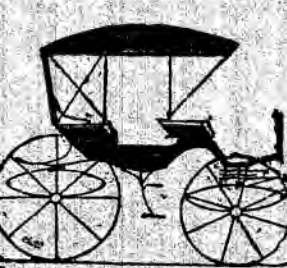
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#### EDMONDS.

Mary E. Edmonds (nee Dickinson) was born in Louisa Co., Va. Dec. 11, 1818; came with her parents to Tenn. when six years old; afterwards moved to Alabama, where she married Wm. E. Edmonds Dec. 8, 1839; moved to Arkansas Nov. 1849; died near McCrory, Woodruff Co., Ark., Friday, Jan. 6, 1894. She was left in widowhood from 1868, when her husband died, to the end of her life. In 1835 she was converted and united with the Methodist Church in which she lived six years. She opened the gate and she was called up higher. Her life was a benediction to earth. For over 55 years she gave her heart and life to Christ, and her best service to his Church. Her Bible was her daily companion. For several years previous to her death she was an invalid, confined to her home and her chair. Though thus confined and shut in, deprived of many of the means of grace which the Church gave to others, as well as many social pleasures, she was resigned to the will of God, cheerfully and patiently she accepted her lot, and would not dishonor her Lord by murmuring or repining. In her rolling chair, at her window, she daily sat, with her Bible in hand, feeding her soul upon its precious words and its unfailing promises. Though with David she could say, "My soul longeth, yes, even fainteth for the courts of the Lord"; yet she had sweet communion and fellowship in her daily readings and meditation of the Word of God. Though deprived of the services of God's house, the worship of the sanctuary, and the preaching of the gospel from the pulpit, she never lost her interest in the Church or in her pastor. Loving Christ and his Church, and being blessed with a comfortable home, she always had a hearty Christian welcome for her pastor and any of God's servants who might want rest and shelter.

Four years I was her pastor and was often in her home, and in all my association within the limit of sixteen years as an itinerant preacher, I never found a more hospitable home or a kinder Christian family.

She came to the end of her journey in triumph and peace. She had desired, if it be the will of God, that she should die as quietly as one falling asleep, and so it came to pass. She contemplated the end with unusual calmness and deliberation. For years she held herself in readiness to be called at any time. The sequel proved this. After her death, in a private drawer, was found a sealed envelope addressed to her children and grandchildren. In this was found written in her own handwriting explicit instruction as to how she wanted her property divided, requesting that there be no administrator, with a statement that if she was indebted to anyone she did not know it. This letter closed with a most earnest request, that after she had been laid away and her body was resting sweetly in the tomb, that there be no strife or contention over what she had left, and then said: "My living and dying prayer is that you live godly lives and meet me in heaven." She had fully met her house in order, and was patiently and joyfully awaiting the coming of her Lord. As she stood on the margin of the last river, and in her last conscious moments, she repeated the couplet, "On Jordan's stormy banks I stand and cast a wishful eye," and closed by saying: "Come along, come along, let us sing and pray on the way," then in a distant voice sang, "There is a fountain filled with blood."

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Thus closed a life full of years. Though many of these years were years of suffering and deprivation, yet a life that was a benediction and an

inspiration to those who knew her best. Her steadfast faith and unwavering confidence in God, patience and resignation amidst the sorrows, trials and afflictions of earth, her love for her Church and her pastor, her generous support of the Church and its institutions, her abounding hospitality, the charities dispensed, and her fruitfulness in all goodness, justifies us in saying the earth is poorer while heaven is richer in her death. She has left a monument more durable than marble, more precious than gold or rubies, that of a good life. She leaves two daughters, two sisters and other dear kindred to mourn her departure.

N. E. SKINNER.  
Corning, Ark.

Anna V. Trussell, wife of John W. Trussell, was born June 18, 1835; joined the M. E. Church, South, in the fall of 1878, where she lived a humble devout Christian life until Jan. 29, 1894. Just in the gray of morning the death angel came for her, and she died triumphantly as all our good Methodists do, without a murmur and the sweet assurance of an abundant entrance into Christ's glorious kingdom. Sister Trussell leaves a husband and eight children, an aged father and a host of friends and relatives to mourn their loss. The writer preached her funeral at old Smyrna, Church to a large crowd of weeping friends and relatives, then with the use of the ritual of our Church we laid her to rest. Husband and children, you will meet wife and mother in the sweet bye and bye. Live for God, consecrate your lives to his service, and the happy family reunion will take place on the sunny, golden shores of the glory land. Amen. GEO. E. PARSONS, P. C. Simpson, Ark.

On Jan. 20, 1894 death with its pale hand, laid its chilling touch, upon the favored brow of Andrew Harvey, the infant son of G. H. and Sallie Youngblood. He was born Feb. 7, 1892. Little Harvey's earthly mission though brief, was well done, for he filled home and the hearts of his parents with love and happiness. Though so young he has been gathered by the Divine hand as one of earth's fairest lilies and we grieve to find its stem broken and the blossom gone to be kept in a crystal vase in our Father's house. His funeral was preached at 11 o'clock on last Sabbath by Bro. Brittain in the Methodist Church. The affectionate hands of friends placed beautiful flowers upon the casket which bore love and sympathy for the bereaved.

Farewell, little Harvey, till we join you and your little sister Lucy in our Father's house, where there will be no night of death and sorrow.

A friend, O. E. T.  
Holly Grove, Ark.

John Wesley Ruby was born Oct. 25, 1834; professed religion and joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1870; married in 1871 to Miss N. M. Foster and settled in Peneda Co., Miss.; moved with his family to Prairie Co., Ark. in 1884; and died Jan. 13, 1894, aged 59 years, 4 months and 18 days. He left a widow, a son, three daughters and a host of friends behind. The family has been equally divided by death. The father and four children have crossed the river; the mother and four children are on this side. Bro. Ruby had been afflicted for several years. About a week before his death he was taken with a gripe which terminated in his death. On Sunday before his death he said he was ready to go or willing to stay. It is said of him by his neighbors that he was a splendid citizen, an excellent neighbor and a good man. I have been his pastor for more than a year; judging from his humble prayers in public and rich experience in the love-feasts, he was a good man. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them." We believe that he is at rest. The mother and children are all in the Methodist Church. May the hope of meeting their husband and father in the home of the good help them to be faithful to the end; and they too will then receive a crown and a home where separation will be no more.

F. P. DOAK.  
Hickory Plain, Ark.

Bro. C. E. Slayton was born in Saline Co., Ill. Feb. 18, 1844; was married to Miss Lizzie Hibbs Feb. 20, 1869; came to Lawrence Co., Ark. in 1887; professed religion at old Walnut Ridge Aug. 1891; joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1892; was attacked with pneumonia Jan. 10, 1894, endured his affliction with Christian fortitude until Jan. 16, when he passed the Church militant to the Church triumphant.

Bro. Slayton was an affectionate father, a kind husband, a quiet and accommodating neighbor, and a very religious useful member of our Church—able in prayer, ever ready to do what he thought a Christian man ought to do. Many times have I been with our departed brother in old-time Methodist class meetings. He loved the services of the sanctuary, rejoiced at the success of Zion and often shouted praise to God. He loved the preachers and did what he could to support them and make them happy and comfortable, while visiting his hospitable home. Bro. Slayton leaves a bereaved wife, five sons and one daughter, but thank God they are all following in the footsteps of their father except little Charlie the baby boy. Weep not, Sister Slayton and children; the God your husband and father served is able to comfort you and bring you at last where you may re-unite and live with God and the angels forever.

J. T. HALL.  
Mitchell.  
Louisa Mitchell was born Aug. 16, 1869; professed religion under the preaching of Rev. J. H. Bradford in 1883; joined the Church the same year. She was married to R. T. Mitchell in 1884; died Dec. 30, 1893. She was a sister of Rev. W. H. Mitchell, who has been dead about a year. She has been a faithful member of the M. E. Church, South, for ten years. She lingered for three months; her disease was a lung trouble. She bore her

suffering with Christian fortitude. I visited her several times during her sickness. She was hopeful of getting well nearly to the last; but when convinced that she must die, she sent for Rev. William Smalley and he came, talked and prayed with her and she shouted the praises of the Lord. The day she died Rev. G. B. Mitchell, her brother, went to see her, and asked her how she was getting along, and she said: "George, I am dying; I'm dying very hard." He said to her: "You'll soon be at home." She replied: "Yes, I'll soon be in my eternal home." She leaves a husband and two children with many friends to weep for her. But they weep not as those who have no hope. She has crossed over into the better land, and if we are faithful we shall meet her again in the sweet bye and bye. May the blessings of heaven rest on her two dear children and husband.

REV. J. W. DUTTON.  
MURPHY.

Mrs. Dicy Murphy (nee Cowen) was born in Tenn.; married to John Murphy in Marion Co., Tenn., Sept. 29, 1860; moved to Independence Co., Ark. in 1867. She professed faith in the Prince of Peace two-and-a-half years ago and joined the M. E. Church, South. She was an ardent sympathizer with every movement that had for its object the improvement of society and the elevation of her race. She was a kind neighbor, ready with a helping hand to alleviate the sorrows and afflictions of the deserving. She was a dutiful and affectionate companion, a gentle and loving mother. Her disease was an attack of a gripe which lapsed into pneumonia, from which she died Jan. 22, 1894, aged about sixty years. The next day at 10 a. m. this writer preached her funeral at the Methodist Church in Sulphur Rock in the presence of a large concourse of sympathizing friends and weeping relatives and the body was then laid to rest. How sad and lonely the home of Bro. Murphy and the heart-broken boys. But there is consolation in her last words: "I am going to heaven and you will know where to find me." F. R. NOE.  
Sulphur Rock, Ark.

TEAGUE.

John Lee Teague, son of Abner D. and Sallie C. Teague, was born April 20, 1868 and died in his home at Quitman, Ark. Oct. 9, 1893. He was brought up and educated at Quitman. His intellectual attainments and sweet spirit qualified him to enter inviting occupations. He was not without employment from the time he entered the field of business till affliction robbed him of his physical strength. His devotion to his sisters was such that he spent what he could save to assist them in getting an education. He was converted under the ministry of Rev. O. H. Tucker and joined the M. E. Church, South. His love for the Church was manifested in his constant care and labor for its success. He was an active worker in Sunday-school, a faithful steward and was true to every trust committed to him. It was largely through his prayers and influence that his sisters and many associates were led to Christ. He accepted a secretaryship in the office of our State Treasurer, and moved his membership from Quitman to First Church, Little Rock in 1891. No one bids more fair to live long and happy than did Bro. Teague at that time. He was physically, morally and mentally strong. But toward the close of 1892 he had a long and hard spell of fever from which he never fully recovered. He got able to come home but from Feb. 26 till Oct. 9 he was a constant but patient sufferer. I visited him often during his sickness and was greatly strengthened by his conversations. He loved to talk about the Savior and religion and manifested great concern about his friends that were out of Christ. I was in a meeting at Batesville at the time of his departure and did not hear his last words, but those who were present say he died in great peace. He shouted God's praise in the face of the last enemy. Father, mother, three sisters and many friends mourn his loss while angels rejoice in his triumph.

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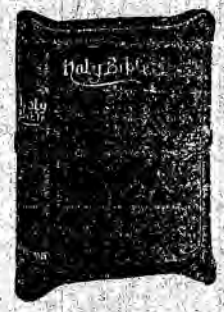
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Our first Q. M. which embraced Jan. 13, 14 was a most interesting time. Our highly esteemed and efficient P. R., Rev. V. V. Harlan, preached two interesting sermons, and administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The stewards have made ample provision for the support of the preacher and his family.

Mr. Editor, you doubtless remember the night of the 23rd of January as a very cold and stormy time. That same night we had another storm, that blew over so many good things into the paucity of the paragon. But this did not satisfy all parties concerned, some could not come that night for the cold. So on Thursday night, of Feb. 1st, in the absence of the preacher, who was at Boonsboro, helping Bro. J. H. Sturdy in a meeting, the storm commenced again. It did not bring any rain, sleet or snow, but flour, meat, sugar, coffee, fruits of all kinds, and everything calculated to make a family happy. I have asked myself the question, am I worthy of these favors? God help me to prove true to the trust He has committed to my keeping. As these have remembered our temporal wants, may we in return, remember their spiritual wants, and thereby be a greater spiritual blessing to them.

We are expecting Bro. I. F. Harris of Springfield, Mo., to help us in a meeting at this place. It will begin at night of the 1st Sunday in March. All are invited to attend, especially brother pastors in this District.

J. P. HUMPHREYS.

## COLLEGEVILLE CIRCUIT.

Permit a layman to send a field note. Our pastor, Bro. S. H. Renfro, is a new man, a transfer from Mo., and I want to tell you what sort of a man our transfer is. Well, I will tell you what he has done and then you can judge for yourself. Before our first Quarterly Conference, which was on the 10 and 11 last, he had all the collections in cash and subscription—a good portion in cash. So when Bro. McKinnon came to hold our Q. M., he had no collection to take—nothing to do but preach on Sunday. Of course he held Q. C. on Saturday. Assessed P. C. \$600; paid the first quarter \$170.25. Assessed P. E. \$85; paid \$24.10. The outlook for a successful year is hopeful. We have a good pastor. He is working hard and all the time.

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While we are not taking the world by storm, yet we are doing some good I think. We have a good congregation on Sunday, but the prayer and class meetings are not well attended. Some of our preachers say that the class meetings are a thing of the past, and in some parts they are, but we hold them twice a month. We have the best Sunday-school I ever saw I think. We have been here nearly three months of this Conference year and we are moving up some. Our new P. E., Rev. C. H. Gregory, is stirring things. I heard of his adjourning one Q. C. until Monday, sending out a summons for the members and bringing them in. But he is living in the same town with me; so I can't tell on him much.

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We have had a very pleasant time since we have been on this work. The people received us with kindness, and we have got the best of neighbors. This is an immense field. There is seed to sow, plants to cultivate and some to prune. May God help us to work and pray.

Our last Quarterly meeting was held at Center Ridge, Feb. 10 and 11th, and the good people at that place made it a pleasant occasion (for all attending) with good homes and spicy tables. There were five stewards of the work present and made a liberal assessment for the preacher in Charge. Bro. H. H. Watson, our P. E., transacted the business of the Conference in his own kind and loving way. He preached two sermons for us with great power. The young and old, Christians and sinners, many of them, shedding tears, expressed a desire to live better lives. The Lord's Supper was also administered, which was a benediction to those present. Brethren, pray for us. Yours in the field,

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The people here gave us a cordial welcome into their midst; made us feel perfectly at home from the beginning. From the first Sunday we had increased attendance until it gripped made its appearance; then we had

quite a decrease for several Sundays. But thank the Lord most of our people are well again, and but one was called to his reward. Our Church is in fair condition; no schism; all is moving along harmoniously and in love. We are expecting great things of the Lord this year. Since our Annual Conference we have had a few nights special service in the interest of our mission work—talks on China, Japan and other fields followed by some general missionary sermons on Sunday; and last Sunday with but little difficulty secured our entire assessment (\$105.00) for P. M. We are expecting to take advanced grounds on all lines during the year. Pray for us. I will never forget my right hand helper, THE ARKANSAS METHODIST.

WM. SHERMAN.

Russellville, Feb. 17.

## BIG FLAT CIRCUIT.

At the last Conference Bishop Keener read us out for the Big Flat C't. This is our second year. Our Board of Stewards made a liberal assessment for this year. We have not had any storm as some of the brethren write of, but these good people continue to bring us such things as are needful for this life. We have not failed to meet all our appointments. The outlook is for a year of great success for the Lord. Our first Quarterly meeting will be Feb. 24 and 25, and we are looking for a good time. We all want to see our new P. E. and hear some of his good preaching; for he is a man full of the Holy Ghost.

G. B. GRIFFIN, P. C.

Feb. 15th.

## DEATH NOTICE.

Fannie Davis Ayers, daughter of Jonathan and Nancy Ayers, born Oct. 8, 1853 and died Feb. 8, 1894, making the 7th one of their children they have laid to rest at the same spot. May the Lord sanctify their bereavement to His glory, and their ultimate salvation.

H. H. RIDINGS.

Silver Hill, Ark.

## MRS. BEULAH BRADEN.

DEAR BRO. BENNETT.—As we have no pastor and death has claimed one of our members, in the absence of a preacher I feel like some one should at least write a short notice of her death; hence this notice from me.

Mrs. Beulah Braden (nee Adkins) died at her home near Clarkton, Ark., Jan. 25, 1894. Sister Beulah was received into the Church by Bro. Jerigan; was also baptized by him. She lived a member of the same until her death, and thank God she died trusting in Jesus. She was conscious to the last; called all the family and kissed them good bye and gave them directions as to the management of her children—two in number, one little girl two years old and one only four days old. Sister Beulah, while she trusted in Jesus, dreaded the agony of death, but when death came she said: "O everything is so bright and lovely, and I thought it would be so dark!" Thank God, it has been well said "our people die well." Besides the two children she leaves a husband and sister to mourn their loss, and their hearts are sorely tried in this hour of sadness; but look up, my friends, and trust in Jesus as she did and after awhile we will meet our loved ones again, where sickness and sorrow will be no more and bless God we will live together for ever. She leaves a host of friends, but we bow in submission to the will of God, believing as we do that He doeth all things well.

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All papers in the State are respectfully requested to publish this call.

A. L. McKinnon, W. H. Browning, W. W. Folsom, A. L. Malone, R. M. Traylor, F. P. Laws, C. C. Colburn, W. R. White, Lewis W. Davis, J. H. Riggins, J. M. Hawley, C. C. Godden, W. C. McKinnis, G. A. Dannelly, J. B. Moody, J. A. Walden, E. P. Minton, H. Beauchamp, E. L. Beard, J. R. Cason, W. T. Tardy, W. K. Penrod, Horace Jewell, J. R. Moore.

Several years ago the legislature of this State started in to apply the license system to pool-selling on races. The law prohibiting pool-selling was repealed because "it didn't prohibit" or some similar reason, and the Ives Pool Bill was passed legalizing pool-selling during certain days on race tracks, for a certain sum to be paid to the State. It was the application of the "license" system to gambling. How has it worked? The whole racing business has worked into the hands of professional gamblers, and the demoralization has vastly increased. We quote from an editorial in The Tribune, Feb. 12:

"The blacklegs of the betting-ring and the blackguards of the winter race-tracks have brought damage and disaster on racing. . . . The betting ring has been permitted to become predominant on most of the race-tracks. Most of the bookmakers belong to the criminal classes, as most of them are faro-bank keepers or habitual violators of the law in some way. Hence it is evidence that the Eastern turf, to a melancholy extent, is infested by the criminal classes."

In other words, the law legalizing racetrack gambling has made it a safe and profitable profession, just as the law licensing saloons makes saloon-keeping a regular business. In each case the license system is a miserable failure from a moral standpoint.—N. Y. Voice.

## Quarterly Meetings.

Morrilton District, 2nd round, D. J. Weems, P. E. Ada C't New Salem Feb. 10; 11: Springfield, at Greenbrier, 17, 18; Hattiesburg, at Oak Grove, 24, 25; Morrilton, at March 4, 5; M'Granton, at Good Woods, 10, 11; Quitman Sta., 11, 12; Mt. Vernon, at Pleasant Valley, 17, 18; Gold Creek, at Graham's Chapel, 24, 25; Conway Sta., 25, 26; Martinville, at Steel's Chapel, 31 and April 1; Clinton at Scotland, April 7, 8; Hattiesburg, at Zion's Hill, 14, 15; Cleveland, at Sunnyside, 21, 22; Quitman C't, Bethesda, 28, 29; Perryville, at Oak Grove, May 5, 6; Little C't, Pleasant Grove, 12, 13; District Conference, at Clinton July 12 and 13.

Fayetteville Dist. 2nd round, V. V. Harlan, P. E. Elm Springs at Ebenezer Feb. 17, 18; Bentonville Sta. 24, 25; Bentonville C't at Hileman's March 4, 5; Fayetteville Sta. 10, 11; White River Miss. at Combs' 17, 18; Springfield and Farmington at Springfield, 24, 25; Rogers at April 1, 2; Cedar Point at Helena, 7, 8; Erie Grove C't at Hubbard, 14, 15; Cincinnati C't at Fairview, 21, 22; Siloam Springs and Gentry at Siloam Springs 28, 29; Boonsboro C't at May 5, 6; Sulphur Springs C't at Mayville, 12, 13; Springtown C't at May 12, 13.

Dardanelle District, 2nd round, P. B. Summers, P. E. Prairie View Feb. 24, 25; Danville C't March 3, 4; Dardanelle C't, 10, 11; Russellville C't, 17, 18; Clinton C't, 24, 25; Rover C't, April 1; Atkins C't, 7, 8; Dover C't, 14, 15; Gravelly Hill C't, 21, 22; Walnut Tree C't May 5, 6; Dardanelle Sta. 12, 13.

The Dardanelle District Conference will convene at Rover April 26, at 9 a.m. Opening sermon at 11 by Rev. J. N. Villins.

Newport District, 2d round, N. E. Skinner, P. E. Walnut Ridge, at Corning March 3, 4; Rayno at 10, 11; Fortia at 17, 18; Clover Bend, miss. 24, 25; Tuckerman and Jacksonport 31, April 1; Cache miss. 7, 8; Newport C't, 14, 15; Sefton C't, 21, 22; Black Rock C't, 28, 29; Mammoth Spring and Hardy, May 5, 6; Smithville C't, 12, 13; Walnut C't, 19, 20; Pookstown C't, 26, 27; Sutton C't, June 2, 3.

Searcy District, 2d round, Henry T. Gregory, P. E. Beebe at March 10, 11; Augusta Sta. 17, 18; W. Searcy C't, 24, 25; Beebe Sta. 31, April 1; Jackson C't, 14, 15; Argenta Sta. 21, 22; Mineral C't, 28, 29; El Paso C't, May 5, 6; Stony Point C't, 12, 13; Bradford C't, 19, 20; Mt. Pisgah C't, 26, 27; West Point miss. June 2, 3; Devine miss. 9, 10; Union C't, 16, 17; Avenge C't, 23, 24; District Conference, at July 12 and 13; Clarksville District, 2d round, S. S. Key, P. E. Altus and Coal Hill at Nichols Chapel Feb. 27, 28; Ozark Sta. March 3, 4; Alma C't at Maple Shade, 10, 11; Ozark miss. at Lone Pine 17, 18; Clarksville Sta. 24, 25; Lamar and Knoxville at Knoxville 31 April 1; Hartman C't at Spring Hill 7, 8; Clarksville C't at Mt. Olive, 14, 15; Dyer C't at Rudy 21, 22; Chester miss. at Pleasant Grove 28, 29; Van Buren Sta. May 5, 6; Ozark C't, 12, 13; Van Buren City miss. 19, 20.

Harrison District, 2nd round, C. H. Gregory, P. E. Yellville Sta. March 3, 4; Omaha miss. 10, 11; Harrison Sta. Wednesday 14; Bellefonte C't, 17, 18; Valley Springs C't, 21, 22; Powell C't Wednesday 28; Lead Hill C't April 1; Oakland miss. 7, 8; Mountain Home preaching Sunday 8th at night and Quarterly Conf. Monday 9th at 2 p.m. Yellville C't, 14, 15; Big Flat C't, 21, 22; Archie miss. Wednesday 25; Wiley's Cove C't, 28, 29.

We confidently expect every official member of each charge to attend these meetings. Brethren, your presence and co-operation is needed that success may crown our efforts. You need to attend for your own spiritual good. The Quarterly meeting is important to you and you are important to it. Do your duty and bless your generation.

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