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News and Notes.

Read our clubbing offer with the *Commercial Appeal* on 2nd page. It is good for silver men.

The Kentucky Legislature adjourned without electing a United States Senator. The place will be filled by the next Legislature.

The United States Senate has a bill before it to provide for the election of United States Senators by direct vote of the people. The sentiment is growing rapidly in favor of direct vote.

Twenty ladies in Ladonia, Texas, cow-hided and run out of town a doctor who was selling whiskey, in the town against the vote of the people.

The House passed the resolution of censure of Minister Bayard. Six Democrats voted for the resolution and five Republicans against it; the vote lacking this only of being strictly partisan.

It is reported that President Cleveland will in a few days send to the Senate a special message in regard to affairs in Cuba, calling attention to the losses of citizens of the United States, incident to the insurrection. It is claimed that damages to the amount of $30,000,000 have been reported to the United States consuls. If Spain holds that the trouble in Cuba is only an insurrection, she must pay for these losses. The conviction strengthens that Cuban independence must be recognized.

After a long struggle the effort to secure resubmission of State prohibition in Iowa has failed. The friends of prohibition were defeated in the House of Representatives by a vote of 53 against 41. There is evidence that this defeat of the prohibitionists was due chiefly to division among themselves.

Congressman Terry, of Arkansas, is working hard to pass a bill to modify the laws relating to inter-state and foreign commerce, so as to give the States and Territories the power to regulate the sale and consumption of cigarettes transported from other States. He has great hopes of its passage.

The Legislature of New York has just passed a new liquor law for that State by which all local excise boards are abolished. The State takes entire charge of liquor selling, fixes the rate of licenses in all grades of cities and towns, appropriating two-thirds of incomes to the local revenues and one-third to the State.

The National Municipal League is taking a census of municipal reform organizations in the United States. All who possess information about any such bodies, whether already formed or only forming, are requested to communicate with the Secretary of the League, Clinton Rogers Woodruff, Esq., 514 Walnut Street, Philadelphia.

Representative Smith, of Michigan, presented a petition to the House this week, signed by citizens of Grand Rapids, Mich., asking that the statue of Father Marquette be removed from the Statuary Hall of the Capitol, where it was recently placed, because Father Marquette was not a citizen of Wisconsin, the State which sent the statue, nor even of America, but was a member of a foreign society, known as the Society of Jesus (Jesuits), holding during his life-time sole allegiance to an Italian priest known as the General of that society. There have been other protests against the presence of this statue in Statuary Hall, but it is not probable that Congress will take any action one way or the other, and, unless the Legislature of Wisconsin shall decide to remove it, it will be likely to remain.

A recent incident was a game of chess played by champions of England and Ireland on the one hand and of the United States on the other. There were eight of each, and eight boards were used. The players on the same boards sat more than three thousand miles apart, and the moves were manipulated by telegraph by the transatlantic cable. Truly we live in a wondrous age.

A Citizens' League has been formed in New Orleans to oust the present corrupt municipal government. It is waging a strong fight against the "ring," and at the election to be held on April 21st there will be a battle royal for the offices, with the present chances favoring the reformers. One councilman has already been convicted and sent to the State prison; three more are in jail and will no doubt soon follow. Eleven in all are under from one to six indictments. The grand jury reported that two-thirds of the councilmen were guilty of blackmail or bribery, but that not enough evidence could be secured to prosecute all successfully.

Now is a good time for our circuit riders to do themselves and the people good by selling some of our splendid books, such as Character Sketches, Trumpet Blasts, Touching Incidents, and those wonderful $3 and $5 Bibles. We give large commissions.

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Little Rock, Ark.

Recently I resigned as a director in the Children's Home Society and withdrew my approval of its management. This led to an investigation of the attitude of our Society, and the investigation culminated last Thursday in the discharge of Rev. D. W. Comstock as superintendent and the withdrawal of our Society from the International Society, of which Dr. Gregg is the General Superintendent. Our State Society is at present acting independently of any National organization, and Mr. Simpson is acting superintendent for us.

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Sale of Tennessee Female College.

On Monday, April 13, 1896, there will be sold at the court house door in Franklin, Tenn., the property real and personal of the Tennessee Female College, consisting of six town lots, a modern three-story brick building with modern appliances, pianos, organs, carpets, bedding and other furniture for a first-class Female Boarding School. Terms of sale, 10 per cent in cash, balance on credits of 1, 2, and 3 years, with interest on personal security and lien retained. Address

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The Editor of this paper is at Batesville, Ark., assisting Rev. J. B. Stevenson in a protracted meeting.

Bishop Duncan is engaged to hold many District Conferences in Missouri in April and May.

Governor Clarke has withdrawn from the race for United States Senator.

Rev. W. T. Mesecher sends us a good list of subscribers this week from Marmaduke Mission.

Rev. T. O. Owens, of Stuttgart, has been conducting revival services at Asbury Church, this city, during the past week.

J. H. Paschal is a candidate for re-election as Clerk of the Chancery Court. Mr. Paschal has made a good officer, faithful, efficient and accommodating. We have heard no complaint whatever against his administration of the office.

Montgomery Schuyler, D. D., for many years dean of Christ Church, St. Louis, died on the 19th inst., in the 82nd year of his age.

Thomas M. Speers, who has been for twenty years Chief of Police of Kansas City, Mo., but who retired from that office last May, died of heart disease on the 20th inst.

Harrison District:—I have appointed Rev. F. A. Taff, Jr., to take charge of Mountain Home Station. He has already begun work.

O. H. TUCKER, P. E.

We acknowledge a pleasant visit last Wednesday from Bro. S. W. Redding, of Walnut Ridge.

Mr. Geo. Tilles, late of the Mutual Life, is now the General Agent in Arkansas of the "Provident Savings Life Assurance Society." We welcome Mr. Tilles into business again. We remember him as a good friend to the newspapers.

The attention of the young men of Arkansas is directed to the announcement of the Y. M. C. A. State Convention, which meets at Conway in Hendrix College April 16-19. The fact that Mr. H. L. Hastings, the anti-infidel disciple, will be present, speaks for the attendance of a large number of delegates. Our preachers are all invited to be present.

We have three good subscription books which we will give agents the chance to sell at a good profit, to-wit: 'Forty Years in China,' 'Gems of Religious Thought,' and 'Talks to Children About Jesus.' They are all good sellers. Write to us for particulars. Godbey & Thornburgh, Little Rock, Ark.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

Washington, D. C., March 11, 1896.

This will be a red letter week in the annals of the M. E. Church of America. After overcoming many unforeseen obstacles ground has been broken for the erection of the Hall of History, the first of the group of buildings which are to constitute the American University. The ceremonies attending this event were interesting. Bishop Hurst presided and also made the opening address, which followed the exercises, which began with the reading of an original hymn—"Living Stone"—composed for the occasion by Dr. J. E. Rankin, President of Howard University, by Dr. T. S. Hamlin. After the hymn had been read by Dr. Hamlin, it was sung by the audience to the tune of America; Dr. Mackay-Smith gave a responsive reading from the Nineteenth Psalm, and Rev. W. H. Milburn, the blind Chaplain of the Senate, prayed for God's blessing upon the new institution about to be erected and dedicated to the glory of God to the end of time. Bishop Hurst, in his address, stated some facts about the American University which cannot be too widely known. I will brief the most important of them: The site for the University cost $100,000, and the money was entirely raised in Washington, about half of it being contributed by Episcopalians, Presbyterians and Baptists; the site is entirely paid for and is unincumbered; in round figures about $1,000,000 has been donated and is now available to carry on the proposed work; two-thirds of the trustees are Methodists, the other third at present representing seven oth- denominations, the last large donation was a bequest of $50,000 from the late Henry Massey, of Toronto, Canada; the corner-stone of the Hall of History will, according to present plans, be laid in about five weeks. The other speakers were Postmaster-General Wilson, who was introduced as the representative of the administration and Congress, and who spoke of the advantages of civilization, Christianity and freedom of the higher education given by such institutions as the American University will aim to be; Dr. Whitman, President of Columbian University, whose address was entirely educational, and Mr. Gurney, of Toronto, Canada, who spoke on behalf of his friend, the late Mr. Massey. After everybody who desired to do so had thrown out a shovel full of dirt, the first being thrown by Bishop Hurst, the doxology was sung and the benediction pronounced by Rev. Dr. Wilson, Presiding Elder of the Washington District.

The House Judiciary Committee heard arguments this week for and against the proposition to amend the constitution so as to directly recognize God therein, which is being pushed by the Nation Reform Association.

The old question of stopping the sale of liquor in the Capitol building was brought to the front this week by Representative Little, of Arkansas, who tried to get an amendment prohibiting the sale of liquor in the Capitol added to the bill for the care of inebriates in the District of Columbia, which was this week passed by the House. The amendment was ruled out on a point of order, but Mr. Little at once introduced it as a separate bill. Mr. Little stated to the House that although a total abstainer himself he thought it a National disgrace to allow intoxicating drinks to be sold in the House and Senate restaurants. There are plenty of members who agree with Mr. Little, but it is not probable that enough of them will support his bill to pass it. There is a rule which prohibits the indiscriminate sale of liquor in the Capitol restaurants, but it is not enforced.

The annual meeting and dinner of the Congregaional Club was fully up to its prtdecessors as an enjoyable social affair, and the address of Rev. George D. Herron, professor of Applied Christianity in Iowa College, at Grinnel, was a positive mental luxury to those fortunate enough to have heard it. The officers elected for the coming year by the club were Rev. S. M. Newman, pastor of the First Church, President; Dr. J. E. Rankin, President of Howard University; Prof. J. W. Chickering, Rev. M. Ross Fishburn, pastor of Mount Pleasant Church, and Mr. J. B. Johnson, Vice-President; Mr. G. A. L. Merrifield, Secretary, and Mr. Alfred Wood, Treasurer. The young lady members of the club performed the duties of waiters at the four long tables which were necessary to seat the nearly two hundred who participated.

Dr. Talmage has had an attack of the grip, not dangerous, but severe enough to prevent his preaching last Sunday. His pulpit was occupied in the morning by Rev. G. A. Howard, of Catskill, N. Y., who was his guest, and in the evening by Chaplain Milburn. He is now much better and expects to preach as usual next Sunday.

Dr. Lee Davis Lodge has organized a Sunday class of the students at Columbian University for Bible study, and it is also open to friends of students. The first book taken up was the Gospel of St. John, which will be continued for an indefinite period. The announced intention is to avoid sectarian themes in the discussion of the class. The class is already an assured success.

CONGRESSMAN TERRY WOULD HAVE POSTMASTERS OF THE FOURTH CLASS BETTER PAID.

We take the following from a Washington paper: What our representatives at Washington do always interests our people.

The Chairman. The gentleman from Arkansas offers an amendment to paragraph 3.

The Clerk read as follows:

Strike out the following words in lines 13 and 14, page 1: "Sixteen million, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars," and insert in lieu thereof "seventeen million dollars; that there shall be allowed and paid to each Postmaster of the fourth class $5 for each quarter, in addition to the compensation allowed under existing law."

Mr. Loud. I make the point of order against that, Mr. Chairman, that it is new legislation. I will withhold the point, if the gentleman desires to speak upon this amendment.

Mr. McRae. I yield to my colleague, Mr. Terry.

Mr. Terry. Mr. Chairman, it is not often that I consume the valuable time of this House, but I rise to support the amendment offered by my colleague, Mr. McRae. I have conferred with him upon this subject and I think this amendment is one that is eminently just and proper. I agree with the statement made by the Chairman of this committee, that a great number of the people in our great cities seem to have run crazy upon the question of "free delivery." Year after year we are asked to spend millions of the people's money to increase the efficiency of that branch of the postal service. It is now costing the Government many millions of dollars. I read from the report which states that for the free-delivery service the expenditure is $12,139,092. I am not opposed to free delivery within reasonable limits. In some of these great cities of this nation the letters and papers are carried five or six times a day and dumpted into the laps of the patrons of the office.

Now, here is a proposition to make a small increase for that class of the American people who realize less benefits from the appropriations made by this Government than any other class of individuals in it. The so-called "business interests" of this country are constantly looking out for themselves. They are constantly clamoring for legislation in their particular interests. The golden streams of the Treasury are constantly going out to them. But the people who live in the rural districts of these United States, who constitute the bone and sinew of our populaion, rarely have their interests looked to in making the adjustment of these appropriations.

I propose to submit to this committee a few facts upon this subject, and if I cannot finish in five minutes, I hope I shall be allowed five minutes more in order to complete my remarks.

To show you some of the expenses of this system, and how it operates, I submit the following facts and figures:

The total number of Presidential postoffices in the United States is 3,504. The average salary paid to these Presidential Posmasters is $1,689. In addition to that, on account of the free delivery, there is paid out for letter carriers $12,139,092. The compensation of clerks in Postoffices most of them in the Presidential offices amounts to $9,414,135. For salaries, Presidential Postmasters, $5,897,200. Then for lights and fuel in these Presidential offices there is expended $1,324,695. Total for this branch of the service, $28,775,122, that is, for the sums paid out in that line.

Now come the fourth-class Postmasters. The total number in the United States is 66,560. The amount paid to them is, in round numbers, $10,182,308, or an average of about $152 each. Many of them, however, in our Southern and Western country are paid only five or six dollars, and some of them as low as $3 a year; and the great trouble that I have in my district is to get men to accept these postoffices and perform the duties. From time to time these offices have to be abolished; and what is the result? The people complain, and then we have to go to work to find some man who is willing to take the office, at such scanty pay, and then be hauled up by some red-tape postoffice inspector for not keeping his office in first-class shape. Time and again, Mr. Chairman, I have had to appoint as many as half a dozen men in a year for one of these postoffices.

I hope I may be permitted to conclude my remarks.

Mr. Patterson. I hope the gentleman's time will be extended for five minutes by unanimous consent.

There was no objection.

Mr. Terry. I thank the gentleman from Tennessee and the committee for their courtesy. Mr. Chairman, many a time I have been called upon to recommend and have appointed as many as five or six persons in one year, in one of these fourth-class postoffices, because a man could not afford to conduct it at what is paid. Pretty soon the office is abolished, and straightway I am besieged with petitions from he patrons of the office to re-establish the office. It means a great deal to those people out in the country. They do not write many letters, it is true; but when one of those people does write a letter it a very important matter to he man who writes it, and he wants to mail that letter and get an answer without riding ten or fifteen miles to do it.

Now, while we are spending many millions of the people's money for free delivery and fast mails, and everything else, in God's name let us do something for those people. They are the men, who, after all, are the basis of our National wealth and our National glory. From their ranks came the hardy pioneers that have pushed the outposts of your civilization across the plains and beyond the mountains. They are the men, sir, who swung their axes in the unbroken forests and blazed the pathway and leveled down the highway along which the chariot of your civilization has been rolled. (Applause). Let us do something for them, sir, and let us raise these petty points of order every time there is a proposition to do something for the plain people of the United States. (Applause).

Sisyphus was the ancient hero condemned by the gods to push a big boulder up-hill forever, lest it should roll down and crush him. When the myth-makers got up that story they must have been thinking of dyspepsia; for there is certainly no other trouble on earth that keeps you so everlastingly struggling against being crushed into utter despair. Anything that cures dyspepsia lifts about half the weight of misery that crushes mankind,—and womankind.

The trouble with most of the so-called dyspepsia-cures, is that they don't cure. They give only temporary relief. Indigestion usually extends all through the digestive tract, from the stomach clear down to the large intestine; the liver too is frequently involved in the trouble being torpid and inactive. For a thorough, radical, permanent cure you must have the whole digestive organism set right.—Not violently stirred up, but *regulated*. Doctor Pierce's Pleasant Pellets will do it. They stimulate the digestive juices of the stomach; invigorate the liver and help it to actively secrete the bile; and act gently on the bowels to promote a regular healthy movement. This means a complete and lasting cure of digestive troubles.

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BROTHERLY GREETING AND A PLEA FOR HENDRIX COLLEGE.

Rev. H. W. Brooks.

How often during the past foun years have I desired to be with the brethren of Arkansas again. The next best thing is to send them the warmest of greetings through the Methodist. Fourteen happy years spent in the Arkansas and Little Rock Conferences formed ties of brotherly love never to be broken.

The visit of John M. Carr, of Lake Side, Pine Bluff, that much loved man, though only for a few days, was a season of refreshing to the whole family. For you must remember that wife is an Arkansan to the manor born. He came to see an uncle who under his spiritual leading gave his heart to God and joined the Methodist Church about one year ago.

Bro. Carr preached for our people the Sunday morning and night he spent here, to their delight and pofit. I was edified with the matter of the sermons but I must confess that that voice had a peculiar charm for me. It only required the mention of one of those spiritual thoughts for which Carr is noted for this listener to weep.

Since his return I have again and again stood side by side with the "boys" in their struggles to move forward the enterprises of our beloved church. I watch with eager interest every success.

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Arkadelphia Methodist College, with a building better suited to its purposes than any school in the South and a President to watch, moves on with fresh won laurels every year. Now comes this same President Jones who says that the college this year has the largest patronage and every way has recorded her best year.

It was at the session of the Little Rock Conference when Edgar M. Pipkin came down to counsel about establishing a female college for the three Conferences in Arkansas. He was then stationed at Searcy. We could not get the movement on foot at that conference. "Going too fast" and such were the objections. But a few weeks after, however, the plans were really carried out and Galloway College was the result. You were not there, Doctor, during those days when the preachers and others were making such heroic efforts and grgeat sacrifices to establish those schools which honor your church and state.

The centenary year of Methodism was the starting point. It was at Altus this year that our faith was deepest tried. Had not every educational enterprise of the church in Arkansas failed? What hope was there now of success There was no money in sight. Other enterprises had a snug little sum of money to give them a start. But these plucky young men who met to consider establishing a college for the three conferences, believed that God rewards those who trust him. So after several days consultation and prayer they determined to go forward. I. L. Burrow had laid the plans. Those commissioned by the Arkansas and Little Rock Conference were ready to move. Who, of those present, will ever forget that midnight speech of Dr. H. R. Withers and the collection of $5,000 raise by Rev. S. H. Babcock. That was the beginning of the educational ground swell which for the last ten years you have had in Arkansas. What rapid strides has this college made. Her record for thorough college work is worthy the older colleges. If the Methodists of Arkansas will furnish the aid to get over the growing pains, I confidently believe that not many years shall elapse before many east of the river will seek her sturdy, yet classic advantages.

Harlan, Hill, Anderson, McKennon, and others from Arkansas, Little Rock and White River Conferences deserve much credit for their self-sacrificing devotion to Hendrix College. So also do President Millar and the hard-worked and poorly paid faculty. The heroic example of these men and the thorough work of the college should cause the whole church in Arkansas to abound in liberality toward these institutions of learning. This college for the future years will do much to give complexion to the pulpit and every profession and pursuit in the state.

A cloud of witnesses look upon the struggle with eager interest. There are cheers for encouragement and prayers for faith for the Father's protecting and guiding hand, and an abiding hope that the enterprise will soon be set beyond the danger point.

She has successfully made her trial trip; necessary repairs have been made. Take her off the docks. Let her out on the high seas.

A GEORGIAN'S EXPERIENCE.

Mr. Editor: Some of your readers will be interested in "A Georgians Experience in Arkansas." From the time we decided to come here, two years ago, until we landed in Hot Springs on the 17th of last December, we were concerned, of course about how the move would turn out. Our labors in Georgia had been uniformly successful; would it be so in Arkansas? As soon as the appointment was announced at Lonoke by Bishop Haygood, the thoughtful presiding elder in whose charge I was placed and A. G. Russell, Secretary of the Board of Stewards of Malvern Hill Church, to which I was appointed, began writing me most brotherly letters. I showed these letters to friends in Georgia, who said: "Now, that looks like business." By means of the wires it was understood, and in the good providence of God, we landed here on the 17th of December, as above stated, and found those brethren at the depot ready to meet us, and godly men and women were at the parsonage ready to give us a warm reception. And brotherly love and progress in our work has been flowing along graciously ever since.

I feel that the ministers in Hot Springs and others in the Conference have honored me beyond my merit, but I feel grateful and my faith grows stronger as I see the grace of God effects human hearts west of the Mississippi just as it does east.

The brethren have responded nobly to carry on the church work, and last night was set for the climax in the shape of a pounding. The freezing weather paralyzed it to some extent no doubt. Nevertheless there were a lot of nice things brought in and a lot of nicer hands to bring them. Thanking you, Mr. Editor, and all others who have extended to us a kind hand, we thank God and take fresh courage. T. O. Rorie.

Hot Springs, Ark., March 14, 1896.

TENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATIONS OF ARKANSAS.

Conway, Ark., April 16-19, 1896.

Representation.

All associations in the state are entitled to an unlimited number of delegates. And since this meeting is of vital importance to the strengthening of both state and local organizations, we hope the Presidents and Secretaries will see that a large delegation of their strongest and most wide-awake men will attend this gathering of Christian Workers, that they may carry back with them profit to themselves and the association of which they are members.

Young men residing in towns where there are no Young Men's Christian Associations, who are members of Evangelical Churches, prayer bands or young people's societies, are cordially invited to attend the convention, and will be admitted as corresponding members and entertained, provided they bring credential letters from their pastors or the Secretary of their societies.

Officers, directors and committeemen are especially invited and particularly needed.

Business men having the welfare of young men at heart are also urged to come.

Woman's auxiliaries committees and boy's departments are invited to send delegates.

Each delegate from associations must have a properly certified credential, which can be obtained from the Secretary of their associations or from this office.

Transportation.

Tickets may be had for one and one-third fare for the round trip, good to return April 20. Pay full fare going and take receipt.

Entertainment.

The Christian people of Conway, known for their hospitality, extend to us a very cordial invitation, and will provide entertainment for all accredited delegates, and those authorized to sit in convention as Corresponding Members, provided their names have been sent to W. B. Hays, Corresponding Secretary Young Men's Christian Association, on or before Monday, April 13. The headquarters during the convention will be at the home of the association, and sessions of the convention will be held in Y. M. C. A. rooms in Hendrix College.

Delegates, upon arrival, will be met at the station by a committee, and escorted to the association rooms, where they will register, present their credentials and be assigned to places for entertainment.

Programme.

The State Executive Committe is giving careful attention to the preparation of an attractive and pracical programme. Among those who are expected to be present are:

H. P. Anderson, Atlanta, Ga.
H. L. Hastings, Boston, Mass.
Cecil L. Gates, Secretary International Committee, Kansas City.
W. E. Wayte, State Secretary, Texas.

Pastors and prominent business men will be present also, to take active part in the consideration of papers, and conversations during the convention.

Let this convention be the largest, most enthusiastic and profitable Christian gathering ever held in the state. To this end, let us pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in planning for the convention, preparation of the programme, writing of papers, discussion of topics and in giving of our means to the support of the Work for the year.

If you would make this tenth annual state convention of the Young's Men's Christian Associations a blessing to yourself and the 150,000 young men in the state of Arkansas, share your part of the responsibility as above indicated and our Heavenly Father stands ready to bestow His blessing. Fraternally,

Fred Cox, Chm., Pine Bluff.
R. W. Porter, Treas., Little Rock.
G. N. Hart, Secretary, Pine Bluff.

Maxwell Coffin, Little Rock; J. W. B. Robertson, Clarendon; J. D. Van Winkle, Fort Smith; P. K. Roots, Little Rock; A. C. Millar, Conway; R. H. T. Mann, Texarkana; J. M. Hughey, Monticello; A. L. Malone, Jonesboro; Bleeker Luce, Fort Smith; Henry Moore, Texarkana; J. W. Crawford, Pine Bluff; H. P. Edmonson, Little Rock; H. L. Remmel, Newport; J. M. Workman, Little Rock; John Ayres, Fort Smith, Howard Adams, Little Rock; Alf. Whittington, Hot Springs; R. E. Wait, Little Rock.

THE WOMAN'S PARSONAGE AND HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The fiscal year of the W. P. and H. M. Society is just about to close and a brief resume of its condition and needs should, as usual, be made to its members and the Church at large.

Although the General Conference enlarged the society's commission so as to include home missions, the donations and loans to parsonage building have increased both in amount and promptness of payment.

The society has five distinct and important school enterprises, which have been carried forward as rapidly as funds would permit. The Holston Industrial School at Greenville, Tenn., occupying a large and fine property, is rapidly being put in readiness to open its doors to the orphan and the ignorant classes in the mountains of Eastern Tennessee and Virginia.

The buildings of the Sue Bennett Industrial School at London, Ky., are being erected, and when completed many District School teachers will receive instruction within their sacred walls.

The Brevard School is unostentatiously performing its mission of love for the mountain children of W. N. Carolina.

The new school building at Tampa, though not fully completed, is being occupied for school purposes. Two chools with six teachers are successfully laboring for the Cuban children at Ybor and Cuba City, east and west suburbs of Tampa.

City mission work is maintained in St. Louis, Dallas, Houston, Nashville, Atlanta, Chattanooga, New Orleans and other places through our local societies; in some they supply city missionaries, in others the maintenance of industrial and day schools, or rescue work for fallen women.

Our supply department is becoming a well systematized and efficient power for good in destitute appointments of the Church. But each department of our work calls for more funds. We need about $5,000 before the annual meeting. Applications for aid in parsonage building await decision at the meeting next month.

Shall our brethren live in sheds, dugouts, tents, exposed to the elements without suitable apparel and in pinching poverty?

Shall the 2,600,000 ignorant, immoral mountain people within the territory of Southern Methodism fail to receive our help because we cannot establish and equip our mountain schools?

Shall the 20,000 Cubans of Florida be denied the bread of life? Does not the heart of the Church beat in responsive sympathy and will not our entire membership aid us in meeting our obligations? So pressing are our needs that as a Central Committee we are constrained to publish this statement.

Mrs. E. E. Wiley,
Mrs. R. K. Hargrove,
Mrs. Geo. P. Kendrick,
Miss Belle H. Bennett,
Mrs. M. A. Wolff,
Miss Lucinda B. Helm,
Mrs. John A. Garter,
Mrs. J. S. Key,
Miss Emily M. Allen,
Mrs. Ellen Burdette,
Mrs. J. J. Tigert,

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OUR RACE IN THE PROPHECIES.

A. H. Godbey.

Let none object to the title of this article. All races are there. It is merely a question of identifying the prominent ones, those prominent in the Apocalyptic panorama. What is said upon that subject, then, should merely serve to emphasize our responsibility and stimulate us to renewed activity and more intense effort at cleansing out existing evils. As to my dream of the Anglo-Saxon as the righteous millennial king, allow me then to present a few more thoughts.

The first verse of Rev. xi probably contains an interpolation, "And the angel stood" is not found in some texts. The presence of that phrase is confusing, making an angel, representing a new force on earth, speak of "my" witnesses; then in the 15th verse the angel is mentioned again, as though for a time out of consideration. The true thought is, no doubt, that the voice from Heaven of Rev. x. 8 utters this address to John. No mention is made of a reed being in the angel's hand when he appears. The Evangelist receives from Heaven itself the reed wherewith to plan and lay out anew the foundations of the visible church. His directions here cannot come from any earthly power; nor yet from Heaven till he has first eaten the little book.

I must express my surprise that commentators have hesitated so much over this seventh angel; vaguely hinting the reformation, Christianity or the advent of Christ; some saying merely a "strange and solemn mystery." It seems to me that having interpreted the first six as announcing the terrible incursions of the races or nations of the Goths, Vandals, Huns, Herull, Saracens and Turks, unity would have demanded their seeking a race for the seventh. My thought is that in this series we have the race history or race movements of the world pictured. After the seventh angel or race appears upon the scene there is a pause, while the Evangelist begins anew to plan and measure the church, and the voice from Heaven here outlines the history of the church to that time. A race which is to usher in the reign of righteousness must of necessity be the most righteous race. It cannot be a combination of races; alliances are as unstable as water. A single powerful race must be dominant in the world. A race is emphasized by the fifth and sixth woes. If a change to a religion merely had been allowable in the series, these two would be one. The sharpness and clearness with which these are described evidently aims to insist upon the race idea, and to give emphatic admonition to the seventh race as to its duty in regard to the reign of righteousness and completion of the mystery of God. And after the evangelist has well planntd the church and spread the Gospel, the trumpet sounds and nation rises against nation and kingdom against kingdom, and the last great struggle for race supremacy in the world begins.

A race or nation I think essential to the plans of God. To plant the truth, I find he used a strong, sturdy handful which had come through the welding heat of bondage, a very furnace of affliction. I find He sought next to give these culture and to obtain a great and elegant and flexible language which should be well-nigh universal. Then I find Him seeking a powerful and stable government, not interfering with the religious views of its subjects. These were essential to the spread of religion, and I find that owing to the defectiveness of humanity He was compelled to obtain these elements by a combination of races. I know that the conditions of success of religion have not changed. I see the growth of evil produced confusion of tongues, and I know the growth of righteousness will establish a universal language. I look about for a great and flexible language and a mighty and valuable literature, and they are before me; far surpassing all else in the world. I look for a sturdy and indomitable race, and I see one on which Dane and Norsemen and Norman and Roman hurled themselves, and gloated in their victory and oppressions; yet it swallowed its conquerors as the sea swallows pebbles. This the Jew never did. I look for a conquering race, a tremendous military power, and this, too, is found; yet it violates the precedents of all Alexanders and Caesars and Tamerlanes and Turks. Instead of hurling itself upon wealthy nations to plunder and despoil, it has gone forth into the waste places of the earth, making the wilderness and the solitary place to be glad for them, and the desert to rejoice and blossom as the rose. I find the might of this race attested by the Napoleon who did not fear to assault the great Empire of Russia, yet who said: "I have plenty of plans for getting into England, but none for getting out again!" I see a race whose forerunner is the Evangelist, crying anew in the wilderness that the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand. I see a race out of whose mouth proceedeth the Word of God, sharp as a two-edged sword; overturning therewith the dark despotisms of earth and the habitations of cruelty, and already wearing many crowns; and I know that the race that doeth these things shall never be moved. I see these various elements God has heretofore used as He could obtain them, and, lo! all are combined now in one mighty race. And seeing this, I know not how far off the millennium may be, but I know the instrumentality is revealed, and I see the burden that is laid upon us.

Be strong, O, my people; quit you like men! We pray for the millennium; let us redouble our work for it! We pray for Armenia; let her do the praying. We weep for her; her tears outnumber ours a thousand fold. To us another task pertains. We moan for those poor Cuban women the other day abandoned to a brutal soldiery. Five dead, the rest insane. Our entreaties will not move God like theirs, though there be 70,000,000 of us. I look backward and see a Moses sighing forty years in the wilderness for the deliverance of his people; yet after all receiving only the answer, "Go and do it yourself."

No greater damage can be done to ourselves than to remain inactive in this crisis. To allow the horrible tales that have been poured upon us for a year to pass with no more decisive action than protesting and remonstrating will have a far more pernicious, degrading and hardening influence upon us than an equal volume of blood and thunder literature and wild West balderdash. Said a man to me recently: "If we don't do something about this, I don't see why we need care what becomes of anybody any more!" And a veteran of the gray said: "Thirty years ago I thought I had fighting enough, but I think I would like a few shots at the Turk."

The Anglo-Saxon race must be a unit on international questions; then it is already dictator of the world, aside from its warm ally in the young giant and rising king of the east, Japan. Establish a court of arbitration; this will be an eternal alliance. Neither branch will then act till first sure the interests of the other are not prejudiced. So far as action on our side of the water is concerned, our system is slow. We must get anything we wish before state and National conventions, and get thus a platform and expression at the polls, ere Congress will act decidedly in so grave a matter. Too much diligence cannot be given to this work; the time is short. "What thou doest do quickly." If Armenia is to be betrayed, let it be done quickly. Suspense is unendurable.

CHURCH ENTERTAINMENTS.

C. R. Bruce.

The Church was instituted for the propagation of truth and the administration of holy ordinances. Yet its name is being used for all sorts of amusements. If Church entertainments or anything else can be done for the sole purpose of glorifying God they may be excused, but those who go for this purpose are few, and the first one is yet to be gotten up that is run in the spirit of Christ. The exercise of such occasions is to "eat and be merry," and the effect is to lower the standard of the Church to a worldly level, and destroy its sanctity. If we use the name of the Church for other purposes than that for which it was instituted there is no limit to things we may do in its name, so long as there is no direct harm in the thing done.

The wrong in all these things is in refusing to recognize holiness as an attribute of God, and the Church as a holy institution. This attribute is more difficult for us to comprehend because we have no human standards of comparison, and it does not appeal to our reason, yet we had as well disown His power and wisdom. No erroneous practice like this could have crept into the Church without some truth and merit to commend it, so Church entertainments are excused by this statement that "we must have money" and "we must have members." Neither of these statements is true. They are only seeming needs, and will not justify these methods to secure them. The Church that turns itself into a social institution, and seeks popularity and to raise money by appealing to the natural appetites and desires of men instead of holding up the claim of Christ as sufficient, will find itself only a social institution and dependent upon these methods for support. These methods do not fail in their purpose, the rich and fashionable will soon be members, the Church will have plenty of money, the preacher will study his methods, and we will have a fashionable Church and there will be no weeping over the fallen condition of men.

The true Church can never be popular with the world. Let us go out with our social qualities and love of souls and draw men to Church, and to Christ, by the force of our Christian lives. Worldliness in the Church has ever been and is especially now the great barrier to spiritual religion, and Church entertainments are its greatest agencies. The old blood-stained banner of Christ is not attractive to the world and cannot be and when we paint out its blotches it loses its efficacy.

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At the parsonage in Sulphur Rock, at 7 p. m., March 11, 1896, Mr. Pleasant Wright and Miss Edna L. Nelson, all of Sulphur Rock; F. M. Smith officiating.

Agee-Read.

March 17, at the home of the bride's father, near Ozark, Ark., by Rev. J. S. Williams, Prof. W. J. Agee and Miss Ida Read.

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At the residence of the bride's father, Dr. J. R. Clounch, the night of February 26, Mr. George O'Brien to Miss Catherine, both of Jonesboro, Ark.; Rev. W. B. Ricks officiating.

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Literary Table.

THE NEW "X" OR "ROENTGEN," RAYS.

The last years of the eighteen hundreds seem to be forming a fitting climax for a century of brilliant research and advancement in scientific lines. During the last few months there has been no lack of revelations of the most absorbing interest in these directions. The discovery of "helium" on the earth, and its identification with the element bearing that name shown in the solar spectrum, tending to the proof of the oneness of matter throughout our solar system, was an event of no inconsiderable interest and importance. Pressing close upon it came the announcement of Lord Kelvin's discovery of a new elementary gas in the atmosphere, known as "argon," the very presence of which had been unconjectured through all the centuries. And while the discussion of this is even in progress, and before its nature and qualities are fully determined. Prof. Roentgen of Wurtzburg University, in Germany, announces to the world his startling discovery of the possibility of making by the photographic process, pictures of the interior of opaque objects, as the skeleton of a man's hand or the contents of his closed purse.

When Galvani noticed the twitching of a frog's leg, and began the deductions that led to the electric current, he had come upon something that was new and strange and interesting, but its interest and value to him resided in its strangeness. Little did he dream that his discoveries would lead to the knowledge of a world-revolutionizing force. The discovery of Prof. Roentgen's force is hailed as a discovery of the utmost importance, and capable of the widest development for the service of man. Will the developments from it be in proportion to the expectation? Time alone can show, but certain it is, that already it has made itself useful in numerous directions.

The daily press of the country, with its usual energy and enterprise, has given full and numerous accounts of these new rays or vibrations; of these much is authentic, while a great deal is undoubtedly simply the product of some imaginative, and often times unscientific, reporter. Until this haze is entirely cleared away, it is difficult for one not at the sources of information to know just how much has been actually accomplished, but we have endeavored below to give a clear understanding of this discovery.

The rays, called by Prof. Roentgen, on account of their unknown character, "X rays," are produced by what are known as Crooke's or Geissler's tubes. These are glass tubes or bulbs, the air (or other gas) in which is very highly rarefied by exhaustion almost to the exten of a perfect vacuum. Wires of an electric circuit enter the two ends of the tubes. The ends of the wires are called electrodes; that by which the positive electricity enters, the anode, and the negative, the cathode. When a current of sufficiently high "potential" is passed through the wire, a luminous glow is produced throughout the tube—the nature and intensity of the glow being dependent on the gas used and the extent of its rarefaction. If a small strip of metal is attached to the negative electrode, or cathode, and the gas in the tube be highly rarefied, when the current is passed, the electrode itself remains perfectly dark, but right opposite it on the glass, is a spot which glows with a yellow, green or bluish light. This is the fluorescent spot, where the "X-rays" are produced. The appearance is as though rectilinear reays proceeded from the cathode themselves invisible, but giving rise to the florescent phenomena wherever they strike the glass.

That these cathode rays do not themselves possess the property of penetrating opaque bodies, is shown by the fact that a shadow is thrown on the glass, if an opaque body is placed within the tube.

It was with these cathode rays that Prof. Roentgen was experimenting, when he made his discovery. He had prepared a screen covered with a compound of barium and platinum, which possesses the property of emitting a bright white glow, or of fluorescing, when it is struck by these cathode rays. The room was carefully darkened and the Crooke's tube with which she was experimenting was covered with a dark wood casing, impenetrable to the rays of the sun or electric light. Near it was the fluorescent screen. At this point came the discovery. The current was passed through the tube, and, though it was completely covered with its dark wood casing, the flourescent screen began to glow, and responded as the current was turned off or on. Apparently there were rays that, invisible to the eye, passed through the opaque covering to the tube to reach the screen. These rays Prof. Roentgen found to proceed, not from the whole tube, but only from the flourescent part of it, and apparently produced by the impinging of the cathode rays on the glass walls of the tube.

It was soon noticed that if any object were placed between this fluorescent spot and the screen, a distinct, but not perfectly dark, shadow was produced upon the screen. The conclusion is that the Roentgen rays pass through all bodies, even such as are absolutely impervious to light and cathode rays but that they are weakened or absorbed in proportion to the thickness of the obdy penetrated. One of the most remarkable properties of the Roentgen rays is that while they are so dissimilar to the ordinary light rays, in that they are entirely invisible to the eye, they will nevertheless, produce the same effects as the light rays upon the plates commonly used in photography, thus furnishing to us a means of their perfect recording and manipulating.

We have seen a copy of a photograph, or rather shadowgraph (for it is not made in the usual camera by means of a lens, but by the rays passing directly through the object to the plate) of the human hand, made by the "X-rays." In it the fleshy portions of the hands are dimly outlined, and hazy; the bones come out strongly, showing each separate bone and joint, while a ring on one of the fingers shows almost black, hanging loosely around the bone, apparently without touching it. A portion of the ring shows clearly through the bone, indicating that while the flesh is very transparent to the "X-rays," the bone is much less, and the metal of the ring still less so. In fact, it is found that all substances are to a greater or less degree penetrable by the rays—animal and organic matter being usually the most transparent, while the metals, with some exceptions, are the least.

What he frueits of the discovery are to be, time alone will show. Already it has revealed the position of a bullet between the bones of the hand, and there are other reports of even greater accomplishments than this in surgery. Should the promise that it makes in this one direction be fulfilled, it will indeed be a boon to the surgeon, enabling him to go to the seat of the trouble, with a certainty and security that was never possible with the blind probe.

A further and important use for it is in the testing of large cannon castings and armor plates, or other structures, for hidden flaws, by taking a photograph of their interior. The discovery is yet new and startling, being so directly opposed to anything ever seriously conceived. Investigators, the world over, have gone to work upon it with a determination and energy that must shortly remove the haze with which it is yet surrounded, and bring it from the field of efforts of imaginative reporters to the position of one of our every-day working forces, of the greatest utility in manifold directions.

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LESSON XIII.—REVIEW.

Luke I.—XII.

GOLDEN TEXT—"Whosoever shall confess me before men, him shall the Son of man also confess before the angels of God." (Luke xii. 8.)

REFERENCE WORD—"Savior."

LESSON HYMN—No. 220.

Time—From B. C. 6 to A. D. 29.
PLACE—The Holy Land.

HOME READINGS.

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INTRODUCTORY—May we not ask the teachers of the Sunday-School classes and their pupils who have accompanied us in our "Explanatory Notes" during the quarter now ending, to reread at one sitting the first twelve chapters of Luke's Gospel? Let us do this with prayer for guidance in our purpose to know more and more fully and thus with ever increasing delight and joy, the lessons of the life and work of our Lord. We have had a high privilege, and let us esteem it such, to study the character, the beautiful and wholesome deeds ter, the beautiful and wholesome lessons of truth and duty, and the wonderful deeds of power and charity of the sublimest person who has ever appeared among men. Jesus means more and more to the world every revolving year. How much more, dear reader, to you and the writer of these "Notes?" Let us, in a cursory way, revisit the scenes through which we have been recently passing.

QUESTIONS.

I. Who were Zacharias and Elisabeth? What is meant by the "course of Abia?" What angel appeared to Zacharias, and what did he say, and what did he mean?

II. At what age did Jesus accompany his parents to Jerusalem to attend the Passover? Tell about the youthful Jesus in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, and asking them questions. In what four respects did he increase or grow?

III. What did John say to the people about his baptism? What about that with which Christ would baptise? How did he compare himself to Christ? How old was Christ when John baptised him, and why was he baptised at that age?

IV. Where was Jesus brought up? How did he return to Galilee after his baptism and his temptation? What about his sermon at Nazareth? The text? The effect upon the people?

V. By whom was the palsied man brought to Jesus, and by what means? Whose faith did Jesus see? What did Jesus say to the sick of the palsy? How did he answer the charge of blasphemy?

VI. What is Luke's account of our Lord's Sermon on the Mount sometimes called, and why? How did the Great Teacher warn the people against insincerity and hypocrisy? What is the lesson of the two builders?

VII. What made the centurion's course so remarkable? What about his faith? Tell about the loving and unasked sympathy of Jesus with the widow of Nain? Whom did he take in the house with him besides the dead girl's parents?

VIII. How did Jesus encourage the faith of the woman who had "an issue of blood?" What did he say to her when she came and fell down before him? Show how the difficulties to the faith of Jairus were overcome.

IX. What was the Savior's question to the disciples about the people's opinion of him? What was the answer? What was his further question, and Peter's answer? What is it to deny oneself, take up the cross, and follow Jesus?

X. What was a "lawyer" in the Savior's time? What law did the Savior have him to quote? How did the Savior illustrate the meaning of this law of love? Show the dangers of travel on the road from Jerusalem to Jericho.

XI. What were the habits of prayer of our Savior? What form of prayer did he give them? How did he enforce the duty of prayer?

XII. What is the teaching of our Lord's return? What is our duty in the meantime? What is apt to be the effect upon men of our Lord's delay in returning?

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(March 29, 1896.)

TEMPTATION TO SUCCESS BY UNLAWFUL MEANS.

Scriptures, Matthew, iv, 8-10, 2 Tim., ii, 5.

When one has fixed his aim aright, and has in view an object noble and worthy he still needs to give heed to the methods by which he seeks that object. The Jesuitical rule that everything is lawful which will advance a good cause is not for one moment to be tolerated. Doubtless evil conduct never does advance a good cause in the end. If in those conflicts of good and evil which are always manifest to us in the affairs of this world there is often a recoil of evil upon itself it is not because of the evil, but the forces of good which have turned back the tide of sin. The foe may lay schemes unwisely and be taken in his own snare, but the victory comes at last only to those who stand squarely upon the right.

The suggestion of Satan to Jesus, to gain the Empire of the world by such means as men gain Empires, and thus become obedient to Satan to triumph over Satan is a thought which reveals its own fallacy. Jesus indeed, purposed to overcome the world, but a spiritual kingdom was not to be established by carnal forces. The adoption of such means would be the forfeiture of the ideal.

The charge in Timmothy that even he who strives for masteries is not crowned unless he strive lawfully, has reference to the rules which regulate the contests between champions, and which are not less familiar in our time than in the time of the apostle.

The temptation to overreach in business assails continually the man who strives for worldly gain. But in this contest the rules of honorable competition must not be forgotten. If there are even oportunities which the public does not regard no man can afford to take an advantage of them. A blot upon character, a stab of conscience can never be compensated by a temporal gain.

The principle of honor is tested in every station in life. The school-boy who seeks to obtain credit for the work of others, or to appropriate the thoughts of others as his own is beginning a dishonest and disgraceful career.

There is not a more glaring violation of the principle we are discussing than the appropriation by speakers of other men's productions as their own. The preacher who seeks to shine in borrowed sermons is not even an honest man.

Cultivate, my friends, the highest sentiment and sense of honor in this regard. Seek worthy objects and that always by means that are honorable.

SEARCY DISTRICT LEAGUE.

All parties expecting to attend the District League meeting at Augusta will please notify Rev. E. C. Castleberry, so that homes may be provided for all. Also, the Leagues that have not sent the names of their leaders to me will please do so at once, so that the programme can be perfected. Let each League send a full delegation.

G. G. Davidson,
Secretary of Committee.
Bald Knob, Ark.

THE LEAGUE AT AUGUSTA.

Augusta, Ark., March 13, 1896.

Last June when a little band of about fifteen assembled for the purpose of organizing an Epworth League, we hardly aspired to the success which we have attained. We have a zealous corps of officers and the members who now number over forty take an active and interesting part in our weekly meetings.

Our work in Charity and Help this year has done a wonderful amount of good. Several entire families in the very depths of poverty and distress have been carefully attended and supported for weeks by our League. Several entertainments have been given from which great benefit has been derived and thus enabled us to carry on our work.

We have just purchased quite a number of new song books and are learning some beautiful songs.

We are proud to say that the District League Conference will meet in our little town during the latter part of this month and right here we would say that we earnestly request each League to notify us immediately as to the number of delegates from each League, who expect to be present so that we may make definite arrangements as to their entertainment.

We write you this letter hoping that some organization, in its infancy perhaps, may take encouragement and that it may prove as ours has done, a rich and glorious blessing to the entire community.

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J. E. GODBEY, D. D., Editor.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 1896.

Consecration to God implies not merely submission to outward events, but submission also in the inward experience of joy and sorrow.

If we only keep upon the right way it is a little matter whether there be sunshine or shadow along the way.

One's devotion to God is measured, not by his imagined enjoyment of God, but by his faithfulness in duty.

Presumption is often mistaken for perfection, and lowness of ideal for loftiness of attainment.

What God has done for us is known by what we do for Him; that is the test the Master has appointed. "Not every one that saith Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven."

The preacher who laments that Methodism is trying to substitute spiritual power by machinery would like the machinery well enough if he were chief engineer.

Strict business integrity must be held as absolutely essential in Christianity. It is of more value even to a minister of the Gospel than learning or eloquence.

Integrity in business, brotherly kindness, peace, love, helpfulness—these are the proofs of spirituality in the Church, of far more value than any profession.

The preacher of the Gospel is not responsible for the salvation of any soul, but he is responsible for the work committed to him, constantly, and in the most persuasive and effective manner to invite sinners to Christ.

The tale-bearer generally considers himself the guardian of the reputation of others, yet he is ever the kindler of strife.

The editor spent Sunday, the 15th, at Pine Bluff, preaching at First Church morning and evening, and Monday evening he preached at River Side. Our three Churches in Pine Bluff are doing well. The congregation at First Church have carpeted Sunday School room and auditorium with an elegant velvet Axminister carpet, and are preparing to put in new windows at a cost of about $900. They have an elegant Church and mean to neglect nothing which will contribute to its beauty. The congregations fill the house at the regular Sunday service.

COMMUNION WINE.

The above is the title of a pamphlet sent from the Editor Publishing Co., Franklin, Ohio, and written by a member of the Presbyterian Church. It is a very good defense of the old practice of the Church in using fermented wine—an answer to those who insist upon the use of unfermented wine in the communion. The plea entered against fermented wine is frivolous. In thirty years' ministry we never knew a person injured by it. If such whims are to find place in Church affairs, the individual cup and other crotchets may be made affairs of conscience without end. We were once administering the sacrament in a city Curch when a woman lifted her head from the altar rail as the wine was offered and said aloud, "Is it fermented?" We passed it on. She took occasion afterwards to tell us what a terrible thing it was to give communicants at the table of the Lord fermented wine, a sip of which might arouse at once a resistless appetite. I told her such persons were free to refuse as she had done, and unless she was such a person I had never seen one. The Church is degradaded by such whims and such divisions. We have no objections to unfermented wine. We were told recently by one who knew the fact, that in a certain Church the sacrament had been administered with Drake's Vinegar Bitters. That was outrageous, whether by design or accident. Care should be used to secure good wine and to prepare the bread for the sacrament in proper order. Whether the wine should happen to be sweet or fermented no one need to care. We have no sympathy with issue upon one side, or the other. We have never been so near out of business as to ride hobbies of that kind.

THE WAIL OF ENVY.

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Ever and anon the peace of our sanctum is disturbed by the lugubrious wail of one who bemoans the dissolutions of our Zion. A weekly message comes to us like that book of the prophet which had written within and on the outside, "Lamentation and mourning and woe." "The good old times," it says, "are dead. The old time religion of our fathers and mothers is no more. Spiritual power is lost from the Church, even from our beloved Methodism. The Church seeks to supply by machinery the power which she once sought of God only. Heart-felt religion is becoming a tradition. Even the old disciples are not encouraged to tell their experiences.

The ministers have gone after the world, they seek place and honor and salary. They flatter the rich and forget the poor. Money is the measure of power and success. "Get the collections" is the watch word.

Those who rule over our Zion are the proud, and the ambitious; they despise the under-shepherds and make the people to howl. The Lord's flock is wasted; it is scattered upon the mountains, and gone without strength before the pursuer."

Awakened by the cry of distress, we look forth from our station upon the watch towers of Zion. It is not a scene of confusion which meets our eye, else are we spiritually blind. We see the hosts of the Lord marshaled in battle array. In all the centuries such armies have never taken the field against the powers of darkness. Among the divisions of the army there was never before such harmony, such love and such unity of plan. The line of battle was never before extended upon so broad a front. Never before was there such equipment of arms and supplies. Recruits were never so rapidly enlisted. There were never before such victories as are daily proclaimed. Never such confidence of ultimate triumph.

Thus it appears to our vision, and when we inquire of others, the common voice, the judgment of most says "Thus it is."

To speak without a figure our own beloved Methodism never moved forward with more strength. More Churches are built, more money raised to send the gospel abroad, more converts enrolled as the years pass. We see only forward movement.

Where is the evidence of worldliness in our ministry? More than half of all our preachers are serving for less than $400 a year; that is less by $200 than the pay of a coal digger. A 15-year-old girl makes more at the type case than that. The average pay of a clerk in a store is much above the average pay of a Methodist preacher.

Take the minutes of our conferences and study the financial reports of the last thirty years.

The amount paid per capita by our people for the support of the ministry has declined. The amount paid for miscreased. The preachers have manipulated the finances, they could have turned the wealth of the Church to their own support rather than to the advancement of the general cause. That they are stimulating mission work more and more at their own cost is proof of their personal consecration.

Look at the rank and file of our ministry. Is there one man in a score that any one dares charge with love of money or worldly ambition? Is there one of a score of whom we dare to say the Church is not safe in such hands?

Ah, they are the great ones who are proud and ambitious. Who are these great ones? Men who have passed through the common experience of their brethren, traveled circuits and districts and lived on meager salaries with the rest. Their zeal, their faithfulness has made them great, and true hearts that rejoice in the Lord's work love them for this greatness, and the Church rejoices in it.

Who are these chief shepherds who are accused of oppression and ambition? Men who by the love of the Church and the confidence of the Church are placed where they are. The place they hold is but expression of the common esteem in which the Church holds them. To assail them is to assail the Church itself—the common judgment of the Church and the spiritual discernment of the brethren at large.

It is a sad case when the very love and confidence of the Church and the honor which she bestows, provokes in any heart envy instead of admiration, and hatred instead of love.

Dear Brother Godbey—Will you or some one else, tell us through your paper who Mrs. Alice M. David is? A woman lectured in my Church here the 19th, who said her name was Mrs. Alice M. David. We took a collection for her to pay her expenses at the hotel, but she left next morning without even offering to pay. As she is traveling through our state lecturing, I think it justice to all concerned that our people should know about her. If you think best, you may publish this letter just as it is written, for we will stand by all we have said. I am yours for the right,

A. C. Graham.

Vanndale, Ark., March 21, 1896.

THE FIRST RESPONSE.

We print the following as the first response to Mrs. Harlan's proposition:

Dear Editor: My duties as a local preacher will not permit me to enjoy the benefits of the League, yet I am in hearty sympathy with its work. Therefore, if the Leagues will accept such aid, I will be one of any who may wish to join me in subscribing one dollar a year for five years to help support a school in China, as suggested by Mrs. V. V. Harlan. Who will join in this subscription? E. A. Townsend.

Benton, Ark., March 16, 1896.

WORK FOR HENDRIX COLLEGE.

Dr. Godbey: You remember that all the Presiding Elders of the three Annual Conferences in the state were called to meet last year at Conway to devise ways and means to relieve Hendrix College of its financial embarrassment. After prayerful consideration, it was thought that the most judicious and shortest way out of the difficulty was to apportion the whole amount of the indebtedness to the several Presiding Elders' districts, according to their financial ability. This was done. I see one Presiding Elder is reminding his preachers that they have done nothing in that direction. Another suggests that his preachers set apart the third Sabbath in March to take collections for this purpose. Clarksville District was asked to raise as her portion of that indebtedness $1,000. I am gratified to report that $885.75 of that amount has been secured, and I here tender my thanks to all those who have contributed. But there are many who have paid nothing as yet, and there is $114.25 unpaid. Have we not eleven persons in the district who will pay $10 each? Or twenty-two who will pay $5 each? If so, I will see that the remaining $4.25 is paid. What do you say? Don't all speak at once. Do this, friends, and Clarksville District will have made a record of which we will all have reason to be proud, and perhaps will enable her to wear off the blue ribbon in this matter.

S. S. Key.

Altus, Ark., March 13, 1896.

A PRESENT.

Please say to my friends everywhere: The people on the Nettleton Circuit have shown their appreciation of their pastor by presenting him with a nice Prince Albert suit of clothes, worth $22.50, over and above his salary. May Heaven's richest benediction rest upon this kind people, is the prayer of their pastor.

W. R. Foster.

PRESIDENT A. C. MILLAR ANNOUNCES THE GOOD ROADS STANDING COMMITTEE.

President A. C. Millar, of Hendrix College, who was president of the good roads convention held in Little Rock in February, has made the following announcement pursuant to the authority vested in him:

After considering the various sections and interests of the State, I have selected and do hereby appoint the following men to serve on the permanent committee:

Judge Frank Hill, Fayetteville; Hon. W. P. Eletcher, Lonoke; Judge W. F. Avera, Camden; Hon. L. C. Balch, Little Rock; Hon. J. D. Kimbell, Hot Springs; Mr. W. M. Neal, Helena; Hon. H. L. Remmel, Newport; Judge Emmet Rodgers, Jonesboro; Hon. J. H. McCollum, Hope; Mr S. P. Day, Fort Smith.

For the purpose of organizing and laying out the work to be done the members of the committee are called to meet in the Supreme Court room, Little Rock, Thursday, April 9, at 9 a. m.

In order that the committee may have abundant information and valuable suggestions, let every man who has well defined views on road building and legislation express them in some newspaper and send marked copies to the committeemen. All State papers are requested to publish this notice and to supply the committee with copies containing road articles or editorials. Papers may be sent to the undersigned at Hendrix College, Conway, Ark.

A. C. Millar,

Chairman State Road Convention.

Announcements.

For Chief Justice.

We are authorized to announce Judge B. 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 S. 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.

We are authorized to announce Joseph W. Martin 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.

For Prosecuting Attorney.

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

We are authorized to announce J. H. Hamilter 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. Cowpland 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.

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Notices.

Brother Godbey: Please say through the Methodist that owing to the small pox being in the country the Searcy district Epworth League meeting that was to have been held at Augusta beginning March 27, has been postponed. Will give notice through the Arkansas Methodist when we will hold it. Respectfully,

Henry T. Gregory.

Searcy, Ark., March 20, 1896.

The following committees of examination have been appointed for the Hot Springs District Conference:

For license to preach and for recommendation for admission on trial—L. B. Hawley, T. O. Rorie and J. D. Whiteside.

For Elders Orders—R. R. Moore, E. B. Hotchkiss and J. Y. Christmas.

For Deacons Orders—L. M. Powell, J. F. Taylor and J. B. Williams.

J. A. Sage, P. E.

Black Springs, March 19, 1896.

COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION FOR THE BATESVILLE DISTRICT.

For license to preach—F. R. Noe, J. D. Rutledge and S. W. Register.

For admission on trial into the itinerant connection, or re-admission—J. B. Stevenson, J. F. Armstrong and F. M. Smith.

For Deacons' or Elders' Orders—W. E. Bishop, F. C. Sterling and W. S. Southworth.

Dear Brethren, meet these duties fully on their merit. Jas. F. Jernigan.

The Batesville District Conference will be held at Bethesda on the Cushman circuit, beginning July 22, at 9 a. m. Opening sermon at 11 a. m. by Rev. F. M. Smith. We hope to have a good time, i. e. many, many, conversions. A district Conference without conversions is a disciplinary and scriptural failure. This is pretty tall talk, but I believe it will stand the test of both books referred to. We are becoming too "businessy," in our District Conferences. Let us attend business, to be sure, but let us also attend the word, song and prayer. The Arkansas Methodist force is invited, also our college presidents.

Jas. F. Jernigan.

Read Quinn's ad in this issue.

ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

Missionary Mass Meeting to be Held at Van Buren, May 26, 27 and 28.

Programme will appear next week. We expect to secure for the occasion one of our missionary secretaries, a returned missionary and a Bishop if possible.

Let all the preachers and others lend a helping hand to make the meeting a great success anda forward movement for the cause of missions.

As far as I know, only one charge, Paris, E. L. Massey, pastor, has paid his assessment for missions this year.

Others have done well. Many can pay out by the last of May.

Let the pass word be: "A contribution from every member and the assessments at least in full."

We are well able. The mission fields "are white already to harvest." "Who are the reapers?" O. H. Tucker.

MISLEADING.

Dr. Godbey: Over my field note of last week from Van Buren you place the words "Union Meeting."

This is misleading. I do not indorse union meetings in the promiscuous sense.

In the meeting referred to here the pastor at whose church the meeting was held directed the services, the other ministers assuming the role of helpers for the time. We think much good was done.

The Campbellites are reveling in a continuous effort now that the meeting has closed.

We are trusting that the revival work of the entire year will be helped by this brief co-operative effort.

We anticipate a good attendance and profitable occasion at the Conference Missionary meeting in May.

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Wednesday 2:30—Visiting and Pastoral Instruction of Children. Discussion led by H. A. Armstrong.

Thursday 8:30—Best Method of Securing the Collections Ordered by Annual Conference. Discussion led by T. M. Jackson.

Thursday 2:30—Have We a Missionary Conscrence; If Not, Why Not? Discussion led by T. J. Reynolds.

All of the brethren, both local and traveling, are earnestly requested to be present and take part in the discussion.

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WEARY.

By N. T. Thomasson.

I am weary with sorrow, Lord,
And with burdens depressing;
Yet each new tomorrow, Lord,
Brings its cares more distressing;
And the hours, like silent tears,
Stealing down the cheeks of years,
Bathe my soul in doubts and fears.

Earthly hopes have vanished, Lord,
Like a shadow, forever;
Golden dreams are banished, Lord,
From my visions they sever;
Yet, since thy pure love is mine,
I shall cease, Lord, to repine,
And shall Heavenward incline.

Youth is filled with beauty, Lord,
And with golden-winged treasures;
Age is pressed with duty, Lord,
But is barren of pleasures;
And old age, when life is run—
When its duties are all done,
Gladly views its setting sun.

So my eyes are turning, Lord,
From this world and its sorrows;
And my soul is yearning, Lord,
For the Heaven-born tomorrow;
And the setting sun I'll greet
As thel ight to guide my feet,
To the place where rest is sweet.

—From Hendrix College Mirror.

HINTS FOR WORSHIPERS.

Public worship is not a matter of taste or choice—it is a duty. To omit it without good cause is a sin; and when committed for cause, feel very sure that God will consider the cause a good one. When kept from public worship, increase your private devotions.

Be in your accustomed seat at church before service begins; excepting unavoidable accidents or hindrances, it is just as easy to do this as it to be in time for the steamer, the cars or business appointments. When you come to the house of God, employ the time before service in serious meditation, devotional reading, with a brief silent prayer, as a preparation for the solemn duty of worship in which you are about to engage. Talking or whispering before or during service is not preparation, is not worship, is not reverence, and is an annoyance and wrong to others.

If you are late, do not go up the aisle to your seat while the people are kneeling in the prayers, but wait quietly at the door till they rise from their knees. On entering a pew, pass to the further end, so as to permit others, who may come late, to enter without disturbing you. Do not step into the aisle to admit others to a seat, but always "move up."

Do not whisper your prayers and responses—speak out! The service is yours not the minister's. Deadness or feebleness of devotion in the people, is just so much weight upon the minister.

Conform to the postures of standing and kneeling, if physically able. Half-sitting is not kneeling; what would you think of your minister if he should do this? Reverence of posture is due from you equally as much as from him. If you are "not a member of the church," the amenities of good usage ought to suggest conformity.

At holy communion engage in private devotions, both before and after partaking. You can not too carefully prepare for this solemn duty, nor after receiving too earnestly plead for its benefits. Receive the bread in the ungloved hand, and take the chalice in your own hand.

After the benediction, pause a few moments to thank God for the privileges you have enjoyed, and to ask for grace that you may improve them to pour soul's welfare.

Do not suddenly turn the quietness and sacredness of public worship into a confusion of tongues and merriment, but quietly retire from the sacred precincts of the Lord's house.

If you are tempted to criticise the services, the sermon, the singers, or any of your fellow worshipers, first yourself, thoughts inward, and criticise yourself. —Selected.

HE HAD LEARNED TO PRAY.

ird As illustrating the extra ordinary impression which the character of Stonewall Jackson produced upon the men who served under him, the New York Evangelist some years ago reproduced an anecdote related by the president of a New York bank, who had returned from a visit to the Shenandoah Valley where he had enjoyed the companionship of General Thomas Jordan, chief of staff of General Beauregard.

The two men found themselves at nightfall in a wild and lonely place, with no house near except a shanty occupied by the track-walker on the railroad. There, as a last resort, they took shelter.

The unprepossessing look of everything was completed when the track-walker came in and took his seat at the head of the table. A bear out of the woods could hardly have been rougher than he, with his unshaven beard and unkempt hair. He looked like a border ruffan, he took president thought.

As he took his seat however, he rapped on the table, bowed his head, and began to pray. "And such a prayer!" exclaims the narrator. "So simple, so reverent, so tender, so full of humility, penitence and thankfulness."

At the first opportunity the "New Yorker" whispered to General Jordan, "who can he be?"

"I don't know," was the reply, "but he must be one of Stonewall Jackson's old soldiers."

And so he was. As the three men walked out of doors after supper, the New Yorker, after a few questions about the country said:

"Were you in the war?"

"Oh yes," said the Virginian with a smile; "I was out with old Stonewall.—Exchange.

UNANSWERED PRAYER.

It is quite common to mistake our own incapacity for God's unwillingness to give. We can not take more than our hearts and lives can hold, not even of the free and abundant grace of God. The limit of blessing for every man is the limit of capacity. Even God does not put more than a pint into a pint cup. Therefore God's richest blessing is the blessing of enlargement. When a soul submits to him, he causes it to grow, so making robm for more delight and larger power of use in every blessing.

God's will to give may always be taken for granted. Our will to receive is not so sure. And when we are disposed to complain of our small share of spiritual blessing, may it not be best to ask ourselves whether it is not our will that fails, and our littleness which can not find room to receive? God's apparent grudging, we may be sure, is always a sign of our incapacity.

What we most need, therefore, is a continual enlargement of soul, which comes to men only from the continual presence of God's Spirit. God does not offer gifts at random; much less does He enlarge a soul which has no desire for him. He who thinks that spiritual capacity may be picked up anywhere along life's dusty road, and that one may set his heart upon the earth and then enjoy the full measure of a disciple's happiness besides, will surely be disappointed.—The Congregationalist.

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J. H. Paschal, Clerk.
By Chas. M. Connor, D. C.

James B. Gray, solicitor for plaintiff.
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ly over.
Oh! elder-tree green!
Of thy blossoms as much as my heart
can hold,
Away I will carry.

Oh! elder-tree green!
In the field with the clover
How thy cool, creamy blossoms
Unfold their clear bosoms
To the soft air of summer, that scent-laden
rover.
Oh! elder-tree green!
So goodly to see,
Of thy blossoms as much as my heart
can hold,
Away I will carry.

Oh! elder-tree green!
Knee-deep in the clover,
A sighing and swaying
And evermore saying
Sweet sounds in thy dreaming, yea over
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Oh! elder-tree green!
Of thy blossoms as much as my heart
can hold,
Away I will carry.

—Womankind.

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Perhaps, by referring to the necessary books, other interesting items of somewhat the same kind may be collected by the studious investigator about other prominent characters in history. They excite curiosity, lead to study and help the memory.—Golden Days.

The camel is a beast of great strength and endurance. Nothing hurts it until the proverbial "last straw" is added to its burden. The human digestive system is very much like a camel. It is really astonishing how much abuse it will stand. Sometimes, however, something worse than usual will be eaten, and will go through the stomach into the bowels, and there it will stick—that's constipation. Nine-tenths of human sickness is due to constipation. Some of the simplest symptoms are coated tongue and foul breath, dizziness, heart-burn, flatulence, distress after eating, headaches and lassitude. A little thing will cause constipation, and a little thing will relieve it. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are a certain cure for constipation. They are tiny, sugar-coated granules, mild and natural in their action. There is nothing injurious about them. Sold by druggists.

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WHAT WE DO WITH THE HORSE.

Even the little boys who read the Methodist know that a good horse can now be bought for less than half the cost of such animals a few years ago.

The bicycles, the electric cars and the horseless cars will soon take the place of this noble animal, even for comfortable and rapid conveyance. So it has come about that the old horse is especially depreciated.

It will surprise our young friends perhaps to know that many horses are now killed and canned for food. It is shipped to Europe. Russia uses a great deal of horse flesh, and recently France has begun to use horse flesh.

A company in Portland, Me., engaged in the working up of the carcasses of horses, recently bought a large drove of them at $3 a head. An exchange tells how the carcass is worked up at the factory:

When the retired animal is first dragged in, it is relieved of its hair by a shaving process. The tail and mane are specially valuable, and from these is made the haircloth of commerce. The short hair taken from the hide is used for stuffing cushions and horse collars, and thus the dead are made to minister to the comfort of the living.

The hide of a horse is quite valuable, and the leather known as cordovan is made from the skin over the rump. This leather is used in the manufacture of high-class hunting and wading boots, as it can be made impervious to water. The other leather is soft and is used mostly for slippers and heavy driving gloves. The hoofs of the animal are removed and after being boiled to extract the oil from them, the bony substance is shipped to the manufactories of combs and what are known as Mikado goods.

Next the carcass is placed in a cylinder and cooked by steam at a pressure of three atmospheres. This separates the flesh from the bones. The leg bones are very hard and white, and are used for handles of pocket and table cutlery. The ribs and head are burned to make bone-black, after they have been treated for the glue that is in them. In the calcining of these bones, the vapors arising are condensed, and form a chief source of carbonate of ammonia, which constitutes the base of nearly all ammoniacal salts. There is an animal oil yielded in the cooking process which is a deadly poison, and enters into the composition of many insecticides and vermifuges.

The bones to make glue are dissolved in muriatic acid, which takes the phosphate of lime away; the soft element retaining the shape of the bone is dissolved in boiling water, cast into squares and dried on nets. The phosphate of lime, acted upon by sulphuric acid and calcined with carbon, produces phosphorus for lucifer matches.

The remaining flesh is distilled, to obtain carbonate of ammonia. The resulting mass is pounded up with potash, and then mixed with old nails and iron of every discription; the whole is calcined, and yields little yellow crystals—prussiate of potash, with which tissues are dyed with a prussian blue, and iron is transformed into steel. It also forms cyanide of potassium and prussic acid, the two most terrible poisons known in chemistry.

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Our Church at Home.

ATKINS CIRCUIT.

Our second Quarterly meeting has come and gone. All the churches represented but one. They reported $110 for "support of the ministry." Rev. P. B. Summers was on hand, looking with an eagle eye after all the interests of the Church. We had unfavorable weather and but few attended. Our Presiding Elder did faithful, earnest preaching. At the close he gave us a faithful talk on prohibition. Some of the brethren say the pastor says "too much against tobacco," and an official member suggested to the Quarterly Conference "that the pastor hold up on this question." God bless the good old Methodist people who have learned to chew, smoke and "dip," if they are bound to use it. Please pray for me that I may get our young people to let it alone. Thank God, two good officials have quit this useless habit. S. L. C. Coward, P. C.

NASHVILLE, ARK.

Dear Doctor. Our First Quarterly Conference and Missionary Conference convened last week. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. W. T. Locke. The attendance was good and interest increased from day to day. We had sleet, snow, wind and rain, but the people came out in wagons and buggies and the conscience of the Church was quickened and a forward movement made on all lines of Church work. Saturday night two were converted and five joined the Church on Sunday. We have raised $100 on the collections by subscriptions and we hope to clear the decks soon. We were kindly assisted by Revs. W. F. Evans, W. T. Locke, J. C. Rhodes, J. L. Cannon, J. M. Green, G. W. Brock. Fraternally. W. A. Steel.
March 16, 1896.

BELLEFONTE CIRCUIT.

Our Second Quarterly Conference has past. O. H. Tucker, our P. E., was on hand looking after the interest of the Church, and preaching to the satisfaction of all present. His hair doesn't part on the top of his head for nothing.

We have food and raiment, and live where no storms come. The prospect for revival at some points is good.

Will say to the P. E. of Wool Sock Circuit that I will take a few pairs of socks, if he will send them before winter breaks.

Mr. Editor, I think that the Methodist preacher who never paid his pastor a cent during the year, and charged him a dollar for assisting the undertaker in tacking the lining in his wife's coffin, a meaner man than either of those mentioned in the "Arkansas Methodist" of February 10th.

W. K. Biggs, P. E.

Macey, Ark., March 20, 1896.

Mr. Editor: I will write from the Island again. I am more fully convinced that this is a fine country. It seems to me that God took especial pains in making Buffalo Island. For agricultural purposes it has no superior anywhere. It is a rich sandy loam, and is so situated that the St. Francis River furnishes natural irrigation, and prevents the possibility of a failure of crops from drouth. It also has natural drainage, sloughs or more propery bayous, making out of the river above at different places, running down through the island parallel with each other divide it into four parts, thus making a better drainage system than could be obtained by artificial means. There are a great many fine farms on the island, but a large majority of the land is yet in the woods, and for sale on easy terms. I wish good men had it; men who would clear it out and plant it in something, for it will produce as much as a man wants of anything common to this climate, from peanuts all the way up to smart boys and pretty girls.

Our first Quarterly Conference has come and gone. Rev. Frank Ritter, our Presiding Elder, was with us. He does his work well. Our Conference collections, about half of them, are secured in money and subscriptions. We will have all of them by the first of June I think. We are getting the ministerial forces organized and drilled for the sowing of a lot of good seed that will bear fruit after awhile, if not now. We have got to do lots of clearing and fencing here yet before the Church is firmly established, but we have some good workers, and by the grace of God the work will be done in due time. As soon as I can convince somebody that they need the Arkansas Methodist more than a dollar and a half I will send you some names. Your Bro., W. E. Webb.

LEHIGH CIRCUIT.

Our Second Quarterly Conference has come and gone, but not without leaving its blessings behind.

Our beloved P. E. (Bro. Godden) was with us disseminating piety, winning for himself and for God, the love and admiration of our people. His sermon on Saturday, was in the spirit, with power and at the close of the sermon, in response to a proposition, the entire congregation, with the exception of one, came forward and covenanted to live a better life.

Our Quarterly Conference in the afternoon was a very pleasant one. The largest attendance, perhaps, for several years. The reports showed considerable advancement over last year, both in Church work and finance.

We have two Epworth Leagues, each of which is doing an excellent work. There is also an increasing interest in Sunday Schools.

Our people are not pounding us out of reason, for they believe in quietude; hence we have no blusters, but a continuous calm. Please understand that we have plenty of the necessities of life.

Our motto is, All for Christ and by the grace of God we are going to help humanity.

Dear brethren of Lehigh Circuit, let's pull together and clear the decks this year. Let's do our best and steer clear and pull for the "Golden Shore." Let's get on our knees, place our hand in Jesus' hand and He will help us to save souls. J. W. White.

Annover, Ark., March, 18, 1896.

HOLLY SPRINGS CIRCUIT.

Mr. Editor: I preached my first sermon on this circuit the fourth Sunday in December. Since then I have missed one appointment—cause, la grippe and rain. I learned afterward that all the people missed that appointment save three. Sorry I was not there to preach to them. I always feel like preaching when there are three present. For I remember that on one occasion Jesus preached to an audience of one, and it was "in demonstration of the spirit and power. Bro. E. F. Wilson, [illegible] this circuit the past two years, [illegible] good work here.

I doubt if there is a circuit [illegible] ference so well equipped in Church buildings. Two of these Churches were built under Bro. Wilson's administration. He has a warm place in the hearts of these people, and is held in high esteem by them. And they are broad enough and generous enough to open their hearts and homes to the new preacher, who is well pleased with his people and his work. We have just perfected the organization of an Epworth League here with a number of members. There is increasing interest in the Sunday School, under the efficient superintendency of Bro. Crownover, with his able class of officers and teachers.

Altogether, the outlook on this work is hopeful. I shall pray and work for a well-rounded report. E. L. Beard.
Holly Springs, Ark., March 9, 1896.

HOT SPRINGS DISTRICT.

Having just finished the first round of quarterly meetings, I send a few notes in reference to the general condition of the work.

In the providence of God, I have been able to reach all of the appointments, and while we have been considerably hindered by inclement weather and open houses, yet the average attendance has been fairly good. Without exception, the preachers have been kindly received and are in favor with their people. There is a general spirit of hopefulness among preachers and people and we confidently believe a decided advance on all lines this year.

With one or two exceptions the financial reports have been better than those for the same period of last year. There is an abundance of home-raised supplies in all this section of country, but money is scarce, and few people think of paying the preacher anything except produce.

The Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf Railway will soon be completed through Polk County and the western part of this district. The country is rapidly filling up with people, and lands which are still selling comparatively cheap are advancing in price every day. This section of the country is destined to become one of the garden spots of our state, and I confidently hope that in a few years we will have several strong charges in the fields which have so long been included in the mission territory of our Conference. However, this depends much on the character of immigration which we receive. If any of our Methodist people are thinking of seeking a new location they might do well to come to Polk or Sevier County.

But I did not start out to write a letter about the country, so I will stop just here. J. A. Sage, P. E.

RISON CIRCUIT.

Our Second Quarterly Conference was held at Concord Church March 11th. Bro. Godden was with us preaching with power and carefully looking after all the interests of the Church.

The spiritual outlook on the work improving to some extent. Congregations are growing. Some manifestation on the part of the irreligious to become Christians.

Sunday Schools are increasing in numbers and interest in some places.

Financial matters somewhat behind, but we have no desire to complain, as we have had plenty of the necessities of life. Our people in Rison pounded us shortly after return from conference, and not long ago the good people of Mount Carmel community sent us a wagon-load of good things.

We have received six by certificate and one by profession during the present quarter.

Bro. G. E. Parsons and family are living within the bounds of this circuit, and we believe that they will be of great help to us. Bro. Parsons seems to be anxious to labor in the Master's vineyard.

Bro. S. M. McGehee, who is well-known by many of the preachers in our conference, has been in very bad health for some time. He has had the second stroke of paralysis recently, and his son informed me this morning that he continues to grow weaker. He says all is well with him, and he is only waiting for the Master to say, "It is enough, come up higher." Let the Church pray for his recovery, if it is the Lord's will.

Bro. J. D. May, who is now attending Hendrix College, was recommended to the Pine Bluff District Conference for license to preach.

Quarterly Conference occasions should be a time of great spiritual awakening, and a great means of grace to both preacher and people. Do our people fast before each Quarterly Conference, as the Discipline requires? We fear not. We beg to differ with Dr. Godbey concerning this matter of fasting.
A. M. Robertson.

Quarterly Meetings

ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT.

(Horace Jewell, P. E.)
Arkadelphia station, March 28-29.
Malvern station, April 4-5.
Benton station, April 11-12.
Collegeville circuit, April 18-19.
Bryant circuit, 25-26.
Clark circuit, May, 2-3.
Dalark circuit, May 9-10.
Holly Springs circuit, May 16-17.
Princeton circuit, 23-24.
Gurdon circuit, May 30-31.
Okolona circuit, June 6-7.
Lono circuit, June 13-14.
Murfressboro circuit, June 20-21.
Social Hill circuit, June 27-28.

NEWPORT DISTRICT.

S. L. Cochran, P. E.

April—Pocahontas Circuit, 11 and 12; Silvan Circuit, 18 and 19; Mammoth Spring and Williford Station, 25 and 26; May—Portia Circuit, 2 and 3; Walnut Ridge Station, 3 and 4; Newport Station, 9 and 10; Jacksonport Mission, 16 and 17; Smithville Circuit, 23 and 24; Black Rock and Imboden Circuit, 30 and 31; June—Reyno Circuit, 6 and 7; Corning and Knobel, 7 and 8; Tuckerman Circuit, 13 and 14; Clover Bend Mission, 20 and 21; Walnut Hill Mission, 27 and 28.

NEWPORT DISTRICT CONFERENCE COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION.

For license to preach—J. B. Manley, J. S. Watson, M. B. Umsted.

For admission on trial—N. E. Skinner, T. A. Bowen, J. D. Sibert.

For Deacons and Elders' orders—A. M. R. Branson, J. S. Brooke, L. C. Craig.
S. L. Cochran.

DEAR Dr. Godbey: Enclosed you will find my second round of Quarterly Conferences for publication. I have five Q. C.'s to hold on this round, and I am glad to say that as far as I have been have had a good time. The P. C.'s are all at their posts and hopeful of a good year's work. I will furnish you a field note for the district when I finish the first round. And right here, I want to say to the preachers, stewards and members that I am going to keep a correct report of all moneys collected on the second round for the support of the ministry and the collections ordered by the Conference from each pastoral charge on the New Port District, and publish it in the Arkansas Methodist, so that all may see just how much they are doing for the cause of Christ. I sincerely hope that the preachers will call the attention of their members to this notice and that every charge will do its best to make a good report. God says: Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, sayeth the Lord of Hosts, if I will not open you the windows of Heaven and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it. (Mal. iii. 10.)
S. L. Cochran.

March 5, 1896.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT.

Second Round.

T. D. Scott, P. E.

March—Warren, 21 and 22; Monticello, 28 and 29.

April—Bartholomew Circuit, at Wilmot, 4 and 5; Mount Pleasant Circuit, at Wilmar, 11, 12; Arkansas City Circuit, at Arkansas City, 18 and 19; Tillar Circuit, at Tillar, 25 and 26.

May—Lacy Circuit, at Green Hill, 2 and 3; Hamburg, 9 and 10; Carriola Circuit, at Evergreen, 16 and 17; Berea Circuit, at Forest Grove, 30 and 31.

June—Star City, at Auburn, 6 and 7; Palestine Circuit, at Carmel, 13 and 14; Hamburg Circuit, 20 and 21.

Please publish next week.
T. D. Scott.

SEARCY DISTRICT—

SECOND ROUND.

Henry T. Gregory, P. E.

Augusta Station, March 28 and 29.
West Searcy Circuit, April 4 and 5.
Searcy Station, April 12 and 13.
Ward Mission, April 18 and 19.
Bald Knob Circuit, April 25 and 26.
Argenta Station, May 2 and 3.
Jacksonville Circuit, May 9 and 10.
Mineral Circuit, May 13.
El Paso Circuit, May 16 and 17.
Stony Point, May 23 and 24.
Beebe and West Point, May 30 and 31.
Beebe Circuit, June 6 and 7.
Mount Pisgah Circuit, June 13 and 14.
Auvergne and Weldon, June 20 and 21.
Union and Revel, June 27 and 28.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

W. F. Evans, P. E.

Second round of quarterly meetings:

Mineral Springs Circuit, March 29 and 30; Bright Star Circuit, April 4 and 5; Rocky Comfort Circuit, April 11 and 12; Richmond Circuit, April 11 and 12; Spring Hill, April 18 and 19; Center Point Circuit, April 25 and 26; Chapel Hill Circuit, April 25 and 26; Genoa Circuit, May 2 and 3; Washington, May 9 and 10; Lockesburg Circuit, May 9 and 10; De Ann Circuit, May 16 and 17; Hope, Station, May 17 and 18; Nashville Circuit, May 23 and 24; Emmett Circuit, May 23 and 24; Prescott Station, May 30 and 31.

Read Quinn's ad.

Missions.

A PERSONAL LETTER.

As you perhaps know, I applied several years since for work as a missionary to China.

Why I was not accepted in no wise concerns me now. Nor does that affect my obligation to my Church and the missionary work of the same. The wonderful success of those chosen is proof enough that the board chose wisely and doubtless followed the Spirit in sending others, better prepared and more competent than I.

As far as the scanty supply of means would allow, and even beyond the line of prudence, in the judgment of the niggardly selfishness (much more prevalent I fear than many suspect) the Missionary Board has sent competent consecrated representatives to many difficult and dangerous points.

These men and women have, under God, wrought wonderfully and every door seems broken from its hinges, inviting the Church to an infinite number of Christian homes. But what have we done? What are we doing? What will we do? We who have remained at home as it were out of sight and almost out of hearing of the blood and carnage along the line of battle—the mission fields. Some, it is true, have nobly borne the burden of the mighty war, but personally, beloved, what are we doing?

Measuring ourselves among ourselves, we might find some cause for self-gratulation, but such measurement is at once unwise and un-Scriptural. Compared with the pitiful 3 cent per capita of some, we might boast of our 12 cents in '94, and 18 cent per capita in 1895, but alas, for our boasting, the missionaries and native converts in the China mission Conference put us to shame with their more than ten times 12 cents, contributing for each member in the Conference the sum of $1.22.

O, ye rich hang the picture of our Crucified Lord on your elegant parlors, above your costly piano amid your gorgeous paintings. Ye humble, hang it in your quiet palace-like home, beside the portrait of father and mother. Ye poor, hang it in your humble cottage and answer me, what hast thou done?

Is not the showing contemptible in our own eyes? Oh, thou Holy One, how long must thy forbearance last? How long wilt thou endure such disregard of thy command "Go"?

Dear brother or sister, I ask not what you did or gave last year, or the two previous years, but what have you done, what will you do this year?

May not the past suffice us to have wrought the will of the flesh. Yea, may not our Lord have come to us these three years seeking fruit and finding none, have already commanded to cut us down?

What shame that we have squandered such countless sums in self-indulgence when even a penny wasted may mean a precious soul lost.

Can you longer eat, dress and waste otherwise the very souls of men. Behold there comes from hundreds of millions of darkened homes the piteous cries of debased manhood, down-trodden womanhood, sorrowing, ruined childhood and murdered infancy! What will you do?

Oh, my fellow ministers, have we by word and example taught our people Scripture habits of dress, diet and social pleasures? Or have we not, alas, too frequently posed in clergymen's suit, used tobacco, or other things useless, dangled our gold chains, and fared sumptuously every day, while Lazarus, the poor heathen, lay suffering at our gates?

I knew one preacher in 1892 who spent more than $100 for three suits of clothes in one year. Another paid more than twice as much for house rent alone as many hard-worked country preachers received for their whole year's work. The same preacher's table showed a daily fare much better than the marriage supper of the poor, and yet from his lips complaints were heard to fall.

O, ye prophets, are we guiltless of human blood? What mean the bleatings of those sheep of habit I hear? What means the lowing of the ox? Why is the wicked Agog of ecclesiastical pomp and arrogance still spared?

Let no one heed the storm in the tea kettle that may arise over this well meant word to the prophets.

But let us as becometh the elect lay to heart the solemn question. What have I done for these dying millions whose inexpressable groans are rending the Heavens? Oh, Mighty Spirit, say with a word startling, dead-awakening voice to thy gifted servants speed.

"Behold the world, your field,
Say to the gold the Lord hath need
Till hoarded treasures yield."

Your brother in Christ,

J. W. F. Scott.

Woman's Work.

EASTER.

Our Easter services. To us is seems beautifully appropriate that, by rightful authority, Easter Sunday is set apart as Woman's Day, and devoted to the interests of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. Shall we not make the day memorable? Shall we rejoice in a risen Christ and not make haste to tell of Him to the Christless nations.

"Oh, woman hearts that [illegible]
of old.
In living memory, can you stand back
When Christ calls? Shall the Heavenly
Master lack
The serving love which is your life's
fine gold?"

Nay, let us

"Rise, girt with faith and work for His
dear sake."

We hope the Easter service, the programme furnished for the occasion, will be observed throughout the Conference. If at any place it is not thought practicable to do so, a collection can still be taken and the amounts forwarded to Mrs. Frank Parke, Fort Smith

Will not our pastors and Sunday school superintendents help us in this matter?

During the Conference year just closing seventeen societies have been organized and one reorganized. Six have been organized during the last quarter. Nearly every auxiliary has reported promptly. Corresponding Secretary,

Arkansas Conference.

ference.

To my Sisters: "We must rouse our women to a sense of our peril or we must give up some of our mission stations." These words from Miss Gibson, Vice-President of the Woman's Board, who knows whereof she speaks, are enough to arouse the most indifferent. Is there a woman in all Southern Methodism who can calmly contemplate such a thing? Who is willing to shoulder the responsibility? Who will say: "So far as I am concerned they may be closed; so far as I am concerned the bread of life may be plucked from the eager grasp of those perishing souls, the water of life dashed from their perishing lips, the only lamp from their path and guide for their feet extinguished, and they left to grope on in thick darkness." Who will say it?

And yet, my sister, do we not say it by our deeds? If this work suffers loss God will hold you responsible and me responsible in just that measure that we have failed to do our duty. "Duty, obligation, responsibility shadow us every one, whether we will or not, inevitable as destiny." The only way in which we may rid ourself of a duty or a responsibility is to discharge it. We are not doing our duty; if we were, this danger would not threaten our work—God's work.

We have the comforts, even the luxuries of life, and few indeed will curtail these in any degree in order that their brothers and sisters (for such they are) may have eternal life. Oh, thou patient and long-suffering Christ! "Thou needest be more surely God, to bear with us, than even to have made us!"

Oh, my sisters, can we not awaken to a sense of duty now? To avert this threatened danger let every woman work and pray and give as if "on her sole arm hung victory." Let not one stop to think what another shall do, but do her best, do it now, and keep on doing it.

If you are hard-hearted and indifferent, go to God and confess it and ask him to baptize you with His spirit—the spirit of love, the spirit of work, the spirit of prayer, the spirit of selfdenial. Ask Him that you may see the world as he sees it, "Lost! Lost! Lost!" If you ask in earnest you will receive.

We must not, we cannot retrench. We cannot, we will not let "our outposts backward stake." Let each woman in her place only do her duty—"baptize all work with prayer and follow all prayer with work." Then the night of ignorance and sin shall not settle more deeply and darkly over the heathen world, but from mountain top to mountain top shall re-echo the glad cry, "The morning cometh."—Mrs. W. F. Armbur in Wesleyan Christian Advocate.

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Our Church at Home.

Mr. Editor: Bro. Sherman, of Russellville Station, has just closed a gracious meeting in which more than forty souls were converted and the church greatly revived. He did the preaching and the results demonstrate beyond a doubt that a revival can be had even in the towns without an evangelist. I hope the time is not far distant when all our pastors will rely on the Holy Ghost and their church, instead of evangelists.

P. B. Summers.

Dardanelle, Ark., March 17, 1896.

COVE, ARK.

Dear Bro. Godbey: If you have an empty stick I will furnish you a few dots from Cove Mission. Our first Quarterly Conference has just passed. Our beloved Presiding Elder was on hand, wide-awake to every interest of the Church and with a heart full of love ready to testify to the Gospel of the grace of God to every man.

This is a mission field in the true sense of the word, and we are trying to get the key to the situation, that we may do the best possible work. We were confronted at the start with a debt on our parsonage here and settlement was demanded at once. So we have collected what we could in cash, and then we were forced to borrow and pledge the parsonage for the payment of the loan received.

The cry of "no money" is common everywhere that I have been; but it has reached the climax here. And yet these dear people show their liberality by a fair divide with their pastor of the substance of the land. We have had plenty to eat since we have been here. Not a variety, but of such things as the people raise and eat themselves. We have a fine Sunday-school at Cove. Bro. J. G. Fair is our Superintendent and his proficiency in this work is known wherever he is known. Our church on this work is poor in purse, poorly housed and not well organized for effective work. We are trying to call out the forces into an organized line, but to what measure we may succeed is yet to be determined. I am impressed with the conviction that this is an important field.

The Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf Railroad is in course of construction, and it is hoped that it will pass here by midsummer. The survey passed through this charge, and there will be two or three depots in this charge, and there will be many coming to this new country and these new towns. And I feel that I have been honored in coming to this mission at such a time as this, and with heart and hand we welcome our friends from other fields to this new and inviting country with many hopeful possibilities.

And we will say now that we are already in receipt of the first fruits, and we are ready to welcome the coming harvest.

J. D. Whiteside.

Cove, Ark.

AUVERGNE AND WELDON.

Last Saturday and Sunday was date of our first Quarterly Conference, held at Tupelo, Ark. Our dolichocephelous P. E., Rev. H. T. Gregory, was on hand. Got there by making forced marches as small-pox occasioned a quarantine of Weldon and Tupelo, which was "raised" barely in time to allow us to hold our appointment. In the pulpit, in privacy of the home circle and in the chair he is the mild master of the situation. Love and sanctified common sense are the most manifest of his multifarious and multiplied qualifications, tho' in the pulpit "he would not envy Jove his thunderbolt, Minerva her distaff nor Neptune his trident."

After a sermon (above high-water mark) Sunday a. m., from the Presiding Elder, the administration of the Lord's Supper was performed, after which one lady, a mother, joined the church.

The Quarterly Conference report was encouraging. My stewards and people are disposed to be liberal and ample provisions for the support of their pastor this year were made.

My worthy predecessor began the subscriptions on two churces, one at Tupelo and another at Snapp, which will be completed this quarter, the latter to be ready for dedication by the last of May or first of June, at which time we would desire the services of Dr. Godbey, to preach the dedicatory sermon. How about it, Doctor?

Brother Workman gave us a call week. A rather brief one—too brief for our pleasure—and we abide in hope of the fulfillment of his promise to come again and bring his knittin' some summer's day when gossamer floats on the crest of gentlest zephyrs and the voice of the bull-frog and katy-did is again heard in the land. The question down this way is, Who is the "Rider" of "Wool Sock Circuit?" No matter, he's worthy a niche in the cathedral of fame among authors whose works won't let them die. I've never served "Wool Sock" but my father has, and "Wool Sock Circuit" reads like a few paragraphs from my noble father's diary. I hope to read the 365th paper before it ends. Prayers for all. Pray for me and my work.

E. P. Crowe.

Weldon, Ark., March 11, 1896.

OUACHITA CIRCUIT.

After quite a little stay out I was called in and kindly informed that I was back in the "itinerant pen." Later on I remembered hearing my name read out by our good Bishop as pastor of the above and in a few days I was prospecting and trying to familiarize myself with the farm, the hands, etc.

Altogether satisfied that with industry and a rain (of the right sort) we could make a good crop, we just pitched in. Some of the hands reported ready for work and all at it.

Some are dilatory about fixing fences and cleaning up land. Sunday school and prayer meetings delayed. And a goodly number have not reported at all. Their whereabouts is also unknown to the other hands.

Out of the 347 members reported in the minutes I have found no evidence of more than 320 having been on the farm last year. The bookkeepers have woefully failed in their duties. But the payroll is doubtless too large yet. The business of the concern is really in a bad shape having been conducted on a purely hap-hazard way since 1887.

I presume of course that every department has been looked after but would suggest the propriety of preserving all vouchers, receipts, etc., for at least twelve months.

I fail to find any account of the fourth quarterly settlement of the main office for last year, and as we may need some of the papers and accounts I will be obliged to any one who can furnish an account of the same. There have been some genuine cases of awakening and I trust conversions. Seven received by certificate and five on profession. Collected for parsonage some $60. Finishing church, $13.60. For foreign missions, $15.30. $43 paid P. C. up to date.

Our farm paid last year the enormous (?) sum of $36 for both (Foreign and Domestic Missions). This will account in part for our leanness this year. Seriously, dear brother, I will not assume the place of critic, but I confess I am heartily ashamed of the records of many of our circuits. Here is a circuit like the ones (most of them) that I have served for ten years, amply able to support their home work and send a missionary to any field, and yet they grunt and grumble at these contemptibly little assessments. Shame on us! This circuit has five local preachers anyone of whom with the baptism of power would preach enough to keep the work going here and the other four and I might be in Mexico. Will we awake? Thank God for China, Africa or the western field. When at the missionary mass meeting I had a few splinters, but they burned low. Oh, I want to build old-fashioned camp-meeting pine fires all over this country.

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At Rest.

SHIELDS—Mrs. M. S., was born in Drew County, Arkansas, October 31, 1844, and died at her home in Oden, Montgomery County, Arkansas, February 4, 1896. January 28, 1860, she was married to Bro. A. B. Shields, who with six children, is now left to mourn the loss of a faithful, loving wife and mother. What the measure of this loss is only those can know who have passed through similar bereavements, or have at least learned to appreciate the sacredness of wifehood and motherhood.

When but a child, Sister Shields professed religion and united with the M. E. Church, South, in which she lived a faithful member until God called her home.

Most of her life was spent in the bounds of the old Mount Pleasant Circuit, in Drew County, where the writer first met her, and was her pastor for three years. When I again met her, about a year ago, in Montgomery County, where, with her husband and family she had recently moved, I saw that she was broken in health and wasted in form, but evidently stronger in faith and mellower in spirit than when I last saw her at the old home in Drew County. Her last illness was of some two weeks duration, and when the end came, she was fully conscious and knew that the time of her departure was at hand. She talked freely with her husband and children, telling them that all was well and that she was ready to go, and then seemingly, without a struggle or a fear, she quietly fell asleep. Her burial service was conducted by Brother Adam Fair, and a few Sabbaths later the writer preached her funeral sermon to a large and sympathetic audience. May our Heavenly Father comfort and sustain the sorrowing loved ones is the prayer of their former pastor, J. A. Sage.

WINSTEAD—Mrs. Fannie E. was born in Granville County, N. C., February 7, 1821, and died in Dallas County, Arkansas, December 22, 1895. On May 31, 1857, she was married to Dr. A. R. Drake. After his death she married Stephen Winstead, who died a few years ago. While in her sixteenth year she was converted and joined the Methodist Church, of which she continued a devoted member to the day of her death.

In point of intelligence she was above an average, and kept well posted on the general work of the Church. During Brother Winstead's life their house was an old-fashioned preacher's home. What a delightful home it was! Many of the pastors of the old Princeton Circuit this writer among them, cherish joyful memories of Christian association in that time. After supper when all were seated around the quiet fireside how delightful was the conversation about the work of the Church and the salvation of the people. Who can estimate the value of such a home?

Her sister writes as follows:

"Her sickness was long and painful, and for the last few days of her life she was unconscious, but at various times she spoke of her departure, and said she did not wish to live long unless she could get well. She seemed to be resigned all the time."

Farewell for awhile. We shall meet again. Robert C. Atchley.

COULTER—Miss Lou K. Coulter was born in ———, Ark., July 19, 1875. She professed religion and joined the M. E. Church, South, at twelve years of age. She died February 21, 1896, in Palestine, Texas.

The beautiful Christian character of Miss Coulter made a profound impression on all her brief acquaintances in this place. Her father and family had become residents in this city a few weeks before her death. She was prostrated with her last fatal illness when she arrived. The young ladies of the Epworth League and others took charge of her at once. Such was her patience, such her faith, such her love for her Lord and Savior that in her death we saw the great triumph of the Christian religion. She stated to me that she had no fears, no doubts, no "shrinking back from death's fierce alarms." She came to her last moments peacefully, sweetly trusting in Christ. She spoke of her friends she had parted with so recently in Arkansas. She asked me for her Church paper, The Arkansas Methodist, and I furnished her with a copy which the family read to her, and how much she enjoyed it!

Hers was a deep, pure Christian life, a strong faith and hence "she died well." Her triumph was complete and her crowning has come.

D. F. C. Timmons.

Palestine, Texas, March 10, 1896.

LAIN—Mrs. Minnie Walton Lain was born near Cotton Plant, Monroe County, Arkansas October 28, 1875. Her father, Mr. R. M. Henderson, moved to Brinkley when Miss Minnie was small and almost all of her life was spent here. At the age of eleven she professed religion and joined the Methodist Church, and until her death was an earnest and consistent Christian. January 16, 1895, she was married to Mr. James A. Lain, who was a loving devoted husband. January 8, 1896, she was called to depart from this world and enter into the beautiful haven of rest. A short time before her death she told her father that all was well with her soul. She was conscious to the end and recognized all of her friends and when the final summons came she calmly passed through the gates into her eternal home. She was an affectionate daughter and a faithful, loving wife. Her life was an influence for good. Her death has brought sorrow to many hearts but to those who mourn her death there is the consolation that in "The Sweet By and By" we may meet her in Heaven. Her pastor, W. M. Wilson.

Brinkley, Ark.

WADE—Rev. John H. Wade was born November 15, 1821. He received license to preach but I have not the date. Was ordained deacon by Bishop Kavanaugh October 14, 1860, and joined the St. Louis Conference, and in 1867 was ordained Elder. Transferred to Arkansas Conference in 1866.

There is no record of his appointments until the year 1873, when he was appointed to Mountain Home Circuit. In 1874 to Big Flat; in 1875 to Marshall, and in 1876 he located at his own request.

In 1879 he was re-admitted and again appointed to Marshall Circuit; in 1880 to Jasper Mission; in 1881 and 1882 to Yellville Circuit; in 1890 he served the Big Flat work again. In 1884 was granted a superannuated relation and remained so until the day of his death which occurred at Valley Springs, Ark., December 7, 1895.

He was married October 12, 1842, to Miss Julia Davidson and the second time to Miss Henrietta Wells December 4, 1880. One of his boys, George, was a preacher.

Father Wade was a good man and a faithful preacher. He detested frauds and shams but loved humanity. Just before starting to Conference I asked him if he had any message to send to the brethren. With uplifted hand, he said, "Tell them the way is clear." He suffered much and long but is now at rest. Let us likewise be faithful to the end. It will not be long. O. H. Tucker.

HUST—James Francis was born in Montgomery County, Tennessee, January 9, 1858, and died at his residence six miles west of Bentonville. He was converted in Humphrey County, Tennessee, in 1867, and joined the M. E. Church, South, of which he remained a faithful member until his death.

So when he came to die he was ready to do even this well. He said to his pastor during his sickness that he hardly thought he would be strong enough to make it through, but "It will be all right. I'll get to see my blessed Savior." When his sister, Mrs. Kelton, would remind him of his large family of small children and how they would need him, he replied: "The Lord will take care of my wife and children because he has promised." For sometime before his death he praised the Lord and talked with and about Jesus as he would an old acquaintance; and so He was a familiar friend.

W. P. Hamilton.

THOMASSON—Departed this life in Prescott, Ark., February 19, 1896, Sarah Thomasson, nee Tompkins, relict of B. D. Thomasson in the 73d year of her age. She was born in Edenton, Georgia, was connected and became a member of the Church in early life. The family lived for many years in Carrollton, Ga.; they came from that place to Arkansas in 1881 and settled in Prescott.

Many bereavements and other sorrows have befallen the family since they came to this state, but her faith in God has remained unshaken, and her piety has made her home ever sunny with her mellow beauty of Heaven. I cannot think of her as gone—she has fallen asleep and sleeps in Jesus, but she lives in an abiding influence for good. Her children rise up and call her blessed. Every preacher who has been her pastor here will be the better man and better preacher because of his association with her. J. H. Riggin.

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LOOK OUT FOR THEM.

A new turn has been taken by illicit whisky sellers in order to escape the publication of their names in the Methodist. Quite a number have taken out license in places where license is allowed by the state law and transferred them to points where license is not allowed under the state laws. For instance, several persons who wished to sell at Walnut Ridge took their license for Pocahontas, Newport, etc. In this way the name of place at which the party really wishes to sell escapes the notice of those who examine the records. But the Methodist has discovered the little trick and will hereafter give especial attention to all such.

On the 27th of September we gave a list of those who had obtained license up to that time. Then February 19 we gave an additional list of those who had procured license up to February 14. We now give an additional list of those who have procured license to March 23. The three papers taken together will give the names of all from July 1 up.

We also give names of those who took out license at one place and transferred them to another. Most of these transfers were made the same date of their issuance showing clearly that it was simply a subterfuge.

Licenses issued since February 14:

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Thomas C. Skaggs, Huntsville.

List of those who had their license transferred from one place to another. Look after especially:

Name and place where taken out.	Transferred to.
J. C. Davis, Wynne	Harrisburg
R. W. Davidson, Newport	Walnut Ridge
J. A. Deal (malt liquors), Pocahontas	Corning
J. J. Bradley, Paragould	Corning
T. M. Carder, Dallas	Dennison
W. S. Heshley & Co., Malvern	Prescott
W. F. Lovejoy, Rector to near	Rector
J. F. Leslie (malt liquor), Newport	Jonesboro
Lentz & Davidson, Wynne	Walnut Ridge
J. A. Lowery, Texarkana	Lewisville
F. G. Landis, Pine Bluff	Sedgwick
McGarrah & Co., Silver Springs	Cross Hollow
R. D. Medaris, Forrest City	Walnut Ridge
C. L. Moyers, DeVall's Bluff	Roe
Magness & Wilson, Wynne	Newark
P. W. Pinkston, Earle	Park Place
Reagan & Peters, Newport	Walnut Ridge
Ed Stull, Wynne	Jonesboro
Jamees Surridge, Pocahontas	Walnut Ridge
A. W. Townsend, Menefee	Plummerville
C. B. Wenmier & Co., Wynne	Springdale
P. Whalen, Forrest City	Hoxie
Wiggins & Jackson, near Portland to near	Berea
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DIED.

At the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Lanning, 709 West Eleventh street, this city, Sunday morning, March 15, 1896, Jennie Myrtle, beloved wife of Edward Hinkle. The bereaved family have the sympathy of all who have known them in this their sad hour of affliction.

Dear Methodist—Suffer a word to the memory of my departed friend Miss Cora Hicks. For three years at New Lewisville I was her pastor. Among the first to offer their service was Cora. She was never asked by me to do anything for the Church that she did not try. Her devotion to the Church was beautiful. No day was so hot nor night so cold as to keep her from her place at any of the services. I never saw her lose hope. Her faith was always strong and her hope mixed with personal effort. To be in her presence was an inspiration. She was full of the Holy Spirit. Truly her life was hid with Christ in God, a star that will shine on forever; a flower that will continue to unfold; a child of God on earth and will be forever. Her life was beautiful, and her death a perfect triumph.

She lived in touch with God, she died in sight of heaven; as a daughter she was obedient, kind and loving; as a sister, devoted and true; as a friend, affable, helpful and lovable. She is missed here, but welcomed there. Earth has lost and heaven gained. We will cherish her memory, believe in her Savior and seek her home.

Loved ones, she is not dead; only the body sleepeth. Some bright morning she will meet us at the gate. Peace to her dust. Through Jesus Christ we'll meet again where faith ends in sight and hope is lost in gain.

R. W. McKay.

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