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## News and Notes.

Unusually warm weather has pre-  
vailed throughout the country dur-  
ing the past week. This perhaps  
accounts for the frequency and force  
of the storms which are almost daily  
reported. These dreadful visitations  
have scourged Kansas, Iowa, Minne-  
sota, and Illinois this week, destroy-  
ing an immense amount of property  
and killing many persons. Is it  
true that these storms are more fre-  
quent now than in former time? It  
seems so to us, who read every  
morning all the disasters of the last  
twenty-four hours, from sea to sea.  
Yet is it not true that two-thirds,  
even of our old people, never have  
seen a cyclone in their lives? May  
be we are not in so much danger  
from them as we sometimes think.

Army worms are destroying the  
cotton crops in Southern Texas.

The past week has been most sea-  
sonable for Arkansas, and crops con-  
tinue in excellent order.

The papers report more than one  
hundred people killed by the torna-  
dos in Kansas, Iowa, Illinois and  
Michigan the past week.

President Cleveland declines to  
send to the Senate the correspond-  
ence of the State department with  
Spain in regard to American citizens  
in Cuba.

It is reported that Li Hung Chang,  
the great Chinese statesman, now in  
attendance at the coronation of the

Czar in Moscow, denies that there is  
any especial treaty relation existing  
between China and Russia. Chang  
is abroad to study the governments  
of other nations, and says it is his  
purpose to visit England, France  
and America.

Mayor Waters, of Hot Springs,  
Ark., at one stroke of a pen-knife  
killed Mr. Martin, a drummer, on  
the 23rd. The matter was the re-  
sult of an altercation, the facts con-  
cerning which are not reported. It  
is stated that there was no previous  
purpose of harm or anticipation of  
trouble on the part of the Mayor.  
Mr. Waters is under arrest and the  
case will be investigated.

#### \$60.00 FOR DECLAMATIONS.

Offered by Fordyce Oratorical Associa-  
tion.

Fordyce, Ark., Apr. 27, '96.

DEAR SIR:—To arouse greater in-  
terest in speaking among the youth  
of Southern Arkansas, and to show  
appreciation for the efforts of worthy  
young men, the citizens of Fordyce  
have offered two prizes (\$50 and \$10)  
for the two best declaimers. The  
contest is to take place in the Train-  
ing School building, in Fordyce, on  
July 4, 1896.

It is desired that we have one rep-  
resentative from each of the follow-  
ing counties in South Arkansas, viz:  
Hot Spring, Grant, Jefferson, Ser-  
vier, Howard, Pike, Clark, Dallas,  
Cleveland, Lincoln, Desha, Drew,  
Bradley, Calhoun, Ouachita, Ne-  
vada, Hempstead, Little River, Mil-  
ler, La Fayette, Columbia, Union,  
Ashley and Chicot. The principal  
of the school to whom this circular  
is sent is invited to arrange for a  
representative from his county, by a  
preliminary contest, conference with  
other teachers, or by appointment.  
Excursion rates on all railroads on  
that day. The citizens of Fordyce  
will entertain the contestants in their  
homes. Here is an opportunity for  
an ambitious and worthy boy. The  
executive committee will have charge  
of the arrangements and will see that  
the contest is fair. Competent and  
impartial judges will be selected.  
Sixty dollars is deposited in the  
Bank of Fordyce for these prizes.

#### CONDITIONS.

Every speaker must be under 21  
years of age and must have attended  
school in Arkansas during the past  
year. The declamation must not  
exceed ten minutes in length. The  
name of contestant and subject must

be in hands of executive committee  
before June 15th. Every county de-  
siring to enter the contest must no-  
tify the executive committee of such  
purpose before May 20th. In case  
any county does not notify the com-  
mittee before May 20th of its pur-  
pose to accept its representation, the  
committee may allow more than one  
representative from one county, pro-  
vided no county shall have more  
than three representatives. The  
contest is for declamations, not for  
original speeches.

Please have this inserted in your  
county paper. For further informa-  
tion address R. G. BROWN,  
Secy. of Fordyce Oratorical Ass'n.

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retary; Chas. McKee, A. B. Banks,  
C. M. Robertson.

#### LOOK TO THIS.

All duty is Christian duty, for  
Christianity embraces all the good  
that is possible to man in thought,  
purpose, or deed. To neglect any  
known duty is to fall short of what  
Christianity teaches and claims. To  
do any duty from lower motives than  
Christianity enjoins is still to fall  
short.

We suggest these things for our  
readers who somehow imagine  
that the duties of religion and of cit-  
izenship may be separated. Every  
citizen has political duties, but he  
has no duties apart from Christian-  
ity, no duties save those which  
Christian principle alone can prop-  
erly perform.

No Christian man can lend his aid  
to uphold or promote men of wicked  
character and selfish motives, no  
matter what party claims they may  
urge. The State of Arkansas is lit-  
tle divided among political parties.  
It is strongly Democratic. There is  
little issue among the candidates be-  
fore the people but their personal  
merits. It gives our people an ex-  
cellent opportunity to stand for men,  
and regard only the characters of  
men in those whom they select as  
office holders.

But duty is duty. There are no  
duties which can be neglected. It is  
not enough to refrain from aiding the  
wrong. We must throw our con-  
science and reason and effort in fa-  
vor of the right. If we make prog-  
ress in moral reform we must dispute  
every step of the way. Christian  
men will look to this.

## + Personal. +

Bishop Key will preside at the  
Newport District Conference at Im-  
boden, June 24 to 28.

The new Bishops of the M. E.  
Church are Charles C. McCabe and  
Earl Cranston. The former is sixty  
years of age, the latter fifty-six.

Col. Uriah Lott has filed a lien for  
\$309,041.09 against the Little Rock,  
Hot Springs and Texas railroad for  
money expended in construction of  
same.

Mrs. Dr. Merriwether and daugh-  
ter, of Walnut Ridge, are the guests  
of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Workman at  
the residence of our Business Man-  
ager.

Bishop William Taylor, the great  
African missionary, has been de-  
clared ineffective and retired from  
service by the M. E. General Con-  
ference. This will necessitate the  
election of another Bishop for the  
work in Africa.

Rev. E. R. Steele, pastor of As-  
bury Church, this city, attended the  
Epworth League Conference of Hel-  
ena District held last week at Forrest  
City, and rendered very efficient  
help in the exercises. Brother  
Steele is raising a subscription for  
enlarging his church, and the work  
will be done promptly.

Rev C. E. Patillo had a good day  
Sunday last. The First M. E.  
Church, South, of Little Rock,  
though compelled for a time to wor-  
ship in a hall, is continually adding  
to its membership. Preparations to  
rebuild are almost completed. It  
is expected that the chapel will be  
completed by the last of October.

We acknowledge the receipt of a  
beautiful invitation to attend the  
Commencement exercises of the Law  
Department of the University of Ar-  
kansas at Glenwood Park, May 29.  
Prof. Goar has done a fine work with  
the law class this year, as usual.  
Six splendid young men will grad-  
uate and enter upon the practice of  
the profession, to-wit: E. S. Pin-  
dall, X. O. Pindall, C. C. McRae,  
Gordon Frierson, J. G. Dunaway  
and J. Bernhardt.

The North Carolina *Christian Ad-  
vocate* of May 13 is an illustrated  
Epworth League edition. Very op-  
portune it is, and will give an im-  
pulse to a great movement. We like  
to see our Church papers devoted to  
that which is practical. We need  
work much more than debate, and  
Christianity in action is more than  
Christianity in theory. The North  
Carolina *Christian Advocate* is an ex-  
ample on this line.

## Contributions.

## BALTIMORE LETTER.

By Rev. M. B. Chapman, D. D.

One day last week Baltimore enjoyed the unenviable distinction of being the hottest city in the entire United States, the thermometer reaching a maximum of 94 degrees. For ten days we had July weather and the weather bureau reports it as the longest and most severe spell of warm weather ever recorded in this city. A great many people left for the country and the seashore to escape the heat, and some thought that summer had really come to stay. But it was only one of April's breaks, for she is the very impersonation of fickleness and seems to borrow something from nearly every month of the year—a few windy days from March, spells of rain from equinoctial and melancholy fall, an occasional frosty morning from winter, and often a week or so from midsummer. Hence, after amusing herself chasing the mercury up toward the top of the thermometer, she has suddenly cooled down and is now trying to make us believe that the autumn is at hand. Some one said that Mark Twain took a specimen of Missouri weather to the Paris exposition and got the premium, but I am sure that he would not have received the premium if a specimen of Baltimore April weather had been in competition.

I have had the pleasure of hearing several lectures recently delivered by Dr. George Adam Smith, the distinguished Hebrew scholar of Scotland, author of the volumes on Isaiah in the Expositor's Bible, and of the "Geography of Palestine." These lectures were delivered at the Johns Hopkins University on the Turnbull Foundation, and their general subject was "Hebrew Poetry." Dr. Smith is about forty years old, and is a nervous, rapid speaker, reading closely, and with a peculiar Scotch pronunciation. He is professor of Hebrew and Old Testament Exegesis in the Free Church College, Glasgow, Scotland, and of course advocates the higher criticism. But he is an interesting and instructive lecturer, and is thoroughly suited to the terms of the Turnbull Foundation, which require that the lecturer must be one who has gained distinction as a writer of poetry or as a critical student of poetic art.

Every year a number of lectures are delivered by men of world-wide renown at the Johns Hopkins, which are open to the public, and this is a very great privilege which Baltimoreans enjoy. Last year among a number of lectures of this class, were two of special interest by Dr. J. Rendel Harris, Lecturer in Palaeography in the University of Cambridge, in which he gave an account of the discovery of the New Syriac Gospel in the convent of St. Katharine on Mount Sinai. This convent contains vast treasures of manuscripts which for centuries have been untouched. In company with the Scotch ladies, Mrs. Agnes Smith Lewis, and Mrs. James Y. Gibson, Dr. Harris has catalogued over 1,000 of these manuscripts. In doing this work, this Gospel was discovered in this way: Mrs. Gibson found a manuscript which consisted of stories regarding early Christian women. The manuscript was a palimpsest—that is, a manuscript which had been twice written upon, the first writing having been glazed over with some preparation. This preparation had begun to come off and under

it the original writing came to light and was discovered to be an old manuscript of the Gospels in the Palestine Aramaic language, the vernacular doubtless of Christ and the apostles. Mrs. Lewis having gained the good will of the monks, photographs of every page of the palimpsest were obtained.

Three notable omissions are in this Syriac Gospel, viz.: The story of the adulteress and of our Lord writing on the sand, the doxology of the Lord's Prayer, and the last verses of Mark's Gospel. As is known, many other ancient manuscripts omit these, and their authenticity has long been questioned by leading Biblical scholars. Two additions are in this Gospel. In Matthew 27 these words appear: "Which Jesus will you have, Barabbas or Christ?" In the account of the raising of Lazarus this additional expression of Martha is given: "Why are ye taking away the stone?" Mrs. Lewis has recently published a translation of this Palimpsest. The manuscript belongs to a version nearly allied to that discovered by Canon Cureton, but Dr. Harris believes that it is not a duplicate of this letter, but the very first attempt at rendering the Gospel into Syriac.

Trinity Parsonage, Baltimore.

## ON THE GO AND ELSEWHERE.

Our ministry is a going ministry. Our Church a moving Church. If one would keep up he must move and go.

I left home April 10; returned May the 4th. If a Methodist itinerant succeeds he must do one of two things, move his family with him, or be away from home most of the time. Otherwise, failure is inevitable. The above trip was commenced by meeting the Board of Trustees of Hendrix College in Little Rock, and hearing two impressive and inspiring missionary addresses by Bishop Hendrix. This was a good start, and on I went to my work. Brinkley first. Here I found Bro. Willson, the young and deserved popular pastor, busy and deservedly popular pastor, busy arranging for his protracted meeting; Rev. W. H. Evans, "Wild Bill" of Jackson, Tenn., was there to conduct the services. Remained four days; held the q. c., and heard Bro. Evans preach several times. He impressed me as an earnest, good man. He is a man of far more than ordinary ability. But he uses much language and has many performances in the pulpit which, in my judgment, are wholly out of place. My opinion is, that the sooner our pulpits are free from such, the better. It may be claimed that those who preach and act in that way are the most successful soul winners. I venture this statement, their success and efficiency are not lodged at the objectionable points, and if they were left off their usefulness would be greatly increased.

From Brinkley to Cotton Plant, where I found the faithful and systematic Maynard at his post of duty. Spent a day and preached at night. Thence to McCrory. Preached at night to a good week night congregation, mostly women. Thence to Wynne. Preached three times. Held q. c. Bro. Talkington is working earnestly to build up his charge. Some signs of improvement. The officials do not attend official meetings as they should. The young men of Wynne presented their pastor with a nice suit of clothes. Noble and generous act. What next? The editor of the Methodist happened to come this way, and we used him, to the delight and edification of a small, but appreciative congregation. To Lagrange. Spent four days with the true

and tried Farris. Energetic, prudent, good qualities. Preached twice, and visited at different points on his work. Oh, how badly some of our bachelor preachers need a helpmate. It is amusing but delightful to stop with one of these unfortunate brethren and see them try. Bro. Farris will tell you the rest. Caldwell Taylor's Creek Ct. Bro. W. W. Anderson is taking on new life and prosecuting his work like a young man. Right. Preached three times, and held q. c. Thence to Forrest City. Spent a night with Bro. Taylor. It is enough to say

him that his people would gladly keep him longer than this year if the pastoral term were longer. Thence to Brinkley. Three days. Preached twice. Bro. Evans left the day I arrived. A good crowd voted the night before to continue the meeting, but few returned the next night, notwithstanding their old, highly-esteemed ex-pastor, Bro. Farris, preached. A good sermon. No organist; not a member of the choir in place. Not a new convert. Several reported at the service. Alas! alas! the hearts of the people follow the imported evangelist, and the faithful pastor, who remains all the time, visits the homes, especially the sick and poor, and buries the dead, is neglected, almost disregarded. The evangelist is not responsible. But when will our pastors quit encouraging such a course as almost always results in this way? Send for the Holy Ghost! If you have Him you have an abundance of help. "Without Him ye can do nothing." To Howell. Held Bro. Maynard's q. c.; had a good service. Preached four times. Home; family well. Thank the Lord for His good Providence. Conclusion: It is high time.

Two things I can't reconcile to my way of thinking; I am not infallible, but very fallible.

First—The employment of men to conduct revival services who use in their pulpit vulgar language, mimicry.

Second—Women preaching.

The first I believe to be wrong. The second not scriptural. M. M. Smith. Conway, May 5.

## THE ACCOUNT.

Six months from today we must answer "Present" at Paragould and be ready to report. We have been wanting our conference to come off earlier, and so we have it. To be at roll-call and ready to report, brethren, we must begin today and finish only when we bid good-bye to our beloved people, to meet at the date above mentioned. Most earnestly do I urge each preacher to be content with nothing short of a glorious revival on his work, and every cent of the collections ordered by the Annual Conference. It is not as easy for you to do this as it is for me to write it and you to read it, but, brother, it is a possibility, and worthy of a heroic effort on your part. One preacher in the district proposed at his first Quarterly Conference to take up my salary separate from his. I suggested it would hurt him possibly. He replied and said: "If they will pay you they will pay me better." So you, brother, by this interpretation of financial work, will likely get more of your salary by getting the people to give intelligently to these claims. Preach on these claims; explain them. There is some, ay, much information that the membership in general will never get if they don't hear it from the lips of the ministry. "The financial wheel" is the one that is stalled in this district. Help us and we can and will make the best report of the three years I have been your Presiding Elder.

There is not a preacher in the district who will not feel satisfied if the assessment for him is paid, and there is not a burdensome salary in all the district. Laymen and lay women, help in this and all church work. I believe we have a hundred women in the Batesville district if they were entrusted with the P. C. salary would collect every dollar. It might be revolutionary, and I weigh well the word I am going to say to provide for the election of a woman as stewardess where one is found who possesses the requirements mentioned in 189—pp. 87. I know full well where this leads—right where our M. E. N. brethren have tussled for a week and occasioned the tallest debate since '44. Well, it is coming not only North but South, East and West. Do, brother, your dead, cool level. best from now till the 17th day of November; then start to Paragould and if the Bishop says "my brother, did you do your best?" you can say, "Yes, sir" without, under all the circumstances I did, Bishop. Don't see how little work you can do, but how much, and how well I can do what I do do.

Jas. F. Jernigan.  
Cushman, May 18, 1896.



IN getting up a wedding trousseau, think how many women are tired out: Dress-makers, seamstresses, "shop-girls," milliners—all hard-worked and weary over it; to say nothing of the young lady herself. Sitting or standing all day is the hardest kind of work; it gives you no healthy well-balanced exercise; part of the body is overworked and the rest of it is under-worked. The system grows sluggish; the appetite is poor, the stomach is out of order; the bowels are constipated, you have headaches and dizzy spells. It's impossible for you to take as much out-of-door exercise in the daylight as you need. The best help you can have in the circumstances is a simple laxative medicine like Doctor Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. They will, as nearly as any medicine can, supply the want of free exercise which is lacking in all in-door work. They cure dyspepsia, biliousness and constipation in a pleasant, gradual, natural way. There is no gripping or weakening effect with the "Pleasant Pellets;" they act surely but gently; they promote liver-action, and give tone and strength to the stomach and intestines to do their own work. When you become regular the "Pellets" can be stopped. You don't have to take them forever. The cure is permanent.

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## Contributed

### RELATION BETWEEN THE LEAGUE AND SUNDAY-SCHOOL WORK.

(Read by Marcia Lee Holmes before the Monticello District Sunday-School Conference.)

It is useless for me to attempt, you to entertain, the idea of exhausting this subject in any limited discussion; for it is as broad as the fields of thought and deep as the ocean; hence we must necessarily violate one of the laws of discussion—completeness. However, we hope to be able to say something that will invigorate your energies and impel to great zeal in taking this grand land of ours for God and Heaven.

We are proud to discuss such a subject as this; it seems that we can see in it the hopes for future years, and upon this kind of work hangs the destiny of succeeding generations. This subject involves principles that will influence and control the sentiments of the youth; and as the useful mind is nurtured and trained as the youthful mind is nurtured and trained will be the finished product of a man or woman—"As the twig is bent, so the tree is inclined." We might first ask the all-important question, what is the object of both League and Sunday-school? The answer comes back in clear and thrilling tones: "To save men and women, boys and girls from the awful fate of a lost soul!" Just think of that, will you? As to the great end in view—as to the motive power of both League and Sunday-school workers, there is no difference; the same spirit must predominate in both, the same object—the saving of immortal souls—must be the impetus of all grand and noble action in any department of life. Yes, our highest aim and most vigorous action should be to glorify God; for what are we, and who is our King? Listen!

"Art divine has made the body tutor to the soul;  
Heaven kindly gives our blood a moral flow;  
Bids it ascend the glowing cheek and then  
Upraised that little heart in glorious aim  
Which stoops to court a character from man;  
While o'er us, in tremendous judgment sit  
Far more than man, with endless praise and blame."

Should we treat this subject in its proper light and true sense, we must have an analysis of League and Sunday-school, and while we attempt this analysis, we hope you will be able to discern the relationship existing between the two works. The League certainly must have for its work a different territory from that of the Sunday-school, or else it was a piece of folly to institute such an organization as the League. The Sunday-school should take charge of the child very early, even before it has any conception as to what the object is, for a great many people make a sad mistake right here by allowing the children to stay out of Sunday-school until they have found many erroneous ideas and never are able to enjoy the school work. The infant mind should be shaded after the "Grand Model," and for this to be done properly the work should be begun as soon as possible.

Friends, very often seed are sown in the Sunday-school that lie latent for many years, and even then environments are brought about, such as to cause germination, and the little seed is animated, and by a continued process of evolution it finally becomes a yielder of fruit in rich abundance, scattering health and happiness and blessed sunshine to many a sick and weary soul. The Sunday-school has charge of the child early and should have him as long as life exists; but, sad to relate, so many of our young people drop out of Sunday-school between the ages of 12 and 21. Then and there is presented a golden opportunity for the League to display its usefulness. Must all this youthful zeal be now left for Satan to utilize, for if God does not, he will. No! No! God forbid! Come, Leaguers, buckle on the armor of Jesus and the right and march in procession with one mighty tread and solid phalanx against the stronghold of the evil one. Right at this place the League is doing a grand work. You are all now more or

less familiar with the details of Sunday-school work, but for the benefit of some who are less familiar with the operations of the League, we will take a cursory review of its field of action. We could not better show you how it stands as a relative of the Sunday-school. The League is an organization for the up-building and edification of every nature of the young man or woman, whether social, intellectual or religious. Yes, it supplements the Sunday-school work. One has to be above the age of 12 (I believe) before he or she is eligible to membership in the League. There are three departments of work in the League. First, the department of worship. Every religious institution must have as its advisor and counselor Him "who doeth all things well." That is, if the institution has for its watchword "Success." In

is department the young Christian learns to pray in public and speak a word for Jesus when it is needed. Here it is that he or she can commune with God as friend to friend and feel the great heartbeat of the Almighty strike a responsive chord in his own nature, which makes music sweeter than the song of the evening star or the whisper of angels. Oh, one of the most sublime scenes on this earth is a young man or woman talking with God! Second, the department of charity and help. It has been said, and wisely so, "Feed the poor and then preach them the gospel." That was Christ's plan. A Christian, young or old who does not work is not worthy of the name. This work of charity and help is not specifically found in the Sunday-school. Look at the young Christian woman as she carries a basket of flowers into some poverty-stricken and sick room. Those delicacies she has brought prove a mighty, healing balm; and when she passes out it seems like the "ceasing of exquisite music." Oh! by and by she is going to blossom on some celestial shore and be imbued with the dews of Heaven! Look at that young man as he extends a helping hand to some fallen brother; or as he sits beside the bed of a dying sinner and points him to "the beautiful gates that stand ajar." That is love; that is the charity of the League. It is also the business of this department to help in collections and other matters of vital importance. Third, the department of literary work. This is also a special feature that is not found in the Sunday-school work. Do you know the mind is not going to grow without exercise, and along whatever line it is exercised, there is the place where growth will be found? Just so. Then how important it is to give the mind healthful food. It is said that so many young people have cultivated a taste for impure and foul literature. If we would glorify God, we must use the king of faculties—reason. How unreasonable it is that boys and girls will read trash when we have so much high and elevating literature. An orator once said: "One of the greatest blessings God could give a young man or woman is a love for good books." It is true, reading and assimilating good books will take our mind off the low and sordid things of this life and place our thoughts on a grander and nobler plane. "Oh, books! ye monuments of the mind! concrete wisdom of the wisest, sweet solaces of daily life, proofs of results and immortality." Ulysses, that much-wandered man, after going all over Greece, upon his arrival home, said: "I am a part of all I have met. So it is in reading—we are what we read. When we take a view of what is yet unread by us, we feel our insignificance. Bacon, the great philosopher, said that he was only playing upon the sandy beach, with the mighty ocean of learning unexplored before him. That man, who was so wise that he could almost think the thoughts of God, felt his ignorance. How much more should we. The Sunday-school has taught the child who to look to for help and instilled in him a desire for something higher, and then the League, through its literary department, affords him ample opportunity for an abundant research and pure food for the soul. The Sunday-school is doing a glorious work! Who doubts that the League is occupying a field that has never before been filled. It is a success, and will continue to be, for God has pledged His help and power—that power that made a thousand worlds and holds them in perpetual balance—that power that rides on the bosom of the tempest in a chariot of lightning—that power that confounded chaos with order and laid the foundation

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of the universe deep down into nothing—that power that placed the constellations as beacon lights upon the masts of eternity—that power that has lit up the mansion of the skies with ten thousand suns—that power is pledged to help us—can it do it? Take courage, friends, for the League and Sunday-school are instruments in the hands of the Lord for the salvation of the world, and these bands of workers are marching on to that grand and final victory. They are revolutionizing the world and joining man in one sweet relationship—"that of brotherhood."

"Then let us pray that come it may—  
As come it will, for a' that—  
That sense and worth o'er all the earth,  
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## Contributions.

## OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, May 20.—The United States Supreme Court this week handed down an important decision, affirming the constitutional right of a state to compel railroads to observe a Sunday rest law. The case grew out of the indictment of the superintendent of the Alabama Great Southern Railroad, in Dade County, Georgia, for violation of the state law, which forbids the running of any freight train in that state on the Sabbath day. A plea of not guilty was made, and the defense set up that the law was in conflict with the clause of the Federal Constitution giving Congress the power to regulate commerce among the states. The defendant was convicted, and the conviction was affirmed by the Georgia Supreme Court, and the case appealed to the United States Supreme Court. Mr. Justice Harlan delivered the opinion, affirming the decision of the Georgia courts, in which he stated the conclusion of the court to be "that such a law, although in a limited degree, affecting interstate commerce, is not for that reason a needless intrusion upon the domain of federal jurisdiction, nor strictly a regulation of interstate commerce, but, considered in its own nature, is an ordinary police regulation, designed to secure the well being and to promote the general welfare of the people within the state by which it was established, and, therefore, not invalid by force alone of the Constitution of the United States."

Rev. W. R. Stricklen, pastor off Hamline M. E. Church, said during an address to a mass meeting held at that church under the auspices of the Anti-Saloon League, that if someone offered to pay an enormous price for the privilege of poisoning the drinking water of a city it would not be very much, if any, worse than the action of the saloon-keepers, who pay a price to the authorities for the privilege of poisoning the public by selling liquor. Among the otherspeakers at the meeting was Representative Morse, of Massachusetts, who suggested, in view of the murders, suicides, and pauperism resulting directly from rum drinking, that a skull and cross bones should be put over every saloon door to mark it as the enemy of God and man.

Many who agree with the fundamental principles of the American Protective Association, the Supreme Council of which closed its annual session herethis week, regret that the council should have devoted so much of its time to partisan politics, and believe that it will result in retarding the growth of the association to allow it to be used by politicians.

Representative Little, of Arkansas, is anxious to put Congress on record on his bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor in the capitol building, and if the committee on rules will favorably report a resolution he introduced this week he will accomplish his object, so far as the House is concerned. The resolution provides that a time shall be set to vote on the bill.

Early in the present session of Congress the House passed a bill regulating billiard and pool rooms in the District of Columbia, making it unlawful "to sell or to allow to be sold in the same room or a room connected with and opening out of or adjacent to such room, spirituous, vinous or malt liquors." The bill was returned from the Senate this week with the clause quoted eliminated and in place of it one prohibiting minors playing in billiard or pool rooms where liquor is sold.

Representative Dingley, of Maine, made a spirited fight against the change made in the bill and succeeded in carrying the House with him, with only nine dissenting votes. To make sure that the House should not be misunderstood, Mr. Dingley offered a resolution, which was promptly adopted, instructing the conferees on the part of the House to insist upon the retention in the bill of the prohibition of the sale of liquors in billiard and pool rooms. Mr. Dingley says he has no objection to the bill being amended so as to prohibit minors playing in these places, but he is not willing, in order to get that reform, to sacrifice the greater reform of stopping the sale of liquor in such places. It is understood that the Senate amendment was inspired by the liquor interests.

Representative Morse made a strong temperance speech in the House, in reply to a speech made by Representative Evans, of Kentucky, in favor of the bill allowing whisky in bond to be bottled, which was afterwards passed. He began by saying: "Mr. Speaker, my friend from Kentucky (Mr. Evans) has urged an argument in favor of drinking that large revenue is raised by the government from this source, and that this helps to pay the taxes. Mr. Speaker and gentlemen, I believe there would be as much statesmanship, and sense, and philosophy, in inoculating men with smallpox and then laying a tax on coffins to raise revenue as in raising revenue by licensing men to carry on this business of making paupers and beggars, and suicides, and murderers. God pity the community, town, city, state or nation that raises revenue that way."

REV. JOHN M'LANCHLAN, M. D., D. D.,

Was my pastor at the time I was licensed to preach, and my trusted counsellor and a valued friend ever since. I knew him well. At no period was there any misunderstanding or coolness between us. He was of a warm and impulsive nature. Those who did not know him well never understood him. They thought him cold, critical and unapproachable. But upon intimate acquaintance these appearances vanished. He was as companionable as a boy. The warm, generous nature shown out clear and sweet. He loved his friends ardently and unselfishly.

Guileless as a child, he had nothing to conceal and was therefore utterly free from policy. Open, frank, manly, brave, he never disguised his sentiments, acted a part, evaded an issue, or retreated from a foe. He had an unspeakable contempt for duplicity. He loved children and manly men.

His mind was analytical and incisive. His logical processes were so quick that it seemed intuition. His wit was as breezy as his native heather, his sarcasm as sharp as the sword of the Cavalier whose descendant he was. He was loved by his friends and dreaded by his enemies.

He was a gentleman by birth and education, a Methodist by instinct and by chance, and a Christian by the grace of God.

A Scotchman by birth, he became an American of the finest type. Raised to manhood in New York, he was as true a Southerner as if "to the manner born," and served with distinction as an officer in the Confederate Army. Trained a Presbyterian, but a truer and more loyal son of Methodism never had.

Rest sweetly, Brother Mac, till angels shout the Harvest Home.

J. R. MOORE,

Stephens, May 20.

## RESOLUTIONS ON THE DEATH OF DR. M'LAUCHLAN.

Whereas, Our Heavenly Father, in His infinite wisdom, has seen fit to call to his reward our beloved pastor, Bro. McLauchlan, who labored so long and faithfully among us; and

Whereas, He was constant, zealous and ever alert to the highest interests of the Sunday-school, thereby endearing him to teachers and pupils alike; and

Whereas, We recognize that the Church has received an irreparable loss in his death, that the community has lost a noble and great citizen, and his family a noble husband and an affectionate father.

Therefore, be it Resolved, That we, members of the Sunday-school, highly appreciating his wise counsels and the influence of his intensely religious life, take this method of expressing our deep and heartfelt sorrow at his demise, and further, that we, holding in grateful remembrance his exemplary life, strive to emulate his many virtues, and cherish his timely admonitions.

Resolved, That we tender his family our sympathy and sincere condolence, ever praying the blessings of the Father upon them until the meeting beyond the River.

Resolved, That we furnish the Arkansas Methodist, and also his family, with a copy of these resolutions.

E. R. Cotham,  
A. M. Beel,  
Church Committee.  
J. E. Erwin,  
Miss Omie Stewart,  
Sunday-school Committee.

## WHEN NATURE

Needs assistance it may be best to render it promptly, but one should remember to use even the most perfect remedies only when needed. The best and most simple and gentle remedy is the Syrup of Figs, manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Company.

## THE STATE EPWORTH LEAGUE CONFERENCE.

The Epworth League Conference of the State of Arkansas convenes in Little Rock June 23 to 25, inclusive. Rev. James Thomas, of this city, is president of the State organization. A program of much interest has been prepared, in which many of the young men and women of the State will take part. Bishop J. S. Key, of the M. E. Church, South, and Bishop Ninde, of the M. E. Church, and Dr. S. A. Steer, secretary of the Epworth League Department, will be in attendance. Also Judge L. H. Estes, of Memphis. This will doubtless be the largest gathering of Christian young people ever assembled in Arkansas. The local chapters are making preparations to entertain from 1000 to 5000 young people. The railroads will give special rates, and have indicated to Mr. Thomas a willingness to give the lowest rates ever obtained in the State.

The hotels will also give reduced rates. The city will put on its holiday attire in honor of this great gathering.

The meetings will be held at Glenwood Park. The program is as follows:

## TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 1896.

8 p. m. Reception of delegates. Address of welcome.

On part of Christian Endeavor Societies, Rev. S. G. Miller, Little Rock.

On part of the city, Mayor Woodson, Little Rock.

On part of Churches and Epworth Leagues, Junius Jordan, Little Rock.

Response, Rev. L. B. Hawley, Hot Springs, Ark.

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 1896.

Sunrise prayer meeting at Glenwood Park, led by Rev. Sam Goddard, assisted by Miss Stella Barr.

8 a. m. G. N. Hart, presiding. Special topic, "League Presidents."

President, (1). His Duties. Miss Mary Parke, Fort Smith, Ark.

(2). His Qualifications. Mr. W. B. Ricks, Jonesboro, Ark.

General discussion for fifteen minutes. Fifteen minutes intermission.

9:20 a. m. J. M. Gannaway, presiding. First Vice President. (1). Points of Excellence. J. M. Hughey, Monticello, Ark.

(2). Causes of Failure. Miss Mary L. Sheppe, Hot Springs, Ark.

General discussion twenty minutes. Ten minutes intermission.

11 a. m. Sermon, "Office and Work of the Holy Spirit," by Bishop J. S. Key. Adjournment.

## WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

3 p. m. Mr. A. E. Holloway, presiding. Special topic, "Second Vice President, Charity and Help."

Essential Elements, Miss Ada Remmel, Newport, Ark.

Work in This Department, Dr. Thos. Douglass, Ozark, Ark.

General discussion twenty minutes. Ten minutes intermission.

4:30 p. m. "A Religious Life in Contrast to Mere Church Membership," Judge L. H. Estes, Memphis, Tenn.

Followed by a "Talking Meeting."

## WEDNESDAY EVENING.

8 p. m. President presiding. "The League in Its Relation to Social and Missionary Operations."

(1). The Whisky Traffic. Mr. J. F. Munday, Russellville, Ark.

(2). Christian Citizens. Mr. Fred Hudson, Pine Bluff, Ark.

(3). Missionary Enterprises. Miss Nettie Hammond, Conway, Ark.

(4). Church Finances. Mr. W. R. Gannaway, Fort Smith, Ark.

(5). Our Educational Enterprises. A. G. Russell, Hot Springs.

## THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 1896.

Sunrise prayer meeting, led by Judge L. H. Estes.

8 a. m. Mr. J. M. Workman, presiding. Special topic, "Third Vice President."

(1). His Duties. Miss Stella Jennings, Ozark, Ark.

(2). Plan, Purpose and Possibilities. Miss Jennie Gainer, Jonesboro.

(3). Systematic Bible Study. Mr. T. W. Dantzler, Little Rock.

Ten minutes intermission.

9:30 a. m. Wm. Sherman, presiding. "The League as an Educational Force."

(1). League Music. Mr. Fred Woodcock, Malvern.

(2). Doing Things by Method. Miss Holcomb, Fayetteville, Ark.

(3). Church Manners. Mr. G. N. Hart, Pine Bluff, Ark.

(4). Cultivation of Liberty. Mrs. Harriet Musselman, Little Rock.

(5). Junior Work. Miss Georgia Ames.

A short discussion after each paper. Ten minutes intermission.

11 a. m. Bishop Ninde, Rev. J. R. Moore.

## THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

3 p. m. Reports from Leagues. Exemplification of Work. Little Rock League.

Election of officers.

## THURSDAY EVENING.

8 p. m. Love feast. By Bishop J. S. Key.

Dear Methodist: The young people's societies of all churches are coming to our help. The Baptist Unions are taking delegates to the coming Conference. The Endeavor societies are enthusiastic in their support of the coming Conference. Our First Church, the mother of us all, is throwing open her homes with an enthusiasm never before known. Winfield is doing her best to keep up with her mother, while Asbury and Dye Chapel are right up to concert pitch. The Main Street M. E. Church and Ebenezer M. E. Church are alongside of our best, all things considered. When the young Methodists reach Little Rock, for a few days, at least, you will forget that the two great branches of Methodism are divided.

James Thomas,  
State President.

Dear Methodist: On to Little Rock. The young people are becoming enthused all over the State. They are coming, they are coming. In great crowds they are coming! Little Rock Leagues are ready to receive 5,000. Let young Methodists come from every quarter, from every Church, whether you have a chapter or not. This is to be a great Methodist gathering. Come filled with prayer and song.

Let the chapters send up the required \$2 to Prof. Granville Goodloe, Arkadelphia, or bring with you to the Conference. The State constitution requires the payment of \$2 by each chapter in the State. You can procure a copy of the State constitution by addressing Prof. Granville Goodloe, Arkadelphia.

Wake up, young Methodists! Wake up!! This Conference is for you.

James Thomas,  
State President.

## Literary Table.

LESSONS FROM THE ORIENT—  
PUBLIC SPIRIT.

Public spirit is the antithesis of "laissez faire." It is based upon the conception of what is rightly termed the "body politic," which considers the community or the State as an organism having a life of its own, and not a mere concourse of atoms. It is a conception which can only exist in its completed form, where the truths of Christianity are woven into the thought and life of the people. No other system of faith is able to show such an interdependence of parts in society as together to constitute a whole which can be called a "body." For this reason, if for no other, there is in Oriental countries no such thing as what we mean by public spirit.

In China the term public denotes "official" as distinguished from non-official. We speak of a road as a "public thoroughfare," meaning that it is to be used by the public, and is not subject in any way to private control. In China some roads are "official roads" because they have been selected for the use of officials and government couriers, though any one can travel on them. Other "roads" there must of necessity be, but they are mere tracks over somebody's land, for the use of which the consent of the owner was never asked and was never given. Such roads constantly become impassable owing to the absolute refusal of every one to bestow any trouble on their repair, and then the stream of travel tries to take a course as nearly as possible parallel to the "road," so as to avoid loss of time. The use of collateral land always threatens and often destroys the crops, and the owner of the land tries to prevent it by erecting high banks, digging deep moats, etc., hoping to confine the travelers to the impassable road. As the travelers refuse to be confined unless there is no escape, the result is an "inimitable war."

In the towns, any one who wants to do anything for which the narrow compass of contracted court yards for tiny shop areas is inadequate, betakes himself to the street as a matter of course. In Peking and other Chinese cities a large part of the common trades are carried on in the open streets which fortunately are very wide. But it is the same in other cities where the streets are mere lanes. Whoever first gets hold of a spot has a "right" to it and Oriental rights are unbalanced by any corresponding duties. The Western traveler in the Orient who essays to pass through a street, and who finds it completely occupied by a long web of silk or cotton, or transformed into a ropewalk, has an injured feeling that there is here a trespass against the "public," and if perchance he has to wait for "an odd half-day," while a country bumpkin chops up a huge tree which he has judiciously felled across a thoroughfare, his dissatisfaction is pronounced. These evils are definite and glaring, but they are a consistent outcome of an inadequate view of social life, and of a condition of absolute ignorance of economic and scientific principles.

But in Western lands where the theory of society may be of a very exalted type, it not infrequently comes to pass that the actual practice is not widely different from that of the Orient. Every one who is aware that there are certain parts of every large American city where the

sidewalks are almost entirely devoted to the uses of the firms doing business on the adjacent lots. There are no doubt municipal regulations on the subject, but in these particular districts the regulations do not apply, or at any rate, are not enforced. That is to say, these sections of our cities are thoroughly Oriental, and we accept the fact with submission, and either travel by some other streets, or walk, if at all, in the road. Next to municipal maladministration, the most surprising instance of lack of public spirit to be found on this broad continent is unquestionably to be met with in the neglect of public roads. When the country was new and raw, and when all the energies of the first settlers were of necessity devoted to clearing paths through primeval forests, it was no wonder that mere tracks passed muster as roads. But although this stage of inchoate civilization has some score of years gone by, and in some states more than a century ago, the condition remains to a great extent substantially the same as ever. It has often been pointed out, and it cannot be too often pointed out, that in the matter of good roads we are not only a hundred years behind the times, but we are actually lagging in the rear of almost every country of the civilized world. Yet until the advent of the bicycle, nothing seemed to make any permanent impression upon the American people, not even the absolute demonstration of the great financial loss to which the farmers especially are annually subjected by the absence of thoughtful and energetic care for public highways. In the generation which has grown up since the civil war, there is doubtless much less sensitiveness to criticism from foreigners than there was before that great epoch. Yet we still wince when we are told that with the exception of a comparatively small number of model towns, mainly in New England and the Middle Atlantic states, we keep our villages in a condition which has been described as "uncombed." Next to a revival of the civic spirit, we need a national era of "village improvement societies," which shall create such a sentiment that the present unkempt condition of so large a part of our towns shall be succeeded by a more adequate representation of what with our wonderful possibilities we can do and ought to do.

That wastefulness which is one of our social vices is infused with a lack of public spirit appalling to contemplate. If there is in reality such a thing as a continuous social life, then for us to ignore and defraud it is not less than a crime. In this aspect the waste of the resources of the land by the cultivation of exhausting crops, our destruction of the supplies of timber involving the ruin of the watercourses and the inundation of vast tracts of fertile territory, alternating with a deficient supply of water when it is vitally needed—all these are likewise highly immoral, as well as improvident. The dense populations of China without any game laws at all, of their own motion respect the natural right of wild animals and birds to propagate their species in peace. But with us such laws are largely inoperative, not because the thirst for the "sport" is incomparably stronger than any impulse to act for the benefit of society as a whole.

We pride ourselves upon our "advanced civilization," and suppose that because we issue more patents annually than any other nation, we must therefore be "the heirs of all the ages in the foremost files of time." But a very cursory observation of the conduct of

Americans in any part of the world is sufficient to show that we are not yet in secure possession of the rudiments of true civilization, which consists in subordinating the physical to the mental, and the mental to the moral. It is alleged with apparent truth that when it comes to souvenirs there are no more destructive travelers in the world than our countrymen. The finger of an Apollo, or the nose of the Sphinx, is none too good for them, although there are seldom enough of these delicacies to go round among the countless hordes who roam the earth, and register from the great republic.

Vandalism abroad is matched by vulgarity at home, as is seen in nearly all the public buildings of the lands, the walls of which must be profusely plastered with coarse sand to secure them from the pencil scribbles who swarm like gnats in a summer day. At the Columbian Exposition the superficial idea of nearly all the state buildings was defaced with the names of semi-barbarians who had no other conception of enjoyment than to advertise their own inanity. Indeed, the most conspicuous feature of that great exhibition appeared to be the fact that those for whom it was designed were still in the stage when the ten commandments were an absolute necessity. At every turn one met the warning to "keep out," to "keep off," and positively not to touch, with the pointed comment:

"This means you," as in almost every case it probably did.

We must regard this condition of things, however, as but a passing phase of our imperfectly developed civilization. We should not be surprised if within the next five hundred years it should have entirely passed away, and perhaps it may do so within even three hundred years. In either case it is our duty as well as our privilege to do what we may to hasten the coming era of an enlightened and an all-pervasive public spirit in America.—A. H. Smith in New York Observer.

## THE PRINCE OF PHILANTHROPISTS.

The Hebrew race is supposed by some to be primarily and only a race of money-getters. To be sure, their success in commercial life has been and is truly wonderful. They have amassed untold wealth. At this day they own nearly all the great department stores of New York, Chicago and other American cities, and they are in the front rank of every great financial enterprise in America, and doubtless they occupy a similar position in other lands. But they are something else besides, or they could not have produced a man like Baron de Hirsch, who was the very personification of altruism. Baron de Hirsch, whose fortune, gained for the most part by his phenomenal business ability, is estimated at \$200,000,000, employed his wealth principally for the uplifting of the downtrodden people of his own race. No man of the century has done so much for them as he. He especially helped the persecuted Jews of Russia in emigrating to foreign lands. For those who came to the United States he established a fund of \$2,500,000 for educational and industrial purposes. But his most comprehensive scheme of benevolence was his colony in the Argentine Republic, where he bought a tract, it is said, of 7,000,000 acres, on which to settle Jews, and allotted 150 acres to every family, the land to be paid for in installments. All of the expenses of their transportation and settlement were paid out of a \$10,000,000

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But it was not the Jews alone that were remembered. His philanthropy was as wide as human need itself. He gave away fortunes, without distinction as to class or creed. It is said, too, that few know the thousands of small things he and his wife were constantly doing to lighten the burden of the poor.

Baron de Hirsch was not a religious Jew, not a "national Jew," like his predecessor, Sir Moses Montefiore, whose interest centered in the political restoration of the race in Palestine. His philanthropic operations tended rather to still further scatter the race over the face of the earth. What he cared for most was to see his people prosperous and happy; he had no anxiety as to their religious or prophetic future.—Christian Guardian.

## Book Notices.

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May 25, 1896.  
E. S. & L. C. Maloney, solicitors for plaintiff.

## The Sunday School.

PREPARED BY REV. JAS. A. ANDERSON.

Lesson for May 31, 1896.

## THE DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM FORETOLD.

Luke 21:20-36.

## GOLDEN TEXT.

"Heaven and earth shall pass away; but my words shall not pass away." (Ver. 33.)

TOPICAL OUTLINE.—I. Coming Calamities. (Verses 20-27.) II. The Duty of Watchfulness. (Verses 28-36.)

TIME—Tuesday evening, April 4, A. D. 30.

PLACE.—On the slope of Olivet.

## HOME READINGS.

S. Judgments Predicted. Luke xxi. 20-36  
M. Calamities Foretold. Mark xiii. 8-20  
T. Portentous Signs. Matt. xxiv. 14-29  
W. Jerusalem to Be Destroyed. ....

.....Isa. v. 6-17  
T. Christ's Coming. .... 1 Thess. iv. 16, 17  
F. Saints Judge With Christ. ....

.....Dan. vii. 27  
S. A Sure Refuge. .... Isa. xxvi. 1-14

Reference Word, "Judgment."

Lesson Hymn, No. 591.

Jesus had just left the Temple—left it forever. It was Tuesday before the Friday on which he died. He had spent the day in the Temple. He had earnestly taught and faithfully warned. His ministry had been rejected, though coming in manifold ways, and growing in intensity to the last day. But it was over, so far as the rulers and the people were concerned. Henceforth he will have no word for them. Their national probation has ended. The knell of death will soon be struck. His faithful ministry ended. He bids farewell to their Temple and earnestly withdraws with the Twelve. The complacency of a good conscience he has, but what thought must have stirred within him as he thus consigns "His own" to their doom.

As He passed out of the Temple the disciples interrupted his thoughts: "Master, see what stones and what buildings are here!" Their thoughts were on the sensuous still. The Temple, with its grand courts, its gilded splendors and its venerable associations was a most worthy place—fitting headquarters for the Messiah's kingdom. They may have observed the sad undertone of their Master's speech that day, and would now call His mind to the fact that matters were not wholly bad; He should at least have magnificent buildings in which to conduct his government. How like children is this!

As they sat on the slopes of Olivet, overlooking the Temple buildings, they asked Him what He meant by saying that the city and Temple should be destroyed. With accustomed, unstudied simplicity he draws a graphic picture of the future. The city shall be compassed about with armies; the day of the divine vengeance has come; commotion of nations; earthquakes, famine and pestilence; fearful signs in the heavens; the sword and death and captivity for the inhabitants of Jerusalem; the heavens and the earth and the sea shall be involved in a mighty convulsion. But amid the death throes of nations will be felt and seen the birth throes of the kingdom of God. Therefore, be not afraid; not a hair of your heads shall perish. Only when you see these things, look out for your safety. If you are out in the open country of Judea, do not attempt to take refuge in Jerusalem; the city is gone; flee to the mountains. If

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The Book of Revelation itself is an elaboration of these statements. It is a description of the tribulations through which the early church should pass; of her ultimate triumph, and of the destruction of her enemies. John saw the things which Christ foretold. They are mistaken who interpret that book as dealing with a thousand and one things, stretching all through the Christian ages, except, indeed, in so far as the general course of divine providence is the same as the particular course which is here outlined.

So also we do not lay much stress on the interpretation of this lesson whereby it is made to apply to the second coming of Christ and the end of the world. Doubtless as Christ spoke these words his prophetic vision swept out to the time of his second coming. By a natural association of ideas it would be so, for there are many points of similarity between the destruction of Jerusalem, with its attendant wonders, and the end of the world. One event is a prophecy of the other. The same God who thus ended national probation, midst the anguish of reprobate Jews, will also one day end race probation midst the distress and wailing of sinners of all nations. The same Church which triumphed midst the tribulations of that day shall also wave palms of victory on the last great day, yet to come. The same Christ, who was vindicated and enthroned for the infant Church then, shall be vindicated and enthroned for a universal Church when the final crowning day shall come. It will be Heaven's great jubilee and the whole Church of God shall sing the coronation anthem, while Heaven's hierarchy shall join the chorus.

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MAY 31, 1896.

### VOWS AND CHURCH RELATIONS.

Christian life is never secret and hidden. Though its principles are by the Holy Ghost implanted in the human heart, and it has its springs not in worldly motives, it must have an outward manifestation. All the principles and motives of Christian life have their fruit in action, and it is for goodness in conduct that they exist.

The outgoings of life, its forces delivered upon the world are in what men say and in what they do.

It is essential that our words, our professions and declarations should be upon the side of religion. One to be God's servant needs so to declare himself. He should stand in no equivocal station, but in all he says give his influence to the cause of God.

But Jesus never encouraged boastful professions, nor did he teach us to regard what men say so much as what they do. The saying is not difficult. Profession should therefore be modest. The loud-mouthed are found to be the false and hollow. One who boasts of his goodness is sure to be a fraud. The word of an honest man is good as gold, but an honest man never asks you to take his bond. He wishes you to prove him in action. Jesus cautioned us against noisy professors. "Not every one that saith unto me Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of my Father, which is in heaven." He further teaches that this boastful, wordy piety is pretence with which many will cover a false and hypocritical life. "Many will say unto me in that day, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name," etc. Again in the description of those who are saved Jesus representst them as thinking they have done nothing for Him.

We must take a lesson from Jesus' words at the close of His life: "I have glorified Thee on the earth, I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do."

This is every man's mission and work. The work which God has given us, and which he daily gives us is not something lying beyond our sphere. It is the work constantly presented in the home or in the social or business circles where we move. We serve the Master only as we love and help our fellow-man. It is goodness that counts for Godliness. Love is the fulfilling of the law. But love reaches to God only through goodness to God's creatures. If you love not the child you need not protest your love for the parent. All God's plan concerning men is for their good, not His gain, and in harmony with that plan we must constantly labor. The Master will own that labor, "Inasmuch

as ye did it unto one of the least of these ye did it unto me."

In social or church relations there devolve upon us some duties which are social. These are such as relate to the feelings and opinions of others. A respectful deference is due a Christian brother even when he holds a view which you may regard as whimsical. If meat make your brother to offend, for his sake abstain from it.

### MISSOURI STATE EPWORTH LEAGUE CONFERENCE.

Dear Dr. Godbey: Will you please state in your paper that we are making arrangements for a most profitable and delightful State Epworth League Conference at Pertle Springs, Mo., July 31 and August 1 and 2. Our programme is being arranged and we will have speakers of the first rank to address the conference. Our general plan is to make the conference a "School of League Work," and the speakers are selected from among the most successful workers. With your permission I shall send you a programme as soon as it is completed, for publication in the Arkansas Methodist. I am confident our conference will be of so excellent a character that our Leaguers will be amply repaid for attending and can most earnestly urge them to attend. As a state organization we hope to accomplish great things for our Master and are anxious for all Leaguers in the state to feel that they are under obligations to do a part of the work. If you will kindly make a notice of these things in your paper, I shall be very thankful. Yours truly,

Edwin P. Ryland.

### EPWORTH MISSIONARY MEETING AT WALDO, ARK.

Dear Methodist: Our Epworth League Missionary Mass Meeting was a success. We had fifteen papers and a number of fine speeches. Each one had studied his subject well and their thoughts were clear and concise. There was not a poor production in all the meeting. The music was excellent. Bros. E. F. Wilson, J. R. Moore, W. E. Boggs, G. W. Hill and J. R. Cason were present and helped much in preaching and speech-making. That prince among laymen, "Uncle" Daniel Pipkin, was there. His earnest prayers will not soon be forgotten. He led the love feast Sunday morning, and it was a power.

Mrs. S. O. Couch came on Friday and gave us a fine paper on woman's work, and after an earnest appeal from Bros. Moore and Boggs a Woman's Missionary Society was organized with eighteen members.

Sunday was a great day. The spirit of God was there convicting, reproving and convincing sinners. The people of God were filled with faith and hope and love. From the 7th to 10th of May, 1896, will always be a bright spot in the history of Waldo. We were all so disappointed that you could not come. Your brother,

R. W. McKay.

### ON TO LITTLE ROCK.

Editor Methodist—The Iron Mountain and Cotton Belt railroads consented to give us one fare round trip rates to the Epworth League state conference, June 23-25. Tickets on sale 22 to 24. Good to return June 26. James Thornes.

### THE FORT SMITH DISTRICT SUNDAY SCHOOL AND LEAGUE CONVENTION.

It convened at Mansfield April 13 and 14, 1896. A good audience assembled for the opening exercises. After a song by the choir devotional exercises were conducted by our Presiding Elder, Rev. D. J. Weems, after which an organization was entered upon. Mr. J. W. Sorrells was elected president; Mr. D. C. Oliver, vice-president; Miss Lily Redwine, secretary; Miss Myrtle Woodruff, treasurer.

The president then called for a list of all the Sunday-schools in the district and the names of all the members present. A goodly number of ministers, delegates and visitors being present indicated a lively interest in our work, which was sustained throughout the meeting.

Reports of all the Sunday-schools in the district except three were read, showing a good work accomplished and a great improvement during the past year. The day was well spent in the great cause of Sunday-school work and was a blessing to all present.

Immediately following the adjournment of the Sunday-school Convention the League assembled.

Mr. John Ganaway was chosen president; Mr. J. G. Horn, vice-president; Lula Cochran, secretary; Mrs. Thomas Prather, corresponding secretary; Miss Myrtle Woodruff, treasurer.

All the Leagues gave encouraging reports.

Several were represented by pastor, some by delegates.

Papers by Miss Nellie Denton and Mr. W. R. Ganaway were read and pronounced excellent. There were other profitable readings also and talks.

We had quite a pleasant and profitable time and were greatly strengthened in our purpose to go forward in this great and grand work.

A lively discussion as to the place of the next meeting took place. Jenny Lind was chosen.

On Wednesday night Bro. O'Bryan gave us a very interesting and profitable talk on mission work.

On Thursday the pastors and delegates returned home, carrying with them pleasant memories of the kindness and hospitality of the good people of Mansfield. Secretary.

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## ARKANSAS METHODIST.

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

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27, 1896.

Daily correctness of conduct is of far more value than any fits of enthusiasm.

Progress in divine life means increase of fruit, fulness in all good purpose and good work.

There are some people who are not helped by finding fault with them. Among these we may mention a wife, a preacher and an editor.

Our young friend Wynn published a daily paper for the League Conference. The Epworth Daily Star is the first daily ever published by the League, we are told.

The best churches are those which do not need revivals, and the best best revivals are those held under direction of the pastor. But these are ideal conditions seldom realized.

The old church members who complain that all the spirituality is lost from the church stay at home and growl while the young people hold the prayer-meetings.

Consistency of life does more to advance the cause of Christ than consistency of doctrine. Some are zealous for Christian work on special lines but neglect the common, every-day duties of Christian life.

There is but one cure for worldliness in the Church, and that is the conversion of its members. No life is wordly that seeks first the kingdom of God, and he who does not have the kingdom of God in his heart is just as wordly under the restraint of discipline as when roaming at liberty.

It is easier to repent of other people's sins than of your own. Some are ever bewailing the low estate of our Zion, but their estate is lower still, yet in it they are quite content.

He who does not believe in foreign missions does not believe in Christ, for Christ said: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

Miss Pauline Robertson, Searcy, had been teaching at Forrest City since September last. She had done what she could in the Sunday school and as president of the Junior League. It was beautiful and touching to see how the children and older people as well parted with her on Sunday afternoon, for she was to return home. We know that her work at Forrest City will be a sweet memory to her as to the people there.

## THE CHURCH.

Some time since a gentleman said to this writer: "I don't intend to join the church until I can honor the church." Our answer was: "Then stay out of it." None of us honor the church. The church is ever teaching a higher Christianity than its members reach. The purest and best members constantly fall in practice below the standard to which the church calls them. Now and then you will find one who has a mighty sorrow for the corruptions of the church, but is well contented with his

own life. He has a mighty zeal to reform the church, but what is needed Zion is generally lower than Zion in his his own estate lower than many in Zion who are examples of Christian life whose great concern is to make that growth in grace to which the church constantly calls them.

## OUR CALL.

Our call for payment of dues to the "Arkansas Methodist" has not been unheeded. The response has been very manifest, and to us certainly gratifying. We have much need of money to carry forward our work, and must continue to remind those in arrears to pay up. When you read this, look at your label.

## GOINGS HERE AND THERE.

It is not a matter of any interest to anybody how many miles this editor travels, or by what train he goes, whether by day or night, with whom he stops, whose chickens he eats, or anything of that sort; nor will our readers be edified by the writing-up of every village, and neighborhood through which he may pass.

Calls to go and preach or lecture have not been wanting, nor has the disposition to answer them been wanting, and, except four Sundays since conference, we have been out on service somewhere, and have preached, we dare say, four times a week on an average. Probably no preacher in Arkansas has preached oftener in the same time.

We hold it a duty to get acquainted with the churches throughout the state, and to get acquainted with the state and its conditions, religious, social, political and commercial. More than half the time we have been out of the office. That has caused some apparent neglect in the office. The paper has not always contained the matter which it would have contained had the editor been at home, and the arrangement and proof-reading have sometimes gone awry in his absence. Yet we have many commendations of the paper, and a very gratifying fact to us, and a promising one for the future, is, a marked improvement in its receipts for subscriptions. We ought to have not only a church paper at Little Rock, equal to any conference organ, but something of a publishing house as well. We shall reach that yet.

In the last three weeks we have been, most of the time, in the field. And of what we have seen we make a few notes.

At Ozark, Sunday, 10th, we had a delightful day. The Sunday school conference for Clarksville district was held there for two days preceding. We were in the conference Saturday. It was an occasion of interest, and it was resolved to hold it yearly. W. W. Jennings has been superintendent of the Sunday school of our church at Ozark for twenty-five years. We attended the school Sunday morning. About 180 were present. A large number of middle-aged people were in the classes and exhibited great interest in the work. Considering the size of the town, it is the best Sunday school we have seen in the state.

Brother Johnsey has the work of the Church at Ozark in hand and is promptly sustained by an official board of intelligent gentlemen who are Christians in heart and life. The Christian sympathy and kindness of the people at Ozark was a comfort and help to the writer.

Sunday 17, we spent at Hot Springs, preaching at South Hot Springs, Glenn street and Central Churches.

There has been marked improvement

of the work here since a year ago. The improved financial conditions have contributed to this. The people feel that they are served by an able and consecrated ministry. Brother Rorie's Church we did not visit. His Church—Malvern Hill, is next to Central in strength. It is making good progress. Central has a fine congregation, and is in good financial condition. Brother Moore is a very active pastor and much loved by his people.

Brother Hawley had gone to the country to hold a quarterly meeting for Bro. Sage. It was across the mountains near a hundred miles. Brother Sage is for the present disabled. We lodged with him at Brother Gray's. He ought to be relieved of work the rest of the year. His friends in Hot Springs urge him to go out to Mountain Springs, and second their advice with generous help. Brother Sage is greatly loved by the Church. Brother Hawley is doing a good work in his charge. The name of Jack Taylor is enrolled among the faithful laborers of this field. Besides Glenn street Chapel he has three appointments in the country.

We were at the Helena District Epworth League Conference at Forrest City, May 22-24. The president of the local league, Joel E. Wynne, had made very careful preparations for the meeting. We found it a pleasure to meet him. He seems to unite the tact and push of the practical business man with the fervor of a true Christian. Brother Wynne will have a prominent place in the White River Conference League work.

The attendance was very encouraging. M. M. Smith, the presiding elder of the Helena district, presided and an excellent programme was rendered. The Church was tastefully decorated. The entertainment of the delegates was hospitable. Friday evening after the exercises in the Church all the company was entertained with music and ice cream at Capt. Beck's, a Baptist family.

The best spirit and purest sentiment attained in the discussions, and if the young people carry the sentiment of this meeting into their work of the future, the Church will be blessed and uplifted.

Rev. James Thomas, president of the state work attended. There was no mistake made in putting Brother Thomas at the head of our state work. He puts heart in it. His ideas of Christian life are eminently scriptural and practical. His talks to the leagues are inspiring, uplifting.

Brother Taylor is in the fourth year of his pastorate at Forrest City, a fact which his people mention with regret. His ministry has been faithful and fruitful. The Church at Forrest City is well organized, people of other denominations freely acknowledge it to be in the lead in the Christian work.

Brother Workman, our assistant business manager, spoke well and wrought well at the league conference. Of course the approaching state conference was often mentioned and the watchword "On to Little Rock" was frequently heard.

Sunday was a day of fervent, joyous work for our people at Forrest City.

Dr. Hamner, pastor of the Central Church at Memphis, came over and occupied the Methodist pulpit morning and evening. The people who heard him preach were much pleased.

J. B. McDonald took much interest in the League Conference, as did also Bro. Wilson, of Brinkley Station. More head of Cameron and Bros. Gardner and Pope. We had lodging with the family of Mr. Beck, a Baptist, who knows how to be hospitable.

## THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE M. E. CHURCH.

Memorials came before the Conference asking that the special rules prohibiting "dancing, theater-going, card playing" be stricken from the discipline. The committee on revisions reported adversely and the rules remain. Such memorials have come before the General Conference of the M. E. Church before, and the same question has been debated in the General Conference of the M. E. Church, South.

The secular press is always swift to represent that such discussions show a disposition of the Church to sanction the things which the rules referred to condemn. But that is a misrepresentation. The question relates to the expediency of specifying any class of amusements, because whatever have been specified, worse can be named that are not specified, and the fact that they are not mentioned in the rules is urged as an indorsement of them.

The original rule forbade taking such diversions as cannot be used in the name of the Lord. Planting itself upon that alone, the Church appealed to the consciences of her members, and interpreted all that seemed to the best Christians as wrong, as violating the rules. The question is, shall the Church go on extending the list of specifications or fall back upon the rule as Wesley gave it, and refuse to specify at all?

Having inserted the rules, the Church at large is likely to misinterpret the action if they are stricken out, and construe it into a palliation of these indulgences. The Daily Advocate says in regard to the matter: "The Conference has decided that until some safe deliverance can be formed, where by the attitude of the Church toward worldliness shall be fully guarded against misrepresentation, the section shall stand as its testimony and decree."

Bishop Foster made a brief speech to the Conference, in which he said respecting the action by which he was retired from active service, that he had been a Methodist for fifty-seven years, and in all that time nothing had been done by the Church or any part of it, which had humiliated him. This action did not humiliate him. He realized that it was taken in kindness and love. He appreciated the fact that the time must come to us all when we shall be superannuated. "That time has come," said he, "in my case, and you have done exactly right."

Bishop Bowman had also been superannuated by the Conference. When Bishop Foster had ended, Bishop Bowman arose and added, "To all of which I say Amen."

C. C. McCabe, who was last week elected bishop, it is well known to his brethren, took especial pleasure in the title of chaplain, he having served in title of chaplain, he having served as chaplain in the Federal army. Since his election to the episcopacy the preachers still address him as chaplain, and the chairman of the Conference recognizes him as Chaplain McCabe.

The elections for General Conference officers resulted in the choice of A. B. Leonard, A. J. Palmer and W. T. Smith for missionary secretaries. J. C. Hartzell and J. W. Hamilton freedmen's aid secretaries. A. J. Kynett and W. A. Spencer Church extension secretaries.

Dr. J. M. Buckley stands without a peer among the editors of the M. E. Church. His station is the highest in the Church when viewed in regard to the talents which it demands, and the power which it exerts. The Church has

done well to hold him in this station. It can more easily find twenty bishops than one such editor. Buckley was re-elected editor of the Christian Advocate by almost unanimous vote, receiving 414 votes out of 440.

Our old friend Jesse Bowman Young was re-elected editor of the Central Christian Advocate, and Arthur Edwards returns to the tripod of the Northwestern at Chicago, and D. H. Moore, the Western, published at Cincinnati. Dr. C. W. Smith will edit the Pittsburg Advocate; Dr. J. E. C. Sawyer, the Northern, and Dr. W. S. Matthews, the California Advocate.

Dr. J. L. Hurlburt is secretary of the Epworth League. Dr. Charles H. Payne secretary of the Board of Education. William V. Kelly, D. D., continues editor of the Review.

In regard to unofficial papers, the committee on the state of the Church reported the following:

"Whereas, There is a tendency to an increase of unofficial Methodist papers, and,

"Whereas, These papers often come into hurtful competition with our regularly established Church organs, and,

"Whereas, Other evils are attendant upon their circulation, therefore,

"Resolved, That in cases where conference interests are judged to demand an organ, the editor shall be appointed or approved by the conference, and that we will as a Church use our utmost influence to discourage all papers calling themselves Methodist which are not so indorsed."

#### OUR COLLEGE COMMENCEMENTS.

The editor of this paper has received invitations to all the commencements of our Church schools in this State. He cannot attend all, but will be present at as many as possible.

We call attention to the notices of these commencements. They will be occasions of great interest. Of course, the parents whose children are in these schools will attend, and many of our preachers. There should be a gathering of the friends of education in our Church throughout the State at these commencements.

Arkansas has made a good beginning in college work. We have no need to send our sons and daughters to other schools. Let us spare no effort to concentrate interest upon the institutions so well planned and begun.

The preachers of our Church should remember that the vacation season is the time to work for the colleges, and the movement ought to begin immediately after the close of the present scholastic year. We offer our services to preach and lecture on Christian education during the vacation.

#### EXCUSE US.

"A Baptist divine in our part of the country said in his sermon that three-fourths of all the people in the Arkansas and Missouri penitentiaries were baptized in infancy. I wish you, Mr. Editor, to give us the facts."

T. A. Bowen.

The editor cannot tell you anything about it. The penitentiaries keep no records of baptism so far as we have heard. We can't take time to hunt up all the convicts in the two States and inquire into this matter. If that "Baptist divine" aforesaid has done it give him credit for having performed an arduous task. But if he has not done it, give him credit for being a reckless fellow who does not think it necessary to know what he talks about. We have

examined the Methodist minutes and find that in Arkansas not one-third of the Methodists were baptized in infancy. We wish that more had been baptized. But if the penitentiary can show that it has two-thirds of its inmates baptized in infancy, it beats the Methodist Church bad.

Does the inquirer believe that anybody believed the "Baptist divine," or that he believes himself?

The speech referred to proves nothing but that the fellow who made it is a simpleton.

Excuse us from the investigation. We have not time to hunt up the convicts in the two States, in order to refute the "Baptist divine." If he "busts the Methodist Church to pieces" in your section, we will have to let it go.

### Notices.

#### METHODIST CALENDAR.

Missionary Mass Meeting of Arkansas Conference, Van Buren, May 26-28.

Preacher's Institute, Searcy, June 18.

Epworth League State Convention, Little Rock, June 23.

Newport District Conference, Imboden, June 24.

Helena District Conference, Holly Grove, July 2.

Woman's Missionary Society for Arkansas Conference, at Eureka Springs, July 9-12.

Hot Springs District Conference at Amity, July 15.

Fayetteville District Conference, at Gravette, July 23-26.

Jonesboro District Conference, Harrisburg, July 14.

Searcy District Conference at Cabot July 16.

Washington District Conference, Center Point, July, embracing second Sunday.

Camden District Conference, at Stephens, July 22.

Eureka Springs District Conference, Presley's Chapel, July 23.

Woman's Missionary Society of White River Conference, Helena, June 25.

Morrilton District Conference, Quitman, embracing fourth Sunday in July.

Monticello District Conference, Warren, July 7.

Dardanelle District Conference, Prairie View, July 9.

Arkadelphia District Conference—Okationa, July 14.

Batesville District Conference—Bethesda, July 22.

Clarksville District Conference—Mulberry, July 23.

#### COMMENCEMENTS.

Arkadelphia Methodist College—June 6-10.

Hendrix College—June 14-17.

Galloway College—May 20, June 2.

Fordyce Training School—May 27-29.

#### EPWORTH LEAGUE CONFERENCE.

The Iron Mountain, the Cotton Belt, Little Rock and Memphis, White and Black River Valley have all agreed to give one fare round trip rates to the Epworth League State Conference, June 23 to 25, 1896. Pastors and live Epworth League presidents will please publish these facts.

We had hoped to secure a low maximum rate, but this is the best we could do.

James Thomas.

#### NOTICE.

The call in the "Methodist" for two teachers for the Yellville Institute brought us thirty-four applications from worthy and competent teachers. From these the board selected R. F. and T. L. Bond. School will open in September. We want to make this one of the best training schools in Arkansas. We have a good six-room brick building, free from debt and located at Yellville.

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O. H. Tucker, P. E.

#### PREACHERS' AID ASSOCIATION.

(Assessment No. 7.)

Little Rock, May 18, 1896.

On hand last report (March 9) \$104. Received from Revs. A. D. Jenkins, \$2; A. P. Safford, \$2; W. S. Bristow, \$2; Mrs. S. A. Douglas, \$1. Total, \$7. Amount on hand, \$111.

JOHN B. BOND, Sec.-Treas.

#### THE PREACHERS' INSTITUTE.

SEARCY, Ark., June 18 22.

All intending to be present will please send their names at once, that entertainment may be provided.

The Iron Mountain Railroad will give one and one-third rate. Be careful to get certificate from your agent, that you paid full fare to the Institute. Full programme, giving dates of lectures, given later.

S. H. BABCOCK.

#### WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

All delegates and visitors to the annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Little Rock Conference will please forward their names at once to Miss Jessie Chandler. We are making arrangements to entertain and expect a large attendance.

THOS. O. OWEN, P. C.

Stuttgart, Ark., May 25, 1896.

#### A CALL FOR HELP.

A few days ago a severe storm swept over Big Flat, the lower part of Rev. L. A. Campbell's charge. Many of his members are seriously damaged, crops washed away. His estimated salary is only \$150. This will be cut short in consequence of the storm. He is a true young man, a good preacher and doing a noble work. Will not some one help him just a little? If so, send to me or to Don McCurry, Big Flat, Ark.

O. H. Tucker, P. E.

Yellville, Ark.

#### SEARCY COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT.

Searcy College Commencement, May 28 June 1.

May 28, 8:30 p. m., Elocution Recital and music—Cadet Band.

May 2, 8:30 p. m., Declamation contest for R. A. Dowdy medal.

May 30, 9 a. m., Artillery and Battalion Drills.

May 30, 4 p. m., Contestant Drill between Companies A and B, for flag.

May 31, 8:30 p. m., Sermon by Rev. J. C. Brown, D. D.

June 1, 9:30 a. m., Oratorical Contest for \$25 medal; delivery of diplomas and medals.

This programme is short, but of unusual interest.

Co. A—Motto, "Sans peur et sans reproche."

Captain S. H. Babcock, Jr., sponsor; Miss Stella Hicks; maids, Misses V. Lightle and E. Stone; chaperon, Mrs. E. A. Robbins.

Co. B—Motto, "Semper paratus."

Captain, G. N. Dunning; sponsor, Miss M. Lightle; maids, Misses Black and Sinclair; chaperon, Mrs. J. T. Hicks.

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Mr. Editor—I herewith appoint the following named brethren to constitute the District Board of Education, for Newport District White River Conference, viz.: Revs. A. M. R. Branson, N. E. Skinner, M. B. Umsted and J. S. Brook. Lay members—R. M. Copenhaver, John C. Miller, F. M. Daniel and Dr. T. J. Wilson. The clerical members of the board will please notify the lay members of their appointment.

The pastors will please appoint local boards in their respective charges, as recommended by the annual Conference Board of Education at Searcy, on page 21, the minutes of the Conference.

S. L. Cochran, P. E.

Little Herbert Earl, ten months' old babe of Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Bugg, died at their home in Walnut Ridge, Ark., May 17, 1896, after an illness of some ten days. Relatives and friends sorrow with them in this sad hour.

A. M. R. BRANSON.

Walnut Ridge, May 19, 1896.

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## + Christian Life. +

## THE PLACE OF PRAYER.

"What will this do for my bower?" Why does the mind in times of great danger revert to places we have learned to love and value? At other times "my Bower" seldom entered my mind, except, indeed at hours of secret prayer, when I loved to resort thither and hold sweet communion with my Maker.

This bower was peculiarly my own. No one else knew anything at all about it. Here I often went, for, besides my regular hours of prayer, which I have always found it best to maintain, I had my trials and joys; my seasons of sadness and seasons of gladness, which it was always helpful to lay at His feet. And to this spot I took all. Yes, everything, both of joy and sorrow.

This is why that commonplace spot had become so dear to me. Not because of any beauty, natural or artificial, for it would have been almost impossible for anyone else to find any beauty there at all, there being rock piled upon rock until it seemed as if nothing tender or delicate could thrive there. A large oak spread its branches above and somehow made me think of the Tree of Calvary. Just under the largest branch was a stone by which I loved to kneel and pour out my heart in thanksgiving and praise. No, it was not a pretty place; but it was a dear one; and a dreadful fever had confined me to my room for weeks past, so that I had not been permitted to visit it. Now, however, I was growing better, and soon should be able to go back again and quietly thank my Savior that my life had been spared and that such kind, gentle, thoughtful friends had attended me through it all. How happy I felt at the thought! But what would this dreadful wind do for that oak? It was uprooting many trees near about and causing the house to quiver and groan as if it would go over; would it spare that particular tree? These fears passed through my mind, and the next instant a feeling of great shame surged through me. What was that oak when compared to the scores of human lives that perhaps were in danger! "God forgive," I felt like exclaiming. "Do what thou wilt to my bower, only grant that no lives may be destroyed." Oh! wicked me, even to think of a mere place, when there might be so much suffering among my fellow-beings. I felt as if the house ought to crash in upon me.

However, the house stood, and I lived through it, if my fever was slightly up when it was over. And then news from other places began coming in. Fowls, cattle and even horses had been killed, forests, crops and gardens ruined, but no human life had been sacrificed. In my joy over this, I forgot all about my bower, and it was more than a week before I was permitted to walk about alone enough to see much of the storm's work and to visit that place. What a change! It scarcely resembled itself. The oak had been torn up, leaving a large cavity, which had been almost filled with rock. But what an unexpected feeling came over me! No disappointment whatever. I merely threw myself on my knees where I had been accustomed to kneeling, and never had I offered more joyful praise than now came from my lips; for I found that, although almost all things visible had been changed, nothing changes Him whom I worship, and He was just as near as if no physical change had been made.

This occurred in my early life, but it

left an imprint on my mind and heart which can never quite be effaced. Yet all say that God is unchanging and unchangeable, but do we fully realize this great fact in our hearts? Oh! do we not when chastisement comes often look upon Him as a hard master? When storms of temptation assail us; when storms of adversity overtake us; when storms of sickness prevail; when storms of disaster take away property, friends and loved ones, even so change the circle around the altar of prayer that it scarcely resembles itself, do we recognize in it all the same gentle hand that gave us all these blessings?

"May God forgive the child of dust  
Who seeks to know where faith should  
trust." May.

## TWO FOLDED LAMBS.

Florence and little Jeanette! They have met together at last in that city where no sin can enter, where no pain can ever come.

Two short lives, whose memories still linger around our Children's Ward, each teaching us sweet lessons of childish faith and patience. I can only tell the story; it must lose in the telling, for you cannot see the sweetness of Florence's face, or hear the quiver in Jeanette's loving voice. Florence, from a home of plenty; Jeanette, from a life of loneliness and pain.

There is a little red box on my desk as I write, and it brings back the memory of a Sunday afternoon in early spring-time, when all nature was bursting into new and joyous beauty, and the two little sisters who leaned against their mother's knee seemed just as full of brightness as the day. Mother was reading aloud a story of our own dear Children's Ward, telling of how we longed to throw the doors open wider to His suffering little ones.

"Well," asked Peggy, as she danced through the long porch window after a branch of honeysuckle, "if they want to open those hospital doors you're reading about, why don't they find the key and open 'em?"

"O, mother!" laughed Florence, "Peggy thinks they have lost the key. She don't know it is money they mean they need."

But Florence understood, and mother found on her bureau, a few days afterwards, this little red box, in which a penny and a dime rattled noisily.

"It's part of the key Peggy talked about, mother, dear," she said, as the little red box grew heavier and heavier, and the pennies found less and less room to rattle around. The summer came, and God, who knew that little Florence was far too sweet to miss from among the company of His angels, sent a gentle message to call her home. There was nothing strange or wonderful in this to little Florence; patiently day by day she lay waiting for His coming, anxious only that all her loving plans be carried out.

"And, mother," she would say, when, with her feeble little fingers she dropped those last pennies into the box that was now too heavy for weak, trembling hands to hold; "you surely won't forget to send the little red box. I'm sorry there isn't more in it, but it may help to take care of some sick little girl, as you do of me."

Ah, me! The little red box came all too soon with its precious contents, just when the summer roses scattered their leaves over her new made grave.

And the other little girl. They carried her into our Children's Ward, one day, a poor, bent, little crippled form, used only

from her birth to harshness and brutality; with a pleading, suffering face, and seemed to beg forgiveness for its very existence. Such was little Jeanette. But in our Hospital Ward, week by week, the poor, twisted limbs grew straighter, and day by day Jeanette began to find new brightness and unknown happiness in a life where tenderness and love reigned supreme. We all loved little Jeanette. The day the dear, kind doctor himself first led her faltering steps across the ward we held a little jubilee.

"Faith, and it's meself is glad to see the chille on her legs," called old Mrs. Flanagan from her bed in the corner.

"Jeanette, you're sure now, if you are a little shaky," cried Tim, the office boy, as he passed at the door.

"It's a great deal nicer to be only a lame cripple than stay-in-bed cripple," she said, smiling.

To let her grow strong and well in the sweet country air we sent her that year to dear Devon. God bless it! with its rest and beauty for all who come within its walls, and its far-away glimpses of loveliness, almost as fair to tired eyes as the everlasting hills of promise. Such a summer of joy for little Jeanette! Happy in her new-found strength, she and her small black kitten trotted everywhere. Out on the lawn, with the daisies around her, down in the woods by the laurel bushes—we can all tell our little stories of Jeanette's one bright summer.

"Sure, that's the very clump o' violets Jeanette dragged up from the woods one day," the old gardener says, as he bends over a few green leaves by the great stone porch that he guards carefully for her sake.

"The wee bairn used to stand in that vera corner, wi' her bit o' an iron at her doll's clothes," the kind hearted Scotch laundress exclaims, as I pass her in the lower hall.

But winter days come everywhere, and in the months that followed Jeanette's heart turned longingly and lovingly to Devon, the one home the lonely child had ever known.

"When May comes I will go back," she said so often.

When May came, and Devon looked its fairest under the summer skies, and the hills blushed rosy red with the laurel bloom, Jeanette lay once more in our hospital ward suffering with a dread disease that neither greatest skill nor tenderest care could baffle. When the cruel fever parched the little lips and strange fancies clouded the clear head, she would murmur to herself as she tossed on the pillow:

"It's always cool at Devon."

Then again:

"O! please, I want a drink so; can't you hear the Devon brook?"

Far fairer than Devon are the everlasting hills, far purer than earthly streams is the crystal sea around the throne, and love, fatherly, eternal and unchangeable, forever lies around little Jeanette.

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Florence and little Jeanette, they have met together at last in that country where no sin can enter, where no pain can ever come.—Presbyterian.

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## For The Young People

## UNDER MY WINDOW.

Have you seen a bobolink  
Hiding in the grass?  
I have watched him for a week,  
And admired his saucy cheek,  
Seen him pass,  
Back and forth through the grass,  
Seen him work and seen him play,  
But never going far away.

And I know there is a nest  
Somewhere in the grass;  
For I've seen him bringing food  
That I'm sure was for his brood,  
And one day  
Saw his mate steal away,  
But I've searched and searched in vain,  
Never sight of nest could gain.

And the saucy bobolink  
Patronizes me;  
Sings to me his richest lay,  
Bobs his head and steals away,  
Leaving me  
Gazing blankly to see  
What the cunning bird is sure  
My dull eyes will not secure.

So if you have seen the rogue  
Hiding in the grass,  
I am sure that you will say  
As my honored guest today,  
And I think  
We'll outwit bobolink,  
And convince the rogue that he  
Cannot make a fool of me.

—Selection.

## THE POOR BOY'S FORTUNE.

They have kind fathers and mothers, too, and think that they enjoy the sweetness of these blessings to the fullest, but this they cannot do; for the poor boy who has in father his constant companion, tutor and model, and in his mother—his nurse, teacher, guardian angel, saint, all in one, has a richer, more precious fortune in life than any rich man's son who is not so favored can possibly know, and compared with which all other fortunes count for little.

It is because I know how sweet and happy and pure the home of honest poverty is, how free from perplexing care, from social envies and emulations, how loving and how united its members may be in the common interest of supporting the family, that I sympathize with the rich man's boy and congratulate the poor man's boy; and it is for these reasons that from the ranks of the poor so many strong, eminent, self-reliant men have always sprung and always must spring.

If you will read the list of the "Immortals who were not born to die," you will find that most of them have been born to the precious heritage of poverty.

It seems, nowadays, a matter of universal desire that poverty should be abolished. We should be quite willing to abolish luxury, but to abolish honest, industrious, self-denying poverty would be to destroy the soil upon which mankind produces the virtues which enable our race to reach a still higher civilization that it now possesses.—Youths' Companion.

## BUILDING THE FIRST SLEEPING CAR.

occurred when one day in a train a nice farmer-looking gentleman approached me, saying that the conductor had told him I was connected with the Pennsylvania Railroad, and he should like to show me something. He pulled from a small green bag the model of the first sleeping car. This was Mr. Woodruff, the inventor.

Its value struck me like a flash. I asked him to come to Altoona the following week, and he did so.

Mr. Scott, with his usual quickness, grasped the idea. A contract was made with Mr. Woodruff to put two trial cars on the Pennsylvania Railroad. Before leaving Altoona Mr. Woodruff came and offered me an interest in the venture, which I promptly accepted. But how I was to make my payments rather troubled me, for the cars were to be paid for in monthly installments after delivery, and my first monthly payment was to be two hundred and seventeen dollars and a half.

I had not the money, and did not see any way of getting it. But I finally decided to visit the local banker and ask him for a loan, pledging myself to repay at the rate of fifteen dollars per month. He promptly granted it. Never shall I forget his putting his arm over my shoulder, saying, "Oh, yes, Andy, you are all right."

I then and there signed my first note. Proud day this; and surely, now, no one will dispute that I was becoming a "business man." I had signed my first note and, more important of all,—for any fellow can sign a note,—I had found a banker willing to take it as "good."

My subsequent payments were made by the receipts from the sleeping-cars, and I really made my first considerable sum from this investment in the Woodruff Sleeping Car Company, which was afterward absorbed by Mr. Pullman—a remarkable man who is now known all over the world.

Shortly after this I was appointed superintendent of the Pittsburg Division, and returned to my dear old home, Pittsburg. Wooden bridges were then used exclusively upon railways and the Pennsylvania Railroad was experimenting with a bridge built of cast iron. I saw that wooden bridges would not do for the future, and organized a company in Pittsburg to build iron bridges.

Here again I had recourse to the bank, because my share of the capital was twelve hundred and fifty dollars, and I had not the money; but the bank lent it to me, and we began the Keystone Bridge Works, which proved a great success. This company built the first great bridge over the Ohio River, 300 feet span, and has built many of the most important structures since.

This was my beginning in manufacturing; and from that start all our other works have grown, the profits of the one works building the other. My "apprenticeship" as a business man soon ended, for I resigned my position as an officer of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company to give exclusive attention to business.

I was no longer merely an official working for others upon a salary, but a full-fledged business man working upon my own account.

I never was quite reconciled to working for other people. At the most, the railway officer has to look forward to the enjoyment of a stated salary, and he has a great many people to please; even if he gets to be president he has sometimes a board of directors who cannot know what is best to be done; and even if this board be satisfied, he has a board of stockholders to criticize him, and as the property is not his own he cannot manage it as he pleases.

I always liked the idea of being my own master, of manufacturing something and giving employment to many men. There is only one thing to think of manufacturing if you are a Pittsburger, for Pittsburg even then had asserted her supremacy as the "Iron City,"—the leading iron and steel-manufacturing city in America.—Selected.

## EACH IN HIS DEGREE.

A writer in Over Sea and Land tells a curious little story, with a good moral, about a huge army of all kinds of beasts—camels, elephants, horses, bullocks and mules, who were under such splendid discipline that they obeyed the slightest word of command. A wild king of a very wild country came to visit the king who owned all these well trained animals. Every night a mob of his horses would break their heel ropes and stampede through the mud in the dark, or the camels would break loose and run about and fall over the ropes of the tents, so no one felt safe. At last, after a great many serious accidents, the wild king whose unruly beasts had done so much damage said to an officer of the grand chief, whose animals were so well behaved:

"How is this wonderful thing done?"

And the officer answered:

"When there is an order it is obeyed."

"But are the beasts as wise as the men?"

"They obey as the men do. Mule, horse, elephant or bullock, he obeys his driver, and the driver his sergeant, and the sergeant his lieutenant, and the lieutenant his captain, and the captain his major, and the major his colonel, and the colonel his brigadier, and the brigadier his general, who obeys the viceroy, who is the servant of the empress!"

"Would it were so with us," said the wild chief, "for we only obey our own wills."

The story then closes with the following song of the beasts:

"Children of the Camp are we,  
Serving each in his degree;  
Children of the yoke and goad,  
Pack and harness, pad and load,  
See our line across the plain,  
Like a heel rope bent again,  
Reaching, writhing, rolling far,  
Sweeping all away to war,  
While the men that walk beside,  
Dusty, silent, heavy eyed,  
Cannot tell why we or they  
March and suffer day by day.  
Children of the Camp are we,  
Serving each in his degree."

And, dear children, each one of you can serve "in his degree." You can get your orders directly from the great Master. Just listen for the voice of command, obey without questioning, and your lives will be well ordered and happy; the yoke will not be heavy nor the burden great.—Selection.

A card on the outside of office door says: "Gone to lunch. Be back in ten minutes." And the man will be there on time. That is for some days, weeks or even months, he will. Then he will be at home occasionally for a day. He'll tell you he had a headache—a turn of cholera morbus, or maybe he'll say he had a lump in his stomach and felt too miserable to move. The lump was probably two or three ten-minute lunches condensed.

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## Our Church at Home

### SALEM, ARK.

From Salem the pastor, F. R. Noe, writes:

Our meeting resulted in twenty-five sanctifications and three professions and three accessions to Church. Bro. Craig is a splendid preacher. He is now at Mammoth Spring, with Bro. Manley.

### LEHIGH CIRCUIT.

Dear Readers: We come now before you again and ask a hearing.

Of the many good things we could write, we will notice but a few.

On the first Sunday in May we celebrated Children's Day at Wesley Chapel. Not being able to use the programme sent out by our publishing house, the school arranged a beautiful programme, which was well understood by all parties concerned and carried out to the satisfaction of all present. That which impressed me most was the original pieces rendered by the young people, the special feature of which was the condemning of the dance, card playing, Sabbath desecration, etc.; also setting forth the benefits of the Sabbath-school, urging the young people to stand by and hold up the arms of the pastor while he fights sin. I tell you, to see the earnestness depicted on the faces of the hearers and know that they meant it, does one good as a pastor to know that he has the honor to serve such a people. A collection was taken by the children. The result was \$2.93.

We can say, taking our work as a whole, we are moving upward and onward. But there are many things that occur that make a pastor grieve. At some of our appointments we are seemingly to us doing practically nothing, while at others we are doing well. Why it is that our older people don't attend Church more I cannot understand. What faith, what fidelity, what zeal is required this year to carry on the Lord's work, as this is election year! Satan is rallying his forces to distract as far as possible the interest from the Church. Let's work and pray that God will help us to overcome these forces and build up the kingdom of our God.

Thanking you for your kindly hearing, on come the brakes. Your brother in Christ,

J. W. White.

### INDIAN CAMP CIRCUIT.

Dear Dr. Godbey:—Through the faithful work of my board of stewards and the brethren of this growing little charge we were able to make a very good report to our first Conference.

Our new Presiding Elder (that same, sweet-spirited Jernigan) was on time, and not only looked well after all the interests of our beloved Church, but preached, prayed and sang, to the edification of all who were there.

We moved into the new parsonage the second day of March, 1896; so, brethren, when any of you are read out for Indian Camp Circuit you may know that you have a good little home to come to, and a willing, working people to serve. The brethren at State Line have the material all on the ground for the completion of our church at that place. At Sharp's Mill we no longer have to use the school house in which to worship. Bro. E. Sharp, a man of God and a lover of Methodism, has converted a large storehouse into a house of worship, and the good sisters and brethren have furnished it with very good seats and a splendid

pulpit. Some of our brethren and sisters are personally acquainted with you, Doctor, and know you to be a good Presiding Elder, as well as an editor. They knew you well in Missouri, and among the number are Brother and Sister J. M. Hamilton. Sister Hamilton is a sister to Bro. J. R. Cason, of the Little Rock Conference. Doctor, can't you come over to our second Quarterly Conference, which meets the fourth Saturday in June, and preach for us a week or ten days at Sharp's Mill. If you can, let us know and we will meet you at Mammoth Spring. The Lord is giving us good spiritual services at each appointment. Pray for us, we want a great ingathering of souls during this year.

W. W. Gibson.

### LOCKSBURG CIRCUIT.

Mr. Editor: It has been quite a while since I have seen anything from our circuit. Our second quarterly meeting was held at Ben Lomond May 9 and 10. Our pastor, Bro. Bradford, arranged to have a Sunday-school Conference for the circuit in connection with the Quarterly Conference. An excellent programme had been prepared and was well carried out.

The Conference met and organized at 9:30 a. m. Friday morning. The address of welcome was rendered by Mrs. Kate Kolb, and the generous hospitality given to the delegates and visitors proved that the address was not a formal one. Mr. Arch Cannon responded in a very appropriate speech. We had reports from six Sunday-schools, which showed that much interest is taken in the work. The seventh school has been recently organized at Ben Lomond and is now in good running order. The people there have just completed a new church, which, in some respects, is the best house we have on the work. It is beautifully located in the center of a thickly-populated district, and will soon be a strong Church.

We regretted the absence of our Presiding Elder, Bro. Evans, very much, and were sorry to learn of his sickness. Prayers were offered by the Conference that he soon be restored to his wonted vigor.

Rev. J. C. Rhodes came over and held our Quarterly Conference. He did some good preaching for us Saturday night and Sunday. He also dedicated our church Sunday at the morning service.

We shall gladly welcome Bro. Rhodes back at any time he wishes to come.

God was with us in every service, and many were made to rejoice. Fourteen were received into the church, some by letter and others on profession of faith. We are expecting great things of the Lord this year, and are praying that many souls may be saved.

Geo. N. Cannon.

May 11, 1896.

### MARSHALL AND BIG FLAT.

Dear Bro. Godbey: I have intended for some time to write to the Methodist, but have mostly delayed for want of something to write about.

We have not had any great revivals on our work yet.

Our second quarterly meeting has passed. Bro. Tucker was on hand, and in his cheerful way and hopeful manner of expression and of giving advice, he gave us fresh inspiration for our work.

Our Presiding Elder is a great help to his preachers.

We held about a week's meeting, following the Quaterly Conference, Bro.

J. W. Griffin assisted me. He did some faithful work. The people liked him very much. The visible results were small, yet I think seed were sown that will after awhile produce a harvest.

The Church, we believe, was strengthened and several manifested a desire to live more holy lives.

There are some sections of country through here in the rural districts, where Methodism is not very much known. The Primitive Baptists have had the ascendancy for many years, and the people have never learned much about the ways of a Methodist preacher. As I was traveling the road between my appointments recently I concluded to stop at a house, get a fresh drink of water and find out something about their spiritual condition, and, if possible, sow some good seed.

The woman of the house and some of her children were at home. After talking a few minutes I asked the privilege of holding prayer before leaving.

The mother replied that her husband used to belong to the Church, but he had now quit it, and when he quit a thing he would afterward have nothing more to do with it. And now they never had any such thing as prayer about their house.

She looked at me with suspicion, as though she thought I had some evil design in asking to hold prayer. I sympathized with her and wished that she could only know my real motive in making the call.

This, of course, is an extreme case.

There are many real sociable people here, even in the rural districts and among those who are unsaved.

We are progressing slowly with our church at Marshall, but we hope very soon to begin making better advancement. We have gotten the plans and specifications of our house from the Church Extension Board. It is to be stone, 28x45, with the tower on the corner and a recess for the pulpit, and altogether is to be a real nice house.

Pray for our success. We are needing a house very much. This is a county seat, without a house belonging to any denomination.

L. A. Campbell.

### WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

#### Third Round.

W. F. Evans, P. E.

June—Mineral Springs circuit, 13, 14; Bright Star circuit, 20, 21; Richmond circuit, 27, 28.

July—Rocky Comfort circuit, 4, 5; Center Point circuit, 11, 12; Washington circuit, 18, 19; Spring Hill circuit, 25, 26.

August—Chapel Hill circuit, 1, 2; Locksburg circuit, 8, 9; Hope station, 15, 16; Genoa circuit, 22, 23; De Anne circuit, 29, 30; Nashville circuit, 29, 30.

September—Prescott station, 5, 6; Emmett circuit, 5, 6.

### HARRISON DISTRICT

#### Third Round

O H Tucker, P. E.

June—Bellefonte circuit, at Bethel, 13, 14; Harrison station, 14, 15; Lead Hill, at Enon, 20, 21; Omaha, at Omaha, 27, 28.

July—Oakland and Fairview, at Wesley Chapel, 4, 5; Valley Springs, at Yardelle, 18, 19; Lone Rock, at Martin Springs, 25, 26.

August—Wiley's Cave, at McGuire's Chapel, 1, 2; Marshall and Big Flat, 8, 9; Yellville station, 15, 16; Yellville circuit, at Cedar Grove, 22, 23; Mountain Home station, 29, 30.

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### EPISCOPAL VISITATION, 1896-97.

FIRST DISTRICT—BISHOP KEENER.  
West Texas Conference, Llano, Tex., October 28.  
North Texas Conference, Paris, Tex., November 11.  
Northwest Texas Conference, Waxahatchie, Tex., November 18.  
South Georgia Conference, Valdosta, Ga., December 2.

### SECOND DISTRICT—BISHOP HARGROVE.

Montana Conference, Hamilton, Mont., August 6.  
Columbia Conference, Lebanon, Ore., September 3.  
East Columbia Conference, Dayton, Wash., August 20.  
Pacific Conference, Oakland, Cal., September 23.  
Los Angeles Conference, Phoenix, Ariz., December 2.

### THIRD DISTRICT—BISHOP GRANBERY.

October 8.  
Tennessee Conference, Nashville, Tenn., October 21.  
North Alabama Conference, Bessemer, Ala., November 18.  
Alabama Conference, Montgomery, Ala., December 2.  
South Carolina Conference, Abbeville, S. C., December 9.  
Brazil Conference, Juiz de Fora, Brazil, July 23.

### FOURTH DISTRICT—BISHOP WILSON.

Kentucky Conference, Somerset, Ky., September 16.  
Louisville Conference, Hopkinsville, Ky., September 23.  
St. Louis Conference, Charleston, Mo., September 30.  
North Georgia Conference, Dalton, Ga., November 25.  
North Carolina Conference, Kingston, N. C., December 9.  
Memphis Conference, Jackson, Tenn., November 18.

### FIFTH DISTRICT—BISHOP DUNCAN.

Western Conference, Hillsdale, Kan., October 7.  
Indian Mission Conference, El Reno, Okla., October 14.  
Arkansas Conference, Fayetteville, Ark., November 25.  
Virginia Conference, Lynchburg, Va., November 11.

### SIXTH DISTRICT—BISHOP GALLOWAY.

Denver Conference, Pueblo, Col., August 20.  
Baltimore Conference, Staunton, Va., March 23, 1897.  
Missouri Conference, Hannibal, Mo., September 2.  
Southwest Missouri Conference, Nevada, Mo., September 16.  
Holston Conference, Cleveland, Tenn., October 7.  
Western North Carolina Conference, Salisbury, N. C., November 18.  
North Mississippi Conference, Greenville, Miss., November 25.

### SEVENTH DISTRICT—BISHOP HENDRIX.

Japan Conference, Hiroshima, Japan, October 1.  
China Conference, Soochow, China, October 15.  
East Texas Conference, Marshall, Tex., December 16.  
Texas Conference, Bastrop, Tex., November 25.  
Mississippi Conference, Port Gibson, Miss., December 2.  
Louisiana Conference, Ruston, La., December 9.

### EIGHTH DISTRICT—BISHOP KEY.

New Mexico Conference, Roswell, N. M., October 1.  
Central Mexico Mission Conference, Morelia, Mex., October 22.  
Northwest Mexican Mission Conference, Guaymas, Mexico, October 8.  
Mexican Border Mission Conference, Monterey, Mexico, October 29.  
German Mission Conference, New Fountain, Tex., November 11.  
Little Rock Conference, Camden, Ark., November 25.

### NINTH DISTRICT—BISHOP FITZGERALD.

West Virginia Conference, Charleston, W. Va., September 9.  
Illinois Conference, Pana, Ill., September 23.  
White River Conference, Paragould, Ark., November 18.  
Florida Conference, Tallahassee, Fla., December 9.

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## Missions.

### W. F. M. SOCIETY, LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

Will convene at Stuttgart on the evening of June 17. The meeting promises to be of more than usual interest, and I trust will be largely attended. Each year adds to the responsibility of this call from the Master, and not one may ask to be excused, or turn aside from the pressing demands of these wondrous days, when every soul who loves the Lord Jesus in sincerity and truth must come to His help, that the world may know Him in whom alone is life eternal. But you need no persuasion on this line, my sisters beloved. Though the months seem long that we do not meet, I do not forget the joy with which we all come together "in His name," and the gladness of your hearts as you tell of faithful service and confident hope, sometimes reading even a meagre report with gladness before the Lord, knowing that He measures by the inner heart of love and faith.

Our opening sermon will be preached at 7:30 Wednesday evening by Rev. E. R. Steele, pastor of Asbury Church, Little Rock. Thursday morning we will have a "sunrise prayer meeting," that our hearts may catch an early inspiration from sunrise on the prairie, and be lifted to the great sun of righteousness, praying that His light may soon be the joy of the whole earth.

Regular session of the Conference society will begin at 9 o'clock. Devotional exercises at each opening, led by members of the society. The usual addresses of welcome will be given by local representatives, responded to by Miss Lula Hale, of Little Rock, in behalf of adult societies; Miss Henrietta Hunt, of Arkadelphia, in behalf of young people, and Miss Nina Hill, of Malvern, in behalf of juvenile societies. The work in our four mission fields will be presented in an instructive and pleasing manner, so as to give clear ideas of our sisters and their work abroad.

Mrs. Emma Gilman, of Arkadelphia, will present us China, our largest, darkest field. Mrs. Mattie Robertson, of Rison, will bring before us our work in Brazil. Miss Mamy McKinnon will give us a paper on the Indian Territory, and Rev. Bro. Rorie, of Hot Springs, will deliver an address on Mexico, he having visited that land of beauty, so coveted for our God. Sister McDaniel the gifted secretary, of Pine Bluff District, will read a missionary poem. Miss Roberta Snodgrass, of Little Rock, a paper on "The Claims of Christ on the Happy Young People of America." Miss Victoria Harrold, of Pine Bluff, will tell of "Girls as Missionary Workers." Miss Williams, of Arkadelphia District, will answer, "Do Missions Pay?" and Mrs. Draper, of Malvern, will assure us of the "Pre-eminence of Foreign Missionary Work over All Other." This is but an outline. We expect words of good cheer from our Sisters Couch, of Camden, and Carr, of Monticello Districts, and a gladness of utterance from Sister Furr, of Little Rock District whom our Father hath restored from illness near to death.

Saturday evening our most beloved Conference treasurer will present her report for the past year, and our Conference secretary and delegate (by the blessing of God just returned from the meeting of the board in Washington City), will give her annual report with a zeal, from communion with those who

lead in this noble work. Sunday morning at 11 Rev. A. O. Evans of the First Church, Pine Bluff, will preach our annual missionary sermon. At 3 p. m. children's mass meeting will be held by Sisters Thornburgh and Thomas, and at 7:30, by the help of the spirit and your prayers, beloved, I shall at your request, endeavor to delineate our "Woman's Work for Woman," that it may be known of a truth that the hand of God is upon it, and the women of our Church may give earnest heed to the voice that calls for this very service.

All delegates send names, if you have not already done so, to Miss Jessie Chandler, Stuttgart. Sister Thomas leaves for Washington on June 2. Remember her, as she encounters the dangers of travel, that her journey may be secure, and that the spirit of wisdom may be with her and our board in all their deliberations. Sister Hawthorn, of White River Conference Society, will accompany her on the trip. The grace of God be with them, and with you all.

The railroads have generously allowed one and a third rate. Be sure to get a certificate from the agent where you purchase your ticket, and when it is signed by our Conference secretary, it will will return you on one-third fare. Let every auxiliary be represented. When these delegates arrive, the heart of the work begins its joyful throb.

Lou A. Hotchkiss.

### WOMAN'S PARSONAGE AND HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

The annual convention of the Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society of the M. E. Church, South, has been postponed. It will be held in Little Rock next fall, and the exact time will be announced soon.

This will be an occasion of great interest, as the convention is composed of many of the wisest and most consecrated women of Southern Methodism.

We anticipate a session of intellectual and spiritual enjoyment, and we hope that a large number of the pastors and members of our church in Arkansas will come and enjoy it with us.

Every auxiliary to the Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society must be sure to send a delegate, for we shall gain knowledge and zeal from these eminent Christian workers.

And shall they not find us, though only a small band, loyal and true, and determined to accomplish our part in this great work?

Our small numbers do not discourage us, for there is the promise of victory over 10,000 to the two who work together for God. And a blessed assurance is given where two or three meet together in Christ's name. There can be no failure in the auxiliary that has two members to work and pray together. Aye, if there is one faithful unto death, her labor will not be in vain.

But shall we not make a special effort this year to enlarge our band of workers?

Let us begin this at once—not that we may receive the approbation of our leaders, though that is worth striving for, but because the love of God constrains us to help uplift humanity, and to glorify His Son.

Let the president and members of every auxiliary see to it that the monthly meetings are interesting and instructive. It is always helpful to have the devotional service conducted by the good pastor with a few words of exhortation or commendation from him—and we generally need both. Carry out the regular program, and add a sweet song

or pertinent discussion whenever practicable. The minutes of each meeting should be entertaining as well as accurate, and the corresponding secretary should be prepared to give information and helpful suggestions.

It is a kindness for the treasurer to remind busy and forgetful women that their small dues are of great importance to the Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society.

Invite friends to attend the meetings whether they expect to join the auxiliary or not. If the object of the society is explained, and the necessity for its work brought out, they can scarcely refrain from uniting with it.

We shall not find it hard to persuade others to unite with us if we are faithful and work with love and patience—always remembering that "God giveth the increase."

Do our vice presidents understand that they are expected to organize juvenile societies? Our work will come to a standstill a few years hence if our children are not prepared to carry it on. This is a serious thought, and I hope earnest endeavor will be made to enlist the little ones.

I expect we all shrink from these duties and responsibilities sometimes, but I know the burden becomes lighter when we think most about those we are trying to help. It may be that after a while the selfish old self will be forgotten, and then we shall be happy children of God and true collaborators with Christ.

It has been said that consecration to God means service to man. That Christ must now seek the lost on our feet, that He must minister to the sick and afflicted with our hands, and give warning and encouragement with our lips.

May our Heavenly Father's love be interpreted through our lives. Sincerely,  
Mrs. W. H. Pemberton,  
Cor. Sec. Little Rock Conference.

### MEETING OF WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Helena, Ark., May 18, 1896.

Editor Methodist: The time is near for the annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the White River Conference. There was a notice in your paper some three weeks ago for delegates to send names and number to Mrs. Richard Alhn. So far only very few have responded. Will all auxiliaries, both adult and juvenile, please attend to this matter at once? so the Helena auxiliaries may know how many homes to provide. A reduction of fare will be secured on all railroads, and delegates will get certificates before leaving home. The Rev. C. T. Collier, a returned missionary, will lecture for us, and Rev. Frank Barrett will preach the annual sermon. There will also be several ministers in attendance, among them Dr. Corrigan, Rev. M. M. Smith and Rev. W. B. Ricks. We would be glad to have the editor or business manager (or both, if possible) with us some time during the conference. All visitors, as well as delegates, will be entertained, so please send names of any visitors who may wish to attend. The place for holding the conference you all know is Helena, the time the 25th of June. All ministers invited especially to attend. We are expecting an interesting and profitable time. Let us all pray for a blessing upon our work.

Mrs. H. B. Strange,  
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Mrs. J. R. Lanier,

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## Quarterly Meetings

## LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

## LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT.

Thomas H. Ware, P. E.  
Carlisle and Hazen, May 9 and 10; Hickory Plain, 16 and 17; Asbury, May 23 and 24; Maumelle, May 30 and 31; Tomberline, June 6 and 7; Lonoke, June 13 and 14; Oak Hill, June 20 and 21; First Church, June 27 and 28; England and Liberty, July 4 and 5.

## HOT SPRINGS DISTRICT—Second round.

May—Mount Ida Circuit, at Black Springs, 2 and 3; Cherry Hill Circuit, at Shady Grove, 9 and 10; Cove Circuit, at —, 16 and 17; Dallas Circuit, at —, 23 and 24; Saline Circuit, at Pine Grove, 30 and 31.

June—Hot Springs Circuit, at Gum Springs, 13 and 14; Central Avenue, 14 and 15.  
J. A. Sage, P. E.

## MONTICELLO DISTRICT.

T. D. Scott, P. E.  
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.

T. D. Scott.

## WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

W. F. Evans, P. E.  
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.

## CAMDEN DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.

J. R. Moore, P. E.  
Camden Circuit, May 9 and 10.  
Walnut Hills, May 9 and 10.  
Harmony Grove, May 16 and 17.  
El Dorado, May 16 and 17.  
Louisville, May 24 and 25.  
Lisbon, May 30 and 31.  
Lapile, May 30 and 31.  
Junction City, May 30 and 31.  
Bearden and Millville, June 6 and 7.  
Hampton, June 13 and 14.  
Carolina, June 20 and 21.  
Ouachita, June 20 and 21.  
Magnolia, June 27 and 28.  
Atlanta, June 27 and 28.

Let the pastors prepare written reports on education.

## ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT.

(Horace Jewell, P. E.)

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.  
Murfreesboro circuit, June 20-21.  
Social Hill circuit, June 27-28.

## PINE BLUFF DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Riverside, May 30 and 31.  
Stuttgart, June 6 and 7.  
Rison, June 13 and 14.  
Lehi, June 16.  
Kingsland, June 18.  
New Edinburgh, June 20 and 21.  
Redfield, June 27 and 28.  
Humphrey, July 4 and 5.  
Lakeside, July 11 and 12.  
DeWitt, July 18 and 19.  
Gillett, July 25 and 26.  
First Church, Pine Bluff, August 1 and 2.

White River, August 8 and 9.  
Little Prairie, August 15 and 16.  
Macon, August 22 and 23.  
English, August 29 and 30.  
Sheridan, September 5 and 6.  
Sherrill, September 12 and 13.  
The Pine Bluff District Conference will convene at Gillett, Thursday morning at 8:30 o'clock, July 23. The opening sermon will be preached on Wednesday evening before by Rev. Thomas Owen. Brethren, see that the Quarterly Conference wards are there for examination.  
C. C. Godden, P. E.

## WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

## JONESBORO DISTRICT.

Frank Ritter, P. E.  
April 18, 19; Lorado Circuit, April 25, 26; Paragould Station, April 26, 27; St. Francis Circuit, May 2, 3; Boydsville Circuit, May 3, 4; Golden Lake Circuit, May 9, 10; Mainshore Mission, May 16, 17; Jonesboro Station, May 20; Marquette Mission, May 23, 24; Gainsville Circuit, May 24, 25; Paragould Circuit,

May 30, 31; Shiloh Circuit, June 1; Brookland Circuit, June 6, 7; Buffalo Island Circuit, June 13, 14.

## SEARCY DISTRICT—

Henry T. Gregory, P. E.  
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.  
Avergne and Weldon, June 20 and 21.  
Union and Revel, June 27 and 28.

## HELENA DISTRICT.

M. M. Smith, P. E.  
Wynne, April 18 and 19; Taylor's Creek Circuit, April 25 and 26; Cotton Plant April and Howell, May 2 and 3; De View Mission, May 9 and 10; Oak Forrest Circuit, May 16 and 17; Wheatly Circuit, May 23 and 24; Hayns Circuit, May 30 and 31; LaGrange Circuit, June 6 and 7; Cypress Ridge Circuit, June 13 and 14; Turner Mission, June 20 and 21; Clarendon Circuit, June 27 and 28; Holly Grove and Marvel, July 4 and 5; Helena District Conference at Holly Grove, July 2-5.

## BATESVILLE DISTRICT.

Jas. F. Jernigan, P. E.  
Cedar Grove, April 25, 26; Richwoods, May 2, 3; Mt. View, May 9, 10; Melbourne, May 16, 17; Newberg, May 23, 24; Central Mission and Batesville, 30, 31; Iuka, June 6, 7; Viola, June 13, 14; Salem, June 20, 21; Indian Camp, June 27, 28; Ash Flat, July 4, 5; La Crosse, July 11, 12.

## 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.

## ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

## CLARKSVILLE DISTRICT.

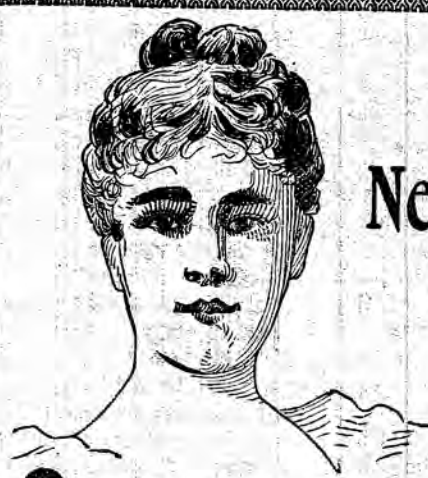
S. S. Key, P. E.

Third round:  
Altus and Coal Hill at Denning May 9 and 10.  
Lamar and Knoxville at Lamar May 16 and 17.  
Dyer Circuit, at Mount View, May 23 and 24.  
Alma Circuit, at Mulberry, May 30 and 31.  
Clarksville, June 6 and 7.  
Hartman Circuit, at Bethlehem, June 13 and 14.  
Clarksville Circuit, at Mount Olive, June 20 and 21.  
Ozark, June 27 and 28.  
Van Buren and City Mission, July 3, 4 and 5.  
Chester Mission, at White Water, July 11 and 12.  
Ozone, at Concord, July 18 and 19.  
Ozark Circuit, August 1 and 2.

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May:  
Boonsboro at White Rock, 30 and 31.  
June:  
Center Point at Hebron, 6 and 7.  
Prairie Grove at Prairie Grove, 13 and 14.  
Springdale at Bethel, 20 and 21.  
Elm Springs at Elm Springs, 27 and 28.  
July:  
Rogers, 4 and 5.  
Pea Ridge at Clements' Chapel, 12 and 13.  
Springtown at Bloomfield, 18 and 19.  
Gravett at Gravett, 25 and 26.  
August:  
Fayetteville, 1 and 2.  
Farmington at Farmington, 8 and 9.  
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Bentonville, 22 and 23.  
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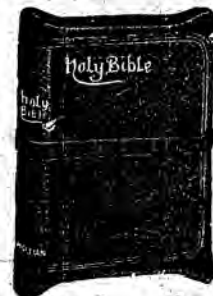
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Prairie View Circuit, July 4, 5.  
London Circuit, July 18, 19.  
Rover Circuit, July 25, 26.  
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### At Rest.

**WARRIN**—Myrtle May, little daughter of Brother R. W. and Sister Sarah Warrin, was born September 15, 1891, and died at Denning, Ark., April 9, 1896. On the afternoon of April 8, little Myrtle and a little relative of her's were playing in an empty organ box where there was some loose hay and the little niece struck a match and set the hay on fire. Little Myrtle's hands and face were badly burned, so that she died in about eighteen hours. She was a bright sweet little child, the babe and pet of the family. She leaves a father, mother and two grown sisters, heart-broken and grief-stricken, but may she lead them Heavenward. 'O! for a chosen walk with God—though it be a cross that raiseth me.' By this draw these nearer Thee, blessed Lord. Brother Warrin and family have the sympathy of all.

D. D. Warlick.

**IGOW**—Andrew J. Igow was born January 30, 1859, in East Tennessee, and died near Waldron, Ark., April 5, 1896. He professed religion in the fall of 1874, and joined the M. E. Church, South. He was a good man and loved by those who knew him. He loved his Master, and the Church of Christ in the earth. He was married March 5, 1876, to Miss Harriet E. Cox, daughter of our beloved James Cox, who is now a superannuated member of the Arkansas Conference. Bro. Igow was a kind, affectionate husband, a loving father, a submissive Christian. He came to Arkansas in the fall of 1894. He was in delicate health and hoped that the move would be helpful to him. But that much dreaded disease consumption took hold with a relentless grasp and after many months wrestling, and suffering, he succumbed and crossed the Jordan of death. But blessed be the name of the Lord, he crossed at the Pilgrim's ford, dying in triumphs of a living faith. He leaves a wife and two daughters to mourn their loss. And we are glad to know they weep not as those who have no hope. May God bless, comfort and keep the mother and daughters in this life and may it be their happy lot to meet with the husband and father in the realms of bliss, to spend eternity

praising the God of our Salvation. His pastor, J. B. Winsett.

**MALONEY**—Mrs. Tate Maloney, wife of J. H. Maloney, died May 2, 1896. Her maiden name was Stanley; born in Tennessee August 6, 1829; married to Mr. Maloney in 1864. She joined the Church in early life and lived a faithful Christian till death. She died very suddenly, leaving no message. But her life's record leaves the assurance she was ready. T. D. Scott.

Monticello, Ark.

**LAWRENCE**—Little John Earl Lawrence, aged 1 year 11 months and 22 days, died after a continual illness at Cale, I. T., on May 10, 1896. In the death of little John, Brother and Sister Lawrence's home is made sad. We commend them to the Lord who gave and who taketh away, knowing that if we are all faithful we shall meet again where there is no more sickness nor death. H. H. Goode.

**GREEN**—Bro. D. M. Green, one of the oldest Methodists in this country, died today, May 13. He was born in Jasper County, Georgia, January 16, 1815, joined the Church at the age of 17. He leaves the record of 65 years of faithful Christian service. It was not my privilege to know him intimately, but a number of our preachers will remember him as a faithful steward of Mt. Pleasant, where he served for years, till age and feebleness forced him to resign. His faithful wife, who is the same age, still waits her release. To such death has no terrors. T. D. Scott.

Monticello, Ark.

**LEA**—William Archer Lea, husband of Nora Lea and son of Wm. A. and Bethunia T. Lea, was born at Tulip, Ark., October 1, 1856, and died at Little Rock, Ark., April 10, 1896, leaving a wife and children, two brothers and one sister and a host of friends feeling a sense of their loss in his death.

Bro. Lea's health had been failing for more than twelve months. Being counseled by his physician that the skillful physicians of Little Rock could likely give him relief, he left his quiet home and loving family in Malvern and went in search of that which had left him to return no more—his health. Bro. Lea was among the first I received into the Church after I went to Malvern. His conversion was on Sunday evening. The Sabbath following he joined the Church and had all his children baptized, and then led a Christian life before them. When he left his home to return no more, he carried his Bible with him, and among the last things he said to his loving wife was, "I will not forget to read my Bible and pray while I am gone."

He died of nervous prostration, among strangers, without the gentle touch of loving hands, and the spirit was no doubt received by unseen hands and borne to the home of the pure and the good.

Look up, sorrowing ones, through your grief and say "His God shall be my God," and by and by one by one you will meet him over there where God wipes away all tears and makes all mysteries plain. W. F. Evans.

Prescott, Ark.

**JOHNSON**—Ellen—Born in North Carolina in 1805, moved to West Tennessee in —; thence to Arkansas in the fall of 1850, where she soon lost her husband and was left with a good large family of children, and has remained a widow since, and lived to see her entire family buried except two daughters. One of them, Mrs. Jonathan Isom, started for Mexico soon after the war, and we have never heard from her since. The other is the mother of the writer, where "Granny" Johnson, as she was so widely and familiarly known, has made her home for thirty-four or thirty-five years. Converted in 1848, she joined the M. E. Church, South, and lived a true and noble Christian till death, which occurred near Centre Point, Ark., January 29, 1896, after lingering for thirty-eight days as helpless as a babe, with gripe and old age, but was conscious to the very last and said she was ready to go. Oh, how she suffered! But the Lord of Glory led her through the furnace of affliction, and at the age of 91 she came out without the smell of fire on her garments and went sweeping through the gates into the city to join her friends, husband and children who had gone on before and was doubtless standing with outstretched arms to welcome her home to their de-

lightful society, where she waits for the rest of us. Well, grandma, you have beat us and got there and seen Jesus first, but we send the message across the river, shout on, sing on, grandma, you have left your daughter, son-in-law and grandchildren weeping, but we will be there by and by. Her grandson, A. A. McMillan.

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**TAYLOR**—Trudie May—infant daughter of J. Bird and Ophelia Taylor, of Spring Bank, Ark., was born January 28, 1895, and was transplanted into the heavenly garden May 5, 1896. Trudie was a sweet flower, and, though plucked up so early, has left a hallowed fragrance to bless the home till God calls the waiting ones of earth to meet in the skies.

Well may those loving parents shout on and leave grief to those who will not be comforted. Your darling is not dead; the visitor that seemed so heartless is but a veiled angel sent from God to transplant her. Thank God no frosts will ever chill, no burning wither there. Oh, how the darling little ones must thrive over there! Oh, colossal selfishness, that could wish them here again! Methinks I see a host innumerable. Oh, how radiant their faces! How buoyant their forms! How jubilant their ceaseless song. But one above the rest has cast a spell over me. His eyes pierce me through with a look unutterably divine. Two snow-white hands are beckoning come. Thank God for an angel boy. I thank God for myriads of glorified children. The Lord comfort and keep all who weep now, that they may soon rejoice forevermore. J. W. F. Scott.

**MERRITT**—Mary A. Merritt (nee McCants) was born in York County, South Carolina, February 17, 1842. Came to Arkansas with her parents in the fall of 1855. They settled in Pulaski County, where she continued to live until her death, which occurred November 20, 1895. She was married to James Merritt February 14, 1861. There were several children born to them, among whom was Sister Frances Smith, wife of Rev. F. M. Smith, of the White River Conference.

Sister Merritt professed religion and joined the M. E. Church, South, at Concord on Jacksonville Circuit, Searcy District, White River Conference, in the year 1862.

The writer first got acquainted with her in 1870. Lived a close neighbor to her and was frequently at her house. She was a kind friend, a good neighbor, and, in my judgment, a Christian lady in the full sense of the word. I knew her quite a number of years as her neighbor and as a teacher of her children, and as I knew her in the lives of her children, manifold were the evidences of her integrity and fidelity as a Christian mother.

Having become an Itinerant Methodist preacher of the M. E. Church, South, I was appointed in 1888 to Jacksonville Circuit, and remained on this charge for four successive years, during all of which time I was the pastor of Brother and Sister Merritt and family, was frequently at their house, and I know that the well-matured Christian character of Sister Merritt was a strong support to her parents, her family and her church.

She suffered long with bodily affliction before her death, but was patient and resigned during the whole time, and when the final hour came she exchanged worlds, happy in a Savior's love.

Dear husband and children, let us so live that our death may be triumphant, as was hers. H. M. Cryer.

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

**M'KELVEY**—Whereas, It has pleased God, in His infinite wisdom and goodness, to take from us our beloved friend and sister, Miss Annie McKelvey, one of our most faithful and earnest workers in Sunday-school and Church, and, although her life was short, she has made an impression on those whom she came in contact with for good that will never die; therefore,

Resolved, That we, as a Sunday-school at Camp Ground M. E. Church, South, realize the loss of one of its most amiable members and earnest workers.

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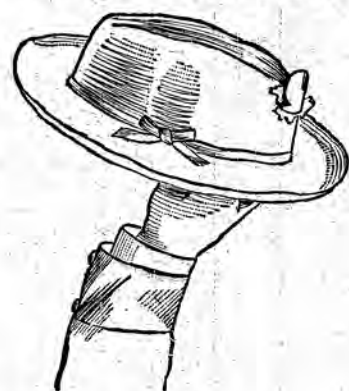
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