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News and Notes.

It is said the Russian Jews in our American cities are promptly taking the oath of allegiance to the new Czar. Driven out from the Czar's dominions by such tyrannical oppression they are not alienated in affection from their former home. They have been as strangers and exiles among us. Coming to us also foreigners they received no welcome, they have been made to feel that they were most unwelcome of all. They now have hope of a change in Russia which may allow them to return. The cause of their oppression has not been, as many suppose, their religious belief, but the fact that Russia's two political parties are struggling—the Slavic and the Occidental; the former opposing all foreign influence, the latter encouraging it. The late Czar gave all the strength possible to the Slavic party. But foreigners who had a home government to protect them did not suffer the oppression did the Jew. The Jew having no home and no nation was unprotected and fell prey to every oppressor. The liberal policy indicated by the new Czar in the beginning of his reign promises better conditions for all foreigners in Russia.

St. Louis has a Public Safety Committee which is engaged in devising a new election law. The Committee are of the opinion that the "existing laws have proven entirely inadequate to meet the needs of a city the size of St. Louis", and that an entirely new law should be substituted. But such law as is needed will be prepared by the committee and a bill for its enactment brought before the Legislature.

For forty years past work has been going on for the purpose of converting the tremendous power of Niagara Falls into electric force for the lighting of machinery in distant cities. It is expected to run the principal business plants in New York in this way.

The King of the Belgians is about to propose the annexation of the Congo Free State to Belgium. For some years the King has held personal jurisdiction over that region, but now, with the consent of the European Powers, a formal annexation is proposed to the Belgian Parliament. That State, in the heart of the Dark Continent, rich in natural resources, is traversed by the Congo river, the second largest stream in the world, for 2,500 miles in length. The State has a population of about 17,000,000, with an area of 1,000,000 square miles, a territory nearly as large as the United States. There are twenty steamers now on the Upper and Lower Congo, besides other vessels. A railroad is under construction from Vivi to Leopoldville, thus joining the Upper and Lower Congo, and overcoming the interruptions of travel and commerce afforded by the numerous rapids in that portion of the river. Great development has already taken place in the region, and with the completion of the railroad, in a year or two, and under the new regime proposed by the King of the Belgians (who has been a chief patron and friend of Stanley, Bishop Taylor, and other heroic spirits who have undertaken to reveal and develop the wealth of the country), still more rapid progress may be expected in the immediate future. Thus the civilized world is under the providence of God, is reclaiming the sky and fulfilling the work of Livingstone, who, living and dying, exclaimed: "I must open up Africa for commerce and Christianity."—*Central Christian Advocate.*

There now seems to be but little prospect of any financial legislation by the present Congress. The Carlisle Bill is regarded as dead, even by its advocates. It has never been expected to pass the Senate. Mr. Vest has introduced a finance bill into the Senate which seems likely to fare no better.

Counsels are also divided in reference to the action that should be taken to satisfy Germany, France and Belgium, and thus end the talk of war with these countries. Truly our law makers have fallen upon evil times.

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The Unknown Bible.

In a recent number of the *Interpendent*, a college journal, there was late experience with a freshman class, numbering 24 persons. All were of so-called Christian parents; and all but two were themselves members of some branch of the Christian Church.

Twenty-two passages from Testament were written upon the blackboard; each contained some Scriptural allusion or allusion. The following was the result:

Eleven failed to apprehend the "manna on my wilderness." Fifteen were likewise ignorant of the significance of striking the rock. Fifteen also knew nothing about the wrestling of Jacob and the angel. Not less than thirty-five had never heard of the shadow turning back on the dial for Hezekiah's lengthening life. Twenty-two were ignorant of "Joshua's moon." Nineteen failed to indicate the peculiar condition of Esau's hand. Twenty-two were unable to explain the allusion to Baal. Fifteen failed to apprehend never read the story of Ruth and Boaz. Eighteen failed to indicate the meaning of "Pharaoh's darkness." Twenty-eight were laid low by the question of Jacob's wife's gourd. Nine, and nine only, were unable to explain the allusion to Lot's wife. Twenty-three did not understand who "Arimathean Joseph" was. Twenty-two also did not read the words of Christ sufficiently to explain, "For I have flung thee pearls, and thou art but swine." Twenty-four had apparently not so much as suspected that Christ's first miracle as to be able to explain the reference. Eleven did not understand the mark which Cain bore. Twenty-five were as ignorant as a heathen of the foundation of the Church on Peter. Twelve, and twelve only, had not gathered up knowledge sufficient to indicate certain truths about the serpent in Eden. No less than twenty-seven were paralyzed by allusion, to the whole Peter's sheet." Twenty-four were unable to write correctly as to Jephtha's vow. Eleven only, however, were struck dumb by the allusion to Jacob's ladder. But eighteen were able to write a proper explanation of "the deadliness and sealed in the wasted tomb." In a word, to each of these thirty-four questions twenty-two out of twenty which would demand 748 answers. The record shows that out of a possible 748 correct answers only 209 were given.

The shooting is a very discouraging one and many will wonder if it be not exceptional. But I do not believe it to be exceptional, though there may be a little fallacy in the apparent conclusion. It may be fairly questioned if it be not the ideate ignorance of Scripture, or only ignorance of Scripture by the Bible methods. Some experience I have had with classes in English, leads me to doubt the correctness of the supposed conclusion. It presupposes a memory that readily recognizes a face, form or fact, however far from home it may be found. It hardly makes allowance for an unimaginative, associative type of memory which finds it difficult to locate circumstances or recognize them, except in relation to certain other circumstances. Readers of this type will be often found "stuck fast" over the most beautiful figures in Homer and Virgil. The attempt seems to them to have suddenly lost his subject; consequently they are lost, also, whenever their line of construction may be. Students in literature may need to be reminded the story of Peter and Cornelius, yet unable, when that story is not the main topic, to discern an allusion to it in an expression in Tennyson. Similarly, I have observed students in chemistry, who had a facility for forgetting everything they possessed in a certain order of facts, give assistment, and they would readily give properties, important tests, and conclusions, but given the latter, they would fail to recall the element. Again, at a meeting of Sunday school teachers, the topic announced for the evening, "Episodes from Ancient History." It was surprising to observe how unfamiliar the most narrative might appear when so introduced. I related a few incidents suggesting the names, which the teachers present were required to furnish. Four could not recognize the story of Joseph; five did not recall Ruth; four did not know the dealings of Jacob and Laban; seven could not name the personages in the book of Esther; to one the narrative of David and Goliath seemed unfamiliar. Yet had I furnished any of them with the names, instead, I could have gotten the story. It will be understood that these incidents are interspersed with a few from profane history. There are memories that hold some one name or locality as the key to a succession of events; without this key the events seem unfamiliar. There are men who can tell you that a certain building, if named, is in a certain street many squares from the street corner instead, and they may not recall the name of the building.

In a case like the one referred to, such a type of memory would account for a percent of the failures. Yet there is no doubt that ignorance of the Scripture is the principal cause of spread for the gravest concern. Our religious work is largely reduced to this evil in a casual way; and there is reason to believe that the absence of knowledge of the Bible in the school is, to a very small extent, responsible for the evil. Of the 209 correct answers by the largest Sabbath School in St. Louis, I was once assigned a class who could not have answered one absent. Upon reproving one boy for his ignorance of the lesson, he answered quickly: "I was late quarterly. "Have you no Bible at your house?" "Yes—one in chair." There may be similar cases.

It may be questioned if the Sunday school is where the lesson helps at home and bring only the Bible to interest the home and aggravate the trouble. For it is but indirectly the product of the Sunday-school. Teaching the Scriptures is at home. The great development of the Sunday school in the country School has begotten in thousands of parents the idea that their religious education of their children is fully provided for; and they therefore, Christians though they be, are not at all in accordance to the matter themselves. Relieved of their responsibility, they fail to throw another one upon the shoulders of the pastor; and for their unfamiliarity with the Book and its teachings, they depend upon his weekly sermons, and never look into it themselves. This may seem a strong statement—but long observation leads me to it. Not long ago I once met a teacher, brought up in a town within fifty miles of Boston, who had been for a number years a member of the Church; their neighbors were Unitarians. He informed me that up to 22 years of age she had not seen family worship in Jacob's tent. That startled me. I then were able to write a proper explanation of "the deadliness and sealed in the wasted tomb." In a word, to each of these thirty-four questions twenty-two out of twenty which would demand 748 answers. The record shows that out of a possible 748 correct answers only 209 were given.

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The great fact of the indolence of many parents remains—but what of the reason? It is a mere pretext. Parents neglect because they look to the school, it can be, at best, but supplementary. Cut the pupil off from the Sunday school entirely; give him a passage here to-day; then another there on Saturday, Monday two such in a year; connective relating and parallel passages ignored, and the consequence would be staggered

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A Letter from Salisbury.

Rev. J. E. Godby, D. D., has changed homes, from the Pickens circuit, an appointment of three churches and one hundred and forty-five members, to Black Hawk circuit with four churches and four hundred and ninety-six members. Territorially they are about the same size, and neither large- nor small- in either case. I have gone on circuits, large and small, and on stations, single and double hand, and on districts; but for real pleasure, for easy and agreeable work, give me a circuit the size and shape of this. This kind of work is the most congenial in the gift of our Bishops. On a district there is too much work and too heavy responsibility. I really dread district work. I tried it nine years and I got my fill of it. In a station the preaching is at last on small men like me. It is not an easy matter to be fresh, full and interesting before the same audience two or three times a week—it is not, unless a preacher has more than ordinary variety like Uncle Lork here, do you know that I have learned more trouble over public prayers than I do with my sermons. When I pray in public from three to ten times a day I find myself falling into forms of expression that must grow wearisome to the people. I am fond of reading from the Prayer Books of several Churches, on the theme of cultivating variety in the forms of petitions, intercession, praise, confession and thanksgiving. I will read the last hours at a time the prayers at the beginning of the Prayers of Parker's Peoples' Bible. They are the best part of those books. I have been afraid that, if I read prayers to Liturgical forms, we have begotten among our people a contempt for reading prayers to our own hearts of private meditation and devotion. But I have found that I had great religious enjoyment and refreshment in reading prayers. No doubt I needed it to teach me to become more devotional.

On a circuit like this, I can preach an old sermon with new power, and I can try my new sermons on the people at the same time with all probability with them. The same is true about the loss of one particle of power. Indeed, I am so constituted that I have to preach a sermon several times before I can do my best on it.

It is a wonderful stimulus to me to get on a charge where I can go around over the hills and hollows among the people, the simple, plain, unsophisticated country people, who put on no airs and are not given to pretentiousness of any kind. The first requisite of any itinerant preacher is a heart brim full of religion—the second a head full of sense—the third a good horse and the fourth a wife, and the old saddle horse is better than any Kentucky-bred. These in life and health in the spring of life mean moments.

I moved across the country, thirty-four miles, in wagons and to hack this year—the first move I have made by the road in the last five years. This was the cheapest and easiest move I have made in that time. I have seen a great convenience, but they are an expensive luxury—not within the reach of people. I am now just sixteen miles from four lines of railroads. I have a worldly preacher now. He will not do for me to go to town to preach. Somehow there is a notion prevalent that country preachers are not good enough preachers for town people. Town folks are a little the extreme way, or some of them think they are. "Brother Smith will preach for us next Sunday." Who is brother Smith? and where is he from? Oh! he is a country preacher, a circuit rider." The tone and manner, more than anything else, indicate the thought and feeling within. A preacher, now and then, in rare instances and at long intervals, gets the idea that there is a real difference between country preachers and town preachers, between station-preaching and circuit-riders. Be it known to you that these are both intelligent, cultivated, refined and wealthy people on this circuit as there are in any town in the land. And they have just as good sense and judgment about preaching. They are as noble, generous, liberal and as religious as town folks. They have as much and such as I can do for them, and they need the same gospel and have to be served in precisely the same way. There are no two kinds of people, one for town people and another for country folks.

Not many years ago, by invitation of the pastor, I preached in "First Church" at Fort Smith, and in a certain city. I dined with the President of the Board of Stewards. He was most courteously, graciously complimentary of the sermon—a country sermon, and said, "Why, you are a far better preacher than I ever heard you were. How comes it that you are not a station preacher?" I was appointed to it by the Conference, and I was glad for the

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reason that on that circuit I have just as intelligent and as appreciative a people as you have in this city." If any of you town preachers come out to help me in the country this year I advise you now to bring along your very best sermons for you will need them here. And if any of you want to help you in town I am going to preach my country sermons to your people.

Well, Mr. Black Hawk, I got your letters when you sat on the tripod of the "Black Hawk Herald." You have forgotten me, but I have not forgotten your kindness to me in Eureka, when you got to Black Hawk I found the Arkansas Methodist waiting for me. Thank-k, Yours,

GODBEY.

Black Hawk, Jan. 8.

In Sorrow.

Dear Brother Godbey:—My precious patient, suffering wife passed from earth to heaven Thursday evening, Jan. 19, at 6:30 p. m. She lived for a long time as she lived—happy in a Savior's love. No fear, no doubt, to clouds, her last words were "All is well." It is all so well with her. Thank God that I ever was permitted to be one. She left me three little boys to raise for God and a reunion with their mother in glory. By God's grace I will do it. She made me an inheritance for the boys—what I am. I bless her memory, and while I miss her I am traveling nearer her home, and by and bye, we will with the children meet her again. Pray for me.

Your Brother,

M. B. Corrigan.

Helena, Jan. 21.

Our New Year Efforts.

Dear Bro. Rule:

In beginning the work for the New Year, it may be well for us to consider some of the hindrances which lie in the way. Not that we would discourage any one but rather that we may be on our guard against discouragement. Some things will seem to be difficulties which are by no means insurmountable; though real, may be easily overcome. One of the greatest hindrances are found in ourselves. Some of these we will notice. First, we sometimes fail to pray. Many people are capable of doing much more good for the cause of Christ and humanity than they ever do, but believe themselves to be. For this reason much talent and strength lies hidden or undeveloped. The great apostle, in writing to the Romans, tells them that he is persuaded that they are full of goodness and knowledge able to admonish one another; yet he finds it necessary to write them boldly, putting them in mind of the grace that was given him. He is writing to the Hebrews, he desires to encourage them, who at that time ought to be teachers, needed that some one now teach them. They are caused by their having neglected their duty in Christian activity. Another hindrance is Procrastination. Many of us have a mind to work even like the people in the days of Nehemiah, when he built the walls of Jerusalem; yet we are so wont to wait. We are to be like Paul should remember that Jesus compared the Christians' work to harvesting and vinedressing, which were ready for the sickle or the knife, will lose much by delay. Some are slightly discouraged at the lack of visible results. This discouragement should be met with the divine command which says: "Cast thy bread upon the waters, for thou shalt find it after many days." It is true some seed will fall by the wayside, yet some may bring an hundredfold. So by faith we await the great harvest. Others will compare their success to that of their fellow laborers, and will be discouraged if it does not seem to equal theirs. But Christ said: "Herein is that saying true, one soweth and another reapeth. Some will be jealous of others' gifts and will be ready to say with Saul: "Here is thy talent, Lord." "There have been austere. Thus it sometimes happens that the good success of some, instead of serving as a stimulant to others' efforts, is allowed to become a hindrance. The faithful worker, who carries his more favored brother, before becoming jealous of his position, would do well to ask our Lord's rebuke to Peter, who on one occasion saw John following, by turning about, saith to Jesus: "Lord, and what shall this man do?" Note the answer: "What is that to thee? follow thou me." Hath not God set the members every one of them in the body as it hath pleased him? If there were all one member, where were the body?" "Nay, much more those members which seem to be more feeble are necessary." He that is willing to be least in the sight of men is truly great in the Master's eyes.

But there are some real hindrances to work which we cannot help but test all our courage and forbearance. Public opinion, prejudice, superstition and error will meet us at every right and on the left. Some of our best and most earnest efforts will be misunderstood and disprecated. Not only are we to study to show ourselves workmen that need-eth not to be ashamed and rightly divide the words of truth, but we are to "Fight a good warfare." "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that you may be able to stand in the evil day, and having done all to stand." For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty through God to the putting down of strongholds, casting down every imagination and every thing that exalteth itself against God.

Lastly, we are to be kindly to each other's hand. "In unity there is strength." "United we stand, divided we fall" is as true both Church and State. "Let the strong bear the infirmities of the weak." "Let him that is taught communicate to him that teacheth, in all good things." Especially let us love one another, forgiving one another, as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven us.

Sequoyah and Walsh.

These are passages of Scripture that have been a source of comfort that under ordinary circumstances is not to be comprehended. We may have known them all our lives and yet there is a time when they flash upon us in a new light. Such is the hundred and twenty-first Psalm. How precious are the words, "The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even forevermore." The "time" is now, and, but with the consciousness that we have God for our keeper, it is even a hallowed blessing in parting. Then, how we appreciate our friends "tried in the fire" when they were so thoughtful and considerate that their every word is a love and a words of appreciation blessed and brightened our hearts in the home we had leaving. Then the rose lingered in their beauty to cheer us. But when left Adelphia the sun was shining brightly and the snowflakes falling softly. For the friends we were leaving we breathed the prayer that the sunshine of God's love would be in their hearts and God's blessing in clouds should be drifting.

The children had gathered when we reached Stephens. Our new friends met us at the depot and with a hearty welcome brought light and warmth though the air was cold and the wind blew cold. We were conducted to the home of Mrs. Arnold, a dear friend of ours, and found a good and welcome for preachers and church families. Our goods were delayed so that we were without a stove so kindly entertained by our new friends that we realized that we had many homes. Here too we found some friends of other days that we had not seen for years and unlooked for arrived and we came to the parsonage as a glorious supply of provisions for housekeeping. A donation from the good people of Stephens and Walsh. Surely the Lord has blessed us in our coming in." With grateful hearts we claim the remainder of the year, and most earnestly pray that God will bless and help us, and help us to prove a blessing to every person in our new circuit "from this time forth, and forevermore."

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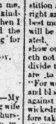
The discrepancy in the Statistical Report, as found in the printed Minutes, may be explained in this way: The Presiding Elder had made the report from data in his hand before I reached the Conference—this he did correctly no doubt. On my arrival at the Conference another report was handed in by the secretary of the pastor to "get it in if he could;" perhaps it was too late. The reports of the different Boards will amounts paid. The Quarterly Conference Journals show amounts paid for the support of the ministry. I am sorry the correct statement did not get into the Minutes—but no blame attaches to any one.

Respectfully,

T. J. Reynolds.

CURES—OTHERS



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MINERAL SPRINGS.

I am moving along on my work, encouraged by the warm reception given me by the people on my return. I am praying for, and expecting a better year on this circuit than either of the former years. Our dear Bro., Rev. R. G. Johnson, was stricken with paralysis a few days ago, and has but little use of his right arm and hand, and no use of his right leg; he is unable to walk alone yet he is cheerful, hopeful, and sustained by the religion of Jesus which he has so faithfully preached to others. We ask for him the prayers of his brethren. I wish for you and the METHODIST a very successful year.
W. T. LOCKE P. C.

SWITTON CT.

We reached Switton the 5th of this month. I met my first appointment which was the first Sunday, we had a very good congregation considering the inclemency of the weather. We had class-meeting following which I found a useful and interest manifested. I spent very thankful for our class-meeting and feel that it is one of the means of perpetuating Christian fellowship. Last Thursday night I spent a house the good stewards secured for us until the 1st of next month, then we hope to make more permanent arrangements for a house as we have no parsonage, but we hope to build one here during the year. Thursday night the good people of Switton gave us a severe pounding. The storm began before prayer meeting (as it usually does) and continued until after prayer meeting, leaving us to prayer over what we could not leave. They came laden with such things as meat, flour, coffee, sugar, syrup, butter, pepper and tin ware. We wanted to express our gratitude but trouble in the form of sickness used to think of having prayer. After prayer we repaired to the house and had a social evening. I filled my appointment to-day at Centerville, a six-mile journey through a miles across the swamp from this place, congregation small owing to the inclemency thereof. But my mite has grown too long. May the good Lord bless the good people and help me to live worthy of their expression of kindness. I expect to report to the ARKANSAS METHODIST all I can this year. Success to the paper and its Editor.
W. C. TOMBS, P. C.

Jan. 13.

ATKINS CIRCUIT.

Well, I find myself in the midst of a kind, clever people here at Atkins. I left Conference on Monday and the following Thursday moved to my circuit (Atkins). I find my people and my work ready, and I am glad to receive me, I hope to be able to serve them not only acceptably, but profitably. We have had one of the usual pounding which was enjoyed. It was not as large as I could have wished for, but it was good to remain here, for they left so many things good to eat. I am hoping and praying for a good year religiously.

Yours,
J. N. VELLINES.

NEBRASKA CITY, NEB.

I am here engaged in revival work. The meeting in progress at Down's Chapel is a decided success. The preaching services are attended with great power. The Church was mightily stirred. Many came forward for prayers, several were converted, and the work was great every way. The meeting has been going on a week, and the outlook is good for a great victory over sin. The water has been very unsettled, and at times very cold, the thermometer registering 18 degrees below zero, but notwithstanding this the interest in the meeting has increased from the beginning. This may be a great work accomplished here, as there is much outside material. I go from here to St. Louis. My postoffice address is Searcy, Ark. Will write more later.
E. G. KIDDER.

P. S. Bro. Kelly has successfully published a great work in his charge here since Conference in securing a parsonage at a cost of eight hundred and forty dollars. All paid for.
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ATLANTA CIRCUIT.

At our last Conference I was returned to the Atlanta circuit for the third year. On my return I was cheerfully received and made welcome. My Board of Stewards met and made a very good assessment for the hard times. My steward is a noble man, and my wife and I are hard to excel. A few of the good people of Atlanta came to the parsonage on the 3rd and gave the inmates a pounding—a pretty good one, too, considering the number of people (about and rain kept others away). The "storm" consisted of flour, sugar, rice, syrup, pork, dry goods, shoes, &c. Mr. Editor, there was a whole barrel of flour. It is a great pleasure to live and associate with these Atlantians. May God bless these good people this year. I hope the METHODIST will have an increased list of subscribers this year.
J. M. G. DAUGLAS.

CHESTER CIRCUIT.

Having been returned to Chester, I suppose to do my work over, I don't feel that I have been worried by the transaction, and I am glad that the people of Chester have shown their appreciation of our return by their many kindnesses. Health of wife is not good at present, she is suffering from a cold. But if the Lord is on our side who can be against. Best wishes to Editor and great success to the METHODIST.
W. M. TAYLOR.

DEAR DR. GOODEY:—I am a little late in reporting our beginning in our new, or rather, our old field. Two years ago we left this charge, after a pleasant stay of two years, and here we are back again. To say that we were cordially received does not express it. We have received a kindly welcome from all we have met with so far, both at home and in answer. The same storm of which several of the brethren have written, struck us on Saturday night of the first Saturday after our arrival. Its effect is still felt and enjoyed. It left us camped on a scant of last us some time. We are observing the Week of Prayer with full and union meetings at the different Churches. The meetings are having good effect. We are very sorry that the week of prayer may result in a gracious revival in all our Churches.

Today I conducted one of the saddest funerals in the history of Bro. Jeff Lewis, who lived with his parents twelve miles from town, on Sunday morning committed suicide by shooting himself. The shot failed to be immediately fatal and he lived some twenty-four hours in great pain. In his last hour he repeated, with much earnestness, and dying felt bright evidence of his acceptance with God. His aged mother has made a profound impression on many of his friends and we have great hopes of May God apply and seal the lesson. This is a heavy blow to the family, particularly to the aged parents in their declining years. But their trust is in God, and, upheld in their trust, who alone can sustain them. Let all who read this kindly send up a prayer for God's strong arm to be thrown around them.

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After using the organs several months Rev. Wm. Stevens, P. C. at Mt. Holly, in the M. E. Church, South, wrote again, saying: "We are highly pleased with the organ. Our lady friends and visitors are frank and generous in their praise of the organ. A lady friend from Newport told me it is so much sweeter than the organ in the Methodist home. Another from Independence county, where I was visiting, told me, saying, 'my organ does not sound right to me since purchasing the Epworth.'"

Rev. W. F. Wheby ordered of us an Epworth Chapel Organ for the Methodist Church at Fountainville. He writes that he is well pleased with it. He says it is excellent.

Rev. J. W. Hoose, who is a few days since ordered an Epworth organ of us for the Church at Coal Hill, says: "The organ reached me in due time, and to our Quarterly Conference. Everybody is pleased with it, and well pleased it is; its full to feel."

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They Wear Well.

Some time since we were interested in a deal in the sale of other organs, but finally decided to buy one of the Epworth organs do not last well. Rev. Jno. Edson, pastor of Pine Bluff Church, says of our organ, says: "The organ we bought of you over a year ago is all we could desire. There are several makes in the town, but we prefer the Epworth to any. Several of the one we bought of you."

Rev. R. Abell, of Farmer City, Ark., ordered an Epworth Parlor Organ for one of his members. He writes that it gives perfect satisfaction, and is highly set the price low.

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Rev. J. H. Bradford, P. C. of Atkins, Ark., Little Rock District, writes: "The Epworth Organ I ordered is in very satisfactory and has stood. Many have called to see it and pronounced it excellent."

THE EPWORTH PIANO.

In November last we sold an Epworth piano to Bro. W. A. Wright, of Atkins, Ark., and he writes of it: "The piano came to hand all right, and is highly set the qualities of it. I have had a piano in my house for the last 15 years, but it is very inferior to the Epworth. I have been offered $100 for it, but would not take $200 for it. The Epworth is a beautiful piano, and highly finished. The tone is sweet and pure, and the action is excellent. I am highly pleased with it. They come to me as I have ordered them, and I am pleased with them."

Rev. J. M. Rogers, of Tulip, Ark., writes: "The piano received in good order, and I am pleased with it. It is a beautiful piano, and I am pleased with it. It is a beautiful piano, and I am pleased with it. It is a beautiful piano

ARKANSAS METHODIST.
J. E. GODBEY, D. D., Editor.
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THURSDAY, JAN. 24, 1895.

The progress of prohibition in Arkansas has been noted extensively abroad, and this has contributed more to impress our neighbors with the intelligence and high moral tone of our citizens. Now, during the session of the Legislature, let the friends of the cause be fully awake to hold the ground secured and make further advancement.

When a fellow comes out vaporing and boasting that he is a through and through Methodist, and then turns loose with invectives generally upon Church officials and organs, and makes "truly loyal" an epithet of contempt for those who have no tire-brands to hurl, we can only believe that an imagined personal grievance has turned his head until "he knows not what spirit he is of."

When one begins to lose faith in the Church it is because he feels that the Church has lost faith in him.

It is far better to endure an actual wrong than to assail your brother for inflicting a wrong which is only imaginary.

Jesus was severe upon the Scribes and Pharisees, not because they were the worst men of his time but the best. He sought to reform the Church and the Scribes and Pharisees were the Church's rulers and teachers. As to the Sadducees the great Teacher seems to regard them as representing religion at its worst.

He who gives all his thoughts and energy to the duties of to-day will soon find that he has no regrets for the past and no fears for the future.

Visitors to the ruins of Pompii judge from the pictures still seen there that the licentiousness of the city was almost equal to that of Sodom. If the cities of the plain could be so exhibited to future generations, what impression of our morals would be gotten from the pictures seen in our show windows, in our shops and saloons, and even in our rich homes?

Some preachers age so prejudiced of their own ability and merit that when others are preferred before them for important positions they feel sure the Church is governed by rings.

The preacher who can not succeed as a pastor will prove a fraud as an evangelist, no matter what title he may make. Men who do good work in the pastorate are always running away from it.

Beware of what Mr. Wesley used to call "soul coldness." Gloomier not a whit more acceptable to our Heavenly Father than the most frivolous levity. Be not as the hypocrites of a sad countenance. "Serve the Lord with gladness."—*Robinson Electrical Journal.*

The following beautiful and solid sentiment is from the editor of the *Texas Christian Advocate*: "To love all things, from the lowest to the highest, from the lowest range of being on to man, angels and archangels, is to duplicate the life of God, and to broaden and lengthen our existence accordingly."

The *Boston Methodist* says: "The Chicago Salvation Army [sic] is about poor people Christmas day—some sense in that, and religion too." One brother might have added that they did it without knowing it.

The Methodist pastor who is paid a good salary to take care of a Church and "do all the work of a Methodist preacher" and has to have secondary help to come and convert the sinner, should foot the bill.

A Daniel Come to Judgment.

One of the new lights of the tripod sagely informs us that Bishops are men. What a wonderful revelation! Then what of "John Adam" who happens to poll more votes in a General Conference than anybody else? Is he a man after that? Doesn't he at once become a god? Does he eat, drink and sleep like other folks? What ever head of such a thing! What a pity that Bible oracle did not come into existence sooner to enlighten its dense ignorance. Perhaps this wonderful book will, after a while tell us that the apostles are men also! How the *Christian Advocate* [illegible]

Editing At Long Range.

For three weeks the Editor's office has been in Southern Texas, a Chapel Hill, at Austin and at San Antonio. The exchanges have come to us regularly; the St. Louis dailies of the day after they were printed, and we have prepared every department of the paper as usual. From the columns of the Missionary we see that all matter furnished within thirty hours of the time of going to press appears in the paper.

We found Austin a beautiful and thriving city. It boasts the finest State Capitol on the continent. We have seen nothing to compare with it in any other State. It is of granite, in the form of a Greek cross, and crowned with a magnificent dome. Its site is commanding and every other admires it. They say it is the sixth building in size in the world. We don't believe it, though we have not seen all the buildings in the world. Size is not all there is to Texas. After the Capitol they told us to see the dam across the Colorado River; so we took a carriage, and with wife and child we went to see it. It is reached by a three miles drive to the west over a perfect road, having the river on the left and a range of hills on the right on which many very beautiful residences appear. The dam is for the purpose of forming a lake in order to get water power to run the city. It is thrown directly across the river, is twelve hundred feet long, sixty feet wide at the base, and sixty feet high. It is a massive block of granite, the least of which would weigh a ton. Being an exact level line over pours over the whole length of the dam in a cataract as white as snow. The lake thus formed extends up the stream for several miles. The dam is on either side covered with cedar to the water's edge, the placid mirror-like lake, and the cataract conspire to form a scene which leaves a picturesque having once viewed will never forget.

Rev. E. W. Solomon, with whom we served on committee during the General Conference at Memphis, has charge of our principal Church at Austin—the Central. He showed us to his residence, insisted to see us at the hotel and would have us preach on Sunday morning. A very fine congregation is that of Central. The Sunday-school was filled Sunday morning. Brother Solomon has made a fine impression in the legislature and his work. Brother Russell has a good congregation and is doing a good work at First Street Church where we preached at night.

Rev. New Harris, pastor of Travis Park Church, San Antonio, had, some days before we left little Rock, succumbed to the loss of Mrs. W. S. Hamilton as a place where my wife and daughter would find pleasant lodging for the two nights which they were to spend in that city. We found the place all that could be desired. Sister Hamilton is the widow of the late William Penn Herndon and one of the Texas pioneer preachers. She is half sister to Rev. A. H. Chamberlain, now Superintendent of Mexican Border Mission, and half sister to daughters with the mother constitute the family at home. One of our preachers, Bro. Cunningham, lives next door. Methodists all around. My folks are at home and delighted.

San Antonio is divided upon a perfectly level portion of the plain. The San Antonio River heads here in immense springs and winds through the city, flowing in every imaginable crook and curve and angle. It was so utterly lost but gets out of town after wandering fifteen miles. Yet it is everywhere a swiftflowing stream with banks lined with ferns and set with Canna, its waters so clear that you see the bottom at a depth of many feet.

The San Pedro Creek, which is thrown out by large springs in the city, is also a bold, clear stream which runs in many irrigation ditches everywhere. The immense supply of the city is from Artesian wells which can be gotten at reasonable depth anywhere in the city.

Things old and new mingle here. There was a town here fifty years before the revolution in which our nation was born. In the center of the city large business houses of the latest style in red sandstone or granite or brick have displaced the Mexican adobe of a hundred years ago, preserving still the narrow and crooked streets. The Spanish names of streets and places predominate. A portion of the city is still almost exclusively Mexican.

It has not rained here for many weeks and what cloudy is overhead is such that it ever will rain again, but they get along without very well. There are contrasts of greenness and dusty brownness. Grass and other water has not been used lawns are dry, and the half withered evergreens are covered with dust, and peach trees are barren of buds, and no peach but from drought. In the midst of this dreary dustiness you see here and there the premises of some gentleman, standing like an oasis in a desert with all the freshness of spring, lawns green, violet borders blooming, palms and laurel and cedar washed clean, and everything suggesting that there is nothing needed here for perpetual verdure but rain. They think it will rain in February, and if it does, and rain enough, all will be right and the land will have a good crop next year.

Thirteen of our Southern Methodist preachers live in San Antonio. Certainly it is an attractive place. Climate and atmosphere have made the fortunes of consumptives. It has an excellent market besides, and great variety of attractive objects and scenes. Rattlesnakes are especially, and because the city itself will furnish large local patronage our people purpose to establish a Methodist college in the south. Western Female College is already in operation in a good building at West End. Near by we were shown the fine site of another college, the foundation completed for an elegant structure, ground and foundation valued at $50,000. Rev. W. Bays, the presiding elder, is the way to ten thousand dollars more at once, and the new building will be pushed forward. If the enterprise be carefully managed, instead of paying the school with debt it is bound to be a great success. We met the preachers in their weekly meeting and found them a body of brethren in their work. Dr. D. A. Beardsley, formerly of Kentucky, was present and spoke. Rev. J. A. Gruening, who had come to the city because of an affliction of his wife.

We called upon Bro. Jas. Thornton, on arriving and learning that Brother Wood Thornton of Little Rock and his wife were here and that Bro. Thornton was extremely ill we went to his home at once and found our brother very feeble and apparently dying well. He spoke of his trust in God, and revelled to us the glories of the Land of Eternal Summer. He knew of the labors of Dr. Hill. Dr. Hill may be sure he has the heart and prayers of Brother Thornton in his work.

You must see the Alamo and also the old guide to tell its story when you come to San Antonio. The Alamo is the oldest and the oldest building of the place. Erected by the Spanish missionaries in 1755 and intended both for Church and garrison. It is about sixty feet by forty feet, built of rough stone, walls four feet thick, concreted within and without, floor of concrete. It is buttressed at the corner with two two stories high and on each side between the towers a wall of same story encloses three rooms against the side of the church with communication within and without, and above the ends of these small rooms it allows light to the church high up against its arched ceiling. These rooms opening through its massive walls below and these little grated windows above structure from within is much like a fortress. It served for residence, Church and military fortification. Some stores of Spanish tradesmen and the adobe huts of a few Mexicans are substituted, in that early day, the beginning of San Antonio.

But that which gives national fame to the Alamo is the gallant defense and tragic fate of its little garrison in 1836. After unsurpassed heroism through strange under Spanish rule San Antonio was captured by Col. Johnson in 1835, and left under defense of a small garrison. The year following General Santa Anna, who had obtained control of Mexico, invaded Texas, which still held out in favor of a republican government, largely through the influence of colonists from the United States. Toward these Santa Anna entertained the bitterest feeling and it was his purpose to drive all of them from the country. He encamped on the Alamo Hights in sight of the city, Feb. 22, 1836, with an army of 5000 men. Colonel Travis with one hundred and forty-five men retired to the Alamo. In this little band were two men whose names are familiar to all Americans. David Crockett, and James Bowie, inventor of the Bowie knife. The whole company took a vow never to surrender, and on the tenth day after a most daring and defiant struggle, in which Travis fell and all the Mexicans and every man of the garrison was slain about its door or within its walls.

The reader reads the history and views the situation to-day, the defense of the Alamo seems to have been one of the most reckless and daring exhibits of heroism history equal to that of the Greeks at Thermopolie, but with no such issues depending upon it.

The effect of this example of American bravery did much to strike dread into Santa Anna's army, and contributed no little to the final victory of San Jacinto soon after, in which Santa Anna was defeated and captured. The battle cry of the Americans that day was "Remember the Alamo."

On the Capitol grounds at Austin is a monument "To the Heroes of the Alamo," upon which the name of every man who fell defending that fort is chiseled in granite, and in the great entrance hall of the Capitol is seen on another slab in Italian drew, and opposite the surrender of Santa Anna at San Jacinto.

Arkansas Legislature.

Senators and Representatives thronged the hotels at Little Rock during the latter part of the past week, and candidates for the various positions under the State Legislature were as numerous as usual.

Monday morning the Senators assembled in organization and agreed upon the necessary officers to organize that body, and promptly at noon, the Senate was called to order and after being sworn proceeded to elect officers for the session. Hon. "Pitt" Witt, of Montgomery county, President, Prof. C. T. Gordon, of Camden, Secretary and Capt. Hall, of Faulkner county, Sergeant-at-arms.

THE HOUSE.

Promptly at the noon hour D. N. Hutchinson, the only member who failed to appear. After the appointment of the temporary Sergeant-at-arms, the House took a recess until Tuesday p. m.

The first thing after the recess was the nomination of Messrs. Clendenin, J. C. Culpepper, of Columbia, Wm. Hemingway, of Hempstead, Thos. W. Newton, of Pulaski, M. J. Manning, of Monroe, Tooner, of Yell, W. M. Laird, of Jackson, and Dr. Hall, of White were placed in nomination. The first ballot resulted in no election.

Colquit	24
Smith	16
Newton	15
Baird	13
Tooner	7
Manning	7
Hall	4

On the 20th ballot, Hon. John C. Colquitt was chosen, having received forty-three votes to forty-two for Smith.

G. C. Naylor was then elected Clerk of the House unanimously, Sergeant-at-arms, Dr. Renfroe, of Crawford county, Assistant Sergeant-at-arms, Jim Newton, of Pulaski county; Assistant Clerk, O. A. Dixon, of Izard county; Journal Clerk, W. S. Wright, of Prairie county; Assistant Journal Clerk, Chas. D. Finley, of Conway county; Engrossing Clerk, Miss Clara Wells, of St. Francis county.

HON. GIBSON WITT,

Senator from Jefferson, the powerful aspirant for the honorable position of president of the senate of the General Assembly of Arkansas, was born in Hamilton county, Tennessee, Sept. 2, 1855. His father was a farmer. He moved to Texas while he was very young. In 1872, Senator Witt left Texas for Arkansas and settled at Quitman, Van Buren county. He attended Quitman college, later entering the Arkansas Industrial University, where he finished the scientific and literary course. In 1881 he entered Monticello college and made his residence at the county seat, Mount Ida. Senator Witt has since continually resided at Mount Ida. He was elected to the Legislature as representative from Montgomery county in 1889. He served the term with great credit to himself and was returned by his constituents in 1891. As a representative he attained high rank and was assigned to the important committees at both sessions. In 1892 he was elected senator from the thirty-first senatorial district composed of the counties of Montgomery and Garland. The good record he made in the lower house was manifested in the upper chamber and in a short degree did he gain the estimation of his fellow senators that they conferred upon him yesterday in carcus the enviable position of presiding officer for the present session. Senator Witt is a staunch democrat, believing and practicing the time honored principles of that party laid down by Jefferson and Jackson.

His wife was Miss A. V. Owens, of Mount Ida. By this marriage there are four children, two girls and two boys. Senator Witt's home is a happy one. Personally, he is a genial possessor of a big heart, a free of magnetism. He has the faculty of making friends and keeping them. As debater he is quick and ready, and has an easy flow of language. He does not depend upon wit or sarcasm but uses logic to emphasize and carry his point. Though young in years, he is rich in legislative experience and is sure to receive new honors upon himself, his constituents and the state of Arkansas in the position to which he has been elected.

SPEAKER COLQUITT.

Hon J. C. Colquitt, of Columbia county, who was yesterday honored with an election to the speakership in the house of the Thirtieth General Assembly, is a resident of Georgia. He was born in 1840. In 1860 he moved to Arkansas and settled in Columbia county, engaging in agricultural pursuits. Mr. Colquitt's industry, integrity and devotion to the best interests of the people, gained for him a higher place in the esteem of the honest citizens of Columbia county. In 1884 he became a candidate for the legislature and was elected by his constituents creditably in the session of 1885. He was re-elected in 1887. Mr. Colquitt withdrew from public life, but in 1892 he was again called to the front by the legislature, and at the last September election was for the fourth time elected a representative in the halls of the legislature. Mr. Colquitt is a self-made man, hardworking, zealous and tireless member. He commands the full respect of his colleagues by reason of his fairness at all times and his right to what he deems right.

Speaker Colquitt's residence is at Magnolia, and it is a happy haven presided over by a charming wife, surrounded by an interesting family of six children two daughters and four sons. In religious belief Mr. Colquitt is a Methodist.

In the speakership race, Mr. Colquitt evinced his possession of admirable traits of character. He was calm and dispassionate throughout. Said when he assumed the speaker's chair that his speech he made was indicative of the good time he would have.

Mr. Colquitt is full of energy, and in view of his declaration against extending the session beyond sixty days it is expected that he will dispatch business rapidly.

LEGISLATIVE NOTES.

Balloting for United States senator will begin on the 29th inst.

There is not a colored man in either the house or senate this session.

There will be three republicans in the house and one in the senate.

RECONSIDERATIONS.

The Arkansas ex-Confederate Association met in Little Rock a few days ago, with forty-five camps represented.

Gen. D. W. Moore, brigadier general commanding, presided. Fifteen camps were organized during the past year. The report of the division commander showed that the forty-five camps in the state, a gain of fifteen camps for the year, were with a major-general commanding, and three brigades.

Col. Faucher introduced a resolution asking the legislature to provide pensions for all ex-Confederates, including those who are helpless by reason of disease contracted in the service. After a long discussion the resolution was adopted by a vote of 27 to 20.

A resolution asking the legislature to exclude partisan histories from the public schools was adopted by a rising vote.

Col. John M. Harrell offered a memorial requesting the legislature to increase more liberality to the Confederate home and to give Rich and Izard pensions, which it did not.

Gen. Armistead moved that the legislature be asked to set aside the day of the Anniversary of the birth of Gen. Robert E. Lee and it was carried.

Col. J. Fletcher was elected commanding brigadier general, and Col. Ben T. Duval historian.

THE SESSION.

Two years ago there was an attempt even in the Legislature to repeal the three-mile liquor law at Batesville. The bill was defeated. At the general election held last September, the electors of Independence county voted against license and there are as saloons in the county. We understand that the whiskey men will ask again that the Legislature repeal the three-mile law at Batesville. Just why they desire the three-mile law repealed we do not understand, unless it be to allow the establishment of distilleries and wholesale houses. It is said an effort will be made to repeal the three-mile law at Rogers, Ark., where the conditions are much similar to those at Batesville. It is a shame that every two years the good people are forced to go to the time, trouble, and expense of defending their homes. We hope the Legislature will promptly say NO! to all those who ask that Batesville and Rogers be opened to the distiller and wholesale dealer.

Notes From the Press.

Two Evils.

To serious, and we fear growing evils are in the Church. The one, the tendency to exalt gifts in the preacher above grace. The other, a clamor for pulpit men who shall please and be popular. This tends ever to depreciate the holiness of the ministry. The other tendency is to lower the standard of membership of the Church, to give weight to numbers, insignificance to the wealth and social position of the members. This is to discount personal piety. The one is to lower the standard, emphasize the material in preacher or Church, in so far do we fail to emphasize holiness and holiness, and just to that degree does apostasy set in.—*Florida Christian Advocate.*

The Supply of Natural Gas.

According to the *Railway Review*, the supply of the natural gas fields of Ohio are giving out. In the Marion township field, east of Findlay, where the first large gas gusher of Thornton well furnished enough gas to supply Tiffin, twenty-eight miles away, the pressure has gradually fallen until the two best wells in the field have but enough to show a pressure of only nine pounds, and the gas is unable to propel enough to supply the fuel used in the city. An even more deplorable condition exists in the great Struthers-Leavittsburg field, fifty miles or more west. Here was the centre of the boom three years ago. Every one of the pumping stations of great corporations are now sucking air and trying to keep up a semblance of furnishing gas. During the mild weather there is an abundance of gas for domestic consumption, and during the past summer the factories have been supplied, but when the first frosty morning came, down went the blaze in every shop. People are now hastily going back to the use of coal and wood, and the field-drillers are now busy at the derrick to keep up with the demands made upon them.—*Literary Digest.*

The Scramble for the Chaplaincy.

Mr. EDITOR:—I see in the last Methodist that a motion the last that several of our good brethren were candidates for the Chaplaincy of the House and Senate at the close of our present General Assembly, and that you wished they could all be elected. I think you are right in putting in this last and intended to give a full representation of the ministers of the gospel who would favor the God-given employment to engage in the work of the Lord. Perhaps promises for the present more of less will be made, but the time for that to which under God they have been assigned.

I am somewhat surprised to hear any one of our preachers who has been assigned to a District or pastoral charge to be willing to leave as though he had nothing to do and go for an office by which he may get a place and pay, when he can evidently to my mind a wrong in the sight of God and his people. I have heard it said by some preachers, "The good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep." Furthermore, from the Lord's teaching in Matthew 25th: When a preacher has been assigned to a pastoral charge and is the steward and has been entrusted with that support, does not his time belong to it? Should he not, as District, station or circuit; and if so, he has no right to devote his time to other than the interest of the work and, in other words, is it right for a P. E. to accept a charge or place outside of his District work and receive a salary for same, and then cease and leave the work and support that is collected for the support of the ministry?

Now if we can get along as well for three months without a P. E. as with one, why have one? I am a strong believer in the great necessity of our Church and believe the P. E. necessary. Now that the best results may be attained let us one and all as E. C. and P. E. give ourselves wholly to the work of the ministry. Like Paul, let us magnify our office, and let us study, preach and pray, that the world may be made better by our having lived in it. Yours truly,

A. TENNESSEE.

Okolona, Ark.

The address of Rev. O. H. Keadle is St. Charles, Ark.

The address of Rev. R. O. Bebb, Lelia is Bebbe, Ark.

ARKANSAS METHODIST.
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Missions.

There are 400 Protestant missionaries in South America, and 20,000 communicants in Protestant churches.

Not only has our own Church maintained her missionary work in China with reduced appropriations during the times of trouble incident to the war, but there is report of rapidly increasing interest in the work. Similar reports are made by the six societies of the M. E. Church.

The Baptist Church is to be credited with inaugurating a new method in home missionary work—"The Gospel Car." Joe of these cars is used in Arkansas. It is a movable church, made to be hitched on the railroad trains and switched off at any point where this desired to use it. The car is a commodious church, with seats for 200 people, organ and organ and accommodations for lodging and sleeping the preacher and his helpers. Worked by this means a destitute place is furnished with a commodious church and a pastor until a society is organized, and provisions made for permanent work. There are similar cars used in other states. Mr. Ryckleiber is said to have furnished the money for starting this work. It is under the direction of the Baptist Board of Publication.

Christian Workers' Training Institute.

BY REV. W. E. LAMBETH, D. D.

The Church moves steadily on her mission. Special work demands special equipment. Thousands of years of the finest work for Christ have been lost for lines of work which require skilled hands, and intelligent piety in head and heart.

We are truly thankful for the inauguration of the Nashville Christian Worker's Training Institute which held its first meeting at Dr. Price's College for Young Ladies, January 7, at 7 p. m., conducted under the auspices of the Woman's Parsuage and Home Mission Society, and will rest for 200 years to the Scarritt Bible and Training School in Kansas City. We believe it will prove a powerful auxiliary of Christian force and effort. Hi-toned and skilled effort, though well intended, leads frequently to sad waste even in religious matters.

The Institute has for its Executive Committee, Mrs. Gross Alexander, Mrs. Wm. Fitzgerald and Miss Kate Harlan. In representing the aim of the institute they say it is not that many Church members "realize their lack of preparation for work, and have not even the opportunity for training in practical methods of Christian work."

The Board of Managers consists of the Executive Committee and a corps of five instructors or lecturers. Their names follow in the order of their departments.

Gen. Dept.—Ten lectures by Rev. Gross Alexander, D. D. I. The Bible as a whole. (Ten lectures.) II. The Study of the Bible by Books. (Two lectures). III. The Study of the Bible by Topics. (Two lectures.) IV. The Study of the Bible by Paragraphs. (Two lectures.) V. The Study of Bible by Characters. (Two lectures.) VI. The Spirit in Which We ought to Study the Bible. (One lecture.)

Normal History.—Ten lectures by Mrs. S. C. Trueheart. I. The Early Christian Church. (Two lectures.) II. In the Middle Ages. (One lecture.) III The Church in the Reformation. (One lecture.) IV. The History of Methodism. (Two lectures.) V. The History of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. (Two lectures.) VI. The History of Missions in the Church. (Two lectures.) VII. The History of Woman's Work in the Church. (One lecture.)

Sunday-School Normal Training.—Rev. W. D. Kirkland, D. D. I. The Sunday-School: Its Philosophy, Relation to Church, Family, etc. II. The Modern Sunday School: Its organization, Officers, etc. III. The Teacher Himself: His Qualifications and Work. IV. The Teacher's Equipment: Preparation for the Work. V. and VI. The Teacher Studying: Preparation of the Lesson. VII. and VIII. The Teacher Teaching; How to Conduct a Recitation. IX. The Teacher Visiting. X. The Teacher's Discouragement and Rewards.

Practical Missionary Work.—Miss Emma L. Tucker, I. City Missions. II. Revival Work. III Soul Winning: How to Do It. IV. Cottage Meetings. V. Bible Readings. VI. Young People's and Children's Meetings. VII. and VIII. House to House Visiting. (Two lectures.) IX. Prison Work. X. Hospital Work.

Nurse Training.—By A. M. Trawick, M. D. I. Anatomy. II. Physiology. III. Materia Medica and Therapeutics. IV. Hygiene. V. Practical Nursing.

The course on Nurse Training will extend through two terms of six months each. This is more extensive than the others and looks to the gaining of a certificate of competency upon satisfactory examination. Dr. Bruner, Superintendent of the City Hospital, will thus open his wards, and give a, occasional lecture.

The following pledge will be expected of those who apply for regular instructions: "Earnestly desiring better equipment for Christian work, I do myself the prompt and diligent attendance upon the full course in any one or more branches I may select; and will hold myself ready to respond to calls of the Executive Committee and my pastor to do any work for which I am qualified."

The only other requirement is that "applicants must be at least twenty years of age, members of some evangelical Church, and fairly well versed in the ordinary branches of an English education."

Instruction in all five departments will be given free of any charge. It is a labor of love.

What an opportunity for members of Epworth Leagues. It is a notable fact that this is to little with the course of reading arranged by the League, while Practical Ministerial Work and Nurse Training Departments are but "Charity and Help" in concrete form. Let these institutes be organized in every city and town. Why should we not have them all over the South? Our young people are asking daily, "What can we do to help on pastor?" We are willing, but do not know how." If we would have the Church of the next decade a living, moving force, we must exalt and train the young people of this decade. What better training for the war recruits ready for any service at the close of every revival? Let our pastors show their young converts there is work ahead, drill them for it and set them at it. It is delightful to everybody and everybody at it. It would solve the question of Epworth and Methodist doctrine, and we fear a Methodist practice, which has become shamefully forgotten.

Why not organize these classes of workers under the Parsonage and Home Mission Society? The ladies in Louisville have done so. We have an invitation from the ladies in Atlanta for the last week in January, and another from Florida asking us to help initiate their labor work. We can send the best material to the Scarritt Bible and Training School in Kansas City for more thorough preparation for the home or foreign field, but the Leagues, Sunday Schools, and Home and Foreign Missionary Societies would thus become closely correlated, and as coordinate departments of service would put the whole Church on the aggressive for Christ and his kingdom.

Much Run Down

Was in condition, says Mr. Wm. Weatherford, the moderator at Key West, Florida. My appe-

Mr. Wm. Weatherford.

tite was poor and I was quite miserable. Hearing what others had to say, I decided to take Hood's Sarsaparilla. I soon found that it was doing me good. I continued its use and now I am in excellent health. I have no trouble with my stomach, and my appetite is splendid. I cheerfully recommend Hood's Sarsaparilla to all who are run down and need a tonic."

Hood's Sarsaparilla Cures

Hood's Pills are a mild cathartic. 25c.

Why Live in the Mist

The out-and-out Christian is a jolly Christian. The half-and-half Christian is the kind of Christian that is great many of you are little acquainted with the joy of the Lord. Why should you not? Why not way up the hill and swathed in mists when we might have an unclouded sky and a visible sun over our heads? We would only climb higher, and walk in the light of his face.—*Dr. Mortimer.*

Sunday School Banners.

We can sell anybody from Sunday school Banners, at prices from $1.00 to $10. Write for prices. If you want anything in that line, address T. J. Thornburgh, Little Rock, Ark.

+ Christian Life. +

Glimpses.

Life comes to us only by glimpses;
We see but parts of what we do;
For the unseen, the soul and the shadow,
Are the things that are true.
For the dominion of mortal vision
Is the meagre fellow of the brain;
Only inner soul, intuitive manhood
Can the truth attain.

Two hills lift aloft the glad morning;
It is through the valley of whispering pines;
Two rivers repeat it to music;
The sea adds its harmony sweet;
Two lights in the heavens declare it;
The moon is the lesser token of the sun.

What have we, man, to know the Redeemer,
Who revealed in a human birth.

Life shows us its grandeur by glimpses;
Love shows us a bit at a time;
But each bit is the solid world-secret
Of everything else in the world;
One law for the least as for the mightiest;
Of light on the darkest and best;
The deeps of the heavens reveal other
Than the depths of the human breast.

The secret of life-rest is given;
Love's law is to live and to love;
Love's law issues man to the angel;
Love's law is the law of God above;
There are troubles of outside sorrow
That love cannot banish away;
But love is the secret of peace in the heart
And to breathe—is no worry.

Life dawns on us, comes to us by glimpses;
Love's revelation is ever the same;
That flesh hid by veils of sense
Is the spirit's garment of flame;
Love's law is the law of the angels;
Ones with endless riches unfold;
Love's law is the law of the heavens;
Has found its interpretation—Christ.
—*Lucy Larcom.*

A Salvation Army Gold Mine.

In the Huachuca range of mountains near Prescott, Arizona, is situated one of the most unique gold mines in the world. It is owned and men who work there are all members of the Salvation Army and the profits of the mine all go into the treasury of that organization. The history of the location and subsequent development of the mine was recently related by "The Mining Industry and Trade Review."

"Old Dick Taylor," the discoverer, is one of the best known and most successful prospectors in the territory. Coming to Arizona in the early days he settled in Tucson and became interested in the affairs of the border ruffian joined with the successful miner.

It was immediately after the sale of the Apache mine for $15,000 that he started on his wildest debauch in Phenix. For over a month he did not draw a sober breath, and at last, reduced again to poverty and weakened mentally and physically, he pondered religion as it an organ meeting of the Salvation Army in Phenix. For some time he attended the meetings of the Army at its nightly meetings, but finding such a routine dull, he became heartily sick of the whole business.

Nothing was heard of him for some months after and it was reported that he had perished on the desert, but one day he again turned up in Tucson, but this time with a rich ore, which set the town ablaze with excitement. Samples of the ore supposed to be brought were valued at $90. He announced his intention of donating his claim and ore to the Salvation Army. It was duly proffered to and accepted by that organization, and fifteen men put to untiered to develop it. Work was commenced over a year ago under the direction of Taylor and has progressed steadily since.

The pay streak is sixteen inches wide and has paid well from the start. Strict religious discipline is maintained in the camp, and the profits, after paying the necessary expenses of working, go to support of the Army to aid in the work of that organization. Two shifts of six hours each are under progress, while the remainder attend to the treatment of the ore and transportation of necessary supplies. Supplies are freighted one hundred miles.—*Ex. Rev's Here.*

When a so-called evangelist is expected in a town all the ministers and all the good church workers in the town together, work and pray for success in ingathering. The faithful pastor, the earnest workers are thrown to the front, and a full success. If the same earnest, cooperative work were done by the resident pastor and church the better results would follow, and that incubus on churches, the perpetual evangelist, would find its occupation gone.

This method has been tried and with decided success, without the bad results of calling in an evangelist. The evangelist we need is the Holy Ghost.

Let us pray for him. If any efficient work is done in the way of conviction, regeneration and conversion it is the work of the Holy Spirit, "who worketh when and where and how he pleaseth," to whom the glory is due and honor him. It has gotten to such a pitch in every church that people do not expect any soul to be born into the kingdom, except during a "revival service." The evangelist is called in and the work is done mechanically. A total of so-called professions and reclaimed during the meeting, and when that is over a kind of resting spell takes place, the great work of saving souls is lost sight of and all church work is a drag. The "yield-ing Spirit," from the standpoint of the people is ignored. The pastor's preaching is considered dull, the sanctuary is neglected, the prayer meeting forsaken, family altars fall into disuse, and the secret chamber ignored, and Zion languishes and the deceived souls go

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the past revival have illustrated the proverb—"The dog has returned to his vomit and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire."

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A hat of logic without a dome,
A brain a wreck without a home,
A shipboard replaced without a crew,
Three shirts without sleeves or fronts,
A wife that has not any bonnet
To hide her tears from hungry eyes in
Scolding and wishing to be dead.
Because she has not any bread.

A tea-kettle without a spout,
A mouth out with the tooth ache out,
A "comfort" with the cotton gone,
And such a bed is quilt alone!
A handkerchief not any so,
A barkle without wood or tar;
A pot-lid and a vagon hub,
And two sets of a washing tub.

Three broken plates of different kinds
Some mackerel tails and bacon rinds;
A table without joints or bolts—
One stump and a half a dozen pegs;
One cuken leg with heaps of irons,
And a fiddle with a broken chest;
A fiddle without any strings,
A gimlock and two tuning wings.

O readers of this inventory,
Take warning by its grackie story;
For little are my sons of ours,
Who wears good shirt with bottoms on
Now to put on cotton cheeks,
And only have bean pros to pin 'em.
'Tis, my dear, little wonder
Keep the men from growing great
When you hold them back.

Warning words—we're too late.

Breeches, Pantaloons and Trousers.

The masculine readers of this "notice" are apt to prefer indirectly, nately to the garments alluded to as "inexpressibles," despite the sparkling they are separate and distinct articles of dress, each belonging to a particular age.

"Breeches," in the strict meaning of the word, are worn now by the semi-civilized men of the East, long ages befor a single page of the New Testament had been written, or been quite common among the Medes and Persians, the Piute gians, the Gauls and the Teutons. Breeches were very "brief articles of apparel," and very scanty in texture in the majority of instances, and never reaching nearer than six inches of the knee.

"Pantaloons" were aggregated forms of breeches, clinging closely to the hips to the ankles, and as tightfitting as a pair of East drawers. They were usually of two different colors, black at the hip, red from the hip to the knee and blue to the terminated at the ankle. They "came in vogue during the first half of the 18th century, and were worn by servitors of the patron saint, Pantaloon. Such garments were always called "pantaloons by the Italians.

"Trousers," (the only proper word to express the existing style in "pants"), followed closely after the "breeches" and "pantaloons" in the stationary period, being first worn in England, France and Canada bridge in 1812.—*Selected.*

Positive Orders.

"I've got orders, positive orders—not to go there—orders that I dare not to disobey," said a youth, who was being urged to visit a low theater and gambling saloon.

"Come, don't be an womanish, come along like a man," shouted the others.

"No, I can't break orders," said John.

"What special orders have you got?" Come, show them to us, if you can. Show us your orders."

John took a neat wallet from his pocket, and pulled out a neatly folded paper.

"It's here," he said, unfolding the paper, and showing it to the boys.

They looked, and read aloud:

"Enter not into the paths of the wicked man; avoid it; pass not by it; turn from it, and pass away."

"Now," said John, "you see my orders forbid my going with you. They are God's orders, and by his help, I don't intend to break them."—*Fireside Companion Reorder.*

Puzzle.

A young man fresh from college wore as a scarf-pin a jeweled gold potato-bug. One day he called the attention of an old German bookseller to it, asking: "Isn't that pretty, Dutchy?" "Ya, ya," was the reply: "dot ish dey biggest pog on der schmallest potato I hat ever seen."

Something New in Photography.

By an ingenious arrangement of mirrors you can have yourself photographed in from 5 to 12 different positions at the same time. Only one sitting is required, and the photographer gives but one snap of his camera, yet he gets the reflection from the glass in so perfect a condition that it is impossible to pick out from the group the one figure that was not reflected.

It is the old idea of the deceptive and multiplying mirrors to be found in numerous out of these folding mirrors to be seen in every tailor's and milliner's shop. If the mirrors are perfect they will throw the reflection from both and from some one to the other an infinite number of times, the only distortion being the result of the photographic lens.

graph—that is the name of the new photograph it is found that the best results are attained when the figure or head is shown but five times. By merely alternating the angle of the mirrors, however, the photographer can take your figure twelve times.

One of the curious things which this system of photographing brings before you is the difference between the sides of your face. You perhaps have always thought are the two sides of the face alike. Not only that expression, but the shape of the face is distinct. This is made strikingly apparent in the photomultiplying glass.

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The photomultiplying glass is patented, and since its introduction in this city there has been a steady demand for the fixings. It has been found that they are especially adapted for showing how a new gown fits. In this kind of a picture you can see yourself as others see you.—*Chicago Herald.*

Publishing the Banns.

A schoolmaster came into the school one day with a beautiful bunch of grapes in his hand, and laid them on the desk, and went to the vestibule. One of the boys took the grapes, and laid them up in his hand. The boys in the school the bunch of grapes between their hands of grapes and ate mouth. If any one could get the cause or impediment why these parties should not be united, let him now declare it. No one denied the banns, the boy ate the grapes, and the schoolmaster heard the announcement. Returning to his desk, and rising from his chair, he said: "I pulled the bons of marriage between this cause and the mouth of this boy and this grapes. If any one can show just cause why these parties shall not become united, let him say so." The boy who ate the grapes arose, and said, "I can show cause why." The schoolmaster said, "What cause have you for denying the banns?" "Because parties are not agreed."—*Selected.*

Antlers, and Their Growth.

By the time a deer is five years old, he should have what are called his "eights," that is, on each antler, which is nearest the base of the horn or butt, the bez or bay, an inch or two higher up the beam or upright (main shaft of the horn) the tray or trey above that, and finally two on top, or two points on one of his antlers. This constitutes a stag of eight points, a royal or warrantable deer, which will, in another year, have two on top (in both sides, and therefore ten in ten points. In Scotland when there are three on top and five on the head is termed a royal one, but I have never heard the term used in the West. Most of these words are derived from old Norman French hunting terms, but the deer terms/verses are called by names which sound unmistakably English. After the first year, by instance, a young male deer is a calf, at two years he is a "knobber," or "heveler," from his budding antlers, a hind at the same age being called a "calf." In the third year, he is a "spire" or "pricket," the upright beam having formed; after which he is called a "staggart," attaining to his full titles and dignities at the age of five.—*North Devon Herald.*

Hints to Young Authors.

"The first thing you need is to have something to say. If you have nothing that you are burning to tell, keep silent. Next, you must remember that the way of saying a thing is very important, and so you must cultivate style. Read the best good style you must read the best authors. You will learn how to write only by reading. Next to writing out your own thoughts while you are young; and by taking in great thoughts, the thoughts and words of the great of all ages."

"Read Dante, Milton, Shakespeare; have always on hand a task, in the way of a history or essay, or some author which you cannot read hastily. Gradually by reading the best literature you will gain a good vocabulary, and learn to express yourself as the masters do."

When you write do not choose a high-flown subject which does not interest, and in no way real to you, but describe something with which you are familiar. Take your father's house or the street your school stands on, or your own room, and try to make a fine picture of either of these. Write in plain simple language as you would speak. Always write as if you were talking to somebody, a child, or a dear mother, or your cousin Bob, who is in Mexico, or your aunt Emmeline in the frontier fort, a week's journey from a railroad.

Never think especially of publishing your work, or of making money by it. Money is paid only to those who understand their art, not to beginners. You will spoil your best work if you think of money as if you let the thought of money enter into your writing.—*Harper's Young People.*

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DAY OF PRAYER FOR COLLEGES.

References: 1 Timothy, iv:12-16; II Tim. 1:6-7; I Tim. 1:18-19

The highest possible privilege that a human being can enjoy is that of being a young man or a young woman.

The nineteenth century in such a country as this.

We take no merit to ourselves for the country and age in which we are born. But our environments contain the possibilities of our lives. To be Americans in America is different from being Bushmen in Africa. Upon you, dear reader, God has bestowed the great distinction. It is an unconditional election to the richest inheritance. All the treasures of all past ages are laid at your feet.

What use will you make of your privileges and of your youth? Where there are such treasures to be gathered there is no time to waste. All knowledge must be acquired by personal effort. Privileges make knowledge accessible, but labor and effort must secure it. The boys at school can not say "our fathers mastered trigonometry for us." They must go over the same paths that their fathers did.

Every grace of character must be acquired, no one is born possessor of the Christian graces. To be surrounded by such examples is much, but small surfaces one may develop a most unlovely character. Self-culture is the highest duty. We are too apt to make excuses for the idea of achievement. One will be rich, another learned, another will seek office, one will be an artist, another a physician.

Mind needs do something in the world—take up some art, some business, but a man's worth is character, or the good he does in the world are not known by his trade or profession. The highest good one can bestow upon others is simply to set before them a model of character, adorned with every virtue. This may be done in the humblest

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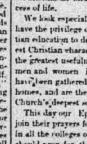

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STANLEY.—Harleston Ewell Stanley, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stanley, was born March 30, 1894, and died Dec. 19, 1900. Little Ewell was the pride of the family here, but he is now numbered in the sainted throng glory for "of such is the kingdom of heaven." We cannot know why he was taken from us, but we know that he is safe in the arms of Jesus, and we shall see him again. Kindly your eyes on Jesus, and remember: "God moves in a mysterious way his wonders to perform."

JAS. H. O'BRYANT.

HALL.—Maggie M. Hall, daughter of Abner and A. A. Hall, was born in Izard Co., Ark., April 16, 1878, subsequently removing with her parents to Fulton Co., Ark. She professed religion at a protracted meeting held by Rev. T. H. Noe at Fairview school house in Salem circuit in 1891. Joined the M. E. Church, South, in Aug. 1891, at Mt. Pleasant (also in Salem circuit) and died at her home in Fulton Co., Dec. 18, 1894 of malarial fever, and we have lost no Presbyterial meeting the writer sees the burial service of the M. E. Church, South. Maggie was an earnest Christian, an obedient daughter, an affectionate sister, loved by all who knew her. To the parents, brothers and sisters I would say, live for Jesus as she lived and and you will see her again in the bright world above.

JAMES D. SPENCE.

MELLARD.—Mrs. Laura E. Mellard was born in Ashley Co., Ark., Jan. 9, 1867. She joined the Missionary Baptist Church on a profession of faith in Christ, in the summer of 1879. She was married to Willie E. Mellard Nov. 29, 1891, joined by letter, the M. E. Church, South, in 1893, in which Church she lived a consistent member, as a wife, useful Christian life till on the night of Nov. 8, 1894, God in his infinite wisdom called her home. Sister Laura was a noble woman, a true friend to her many loved ones on the circuit. She suffered for months, for some years a year before her death, but bore her afflictions with a spirit of meekness and humble submission to her Master's will. She expected death and commended her soul to God after the manner of one. She talked of dying, gave instructions concerning her burial, prayed for the family, exhorted them repeatedly one by one to meet her in heaven and gave evidence of her readiness to go. Then she met the oft dreaded monster, death, without a fear and quietly passed away almost without a struggle, she was truly ready to go. Sister Laura's mother, a firm and faithful friend, died a few years ago, a triumphant death and now, a great lover of right has condemned among the number of the saved. She was ever ready to visit the sick and minister to the wants and necessities of those around her. She was a kind mother, quite sweet affections, in her home, has repeatedly been the grateful beneficiary of her almost inexhaustible beneficence. She made a long story short, died in the Christian virtues and graces found in the life of a true, consistent Christian. She lived and rested in her life. She will be greatly missed and her place hard to fill. The has gone where she has ministered prepared for the finally faithful. God bless the sorrowing husband and help the little children to remember the lit. the prayers and counsels of their mother, we all meet her on the beautiful shore.

Her brother-in-law,
JESSE J. MELLARD.

PRICE.—Sarah J., wife of James M. Price, died at her home near Bryant on the 7th of Dec., 1894 and was buried on Sunday following. She was born near Bryant in the presence of a large concourse of neighbors and friends. Here she was born and reared in East Texas. Married in 1841, and came to Ark. in 1847. She professed religion at the age of 16 and has been a faithful member of the Church. She loved the house of the Lord; was always in her place at the regular services, exceptional so far as she was able to the support of the institutions of the Church. In all the relations of life as wife, mother and neighbor she was a model woman. The writer has known her for more than forty years and it is with pleasure he bears testimony to her Christian character. The ARKANSAS METHODIST had on more appreciative friend. On the day before she died she told her husband where he could find a deed that she had saved from the sale of marketing, requesting him to use $1.50 to forward the ARKANSAS METHODIST. The rest to assist in the funeral expenses. I very keenly feel that I am home! The daughter—the only living child—realizes some fifty miles away. But they may meet daily at the throne of grace and have blessed communion and the hope for a reunion of all the members of the household in the not distant future. May they all meet!

ANDREW HUNTER.

PHILLIPS.—Whereas, God in his wisdom has called up higher" our sister and co-laborer, Laura B. Phillips, be it resolved, That the Methodist Ladies' Aid has lost an efficient worker and while we deeply deplore our loss, we bow in humble submission to God's will.

Resolved, 2nd, That we extend to the bereaved family our warmest sympathy in their sorrow.

Resolved, 3rd, That these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the Ladies' Aid, and a copy be sent the ARKANSAS METHODIST for publication.

M. A. BRUNER,
IDA M. BRUNER,
VIOLA TAYLOR,
Committee.

MOORE.—A young life just budding into promise of a happy fruition has paid the last debt of nature; severed the ties which bound it to the fond anticipations of early and childhood to the communion of Him "who doeth all things well," has gone to her reward.

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Mr. Jno. Hunt and Miss Mattie Stewart were married at the residence of the bride's mother by Rev. C. C. Gaddes on the 5th of January, 1895. All of Arkadelphia, Ark.

Mr. L. August McKinnen and Miss Mollie Aikens of Gurdon, Ark., were married on the 10th of January, 1895, by the Rev. C. C. Geddes.

At the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Hooker, Bentonville, Ark., Dec. 27, by the Rev. V. V. Hatton assisted by the Rev. E. L. Massey, the Rev. Y. A. Gilmore, P. E. Eureka Springs District, and Miss Mattie Hooker.

On Jan. 16th Burton and Miss Annie Gather, both of White Co., were married at the residence of the bride's father, five miles north of Searcy. Sunday, Jan. 6, by L. U. Craig, P. C.

Jan. 16, 1895, at the residence of Rev. P. B. Hopkins, of Elm Springs, Ark., Mr. Jno. Shelton to Miss Grace Hopkins—Rev. Arthur Marston officiating.

January 3, 1895, at the residence of Mrs. H. F. Richardson, Jacksonport, Ark., Mr. Jas. Richardson—all of Omaha Co., Ark.—W. M. Crowson officiating.

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At Walnut Grove Church, Jan. 13, 1895, Mr. J. F. Watson to Miss Linda Waddel, Rev. D. D. Goldsmith officiating—all of Greenway.

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For the third time I have started around on this work. This time I have been by far the most flattering start. My people have given many expressions of approval of my return both in word and deed. We have had no pounding but have many nice presents given me. And while I cannot mention all yet one I will. The young ladies of (1894) Lewisville made and gave us as a Christmas present a beautiful quilt (Crazy-Quilt), (worth five dollars at least). The heart of the preacher's wife who has no token of appreciation. This goes to show observed their blessings upon us and to return thanks to our Lord, and shall do my best this year. Our first Quarterly Conference meets Jan. 26th and we already received this his fourth year.

The Lord's richest blessings rest on you and all yours.

R. W. McKAY.

Jan. 8.

BEEBE AND WEST POINT.

Last year Beebe stood alone and considered my self with a charge. I have Beebe and the additional Presiding Elder of West Point, a small town on Little Red River, the two being connected by rail. This arrangement made for the general convenience of the latter and for the financial strength of the former. The Conference "cut to give" West Point the 3rd and (when there is a 5th Sunday) the 5th each month, and the remaining three to Beebe. The two combined make a good charge. I say good because there is much of it to be done, and needed because of the class of people among whom I am now to labor.

I was no less cordially received upon my return to Beebe than when I first entered upon this field of labor. The Lord's will was manifest in the reputation of the people here to say that both times "pounded" us, well, and we have long since established the reputation of being "good pounders." Our annual pounding, besides giving them a respectable amount of substantial aid, is the support. Of such a good work, even when we have difficult features, I freely confess my unworthiness. But I accept it as a thankful heart and pledge myself to the Lord unto God my most efficient service. I am thankful to be called to fill. Having been ordained at the recent session in Helena a deacon in the Church and Christ, and to enter into full connection with the Conference, I am encouraged than ever before the awful responsibilities of the sacred calling. Pray for me brethren that I be able by the grace to cultivate well my portion of the field.

W. C. DAVISON.

Beebe, Jan. 7.

LEDBETTER.

My return to this station was most agreeable to myself and the people were resigned. Last night a "pounding" of good proportions took place, but owing to the severity of the weather the liable pugilism oocurs quite frequently, and we are glad to say it would be such in the case otherwise. There is one feature of Christian salutation practiced in Lonoke that I devoutly hope will not be introduced on this type, in the little Rock Conference at present. That is the preacher getting shaved. This entirely is unnecessarily and unexpected, grassful gratification towards the truly deserving pastor, and the barber's fee, and the preacher goes home and "Eats Crow." Until "Peace on Earth Lasting" into a reputable Conference endorsed carriage from this seat of practical solicitude, I shall remain in the house behind and silently praying for its stability, the reward for the past year proclaims the loyalty of its membership. Over $2,000 were raised. The Ladies Aid Society $125; Epworth League $132; Woman's Missionary Society $30; Little Workers' $16. The Epworth League numbered 6309 of Church debt and are about on payments. Our Sunday school approaches a million. The officers of these respective Societies are consecrated men and women. The official board proceeds on business principles and methods. May their tribe increase. The old church has been lifted up for moral gatherings. Our Presiding Elder, H. H. Watson, was a "busy preacher" at this point, and is in great favor. The outlook is favorable along all lines.

M. W. MAYFIELD, P. C.

CENTRAL AVENUE, BATESVILLE

After passing through two snow storms and a blustering pounding storm and the inconvenience of hauling; we are at last pleasantly situated in the every cottage parsonage of Central Avenue Church. Our first Quarterly Conference was held on the 2nd of this month. Jernigan left the next day (although the ground was covered with snow) to meet other appointments. The preachers and people of the Batesville District congratulate themselves in having a most excellent Presiding Elder. It never rains too hard, nor the winds blow too cold, for him to meet his appointments. He always brings a message of love and words of encouragement. His life is a stream of sunshine. Our pastor gave us a warm reception at this place. They fitted up the parsonage from the parlor to the kitchen, beside the literary pounding. We feel very grateful to the Lord that the "lines have fallen to us in such a pleasant place." As this is my first week in the Conference, I ask the prayers of the brethren and fathers in Zion. Amen in the field.

T. W. FISACKERLY.

SPRINGFIELD CIRCUIT.

The Conference just held has finished up a prosperous two years on this circuit. We have enjoyed the pastorate of one of the best men in the Conference; but his time is up, he must leave us now; but those who have passed through these parsonages know how hard it is to part with a beloved pastor; but now and these parsonages. Now two years ago Bro. Irvin P. Harris came to us a stranger; he leaves us now dearest friend. God has greatly blessed his labors among sons and daughters have been born into the Church. He has led the army of the Lord bravely forward, and the victory has been ours. When the enemy arose he was the first soldier to make war against him. The Lord recognizes him a brave leader of His hosts. I cannot write down the beautifully adorned with many stars in the heavenly diadem. May God grant that the work he leaves may continue to bring forth bountiful harvests. You will be pleased to learn that Brother is stronghold against Satan. Long may he live to labor for God. We leave waiting a true welcome for our new pastor, Rev. Jernigan. We hope to become co-operators with him in the work of the Master. We feel richly blessed in the labors of the Little Rock Conference in this another year. A worker for Christ,

PARIS AND ROSEVILLE.

After all sad partings and friends believed we started to our new appointment. We found over 100 miles away and are prepared to sympathize with our old friend (Bro. Ray), who moved so far (!). We have found a good people and have entered upon the year's work with full confidence that we will succeed. The first Quarterly Conference is past. Our Presiding Elder was present for being on time at Conferences he has a record that reads 100 per cent. We have a favorable impression our people. We hope to report a good year's report with joy. Fraternally,

JESSE M. WILLIAMS.

RUSSELLVILLE.

To us the coldest day of the season, we left Little Rock for Russellville where the parsonage is located. Bros. Cook, Wright and Hamilton were on with us, and with trunks in one and ourselves in the other we made Richmond by 1:40 p. m. Having driven over a mountain of our coming (on account of sickness), we were met by Bro. Hamilton and taken to Bro. Henry Joyner's hotel we were driven, and there we were met with a warm dinner and many attentions by Sisters Joyner and Henry, we went to Dr. T. B. Williamson. For Deacons' and Stewards' Meeting. H. H. WATSON, A. E. Holloway, J. W. Watson.

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