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District Conferences.
The District Conferences of our Church in this State will be held at the places and dates below:

DISTRICT	PLACE	DATE
Dardanelle	Rover	July 5
Monticello	Tillar	" 12
Morrilton	Clinton	" 19
Batesville	Mt. View	" 26
Jonesboro	Harrisburg	" 3

POSTPONED.
Dr. BENNETT:—I have put the Dardanelle District Conference off—so it will not be held at the time published. Hope this will reach you in time [but it did not—Editor] to stop the publication of the notice which I sent you for this week's paper.

Yours truly,
P. B. SUMMERS.
Dardanelle, April 11.

THE PREACHERS' INSTITUTE.
To the Undergraduates of the Annual Conferences of the M. E. Church, South, in Ark.

DEAR BROTHER:—The Board of Control of the Preachers' Institute, organized under the direction of the joint committee representing the three Conferences in Arkansas, has adopted the following plan:

1. The session of the Arkansas Methodist Preachers' Institute shall be held at Hendrix College, Conway, Ark., beginning June 20, 3 p. m., and ending June 29, 1894.
2. For eight days class instruction shall be given in every subject included in the Course of Study prescribed in the Discipline. Four hours each day shall be devoted to class-work. Four classes shall be organized under the direction of the following able instructors: Rev. J. H. Riggins, D. D.; Rev. Jas. A. Anderson, Rev. S. H. Babcock and Rev. W. E. Boggs. These brethren have already consented to undertake the work and are authorized to select such assistants as they may deem necessary.

3. Addresses on subjects of special interest to the young preachers shall be delivered each day at 11 a. m. and at 8 p. m. Bishop E. R. Hendrix, D. D., Rev. Gross Alexander, D. D., of Vanderbilt University, and Rev. J. J. Tigert D. D., author of "A Constitutional History of American Episcopal Methodism," have agreed to deliver two or three addresses each, and preachers from our own Conferences will preach or lecture on selected themes.

4. Tuition and board shall be free to all undergraduates, and reduced railroad fare is assured. This plan provides a program of unusual richness, affords a fine opportunity for development and preparation for Conference examinations, and will enable all the young preachers of the State to meet under peculiarly favorable conditions, and yet the cost is only railroad fare at half rates and an absence of one Sunday from pastoral charges. Can you afford to miss such a feast when the expense is so trivial? Surely you can arrange to attend. Every member of the Board of Control, leading preachers and laymen throughout the State, and the hospitable citizens of Conway, are anxious to have every undergraduate in attendance.

To derive the largest benefit you should at once begin your Course of Study and read all books through, making careful notes and marking difficult questions, and come prepared to take notes on the lectures and addresses.

In order that I may know exactly what to expect and how to assist you, kindly send replies immediately to the following questions: 1. Do you intend, Providence permitting, to attend the Institute? 2. If not, what is in your way? Write to me freely so that I may understand your case and I promise to do all in my power to open the way for you. As the Institute has been organized for your benefit there will be no disappointment, if you do not come.

About two weeks ago a circular letter substantially the same as the above, was sent to each undergraduate. Replies have been received from thirty-one, of whom twenty-four report that they expect to attend. The others, with one exception, will attend if the means necessary to pay traveling expenses can be secured.

I sincerely hope that laymen interested in the thorough preparation of our young preachers will supply the funds. If there are such laymen and they do not know what preachers need assistance, let them write to me, and I will gladly give them information.

All undergraduates who have not notified me are urgently requested to do so at once. All preachers are invited to attend and their hearty co-operation in all things is confidently anticipated.
Fraternally,
A. C. MILLAR,
Pres. Institute.
Conway, Ark., April 14.

SOUTHERN GENERAL CONFERENCE.

Last week the New York Christian Advocate contained the following letter from Rev. Dr. E. E. Hoss, editor of our Connectional organ.

The twelfth General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will meet in First Church, Memphis, Tenn., Thursday, May 3.

It would be the thirteenth but for the fact that the one which was to convene in New Orleans in 1862, and to which delegates were regularly elected, did not come together—a failure for which Admiral Farragut and General Butler were largely responsible.

The ratio of representation in this body is one clerical and one lay delegate for every thirty-six members of an Annual Conference. The Annual Conferences are themselves made up of clerical and lay members, four of the latter from every presiding elder's district, or, in a Conference like Tennessee or Holston, forty in all. The "two orders"—an unfortunate phrase, which no wellbred Methodist ought ever to use—vote separately in this matter, and each elects its own delegates.

The approaching session of the General Conference will have a roll of three hundred and forty-one names, the odd number originating in the neglect of Central Mexico Conference to elect a layman. Such an assembly—much larger than any of its predecessors—is too big for the most effective discharge of business. It is very likely, therefore, that for the future the ratio of representation will be raised to one in forty-five or fifty, thus securing a more manageable organization, and at the same time cutting down the expenses by about one third—no small matter. The only sound argument *per contra* is that the proposed change would give an increasingly unfair advantage to the ten or twelve very small Conferences, which by the terms of the Second Restrictive Rule cannot be deprived of at least two delegates—one clerical and one lay.

The Annual Conferences are fifty in number. Of these North Georgia is the largest, having a lay membership of about ninety thousand. It sends a delegation sixteen strong. Northwest Texas, South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia follow close up with fourteen each. Baltimore, Holston, Missouri, North Alabama, North Texas, South Georgia and Western North Carolina come next in line with twelve each. Alabama, Louisville, Memphis, Mississippi, North Carolina, North Mississippi and Southwest Missouri are severally entitled to ten. Kentucky, Little Rock, Saint Louis and West Texas to eight. Arkansas, Florida, Pacific Texas, Western Virginia and White River to six. Eastern Texas and Illinois to four; and the remaining thirteen to two.

The center of power is drifting toward the Southwest. Forty-six of the delegates—more than one eighth of the whole—are from the empire State of Texas, and twenty are from Arkansas. Another noticeable fact is the absence of many men that have figured prominently in former General Conferences. Dr. E. E. Wiley, O. R. Blue, John E. Edwards and P. A. Peterson, all of whom have died within the past four years, were long recognized as leaders. The first named, who was born in Boston, first appeared on the connectional stage at Columbus, Ga., in 1854, at which time also Holland N. McIntyre, Charles F. Deems and John C. Keener tried their "prentice hands" as ecclesiastical legislators. Dr. Edwards was forty-five consecutive years a pastor, and increased in power and popularity to the end. Dr. Blue had in him nearly every element of an able and successful Methodist preacher; and Dr. Peterson was likewise a man of wonderful gifts in many directions. They will all be sadly missed. The same may be said of Dr. John J. Wheat, Dr. W. C. McCoy, the Rev. James E. Mann, and perhaps others, who have also passed behind the veil. Besides these, many capable and useful men who have done good service on former occasions have been left at home by the electors.

Between one third and one half of the clerical delegates, and perhaps a still larger number of the laymen, are fresh hands at the business of law-making. Bringing in new blood is a good policy, though too much at a time is not to be desired. As an offset, it is pleasant to note that Dr. Andrew Hunter goes in at the head of the roll from Little Rock. He was in the Conference of 1844. A finer character American Methodism has hardly known. Born in Ireland, but emigrating at a very tender age to this country, he has spent his whole active life in the State of Arkansas; and it is safe to say that he commands the unqualified respect of every man, woman and child in that

commonwealth. At one time he declined the nomination for governor; another, he was actually elected United States senator. But it has been his joy always to cleave to the itinerant ministry. A stout, thick-set body, a great head covered with a shock of white hair, a broad, open face, cleanly shaven, after the fashion of the olden time, a prominent nose, a speaking mouth, a kindling blue eye—this is a picture of him as he looks at eighty years of age.

The past quadrennium has been one of great prosperity. It is only necessary to call attention to the fact that the membership now stands in the neighborhood of one million three hundred and fifty thousand, having increased more than one hundred and fifty thousand within the specified time. Other indications might be named. In view of such progress, there is no probability that any radical innovations will be made. Prophecy in advance is never as safe as waiting till after the event.

If I were inclined to conjecture, I would put down the following points: No new Bishops will be elected, or, at any rate, not more than one or two; the number of missionary secretaries will be reduced from three to two; the organization of the Epworth League will be completed, including possibly, though not certainly, the election of a general secretary and the starting of an Epworth organ; the work of education will be narrowly looked into, and a scheme framed for securing the unification and correlation of our various institutions of learning; the Publishing House will receive due attention, and the question of colporteurs will be thoroughly ventilated; the relation of evangelists to the Annual Conference and the Church at large will be judiciously handled; the law for the trial of preachers will be modified in some respects; provision may be made to allow young ministers to retain their Conference connection while finishing their education; several new Conferences will probably be created or provided for; a strong deliverance—everything, in fact, except committing the Church to the support of a political party—will be made on the temperance question; some brother who is away from home for the first time will introduce a resolution looking to a quadrennial episcopacy, only to see it laid on the table; the like fate will befall the efforts to secure an elective presiding eldership and a limitation of the appointing power of the Bishops; the fraternal delegates from other Churches will be welcomed with great good will; and the women—may their number never be less—will be admitted—to the galleries. Mr. Editor, come and see it all with your own eyes. We will give you a cordial greeting.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY AND THE STATE.

An elaborate discussion of this subject is presented in a tract recently published by Rev. Dr. James M. King, Methodist, of New York. We copy part of what he says under the sub-division, "The nation is religious from the Christian standpoint":

In respect to morals and religion it is impossible for the State to be either neutral or indifferent. If the prevailing religious sentiment and profession of the people are Christian, that nation is Christian. On this ground we assert that the American nation is a Christian nation. While the Christian spirit of justice and humanity pervade it, and while its framers were believers in God and in future rewards and punishments, the name of God does not appear in the constitution of the United States. An overruling Providence in the affairs of nations is recognized in the Declaration of Independence, in most of the State constitutions, and in the colonial charters. The Declaration appeals to the "Supreme Judge of the world," and speaks of "reliance on the protection of Divine Providence."

Goldwin Smith says: "Not democracy in America, but free Christianity in America, is the real key to the study of the people and their institutions."

Dr. Schaef (to whom we are indebted for a most able discussion on "Church and State in the United States") cites as proofs of the Christian character of this nation, which he authenticates by facts and historic citations: (1) religious activity; (2) Christian legislation; (3) the oath; (4) official acts of the President; (5) the exemption of Church property from taxation; (6) the appointment of chaplains; (7) the action of Congress concerning the Bible.

In the same line of argument he

also cites three interests and institutions which belong to both Church and State and must be maintained by both, viz., monogamy in marriage, the weekly day of rest, and the public school.

George Bancroft said: "Vindicating the right of individuality even in religion, and in religion above all, the new nation dares to set the example of accepting in its relations to God the principle first divinely ordained in Judea. It left the management of temporal things to the temporal power; but the American constitution, in harmony with the people of the several States, withheld from the Federal government the power to invade the home of reason, the citadel of conscience, the sanctuary of the soul; and not from indifference, but that the infinite spirit of eternal truth might move in its freedom and purity and power."

President Dwight said: "Our mutual development has in it the best and purest element of historic Christianity as related to the government of States. Should we tear Christianity out of our law we would rob our law of its fairest jewels, we would deprive it of its richest treasures, we would arrest its growth, and bereave it of its capacity to adapt itself to the progress in culture, refinement, and morality of those for whose benefit it properly exists."

Dr. Woolsey says: "On the whole, while laws against irreligious acts notice them in part on account of their human evils, I cannot help finding in them another element, proceeding from religious feelings themselves, from reverence for the Divine Being, irrespective of their injury to human society. Man, in his legislation, cannot get rid of his sentiments; even in the later attempts at legislation, when the limits are more exactly drawn between that which is injurious to society in some specific way and that which is sinful, the sentiment will assert its right in defining crime or enhancing punishment."

IN MEMORIAM.

On Friday morning, April 6, 1894, just as the sun was rising to dispel the darkness of this world of night, Sister Clem. E. Pendergrass after many dark nights of suffering was released from pain, fell in sleep, and her soul ascended up to the city of God, where there is no night; and where they need no candle; neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light. She was the daughter of A. J. and Anne E. Barner, and was born in Phillips Co., Ark., Oct. 5, 1857. She was married to Rev. W. A. Pendergrass, Dec. 25, 1878; joined a profession of religion and joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1883, in which she lived and died a consistent member. In the year 1887 she moved to Searcy and from thence to Gum Spring neighborhood. Her body was interred in Gum Spring cemetery to await the voice of Him who says "I am the resurrection and the life; he that believeth in me though he were dead yet shall he live. And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die." Thank God for the Christian's assurance of eternal life.

Sister Pendergrass's disease was consumption. She was confined to her room about five months, to her bed nearly two months, and during all these months of pain she was patient and resigned. Until a short time previous to her death she entertained the hope of recovery, but when the inevitable came and she was assured that she must die she was ready, and calmly and prayerfully resigned herself to the will of Him who she believed was too wise to err, and too good to do wrong. Her chief earthly concern was her children. Her love and anxiety for them was such as none but mothers can feel. But even these precious jewels she lovingly committed to the care of her husband and her God in the sweet hope of a glorious and eternal reunion in the sweet by and by. O blessed, sweet hope—how it cheers our hearts! Just a short time before she took her final leave of loved ones she expressed a desire to talk, but she was too weak. She began to call the names of her children but was able to repeat only two of them. She survived all her father's family except one afflicted brother.

Sister Pendergrass possessed many noble traits of character. She was universally beloved by those who knew her well. She was inoffensive, kind, generous, patient and forbearing. She was meek and unobtrusive in her deportment. She leaves a husband and seven little children to mourn their loss. He who has been so long offering the gospel of peace to troubled hearts knows where to go

to find consolation. But the dear little children who have learned to lean upon a mother's breast and feel the warm pulsations of a mother's loving heart and the sweet kiss of a mother's lips, where can they go to find a mother's love? Glory to God, Jesus says "Suffer little children to come unto me."

May God bless our dear Brother Pendergrass who has been compelled to give up his pastorate on account of this affliction in his family. May this bereavement be sanctified to the eternal good of the entire family. May the father, mother and children all meet again in the Home Beyond.

J. M. TALKINGTON.

SEARCY, ARK.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

Indian Commissioner Browning is a staunch believer in the civilizing and uplifting effect of education and Christianity upon every body, and he has never for a moment accepted the absurd theory put forward by some people, that the American Indian is an exception to the rule. In order to back up his arguments with an indisputable object lesson Mr. Browning recently obtained permission from the Secretary of the Interior to bring the band and choir of the United States Industrial School at Carlisle, Pa., to Washington, and give a public concert. Mrs. Cleveland and the ladies of the Cabinet kindly consented to allow the use of their names as patronesses and the result was an audience of prominent people to hear the concert, which took place this week. The choir is composed of forty voices, male and female, and the band, led by a full-blooded Oneida Indian, of thirty pieces. The programme was quite as ambitious, both vocal and instrumental, as that usually given by the musical clubs from the great colleges, and it was excellently rendered. Not a few of those who heard the concert were greatly astonished, having accepted the idea that the musical instinct was entirely lacking in the nature of the Indian. It is only Christianity and education that the American Indian and all other savages lack to make them our equals in many things, which partially informed people imagine to be signs of race superiority in the Anglo-Saxon. It is principally the result of ages of Christianity, education and the naturally accompanying refinement in ways of living that appears to stamp the white race as superior to all others.

Senator Allen, of Nebraska, earned and received the thanks of those opposed to that species of gambling known as pool selling on horse races when he succeeded in getting an amendment adopted by the Senate, to a bill regulating horse racing in the District of Columbia, absolutely prohibiting the pool selling. The action of the Senate was a surprise to the gamblers who are now hard at work trying to get votes enough to bring about a reconsideration of the vote by which the Senate killed horse racing in this District; for notwithstanding the talk in certain circles about horse racing being merely "an incentive to improving the breed of horses" they know that without gambling there can be no profitable horse racing. It is a fact known to the sorrow of many parents that hundreds of young men have taken their first step towards disgrace for them and their families by making a bet on a horse race. And it is a fact equally well known that intemperance is a twin brother of gambling. Therefore it is hoped that the Senate will not retrace this step towards lessening the temptation of the young men who reside at or visit the National Capital.

The Christian Endeavor Union held one of the most enthusiastic meetings in its history Monday evening. Addresses were delivered by Mr. W. H. Pennell, who was introduced as the "First Christian Endeavorer," and who told the story of how the organization originated and the first society was formed by Dr. F. E. Clark, of Williston Church, Portland, Maine, and by Dr. T. S. Hamlin, who spoke on "growth from great conventions, but it was the encouraging reports of the committees which are working to have the '96 convention held in Washington that aroused the greatest enthusiasm. All Washington is interested in these efforts, and valuable assistance is being rendered by the business men of the city who are just as anxious to secure the convention as the endeavorers are. One noticeable and commendable feature of the work that is being done is that not one word of disparagement is heard of the other cities which are competing with Washington for the honor of entertaining the convention in 1896.

Rev. Samuel W. Small, who is

deservedly popular as a preacher and a temperance orator, has been in Washington for a week, and, I regret to say, that by one act of his he has caused himself to be harshly criticised by some of his warmest admirers. After preaching in one of our Churches last Sunday morning he lectured at night in the same theatre in which the scowling Ingersoll had the previous Sunday night attacked everything the Christian holds sacred. It did not lessen the offence that Mr. Small's lecture was advertised as an answer to Ingersoll's attack on the Bible and Christianity. It was delivered on Sunday night and the Sabbath was desecrated by the sale of admission tickets. Christians are as a rule opposed to the opening of theatres for any purpose on Sunday, and many of them do not hesitate to say that Mr. Small made a mistake which he should not repeat, if he wishes to retain his place in their esteem. A minister should set a better example.

April 11.

There are in the United States, at present, 111,036 ministers of all Denominations. Of course, some of these are aged and infirm, and some without actual charge. All of them, however, are to be expected to be vitally interested in the spiritual advancement of God's kingdom. It is a great arm. Though they do not compose a wealthy body, yet there is no equal number of men that will excel them in actual power and influence in the land. That power is for righteousness. There are many facts to make us feel sure that the world is growing better and must continue to grow better.—Herald and Presbyter.

The "Industrial Army," now moving in detachments through the Middle and Western States, is a living menace to the peace of the land; not, perhaps, that these nomadic bands are themselves the elements of strife; but they indicate the volcanic unrest and hidden peril in the very constitution of our society. It is time that the men who direct the destinies of State were giving serious consideration to the possible outcome of these disturbances. Whether or not these men actually succeed in investing the national capital with their ragged ranks as is their avowed purpose, there is enough involved in the situation to awaken the profoundest concern.—Pacific Advocate.

The Presiding Eldership is once more up for consideration. No institution of the Church has been discussed with more frequency or with more vigor. We stand in doubt as to whether there is now a new word to be said in regard to it. A noticeable fact about recent utterances on the subject is that the most of them are conservative. Very few ministers or laymen nowadays desire either to abolish the office or to make radical changes in its character. It is generally assumed, we think, that the Presiding Eldership, in some form or other, is essential to the working of our itinerant economy. With this judgment we heartily agree.—Nashville Advocate.

If Romanists in this country believe in such religious liberty as they enjoy, as they profess to do, they will not hesitate to seek to promote it in the countries to the South where their Church holds almost complete sway. But will they do it? Of course not. Religious liberty is all right when it is accorded to them, but it is a very different thing when they hold the power. Then they do not believe in it. Veuillot, a French Romanist and leader in his day, put the doctrine of the church tersely when he said: "When Protestants are in the ascendancy, we demand religious liberty, because that is their doctrine; but when Catholicism is in the ascendancy, we deny religious liberty, because that is our doctrine."—Pittsburgh Advocate.

This is the year of jubilee for the Young Men's Christian Association, and it will be properly celebrated. Fifty years ago about a dozen clerks met in an upper story of a commercial house in London and held a religious service. George Williams, who was then a clerk, was at the head of the movement, and still lives to rejoice in its wonderful growth. An international convention will be held in the coming June in famous Exeter Hall, London; reports will be presented and addresses given by delegates, in French, English, and German. A monster meeting will be held under the noble dome of St. Paul's Cathedral, and another in Royal Albert Hall, which will hold but not seat, about nine thousand persons. It is proposed that the associations in the various cities and towns of the world have celebrations on June 6, and also on the following Sunday.—N. Y. Advocate.

EVANGELISTS.

The following article by Rev. Dr. John A. Thompson in the Southern Advocate I beg to make my reply to Bros. Cason, Beard and Jernigan. J. R. MOORE.

Pine Bluff, April 9.

This question has been under discussion for years, and perhaps sentiment is made up and the next General Conference will take some definite action upon it.

Certain it is that many memorials asking for the recognition of the office will be presented, and hence it is desirable that the body give some distinct deliverance, and put the Church at rest.

To assume that the labors of a number of evangelists are not blessed of God, is, it would seem, to contradict fact. But success is so difficult to determine that one hesitates to pronounce upon any work or man, until his labor has stood the test of reasonable time. But the fact that some men are successful along a certain line does not justify the conclusion that the Church should legalize a thing that has been put before the country in an illegal way.

We can perhaps get the best solution of this question by examining the results of the office in other Churches. No Church has more directly encouraged and fostered the office than the Presbyterian. I believe that one for a synod or perhaps for each Presbytery is permitted, and his support is provided for according to certain rules regulating the same.

It is certainly true that to the extent of my observation the office has been a disappointing failure, resulting in many places in the appointment of a man who finds himself without a call and without a Church. I have observed the labors of a number of these men, and have known of more, and I have never known anything like a distinct revival or a large ingathering of souls. His further true that while other Churches in the South have manifested much vitality and aggressive power, the movements and growth of the Presbyterian Church have been slow and rather feeble. That the Presbyterian Church has produced what are termed successful evangelists is admitted, but in the main they have been men who did not recognize the voice of Synod or Presbytery, but traveled at large, not confining themselves to the Presbyterian Church. It is a fact that the office stripped of its novelty and confined to certain limits is an unquestioned failure.

Generally one visit and one meeting at a place suffices for the evangelist, exhausts his power and resources, and a second attempt ends in failure, and sometimes disaster. This is worthy of deep consideration. The word generally, is used advisedly, for there are exceptions, but very few indeed. The writer cannot at this time recall but two, and they are Sam Jones and Mr. Moody.

The following is suggested for the prayerful attention of those who may have this matter in hand.

The office, it seems to the writer, is dangerous on many grounds and for many reasons, two or three of which only are mentioned.

Prefacing these reasons, I will call attention to the fact that our Church cannot recognize the general evangelist without either changing or violating the law of the Church and our economy. To localize it seems to denude it of its efficiency and power, and the Church is therefore called upon to recognize the general evangelist, the man who labors where he may wish; localize and therefore destroy, or sanction an illegality.

1. It is an expensive luxury.

I am aware that in discussing this question, especially this feature of it, that I shall be accused of wholesale condemnation, and draw upon myself the displeasure and hard criticism of this class of brethren. But it should be remembered that unpleasant, conscientious work is not wholly confined to the evangelist.

I write what I know to be true, and do not draw upon my imagination, when I say that the evangelist is very careful of the financial side of his meetings. This is true without a single exception to the extent of my knowledge and information. I had either had in my charges, or attended the service of evangelists in other charges, the extreme second-blessing brother and the one who does not hold that peculiar view, and all alike are equally alive to the financial side of the meeting. They each and all profess an exalted faith and no concern about the material, knowing that God will take care of his consecrated servants, but devise wise plans, and devise them with commendable diligence, resulting without failure in the large ingathering of duets.

It is not an uncommon thing for one of these favored of the Lord to receive more for the services of a ten-days' meeting than the charge pays in twelve months for all purposes of its operation, including salaries of P. E., P. C. and all the collections ordered by the Conference. If this is doubted, I can easily give names, time, place and amount.

I know a number of evangelists who were once itinerant preachers who for one meeting get more money than in one year when pastors, and they had appointments fully the equal of the preachers. More seriously still. The tendency of the evangelist is the destruction of the revival spirit. Of course I use the word evangelist as applied to a certain class now under discussion, and not the true signification.

But the revival spirit is affected by them in two ways, and are so closely connected that I shall mention them together.

The Church and the pastors soon learn to depend upon the coming of the man who professes a monopoly in soul saving—and sadder still, the preacher falls into the same fatal snare.

We now have a number of Churches which have no thought of a revival under the labors of the pastor, and we have preachers who have as little faith in their own work. Hence it is the unbroken habit of a number of preachers, in assuming pastoral charge, to begin at once arrangements for the evangelist. They have no conversions before his coming and none after his going. Few things are more to be deplored than this fact. Yet you cannot find it in your heart to blame the pastor. If he suggests a meeting the Church at once says: "Who are you going to get to hold the meeting?" and this cry absolutely crushes his spirit and destroys confidence in his ministry.

The evangelist comes, and perhaps in the first harangue he arraigns the preacher, puts him in the background, and after such proceeding, if the preacher has any hope that his people will again be influenced by him, such hope is vain.

Sometimes the evangelist says: That Church has not been in a revival in ten years only when an evangelist held the meeting. It is true, and what is more, the evangelist is the cause, and God will hold him responsible.

This question has many sides, methods—management, general plans of the men themselves, would afford sufficient for many articles. These we dismiss with a single reference.

I have heard time and again the evangelist rehearse some old anecdotes I have heard since a small boy, and get them off as occurrences in their lives—stale yarns, etc.

How will you account for the seeming success, and the evident influence of an evangelist in a community? This question is not difficult to answer. In the first place the age is peculiarly favorable to the novel plans of the evangelist. Any man can draw the people if he will announce his purpose to be the exhortation of the regular ministry—add to this the flaming hand-bills, curious catch subjects, solos, etc. But after all the success comes from the fact that it is demanded that the preachers and Churches of the community shall unite upon the evangelist and his work.

I heard that a certain very successful preacher was appointed to an important charge, but had fallen into a very low state. The first Sunday the attendance was small. The pastor remarked: Brethren, this will never do; we must get the people here. I will tell you how. You brag on your preacher, and the preacher will brag on you, and we will soon fill the house. Large congregations demonstrated the wisdom of the preacher. Not just so the evangelist. He says I will abuse the preachers, and the preachers and people will brag on me and we will have a good meeting. The crowds come—the meeting moves on. Some one will say "sour grapes," but I declare sincerely so far as I am capable of understanding, the evangelist either knows nothing of preaching, or he has a genius in disguising his knowledge. His efforts are a medley of yarns, slang, abuse, anecdotes and ridicule. So far as the discussion of the great themes of the Gospel is concerned, he does not run the risk of being charged.

But the General Conference will be asked to grant all the extravagant demands of this class, and the following is suggested as the solution:

1. Let each Annual Conference select the men who shall evangelize.

2. Over these shall be appointed a Presiding Elder Evangelist.

The compensation shall be fixed, \$1,000 for a married man, and \$600 for a single man. The evangelist shall be required to labor at such times and places as the Presiding Elder shall direct.

They shall make an accurate report each quarter of all moneys received, and any surplus after paying the salaries shall go to the Conference fund to be divided by the Joint Board of Finance.

This will settle the whole question, and eliminate from our Church this restless contingent.

It would be worth while for the ladies to bear in mind that if they take a gentle course of Ayer's Sarsaparilla in the spring, they will have no trouble with "prickly heat," "hives," "sties," "bolls," or "black heads," when summer comes. Prevention is better than cure.

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CAN WE BE MORE EFFICIENT IN OUR SUNDAY-SCHOOL WORK?

(Read before Arkadelphia District Sunday-school Conference, at Okolona, April 6.) In considering the question of More Efficient Work in the Sunday-School there are only two factors of which I shall take especial notice: First, the need of the united efforts of the Church, the superintendent and the teachers to advance the cause; second, the need of teachers possessing the requisite qualifications for imparting knowledge to others. If I may draw a figure from the electric science, I will liken the Sunday-school to a Voltaic battery, in which the sup't and teachers play the part of a series of cells; the Church being the electrolyte. Just as the action of the electrolyte on the cell elements generates what is termed in electric science, the electro-motive force, so it is the Church, the sup't and the teachers that originate the educative and character-building force in the Sunday-school. As in the electric machine there is a positive and negative electrode and a difference of potential and as the force of the electric current depends upon this difference of potential flowing from the positive to the negative electrode; so in the Sunday-school the sup't plays the part of the positive and the teachers play the part of the negative electrode—so we have in the Sunday-school the educative force depending upon the potential energy passing from the one to the other. But as the two poles of the electric machine have separate and distinct functions, yet neither can fulfill its office without the help of the other, so it is in the Sunday-school; the pastor, the sup't and the teacher have unlike and individual functions, yet each must have the hearty co-operation of the other. Success depends upon it. For the electric machine to do effective work, there must be a harmonious action of its component parts. If we would do effective work in the Sunday-school we must have the combined efforts of its component parts. The Church must do its part, the sup't must do his part and the teacher must do his part. And right here we meet perhaps one of the greatest obstacles in the way of more efficient work in the Sunday-school. That is the lack, on the part of both sup't and teacher, of a definite, tangible conception of their respective duties as teachers, coupled with imperfect training for the work. To make our work in the Sunday-school more efficient we should have a corps of teachers who have a keen appreciation of their responsibility and the requisite qualifications for teaching. The sup't should be not a mere automaton dragging through his part in a dull hum-drum fashion, but thoroughly alive to every interest of the school, promoting its growth in every possible manner. For in a great measure the success or failure of the Sunday-school depends upon his efforts. But while the sup't is the director of the movements of the work, the teachers are the propelling force. They should exhibit an unusual degree of the knowledge of the sacred record and be capable of imparting it to others. Nothing is more detrimental to the best interests of the Sunday-school than for a teacher to show undoubted evidences of a lack of knowledge of the Bible, and especially the portion under consideration, and to hurry through with the lessons in a sort of stereotyped style without variation or comment, as a great many do. Such a teacher not only fails to instruct his pupils, but on the other hand causes them to lose interest in the work and to be indifferent and irregular in attendance.

In addition to his general knowledge of the Scriptures a teacher should always be well prepared on the lesson and have the consummate tact of creating a lively interest in the class. Each lesson should be prefaced by a careful review of the previous lesson and the connecting chapters, and each question should be so directed as to elicit an answer in the pupil's own language, thereby preventing the habit, which pupils so often fall into, in answering in a mechanical way without clearly understanding the lesson. The teacher should endeavor to turn light on the subject from every available source in order to facilitate its understanding. He should by the aid of maps, diagrammatic illustrations and a vivid imagination present to the pupil's mind, in as lucid a way as possible, those peculiar oriental, political and sociological conditions which gave imagery and color to the divine revelation as it was communicated through the "holy men of God." Much of the language of the inspired Book is highly poetic, imaginative and picturesque. To understand it therefore it is necessary

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But the teacher's most important duty is to keep ever clearly before the pupil's mind the fearful consequences of sin, the abundant mercies of God and the great scheme of salvation through the atoning merits of our Savior; and to train them for actual service in Christ's vineyard. Not long since a good pastor said, "The need of the times is more trained Churches and more training pastors." Fortunate indeed is that Church which has a corps of Sunday-school teachers imbued with a sense of responsibility akin to that of this pastor. To train the young for effective work in the Church is a responsibility that might well fill the bravest heart. When the members of a class are all converted the real work of a teacher has only begun. The frequency with which Jesus exhorted his disciples to love one another is suggestive of the high estimate he placed upon growth in Christian character. To train a company of Christ's followers in the exercise of those methods by which this love is developed is indeed a high office in his Church. Whosoever prompts a Christian in the way of better living, or inspires believers to closer fellowship, or increases their knowledge and appreciation of practical methods in Church work, is engaged in the highest style of service. He is edifying the body of Christ, promoting the growth of believers, and is doing good to all men, while instructing especially the household of faith.

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J. H. STURDY.
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From all that I can gather there has been a worshipping congregation of Methodists here for more than 60 years, though my knowledge goes back only one-half that time, when Bro. Marshall was the P. C. He was the first preacher I ever heard in Arkansas. This was in 1860. The Methodist pioneer had made efforts here before that I am sure, and am led to think so from one circumstance which came under my own knowledge. I was riding by the celebrated Buncumb Springs, 4 miles west of here, in company with one of the oldest settlers on Long Prairie and at the spring he pointed to an elm tree and remarked "right there I attended a Methodist camp-meeting 30 or 40 years ago." This was said during the War.

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Our readers will peruse with interest the letter on the Southern General Conference by Rev. Dr. E. E. Hoss, who presents both information and conjecture—the latter sufficiently indefinite at several points. Here we may remark, that comparatively few have said much about needed legislation by the approaching General Conference except on the evangelistic question, which we predict will not receive the consideration anticipated by many.

It has been published that fifty of the sixty licensed distillers in Arkansas will soon close their distilleries, because of their declared inability to comply with the recent order of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, requiring them to produce three and a half instead of two and a half gallons of whiskey for each bushel of grain used. We know nothing about the capacity of Arkansas distilleries as compared with those in other States, but we would rejoice to know all the licensed and illicit distilleries in our State were permanently closed.

Referring to the letter on page 1 from President A. C. Millar, we again express our earnest hope of seeing most of the undergraduates of our three Conferences in attendance upon the Preachers' Institute at Conway, June 20-29. As we view the institution, our young preachers cannot afford to miss the opportunity of attending it, and we do not believe it will be really necessary for a single undergraduate to stay away for lack of money to pay traveling expenses. If any think they may have to miss the Institute on that account, they should so advise President Millar without delay, and without any fear to publicity being given to their statements; and then we believe the money will be generously provided for their traveling expenses by men able and willing to help young preachers in fitting themselves for the largest measure of usefulness.

Last week we received notice to stop the paper going to a brother, saying: "He wishes it stopped, as he says you [Editor] prate too much on the second blessing," which "he thinks a dangerous doctrine." There now! As we have written but little on the subject, and only in respectful opposition to the teaching of the "second blessing" school, we think the dissatisfied brother needs an added work in his head, at least. His objection to the Editor's "prating" reminds us of an order in 1888 to stop the paper going to subscriber, who said he "would not take any paper edited by a Republican, even if it was a Church paper." His paper was stopped without explanation. The next year we copied from the N. Y. Independent (Republican in politics) some matter on pension frauds, and that grievously offended some readers, who may have been directly concerned, and they seemed to think the Editor a belligerent Democrat of the "brigadier" variety. "Boring for the simples" has been suggested in some cases, which we consider practically hopeless.

In a carefully written article in the Wesleyan Advocate on the evangelistic question, Rev. J. B. McGehee says: "It is clear that we cannot set up a distinct order in the itinerant ranks. Such a course would conflict with all our antecedents. It would bring in an educative policy not consonant with our views of the gospel ministry. The evil would not stop there. In less than a quarter of a century this educative policy would rob the regular ministry of the little force, fervor and faith now left among us, and settle us in the connection that we are simple called to nurse the children born of the parentage of another man's ministry."

Referring to recent communications in our Church papers calling upon evangelists to state what legislation they want by the approaching General Conference, the Southern Advocate says: "Why do they not speak out? If they remain silent now, they should certainly continue silent after the General Conference adjourns. It is reported that one of the best known evangelists has declared that he did not wish the Bishops to be authorized to appoint evangelists. Sam Jones, in an address to the General Conference at Richmond, expressed his gratification that no such law had been passed then, for, said he, 'Pass such

a law and the woods will be full of them.' What does Brother Jones think now? And what do the other evangelists think? By all means let us know before the Memphis meeting."

COLORADO M. E. CHURCH.

In 1871 the colored members of the M. E. Church, South, by direction of its General Conference, were "set up", organized into a separate ecclesiastical body, under the name, Colored Methodist Episcopal Church in America. They have rightfully expected and received endorsement and encouragement from our Church, but the material aid given has fallen far below our ability and their urgent need. We endorse, therefore, and commend Bishop Haygood's article in the Nashville Advocate last week, emphasizing the duty of our Church in relation to the rightful claims of the Colored M. E. Church. From this article we copy:

We should deal honestly, if not generously, with our ecclesiastical daughter. She has waited a long time upon our resolutions, and promises, and encouragements of one sort and another. Their faith in us is very great, and it is pathetic. If we intend ever to do anything for this Colored Church we sent out nearly a generation ago it is time we were at it. We have done nothing worthy our opportunity, or our relation to this Church. Nothing at all commensurate with their needs. Nor is this the whole of the case, our endorsement of this Church costs it much. Its relation to us cuts it off from Northern and European help. But for looking to us and trusting us they might have made ecclesiastical adjustments to their advantage. What I write I know—they still trust us, but "hope deferred" has made "the heart sick." So far as actual, vital relations to the Christianizing of the African race in this country and in Africa is concerned, schools—Payne and Lane Institutes—represent it all. Do we intend to go on ten years longer making resolutions? Making promises? Deferring deeds? Do we intend to turn away from this white field of opportunity? With our history before the war with these people? with our historic relations to this Church now? It were better for them to tell them plainly "we drop you" than to go on feeding them with words. If we drop these schools, where will we ever take hold again of the African problem? Are we free, as between us and God, to cut loose from the African race? We send men and women to China, to Japan, and to Catholic countries. Here are these millions—our needy brothers—at our door. Here is the Church we sent into the world trusting us. They are not idlers. They have wrought wondrously. They have built Churches and managed their affairs with marvelous wisdom, energy, and success. They deserve all we have been promising them. In honor, let us ask, and in truth let us answer: Did we "set up" or "set off" the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church? In God's fear let us also ask: What ought we now to do?

INDUSTRIAL DEPRESSION.

The industrial and commercial distress continues. There seems to be no "favored nation" clause in this world-wide treaty. If one member suffers, the whole body suffers with it. The solidarity of civilization could have no better illustration than that afforded by the present conditions. A readjustment of wages to a lower standard seems inevitable. It is in progress. Its progress is marked with strikes, sometimes bloody, as in the coke regions of Pennsylvania, and with cruel lockouts. The enormous shrinkage in values due to the single gold standard, crushes thousands who a year ago were fairly prosperous.

The foregoing is taken from the Western Christian Advocate (Cincinnati), which we believed favored the demand for the unconditional repeal of the silver purchase section in the Sherman law. During the discussion of that measure in Congress we copied with approval reported utterances of Senator James K. Jones, who spoke against the bill as being in line with that class of national legislation, which had rapidly increased the wealth of the rich at the expense of the masses. In the same editorial (Sept. 14) we said:

The whole trend in the management of the money and produce markets has been to make the rich richer and the poor poorer. And with rapacious mendacity "the wealthy few" are now seeking, as they have heretofore sought, with marvelous success, to secure national legislation, which would be clearly against the interests of the masses. Now they not only want to stop the compulsory purchase of silver bullion—which would doubtless be best for the Government—but they seem equally desirous to suspend the further coinage of silver; and later with silver coinage suspended, they will move with determined and increased force to destroy the legal tender or money value of silver coin, which would enormously en-

hance the value of the gold in the possession of the rich, and in greater measure impoverish the debtor and producing classes of the country. Such has been the history of the unjust legislation in behalf of the owners of the gold bonds of the United States.

We believe the great financial panic of 1893, attributed to the coinage of silver under the Sherman law, was caused chiefly by those holding and wanting to buy gold bonds, as they would be enriched by legislation in the direction of a single gold standard. The great panic has passed, but the industrial distress continues and we fear will continue until there shall be decisive legislation by Congress to check the rapacity of the rich from increasing oppression of the laboring and producing classes of the nation. In the desired legislation we include the suppression of "dealing in futures"—the gigantic system of oppressing the farmers of the nation by gambling upon their products and practically fixing the prices before the corn, wheat, meat and cotton are produced. Here we copy a few sentences from the St. Louis Advocate on the prevalent discontent: "The farmers who find themselves compelled to accept a price for their grain that does not meet the cost of its production, have good cause for discontent, and cannot be blamed for feeling that they are hardly used. It is no small matter to know that every year, sometimes for a decade, your expenses exceed your income, and that additional debt must be contracted in order that the means of living may be secured, but such is, unfortunately, the condition of not a few farmers in this country; nor is their dissatisfaction at this state of affairs in the least lessened by the knowledge that the wheat and corn which they have produced at a loss, are made the means of accumulating enormous fortunes for factors, brokers and speculators; men who never work, in the ordinary sense of the word, but who depend on their wits and on doubtful operations in the markets to realize gains that, in the highest sense of the word, really belong to the farmer."

EQUAL RIGHTS.

Without any previous notice to the employees the receivers (managers) of the Northern Pacific Railway put into operation a reduced schedule of wages, and then upon their application Judge Jenkins of the U. S. Circuit court issued an injunction restraining the employees "from any combination or conspiracy having for its purpose the inauguration of a strike upon the lines of the railway", and "from ordering or advising the employees of the railway (receivers) to join in a strike. This action of Judge Jenkins, who has denied a motion for a modification of his restraining order, has been investigated but not yet reported upon by a Congressional committee, of which Hon. W. L. Terry is a member.

Following the decision of the superior court, Judge Dundy of the U. S. District court ruled likewise in a similar case against the employees of the Union Pacific Railway, which is also in the hands of a receiver. But this restraining order was set aside by Judge H. C. Caldwell of the U. S. Circuit court in a decision that has been repeatedly commended by the press and very greatly applauded in labor circles, especially these words:

"The period of compulsory personal service save as a punishment for crime has passed in this country. In this country it is not unlawful for employees to associate, consult, and confer together with a view to maintain or increase their wages by lawful and peaceful means, any more than it was unlawful for the receivers to counsel and confer together for the purpose of reducing their wages. A corporation is organized capital; organized labor is organized capital. What is lawful for one to do is lawful for the other to do."

This has been highly commended as a clear and correct statement of the equal rights of capital and labor; but, if correctly reported, Judge Caldwell said also: "Specific performance of a contract to render personal service can not be enforced by injunction, by pains and penalties, or by any other means." Then employees appear to have one very decided advantage over employers, if the "specific performance of a contract to render personal service can not be enforced" by any legal means. In the courts organized capital may be forced to comply with its contract, but not so organized labor with "a contract to render personal service." If this be the law, the employers of labor in manufacturing and building must be at the disadvantage of uncertainty about the price they may have to

pay for wages in filling their contracts.

As Judges Caldwell and Jenkins are co-equals in official rank, we suppose a test case will be taken soon to the U. S. Supreme court, and before that time we suppose Judge Jenkins will see an unpleasant report from the Congressional committee.

METHODIST FEDERATION.

Replying in a long article to recent utterances of the Tennessee Methodist on this subject, the Texas Advocate justifies, as we have done, the "sadly significant silence" of our representatives in the Ecumenical Conference on the unauthorized overture for organic union—saying:

In fact, Bishop Foster's proposal, though not intended to be so, was inconsiderate and discourteous toward the M. E. Church, South, and under a strict enforcement of parliamentary rules would have been ruled out of order by the chair. We honor Bishop Foster for what we believe to be his sincere desire for union. He is a great man, and his brotherly desire does credit to his heart. But on the particular occasion under consideration he let his zeal run ahead of his judgment. In his burning zeal he made a blunder which, in its effects, was discourteous to his brethren of a sister Church. What could our people do, therefore, under the circumstances? Would the Methodist have had them accept or reject the proposal? We contend that the only sensible, gentlemanly and courteous thing our delegation could do under the circumstances was to keep silent. Thank God, we had men there with enough self-respect, respect for their Church, and respect for the proprieties of the occasion to keep silent. It is just to observe also that the Churches from across the water which cheered the Bishop so lustily with amens have not themselves united.

But now as to the "sadly significant silence" on federation, the following resolutions were presented by the Business Committee and adopted by the Conference:

That the Conference recognizes with gratitude to God, the growing desire for closer union among the evangelical Churches of Christendom, and especially hails with devout thankfulness the extension of that desire among the various Methodist Churches.

2. The Conference cannot doubt that concerted action among the different Methodist bodies upon many questions would be greatly to the advantage of the kingdom of God. The Conference would suggest that such concerted action might be possible and useful in the following great provinces of the Methodist world, namely: (a) Great Britain and Ireland, including affiliated Conferences and missions; (b) the United States, including its missions and mission Conferences; (c) Australasia, with Polynesia and its other missions; (d) Canada with its missions.

3. This Conference, therefore, respectfully requests the Churches represented in this Conference to consider whether such concerted action be possible, and if so, by what means and in what way; and directs the secretaries to forward a copy of this resolution to the senior Bishop or President of every Conference represented here. (See page 434, Proceedings).

The Southern delegation stood up and were counted for these resolutions. So far from being "sadly significantly silent" on federation, they with action, which speaks louder than words, expressed themselves in favor of it. Our senior Bishop, who has been criticized for not responding to the other senior, stood up and voted with the rest.

Bradstreet's trade review under date of April 14 presents a rather discouraging view of financial, commercial and industrial conditions—especially the last, saying: The industrial situation is more complicated and less encouraging. There is a prospect of a widespread strike of coal miners and others this month, with a probability of further strikes and lockouts at larger cities early in May. There are now fifty-six strikes now in force throughout the country, involving about 55,000 people.

The Methodist Preachers' Meeting in Chicago adopted a petition to Pope Leo XIII, asking his influence to secure for Protestants in Peru, Ecuador and Bolivia the same kind of religious freedom and liberty of conscience which obtain in the United States. After the preamble the request was thus stated:

In view of the repeated and warm approval by the clergy and laymen of the Roman Catholic Church in this country, of religious freedom as existing by law in these United States, we respectfully and earnestly request that the proper authorities of that Church use their good offices, under the direction of Pope Leo XIII, to secure for the Protestants of Ecuador, Peru and Bolivia, the same liberty of conscience that is enjoyed by Roman Catholic citizens of this country.

SKILLVILLE.

The capital of Pope county, is an inviting railway town of 2,000 population, and has steadily grown and improved during the general industrial and financial depression. There we spent last Sabbath pleasantly, preaching twice to larger congregations than on former occasions, and hearing as usual there good music led by a trained organist and singers. We attended the Sunday school under the efficient direction of Bro. J. F. Munday, a zealous and very competent superintendent, and made a short talk at the meeting of the Epworth League, which did not appear as prosperous as we hoped to see. We heard only cheerful and commendatory remarks about our pastor, Rev. Wm. Sberman, who was absent. We had a very pleasant home at the White House—an excellent hotel at every meal we have eaten there—and had also the privilege of sharing the hospitality of Bros. Carden and Munday.

TEXAS EPWORTH LEAGUES.

The third annual session of the State Conference of Epworth Leagues in Texas met in the city of Waxahatchie, April 3. From the Texas Advocate's report of the session we copy the following paragraphs:

No more intelligent and good-looking assemblage of young men and women ever met in any place in this State than those composing the Epworth League Conference at Waxahatchie. The readiness and spirit with which they sang, prayed, testified and deliberated made the hearts of older people leap with joy as they contemplated the influence of these young people upon the future history of our Church in Texas!

The delegates from Floyd Street (Dallas) Chapter reported about ninety conversions since December—most of whom were brought to Christ at the cottage prayer-meetings held by Leaguers.

A number of delegates reported conversions at their League meetings. It was gratifying to note that great stress is laid upon the evangelistic side of League work by so many of the chapters in Texas.

A memorial to the General Conference, asking that a constitution for the League be incorporated in the Discipline and that a General League Secretary and editor of a League organ be established, was unanimously adopted.

Bishop Key preached on Thursday at 11 a. m. about the trial and triumph of the Hebrew children. He made public opinion in our times the "uncrowned king" who demanded—yes, commanded—the young children of God to fall down and worship the image which it sets up. He called attention to the fact that the great bulk of the literature of our times was written especially for the young. Half, if not more, of the income of our Publishing House was from this source—supplies for the Sunday-school, League, etc. The evil one worked on the same lines. He had but little care about the gray head; he must soon die anyhow; but he laid all his snares and set all his traps for the young.

The Bishop's sermon was strong, apt and spiritual. Some of us will remember it to our dying day.

There are some things men ought to settle and to let stay settled. What we need most of all in our day is conscientious convictions and a settled purpose to die by them if it should come to that.—Bishop Key.

The period that tests us in this life is the period that makes us o breaks us. Youth is the time to prepare for a happy or a miserable old age.—Bishop Key.

It takes as much manhood, grace and stability of character to resist the demands of public opinion as it did to defy the decree of the Babylonian King.—Bishop Key.

While we do not know how much just ground there may be for the implied charges of bribery against unnamed members of the present Congress in the interest of corporations and "trusts," it is humiliating to read intimations of such bribery with the memory, that on more than one occasion, men standing high in Congress have been corrupted by the love and power of money. Writing about the uncertainty of the Senate's adopting the tariff bill, the Washington correspondent of the St. Louis Republic said April 14:

I am told on reliable authority, that the Sugar Trust has made an appropriation of \$3,000,000; that John Wanamaker and Thomas Dolan of Philadelphia have raised a million in that city; Pittsburg has passed the hat among its opulent, and has a million dollars ready for a general fund and that two million dollars are to be raised elsewhere. This makes a fund of \$7,000,000; an enormous sum, you will admit. It will be necessary to buy three, or at most four Senators. The purchased ones must be Democrats. There is no need of buying a Republican in this deal, because all the Republicans will vote against the bill.

The Vice President has decided that 43 Senators are a majority at the present time, there being three vacancies, the States of Montana, Washington and Wyoming being

only half represented. There are supposed to be 44 Democrats in the Senate—one more than a quorum, according to the Vice President's ruling. Under these conditions the managers of this \$7,000,000 fund to beat the bill would only have to look out for the Populists and two Democrats. Just think of dividing \$7,000,000 among four men. Just think of the possibilities or the probabilities of the far reaching power of that \$7,000,000.

The present law, the McKinley law, is estimated to be worth \$22,000,000 a year to the Sugar Trust. The McKinley law is the ideal law for the trust. It gives the trust its raw material free. It gives the trust half a cent a pound tariff duty, which is practically prohibitory. With the trust getting \$22,000,000 a year under present conditions, it is entirely plausible to believe that the trust can very well afford to put up \$3,000,000 or \$6,000,000 or \$10,000,000 if necessary to defeat the Wilson bill, which hits the Sugar Trust below the belt.

Some of our old-fashioned statesmen believe that it is sordid and squalid and disgraceful to even think that a Senator of the United States would sell his country, let alone his party, but we are just about coming up to that condition. There are \$7,000,000 raised by the barons ready for investment. Later on, we will see whether Senators will sell themselves.

OTHER EDITORS.

The devil never assumed the guise of an angel of light more successfully, perhaps, than when he introduced in the world modern "Christian science," falsely so called. It is remarkably strange that so many otherwise good and sensible people are duped by this craze. With an energy and perseverance worthy a better cause, the promulgators of this doctrine are working their way into every community, and turning away the true faith of some. The pity is great.—Michigan Advocate.

It is supposed by some that this shameless criminal [Breckinridge] will have the satanic audacity to "stand for Congress" in Kentucky—"seeking vindication!" Kentucky will not condone this treachery of an over-honored son. For him, in this world, "there is no place for repentance." He may postpone the catastrophe, but it will come. He must keep company with his kind. This is not Italy in the sixteenth century. We have had the shame of the publication of the vile and hateful details of the lives of these two abandoned people. May young men and women who have read the story learn this lesson: "The wages of sin is death."—Zion's Herald.

Where Romanism is supreme, there is relentless bigotry. Let the Pope knock the shackles off Peru, Ecuador, Bolivia—where Protestant converts are to this day denied the right to confess and worship God as their consciences dictate, and even the civil right of marriage outside the pale of the Romish Church—and then the declaration of his American representatives will carry conviction to the millions of Methodists who are vitally interested in the liberties of their brethren in South America. Very logical, therefore, is the action of our Chicago preachers in memorializing his holiness in this behalf.—Cincinnati Advocate.

It is frequently asserted that the laboring class is largely alienated from the Church, but Dr. Henderson, professor of Social Science in the University of Chicago, disputes the assertion. He claims that as large a proportion of the working classes are Christians as ever before. Only in a few of the great cities, which are largely peopled from the immigrant population, has there been a falling away into irreligious lives. "Throughout the United States," he affirms, "three-fourths of labor is Christian. The wage earners are the great body of earnest supporters of the Churches." We believe that Dr. Henderson may be regarded as an authority in this matter, and his statement is encouraging.—N. Y. Observer.

George Whitefield said in a letter written in 1771, in response to the inquiry, "What a preacher's experience should be at the moment of entering his pulpit?" "I remember the great Dr. Delanny, when I had the honor of being with him many years ago, at the Right Rev. Dr. Boulter's, then Lord Primate of Ireland, among other hints proper for a young preacher gave me to understand that whenever he went up into a pulpit he desired to look upon it as the last time he should ever preach and the last time the people should ever hear. O that all preachers, whether within or without doors, however dignified or distinguished, went always up into their respective pulpits thus impressed! They would then preach as Apelles once said he painted, namely, for eternity. They would then act the part of true, Gospel, Christian orators, and not only calmly and coolly inform the understanding, but by persuasive, pathetic address endeavor to move the affections and warm the heart. To act otherwise bespeaks a sad ignorance of human nature, and such an inexhaustible indolence and indifference in the preachers as must constrain the hearers, whether they will or not, to suspect that the preacher, let him be who he may, only deals in the false commerce of untold truth."—N. Y. Advocate.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

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

WE ARE AUTHORIZED TO ANNOUNCE C. A. BROWN, of Hempstead 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. Blanton, of Pulaski county, a candidate for the office of State Treasurer, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

WE ARE AUTHORIZED TO ANNOUNCE HON. RANSOM GULLEY, of Izard 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. Harker, of Pope county, a candidate for the office of State Land Commissioner, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

WE ARE AUTHORIZED TO ANNOUNCE HON. B. B. CHAMBERLAIN, of Logan county, a candidate for State Land Commissioner, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

WE ARE AUTHORIZED TO ANNOUNCE J. F. RICHIE, of Jefferson county, as a candidate for Commissioner of State Lands, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

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

WE ARE AUTHORIZED TO ANNOUNCE J. D. DORSEY, of Lenoire county, as a candidate for State Superintendent of Public Instruction, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

ASSOCIATE JUSTICE.
We are authorized to announce R. A. Battle, a candidate for re-election to the office of Associate Justice of the Supreme court of the State of Arkansas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY.
We are authorized to announce J. F. McNamee, of Pulaski county, a candidate for Prosecuting Attorney of the sixth judicial circuit, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

WE ARE AUTHORIZED TO ANNOUNCE T. J. OLLIPHANT, of Pulaski county, as a candidate for Prosecuting Attorney of the sixth judicial circuit, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

WE ARE AUTHORIZED TO ANNOUNCE WALTER H. PEMBERTON, of Pulaski county, as a candidate for re-election to the office of Prosecuting Attorney of the sixth judicial circuit, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

SHERIFF.
We are authorized to announce H. L. Fletcher, as a candidate for Sheriff of Pulaski county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

WE ARE AUTHORIZED TO ANNOUNCE W. H. BOKER, as a candidate for Sheriff of Pulaski county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

COUNTY JUDGE.
We are authorized to announce W. A. Compton, a candidate for re-election as County Judge of Pulaski county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

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.

WE ARE AUTHORIZED TO ANNOUNCE HORACE G. DAVIS, as a candidate for Circuit Clerk 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 re-election to the office of County Clerk, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries. Respectfully,
JOHN BROWN.

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.

WE ARE AUTHORIZED TO ANNOUNCE W. A. GALLOWAY, as a candidate for Assessor of Pulaski county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

PERSONAL AND OTHER NOTES

We do wish our pastors would every week furnish this paper twenty or more short field notes. Such brief reports from many churches would do good in various ways.

Again we request pastors, who write in their business letters items for publication, to put such items on a separate slip of paper with signature and date, as this will save the Editor the time and labor required to copy them. Business letters are filed away for future reference.

We acknowledge the receipt of a cordial invitation from the Theological Faculty of Vanderbilt University to attend the Cole lectures (six in number), which will be delivered in the chapel of the University April 22-29, by Bishop Alpheus W. Wilson, D. D., on "The Witness to Christ, the Savior of the World." The first lecture will be delivered at 8 p. m. Sunday, April 22, and the second Monday, the 23d, at 8 p. m.

We are indebted to Bro. J. R. Pepper, Memphis, Tenn., for a neatly printed folder containing the names of the delegates to our next General Conference.

Rev. James A. Anderson commenced a protracted meeting at the Methodist Church Wednesday night which will be continued through next week. After Saturday he will be assisted by Rev. B. H. Greathouse.—Fayetteville Democrat, April 12.

Miss Laura Haygood, of Atlanta, sister of Bishop Haygood, of the M. E. Church, South, who has been a missionary to China for a number of years, is coming home for a vacation, the first one she has had since going to China. In 1884 Miss Haygood was principal of the Girls' High School in Atlanta. She resigned her position and announced her intention of going as a missionary to China. In the Fall of 1884 she went to China and has been there ever since. She has been for some time in Shanghai, where she is in charge of the educational institution under the auspices of the mission.—New Orleans Advocate.

Bro. M. G. Wallace, of Piedmont, and Rev. F. P. Doak, P. C. of Hickory Plain C't, favored us with brotherly calls last Thursday.

Bro. S. M. Ford, a member of our Church at Coal Hill, desires information as to the whereabouts of his son, who left home last October and has not been heard of since. His name is Porter (Ford). He is about 16 years old, has light hair, blue eyes, and is very fair.

Rev. M. B. Corrigan, P. C. of Helena station, wrote April 12 he would begin on Sunday following a meeting to be protracted; that "everything was moving along finely; 13 accessions since Conference; claims all provided for."

Last Saturday morning we had a refreshing call from Rev. James Thomas, whose heart was aglow with joy over the gracious revival in First Church, Pine Bluff. Bro. Thomas spent Sunday with his own charge, Malvern Hill, Hot Springs, and returned to Pine Bluff Monday night to continue another week or longer in the meeting. Up to Friday night there had been over 30 professions of conversion, and the Church was wonderfully revived.

We have it on the best authority that Bishop C. B. Galloway will write the Life of the late Bishop H. N. McIntyre. This arrangement, we understand, has the full approval of the members of Bishop McIntyre's family. With such a subject and such an author we ought to get valuable and permanent addition to our biographical literature.—Nashville Advocate.

Rev. G. C. Jones, President of Arkadelphia Methodist College, wrote April 11: "I write to inform you about our speakers for Commencement. The Commencement sermon will be preached June 10th, by Rev. G. W. Hill, of the Arkansas Conference; the Baccalaureate sermon, at 8 p. m., by Rev. J. R. Cason, of the Little Rock Conference, and the Address before the graduates, by Dr. M. B. Corrigan, of the White River Conference." Under this announcement a good bill of fare may be expected; for it may be truly said of each preacher, as was said by an old lady of Rev. R. G. Brittain after one of his most eloquent efforts, "he can chat right well."

Rev. W. B. Hart, P. C. of Green Forest C't, wrote April 10: "Work is moving along nicely; are building a parsonage this year at Green Forest. Hope to have it completed and ready to occupy before the District Conference, which will be at this place this year."

We are advised the widow of a worthy local preacher, who died while serving a mission in the Arkansas Conference, is not able to pay amount due this paper or to continue taking it. "She loves THE ARKANSAS METHODIST very much," and we add it will not be stopped on account of her inability to pay for it. We cheerfully donate all now due, and believe some generous friend will send \$1.00 to pay another year.

We rejoice to learn Rev. J. B. McDonald, P. C. of Mineral C't, is recovering from a malignant attack of slow fever, which it was feared would prove fatal. We were first advised of his dangerous illness April 5, and expecting later word about his condition in time for our last issue we inadvertently failed to mention his sickness. He is at Cato in the home and care of Dr. W. J. Henson, who wrote April 16: "Our beloved pastor, Rev. J. B. McDonald, has been confined to his room for five weeks with malarial fever. Two weeks of that time it seemed that his recovery was extremely doubtful. At this time his condition is some better. He has borne his affliction with that Christian fortitude that characterizes a true servant of God. The people of Mineral circuit love their pastor and are praying for his recovery. Bro. McDonald is an earnest preacher, a constant laborer in the vineyard of the Lord for the salvation of souls. May God be with and direct us who watch over him, and may he soon be permitted to mingle with his people."

Bro. A. Pennington, of Cato, called Monday to renew his subscription. He reported Bro. McDonald better Saturday.

Mr. McNeill, of Columbia county, has forwarded to the Bureau of Mines a quantity of clays to be used in the Government tests at Watertown, Mass. Professor M. L. DeMahler also sends a fine collection of polished clays, numbering forty-eight specimens, for exhibition. They include tessellating, pressed brick, sewer pipe, vitrifying brick, earthenware, terra cotta and building brick clays.—Arkansas Democrat.

While in Magnolia, March 3, we had the pleasure of seeing Col. DeMahler's large collection of polished clays—beautiful specimens, and indicating a possible source of great wealth to Columbia county.

In the first column on page 8 we publish matter, which should be read by all our subscribers. Read it now and remember it.

Let those concerned bear in mind we are about four weeks behind with the publication of obituaries.

Last Saturday night we had the pleasure of traveling a few hours with Dr. J. L. Buchanan, President of Arkansas Industrial University. He was returning from a visit to this city. Lenoire, Marianna, LaGrange, Helena, Claremont, Stuttgart and Pine Bluff, having inspected the methods in a number of graded schools in the hope of getting their courses correlated with the Freshman course in the University. We feel sure he made a favorable impression on his visit, and he is much pleased with his observations in Arkansas.

Rev. S. H. Renfro, P. C. of Collegeville C't, wrote April 14: "We are moving along finely on our work—congregations improving at all points—and this round we are administering the sacrament of the Lord's Supper."

The Dardanelle District Conference will meet April 26, as previously announced.

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D. N. Weaver, P. C. of Dyer C't, wrote April 13: "We held our first services in our new church here [at Dyer] today and tonight. Had 2 accessions, baptized 5 children and one soul was converted."

Capt. H. S. Tabor, long in charge of Government work in the rivers of this State, died of consumption in San Antonio last Friday night and was buried Sunday afternoon with military honors in Mount Holly Cemetery, this city. An immense congregation attended the funeral services conducted in Winfield Memorial Church by the pastor, Rev. Horace Jewell, assisted by Rev. Dr. R. D. Smart. Capt. Tabor was a member of the Congregational Church and had for years taken an active part in benevolent and reform work.

State and Church lost a faithful and honored servant by the death of Senator Z. B. Vance, of North Carolina, last Friday night at his home in Washington. He was several times elected Governor of his State and had served many years in the United States Senate. He was a Christian statesman of noble character and great ability.

Rev. W. P. Haynes, P. C. of Sheridan C't, accompanied by Rev. T. H. Ware, P. E., gave us a brotherly call Tuesday morning. Bro. Ware had just returned from holding three Quarterly Conferences.

Sister Clower, widow of Rev. J. S. Clower, has removed from Nashville back to Gordon, where the family lived most of last year. Persons kindly contributing to help buy her and children a home should send directly to Mrs. Anna Clower, Gordon, Ark.

Revs. J. H. Bradford and W. C. Davidson have been assisting Rev. H. M. Cryer in his protracted meeting in Argenta station. We rejoice to learn the meeting is resulting in much good.

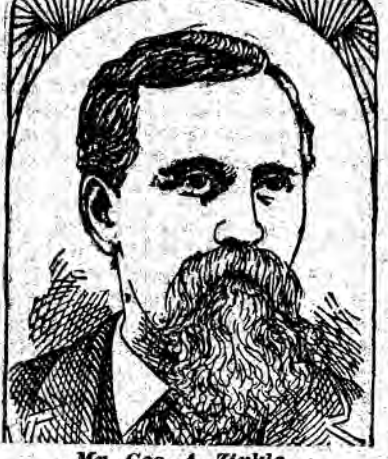
Brother Pastor, did you afford us the privilege of putting your name in our Honor Roll for February or March? If not, why not? Don't forget your Conference paper needs your assistance.

Rev. F. E. Taylor and Gen. Geo. P. Taylor of Forrest City favored our office with pleasant calls Tuesday—here in attendance at the meeting of the Grand Commandery.

Rev. Dr. J. H. Riggins, of Prescott, gave us a brotherly call Tuesday p. m. Last Sunday morning at our First Church in this city the pastor Rev. Dr. R. D. Smart baptized 12 persons and received 33 into the membership of the Church. That impressive service and his excellent sermon following it made the occasion a memorable one to many in attendance.

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all over my body and limbs. I had to have my little boys take shoe brushes and scratch me. It was dreadful. It continued a month and was followed immediately by a tumor in the right side of my neck, as large as a small egg. I at once commenced taking physicians' prescriptions and continued till I lost hope. In the mean time the tumor changed its place to the immediate front of my neck, suppurated and was followed by others, till six had formed and broken.

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HONOR ROLL FOR MARCH.

In the list below we aim to give the names of all our traveling preachers, who reported in March any money collected or one or more new subscribers gotten for THE ARKANSAS METHODIST. We heartily thank them, one and all, and hope they will continue and increase their helpful service for their Conference paper:

L. M. Powell, Jno. Eidsen, A. C. Graham, E. M. Davis, G. W. Griffin, A. Turentine, L. L. Land, W. C. Watson, C. D. McSwain, R. G. Rowland, C. W. Drake, O. E. Giddard, J. A. Sage, J. R. Cason, J. S. Watson, J. E. Rushing, Ed. Rushing, W. W. Mills, E. Garrett, A. S. Scott, J. M. Hawley, H. O. Moore, A. M. Robertson, N. E. Skinner, Mrs. Oslin, J. H. Gold, B. W. Aston, F. P. Doak, G. E. Parsons, J. M. D. Sturgis, J. F. Jernigan, B. M. Barlow, H. E. May, F. B. Wallis, E. F. Wilson, J. W. Griffin, J. C. Rhodes, T. J. Reynolds, J. W. House, E. C. Castleberry, J. McAnally, R. W. McKay, W. M. Watson, W. W. Christie, L. D. Webb, J. T. Bagwell, J. C. Moore, A. C. Ray, Wm. Sherman, L. C. Branch, N. E. Gardner, T. A. Bowen, J. C. Ritter, W. H. W. Burns, J. R. Maxwell, B. F. Scott, S. A. Hill, R. L. Wozencraft, J. A. Henderson, W. C. Hilliard, J. M. G. Douglass, S. W. Register, Dr. Brewer, A. C. Miller, J. F. Armstrong, B. H. Greathouse, Jno. W. Head, E. N. Bickley, O. H. Keadle, E. R. Steele, H. H. Watson, V. V. Harlan, B. D. Holly, A. Monk, J. W. Watts, B. A. Few, H. H. Ridings, H. C. Jolly, Jno. F. Taylor, M. B. Umsted, J. Y. Christmas, J. S. Brooke, G. W. Mathews, W. T. Locke, G. W. Dameron, Jno. McLaughlin, J. B. Wisnet, C. L. Adams, P. B. Summers, A. F. Skinner, B. A. White, D. H. Groover, W. M. Taylor, J. K. Farris, E. L. Beard, J. W. Lindsey, J. G. Logan, G. W. Davis, W. B. Johnson, H. M. Conger, J. D. Randle, J. A. Manley, J. E. Dunaway, J. B. McDonald, D. N. Weaver, W. P. Haynes, J. H. Bradford, P. Merrill, B. C. Mathews, W. J. Rogers, R. F. Wilson, A. O. Evans, S. H. Renfro, W. F. Evans, L. C. Wilson, J. L. Johnson, W. L. King, S. Anderson, W. H. Dyer, J. W. Yantrease, W. H. Metheney, A. H. Williams, J. D. Sibert, S. Q. Stone, J. H. Riggins, B. F. Wilson, J. C. Shipp, J. R. Sherwood, W. E. Boggs, D. W. Reid, A. Marston, R. J. Rafter, W. H. Metheney, G. W. Boyles, F. M. Smith, W. R. Foster, J. E. Moreland.

NOTICE.

Those attending Sunday-school Conferences at Bearden can get tickets on the Cotton Belt from Texarkana, Pine Bluff and intermediate stations for one and one-half fare for round trip on the certificate plan.

W. M. Crowson.
Bearden, April 17.

MARRIED.

On the evening of April 8, 1894, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Moses Cook and Miss Erixeeney Denney, both of Van Buren Co., Ark.—Rev. J. J. Douglas officiating.

March 21, 1894, at the residence of the bride's father in Greenwood, Ark., by Rev. Geo. W. Hill, Mr. B. L. Wright of Fort Smith and Miss Jessie Burton.

At the residence of the bride's father, March 22, 1894, Rev. J. W. Weathersbee of Smithville, Ark., and Miss Elvie Huffman of Ash Flat, Ark., by Rev. D. D. Spurlock, a local preacher of the M. E. Church, South. Bro. Weathersbee is a minister in the Missionary Baptist Church.

At the parsonage at Sugar Grove, Ark., March 23, 1894, by Rev. J. D. Baker, Mr. Charlie Vavars and Miss Mary Rankin—all of Logan Co., Ark.

April 8, 1894, at the residence of the bride's parents near Belva, Scott Co., Ark., by Rev. J. D. Baker, Mr. James L. Holland and Miss Mary E. LaRue—all of Scott Co., Ark.

April 12, 1894, at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Alice Gregory, Mr. W. L. Blacks of Parkdale, Ark., and Miss Lola Gregory of Hamburg, Ark.—Rev. J. B. Thomas officiating.

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Having received and tested the Epworth Parlor Organ bought of Bennett & Thornburg, Rev. J. M. Denison, Howell, Ark., wrote them February 27th, saying: "To say the organ gives satisfaction is entirely below the mark, insufficient to convey the idea. In fact, it is an agreeable surprise; it certainly is the finest organ we ever saw for the price paid. The case is excellent in workmanship and design; the instrument is unexcelled in tone and volume. In fact, I can't put it as strong as the case demands. Our preachers ought to be able to sell hundreds of these organs this year, when the prices fully meet all short crops and scarcity of money."

After using the organ several months Bro. Denison, who is a local preacher in the M. E. Church, South, wrote again, saying: "Am still well pleased with the organ. Our lady friends and visitors are frank and pronounced in praise of the organ. A lady friend from Newport tells me it is so much easier to operate than hers at her home. Another from Independence county, since returning home, writes us, saying, 'my organ does not sound right to me since performing on your Epworth.'"

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Balefully would work their will.
Helpless, yet in calm I'll sleep,
For the Lord my soul will keep.
If, upon these closing eyes,
Nevermore earth's morning rise,
Yet serene my rest shall be,
If I live or die in thee,
May I in thy service wake,
When the Lord my soul doth take.
So, I lay me down to sleep,
Body, spirit, thou wilt keep.
For the darkness or the light,
May not hide me from thy sight.
Then in childlike trust I make
Any prayer for Jesus' sake.
—Lucy Randolph Fleming, in Christian Observer.

FAITH AMID DARKNESS.

The life of faith has other trials besides those which spring from the cross of duty. It is generally easy to distinguish the right path from the wrong, but there are hours when the divine dealings are dark, and when it is ours to trust God, even in darkness. "What I do ye know not now, but ye shall know hereafter," is frequently the only word of comfort we can grasp and our duty then is to wait for light.

The relationship in which God stands to humanity as its ruler and guide, and His actions as a Father toward the children whom He would educate, might lead us to expect that there would be many things done by Him which we fail to understand at the time.

The general who has planned the campaign fully comprehends the bearing of the different moves by which he has determined to gain a certain advantage. To the master mind the marches and counter-marches, the advances and the retreats are all necessary for the purpose in view. But they may for a while prove inexplicable to the common soldier. He does not rebel on that account. He is content to be ignorant because he has confidence in his commander. In like manner, when we think of God as having His great design, which is being wrought out in the history of the Church, it should not appear strange that there should occur periods and incidents that for awhile confound our expectations. And if we are children, also, of the great Father, we need not wonder if, in his training, many things have to be determined for us in spite of our own wishes, and of the value of which we may remain long in ignorance.

And similar experiences occur in life now. There are some on whom stroke follows stroke, and from whose heart the burden of grief, disappointment and care is never for a moment lightened. It seems hard that while others enjoy summer brightness, their sky is always curtained with gloom; while others have health, they have pain and weakness; while others prosper, yet, struggle as they may, adversity their inevitable doom. So have we seen happy homes strangely visited by sorrows so very hard as to have been the last we would have expected from the hand of a loving Father. The one who could the least be spared suddenly struck down, and with him the stay shattered of the innocent and the helpless; the mother torn from the clinging arms of the child, or the infant, who had been as a light from heaven in the home, snatched away in its spotless beauty, and the music that was sweetest in life silenced for ever! Verily, what the Lord does at such times "we know not now." It is all dark—utterly dark; and all that the faithful heart can do is to lift the eye from the mysteries of earth to that Presence where all is light, where all is known, and to wait patiently on the Lord. "Though the Lord slay me, yet will I trust in Him," was the grand utterance of one who had no light as to the reasons for the divine dealing, but who knew that "beyond these voices there was peace"—that the Lord reigned in righteousness, and that all His ways were good.

But if our Lord explains to us how there must be many of His dealings which we know not now, He gives us the assurance that we shall know hereafter. This often holds true even in this life. We can now see the meaning of Abraham's life, and the carrying of Joseph into Egypt. We can now perceive the reason of the destruction of Jerusalem and the removal of the temple. The darkest hour in the history of the disciples has proved the brightest for the world. And what has occurred in the history of the world finds illustration in the narrower sphere of personal or domestic life.

As the aged Jacob knew before he died why God had taken Joseph and Benjamin from him, and as the sisters of Bethany knew the deeper blessing for themselves and the world which came from the death of their brother, so we also learn, after a time, how sorrows that once appeared almost ruthless have been

the source of benefits we had never dreamed of before. The rending of the fleshly veil has perhaps opened the holy of holies; the blow which clothed the mother with the widow's mourning may have struck the spark of a new life in the son or daughter. The disappointment and failure of earthly hopes may have been accompanied by an education in principle infinitely more valuable than any gift of fortune. The sufferer is sometimes spared to recognize these good ends of trial; but there are often sorrows which we never understand on earth. There are jobs on whom no day of brightness dawns, and families to whom the ways of God appear dark to the very end.

There is, however, a day coming, our Lord assures us, when all these problems will be solved. And we know what the conclusion of them all will be, for we read that when all God's judgments have been explained, the great song of the redeemed will be one of gladness and praise. "Great and marvelous are Thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are Thy ways, Thou King of saints. Who shall not fear Thee, O Lord, and glorify Thy name? for Thou only art holy: for all nations shall come and worship before Thee."—Sunday Magazine.

FAINTING AT THE DOOR.

There is a story of a prodigal who came back from the far country, and could not find his father's house. He wandered on and on, and at last in the gathering night sank down, heart-sick and faint, on the steps of a little cottage. Without knowing it he was on his own father's doorstep. Inside sat the aged father and mother, their hearts hungering for their long-lost boy. Outside, bowed and crushed and longing for love and for home, lay the weary, homesick son—on the very threshold of home, but not knowing it.

So near to the gates of heaven is every human soul that is penitent, weary of sin, longing for divine mercy and love. There are many who are not yet in Christ's kingdom, but who have at least some desire for heaven's peace. They do not know where to find what they seek. But close by them is one of heaven's gates and they have but to arise in their penitence and enter into the Father's house.—J. R. Miller.

HOW TO GROW.

Science has uncovered many of the mysteries of life, but has not thrown any light on what the vital principle we call life is, or why it expands and grows from the small seed to the strength and beauty of maturity. The little child found by his mother standing with his feet in the ground beside a sunflower stalk, under the impression that that was the way to promote rapid growth, was no more in the darkness of ignorance than the chemist who tried to produce life by compounding the elements that belonged to life. There is yet no solution derived from any source but revelation, and no new principle of growth has been brought forth. We simply know that God planted the first garden and placed in it all manner of vegetable life. He put fish in the sea, fowls in the air and animals on the land. After this he made man, and established the laws of development and growth.

Such growth may be affected by environment. Barren soil, fire and storm play their part in the vegetable world to retard development, but, unless they kill, will not entirely stop it. In more favored localities, the sunshine, the rain and good soil furnish the best conditions for rapid and perfect development. A few weeks ago spring began to unfold the vegetable life of the year. In many places fruit trees were decked with blossoms, flowers were in bloom, and the bare forests were crowned with spring foliage. Suddenly and without warning the cold wave came from the north spreading over the land, and checked this new life. Against such a visitation there is no relief, and nature must make a new start embarrassed throughout the year from the injury suffered.

Human life is subject to similar dangers and misfortunes, but, happily possessed of intelligence, may provide against visitations of evil, and avoid disastrous results. Revelation, science and human experience have contributed to our knowledge of the rules of individual development, so that we may reasonably expect the highest realization of life by close attention to the laws of health. Mr. Gladstone is an illustration of faithful and intelligent at-

tion to the question, to which we attribute his long and useful life.

The saddest feature of this question is the utter disregard of the known laws of right living and the recklessness with which so many abuse their bodies and undermine their constitutions. Most of the youth of our land are sapping their vitality by excesses of one kind or another, overeating and undersleeping, but, worse than this, the slavery of vicious habits, drink, tobacco and the social evil are burning up, poisoning or freezing out the life principle, and making men social, moral and financial dwarfs. Physicians tell us that thousands of young men are slowly but surely destroying themselves with cigarettes in the face of repeated warning.

The only way to insure the best conditions of growth and resultant happiness is to bring the children under the power and influence of the gospel, teaching them that their bodies are to be temples of the living God, and that whatever defileth will unfit them for the indwelling of God's Spirit. The high standard of Christian living which results from such teaching will produce the best conditions for the highest type of physical life. Under such influence evil habits and inclinations will be restrained, temptations avoided, vitality stimulated in this life, and preparation made for life beyond.—Herald and Presbyterian.

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Our Young Folks

A CHILD'S IDEA OF PRAYER.

Little Nellie, who was only four years old, no sooner saw work laid aside than she ran to her mother's knee and claimed a seat there. Mrs. Lee lifted her to her lap, and went on busily thinking of her duties and cares, while she rocked herself and Nellie to and fro.

For a time Nellie amused herself very quietly by winding a string in and out through her fingers, but presently she began talking to herself in a low tone: "When I say my prayers, God says: 'Hark, angels, while I hear a little noise.'"

Her mother asked her what noise was that.

"A little girl's noise. Then the angels will do just so [shutting her mouth very tightly and keeping very still for a moment], till I say Amen."

Isn't that a sweet thought? I wonder if the children who read this have ever thought how wonderful it is that God always hears their prayers. He is surrounded by thousands of angels, and all praising him with their golden harps: and yet, through all the music and all the praises, he hears the softest prayer of a little child kneeling by the bedside. He must be very loving and very kind to children. We should think he would sometimes forget, and be listening to the beautiful sounds in heaven, instead of the prayer of a little child; but he never does. There is never too much singing nor too many praises there for him to hear a little girl's voice. Do you not wonder that children do not pray to him much more and oftener than they do?—Presbyterian.

HOW JANIE SETTLED IT.

"Here comes mamma," said Janie. "O mamma, must I save some of my candy for Grace?"

"I think a good little sister would."

"But Grace didn't give me any of hers yesterday."

"Didn't she? How did you like that?"

"I didn't like it at all. And I want to make her not like it, too, because I think she was real mean."

"Dear, dear! And is mamma to have two little mean girls, then?"

Janie looked at her mother, and was quiet a minute. Then she ran and threw her arms around her neck, and said: "No, no, mamma dear! You shall not have any mean little girls at all! I guess Grace forgot; and I'll go and give her some of my candy now, so she won't ever forget again!"

Her mother smiled. "I think that is the way to make her remember," she said. "And I am so glad I am to have two kind little girls."—Picture World.

KEEP A CLEAN MOUTH.

A distinguished author says, "I resolved, when I was a child, never to use a word which I could not pronounce before my mother." He kept his resolution, and became a pure-minded, noble, honored gentleman. His rule and example are worthy of imitation.

Boys readily learn a class of low, vulgar words and expressions, which are never heard in respectable circles. Of course, we cannot think of girls as being so much exposed to this peril. We cannot imagine a decent girl using words she would not utter before her father or mother.

Such vulgarity is thought by some boys to be "smart," the "next thing to swearing," and yet "not so wicked"; but it is a habit which leads to profanity, and fills the mind with evil thoughts. It vulgarizes and degrades the soul, and pre-

pare the way for many of the gross and fearless sins which now corrupt society.
Young readers, keep your mouths free from impurity, and your "tongues from evil"; but in order to do this, ask Jesus to cleanse your heart, and keep it clean, for "out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.—The Christian."

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

We are authorized to announce C. A. Biddle, of Hempstead county, as a candidate for Governor of Arkansas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

STATE TREASURER.

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

We are authorized to announce that Hon. Edmund Sawyer, of Izard county, is 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. Haskey, of Pope county, as a candidate for the office of State Land Commissioner, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Hon. B. B. Chism, of Logan county, as a candidate for State Land Commissioner, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce J. P. Ritchie, of Jefferson county, as a candidate for Commissioner of State Lands subject to the action of the Democratic party.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

We are authorized to announce Julius 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. D. Boyne, of Lonoke, Ark., as a candidate for State Superintendent of Public Instruction, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

ASSOCIATE JUSTICE.

We are authorized to announce B. A. Battle, a candidate for re-election to the office of Associate Justice of the Supreme court of Arkansas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY.

We are authorized to announce J. P. McNeer, of Pulaski county, as a candidate for Prosecuting Attorney of the sixth judicial circuit, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce T. J. Oliphant, of Pulaski county, as a candidate for Prosecuting Attorney of the sixth judicial circuit, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Walter P. Pemberton, of Pulaski county, as a candidate for re-election to the office of Prosecuting Attorney of the sixth judicial circuit, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

SHERIFF.

We are authorized to announce H. L. Fletcher, as a candidate for Sheriff of Pulaski county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce W. H. Booker, as a candidate for Sheriff of Pulaski county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

COUNTY CLERK.

We are authorized to announce W. A. Compton, as a candidate for re-election as County Clerk of Pulaski county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

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.

We are authorized to announce Horace G. Dale, as a candidate for Circuit Clerk subject to the action of the Democratic party.

COUNTY CLERK.

We are authorized to announce I. 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 re-election to the office of County Clerk, subject to the action of the Democratic party. 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.

We are authorized to announce W. A. Galloway, as a candidate for Assessor of Pulaski county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

PERSONAL AND OTHER NOTES.

We do wish our pastors would every week furnish this paper twenty or more short field notes. Such brief reports from many churches would do good in various ways.

Again we request pastors, who write in their business letters items for publication, to put such items on a separate slip of paper with signature and date, as this will save the Editor the time and labor required to copy them. Business letters are filed away for future reference.

We acknowledge the receipt of a cordial invitation from the Theological Faculty of Vanderbilt University to attend the Cole lectures (six in number), which will be delivered in the chapel of the University April 22-29, by Bishop Alpheus W. Wilson, D. D., on "The Witness to Christ, the Savior of the World." The first lecture will be delivered at 3 p. m. Sunday, April 22, and the second Monday, the 23d, at 8 p. m.

We are indebted to Bro. J. R. Pepper, Memphis, Tenn., for a neatly printed folder containing the names of the delegates to our next General Conference.

Rev. James A. Anderson commenced a protracted meeting at the Methodist Church Wednesday night which will be continued through next week. After Saturday he will be assisted by Rev. B. H. Greathouse.—Fayetteville Democrat, April 12.

Miss Laura Haygood, of Atlanta, sister of Bishop Haygood, of the M. E. Church, South, who has been a missionary to China for a number of years, is coming home for a vacation, the first one she has had since going to China. In 1884 Miss Haygood was principal of the Girls' High School in Atlanta. She resigned her position and announced her intention of going as a missionary to China. In the Fall of 1884 she went to China and has

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been there ever since. She has been for some time in Shanghai, where she is in charge of the educational institution under the auspices of the mission.

—New Orleans Advocate.

Bro. M. G. Wallace, of Piedmont, and Rev. F. P. Doak, P. C. of Hickory Plain C't, favored us with brotherly calls last Thursday.

Bro. S. M. Ford, a member of our Church at Coal Hill, desires information as to the whereabouts of his son, who left home last October and has not been heard of since. His name is Porter (Ford). He is about 16 years old, has light hair, blue eyes, and is very fair.

Rev. M. B. Corrigan, P. C. of Helena station, wrote April 12 he would begin on Sunday following a meeting to be protracted; that "everything was moving along finely; 13 accessions since Conference; claims all provided for."

Last Saturday morning we had a refreshing call from Rev. James Thomas, whose heart was aglow with joy over the gracious revival in First Church, Pine Bluff. Bro. Thomas spent Sunday with his own charge, Malvern Hills, Hot Springs, and returned to Pine Bluff Monday night to continue another week or longer in the meeting. Up to Friday night there had been over 30 professions of conversion, and the Church was wonderfully revived.

We have it on the best authority that Bishop C. B. Galloway will write the life of the late Bishop H. N. McIntyre. This arrangement, we understand, has the full approval of the members of Bishop McIntyre's family. With such a subject and such an author we ought to get valuable and permanent addition to our biographical literature.—Nashville Advocate.

Rev. G. C. Jones, President of Arkadelphia Methodist College, wrote April 11: "I write to inform you about our speakers for Commencement. The Commencement sermon will be preached June 10th, by Rev. G. W. Hill, of the Arkansas Conference; the Baccalaureate sermon, at 8 p. m., by Rev. J. R. Cason, of the Little Rock Conference, and the Address before the graduates, by Dr. M. B. Corrigan, of the White River Conference." Under this announcement a good bill of fare may be expected; for it may be truly said of each preacher, as was said by an old lady of Rev. R. G. Brittain after one of his, most eloquent efforts, "he can chat right well."

Rev. W. B. Hart, P. C. of Green Forest C't, wrote April 10: "Work is moving along nicely; are building a parsonage this year at Green Forest. Hope to have it completed and ready to occupy before the District Conference, which will be at this place this year."

We are advised the widow of a worthy local preacher, who died while serving a mission in the Arkansas Conference, is not able to pay amount due this paper or to continue taking it. "She loves THE ARKANSAS METHODIST very much," and we add it will not be stopped on account of her inability to pay for it. We cheerfully donate all now due, and believe some generous friend will send \$1.00 to pay another year.

We rejoice to learn Rev. J. B. McDonald, P. C. of Mineral C't, is recovering from a malignant attack of slow fever, which it was feared would prove fatal. We were first advised of his dangerous illness April 5, and expecting later word about his condition in time for our last issue we inadvertently failed to mention his sickness. He is at Cato in the home and care of Dr. W. J. Henson, who wrote April 16: "Our beloved pastor, Rev. J. B. McDonald, has been confined to his room for five weeks with malarial fever. Two weeks of that time it seemed that his recovery was extremely doubtful. At this time his condition is some better. He has borne his affliction with that Christian fortitude that characterizes a true servant of God. The people of Mineral circuit love their pastor and are praying for his recovery. Bro. McDonald is an earnest preacher, a constant laborer in the vineyard of the Lord for the salvation of souls. May God be with and direct us who watch over him, and may he soon be permitted to mingle with his people."

Bro. A. Pennington, of Cato, called Monday to renew his subscription. He reported Bro. McDonald better Saturday.

Mr. McNeill, of Columbia county, has forwarded to the Bureau of Mines a quantity of clays to be used in the Government tests at Watertown, Mass. Professor M. L. DeMahler also sends a fine collection of polished clays, numbering forty-eight specimens, for exhibition. They include tessellating, pressed brick, sewer pipe, vitrifying brick, earthenware, terra cotta and building brick clays.—Arkansas Democrat.

While in Magnolia, March 3, we had the pleasure of seeing Col. DeMahler's large collection of polished clays—beautiful specimens, and indicating a possible source of great wealth to Columbia county.

In the first column on page 8 we publish matter, which should be read by all our subscribers. Read it now and remember it.

Let those concerned bear in mind we are about four weeks behind with the publication of obituaries.

Last Saturday night we had the pleasure of traveling a few hours with Dr. J. L. Buchanan, President of Arkansas Industrial University. He was returning from a visit to this city, Lonoke, Marianna, LaGrange, Helena, Clarendon, Stuttgart and Pine Bluff—having inspected the methods in a number of graded schools in the hope of getting their courses correlated with the Freshman course in the University. We feel sure he made a favorable impression on his visit, and he is much pleased with his observations in Arkansas.

Rev. S. H. Renfro, P. C. of Collegeville C't, wrote April 14: "We are moving along finely on our work—congregations improving at all points—and this round we are administering the sacrament of the Lord's Supper."

The Dardanelle District Conference will not meet April 26, as previously announced.

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D. N. Weaver, P. C. of Dyer C't, wrote April 15: "We held our first services in our new church here [at Dyer] today and tonight. Had 2 accessions, baptized 5 children and one soul was converted."

Capt. H. S. Tabor, long in charge of Government work in the rivers of this State, died of consumption in San Antonio last Friday night and was buried Sunday afternoon with military honors in Mount Holly Cemetery, this city. An immense congregation attended the funeral services conducted at Winfield Memorial Church by the pastor, Rev. Horace Jewell, assisted by Rev. Dr. R. D. Smart. Capt. Tabor was a member of the Congregational Church and had for years taken an active part in benevolent and reform work.

State and Church lost a faithful and honored servant by the death of Senator Z. B. Vance, of North Carolina, last Friday night at his home in Washington. He was several times elected Governor of his State and had served many years in the United States Senate. He was a Christian statesman of noble character and great ability.

Rev. W. P. Haynes, P. C. of Sheridan C't, accompanied by Rev. T. H. Ware, P. E., gave us a brotherly call Tuesday morning. Bro. Ware had just returned from holding three Quarterly Conferences.

Sister Clower, widow of Rev. J. S. Clower, has removed from Nashville back to Gurdon, where the family lived most of last year. Persons kindly contributing to help buy her and children a home should send directly to Mrs. Anna Clower, Gurdon, Ark.

Revs. J. H. Bradford and W. C. Davidson have been assisting Rev. H. M. Cryer in his protracted meeting in Argenta station. We rejoice to learn the meeting is resulting in much good.

Brother Pastor, did you afford us the privilege of putting your name in our Honor Roll for February or March? If not, why not? Don't forget your Conference paper needs your assistance.

Rev. F. E. Taylor and Gen. Geo. P. Taylor of Forrest City, favored our office with pleasant calls Tuesday—here in attendance at the meeting of the Grand Commandery.

Rev. Dr. J. H. Riggins, of Prescott, gave us a brotherly call Tuesday p. m. Last Sunday morning at our First Church in this city the pastor Rev. Dr. R. D. Smart baptized 12 persons and received 33 into the membership of the Church. That impressive service and his excellent sermon following it made the occasion a memorable one to many in attendance.

At the residence of the bride's father, March 22, 1894, Rev. J. W. Weathersbee of Smithville, Ark., and Miss Elvie Hoffman of Ash Flat, Ark., by Rev. D. D. Spruick, a local preacher of the M. E. Church, South. Bro. Weathersbee is a minister in the Missionary Baptist Church.

At the parsonage at Sugar Grove, Ark., March 25, 1894, by Rev. J. D. Baker, Mr. Charlie Yavers and Miss Mary Rankin—all of Logan Co., Ark.

April 8, 1894, at the residence of the bride's parents near Belya, Scott Co., Ark., by Rev. J. D. Baker, Mr. James L. Holland and Miss Mary E. LaRue—all of Scott Co., Ark.

April 12, 1894, at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Alice Gregory, Mr. W. L. Blanks of Parkdale, Ark., and Miss Lola Gregory of Hamburg, Ark.—Rev. J. B. Thomas officiating.

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L. M. Powell, Jno. Eidson, A. C. Graham, E. M. Davis, G. W. Griffin, A. Turentine, L. L. Land, W. C. Watson, C. D. McSwain, R. G. Rowland, C. W. Drake, O. E. Goddard, J. A. Sage, J. R. Cason, J. S. Watson, J. E. Rushing, Ed. Rushing, W. W. Mills, E. Garrett, A. S. Scott, J. M. Hawley, H. O. Moore, A. M. Robertson, N. E. Skinner, Mrs. Oslin, J. H. Gold, B. W. Aston, F. P. Doak, G. E. Parsons, J. M. D. Sturges, J. F. Jennings, B. M. Burrow, H. E. May, P. B. Wallis, E. F. Wilson, J. W. Griffin, J. C. Rhodes, T. J. Reynolds, J. W. House, C. C. Castleberry, J. M. McAnally, R. W. McKay, W. M. Watson, W. N. Christie, L. D. Webb, J. T. Bagwell, J. R. Moore, A. C. Ray, Wm. Sherman, L. C. Broach, N. E. Gardner, T. A. Bowen, J. C. Ritter, W. H. W. Burns, J. R. Maxwell, B. F. Scott, S. A. Hill, R. L. Wozencraft, J. A. Henderson, W. C. Hilliard, J. M. G. Douglass, S. W. Register, Dr. Brewer, A. C. Miller, J. F. Armstrong, B. H. Greathouse, Jno. W. Head, E. N. Bickley, O. H. Keadle, E. R. Steele, H. H. Watson, V. V. Harlan, B. D. Holly, A. Monk, J. W. Watts, B. A. Few, H. H. Ridings, H. C. Jolly, Jno. F. Taylor, M. B. Umsted, J. Y. Christmas, J. S. Brooke, G. W. Mathews, W. T. Locke, G. W. Damon, Jno. McLaughlin, J. B. Wissett, C. L. Adams, P. B. Summers, A. F. Skinner, B. A. White, D. H. Groover, W. M. Taylor, J. K. Farris, E. L. Beard, J. W. Lindsey, G. W. Logan, G. W. Davis, W. B. Johnsey, H. M. Conger, J. D. Rutledge, A. A. Manley, J. E. Dunaway, J. B. McDonald, D. N. Weaver, W. P. Haynes, J. H. Bradford, P. Merrill, B. C. Mathews, W. J. Rogers, R. F. Wilson, A. O. Evans, S. H. Renfro, W. F. Evans, L. C. Wilson, J. L. Johnson, W. L. King, S. Anderson, W. H. Dyer, J. W. Vantress, W. H. Metheny, A. H. Williams, J. D. Sibert, S. Q. Shipp, J. H. Riggins, B. F. Wilson, J. C. Shipp, J. R. Sherwood, W. E. Boggs, D. W. Reid, A. Marston, R. J. Ralston, W. H. Metheny, G. W. Boyles, F. M. Smith, W. R. Foster, J. E. Moreland.

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W. M. CROWSON.
Bearden, April 17.

MARRIED.

On the evening of April 8, 1894, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Moses Cook and Miss Erikeney Denney, both of Van Buren Co., Ark.—Rev. J. J. Douglas officiating.

March 21, 1894, at the residence of the bride's father in Greenwood, Ark., by Rev. Geo. W. Hill, Mr. B. L. Wright of Kort Smith and Miss Jessie Burton.

At the residence of the bride's father, March 22, 1894, Rev. J. W. Weathersbee of Smithville, Ark., and Miss Elvie Hoffman of Ash Flat, Ark., by Rev. D. D. Spruick, a local preacher of the M. E. Church, South. Bro. Weathersbee is a minister in the Missionary Baptist Church.

At the parsonage at Sugar Grove, Ark., March 25, 1894, by Rev. J. D. Baker, Mr. Charlie Yavers and Miss Mary Rankin—all of Logan Co., Ark.

April 8, 1894, at the residence of the bride's parents near Belya, Scott Co., Ark., by Rev. J. D. Baker, Mr. James L. Holland and Miss Mary E. LaRue—all of Scott Co., Ark.

April 12, 1894, at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Alice Gregory, Mr. W. L. Blanks of Parkdale, Ark., and Miss Lola Gregory of Hamburg, Ark.—Rev. J. B. Thomas officiating.

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HARRIS.

Mrs. Henrietta Harris (nee Embury) was born in Alabama May 29, 1842. When but a child she was brought by her parents to Texas, where she was reared to young womanhood. While yet in her teens she was married to Emmons Grigsby, who was killed during the war, leaving his widow and three children to mourn his sad fate. She was married again to Thomas Harris, by whom she became the mother of three more children and also of six step-children. Only a few years had elapsed when she was again bereaved by the death of her second husband. Thus she was left the second time a grief-stricken widow with her large family of twelve children wholly dependent on her for protection and support. Sister Harris professed religion more than two years ago in a meeting conducted by the writer, at which time she with two daughters and one grandchild joined the M. E. Church, South, in which she remained a member until Feb. 16, 1894. She died, saying, "I am not afraid to die." She died in the Indian Territory, but was buried in a cemetery just inside this State to await the resurrection of the dead in Christ. She leaves her children, grandchildren and many friends to sorrow, but not as others who have no hope. May the good Lord bless and take care of the sorrowing children and finally bring mother and children to a happy reunion in heaven.

J. H. STURDY.

Boonsboro, Ark.

READ.

Loid Vernon Read was born April 17, 1893 and died Sept. 21, 1893, age 5 months and 4 days. Little Vern as we all called him was too pure for this earth. He never cried or fretted, unless he was hungry or got hurt. During his four days' sickness he cried very little. His two little sisters often talk about little Vern, and say when they die they will go to see little Vern. He leaves a father and mother and two little sisters to mourn their loss, but know their loss is his gain.

KATIE REED.

BEDFORD.

Sister Louisa J. Bedford, wife of Joe Bedford, died at her home in Pigott, Ark. March 6, 1894. She was born Aug. 20, 1838; she was born from on high Oct. 1888 and joined the Missionary Baptist Church, in which she lived up till March 2, 1894, at which time I received her into the M. E. Church, South. She only lived 4 days after she joined the Methodist Church. She had intended for some months to join our Church but was not able to go to church. She died in perfect peace with God and all mankind. She leaves a husband, several children and a host of friends to mourn their loss, but it is her eternal gain. There is no doubt in my mind as to her being at rest. I would say to the bereaved ones, your wife and mother is not dead but has just entered into life. Her pastor,

J. D. RUTLEDGE.

BOYD.

Sister Thura J. Boyd (nee Roling) was born in Montgomery Co., Ark., Dec. 3, 1866; was married to Bro. John D. Boyd Feb. 26, 1888, and came to Texas the second time Sept. 30, 1892; was taken sick March 2 and died at 10 a. m. March 9, 1894, leaving a precious little infant girl seven days old. Bro. and Sister Boyd had but 3 children—buried one just before they left Texas the first time, and buried the second soon after their return and now she leaves her husband with their last one to await their Master's bidding. Sister Boyd was a member of the M. E. Church, South, and was a woman full of faith and the Holy Ghost. Death came without alarm to her: she was ready. She was conscious of approaching death and, lying to her weeping husband, said, "Weep not for me; for I am ready, having this hour in view for years. I shall now enter into rest." Her only regret was leaving her husband and

little babe. May God preserve her husband and little babe and reunite them all in heaven, is the prayer of her pastor.

T. B. VINSON.

New York, Texas, SMITH.

Little Ara K. Smith, daughter of James P. and Maggie Smith, was born in White Co., Ark., Sept. 27, 1880 and died at her home in Enders Oct. 29, 1893. Ara was converted in the summer of 1891 and joined the M. E. Church, South. She was a devoted Christian. She loved her Church, her preacher and her Sunday-school. Ara was always at her place in S. S.; she always had a good lesson and she was constantly doing something that she thought would gladden the hearts of others. She with her Sunday-school class last summer organized themselves into a little Missionary Society for the purpose of getting up money to buy material to make Mrs. Lindsey a nice quilt, and when the quilt was completed she was taken down with slow fever and after three weeks' suffering God released her from this old world of affliction by taking her to heaven. Ara told her papa, mamma and friends not to grieve after her, for she was going to heaven. She told this writer a few days before she died, that she was ready to go when Jesus came for her. Dear Bro. and Sister Smith, your precious little Ara is not dead, but lives with God and the angels. Live faithful and follow Ara as she followed Christ, and you will meet her again, where parting will be no more. Her pastor,

Z. W. LINDSEY.

Quitman, Ark.

GREER.

It has pleased God to remove from our midst our beloved brother and superintendent J. T. Greer, whose name was above reproach, being ever faithful in his Christian duty. We know that his place can never be filled in our school. O how sad we feel when we meet and can not see the pleasant face and hear the cheerful and kind voice of our leader, who has gone to join the great Sabbath school above. He never failed to be present unless providentially hindered. He was always anxious and ready to do anything for the advancement of Christ's kingdom here on earth.

1. We sincerely mourn the death of Bro. Greer, but meekly bow to the will of God, feeling that our loss is his eternal gain, for if we judge the tree by its fruits we know he has gone to live with God where there is one eternal Sabbath and sad partings are felt and feared no more.

2. That we sincerely sympathize with the family in their sad bereavement. He was an affectionate father, a kind husband, a quiet and accommodating neighbor, and a very religious and useful member of our Church, ever ready to do what he thought a Christian man should do.

EDNA BARNETT,
CLYDE PRIDE,
ELIZA WILSON,
Committee.

Rock Springs Sunday-school, Norwoodville, Ark.

RICE.

Mrs. Georgia Rice, daughter of Henry T. and Narcissus McDaniel, was born in Independence Co., Ark., July 27, 1859. She was happily converted at a union meeting held by Rev. David and E. E. Morrow, C. P., and Rev. W. H. Jernigan at Shady Grove Oct. 3, 1871, and joined the M. E. Church, South, in Nov. following. She was happily married to Wm. E. Rice Dec. 4, 1878, and died at her home in Sulphur Rock, Ark., March 4, 1894. As a child she was dutiful and affectionate to her parents, brothers and sisters; as a wife she was truly devoted and kind; as a mother she was absolutely a living definition of the term; as a Christian she walked and lived according to the precepts of her Creator; as a member of the Church she was as far as she was able loyal and obedient to its vows and General Rules. It is unnecessary for me to say how she died. Her disease was consumption. Death was coming and she knew it. Every day marked a decline in physical strength and an increase of faith and spiritual force. Though suffering intensely and very feeble she faced death with the courage of a martyr. Seeing her time was short and so weak she could speak but a few words in a whisper, she said: "Bro. Noe, I want to talk and am too weak to do so. I want you to pray for me." We knelt in prayer. When we were done she began talking aloud. She exhorted her brother to seek religion and to meet her in heaven. She then embraced her mother and father, husband and each of her children and pronounced her blessing on each and also on her mother-in-law, who lay sick on another bed in the same room. Freed from pain she died like one going to sleep and now her happy spirit dwells with Jesus and the redeemed in Paradise. Of this her loved ones are well assured.

Sulphur Rock, Ark.

F. R. NOE.

Died March 16th, 1894, at the home of N. Y. Wadsworth, near Monticello, Ark., Mrs. Cynthia A. Pinkston. "The angel of death," reaping God's harvest has garnered no fruit ripper in virtue and richer in His grace; nor has earth ever tendered its Creator an offering more worthy of holy keeping, than the pure and gentle being, whose loss so many grief-stricken hearts deplore. Dying in the fullness of years, she had no regrets for the past, no fears for the future, but trusting implicitly in God's mercy, quietly laid down life's burden, and like a child falling to sleep in its mother's arms—passed from earth to heaven. Born July 12th, 1832, in South Carolina. Her parents, John and Mary Jefferies moved to Antasga Co., Ala., near Watumpka, when she was five years of age. She and a twin sister, Ellen, were the youngest of a family of eleven children. She was surrounded by ennobling influence and honorable principles, that remained with her through life. She was noted for

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her lovable disposition, and quiet dignified manners. She married James Pinkston at the age of sixteen; in three or four years afterward they moved to Texas, where they made their home. Her husband died about twelve years ago. After his death she made her home with relatives until five years ago—she came to visit her sister, (my mother) Mrs. E. T. Norris, near Monticello. She had no children, but was kind and loving to every child. When she was being put into her coffin my baby begged most piteously, papa don't let them put my poor Aunt Cynthia in the coffin, she is not dead, I saw her sleeping, and just so we feel—"She is only sleeping," and will be raised up at the last day. She has been a member of the Methodist Church since her childhood. During her stay here she joined the Church near our home. She suffered a year, with a cancer on her breast, bore it all with patience; always seemed grateful for every kindness shown her. The memory of such a life will be cherished as a priceless heritage. "It is not all of death to die, nor all of life to live." She has joined the hosts of loved ones on the other side, and in her death we have a solemn warning; that we too must soon pass away. Her niece,

ELLA NORRIS WADSWORTH.

Edgar Hicks Langford, little son of C. W. and Emma Langford, near Floyd, White Co., Ark., was born Dec. 13, 1889, and died Nov. 20, 1893, aged 3 years, 11 months and 7 days. Little Edgar was a bright and lovely child. We know it is hard to give him up and never hear his little footsteps again or see his sweet smiling face, but there is one consolation we have and that is to meet our loved ones in heaven. Little Edgar is resting safely in God's house. Weep not papa and mamma, for your darling little one is waiting on the other shore for you, and you can come day to him. God bless father and mother and his two little sisters that they may so live as to meet him in the sweet by and by.

A precious one from us is gone.
A voice we loved is still,
A vacant place within our home,
Which never can be filled.

Rose Bud, Ark.

SELF.

Mary Jane Self, whose maiden name was Dike, was born in Grant county, Tenn., Sept. 14, 1830; moved from Tenn. to Walker county, Ga., and was married to Joseph Self Mar. 25, 1856; moved in the Fall of 1870 to Scott county, Ark. She professed religion and united with the M. E. Church, South, in 1847, in which she lived a consistent member until her death, which occurred Mar. 6, 1894. She was a meek, unassuming Christian woman. For some years before her death she was a great sufferer, and was not permitted to attend church as it was her wish to do. She was always ready to talk about religion, and she spoke from a rich experience; therefore we feel assured from the life she lived, her devotion to Christ and her trust in him, that she has exchanged the sorrows of earth for the joys of heaven. So may the dear children and husband and friends cherish this blessed hope, and weep not as those who have no hope. And may they so use the means of grace which God has so graciously afforded them as to imitate her godly life, that when life shall come to a close with them, they too may be ready. May God finally bring them all to the home of the soul, where parting will be no more. The burial service was conducted by the writer, and the remains were laid to rest in Mount Pleasant cemetery.

Geo. W. DAMAN, P. C.

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