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News and Notes.

Henry M. Stanley thinks that England would have interfered in behalf of Armenia had not difficulties arisen in regard to Venezuela and the Transvaal. The menacing message of President Cleveland, he thinks, paralyzed the arm of Great Britain for any protection of the Armenians. The United States has her apology for refused aid to Armenia in the Monroe doctrine. Germany and France have equally fair excuses.

We mentioned last week the movement in favor of an International Court of Arbitration to settle all existing or future difficulties between the United States and Great Britain. A large convention was held in Philadelphia in behalf of this movement on the 22nd. President Cleveland sent a letter strongly endorsing the purpose of the convention.

At Viedendorf, a suburb of Johannesburg, in the Transvaal, South Africa, occurred last week what is probably the most disastrous dynamite explosion on record in any part of the world. Eight car loads of dynamite exploded, destroying everything for a half-mile around. One hundred persons were killed and near 300 badly injured. The earth for miles around was convulsed as if by an earthquake. The homes of thousands were destroyed.

A war has broken out in Nicaragua

which threatens to embroil other Central American States. The parties to the feud are of old standing, and represent the government on the one hand and the clericals, or Church leaders, on the other. Thus far the government party has proven the stronger.

There are some who criticize President Cleveland's action in regard to the Venezuelan trouble as a hasty and arbitrary exhibition of authority. But Mr. Cleveland only issued a special message to Congress, advising action which was taken, both by the Senate and the House, with promptness and enthusiasm. And since the appointment of the Commission there has been a wonderful change in the conduct of John Bull. He has laid aside his insolence and bluff, and courteously recognizes the Commission which the United States has appointed. And the Queen in her message to Parliament appreciates the aid which the United States offers her in settling her dispute with the little South American republic. Mr. Cleveland understood John Bull, and that his eyes could never be turned away from the gold mines of Venezuela but by a vision of American war ships. "A shame that two great Christian nations should be even threatening to fight." But no sensible man deemed there was any danger of their fighting. Yet John Bull is not so Christian that he would not trample a helpless power for gold. He puts himself first and the Almighty next. Only the show of fight on the part of our government led him to begin to talk and act like a Christian.

The Salvation Army is in trouble. The removal of Ballington Booth from command of the American division threatens to produce rebellion and secession. It begins to appear probable that the Salvationists of this country will refuse to be longer subject to the old commander-in-chief, and will establish an independent division in America under Ballington Booth.

The latest reports represent the Cubans as having gained an important victory over the Spaniards at Palo Prieto. The battle was fought Feb. 20. The Spanish loss was 700. General Weyler, commander of the Spanish forces, is represented as treating the insurgents and their sympathizers with a cruelty which is disgraceful to a civilized nation.

The Good Roads Convention was

in session last week two days. A proposition favoring a new constitution for the State was voted down. The sentiment was for legislation under the present constitution or an amendment to it. A committee on legislation was appointed to formulate proper bills for presentation to the next session of the Legislature.

+ Personal +

Rev. A. Jeffett was a caller Tuesday p. m.

As we go to press this (Tuesday) afternoon, the Republican State Convention is in session. Col. W. G. Whipple has been elected chairman and Ferd Harris (colored) secretary.

Miss Annie Walworth of Cleveland has given \$100,000 to the Euclid Avenue Presbyterian Church of that city.

Dr. A. T. Pierson, the well known Presbyterian preacher, who is now holding a series of meetings in England, was immersed two weeks since by Rev. J. A. Spurgeon at West Corydon Chapel, London.

The whole Christian world gives about \$14,000,000 a year for Missions. In England, foot-ball receipts are said to be \$20,000,000.

Rev. G. W. Hill, Agent for Hendrix College, was at the missionary meeting at Malvern. He reported his labors for the College fairly successful, but said the preachers had collected but little since Conference. Some of them, we hear, are beginning to work. An earnest effort by every one would realize quickly the full amount needed to pay off the mortgage debt of this institution. There is no other interest of such importance now claiming the attention of our Church in Arkansas, and what we do for the College must be done quickly. Some of the preachers are making collections. Every one can do a little, and this burden will be lifted.

Rev. T. O. Roris, at Malvern Hill, Hot Springs, has secured the subscriptions for all his Conference collections. This is prompt work. The preacher who gets his collections in the first part of the year will breathe free breath till Conference.

Rev. J. H. Smith, P. C. of Goshen circuit, sending a new subscriber, says: "We are getting along very well. Congregations good. I shall do all I can for the METHODIST."

John T. Stinson, of the Arkansas Agricultural Experimental Station, Fayetteville, dropped in to see us while at the Good Roads Convention last week.

Bro. W. M. Van Hook, of El Dorado, was a helpful caller last week. He came up to attend the Good Roads Convention. Judge Van Hook has served his county as Judge thereof for the past eight years, and made an enviable record as such. He is now a candidate for Senator from his district.

Last week a brother by the name of J. L. Wills paid a year's subscription in our office. The young lady who received the money failed to get the postoffice address of Bro. Wills. We ask him to drop us a card, telling us his office.

Bro. W. M. Wilson, P. C. at Brinkley, on his way to Conway, called Wednesday.

The postoffice address of Rev. J. S. Brooke is still Portia, Ark.

Rev. J. N. Villines, of Arkansas Conference, to whom we sold an Epworth Organ for one of his Churches, says: "The Organ has come, and our people are delighted with it."

We acknowledge a pleasant call from Bro. Geo. B. Murrell, the nurseryman of Austin. Bro. Murrell gave a hopeful report of the prospects of Austin circuit.

The editor of this paper spent last week at the Missionary meeting at Malvern, and thence to Camden for a few days.

Dr. J. W. Gray, of Jacksonville, called Thursday and renewed for Mrs Gray.

We acknowledge pleasant calls this week from Rev. and Sister Manville, Revs. R. L. Broach, T. O. Owen, and N. T. Thomasson, all of whom were returning from attending the Missionary meeting at Malvern. They were all much enthused over the meeting.

We had the pleasure of visits the past week from Rev. M. H. Bra-shear, who is supplying Maumelle circuit, and Bro. J. L. Wills, whose postoffice address we will be glad to know, that we may credit his subscription for cash received of him.

We are badly behind with the insertion of obituaries. Our friends will have to be patient. If some of the writers would be briefer and more pointed, all could have a place promptly.

Contributions.

WOOL SOCK CIRCUIT.

No. 3.

I have been trying to get subscribers for our Church paper. Some of my people did not know our Church was large and strong enough to sustain a Church paper. Others thought the Church was strong enough to furnish a free paper to all its members. Some thought the price too high for the lowness of the paper; others thought the paper too high for the lowness of the people. Some thought they might take it if the editor would take fodder and pumpkins as pay.

A widowed sister, of failing sight and silvery hair, had frequently received sample copies from the circuit rider. She said she loved the paper next to her Testament and pastor. She had carefully folded and laid away the few copies she had gotten; and these, with her Testament, made up her library. Nothing in them ever grew old. They were worthy to be read every Sunday, and every rainy day. She had not gotten a copy since the new editor took charge; but thought she would be willing to give, for a year's subscription, two pair of extra heavy, bleached, long ribbed, double heeled wool socks.

A brother did not "feel called upon" to support an editor after giving three bushels of corn and a jug of sorghum to the circuit rider, and something extra "to send the gospel to the missionaries." He thought the "missionaries ought to be preached to before the Church undertakes to go into the newspaper business."

Another said, "Charity begins at home." He contended that the editor had an easy time, wore fine clothes, used manufactured plug and went about; while he had to stay at home, work hard and put up with home-made twist.

One man thought the editor of the county paper ought to be "kep' up," because he believed in politics and "fit fer jum with a yim." He himself had thought of "jinen some party," but there wasn't one near him.

Another man believed in religion but thought the circuit rider could keep it up. He took an agricultural journal, and called himself an "Agriculturist." He thought that party could elect the President if the editor of the journal would fight for the Agriculturists and not fill his paper with "corn plantin' and pertater diggin'," that everybody knew all about.

Another man takes the "Constitution," and claims to be a "Constitutionalist," and believes in Talmage.

Still another takes the "Way of Faith," believes that faith is the way, and says the Methodists are wrong.

At another place, they were taking one paper. "The Easy Road to Marriage." The father said he had seven daughters and five sons. He felt as if it would break his heart for anyone of them to marry; but he was sure they would do so anyway, and he wanted them all to do well; so, he was taking this paper and advertising them in it. The paper cost ten cents in cash, and the advertising was ten cents each. He was not willing for his children to marry home raised scrubs.

Another family was supplied with reading matter; having recently received their annual periodical which they called a "Magazine." Its title flames in red as follows:

DR. PIERCE'S GUIDE TO HEALTH, AND HELPFUL HINTS FOR FARM AND HOUSEHOLD.

Said the mother: "We most always

git one every year, nearly. The readin' in 'am is different. They don't cost nothin' neither. We sell most of our aigs to the store-keeper down here at Cross Road, and most generally always trade it out; and the store-keeper has tuck a likin' to my old man and Sam, our boy; and he gives them one of these magazines every year for a Christmas present."

Several would not renew their subscriptions because the editor would not stop the paper when the time was out. They thought he was trying to force them to continue it and pay for it; and they did not propose to be run over that way.

So, Mr. Editor, I have gotten two subscribers, provided you will accept the pay they offer; and, provided further, that you will give some of the fodder and one pair of socks as a commission to
The Rider of the Circuit.

A DOMINION LETTER.

By Rev. E. Barrass, D. D.

Those of us who knew Bishop Haygood felt great sympathy for Southern Methodism when we heard that he had been called to his reward. We entertained a high opinion concerning him and regarded him as one whom the church could ill spare. The ways of the Almighty are very mysterious; but they are all right, and what we know not now we shall know hereafter.

January has been a busy month with us. At one time we were afraid lest the peace which had so long existed between Canada and the United States was likely to be broken, but, happily, the clouds have been dispersed and we are no longer afraid that there will be any invasion of our fair land. Our friends to the south of us might as well know at once that there is no desire for annexation among us. During more than forty years' residence in Canada your correspondent testifies that the feeling of attachment to the mother country was never stronger in our land than it is at present. We think it a pity that newspaper correspondents and malcontents who are to be found everywhere should be such true breakers. We thought better things of President Cleveland, even though the time of re-election is so near at hand.

While our public men were discussing questions of a general character, our churches were very busy with evangelistic and other similar services. Toronto and other cities were being visited by missionaries from other countries. Rev. W. Hay Aitken and some associates were abundant in labors in holding what they designate "missions." Mr. Aitken is well qualified for such work. He is a man of good physique and possesses much skill in carrying forward his mission. Some of his addresses were very powerful and well calculated to accomplish good. The mode of procedure was very much like our revival services. The singing, led by an orchestra, was very lively.

Rev. Dr. Simpson and Dr. Wilson, of the Christian Alliance Mission, spent some days in our cities. They held conventions to promote spiritual work, and delivered addresses respecting their mission, which has been established some nine or ten years, and has sent out 300 missionaries into the foreign field. They are calling for a large reinforcement and received several responses. Both gentlemen formerly resided in Canada and were favorably known. Your correspondent believes that their peculiar

notions about faith cures, etc., hindered several from taking part in their meetings.

The great depression in business is one occasion of great anxiety to our churches as there is a likelihood to be a diminution of income, and an increase of new organizations will mean a demand for additional funds which will endanger the ordinary givings to church organizations. The great number of students both male and female who are waiting the call of the church to go forth to China and elsewhere to erect the standard of the cross imposes increased obligation upon those who possess means to increase their givings for the world's evangelization.

The missionary spirit is very strong in the Canadian Churches. The Congregational Church though weak numerically has given several of its members to Asia Minor and Turkey, who are laboring in connection with the American Board of Missions. The Presbyterian Church and the Baptist Church have sent missionaries to India, the former has also sent a strong batch to China, and has the honor of having given Dr. Geddie to missions in the New Hebrides, and Dr. Mackey to Formosa. They are by far the most distinguished missionaries sent from Canada, though Methodists are proud of their Cochrane and Macdonald, the pioneers of Japan Mission, and the Anglicans are proud of their countryman Bishop Rowe who recently was sent to Alaska to found a Bishopric in that country.

A valuable addition has been made to our missionary literature by a volume from the pen of Dr. Mackay entitled "From Far Formosa." It deserves to be added to the Acts of the Apostles. The Doctor has scarcely had any help from European laborers. He has raised up a native ministry and organized sixty native churches, four of which are self-supporting. There are church members numbering no less than 2,719. He has established a college in which native preachers are being trained and also schools for both sexes. To all his other excellent qualities he has added that of dentistry—which he has also taught his students. Since 1873 he has extracted more than 21,000 teeth. He sometimes goes on evangelical tours and takes his students with him. One of his late tours occupied forty-one days. A more charming book we have seldom read.

Sunday street cars are allowed in most of our cities. They are not allowed in Toronto. The electorate have so far voted in great numbers against them, but a recent decision of Judge Rose in Hamilton, in which he decided that they were not in opposition to the Lord's Day act, has caused many fears that at the next election Toronto may have to bear the disgrace of having their quiet Sabbaths taken away.

Our indefatigable editor, Rev. Dr. Withrow, besides superintending the issue of seven periodicals, monthly and weekly, now and then surprises us by issuing a volume of a few hundred pages. His last issue of that kind is entitled Barbara Heck, a charming biography of that elect lady, to whom Methodism on this continent is so much indebted. She may be justly esteemed as the Founder of Methodism both in the United States and Canada. It is a charming book and should have a place in the library of every Epworth League.

The Dominion legislature is in session but they must soon adjourn as the term expires by law. The Manitoba School question is the difficulty which perplexes the party in power and the opposition hopes to defeat the government on the question. A recent election in which a leader of the government has been victorious is supposed to have been won by the influence of Roman Catholics, or rather the Prelates of the Church. Sometimes we hope that the influence of the

priesthood is on the wane and then again our hopes are blighted. On questions affecting the church the priesthood are a unit. We must still hope on and hope ever.

THE BELLE BENNETT CHAIR.

"Give her of the fruit of her hands, and let her own works praise her in the gates." Proverbs 31:31.

In another column will be found a communication from the Programme Committee on the Easter Offering for the Scarritt Bible and Training School. Brief mention was there made of the Belle Bennett Chair, but out of deference to Miss Bennett, the other members of the committee restrained their desire to enlarge upon that theme and to urge its speedy realization.

The proverb quoted above implies the utterance of some truths here and now. Saints have been canonized who did not perform half so great a labor for the Church at so great cost of strength and natural feeling as the service rendered by Miss Bennett when she gave herself and her means unreservedly for years, to the work of securing a training school for the Women's Board of Foreign Missions of the M. E. Church, South.

Conquering indifference and even antagonism by the warmth of her zeal and the earnestness of her purpose, Miss Bennett by private effort and public appeal roused the Church to enthusiasm, and was used of God to accomplish marvelous results. In five years she had received in answer to her appeals \$95,883.13, for the Scarritt Bible and Training School—a work unparalleled in the history of our Church—a pioneer work grandly accomplished.

Miss Bennett has been for years the able President of the Kentucky Conference Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and is also Superintendent of Mountain Work in the Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society. At Easter there will be presented a fine opportunity for united action on the part of both organizations in honor of this noble leader in woman's work. Shall not both societies share the privilege of endowing the chair in her honor? Do we not owe it to ourselves and to her? Nay more, shall not all the people unite to give her the honor that is her due?

Maria Lang Gibson.

Kansas City, Mo.



The Indian medicine man cures by charms and incantations. He frightens away the "evil spirit" who causes the sickness. He does all sorts of things that civilized people would call idiotic and barbaric, but the civilized folks are not so very much ahead after all. They do just as foolish things as does the medicine man. They go along carelessly, and allow the little sickness to grow into the big sickness. They allow constipation to grow into indigestion, heartburn, dizziness, headache, insomnia, and a hundred other distressing conditions. They do this frequently because they do not know the cause of their trouble. It is a pretty safe rule to look for the source of 9-tenths of human sickness in this one simple and appallingly prevalent trouble. Another foolish thing that smart people do is to take some alleged remedy for constipation and keep on taking it, day after day, month after month and year after year. Perhaps it is better to take the medicine than not to take it at all, but of course if they stop taking it, their trouble will come back. This last statement is true of every other medicine prepared for this purpose except Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. One "Pellet" is a gentle laxative, and two a mild cathartic. They are gentle and efficient in their action, permanent in their results. You don't become a slave to their use, as with other pills.

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"BIBLE SCHOOL."

Under this head there appeared in the Arkansas Methodist of February 12, a printed circular, several hundred of which I had struck, giving some idea of the work to be done in the daily Bible school.

More than four years ago Judge F. P. Laws, of Beebe, arranged for the moral and religious training of children of all classes and denominations of the community, by furnishing a library and securing a Christian teacher, Mrs. Julia A. Clark, to devote an hour each day to this worthy work, and rightly called it a Bible school.

The Judge has given this his means and prayerful thought, and Sister Clark, who gratuitously offered her service has been laboring prayerfully during these four years and more for the good of every child and the happiness of every home in reach of her influence; and God has sanctified the means and efforts to the good of many.

During my first visit to the Bible school I was much impressed, believing that it would meet a long left want, and I entertained a hope that I might sometime have opportunity to engage in such in connection with my work as a preacher. And under Divine direction we have undertaken the Bible school work at Mammoth Spring, and have thus far found it helpful to the pastor, a blessing to the children, a gathering force for the Sunday school and encouraging a diligent study of the lesson and a holy reverence for the sacred Word. In this daily work we show an interest in each one, talking to them personally, and try to impress upon them the sinfulness of evil tempers, intemperance, immodesty, bad words and the use of tobacco, etc.

Thus far God is blessing the humble efforts and we shall continue in this holy work, gathering all children, both rich and poor, and spend an hour with them each day. We recommend the Bible school, undenominational, to the consideration and to the trial of all pastors.

Yours,

I. B. Manly.

Mammoth Spring, Ark.

To the Preachers of the White River Conference:

Dear Brethren: There is on the minutes of our Conference a resolution un-repealed making it the duty of the P. Cs to send collections for domestic missions. Up to this time I have received nothing. One of our P. Es. has notified me of one of our missionaries being in need of help. Please take your collections for domestic missions and send to me at once. Let brethren serving missions notify me if in need, and if possible I will assist. I hope you will all put a copy of our little missionary paper, The World for Christ, into every home in your charge. Your brother,

F. R. Noe, Treas.

—The Tennessee Centennial Exposition announces to the public that while the celebration of the State's Centennial will take place on June 1, 1897, and continue for six months. This has been determined after thoroughly considering the question in all its bearings.

The numerous requests from exhibitors for and exhibition to continue more than 100 days, as well as the many expressed desires that we have had from people who will compose the attendance that the Exposition be held in the spring

and summer, have been the most potent factors in reaching this conclusion.

Besides this, it was found January 1, 1896, the Exposition had grown to such proportions that provision could not be made to accommodate all who desired to take part in the celebration of Tennessee's Centennial in the short time between then and September 1, 1896.

If an Exposition could possibly be held in 1896, one more successful in every respect, and to everybody, could be held in 1897 with a heretofore untempered splendor and glory.

The Exposition will open May 1, 1897, and continue six months.

J. W. Thomas, President.

E. C. Lewis, Director General.

Nashville, Tenn., February 8, 1896.

IUKA, ARK.

At this writing I am at Iuka, Izard County, a little berg that will in the near future become a strong hold for Methodism. Here live two sons of the Rev. John Hall, who died twenty years ago and was a member of the White River Conference at his death. His widow is still here, 75 years old, and able to walk to Church and asks about the preachers, namely, Bro. Foster, Bro. Dye and others. From this eminence can be seen the famous Pilot Knob about sixteen miles away, where the eloquent Ben. F. Hall, the St. Paul, of all this hill country, once held a single service on the Fourth of July and had one conversion. This section about Iuka has been formed into a mission and the Rev. George Wilkinson is the P. C. He begins well, and has a good field to work for Jesus and his cause. He is a thoughtful young man, had a new Quarterly Conference Journal, official roll, and his work planned. It is a good place to say to all the brethren, please get your official rolls under your eyes, so you can aid in the work of the Quarterly Conference, and not hitch up at this item for any longer time than is really necessary. The district so far, shows up better than the two years gone by. We hope to make permanent progress and get things to a finish as to Churches and parsonages where needed. What has become of our ministers? Of course it is not much of an idea for me to ask this question, but I wish others like me are wanting to see some things, more than one has said "there was so little in the paper about the Conference. What is the matter? Didn't you have a good Conference? I have been accused of being vociferous, and yesterday I stood on a rostrum in Baxter County, and preached to a congregation who were nearly all in Izard, now, if any of our preachers want an explanation of this occurrence, they can confer with citizens of Iuka, about the school house built on the county line, one end in Baxter and the other in Izard. We aim to build a new Church here soon all in Izard County. Logs are at the saw mill to be converted into lumber. We have six acres of land. Tell our dear good Bishop Fitzgerald to erect a house of worship and parsonage by and by.

Jas. F. J.

HASH.

From Jonesboro District.

Dear Brother Godbey—I wish to say to all concerned that we are making a good beginning for this year in this district. Our preachers are busy, prayerful and hopeful.

Most of the students are beginning at the first of the year to do their work, and that means success in the end.

There is an unusual inclination to ad-

minister discipline and I think that means an unusual effort for the salvation of the country.

We shall not have a preachers' meeting. The district is so large and in such peculiar shape that it is very difficult to get together and we shall wait till District Conference.

By the way, I will hereby give notice that our District Conference is to be held at Vannale, beginning July 7 or 8, at 9 o'clock a. m., and we hope that all parties concerned will remember the time, and be ready. The committees will be announced soon. I would be glad if every preacher in the district, local and traveling, would begin with me on the first day of March and let us read the Standard Methodist Hymnal regularly through. My dear brethren, we do not know what our hymn book contains, and we will not learn till we carefully read it through.

I also hope that each pastor in the district will form one or more missionary reading circles, so that each charge shall have at least one circle of six preachers, who are trying to learn their most exalted privilege in this line.

Finally brethren, let each do the work of an evangelist. Make full proof of his ministry. Yours truly,

Frank Ritter.

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GEORGIA LETTER.

From a few letters I have received from your readers, I think I have not made my own meaning clear in my last letter. I said I doubted the theory of Mr. Wesley as presented in his "Plain Account," but I disbelieved that of the Palmerian or Cardinian Perfectionists and thus led some of your readers to think that I accepted the Boland theory, which Mr. Wesley combatted 100 years before Dr. Boland was born, and which had been substantially presented by a number of writers long before Dr. Boland wrote the Problem of Methodism. I unhesitatingly repudiate and regret that theory as I understand it decidedly as Mr. Wesley did when he wrote his plain account. I may be illogical in not accepting one of these theories, but it seems to me that the scriptural statement is about this:

1. That when a man is a penitent believer in Jesus Christ, he is accepted of God.

2. That he is then a new creature

3. That he has dominion over all sin inward and outward.

4. That if he dies he will be saved, but if he lives,

1. He will find strong propensities toward evil which must be resisted.

2. That his excellencies of character are discounted by unvolitional defects which call for charity from men and pardon from God.

3. That by no one act of grace are these propensities destroyed or these defects removed.

4. That such is God's tenderness that despite their existence the sincere believer may have a constant sense of the divine favor.

5. That there is a possibility of so walking in the spirit every day that the believer shall not fulfill the lusts of the flesh.

6. That the residue theory if it means that there are these imperfections clinging to us all is true at all times in our lives.

7. That we need daily to pray for forgiveness and if saved, will be sinners saved by grace.

8. That there is no terminal point to our amendment of life, neither regeneration, entire sanctification, Christian perfection or any other grace.

9. That we can all be a great deal better than we are and should quit contending about theories and strive by many divine means to amend our own lives.

The little Catechism I spoke of is merely an infant Catechism, not on advanced doctrines at all. Geo. W. Smith.

PASTORAL INSTRUCTION OF CHILDREN.

At every Quarterly Conference the Preacher in Charge is called upon to give a report in writing on the Pastoral Instruction of Children.

If you take the care of looking through Quarterly Conference Records you will find that many of the preachers have not answered the above question, and many of those who have, have answered in such a vague way that you can hardly tell whether they have done so or not.

Now, are we careless that we give such vague answers or are we ignorant as to what our duties are to the children of the Church?

I am of the opinion that many of us have not studied the question as we should, and do not understand the matter as we ought.

The report called for is a pastoral re-

port, that is pastoral instruction of children. Let us think for a moment. What does pastor signify? It signifies spiritual overseer or leader. I am the pastor of every member of the Methodist Church here in Warren, but I am not the pastor of other Churches. There is a difference between pastor and preacher. A man may be a preacher and not a pastor, but in our Church, all our pastors are preachers.

A preacher to be a pastor must be in charge of a Church or congregation; one not in charge is not a pastor. Many of our charges have Local Preachers in them and some have supernuaries and supernumerary preachers, but none are required to give a written report on the above-named question.

I think I have said enough to clearly set forth the peculiar office of pastor. Let us now consider another phase of the subject and that is Children of the Church. Who are Children of the Church? As all preachers are not pastors, neither are all children children of the Church.

As pastor of the Methodist Church, I am only pastor of those children that are, properly speaking, children of the Methodist Church. The children of Baptist or Presbyterian families are not children of the Church. Therefore, I am not their pastor, and not being their pastor I am not due them any pastoral instruction. I may instruct as preacher or evangelist, but not as pastor. Neither are the children of all Methodist families children of the Church. Only those who have been educated to God in holy baptism are, properly speaking, children of the Church. Therefore, to give pastoral instruction is to instruct them with special reference to the nature and design of their baptism.

And "as soon as they comprehend the responsibilities involved in a public profession of faith in Christ and give evidence of a sincere and earnest determination to discharge the same, see that they be duly recognized as members of the Church agreeably to the provisions of the Discipline." I would also call attention to this fact: The Discipline appears to make a distinction between recognizing and receiving members. Baptised children are to be recognized, and unbaptised adults are to be received.

A. Turrentine.

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Our columns this week contain the announcement of this gentleman for reelection to the office of Sheriff of Pulaski County. We have very little occasion to transact business in Mr. Booker's office but a good brother who has observed the conduct of our county officials stated in our presence that Mr. Booker had made the "most accommodating and efficient Sheriff the county had had in years. He treats all alike, and shows no partiality or prejudice to any class or condition." That was a high compliment and we have heard nothing to contradict it. George Thornburgh.



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(For the Arkansas Methodist.)
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Thy deep affection show
Or prove a measure of the love
You'd have poor mortals know.
I'd have each hidden recess
Within my soul left free
For trials crowned as chastening
Or victory shared by thee.

I'd be an humble follower
Led captive for thy sake,
And trembling at the altar
My gifts or offerings make.
With wound from sorrow quivering
If heart of love divine
Would claim the gift and giver
Fit offerings for thy shrine.

And though my feet should falter
Along the rugged way,
I'd ne'er retrace—but steadfast
Press on to endless day;
Beguiled by love so wondrous,
Lured on by His behest,
And know the toilsome journey
Would end at last—in rest.

Harrison, Ark.

AT CAMDEN.

We spent Sunday at the fine old town of Camden. The day was delightful, and a good congregation of cultivated people assembled to worship in our beautiful Church morning and evening. The Sunday-School, under conduct of J. T. Sifford, was well attended and a model of good order. The Church building at Camden is not surpassed in tastefulness of architecture and furnishing by any we have seen in Arkansas.

Bro. Boggs has done an excellent work here.

The Church has a strong hold upon the people here. The leading men of the city are Christian men, and the community is of excellent moral tone.

BATESVILLE.

Our assistant business manager, Bro. J. M. Workman, has just returned from a pleasant and profitable trip to Batesville in the interest of the Methodist. He reports the business outlook good and the two Methodist Churches doing well under the care of Bros. Stevenson and Fisackerly. These brethren gave assistance in work for the Methodist and the thirty-six new subscribers that were added to the Batesville list show that the people are responsive to the efforts to increase our circulation.

Bro. Workman thinks a more cultured and hospitable people are not to be found anywhere. He was pleasantly entertained by Bros. Stevenson and Fisackerly, Circuit Clerk Deaning and R. D. Williams. That wonderful Englishman Jno. Alderson was visited also. This man with his one arm is a man of industry and is an easy leader of many men better equipped for life. He makes everything he uses on his table except coffee and sugar and lives like a king. May his tribe increase.

We hope Bro. Stevenson will soon realize his desire in the organizing of an Epworth League. With such leaders as Jno. Glenn and Will Jones things should move off well.

TO THE PRESIDING ELDERS AND PREACHERS OF THE WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

Dr. Walter R. Lambuth has requested me to act as Missionary Secretary for this Conference.

I feel quite sure that each of you will co-operate heartily with me in this work.

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Wm. B. Ricks.
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EUREKA SPRINGS DISTRICT.

Dear Bro. Godbey: Having completed my first round will send a few notes for the Methodist. Several things have impressed me very much. I have been amazed at the vast resources of this country. For the most part it is hilly and mountainous, but the soil on many of the mountains is rich, while nearly all of them are covered with the largest, finest timber I ever saw. Such shell bark hickory, white oak, cherry, walnut and ash trees I have never seen in my life as grow on many of these hills and mountains, while there are such streams as White River, War Eagle, King's River, Osage and Richland with their tributaries, along which are as fine farming lands as can be found in the state. A railroad connecting this country with the markets of the world would soon make much of this country equal with many of the most desirable sections of our state. While the educational advantages are not all that could be desired, yet we have several first-class academies and high schools, in which a large number of boys and girls are educated and prepared for the duties of life.

What about the church? While we are not behind other churches, we are far behind our responsibility. Two of the greatest needs of Methodism in this district as I see it is church houses in which to worship, and church papers in the homes of our people; these houses to belong to us, and these papers to be our Conference organs or Central Advocate. No others can take their place or do for us what they will do. Some places in our district it is build or die. In many of the places we are plenty able to build, if not costly buildings, buildings that will meet the demands and save for us the respect of the people. Finances are far behind what they should be. The answer to the eight questions in our Quarterly Conference showed that there is real pinching want in many a pretentious home. Yet, amid all this poverty and want the preachers are cheerful and hard at work. Some of the charges are doing right well for their pastors; all of them are plenty able to keep their preachers from want. Brethren, wait sometimes for stewards that do not come. I intended to write of each pastor and charge when I began, but switched off on another line and will have to write again, if the editor will permit me. Doctor, we hope to see you at our district Conference next July. P. B. Hopkins.

Book Notices.

Order any books or magazines noticed in these columns from THE ARKANSAS METHODIST.

R. H. Woodward Company, Baltimore, Md., announces a new book, "Story of Turkey and America." This book will contain a full and graphic account of the recent Armenian massacres, which have aroused the civilized world. A number of articles have been written by men of

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FRANK LESLIE'S PLEASANT HOURS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

The first of a series of articles on "The Young People of the White House," by Joanna R. Nicdolls, is given, with numerous illustrations, in the March number of Frank Leslie's Pleasant Hours for Boys and Girls. This number has many other good things that all delight its youthful readers, among them a short boating story by James Otis; a very pretty cat-show story by Rosalie M. Jonas; a thrilling account of "A Wild Whirl Down the Loops," by J. Macdonald Oxley; the second paper of Frank Lee Farnell's interesting series on "The Favorite Story-writers for Young People," in which are given portraits of Horatio Alger, Jr., James Otis and Sophie Swett; an article on "Dainty Work or Girls," by Lila Graham Algier; a bright little story by Helen Corinne Bergen; the conclusion of the two serials by Edward S. Ellis and Jeanette H. Walworth; some illustrated poems; two new games; a chat on juvenile literature by the editor; and a number of prize puzzles.

Judge Edgar E. Bryant, of Sebastian County, announces his candidacy for the office of Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. Born and reared in Mississippi, near Coffeeville, where his father, Dr. A. A. Bryant, lived for many years, he came to this state in 1883, and at once began the practice of law at Fort Smith. In 1890 he was elected Judge of the Twelfth Judicial Circuit, composed of Sebastian and Scott Counties, and was re-elected in 1894. Judge Bryant's studious habits and extensive reading added to his integrity of character, have made him a man of mark. Not only has he won distinction as a jurist, but as an orator he has a reputation which extends beyond the borders of this state. At the primaries held in Sebastian County last Saturday he was chosen by the Democracy of that county as the candidate for the office to which he aspires, after a sharp contest with Mr. Hill, who also lives in Sebastian. This evidence of the confidence and esteem of his own people should give his candidacy earnest consideration all over the state.—Arkansas Gazette.

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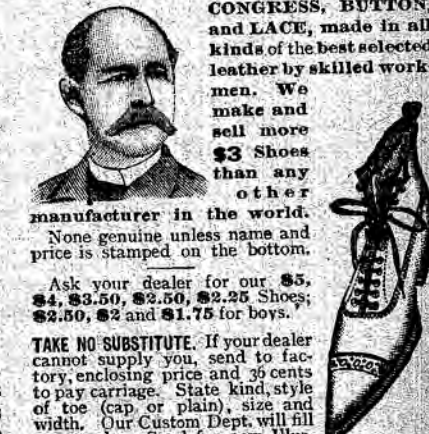
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LUKE 10:25-37.

TRUE LOVE TO OUR NEIGHBOR.

Golden Text—"Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind, and thy neighbor as thyself." (Verse 27.)

Topical Outline—I. The lawyer's question and the Saviour's answer. (Verse 25-35). II. The close personal application. (Verses 36-37.)

Reference Word—"Neighbor."

Lesson Hymn, No. 499.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK.

The Good Samaritan..... Luke x. 25-37
Old Testament Law..... Lev. xix. 1-18
New Law of Love..... 1 John iii. 10-24
The Greatest of These..... 1 Cor. xiii
The Royal Law..... Jas. ii. 1-9
The Golden Rule..... Matt. vii. 7-12
Bless, and Curse Not..... Rom. xii. 9-19

Time, A. D. 29.

Place—Near Jerusalem.

The lawyer spoken of in the text was not an attorney-at-law as we now know lawyers. He was one versed in the law of Moses, and an expounder of the same. His purpose was to put Jesus to the test and see if he would answer according to the law—see if he as a teacher was a good orthodox Jew. Christ referred him to the law, and asked him to say how he understood it. The lawyer really knew very well the way of salvation. Thousands who, like him, are raising curious questions about the Bible and are offering strange excuses, are not really deterred by any such difficulties from entering upon a religious life. They are "willing to justify" themselves. They ask questions which have nothing to do with the matter. Who is my neighbor? said the lawyer. "There is the law; you know it," Christ had said. "Now, keep it and you shall." His excuse was in effect, that while he knew what the law said, he was not sure he understood it. "Who is my neighbor?" Christ gave him the parable of the Good Samaritan for answer. It was an extreme putting of case. The poor fellow who fell among thieves was a Jerusalem Jew. The priest and the Levite who passed by on the other side were his fellow countrymen and fellow religionists. He had a strong claim upon them for help; they were under great obligations to help him. They were entitled to be considered neighbors, but they "passed by on the other side." They perhaps thought him quite unfortunate, but it was none of their business to trouble themselves with him. Then comes along a man of that detestable race, the Samaritans, whom every Jew thought it a religious duty to hate. They were a mongrel race who had been put in the place of ancient Israel by one of their conquerors centuries before. They pretended to have the true seat of worship, Mount Gerizim; they claimed to be the true exponents of the law. They were hated by the Jews with all the intensity of religious bigotry. One of these comes along and tenderly and munificently cares for the dying man. Which of the three was his neighbor? asked the Master. The lawyer had no difficulty in answering, extreme as was the case. His common sense could see what was right. Any man's can. Men do not stay away from Christ because of intellectual difficulties. That is not their trouble. They are willing to justify themselves in their own ways; that is the whole of it.

As to the teaching of the parable, aside

from the immediate purpose for which it was spoken, many things might be said. Very beautiful is the story. If men everywhere could learn its lesson we should find a solution for all our difficulties about missions to the heathen—these millions who are dying by the wayside of life. We should also solve the labor problem and hear no more of strikes and lockouts. And there is no other solution. Mr. Gladstone uttered a great truth when he declared that Christ is the solution of all human problems. We no doubt need better laws, but you can never legislate men into loving one another. No statute will ever abolish extortion and oppression; the spirit of Jesus alone will do that. If we have in our hearts these great principles we shall not find it difficult to know the way of duty and of life. Any otherwise we shall go amiss.

TWO PICTURES.

First—"What home may do for the Sunday school."

1. Train children in the habit of respecting authority.
2. Determine which Sunday school your children shall attend.
3. Secure regularity and punctuality of attendance. (Some mothers rise before day to get their children ready for Sunday school.)
4. Assist pupils in preparing the lesson.
5. See that books and periodicals brought home are read and preserved.
6. Cultivate friendly and social relations with teachers.
7. Guard the teacher's reputation.
8. Personally attend the Sunday school.
9. Provide maps, books, pictures, etc., by which children may be aided and interested in Bible study.
10. Give the school liberal financial aid.
11. Make family prayer a sort of pleasant home Sunday school service.
12. Daily illustrate the lesson taught in the Sunday school.

Second—"What the Sunday school may do for home."

1. Teachers may frequently visit the homes of the scholars.

2. Especially visit the sick and otherwise afflicted.
3. Send tracts, books, notes, etc., to parents and to scholars when absent.
4. Become familiar with the characteristics, defects, opinions, habits, etc., of the homes of their scholars.
5. Pray for them.
6. Train children especially in the duties they owe their parents. Children should feel that the authority of their parents is recognized and sustained by the Sunday school teachers.
7. Teachers should never be satisfied as long as the homes of their scholars are not earnest, religious homes.—Sunday School Journal.

For lack of the information we omitted to mention the fact that Miss Katie Jackson also won the prize offered by the Baptist Sunday-school, which was presented to her soon after Christmas. It was a very handsome and beautifully illustrated edition of the Young Folk's Bible.

The Methodist and Baptist Sunday schools, respectively, offered prizes to the one credited during the year 1895 with the highest average in regular and punctual attendance and perfect lessons.

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—Z. in Helena World.

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March 8, 1896.

Preparation for Temptation and How to Meet It.

Temptation is only felt where there is purpose to do good. A nature abandoned to evil drifts without resistance, there is no internal struggle. Some persons characterize stupidity and indifference as "living below the temptation line." When God's call is moving us to turn to spiritual things, then only is the bondage of the world felt.

We have not discovered from any study of the two narratives given of our Lord's temptation any special premeditation of it, or previous preparation for it. It came after his baptism and the descent of the Holy Ghost. We may believe that Jesus abode steadfastly in fellowship with the Father and under the leadership of the Holy Ghost. He was never off his guard, never unprepared for the assaults of Satan. What He said on the close of his career He might always have said: "The Prince of the world cometh and hath nothing in me."

As for ourselves, the command, "Watch and pray, lest ye enter into temptation" is always pertinent. We need to live close to God and to remember that our strength to resist evil is of him alone.

Jesus is represented as answering the suggestions of Satan with truths from the word of God. We must have the knowledge of divine truth to enable us to discern and resist evil. Resort to God's word not only clearly discovers our duty, but it is of the nature of trust in Him. Abiding in Him in the time of storms.

As a general proposition we may say that the mind is fortified against the intrusion of evil thoughts in proportion as it is preoccupied with good thoughts. Our duty is only to the truth. We should not speak of the Bible as God's word if it had not proven so to be, and if its teachings did not commend themselves, to our consciences, and if those who walked by it did not obtain blessing.

Sinful passions lure us to disregard reason and truth. We answer temptation with truth.

Bro. Thomas thinks the best Epworth League in the state is at his—Winfield Memorial Church, but Brother Manville is sure that the Lonoke League raises more than any other in proportion to the membership.

As to the Leagues of Little Rock, that of First Church has been doing splendid missionary work by supporting a Sunday-school and having a revival in West End and the Asbury Church League is a good one, well directed, devoting attention, both to the course of study and to Christian work.

We look for good reports from many leagues in the next few weeks. Send them on, leaguers.

THE EPWORTH LEAGUE MEETING AT VANNDALE, ARK.

The league meeting Sunday night, February 9, 1896, was very interesting indeed.

The following is the programme presented:

Subject of the lesson, Christ's way of Winning Souls, by Charity and Help. Hymn.

Reading of Scripture lesson by President.

Prayer by Bro. A. C. Graham.

Violin accompaniment, by Felix Block and Mrs. J. B. Smith.

Reading, Mrs. Graham.

Recitation, Miss Jewel Sigman.

Reading, Hon. O. N. Killough.

Music by Mesdames Killough, Thomas, Smith, and Miss Emma Hart.

Recitation, Reginald Martin.

Reading, Mrs. Thomas.

Recitation, A. M. Pope.

All of the above were well rendered.

One of the attractive features of our league is the reading of the minutes by our new secretary, A. M. Pope, who always comes forward with something instructive as well as entertaining. The time is not far distant when he will be equal to that gifted poet, Will T. Hale.

Mr. Pope has written many poems and essays for our league. He has been called the Poet Laureate of Vanndale. Many will say he deserves the title after reading this report which he has so uniquely arranged in verse:

Minutes of the Vanndale Epworth League.

They say my last report was all right—
This may be worse,

For I have it tonight—all written in verse.

Last meeting, you remember, was a devotional exercise—

It is human nature for people to criticize—

But pardon me, please, for my simple rhyme,

And I will not bore you again in a very long time,

If you will allow me thus to relate:

The minutes, you know, I keep astraight;

The style is new, yet a story stale,

When I say the league met in the church in Vanndale,

On Sunday night, January twenty-sixth

For that was the date the meeting was fixed.

The President did not come;

I wonder if he stayed at home?

Where was he, I wonder where?

But Sister G., with queenly air,

Took possession of his chair

and prayed a glorious prayer.

Next, a solo was sung by the Doctor's wife,

Who seemed so fond of the Epworth life.

Then the Vice, with her voice commanding said,

The report of the Secretary will be read.

She was the lady who first arose,

And spoke of the subject the President chose;

She spoke of God's love, her sorrow and cares,

And enlightened the League with the love she bears.

Bro. G. next arose and beautifully recited

A wonderful experience that God has required.

Several ladies, whose names I never forget,

(I could mention them, but I had better not)

Bravely arose and stood on their feet

A charming experience each did repeat;

But many a member remained on his seat,

And glanced around with vain conceit,

Till the organ pealed forth a warning tone;

Time was at hand, the laborers must go home.

O, ye faint-hearted men, it is so sad

(And the ladies, too, are nearly as bad)

When you shut the blinds of memory's cell,

And ignore the thought of future hell.

In this clause please allow me to say,

You all must change your backward way;

Life is short and will last but a day,

Compared with the land where you live for aye.

I hardly know how to express,

For my rhymes have run to excess,

The League, I think, is quite a success,

And the meeting closed for a week's recess.

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. Pope,

League Secretary.

It was a most enjoyable evening, and we hope to have many repetitions of these occasions of religious and soul bettering. Pray for us, that we may succeed in our work.

I am, as ever, yours in the League work,

F. Garland May,

President of the League.

Dear Dr. Godbey: Bro. James Thomas, our State League President, promised our League at the State Conference last year at Pine Bluff a visit. In order that the Leagues on the prairie might come in touch with each other, and to give the President an opportunity to reach as many Leagues as possible during his visit, we arranged what we were pleased to denominate the Grand Prairie League Rally for February 10 at 8 p. m., and invited two other Leagues to take part. The League at Gillett, under the management of Bro. Bond, the enthusiastic and consecrated pastor, responded. His League is only six weeks old and has thirty-three members. They chartered a car, paid for it, came forty miles and were present to take part and enjoy the rally. What six weeks old League can beat it?

Bro. Thomas came accompanied by Bro. Ed Steel. They delivered their addresses to a crowded house. The Holy Spirit was present and carried their words to the hearts of the hearers. It was an epoch in the history of the two Leagues. We scored several for our young people the Leagues on Grand Prairie, and hence for the Master's cause.

If you will get several Leagues together, and can be as fortunate as we were in securing the services of the State President, he will touch you up like he did us. Truly,

Thomas O. Owen.

Stuttgart, Ark, Feb. 17.

RUNS SO LIGHT.

W. H. Blackwood, of Austin, Ark., to whom we recently sold a Methodist Sewing Machine, writes: "The machine came all right and in perfect order. We are well pleased with it. It runs so light and does such good work. We pronounce it an excellent machine."

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THE GREAT NEED of men is not increase of knowledge but sincerity of purpose. The knowledge of truth greatly outruns obedience to the truth.

THERE ARE MANY who trust in their honesty for salvation. The infidel does not believe in salvation at all, and as to the rest, no man is honest who believes the Gospel true and yet does not follow Christ.

NO MAN IS HONEST who does not do as he believes, who confesses duties not performed.

WESLEY SAID in regard to certain people in London who professed perfection: "They have not what I call perfection." The perfection of some people is not a decent beginning for others.

HE WHO TAKES a position hastily may find that in order to be consistent he must play the fool the rest of his days.

THE MAN who prides himself on consistency will never repent or reform.

THE MAN who can give you a method by which to succeed has himself been a failure, for success is not a stereotyped method.

"GET THERE" is the motto of many, an evil motto which leads to craft and shams and overthrows sincerity of life or regard for others.

"NOTHING SUCCEEDS LIKE SUCCESS" says the unprincipled man of the world. But the great question in the conduct of life respects principles, not results.

IF WE TURN OUT to be holier than we think ourselves to be it is well, hence are we exhorted to humility. "Let each esteem others better himself."

AGE AND AFFLICTION should bring the Christian into higher experiences of spiritual life. It is thus that life's struggle has its compensation.

THERE ARE NOT so many flowers on the mountain-top as in the valley, yet there is purer air and more sunshine. So in the experiences of age while earthly charms fade the heavenly light is less clouded.

PERFECT CONSECRATION to God's service is the constant duty of every Christian. There should be an unceasing call of the pulpit to this standard of experience, an unceasing exhibition in the pulpit of its attainment.

A FREE SILVER PAPER.

A good many subscribers have written to us asking that we arrange for clubbing with some good free silver paper. We have just made an arrangement that we think will delight all such. The Memphis Commercial-Appeal is recognized now as one of the leading papers of the United States. It is large and well-filled with news from all quarters. It is a strong silver paper, favoring the unlimited coinage of silver at 16 to 1. We make this reasonable offer: If anyone who does not take the Methodist non

the Commercial-Appeal will send us \$1.75 we send both papers a year. Any present subscriber to Methodist may send us \$1.75 and we will renew his subscription one year to the Methodist and send him the Commercial-Appeal one year. It is giving the two papers a year for \$1.75 and virtually gives the Commercial-Appeal a year for 25 cents. Those who want a live newsy paper, and especially free silver men, will find this the best clubbing offer we have ever made.

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A SINNER'S PRAYER.

Murray P. Timberlake, Washington, Ark., writes to ask whether the Lord will answer a sinner's prayer. This is an idle question. We cannot draw the line of saint and sinner between souls which are rightly seeking of God right things. True prayer for that which is really for good God answers. Our brother Timberlake is right to teach as he suggests that there is no difference to be made between persons who truly pray.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The missionary meeting for the Little Rock Conference held at Malvern, February 21 to 26, will surely bear good fruit for the cause which it represented.

The Conference Secretary, Rev. J. R. Moore, had prepared the programme with judgment and care, and nothing was neglected by G. M. Hill, the preacher in charge at Malvern, in accommodating the meeting.

This writer went down to Malvern on Saturday, by previous engagement, and preached Sunday morning and evening.

About fifty preachers and twenty ladies of the Woman's Missionary Society represented the attendance from the various parts of the Conference. A lively interest was manifested by the local church and the evening congregations were large.

Dr. J. H. Riggin opened the exercises with a very apt and forceful sermon Monday night—a sermon of condensed thought and fact, well exhibiting in panoramic view the progress of the church from its foundation to the present.

Tuesday and Wednesday were given to the discussion of the principal phases of the missionary work as we were called to deal with it at home. The importance of the work, the best methods of awakening interest in it, and of raising the collections, were prominent themes. Some very able papers were read, the substance of which, we hope, will be furnished these columns. If they could be thus given to the thousands of our readers they would be valuable contributions to the missionary cause.

Tuesday and Wednesday evenings were given to Dr. Walter Lambuth. On the first evening he spoke of our mission fields, with due regard to the home as well as the foreign need; on the second his theme was the "Power of the Gospel." Dr. Lambuth deeply impressed those who heard him, and his attendance upon the meeting contributed greatly to the benefit which will result from it.

The leaders in the various discussions have been named in the published programme, which appeared in the Methodist some weeks since.

We cannot enter into details as to the points presented.

The meeting was devout and spiritual. Nothing was done in a light manner, and the tendency of all that was said and done was to awaken greater zeal

for the Master and to exalt the Holy Ghost as the resource of power in all real triumphs of divine truth.

The common feeling of those who attended the meeting was that they had been helped and strengthened, and that the missionary cause in the Little Rock Conference would be materially aided thereby.

The President did much to preserve from beginning to end and earnest and devout spirit in all the deliberations.

We cannot close this reference to the meeting at Malvern without mention of the kind hospitality of E. H. Vance and wife, with whom it was our privilege to lodge. To myself and wife they showed great kindness and Christian care.

A WORD IN REGARD TO FAITH.

W. S. Bristow, Charleston, Ark., writes: "Dear Brother Godbey: I was very much interested in your sermon at Dardanelle, especially the part of it which showed the delusion of the 'faith healers.' But somehow, your reasoning, clear as it was, eludes my grasp. It would gratify me to see it reproduced in the Methodist. It might do many of your readers good."

Faith must rest either upon some revealed will of God, or simply upon the divine character. When God's will is revealed, as it is in all our spiritual interests, our faith is brought into contact with His known will and must accept it. When I pray for grace to forgive injury, to suffer patiently, or for a pure heart, I do not say, "Not as I will, but as thou wilt," because God's will in the case is known, being already revealed. Not to claim the grace promised then and there is to fail in the exercise of faith.

But passing now to things not revealed, and in which not a call of God to me, or a requirement of God upon me, but only my own desire prompts the prayer, the only acceptable approach to God is made when only I am willing to be denied what I ask. It is in this willingness to be denied—"nevertheless not as I will but as thou wilt"—thus faith is tested. When we have given our children specific revelation of our will in command or promise we are not pleased if they do not confidently claim what we desire to give; but when they come to us prompted by their own view of what is good they should be willing to be refused. Thus, while it is our privilege to come to God with all our wants, it is not required in order to right faith in prayer thus we persistently claim the thing asked for. In regard to spiritual good we seek definite things, because God has commanded or promised. In regard to temporal things, we know not what is best. We bring all our desires to God, and only pray aright when we are willing that our request may be denied, only this is acceptance of the divine submission to Him who is wiser than we. A child does not lose faith in his father from being so refused his requests.

One may pray for the recovery of the sick—that is always a privilege—but since he cannot know beforehand what is God's will, for all men must die, he may not accuse himself of lack of faith if he cannot confidently claim the healing of the sick. He can only leave his prayer to the Divine will, and so far from refusing to be denied, his highest faith is readiness for anything which the divine will may order.

Rev. N. T. Thomasson has been commissioned by us a colporteur in the Little Rock Conference and is also authorized to collect subscriptions for the Methodist.

Announcements.

For Chief Justice.

We are authorized to announce Judge H. G. Bunn a candidate for re-election to the office of Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Judge Edgar E. Bryant, of Sebastian county, as a candidate for the office of Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

For Associate Justice.

We are authorized to announce A. W. Norton of Forrest City as a candidate for Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

For Secretary of State.

We are authorized to announce R. B. Hogins of Pope county, a candidate for the office of Secretary of State, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Thomas W. Newton as a candidate for Secretary of State, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

For Auditor.

We are authorized to announce R. W. McFarlane of Sebastian county as a candidate for Auditor of State, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce T. C. Monroe of Columbia county as a candidate for Auditor of State, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Clay Sloan of Lawrence county as a candidate for Auditor of State, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

For Circuit Judge.

We are authorized to announce W. A. Compton of Pulaski county as a candidate for Judge of the Second Division of the Circuit Court of the Sixth Judicial District, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

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For Prosecuting Attorney.

We are authorized to announce T. J. Oliphant a candidate for the office of Prosecuting Attorney of the Sixth Judicial District, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

For County Treasurer.

We are authorized to announce John B. Cowland a candidate for Treasurer of Pulaski county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

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

For Assessor.

We are authorized to announce S. C. Neel a candidate for Assessor, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

For County Clerk.

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

For Circuit Clerk.

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

For Sheriff.

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

We commend Bro. Thomasson as a worthy young preacher who is endeavoring to prepare himself for the regular itinerant work.

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TO THE PREACHERS IN ARKANSAS.

Not having any regular work this year, I am at liberty to help any of the brethren who may desire my services in holding meetings. Any brother who desires my services will please address me at Helena, Ark., at once so that we may arrange dates, etc. M. B. Corrigan.

Notes from the Press

A WISE SUGGESTION.

(Central Baptist.)

A not unnatural result of current evangelistic methods has been to make salvation hinge upon a very slight exercise on the part of those who have some faint desire to become Christians. It has been the glory of the Gospel that it offered life freely to all men, and that it laid down no cumbersome or complex exercise in order to the acceptance of its offers. May it not be that this very simplicity of the Gospel has been over-worked by assiduous convert makers? We have sometimes criticised those who required nothing more than the simple statement, "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God." And yet that confession, if it carries with it not only a shallow assent to a historic statement, but also the profound penitence and trust which it ought to supply, is far more valuable than the act of signing a name to a neatly printed card, and dropping it into the hand of an obliging usher who comes after it. We could not find it in our hearts to make the way to the cross one whit more difficult than it is to the man who finds himself and his surroundings mightily holding him away from Christ; but we are just as slow to consent that salvation is secured by the signature to a card which carries with it no confession, no expression of faith, and no deep-felt obligation of service.

CONDITION OF SUCCESS.

A pastor's usefulness and success depend more largely upon the sympathy and co-operation of his people than anything else, apart from the presence of the Holy Spirit. Nothing is more cruel and shameful than to withhold sympathy and co-operation from the pastor, and then criticise him for not accomplishing the work of a pastor. The true relation—the pastor and people fellow-workers and fellow-helpers. Blessed is that pastor who has won the confidence and sympathy of his people.

(Baltimore Christian Advocate.)

We have never known a dancing, theatre-going, card-playing Church member that amounted to anything as a spiritual force in the community or in the Church.

(North Carolina Christian Advocate.)

It is our duty and privilege to comfort one another. No man can do a greater work than to carry comfort to those with whom he comes in contact while passing through this world. Scatter light and sunshine as you go along and in so doing you will not only make the world brighter and happier, but greatly honor your Father in Heaven.

THE WOMAN'S BIBLE.

(A Plain Woman in the Presbyterian.)

The spirit of its compilers—perhaps "Redactors" would be the better word—is in itself sufficient to condemn the entire work. How can one who denies the divine inspiration of Scripture presume to rewrite the Bible? or who does not believe that God ever spoke to mortal man, dare to explain or modify his message? Would Mrs. Stanton tolerate a revision of the constitution of the United States, written by a profession anarchist? or by one who declares that the laws

therein formulated tend to debase or enslave mankind? or would she accept and give to others as genuine, a copy of the Declaration of Independence of 1776, ever so judiciously interlarded with her own particular views on the subject of woman's rights?

IN MUCH TREMBLING.

(Baltimore Episcopal Methodist.)

The editor-in-chief of the Tennessee Methodist says, "We tremble for the future of our beloved Methodism." It is not well to go too strongly into the trembling business. It is wearing on the nerves, and impairs the digestion, and besides all this, it accomplishes nothing. We read in the Good Book that Eli's "heart trembled for the Ark of God." The sequel shows that his trembling availed him nothing. It would have been far better for him and for Israel had he attended to his duty as a priest and a father, made his bad boys behave themselves, worked more and trembled less. God took care of his ark, but Eli and his son perished. It was not the ark, but Eli was in danger.

RETIRED THE BISHOPS.

The Michigan Christian Advocate hopes that some of the oldest of the Bishops will propose to retire from Episcopal labors. The editor touches the subject delicately for it is indeed a delicate subject. It is common for pastors to which they belong whether they agree to it or not. But the general conference has never superannuated a Bishop. Should the general conference do this? Does it require less vigor of mind and body to do the work of a Bishop than to fill an ordinary pastorate? The editor of the Michigan hopes that the issue may not be forced but that some Bishop will be good enough to lead the way, by retiring voluntarily and that the example may become a precedent. He says: "It would have a good effect upon the mind of our Church if two or three of our aged Bishops should offer to retire from active service at the general conference next May. We do not know that any of them are incapacitated for active work, either by reason of age or infirmities, though reports are current to this effect, but on general principles an offer to retire would be received with favor by those charged with the responsibility of considering the status and needs of our episcopacy."

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AN ALLEGORY.

CHAPTER VI.

Finally, after a pretty long residence at the Fair, I resumed my journey towards the Celestial City, still with Mr. Smooth-it-away at my side. At a short distance beyond the suburbs of Vanity we passed the ancient silver-mine, of which Demas was the first discoverer, and which is now wrought to great advantage, supplying nearly all the coined currency of the world. A little further onward was the spot where Lot's wife had stood for ages, under the semblance of a pillar of salt. Curious travelers have carried it away piecemeal. Had all regrets been punished as rigorously as this poor dame's were, my yearning for the relinquished delights of Vanity Fair might have produced a similar change in my own corporal substance, and left me a warning to future pilgrims.

The next remarkable object was a large edifice, constructed of moss-grown stone, but in a modern and airy style of architecture. The engine came to a pause in its vicinity, with the usual tremendous shriek.

"This was formerly the castle of the redoubtable giant Despair," observed Mr. Smooth-it-away, "but, since his death, Mr. Flimsy-faith has repaired it, and now keeps an excellent house of entertainment. It is one of our stopping places."

"It seems but slightly put together," remarked I, looking at the frail, yet ponderous walls. "I do not envy Mr. Flimsy-faith his habitation. Some day it will tumble down upon the heads of the occupants."

"We shall escape, at all events," said Mr. Smooth-it-away, "for Apollyon is putting on steam again. The road now plunged into a gorge of the Delectable Mountains, and traversed the field, where, in former ages, the blind men wandered and stumbled among the tombs. One of these ancient tomb-stones had been thrust across the track, by some malicious person, and gave the train of cars a terrible jolt. Far up the rugged side of a mountain I perceived a rusty iron door, half overgrown with bushes and creeping plants, but with smoke issuing from its crevices.

"Is that," inquired I, "the very door in the hill-side, which the shepherds assured Christian was a by-way to hell?"

"That was a joke on the part of the shepherds," said Mr. Smooth-it-away with a smile. "It is neither more nor less than the door of a cavern, which they use as a smoke-house."

My recollections of the journey are now, for a little space, dim and confused inasmuch as a singular drowsiness here overcome me, owing to the fact that we were passing over the enchanted ground, the air of which encouraged a disposition to sleep. I awoke, however, as soon as we crossed the borders of the pleasant land of Beulah. All the passengers were rubbing their eyes, comparing watches, and congratulating one another on the prospect of arriving so seasonably at the journey's end. The sweet breezes of this happy clime came refreshingly to our nostrils; we beheld the glimmering gush of silver fountains, overhung by trees of beautiful foliage and delicious fruit, which were propagated by grafts from the celestial gardens. Once, as we dashed onward like

a hurricane, there was a flutter of wings, and the bright appearance of an angel in the air, speeding forth on some heavenly mission. The engine now announced the close vicinity of the final station-house, by one last and horrible scream, in which there seemed to be distinguishable every kind of wailing and woe, and bitter fierceness of wrath, all mixed up with the wild laughter of a devil or a madman. All through our journey, at every stopping-place, Apollyon had exercised his ingenuity in screwing the most abominable sounds out of the whistle of the steam-engine; but in this closing effort he outdid himself, and created an infernal uproar, which, besides disturbing the peaceful inhabitants of Beulah, must have sent its discord even through the celestial gates.

While the horrid clamor was still ringing in our ears, we heard an exulting strain, as if a thousand instruments of music, with height, and depth, and sweetness, in their tones, at once tender and triumphant, were struck in unison to greet the approach of some illustrious hero, who had fought the good fight and won a glorious victory, and was come to lay aside his battered arms for ever. Looking to ascertain what might be the occasion of this glad harmony, I perceived, on alighting from the cars, that a multitude of shining ones had assembled on the river, to welcome two poor pilgrims, who were just emerging from its depths. They were the same whom Apollyon and ourselves had persecuted with taunts and gibes, and scolding steam, at the commencement of our journey—the same whose unworldly aspect and impressive words had stirred my conscience amid the wild revellers of Vanity Fair.

"How amazingly well those men have got on!" cried I to Mr. Smooth-it-away. "I wish we were secure of so good a reception."

"Never fear—never fear!" answered my friend. "Come—make haste; the ferry-boat will be off directly; and in three minutes you will be on the other side of the river. No doubt you will find coaches to carry you up to the city gates."

A steam ferry-boat, the last improvement on this important route, lay at the river side, puffing, snorting, and emitting all those other disagreeable utterances which betoken the departure to be immediate. I hurried on board with the rest of the passengers, most of whom were in great perturbation; some bawling out for their baggage! some tearing their hair and exclaiming that the boat would explode or sink; some already pale with the heaving of the stream; some gazing affrighted at the ugly aspect of the steersman, and some still dizzy with the slumbering influences of the Enchanted Ground. Looking back to the shore, I was amazed to discern Mr. Smooth-it-away waving his hand in token of farewell!

"Don't you go over to the Celestial City?" exclaimed I.

"O no!" answered he, with a queer smile, and that same disagreeable contortion of visage which I had remarked in the inhabitants of the Dark Valley. "O no! I have come thus far only for the sake of your pleasant company. Good bye! We shall meet again."

And then did my excellent friend, Mr. Smooth-it-away, laugh outright. In the midst of his laughter, however, a smoke wreath issued from his mouth and nostrils, while a twinkle of livid flame darted out of either eye, proving that his heart was all of a red blaze. The impudent fiend! To deny the existence of Tophet, when he felt its fiery tortures

raging within his breast! I rushed to the side of the boat, intending to fling myself on shore; but the wheels, as they began their revolutions, threw a dash of spray over me, so cold—so deadly cold, with the chill that will never leave those waters, until death be drowned in his own river—that with a shiver and a heart-quake, I awoke. Thank Heaven, it was a dream!

When we are alone, we have thoughts to watch; in our family, our tempers; and in society our tongues.—Hannah More.

You cannot create spiritual sunshine any more than you can create the morning star, but you can put your soul where Christ is shining.—T. L. Cuyler, D. D.

Our fellow-creatures can only judge of what we are from what we do; but, in the eye of our Maker, what we do is of no worth except as it flows from what we are.—Samuel T. Coleridge.

If we would bring a holy life to Christ we must mind our fireside duties as well as the duties of the sanctuary.—Spurgeon.

It is important to think right, more important to feel right, still more important to do right; but to be right is most important of all.—Abbott.

A good deed is never lost. He who sows courtesy reaps friendship; he who plants kindness, gathers love.—Basil.

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With a firm and ample base;
And ascending and secure,
Shall tomorrow find its place.
—Longfellow, in "The Builders."

SOUL INSURANCE.

A little boy on his father's knee said:
"Papa, is your soul insured?"
"Why do you ask, my son?"
"Because I heard Uncle Frank say that
you had your house insured and your
life insured, but he did not think you
thought of your soul, and he was afraid
you would lose it. Can't you get it in-
sured right away?"

It was all too true, and the father was
led to seek the divine guarantee of his
soul's well-being.—Ex.

Does your heart sink, sometimes, be-
cause it is not given you to reap more?
The joy of the reaper is great—more man-
ifest, perhaps, if not greater than the
joy of the sower. But the service of the
reaper is not greater, nor more important
though more noticed, than the services
of the ploughman and the sower. Spur-
geon says, "Perhaps your Master knows
what a capital plowman you are; and
he never means to let you become a reap-
er, because you do the plowing so well."
To serve well and patiently in the place
to which you are called is the best ex-
pression of love for the Master and the
work he gives you to do. The time comes
when "he that soweth and he that reap-
eth shall rejoice together."—Christian In-
telligencer.

LINCOLN'S INTERVIEW WITH A PROFESSIONAL ATHLETE.

Governor Hoyt tells an excellent story
illustrating Lincoln's interest in muscle
and his involuntary comparison of him-
self with any man who showed great
strength. It was in 1859, after Lincoln
had delivered a speech at the state ag-
ricultural fair of Wisconsin at Milwau-
kee. The two men were making the
rounds of the exhibits, and went into a
tent to see a "strong man" perform. He
went through the ordinary exercise with
huge iron balls, tossing them in the air
and catching them, and rolling them
on his arms and back; and Mr. Lincoln,
who evidently had never before seen
such a thing watched him with intense
interest ejaculating under his breath
every now and then, "By George! By
George!" When the performance was
over Governor Hoyt, seeing Mr. Lin-
coln's interest, asked him to go up and
be introduced to the athlete. He did so;
and, as he stood looking down musingly
on the fellow, who was very short, and
evidently wondering that a man so much
shorter than he could be so much strong-
er, he suddenly broke out with one of
his quaint speeches. "Why," he said,
"why, I could lick salt off the top of your
hat."—McClure's Magazine.

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The Quaker Had the Best of It.

A Quaker, driving a single horse chaise
up a narrow lane, happened to meet a
young man who was also in a single
horse chaise. There was not room
enough for them to pass each other, un-
less one of them would back his car-
riage, which both refused to do.

"I'll not make way for you," said the
young fellow with an oath.

"I think I am older than thou art,"
said the Quaker, "and therefore have a
right to expect thee to make way for
me."

"I won't," resumed the first. He then
pulled out a newspaper and began to
read, as he sat still in his chaise.

The Quaker observing him, pulled out
a pipe and some tobacco from his pocket
lighted his pipe, and sat and puffed away
very comfortably. "Friend," said he,
"when thou hast read that paper I should
be glad if thou wouldst lend it to me."
The young man gave up the contest.—
Home Journal.

A LONG SUCCESSION.

There were no Christmas services in
the Trinity Episcopal Church of Wood-
bridge, N. J. This was the first time in
141 years that the Church doors were
closed on Christmas day. December 22
was the first time since the Church was
built, in 1754, that no services were held.
Three weeks ago, the pastor, Rev. L. H.
Lightfoot, refused to conduct religious
exercises for the congregation because
his salary had not been paid for nearly
a year. He was asked to resign, but
refused to do so until his salary was
paid. Last week the vestry mortgaged
the Church property and paid the min-
ister his money.

There is a well-meaning old gentle-
man in Boston who goes about in fair
weather or foul with an open umbrella
over his head. He is one of the notable
characters of the town, highly respected
as far as that goes, but pitied as the
victim of the delusion that a down-pour
is always impending. The story is
abroad in Boston that he once got a ter-
rible drenching, and contracted there-
from a cold that threw him into a fever,
out of which he issued with his life, but
an unbalanced mind. All he could re-
member of his experience was that he
was caught without an umbrella, and,
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comprehending every other subject, he
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Our Church at Home.

CORRECTION.

Dear Mr. Godbey—I want to correct a mistake that appeared in the minutes concerning this circuit. In financial report under question "What amount paid P. C.; answer, \$223.65," it should have been \$323.65. Again, "Other objects," it says \$2, when it ought to have been \$127.

Success to the Methodist.

Yours fraternally,

J. J. COLSON.

Burrell, Ark., February 18, 1896.

FROM PINE BLUFF.

Editor Methodist: I was called upon this morning to assist in purchasing a beautiful tombstone to be placed at the grave of our dear brother, Rev. George W. Rice, the gift of the good people of his last circuit. The matter was set on foot at the Quarterly Conference by appointing Bros. L. M. McLendon and D. B. Niven a committee to raise the necessary funds. They did their work well and an order was placed today. This monument to the memory of our ascended brother will call forth the profound gratitude, not only of Sister Rice, but the preachers of the Little Rock Conference as well. While it shows in what appreciation he was held by his people, it shows what good people he served. May Our Father reward them. Very truly,

A. O. Evans.

Pine Bluff, Feb. 25.

SHERRILL CIRCUIT.

Dear Methodist—Our first quarterly conference has passed. Brother Godden, our beloved P. E., was with us in great power. We had a good religious time. The stewards made a liberal assessment for the P. E. God bless them in their work, for it is important indeed. Well, we came home after conference and set about to build a parsonage, which is nearly completed. We hope to move into it next week. We have a good, kind people down here, and plenty of red "licker," two saloons running in full blast. A great curse indeed. The Lord save our own and Church from its hateful influence. Of course the storm that has been so prevalent in Arkansas swooped down upon us, for which we are thankful. We hope to be able to do something for the Methodist soon. Pray for us.

Your Brother in Christ,

J. W. HARRELL.

REDFIELD CIRCUIT.

The preachers have gotten in the habit of waiting for the pounding before giving an account of their work.

Now, the pounding is all right. I have no objection to the pounding. You could not keep a hungry preacher from telling it after he had been fed highly. The pounding has not come at our home yet. Appointments are filled since Conference and lots of other work done. We have been trying to get liquor out of Redfield. Began last fall. Worked hard and steadily, but in the end we were bushwhacked and knocked out of the ring.

We got in our work, and the public sentiment of the good people is being molded in our favor. We have appealed to the Circuit Court. If beaten there we will take it to the Supreme Court. If we fall all around the thing will be so badly crippled that we will be sure to get it out next round.

Hqn. T. J. Oliphant, one of the prominent candidates for Prosecuting Attorney of the Sixth District, is fighting our case for us and if he gains, it will be a feather in his cap. Enough on this subject.

We have our Sunday-school doing good work. Good attendance. Good financial system. One prayer meeting, pretty well attended, and good interest shown. One league organized in all of the departments.

The devotional department meets each Sunday night and is strictly spiritual.

The literary department meets every other Friday night, and is conducted altogether on a literary line. We have recitations, select reading and occasionally a debate on some familiar subject. We also have a paper entitled "The Epworth Hustler." This paper has the editorial column, an exchange column,

the local column, etc. Our league is really on a boom. W. W. Christie, Redfield, Ark., February 29, 1896.

CORRECTION.

Dear Brethren: The minutes of our last Conference report Melbourne Circuit as paying but \$3 on Domestic Missions. We paid \$13, as my report shows. Please make this correction through your paper. My wife is now sick. Pray for us. Yours in the work,

W. A. Manly.

CUSHMAN CIRCUIT.

I thought I would have written before now, but having been busy all the time at improvement on the parsonage I felt I had not time to write. When I came to this place I found the parsonage with no fence, no lot, no barn; so I got some help, went in the forest, felled the trees out of which we got the material to make the barn and fence. And I want to say, in all my ministry I have never had a better time on my first round than the one on the Cushman circuit. God grant it may continue to be better at every appointment. We have had a good time all round the work. I find as it were the footprints of many good men who have gone before me.

I am looking for a grand time all round the work this year. God bless the Methodist and all concerned.

P. C.

February 28, 1896.

ATTENTION!

We hold subscriptions made by brethren to the Training School at Fordyce. These subscriptions, unpaid, amount to several hundred dollars and are now of three years' standing. With these amounts paid we will be free from debt. They were subscribed in good faith and the time has been long enough for payment. We have urgent need for the money promised. Let every person whose name is on the list send at once a remittance to the Financial Agent. If you have not the money today write when you will send it. The Board of Trustees has appointed C. D. McSwain, Fordyce, Ark., Financial Agent. Fordyce, March 2, 1896.

PREACHERS' AID ASSOCIATION.

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

Brethren: Assessment No. 7, of the Preachers' Aid Association was called December 25, 1895. The time fixed by the constitution for paying the same, without any conditions, expired February 25, 1896.

Any member in arrears, who desires to retain his membership can do so by forwarding to the Secretary \$2 accompanied by his own statement that he is in as good health as he was February 25, 1896. See article 8, of the constitution.

Any effective itinerant, whether a former member or not, can join the association and participate in its benefits upon the same liberal terms. The widows of six itinerant preachers in the last four years have, in tears, blessed the noble bond that provided this most timely aid.

By order of the President.

John B. Bond, Sec.-Treas.

Little Rock, Ark.

PREACHERS' MEETING — FORT SMITH DISTRICT.

Dear Doctor: The Preachers' Meeting of the Fort Smith District convened at Greenwood from February 24 to 25, inclusive, and the occasion was a delightful one. Rev. D. J. Weems, the popular and beloved Presiding Elder, was in the chair, and presided with his characteristic grace and dignity. Nearly all the preachers were present and enjoyed the sweet association the occasion afforded. Rev. D. N. Weaver, the popular pastor at Greenwood, we were pained to find afflicted, having been confined to his room for some weeks with rheumatism. He was able to attend the day services, and is now improving. He is loved by his people.

Rev. W. H. Nance was also prevented from attending because of sickness. The discussion on the various subjects were edifying, stimulating and instructive.

Rev. J. L. Hays preached an excellent sermon on "Repentance," that stirred every heart and melted the eyes to tears. Rev. E. L. Massey also preached a fine sermon which delighted all present. Rev. F. S. H. Johnson delivered a strong, clear and eloquent address on the subject of Education, after which he presented the claims of Hendrix College. The good people of Greenwood entertained their guests in a manner which made everyone feel welcome.

A Woman's Missionary Society was organized, Mrs. D. J. Weems being elected President. The meeting was a decided success, and I am sure every preacher returned to his work with fresh zeal and courage to do battle for God.

P. C. Fletcher, Secretary.

KINGSTON CIRCUIT.

Possibly it is most time for us to be heard from. Kingston Circuit is about thirty-three miles from north to south, six appointments, with a membership of 229 (as reported at conference), six local preachers and one exhorter. We moved next week after conference, and were as well received as could be expected under the existing circumstances. Having no parsonage and not being able to find a house at Kingston, and it being best for us to be on the work, I was compelled to seek shelter in the mountains some five miles from Kingston, fifteen miles from Huntsville, eighteen or twenty miles from Berryville, Green Forest and Carrollton. Dry Fork is my nearest postoffice, three miles away; two miles to the nearest store, one-half mile to our closest neighbor and only one that close. Three or three and one-half miles to the closest preaching place. I thought that I would be real well satisfied here for one year, but after hearing the cry of the wild cat and the children becoming frightened because of their cry, and it being so lonely for my wife and children while I am away, I would rather be some where else. Well, I have taken too much space, and I will change a little. Wish we had a parsonage, however. At some places I have not missed an appointment; at others I have because of "biles," but none through neglect. We have not tried to hold any revivals, and have but a short report on that line. Only received two into the Church and baptised one baby.

Our quarterly conference has come and gone, and the love and good will of the people has gone with our presiding elder. Well, I will try it again. I have been bothered by a steward in a way that was very acceptable. He has gone now, and left us thanking him, for he brought a ham. As to the quarterly meeting, we had a pleasant time, notwithstanding the weather was unfavorable. Bro. Hopkins' sermons were of a high order, sound and soul stirring. Rev. D. W. Evans, L. E. from Carrollton, was with us. As to the quarterage, it was not as good as has been for us, yet ahead, I understand, of former years on this work. We have a real good loyal set of people up here who need only to be disciplined, and then Kingston will rank with the best in the Eureka Springs District.

Being located where we are, it goes without saying that we had neither a pounding or "pudding." We are working, reading and praying that we may be able to get our conscience in the collections. I believe I speak the sentiment of all the preacher and most of the members of the district when I say that we would be exceedingly glad to have you with some other of our leading men to visit the district and get acquainted with us and our work. As I may want to write again in the future I will quit, lest I take up more space than is allotted to us.

H. M. CONGER.

Dry Fork, February 24.

ASH FLAT CIRCUIT.

My first Quarterly Conference is just over, and our energetic and faithful P. E. was with us, looking closely into all the business of the Church. He preached two good soul-stirring sermons, one on the subject of prayer and the other on the great mission of Christ's coming into the world to do the works of His Father, and of the great importance of working while it is called today and while the night cometh not, for when it comes no man can work. We had a good time from the beginning to the close. We had the largest attendance

on Saturday at 10 o'clock that I have seen in ten years, and we had a revival at every coming together. Christians shouted praises to God and sinners wept and we had two additions to the Church. Bro. Jernigan is the right man in the right place.

This circuit has had four appointments taken off and put to other charges, and one dropped and it leaves me five. The stewards made my assessment only \$33 less than last year when it had ten appointments, and they put corn to me at 33 1-3 cents per bushel, bacon at 8 cents, pork at 4, and other things in proportion. Those prices are to remain all the year, so you see they mean business. I have a live, energetic Board of Stewards that will do all they can to collect the preacher's salary this year, and we expect Ash Flat Circuit to come to the front. We expect that when we make our report next fall at Conference that a number of our preachers will want the circuit next year. The outlook is good for a great revival here. Thank God for the encouragement we have received since we came to the work. We have large congregations and attentive hearers. God is going to do a mighty work here this year.

And now I want to say a few things to the preachers of my Conference, and I say it in the spirit of the Master. Now, Brethren, don't abuse the parsonage that you live in; don't burn the rails and boards, palings, nor break out the window lights, nor spit tobacco on the floor, nor let the stock eat up the shrubbery. Keep the palings nailed on, and keep everything in good shape, and then no preacher will hate to go into a house that you have lived in. And leave a load or two of wood at the parsonage, and then if your successor comes in in the night half frozen, he will have wood to make a fire. I will illustrate a case as follows: B on C circuit, and B has torn things up at the parsonage in general and left things in a bad shape and A will undertake to get the people to repair it, being a man not willing to take his family into a den. But the people have become discouraged at the way B has destroyed things, and will say it is of no use to fix it up, thinking that A will do as B has done, and you can't get them to turn a wheel. And so if there is anything done A has it to do. Now, Brethren, if the shoe fits any of you, please wear it. You see that where one tears down another has to build up. I speak from experience, and I am 57 years old, and have had a great deal of that kind of work to do. The parsonage is the preacher's home and the property of the Church, and should be well taken care of. Now, brother, leave the parsonage in a better shape than you found it and then you will not have to move into a bad house. Do unto others as you would have them do unto you. God Bless the Arkansas Methodist and its editor and business manager.

S. W. REGISTER.

Ash Flat, February 28, 1896.

TO FLOWER LOVERS.

We are in receipt of a handsomely illustrated catalogue containing a wonderful collection of roses, geraniums, chrysanthemums, cannas, carnations and in fact all kinds of flowering plants and seeds from the Great Western Plant Co., Springfield O. See their advertisement of big bargains in flowers, or what you can buy for 50 cents. They mail their catalogue to any address free. Write to them.

The prejudice against the medical specialist that was once so prevalent here, as well as in other places, is rapidly giving away to a more rational view of the situation since Dr. Rea & Co., of Louisville, began the treatment of chronic cases in our community. The uniform success that has attended their work here has opened the eyes of the people to the real status of affairs, and as a result their office is thronged with the suffering seeking relief where they go.—Advertisement.

WARNING ORDER.

Thomas E. Barron, plaintiff, vs. Gertrude F. Barron, defendant. In Pulaski Chancery Court.

The defendant, Gertrude F. Barron, is warned to appear in this court within thirty days and answer the complaint of the plaintiff, Thomas E. Barron.

J. H. Paschal, Clerk.

By Chas. M. Connor, D. C.

James B. Gray, solicitor for plaintiff. February 25, 1896.

Missions.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

1. The Board of Church Extension will hold its annual meeting at its office, 705 W. Chestnut St., Louisville, Ky., on April 30, 1896. Applications for aid must be made out on blanks which will be furnished for the purpose by the undersigned, and must be on file in the Board's Office on or before April 1, in order to insure attention at the annual meeting.
2. We are particularly anxious that all who owe anything on account of birthday cards, or of subscriptions in aid of Cuban Churches in Florida, or for the building of Churches in the Indian Mission Conference will remit the sums due as soon as they can do so. The money is greatly needed.
3. We wish to circulate our literature. We will send package containing copies of our last Annual and Quarterly reports, and of the Church Extension Bulletin, to anybody who will send us a two cent stamp to pay postage.
4. We have a supply of pamphlets containing Dr. S. A. Steel's address on "Church Extension in Relation to the Future South," and Dr. G. W. Briggs' address on "Church Extension on the Frontier," both delivered at Montgomery, Ala.; we will send these in any quantities desired upon receipt of ten cents per dozen, in stamps, to pay postage.
5. Copies of our handsomely illustrated little book "Living Monuments" will be sent any address on receipt of twenty-five cents. David Morton, Corresponding Secretary. Louisville, Ky., February 14, 1896.

EASTER OFFERING.

A Card From the Committee.

At the last annual meeting of the Board of Managers of the Scarritt Bible and Training School held April 15, 1895, it was resolved to request the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions to approve the observance of Easter Sunday in 1896 for the benefit of the Training School.

This action was embodied in the report of the managers presented to the Woman's Board in annual session at Meridian, Mississippi, and was adopted by the board after amending by adding the words, "where practicable." The amendment was made necessary by the fact that in some Conferences it is the custom for pastors of leading Churches to take up collections on that day, hence their existing plans are not to be interfered with.

Anticipating the approval of the Woman's Board of Missions, the Board of Managers appointed a committee at the same meeting to prepare a programme for Easter Sunday for use in societies and Churches observing the day for the benefit of the Training School.

The committee has finished its work and the programs will be mailed March 1, that there may be ample time to prepare for the service. Easter Sunday comes on April 5 this year, and collection cards will accompany the programmes for the children's offering. It is hoped that our Sunday-Schools and Epworth Leagues will help the missionary society in this year's offering. The understanding is that in every conference where there is not a scholarship to be completed that the Easter offering shall be devoted to the endowment of the Belle Bennet chair.

\$8,335.01 was reported last June as the

amount already raised for that chair. It could be completed this year without difficulty if there were strong, united effort throughout the Church. To that end let us labor and pray.

"Giving enriches, withholding impoverishes." This is true of individuals and Churches. In answer to prayer, the Holy Spirit can open purses and unlock hearts, can impart the spirit of giving and unfold its blessedness to those who, as yet know it not. Believing this, the committee calls on the friends of the school everywhere to pray for this daily until Easter. In this all can help—for those who have no money to give can pray and seek to enlist the sympathies and interest of those who having wealth, yet are not "rich toward God."

The privilege of giving is not confined to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, nor to our Church, but the invitation is extended to all of every name—and to those who are not connected with any Church organization, but who desire to help an institution that is designed for the glory of God and the help of man. The larger the endowment, the more widely extended will be the usefulness of the school, and the greater the advantages for its students.

For this reason, the committee earnestly prays for active and faithful co-operation.

Elizabeth E. Holding,
Belle H. Bennett,
Maria L. Gibson.
Committee.

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Woman's Work.

WOMAN'S M. S. OF THE WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

Dear Sisters: I would address you individually with this query: "Watchman, what of the night?"

This month closes the last quarter of our missionary (current) year. How much there is yet to be done! May I urge each auxiliary in the Conference to immediate action—before this quarter closes—in regard to raising funds for the prosecution of our missionary work? Each district secretary has, no doubt, done her part in presenting the work throughout her district, yet I fear that our final report will reveal to us the sad fact that we have not done what we could. Our Conference contingent fund should be well considered. Our society cannot prosper or even long exist without financial support, and we cannot afford to fall back on the general fund to meet the expenses of the society. One of our district secretaries asks if the contingent fund for each district has been apportioned by the Conference Society. It has not. However, much was said on this point during the annual session of the society last June at Jonesboro, and the only decision reached was a pledge from each delegate to urge the matter in their auxiliaries after returning home. Our Finance Committee, after thoroughly examining into the workings of the society, found that the sum of \$200 (two hundred dollars) would be necessary to meet the expenses of the society. Now, will each district secretary, auxiliary president, each officer in the auxiliary; yea, will not each member of the missionary society in the bounds of the White River Conference pause just now and ask themselves the important question: "Have I done everything I could on this line?" Again,

The question of raising funds for the purpose of aiding in defraying the expenses of our new missionaries was discussed at length, and an earnest appeal was made by our Corresponding Secretary who had just returned from the meeting of the board, in which she urged the district secretaries to increase the collections in all the auxiliary societies so as to raise the amount to \$1,000.

Do I hear some of our women say: "Too much!" "absurd!" "we can never do it!" Does this one thousand dollars seem too enormously large for the vast number of faithful Christian women throughout the White River Conference to give to this grand work of saving souls? I think not. "Attempt great things for God; expect great things from God." May this motto stimulate us to work more zealously, pray more earnestly and give more liberally than we have ever done in the past. Soon our annual meeting will be held at Helena and we trust that each auxiliary will take on new life and energy before the time (not yet fixed) arrives. None will feel satisfied with a meager report. Your meeting in March, as you all know, is the time to elect officers in the auxiliaries for the ensuing year, also your delegate to the annual meeting. We urge that each auxiliary Juvenile and Young People's Society send a delegate with full report of their work for the year beginning with March, 1895, and ending with February, 1896. Hope all the societies in the Conference that have not yet done so will arrange for an appropriate service in memory of our recently departed ones. These memorial services are evidences of the strong ties that bind us each to the other, in the common cause of our Master.

Mrs. H. B. Strange,
Conference President.
Beebe, February 15.

WOMAN'S PARSONAGE AND HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Our Bishops, Elders and Pastors: What do these great and good men think about the Woman's Parsonage and Home Missionary Society? At the General Conference of the M. E. Church, South, in 1894, a resolution was passed, saying: "We recommend this society to our Church, and trust that our pastors and members will give their aid and hearty co-operation to our women in this great work." We have not heard that the august assembly were joking, nor is there reason to think they wish to "take back" what they said. Therefore, women are going forward with the work throughout the South.

At the Little Rock Conference in 1895 a resolution was passed commending the Woman's Parsonage and Home Missionary Society. And so we shall try to accomplish what we can in this section of Arkansas this year. We have good reason to feel encouraged now. The editor and manager of the Methodist are our staunch friends, and it is commonly reported that several of our Presiding Elders are in sympathy with the work. One of them has already shown it by active effort in our behalf—or rather, in behalf of Methodist preachers, for our work is mainly for them and their wives and children.

Some of our pastors have carefully studied the aim of the Society, and have seen the necessity for its work, and they are trying to build up auxiliaries in their churches. It may not be long before others will do likewise, for everyone of them desires to advance the cause of Christ.

Once a zealous secretary wrote to ev-

ery pastor in this Conference, outside of Little Rock, asking for a little information which she thought might lead to large results. One good man was kind enough to send a reply, and his name will not be forgotten by us. If we could arrange it his family should never fail to find a beautiful parsonage wherever the revolving wheel might drop them.

Another earnest secretary was glad of the opportunity to attend our annual conference, and she hoped to accomplish some good in a quiet way. So she made up assorted packages (very small) of our leaflets and handed them to the preachers to take home. The brethren may have had "hospitality of the head and heart," and their pockets may have been too full of greenbacks to give room to anything else. At any rate, most of the tiny bundles were left in the pews unopened.

A brighter day has dawned, and we now laugh at these incidents. Better times are ahead, and henceforth our pastors will be likely to find time to answer a note from a Christian sister who only desires to do her small part of the Lord's work. It is possible that they may even take time to read the minutes of the annual conference of the society recently held in Little Rock.

I wonder if these good pastors realize how little we women can accomplish without their advice and co-operation. I dare say there is not a church in Arkansas but what has a few noble women who are anxious to do more work for Christ. They are true to home and children and would never neglect them; nor would they fail to do their duty to their own church and pastor. They would also gladly send some help to our noble preachers in the West who are almost starving as they offer the Bread of Life to benighted men. They would buy shares in schools for Godless Cubans who have settled in Florida, and would help support Rescue Homes for fallen women who are weary of sin, but dare not ask for sympathy. Ah! yes; there are good women in every church who are ready to do something for the salvation of heathen in our own land.

And are they denied this privilege because pastors think times are too hard to organize Woman's Parsonage and Home Missionary Societies—or advise them to wait until large numbers are willing to unite in the work?

The responsibility rests upon the pastors. We shall gladly try to do our part, but have no intention of forcing ourselves upon any congregation. So the pastors need not fear an onslaught—they must be the leaders in this great battle to save America for God. Veritas.

MONEY EASILY MADE BY HUSTLERS.

Dear Editor: My experience may interest others who need money. Fifteen years clerking, farming, hustling, trying to sell books, wringers and every contrivance made me discouraged and mad when I met my cousin in Iowa making \$45 a week, plating tableware and jewelry. I got a complete outfit from Gray & Co., Columbus, Ohio. They send materials, instructions, receipts, trade secrets and teach the agent, and have treated me elegant. I plate gold, silver, nickel and white metal, get all the knives, forks and other goods I can plate; make \$45 to \$75 per week plating and sell some platers besides. Anyone can get a good plating outfit by writing them.

J. Ryan.

Our Church at Home.

Dr. Godbey: I came up from Argenta to Cabot on the local freight; Tuesday went out to Shiloh on the Jacksonville Circuit; Wednesday preached at 11 a. m.; held Quarterly Conference immediately after preaching. Representatives were there from every society; they made their pastor a liberal assessment. Paid in more than at any previous quarterly meeting. Bro. Davis is well received and starts out well. Respectfully,
Henry T. Gregory.
Cato, Ark., February 14, 1896.

BLACK ROCK, ARK.

Mr. Editor: Please state in next issue of the "Methodist" that the name of J. D. Sibert should appear under the question of Epworth League.

The committee who drafted the programme was N. E. Skinner, J. S. Watson and C. L. Freeman.

I did not intend my name appearing to the programme. In fact did not think it necessary to have it signed up. Please give insertion to above and oblige, yours, etc.,
C. L. Freeman.

SULPHUR ROCK.

Mr. Editor: After some days that were unavoidable we moved into the parsonage the 17th at night. The good people of Sulphur Rock came. Men, women and children, not only in word, but in deed, bringing many of the necessities and comforts of this life. The peculiar feature about this pounding is that it is from a people upon whom we have no especial claim. Not being their pastor, their pastor, Bro. Sterling, has been boarding but he has taken the hint and moved in also. Blessings attend Sulphur Rock Circuit and Sulphur Rock and Newark Station.
F. M. Smith.
February 19, 1896.

BRIGHT STAR CIRCUIT.

Dear Brethren: We are moving on very well on Bright Star Circuit. Bro. Evans was with us and held our first Quarterly Conference. Preached two sermons to the satisfaction of all. Money is scarce but the good people of Bright Star Circuit will not let their preacher suffer for want of table comforts. We have just received a wagon load of supplies, such as hams, shoulders, middlings, flour and corn for old Bill.

The parsonage will soon be complete. Lumber is on hand to finish ceiling the rooms. These are a good and generous people, and have the cause of the Master at heart. We have learned to love them, and feel that we have their love in return. We have organized two Epworth Leagues, one at Concord and the other at Minnerlin's Chapel. The Leagues are doing good work.

W. H. Head, P. C.
February 24, 1896.

CHAPEL HILL.

Dear Methodist: Our first Quarterly Conference has come and gone. It was a very pleasant occasion, indeed, it was good to be there. Christian rejoiced and sinners wept. Bro. Evans, our efficient Presiding Elder, was on time, and surely he is the man for the Washington District. He takes great interest in looking after both Church and preacher. We are moving off smoothly and feel that we are in the midst of a good people. Finance behind what it should

be though we are hopeful of it coming up all right on the day of our Quarterly Conference we received another nice valuable pounding, this one came from Horatio and Norwoodville. Mr. Editor, these poundings made us feel a little curious—we hardly know what to say as how to say, in fact, we hardly ever say much of anything, but generally take the summer grins, but we don't object to them in the last God bless the people of Chapel Hill Circuit and may we be able to do them a good year's work. We hope to do something for your excellent paper. Your, etc., J. A. Parker, P. C.

FROM SALEM CIRCUIT.

Bro. Godbey: Many things have transpired since we all separated at Searcy. The people of Salem learning that we were their preacher sent four splendid wagons and teams after us. The distance was sixty miles. On Thursday morning, January 2, we bade our friends in Sulphur Rock farewell. The parting was severe. For two years we had been identified with each other. I think now of the older member whom I shall see no more till we meet in Heaven. With joy I anticipate that meeting. The second and third days of our trip were the coldest of the season. We suffered from cold and thought of the "exceeding great reward" and of the souls we may possibly lead to Christ. The evening of the third day we reached Salem and unloaded our wagons. Many friends met us. Among them, Mrs. Pickerin, across the street from the parsonage, who kindly conducted us to her home where we found warm booming fires and a delicious supper waiting for us. After supper we wanted to divide out. But Bro. P. and wife would not hear to it, and one of the children said, "No, Bro. Noe, we have twelve beds." As soon as we could adjust things at the parsonage we received an appreciated pounding.

Our Quarterly Conference meeting was held last Saturday and Sunday. Bro. Jernigan, our Presiding Elder, came and did his work well. Nothing narrow about his actions or sayings. After the Quarterly Conference was over he heartily joined me in pastoral work for two days. Glad to see him come and sad to see him leave. I was preacher here for three years beginning in 1890. Then we had eight appointments; now we have four. The stewards have agreed to pay me \$400, and they can do it if they will. Money is scarce, but provisions are plentiful. I am going to try to do my duty for the Church and preach Christ as a present and complete Savior. Your brother,
F. R. Noe.

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Married.

House—Brady.

February 12, 1896, at Fairview Church, Texarkana, by the Rev. H. B. Smith, Mr. J. W. House to Miss Nettie V. Brady, all of Texarkana, Ark.

Gaddy—Horn.

February 13, 1896, at the Church in Ohio, Ark., by Rev. A. M. Robertson, Mr. W. T. Gaddy and Miss Ida Horn, all of Cleveland, Ark.

Dowdy—Hargrave.

January 27, at the home of the bride's father, Clarksville, Ark., by Rev. S. Anderson, Mr. James Dowdy and Miss Dorothy Hargrave.

Thomas—Sampson.

On February 14, 1896, in the Methodist Church at Haynes, Ark., by Rev. N. E. Gardner, Mr. John D. Thomas to Miss M. B. Sampson. May God's richest blessings crown their walk through life.

Gladden—Young.

December, the 18th, 1895, by Rev. J. E. Dunaway, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. G. L. Gladden, of Yell County, Ark., and Miss Florence Young, of Perry County, Ark.

Bland—Carden.

At the Methodist Church, in Perryville, Ark., February 12, 1896, by Rev. J. E. Dunaway, Mr. W. C. Bland and Miss Mary Carden, all of Perryville, Ark.

Major—Johnson.

February 20, 1896, at the Methodist Church, in Carlisle, the writer officiating, Mr. R. H. Major to Mrs. S. E. Johnson. A nice reception followed, given at the home of the bride's father, Bro. G. W. Cornish. All of Carlisle, Ark.
W. M. Crowson.

Palmer—Smith.

February 16, 1896, at the residence of the bride's mother, in Greenbriar, Ark., Mr. W. F. Palmer and Miss Bell Smith, all of Greenbriar, Ark. Rev. Z. W. Lindsey officiating.

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The treatment caused very little pain and did not hinder me from attending to my usual work on the farm.

William A. Mooney,
Normond P. O., Saline County, Ark.
February 15, 1896.

I am acquainted with Mr. Mooney and consider him a worthy, truthful man.

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George Thornburgh,
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+ At Rest. +

MRS. VERNON.

The Florida Advocate contains a lengthy and interesting obituary of Mrs. Vernon, wife of Rev. I. A. Vernon, formerly a member of the White River Conference. We extract a few leading points:

Mrs. Louise Maria Vernon, nee Neel, was born on the Isle of Guernsey, September 27, 1847, and died in Brooksville, Fla., December 11, 1895, of consumption, after a long and painful decline. On November 24, 1889, was married to Rev. I. A. Vernon, of the Florida Annual Conference.

Sister Vernon was a woman of wide travel, fine literary attainments, large mental capacity, profound piety, strong faith, with culture and refinement. Nor was she lacking in the domestic virtues, nor unmindful of the less showy accomplishments which make the competent housewife and enabled her to be as she was, in all things to her husband an helpmeet.

REV. J. E. MARTIN.

This good preacher and faithful servant of Christ passed away at his home in Dyer, Ark., as per obituary by his Presiding Elder appearing a few days since in the Arkansas Methodist.

Bro. Martin joined the Arkansas Conference of the M. E. Church, South, at Dardanelle in 1878.

He has been an earnest worker, and not a few have been saved through his agency. Martin, Greathouse, Leard, Powell, Beasley, Caloway, Cole and Williams were "admitted on trial" at the same Conference. Caloway is now in a Texas Conference; Greathouse at Vinita, I. T.; Beasley went east, north and west; Powell, Leard and Cole "discontinued," and Martin is now transferred and stationed in that location suited alike to his licentiate and to the Bishop, and to which the true and the worthy of all the ages are constantly being removed.

Martin was not a graduate of the schools, but proficient in Christian attainments. Versed in the word of life, and books of the church; was true and tried and steadfast in the chosen mission of his life.

Hard circuits were no strangers to him; close places and difficult fields were as familiar to him as was the alphabet and plan of salvation. In these things he took a joyful delight and invested himself with serious earnestness to finish with gladness, and triumph the work of life to which God in his Providence had assigned him. Early in his ministry and early in the history of that charge he went to White River Mission, \$40 was his pay, but a storm of revival swept over his circuit and not a few were brought into the fold of Christ. Already Martin is rejoicing over the saved of his ministry in Heaven.

At a Conference at Ozark, just in from a year of difficult work, he said: "I will have to locate." But the council of friends and the uplift of the occasion changed his mind.

He died "in the faith" and in the active ministry of his Church. A true soldier of the Cross.

In one charge for plain dealing a storm of antagonism awoke. The Bishop returned him. The revival fires kindled and the opposition was baptised into the Church. At Charleston a great revival sprang up in this town. A minister of a differing commission said it was "Martin's prayer."

Our brother was faithful in the kingdom of grace and shouted on occasions.

He will now shout forever in the Kingdom of Glory:

"I love to tell the story,
Of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and His glory,
Of Jesus and His love.
And when in scenes of glory,
I sing the new, new song,
'Twill be the old, old story,
That I have loved so long."

—W.

NEILL—Marcus J. was born in Wilson County, Tennessee, January 18, 1864, came to Pope County, Arkansas, with his parents October 21, 1881, was married to Miss Hattie Maxwell, of Sebastian County, Arkansas, January 26, 1890. He professed faith in Christ November 8, 1895, and departed this life November 13, 1895, was baptised in infancy by J. J. Pitman, of Tennessee Conference. He leaves a wife and two sweet little boys to mourn his untimely death, but they look beyond this life when the dark clouds overshadow them. "At evening time it shall be light." Marcus was a cheerful boy, and a man who made many friends. He was buried in the Russellville Cemetery by the Pythian Lodge. Religious services were conducted by Rev. W. M. Sherman, pastor of the M. E. Church, South. Marcus J. Neill was a son of Rev. A. S. Joy, deceased, of Tennessee, and a nephew of Rev. James Stacey, deceased, of Charleston, S. C.

D. T. Tarter, P. E.

LEGG—Sammie Legg died at the residence of his mother, Mrs. Sarah Legg, December 22, 1895, near Warsaw, Ark., at the age of 22 years. He leaves a widowed mother, young wife and babe, two brothers and four sisters. Oh, how it pained our hearts to give him up. But God has called him to a higher and better home, to shine on and on till we are called to join Sammie in that beautiful land where no sickness ever comes. I visited him often. He was patient to the last and begged his loved ones not to grieve, that he would soon be with Jesus. To his unconverted brothers and sisters that he seemed so anxious about I would say, prepare to meet Sammie and your God. Sister, it won't be long till you will meet your darling boy and other loved ones. I pray that we may all meet Sammie in Heaven. Auntie.

Warsaw, Ark., February 18, 1896.

SULLIVAN—Little Vivian, infant daughter of Dr. J. G. A. and Ellen Sullivan, was born December 2, 1896. Died January 20, 1896. Her life in this world was like a shadow that quickly vanished away. A little ray of love and joy sprung up in the home but the subject thereof was plucked, as a tiny rosebud from the earth, and wafted to the realms of eternal bliss to blossom in the Paradise of God. Cheer up, dear parents, and loved ones. God will take care of your sweet little babe, and if you will only be submissive He will "Some Sweet Day" have you borne by His angelic messengers to the sunny banks of sweet deliverance, where you may dwell forever

with God and the loved ones gone before.

J. B. Winsett.

January 30, 1896.

JOHNSON—Julius Henry, born December 14, 1849, in North Carolina; came with his father, in 1859, to Arkansas; was married to Miss Maggie E. McDonald, December 10, 1874.

He joined the Methodist Church under the ministry of Rev. D. J. Hare in August, 1874. His life was a model one. He lived his religion; was kind, gentle and true. His sweet smile and loving thoughtfulness will brighten memory's page away. He suffered with pneumonia six days and November 6, 1896, when the bright sun of Heaven was midway—when a grand life was in its prime—God saw fit to take from us one whom we loved so dearly. He was willing to give up life, home and family in submission to his Master's will without a murmur. The only regret was to leave his family, though he trusted in God and left us in His care. He said, "tell all my friends I died in the faith." Calling his family and friends around his bed he kissed us good bye and asked us to meet him in Heaven. While death dethroned Stomach Brom aTd racem lH7 has rudely sundered the cherished bonds of affection and left our home desolate, we know here to wind him, and that Papa, Dinkie and Bertha have only gone before.

When all thought he was almost gone he joined in "Children of the Heavenly King," with a clear strong voice, after which Psalm 23 was read and voices joined in prayer for the last time until we meet in "The Unclouded Day." He leaves a loving wife, one son and four daughters. Dear Papa, we will not forget you. Some day we'll meet again. His daughter, Floe Johnson. Weldon, Ark.

WILSON—Augusta Harris Wilson was born in Russell County, Alabama, July 16, 1842; moved to Ashley County, Arkansas, with his parents while a boy; entered the Confederate army in 1861, and fought through the war, receiving two wounds. He was married to Miss Abbie E. Thompson July 2, 1874, by Rev. A. B. Winfield; professed faith in Christ and joined the M. E. Church, South, with his wife shortly after their marriage, in which faith he continued to live till at 10 o'clock Saturday night, February 1, 1896. The Death Angel whispered to him: "The Master is come and calleth for thee," and he calmly and submissively answered the call.

In the death of Bro. Wilson our town and county lose a noble and useful citizen, our Church suffers the loss of a strong pillar, and his wife and children sustain the loss of a devoted husband and tender father.

His was truly an exemplary life and spotless character.

The writer has never known Bro. Wilson save as a sick man, but it has never been his privilege to know a man who made a more favorable impression as a man of more than ordinary worth. Though confined to his bed for two long months, during which time he suffered intensely, yet he was never heard to murmur nor complain. Often when speaking of his approaching death, he would say: "I am not afraid to die; all is bright for the future, but I hate to leave my wife and children." He talked to his family and relatives about death, and gave every assurance that "all is well." A good man is gone; an affectionate husband, a devoted father, a thoughtful brother, and a true and accommodating neighbor.

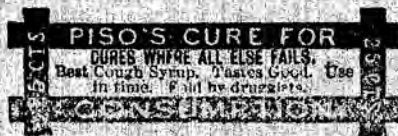
He is gone, but we shall meet him again, if we only will let his godly life and triumphant death point us to the Rock from whence came His help.

May the same strong arm on which he leaned for repose support the bereaved through life, sustain them in death, and bear them safely on to worlds on high to live with Him forever.

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Quarterly Meetings

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT—Second Round—C. C. Godden, P. E.

February—Riverside, 29 and March 1. March—Stuttgart, March 7 and 8; Rison, 11; Lehi, 14 and 15; New Edinburg, 17; Kingsland, 21 and 22; Humphrey, 23 and 29.

April—Redfield, 4 and 5; Lake-side, 11 and 12; First Church, P. B., 11 and 12; English, 18 and 19; Sherrill, 21; Gillett, 25 and 26; DeWitt, 28; White River, 30.

May—Little Prairie, 2 and 3; Macon, 9 and 10. Sheridan 16, 17.

MORRILLTON DISTRICT.

J. E. Bagwell, P. E.

Second round:

February—Conway Station and Conway Mission at Fairview, February 29 and March 1.

March—Plumerville Circuit, at Hill Creek, March 7 and 8; Oak Grove, 3 p. m., Morrillton at night; Perryville, at Dixie, March 14 and 15; Apin, at Viney Grove, March 21 and 22; Ada, at Liberty, March 28 and 29.

April—Morganton Mission, April 4 and 5; Station and Circuit at Mount Pleasant, April 11 and 12; Mount Vernon Circuit, at Oakland, April 18 and 19; Springfield, Circuit, at Springfield, April 25 and 26.

May—Clinton Circuit, at Pisgah, May 2 and 3; Rupert Mission, at Hank's Chapel, May 9 and 10; Cleveland Circuit, at Robertsville, May 16 and 17; Martinville Circuit, at Hopewell, May 23 and 24.

If the brethren wish me to preach at other places on this work in the interim between the conferences, let them write me at once and I will arrange to do so.

Brother Editors, this is my first experience on a District, and notwithstanding the rainy weather and bad roads, I have enjoyed like a child does a new toy. I have started out with the intention of meeting personally every appointment on every charge in the District, so that no church or school house can say they never saw the Presiding Elder during the year. As a matter of course, the result is that I am at home very little.

So far, the work has been helpful to me physically and spiritually. My head has improved and I have gained several pounds avoirdupois.

I think the District, in the main, shows hopeful signs of progress. Our District Conference is to be held at Quitman, but the time has not been decided upon yet. We hope to see one or both of the editors there. Come and see us anywhere at any time. You are always welcome. Yours, cordially,

J. T. Bagwell

Conway, February 26, 1896.

JONESBORO DISTRICT.

Frank Ritter, P. E.

Second round—

Nettleton Circuit, March 21, 22; Harrisburg Circuit, March 28, 29; Marion Circuit, April 1; Vandalia Circuit, April 4, 5; Osceola Circuit, April 11, 12; Osceola Station, April 14; Blytheville Circuit, April 18, 19; Lorado Circuit, April 25, 26; Paragould Station, April 26, 27; St. Francis Circuit, May 2, 3; Boydsville Circuit, May 3, 4; Golden Lake Circuit, May 9, 10; Mainshore Mission, May 10, 17; Jonesboro Station, May 20; Marmaduke Mission, May 23, 24; Gainsville Circuit, May 24, 25; Paragould Circuit, May 30, 31; Shiloh Circuit, June 1; Brookland Circuit, June 6, 7; Buffalo Island Circuit, June 13, 14.

BATESVILLE DISTRICT.

Jas. F. Jernigan, P. E.

Cushman, March 7, 8; Evening Shade, March 14, 15; Calomine, March 21, 22; Sulphur Rock, March 28, 29; Oil Trough, April 4, 5; Sulphur Rock and Newark, April 11, 12; Jamestown, April 18, 19; Cedar Grove, April 25, 26; Richwoods, May 2, 3; Mt. View, May 9, 10; Melbourne, May 16, 17; Newberg, May 23, 24; Central Mission and Batesville, 30, 31; Iuka, June 6, 7; Viola, June 13, 14; Salem, June 20, 21; Indian Camp, June 27, 28; Ash Flat, July 4, 5; La Crosse, July 11, 12.

Dear Brethren—After much thought and consultation the preachers' meeting for the Batesville District will be held at Central Avenue or Second Church, Batesville, May 27, at 9 a. m. Opening sermon Tuesday night, 26, by Rev. R. H. Grissett. Programme, soon.

J. F. J.

Jonesboro District Conference Committees of Examination.

For License to Preach—W. F. Walker, W. B. Ricks, Fred Little.

For Admission on Trial—Z. T. Bennett, A. C. Griffin, P. B. Wallis.

For Deacons and Elders' Orders—S. F. Brown, John Edison, E. N. Bickley.

FRANK RITTER.

ABOUT WINE.

The State Horticultural Society held its annual meeting in this city last week. Among other matters discussed was a resolution favoring the sale of native wine. It was adopted by a majority of only one vote. A protest was filed which we feel sure represents the sentiments of a majority of the horticulturists of the state. At any rate it is a fair expression of the sentiment of the better class of people whether horticulturists or not.

We give below the resolutions and the protest:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this society that the state should deal justly with its citizens, and that all laws inimical to any horticultural avocation should be repealed.

Resolved, That grape and its natural product is conducive to health, and that as Arkansas is the natural home of the grape, its cultivation should be encouraged.

Resolved, That wine-making is a natural process, the knowledge of which is coextensive with the history of man, and furnishes one of the means of profitable and harmless human employment.

Resolved, That we most heartily and cordially condemn any adulteration or concoctions of the product of the grape, and believe heavy penalties should be inflicted for any such concoctions or adulterations and favor stringent laws to govern the sale of such products, but a fair and equitable law for the disposition of the natural product.

The protest filed was as follows:

We, the undersigned, members of the State Horticultural Society, do earnestly protest against the action of this society in adopting resolutions endorsing the

manufacture and sale of wines as a beverage in the state of Arkansas. We object to this action.

First, Because this society has no authority under its constitution permitting a very small minority of its members to commit this society to any position on either side of any great moral or social question.

Second, We, the minority, believe that the questions involved in these resolutions properly belong to the people of this state and must be settled at the ballot-box and we regard it as the extreme of impertinence for this society to offer to instruct the people in their duties.

Third, We believe that the action of this society in abandoning its legitimate duties and undertaking to settle the great questions of prohibition, so far as the manufacture and sale of wine is concerned, will very much retard our progress as a society, because it represents the sentiments of a large number of its members. (Signed)

A. J. Carden,
W. K. Tipton,
C. B. Davidson.

The annual election of officers resulted as follows:

President, S. H. Nowlin, of Little

Rock; Vice-President, W. K. Tipton, of Little Rock; Secretary, Will Harding, of Little Rock; Treasurer, J. W. Vestal, of Little Rock. Executive Committee—C. B. Davidson, of Little Rock; George P. Murrell, of Austin; J. H. Cherry, of Little Rock; E. C. Kinney, of Judsonia; W. S. Blackburn, of Little Rock.

The society determined not to hold a meeting in May.

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