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News and Notes.

The legislature adjourned
Wednesday, June 16.

The Gazette is engaged in the
worthy enterprise of raising a fund
to erect a monument to the dead
Confederate soldiers. It is to be
placed in some public place in Lit-
tle Rock.

A fire destroyed the large build-
ing corner 2nd and Main Monday
night. The George Grocery Co.
and Stone's Commercial College
were the occupants. The building
belonged to Fletcher and Holtze.

The American Railway Union,
Eugene V. Debs, president, has sur-
rendered its existence and pro-
nounced its own death. There are
no mourners at the funeral, and
none to express the hope of resur-
rection.

According to the reports the
Tennessee Exposition is a great
success. The grounds and build-
ings we have seen and can bear
testimony to their beauty. The ex-
hibits are said to be very fine. The
visit of President McKinley and
suite on the 12th was highly appre-
ciated by the Tennesseans, and the
President's speech was much ad-
mired.

Only a few observations had been
taken through the Yerks telescope
when the floor supporting the in-
strument collapsed. Two months
will be required to make the neces-
sary repairs. The strength of the
instrument is indicated by the
statement that it brings the moon
within 200 miles, i. e. as it would

appear at that distance to the
naked eye.

Preparations are about complete
for a grand celebration of the com-
pletion of the free bridge at Little
Rock. The whole of the 5th of
July will be covered by the pro-
gramme, which includes military
societies and civic displays, with
speaking during the day and fire
works at night. The railroads have
agreed to a rate of 1 cent per mile
each way within 100 miles of the
city.

When Queen Victoria was con-
sulted as to the manner in which
her diamond jubilee should be cele-
brated she said: "Let your offer-
ings be given to the poor and low-
ly, and your aid to those who are
in want and are about to perish.
Let this intent govern your sys-
tematized effort to heal the inevit-
able inequalities of human society,
so that the gifts of God, in a
spirit of reasonableness and mercy,
may be distributed among His
creatures."

The religious ceremonies with
which the diamond jubilee of Queen
Victoria begins are to be held on
Sunday, June 20. Monday, June
21, is what is known as Ascension
Day. At the Queen's suggestion,
more elaborate celebrations will be
deferred till Tuesday, June 22,
which marks the actual completion
of the sixty years' reign. In the
great procession, which is to start
from Buckingham Palace, more
than 20,000 of the regular troops
of the British army will participate.
This will be the biggest military
display in England since the Cri-
mean war. The Queen and the
Royal Princes, in company with
the Prince of Wales, the Duke of
York, and the other princes, will
leave Buckingham Palace at 11
o'clock in the morning, and are
expected to return to the palace at
about 2 in the afternoon. The 6
miles of the route are to be lined
by 25,000 troops. The Queen will
be driven in an open carriage
drawn by twelve cream-colored
horses. By her side will be seated
the Princess of Wales, and as an
escort around the carriage there
will be, besides the princes of the
royal family, the princes of all the
reigning families of Europe. The

services in St. Paul's will be brief,
and after their conclusion the pro-
cession will proceed to the Mansion
house, where a banquet will be
ready.

The annexation of the Hawaiian
Islands will demand a strengthen-
ing of our navy. If it shall also
give a new impulse to the develop-
ment of our merchant marine it
will prove a great benefit to the
nation.

Fort Smith Items.

BY REV. P. C. FLETCHER.

Fort Smith was made a Metho-
dist station in 1850 with Rev. Juba
Eastabrook pastor in charge. The
Fort Smith District was formed in
1859, with Rev. Russell Reneau,
Presiding Elder.

Forty years ago Rev. A. R. Win-
field was pastor of the Methodist
Church in Fort Smith. Twenty-
six years ago Rev. S. S. Key was
pastor of the same church, and
nineteen years ago Rev. V. V. Har-
lan occupied the same position.
Many of the souls they preached to
are now in the eternal world.

Bishop Duncan's visit to Fort
Smith in April added momentum
to the cause of Methodism, and
gave many an opportunity of hear-
ing a Methodist bishop for the first
time.

Since the last items were sent in
Rev. E. M. Pipkin, of the Ameri-
can Bible Society, and Rev. D. H.
Colquette, of the ARKANSAS METHO-
DIST, have visited us in the interest
of the worthy causes they represent,
and their labors were "not in vain."

The second quarterly Confer-
ences of First and Central have
been held. Both churches made
reports which evidenced life and
progress. Brother Weems was at
his post, and in his preaching was
at his best.

The Fort Smith Di-strict League
Conference, which convened at La-
vaca, was pronounced a decided
success by many who attended. A
wagonette full of Fort Smith
Leaguers attended and returned
fraught with fresh zeal and in-
terest.

Rev. D. N. Weaver, the untiring
and popular pastor at Boonville,
paid Fort Smith a pleasant visit
recently, and seemed happy enough,
as he mingled with his friends of
by-gone days. He was licensed to
preach in Central Church.

This city was well represented at
the recent session of the Woman's
Missionary Society at Van Buren.
A number of elect ladies attended.

Rev. F. S. H. Johnston preached
the annual sermon to a large and
appreciative audience. His theme
was "Mary and the Alabaster
Box."

Rev. V. V. Harlan has so far
recovered from his recent illness
as to be seen on the streets of this
city a few days ago. When in
Fort Smith he is surrounded by a
host of friends.

The warm weather is causing a
number of our people to look long-
ingly toward the mountains, and
some are now summering at Siloam
and Sulphur Springs and on
Windslow. It is hoped they will
not forget to show themselves
Christians while amid new scenes,
and away from their home church.

Not long ago this writer made a
flying trip to Siloam Springs, his
old charge, and found Brother
Marston in high favor with his
people, and doing a fine work. He
is comfortably domiciled in the
handsome new parsonage, erected
last year by Rev. W. H. Dyer.

Rev. D. J. Weems reports his
district in good condition, and says:
"There is quite a lively interest
throughout all the pastoral charges.
The preachers are well, happy and
busy."

Central Church has recently en-
joyed a ten days' meeting, which
proved a source of uplifting to the
membership, and stirred the con-
sciences of some of the unsaved.

Rev. E. A. Tabor recently de-
livered a series of sermons at
Greenwood, which proved a bless-
ing to the church. The great need
of today seems to be for the church
members to get upon a higher
plane of living. Brother Dyer, the
pastor at Greenwood, is doing a
telling work.

Not long ago Rev. F. S. H. John-
ston, assisted by Bishop Duncan
and Dr. Morton, raised about
\$5,000 toward the liquidation of the
debt on First Church. This about
cancels the heavy debt Brother
Johnston found resting upon the
church when he became pastor,
three years and a half ago. He
has done a work which will be felt
through the coming years.

Professor C. N. Weems, son of
Rev. D. J. Weems, has closed a
very successful scholastic year as
principal of the Prairie Grove High
School, and is now spending his
vacation in the little city of Green-
wood, among the Sebastian hills.

Doctor, if you had to preach the
funeral of a church member who
got killed while on a Sunday ex-
cursion, what would you say?

Contributed.

The Town and the Presiding Eldership.

The remark is not unfrequently made by good brethren in our well organized stations that the presiding eldership is a fifth wheel in our Methodist economy. There are not a few lay brethren among us who, out of loyalty or conservatism or both, are rather tolerating the office, with more or less grace; who are willing for such reasons to pay the appointment made to their Church for the support of the presiding elder, to respect him when he comes around, and let matters rock on.

But have all such brethren duly considered, after all, the power of the presiding elder in our Methodist economy? We grant, to begin with, that as matters ordinarily go in a good well organized station there is very little immediate use for a presiding elder. Usually the men who are in these stations are as well able to take care of the work committed to them as the presiding elder will be when he comes around. And if the men be but equal in point of ability, the preacher in charge, in view of his opportunity to be quiet and to study, to keep himself fresh, ought even to be expected to do better work than the presiding elder can do for him—though they do not always do it, for all that. Still, two things are to be considered.

1. What if your matters do not always run smoothly in your station? What if the preacher himself gets into trouble? such trouble that no power on the ground can handle the matter? and your Church splits up on the issue? It has often happened, in Churches that have no such an institution as the presiding eldership, that in this very way the work of years has been undone; and it is certain that the presiding elder has often saved us, in our stations, at this very point. But if matters go on rightly forever in your station, then consider,

2. Your town is built up with people who were not reared in one of your good stations; your Church, which is now so strong and so well ordered that it thinks it could take care of itself, is made up chiefly of men who grew up in the country—the very best and strongest men in your Church as a rule grew up on some circuit or circuits in the country. If you doubt this statement, stop and count them for yourself. Human nature is a very corruptible commodity, and when you put it in the feverish, hotbed and often fatal conditions of town life, if it does not utterly rot in the next generation, it will unhappily, for the most part, lose its stamina. This is not mere delusive rhetoric, but a sad fact. Let parents who are bringing up their children in town, allowing them to run on the streets, to become first idle, then vicious, beware of the truth of the ruler. So it happens that if you want men of strong character to run your town Church, you must be always importing them from the country. Now then, the question is, What would have been the re-

sult for our towns if Methodism had kept no presiding elders in the country? Where would you get these strong men? On most of these circuits the presiding elder is by no means a fifth wheel. The machine would not go effectively without him. He is the one man to whom preachers and people look to straighten out their tangles and adjust their most serious difficulties. And he is continually doing it all over our Methodism. We have always worked hundreds of men in our itinerant ranks who would have been powerless to carry on the work without the support of a good strong presiding elder. Hundreds of raw boys, hundreds of good men lacking one sort of ability or another have wrought effectively as preachers because they have been kept in touch with the stronger hand of a presiding elder who could bring things to pass whenever he was needed. He has been their sympathetic counselor, and under his hand the preachers themselves have developed into strong men, if they had natural capacity, and the work has gone on, become strong in the country and furnished you in your town Church with men you could never otherwise have had. Truly a wonderful system! and has wrought wonders for us in all our history. Abolish the presiding eldership and you will see another wonder, quickly in many places in the country, less quickly but not less surely, in the towns. And if your towns are thus debtors to the presiding eldership, it were short sightedness or meanness in them to maintain an attitude of mere toleration toward the office. They ought liberally to sustain it, for indirectly, if not always directly, they are reaping the fruit of its toil.

Honor to all men who have labored or are laboring in our great Methodist field. Honor to bishops, editors, secretaries, school men; honor to the old men among us, worn out in the service; honor to the preachers who stand bravely in our stations, and face manfully the difficulties there; honor to the sound-headed and sound-hearted men who are doing the ground work of Methodism out on the circuits; honor to the inexperienced boys on the mountain missions, who are having the hardest time of all Methodist preachers, and getting less pay; but honor also to the presiding elders who go, go, in the midst of it all, make it all possible, get all too little warm personal sympathy, have a hard life, and often also hard pay; and honor, lastly, to the layman who loves all these for their work's sake.

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Missouri Letter.

BY C. H. BRIGGS, D. D.

April and May are the months in which most of our District Conferences in Missouri are held. The reports from the charges show that several thousand have been received into the Church on profession of faith. In my own district—Boonville—the number so received was 230 up to May 18. A. H. Godbey, a nephew of the editor of the ARKANSAS METHODIST, reported the largest number of additions, 52, a majority of whom were men. But Godbey has a large field to work, and is able to stand more work than any other preacher in the district. In fact, he is the only man in the district that the Presiding Elder permits to out-work him.

The financial outlook is not very promising, and if the salaries and collections equal last year it will indicate more diligent and faithful work on the part of the stewards and preachers. There is something in getting used to hard times, and as soon as our people cease looking to the politicians for help, and do the best they can for themselves, we may expect better conditions. If the pressure of hard times will lead our stewards to work the neglected corners of their fields and stir up the preachers to a faithful effort to secure something on the collections from every member of the church, we will learn how to be more liberal when times do improve.

Commencement season is over and a large number of well equipped young men and women have gone out from our Methodist schools to commence the active work of life. Our two leading institutions change presidents this year. Professor A. A. Jones, who has done very satisfactory work for years as president of Central Female College, goes to Asheville, N. C., to take charge of a Female College. He is succeeded by Rev. Z. M. Williams, A. M. Brother Williams is about 40 years old, a graduate of Central College, and is closing a four years' term as Presiding Elder of Gallatin District, in the Missouri Conference. I have known him since he was a student at Central College. He has succeeded as a preacher, and will succeed as a college president. For years he has been a curator of Howard Payne Female College, and is sufficiently familiar with the business side of school work to understand what it means to accept the presidency of our Central Female College.

One year ago, on the resignation of Dr. Hammond, Tyson S. Dines, A. M., of Denver, was elected president of Central College. A few weeks later he met with a serious injury, which prevented him from taking charge during the past year. He has recovered sufficiently to be able to deliver the literary address on commencement day. That address was so strong and eloquent that it increased the sense of disappointment which many of us felt because of his inability to

take charge of the college, but his physicians had warned him that it would not be safe for him to take upon himself such responsible work for another year at least, and he tendered his resignation, which was regretfully accepted.

Professor O. H. P. Corprew, LL. D., has been acting president for the past year. Twenty-five years ago I visited Central College for the first time and found Professor Corprew there. The respect and esteem which he commanded from the first have deepened with the years, and when the alumni orator paid him a noble tribute Monday night the prolonged applause which followed showed the hold which he has gained upon this community. The curators conferred upon him the degree of LL. D.

The graduating class was the largest in the history of the college. Three received the degree of A. M., my oldest son among the number; eight, A. B.; one, B. S.; seven, Ph. B.

O. C. Lester, A. B., one of the graduates, goes to Hendrix College next year to take the chair of Greek and Latin. Two years ago he took the prize at Central for general scholarship. This year he took two prizes, one for the best essay and one for the best article in the college paper, "The Collegian." He is a Christian gentleman, well equipped for his work, and I congratulate Arkansas Methodism on securing his services.

One of the curators, J. W. Vaughan, Ph. B., M. D., who is a graduate of Central, offered \$500 for the better equipment of the scientific department, on condition that \$500 should be raised immediately. Bishop Hendrix, as president of the board of curators, stated this generous offer to the audience on commencement day, and in about five minutes the remaining \$500 was pledged.

E. B. Craighead, A. M., was elected president of the college. He is an alumnus of Central, has studied at Vanderbilt and at Leipzig, and has been in educational work for some years in different states. I knew him as a teacher in Neosho Collegiate Institute, when I was a young presiding elder. Since then he served for some time as a professor in Dr. Price's College for Young Ladies, at Nashville, and is now president of the Clemson Agricultural College, of South Carolina. His election commands general approval.

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Married.

SIMPSON--BOLDEN—March 31, 1897, Ed Simpson to Mrs. Annie Bolden, at Fort Smith, Ark. Rev. P. C. Fletcher.

LAWSON--CLEYLAND—May 16, 1897, at Fort Smith, Ark., William H. Lawson and Miss Nellie Cleyland. Rev. P. C. Fletcher officiating.

HINES-GRACE—January 6, 1897, at Central Church, Fort Smith, Ark., W. P. Hines and Miss Minnie Grace. Rev. C. Fletcher officiating.

MELLEN-LAWSON—May 9, 1897, at Fort Smith, Ark., B. Mellen, of Cuthie, O. T., and Miss Lou Lawson, of Fort Smith. Rev. P. C. Fletcher officiating.

WING-HOWARD—May 16, 1897, at the bride's sister, near Haynes, Ark., Mr. John Wing to Miss Annie Howard, all of Lee county. J. B. McDonald, officiating.

GANNAWAY-ADEN—June 8, 1897, at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. J. R. Sanders, Mr. S. L. Gannaway to Miss Lizzie Aden, all of Pine Bluff, Ark.

POTTER-SINGLY—May 1, 1897, at the LeFlave House, Fort Smith, Ark., F. J. Potter and Miss Mable Singly, both of Coal Hill, Ark. Rev. P. C. Fletcher officiating.

HOUSTON-HEDRICK—May 1, 1897, at the LeFlave House, Fort Smith, Ark., V. J. Houston and Miss Minnie Hedrick, both of Coal Hill, Ark. Rev. P. C. Fletcher officiating.

ERWIN-APPLEBERRY—On June 2, 1897, at the bride's uncle's, J. D. Appleberry, Mr. John A. Erwin and Miss Ella Appleberry. Rev. J. J. Colson, officiating. Selma, June 4, 1897.

CAMPBELL-MICHAELS—February 9, 1897, at the Central parsonage, Fort Smith, Ark., Lucian Campbell and Miss Ida Michaels, both of Pateau, I. T. Rev. P. C. Fletcher officiating.

McFALL-EPPS—On May 30, 1897, at the residence of the bride's parents, in Madison county, Ark., Mr. T. W. McFall and Miss Lucy Epps. J. B. McDonald, P. C. of Haynes circuit; officiating.

BUSHONG-HIGHFILL—At the residence of the bride's mother, in Green county, Ark., on June 2, 1897, Mr. Albert Bushong to Miss Sarah Highfill. Rev. T. B. Williamson officiating.

RATCLIFFE-WATERS—At the residence of Mr. Wm. Porters, near Dalark, Ark., May 2, 1897, Mr. John Ratcliffe to Miss Mollie Waters, both of Dallas county. B. S. McCann officiating.

McCLURE-MEADOW—At Mount Pleasant Church, near Texarkana, Sunday 11 a. m., May 23, Charles

W. McClure and Miss Cora Meadow, pledged their lives to each other at the Hymenial altar. Marriage ceremony read by their pastor, J. H. McKelny.

THOU SHALT NOT STEAL.

Brethren, if this is applicable where a young man steals a pretty girl, I am satisfied that I am involved in a case of theft. There was a couple drove up to the parsonage this morning with a fine livery stable rig, and having known the couple and their pilot on Spring Hill circuit, I must confess they looked "specious," but having their license properly signed with my clerk's signature, what could I do but to make them happy. The young man was Mr. Percy Martin, of a good family. The bride was a niece of our Governor Jones, and a lovely girl. May they prosper here and find peace in the sweet by-and-by.

J. H. MCKELNY.

May 31, 1897.

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Letter from Rev. S. G. Shaw.

Dear Bro. Godbey.—If the ARKANSAS METHODIST has room for the communication of a brother in affliction, please allow me to say to our friends that on last evening we permitted our eldest boy, 13 years old, to take the horse and cart and go several miles into the country on an errand for a poor widow. Just as he reached town on the return trip the horses took fright and started at full speed down the hill and soon began kicking furiously. The boy held on to the lines with all his little might until struck in the stomach and left breast by both feet of the horse and dislodged from the cart, then he was dragged for fifty yards before he was freed from the lines. He was thought to be killed, but has recovered consciousness, and we are hopeful that he may yet recover. One rib is broken loose from the breast bone and he is severely bruised in many places, but his greatest danger is from the kick on the stomach. It was with great reluctance and serious misgivings that we suffered him to go, but under the circumstances we could not well refuse and so took the risk to our great sorrow.

Last winter we all passed through a sore siege of la grippe. I was so far disabled that I had to give up all my work except the Church in Boerne. Bro. M. A. Black, one of the biggest hearted P. E's. in Texas, saw the situation and cheerfully supplied an assistant to take charge of the other appointments, leaving me in possession of the parsonage.

The ARKANSAS METHODIST is a great comfort and help to us and the generous kindness of Bro. Thornburgh and yourself in continuing to send it to me in spite of my non-payment of dues is gratefully appreciated. Your editorials on the holiness controversy have all been read with lively interest and hearty endorsement. To my ear they have the true Methodist (Bible) ring. You have with you such men as Bishop Granbery, Wilson, Galloway, and I believe all the rest, Drs. J. Anderson, G. G. Smith, and a host of other leading men; in fact, I believe, a large majority of the best and brainiest men in Methodism, and yet it cannot be gain said that among the rigid second blessingists are to be found no mean proportion of men of real ability and deep piety. It is gratifying to note that both parties are learning moderation in debate. I would say, let the discussion proceed if the brethren can keep cool.

Bro. James Anderson's recent article anent the election of bishops was, in my judgment, timely and to the point. What he says concerning the elevation of men to the bishopric may also be said of other promotions to places of authority or prominence. As to any of our bishops having lost in brotherliness by their election to that office I cannot speak from personal knowledge, having been little with them. But I think I could name several in less exalted stations who look

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upon their less honored brethren with quite other eyes than formerly, since their elevation. Not every man of talent and learning can stand promotion, and doubtless great care should be had in selecting men to fill the conspicuous places in the Church, from that of presiding elder up. I think some among the P. E's., editors, and connectional officers are inclined to be obsequious towards bishops and other dignitaries and supercilious towards their inferiors in office. One or two editors I wot of constantly remind me of what a presiding elder once said at our Annual Conference. He was speaking in favor of a certain remote village which had asked for the next Conference. "Bishop," he said, "those people never saw a bishop in their lives and if they could just hear one preach they would say that was the grandest sermon they ever heard." I love and honor our bishops and am persuaded that they are deserving of much praise, still they are but men and do sometimes make mistakes and even fall a little short of real grandeur in preaching, sometimes.

In the New Testament there is no room or warrant for anything that savors of a Romish hierarchy, or lordism over God's heritage. While honoring those who have merited and won the highest office in the Church, therefore, we should guard the rights of all and maintain a true democracy as contemplated by the chief episcopos and great head of the Church.

S. G. SHAW.

Boerne, Texas, June 11, 1897.

P. S. June 13. Our boy is improving—indications quite favorable. S. G. S.

From the Indian Territory.

Dear Doctor.—Laying aside music, chart and baton to rest for a while, last fall I was appointed to this charge by Bishop Duncan. As quite a number of the Arkansas Conference brethren know, I have been in the local ranks for nearly thirteen years. This is my first year in the pastorate, and I must say that I like it very much, and the Lord has wonderfully blessed us, and the work has been attended with success far beyond my expectations. Have only held one

revival meeting on the work, yet I have had a net increase of 37 members.

Now, I want to say that I have carefully and eagerly watched the strong fight you have made against whiskey and its advocates since the first sitting of the Arkansas Legislature, and it is very gratifying to any one interested in the Christian religion, Arkansas Methodism and the general betterment of the people. Sirs, assisted by so many able correspondents, you have made the noblest fight against whiskey devils and whiskey evils that I have ever witnessed. Dozens of times as I have read these convincing articles have I said to myself and right out "Amen!" God bless you brethren press the fight until the grand State of Arkansas runs dry in every crook and corner, and then shout victory in Christ's name. I say, God pity the professing Christian man who would in any way vote for or sanction the accursed stuff and its traffic! Such an one has certainly denied the faith, and if so, is worse than an infidel.

I have a very pretty composition—words and music—styled, "The Temperance Tide is rising," it is a stirring temperance quartette, dedicated to Rev. P. B. Summers of the Arkansas Conference. It will help some of you on special occasions. The song is owned and published in a book, by Rutledge and Co., of Ft. Smith. God bless all the brethren who are making such a noble fight for Christ and the up-building of his cause. Pray for us in this field. Your brother in Christ

S. J. OSLIN.

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Literary Table.

Washington Letter.

(From Our Regular Correspondent)

While willing to go even further in their admiration of the Christian character and personal qualities of Queen Victoria than Dr. Talmage did in his sermon last Sunday, there are not a few well-informed persons who decline to go as far as he did when he said: "I declare it, fearless of contradiction, that the mightiest champion of Christianity today is the throne of England." Had Dr. Talmage said that the occupant of the throne of England was one of the mightiest personal examples of Christianity, there would have been no dissent; but the limited authority of the Queen in controlling the policy of the government of Great Britain prevents her becoming the champion of Christianity and at the same time clears her of blame for the very unchristian-like attitude that government has occupied time after time within the memory of readers of this paragraph, and which it is occupying at this very time in its dealings with Greece and Turkey. The Queen has proven herself a woman of noble traits and Christian character, but the careful reader of history knows that the government of Great Britain has neglected opportunities to champion Christianity, not once only but many times.

Public sentiment in Washington has favored the annexation of Hawaii from the beginning of the agitation on that subject and is now more strongly in favor of the ratification of the new annexation treaty, negotiated by the present administration, than it was of the annexation treaty sent to the Senate by President Harrison and withdrawn by President Cleveland.

The Washington conference of Congregational Churches held its thirteenth annual session this week. Four Baltimore churches, seven Washington churches, and one each in Falls church and Herndon, Va., Monterey, Pa., and Frostburg, Md., were presented. One of the most interesting papers that were read was by Mr. Jerome F. Johnson on the work of the Sunday-school Unions. He said,

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"The District of Columbia Sunday School Unions are as good an example of inter-denominational co-operation as can be found anywhere. The field of Christian work now most urgently needed is that of a house-to-house visitation by Christian people. This has been productive of much good in St. Louis, and in the states of Iowa and Ohio, and the Washington Unions have arranged to have a house-to-house canvass made on the day of October 16, next. The work will be in charge of a board of fifteen members and 1,500 persons of all denominations will make the canvass. It is planned to have a monster mass-meeting about three weeks before the day of visitation. The canvassers will go around in groups of two or three, so that there will be no opportunity afforded for sectional antagonism." The annual reports made to the conference were in the main as satisfactory as they were expected to be.

Delegates from the young people's societies of the Universalist, Unitarian and People's Churches, and from the Hicksite Friends met this week and formed what they hope will turn out to be the nucleus of a great national, perhaps international, organization. They adopted as their platform the following, now used by the Young People's Confederation of Boston: "In the love of truth we unite for the worship of God and the service of man; and as His followers we accept the religion of Jesus, holding in accordance with His teaching that practical religion is summed up in love to God and love to man." The selection of a suitable name and the drawing up of a constitution and by-laws were referred to committees which are to report at a meeting to be held shortly.

Prof. J. Praise Richard, of the Modern Normal School, talked to the Y. M. C. A. at its regular weekly Gospel meeting, his subject being a demonstration of the proposition that all our rational modern systems of teaching, whatever may be their claims to originality, have their origin and inspiration in the Bible. It was the opinion of all who heard him that he succeeded in doing just what he started out to do, and the aptness of his Biblical quotations was really remarkable to those who had not previously been thinking along the same lines. The project of erecting a suitable Y. M. C. A. building in Washington which by reason of unsatisfactory business conditions has necessarily been lying dormant for a long time, has been taken up by prominent business men interested in the work of the Association, and from the manner in which they are now pushing, its success seems to be well-nigh assured.

Nervous Prostration.

W. T. Hill of Buena Vista, Ouachita county Arkansas says: "The Electropoise cured me of nervous prostration from which I suffered very much. I cannot say too much for it."

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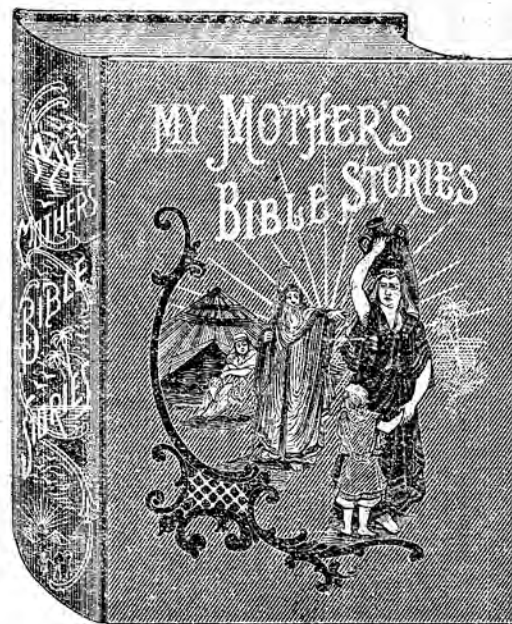
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The Sunday School.

PREPARED BY REV. J. A. ANDERSON.

The Searcy District Sunday School Convention.

The Searcy District Sunday-school convention met at Beebe pursuant to a call from the Presiding Elder, and in point of interest and in the character of the work done it was a success. The programme proved an interesting one and was spiritually handled throughout. Several very interesting papers were read some of which will be furnished the METHODIST for publication. Our beloved presiding elder was present and the convention showed its appreciation of his services by refusing to elect a chairman in his stead. All the preachers in the district were present during the session except Bro. W. P. Talkington, E. M. Davis, and F. E. Taylor. Our men are awake to the great interest of Sunday-school work. The convention closed without selecting a place for the next meeting; but it is to be hoped that the P. E., will not allow the great interest to die out. The good people of Beebe, in entertaining us, sustained their high reputation for hospitality. We found Rev. W. C. Davidson and wife very much endeared to their people by the three and a half years of faithful service. The people of Beebe will be loath to give them up. But I have written enough.

GEORGE G. DAVIDSON,
Secretary.

Auvergne, Ark., June 6.

THE TROUBLESOME BOY AND THE TALKATIVE GIRL.

Paper read before the Searcy District Sunday School Convention by Mrs. Ollie Olmstead.

It's a poor Sunday-school, to say the least of it, that hasn't the Troublesome boy and the Talkative girl. And the more of these a school can draw and hold, the better satisfied the officers should be with their work. It's true they are a nuisance to every one when they do come, but they will get a little good every time they come if it is only by absorption. And there must be something that interests them or they would not come, for there is a broader field for mischief outside than there is in the Church and they are usually of a kind that can stay away if they want to. We speak of the child that is bad every Sunday. For there are times when the best trained children will get there "tickle turned over" and cut up like one possessed. But this usually depends upon the one they are sitting by.

As to the talking girl, she is not always a little girl. Some of the very worst talkers and the hardest to do any thing with are between twelve and sixteen years old. They are talking about the boys and are trying to find out every boy's opinion about the one they like best. And if the parents do not interfere, they will drop the Church in which they have been brought up and will take a sudden liking to

some other where he attends. They are talking in confidential tones all through the class, and worrying about when and who they will marry more than they will at twenty. I know of no remedy for this class. But here is a little verse that kept me from turning gray at that age; perhaps some teacher can use it to advantage.

There never was a goose so gay,
But sometime soon or late,
An honest gander came that way
And took her for his mate.

Then there is the little girl that talks and giggles all the time about any thing and every thing. From what she has on to what her parents said about the neighbors. A small boy came home the other day and said mamma I tell you Anna is happy now, her mamma's got her some of those little hair scorchers. He meant curlers but he was a boy. Perhaps you have noticed the more dressed up a little girl is the more she will talk. And the more pockets a boy has the more things he has to talk about. Especially in this day when trading seems to be all the rage. Not many Sundays ago, in the house, a big boy traded a little fellow a stub of a lead pencil for his missionary nickel. But I suppose the little folks ought not to be blamed so much, for I notice when down town that bigger folks than children are great hands to trade. And some of them go leading home with a bridle things that are not worth much more than the stub of a lead pencil.

But we all know and have seen the troublesome child in the Sunday-school. For you can't see much else and be in three seats of him. And we will just proceed to enumerate a few of the best ways from our experience of making an active, good scholar out of an unruly, bad one. To be a successful worker with children one must love them. And they know by intuition when they are really loved and when tolerated for other reasons. And every real lover of children should pray for wisdom in the management of them, that they may know when to encourage and when to discourage them in their talk, plays, or plans, that through their love they may have their restless activity turned into the right direction.

We do not mean by this that we advocate ruling with the rod of love at all times, for a rod of peach tree is a good thing sometimes, but cannot well be used in the Sunday-school, however badly needed, and we have to resort to other means of keeping order. To induce the parents to attend usually has a good effect on a bad scholar, for if they know anything at all of control at home, they will seldom do their worst with the eye of a parent upon them. And if there is any place in the world where a child, left to himself, "bringeth his mother to shame" it is in the Church. There the contrast with the quiet around brings the child's misbehavior into such notice no mother can fail to see where she has missed the mark in the training of that child, and to make new resolutions that she will make a

better boy out of him, or wear him out, when she gets him home. Another good way to control children is to interest them, be one of them. If they won't listen to the lesson, talk to them of something else. If the girls will compare their pretty clothes, tell them what Jesus said about the lilies, and let them see if they can't name a lily the color of each dress in the class; or if the boys are restless, talk to them about snakes. They will talk snakes every Sunday in the year, and the stupidest boy in the class will wake up and tell about one his pa killed. But with all your talk be sure you quote as many Bible verses bearing on the subject as you can. There is no one, not even a minister, who needs so much a goodly store of committed Bible verses as the Sunday-school teacher. Verses on all subjects. And you can find them in the Bible; for no one ever had to deal with a subject so peculiar or a difficulty so complex, but that if he earnestly took it to the Lord, He would give him the verse to suit his need. If we only had the patience in dealing with troublesome children that our grandmothers had in knitting the long stockings we would not be so easily discouraged. "It's line upon line and precept upon precept." But at the end of a year of patient work we can see the narrowing of the bad and the widening of the good qualities in the child, and they are worth all the effort we can put forth to save them. For if a child is not precious in the sight of God why does the devil work so hard to get them while they are little?

Not long ago I saw an extract from the speech of a saloon-deeper, made at the liquor dealers' convention, in which he said: "These customers of ours will be dead in a few years and our trade will die with them unless we find a better way to educate the children."

May God help us as teachers to educate them in the opposite direction. "He may give us no word that will win a soul, or a life from destruction save," but if he lets me make one little child laugh and be better I shall feel that my life has not been in vain. And I ask to be taught and directed to guide their footsteps aright, so to live that I may be ready to walk in sandals of light

And hear, amid songs of welcome,
From messengers trusty and fleet,
On the starry floor of heaven,
The patter of little feet.

G. G. DAVIDSON.

RESOLUTIONS

Of Respect from the Sunday-school of the M. E. Church, South, Dardanelle, Ark.

We are seldom called to write of one whose life was brighter than that of Miss Leona Goodman. In the untimely and tragic death of this brilliant and lovely young woman our whole community mourns a loss.

Since our all-wise heavenly Father, in his grace and wisdom has seen fit to pluck the rose as it was budding in this earthly habitation, and to transplant it to a

fairer clime, that there it may blossom in all its beauty and stand through the ages as a beacon light to guide us home, therefore we, her Sunday-school class-mates and friends, as a memorial of our grief and loss, adopt the following resolutions together with the foregoing preamble.

Resolved: 1st. That we bow to the will of God "Who doeth all things well."

2nd. That we have lost one in whom we had centered many hopes for future usefulness and honored womanhood.

3rd. That we as a body extend to the sorrowing father, the distressed and invalid mother, the heartbroken sisters and brothers our sincerest sympathy.

4th. That these resolutions be placed on the minutes of our Sunday-school, a copy be furnished each of our town papers and the ARKANSAS METHODIST, also a copy be sent to the bereaved family.

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JUNE 27, 1897.

Danger of Delay.

"Boast not thyself of tomorrow, for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth."—Prov. xxvii. 1.

"Procrastination is the thief of time. Year after year it steals till all are fled."—Young.

"Tomorrow didst thou say? Methought I heard Horatio say to-morrow;

Go to, I will not hear it,
'Tis a word nowhere to be found
In all the hory register of time,
Saving perchance in the fool's calendar."

—Shakespeare.

All languages have their proverbs of the folly of putting off till tomorrow the duty of today. It is the sure evidence of indolence which lets every privilege of life go by unimproved. He who will not endure present effort, says: "Wait." With this pretext he hides his indolence even from himself, and persuades himself that he is planning wisely. He plans what he will never perform. His good purpose is in tomorrow. Some day he will cease from all the privileges of life and leave his good resolves to that tomorrow which he shall never see.

The good deed must be done today, the good word spoken today. Tomorrow will bring duties of its own. We cannot carry into it the duties or the privileges of the present. Akin to this proverb of the wise man is that other: "What thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might, for there is no wisdom nor knowledge, nor device in the grave, whither thou goest."

We have not found in any sentence more philosophy for the conduct of life than this: "Look not mournfully into the past. It comes not again; wisely improve the present, it is thine; and go forward to meet the shadowy future, without fear and with a manly heart."

Epworth League Work at Stephens and Waldo.

DEAR METHODIST.—I have waited somewhat too long to report my Epworth League interest on Stephens and Waldo circuit.

About two years ago Brother McKinnon organized a League at Waldo. It has never died, suspended or gotten very sick, but has grown both in numbers and interest all the time. We have a large membership here, and nearly every member is active in League work. I am glad to say that nearly all the men and a large per cent of the young ladies will lead in prayer and talk or take any part they are asked to in League work. They do especially well in singing. Some time ago I asked this League for \$25 on the missionary department, and in a few minutes the amount was subscribed and most of it will soon be paid. I have never seen a more zealous and religious lot of young people in my life. Their devotional meetings are well attended, and much good is being done by them. I have been with them when there was a great outpouring of the spirit, and the whole congregation was made to feel the power of God. They are my chief helpers in all Church work.

The League here at Stephens is only about 5 months old, but already the League meeting is one of the most interesting we have. The young people come in great numbers to every service, and many of them take hold of the work with willing hands and are ready for anything that will forward the cause. I feel sure it is only a question of time when this will be the equal of any in the Conference for zeal and work. I am sorry to say that the young ladies have most of the work to do here, but we are working and praying that every young man in town will be as willing to work as are the young ladies.

At Mount Prospect, our country church, we have a fine League. Sister Cotton, who is a cousin to Bishop Geo. F. Pierce, is at the head of the League here, and it is a perfect success. Here, as in town, nearly all the young people in the neighborhood attend and take part. I am sure that the League can run in the country where you have a preacher who has studied League work and is thoroughly in sympathy with it, and where you have some good layman who will stand by it until it gets well organized. The failure in country Leagues is not often in the young people, but the old ones. The young will follow where led by a good, consecrated man or woman. When I see the possibilities of young life and how my young people are organized at all of my appointments I feel that much will be done for the Lord this year. I can and do depend on them, and so far they have not failed.

The Lord pour out His blessing on the League and all its members.

Yours in the work,

R. W. McKAY.

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ARKANSAS METHODIST.

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

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 1897.

At Hot Springs.

Sunday last was surely the hottest day of the season. So they said at Central Avenue Church, Hot Springs, and so it appeared to the preacher. Central Avenue has recently had a revival which has added about forty persons to the membership. Most of these are young people who, if well cared for, will be a strength to the Church here or elsewhere in the near future.

Rev. R. R. Moore, the pastor, preferring the shade of the woods for his children through the summer has moved a mile and a half out of town. He was not too far out to show us much kindness. Brother Moore thinks the Central Avenue people must have a new church. They need it badly. Hot as a house can be, with miserable acoustics, and situated where the whirr and whizz of the street cars affray constantly the ears of the worshippers, the church is most inconvenient and disagreeable. It is a valuable property, which ought to bring money enough to erect a far more commodious house of worship.

We preached at Malvern Hill Saturday night and Sunday night. Brother Rhodes has here a good and growing congregation. It is the purpose of this congregation to move the church to a more convenient location. The work here is strengthening. Brother Rhodes has gotten a strong hold upon the people.

We understand that Brother Few has a large congregation at South Hot Springs. A recent revival here has moved the church forward, and both preacher and people are very much encouraged. In truth, our work at Hot Springs has not been in so good a condition for two or three years past. We found the business of the place also much better than at this time last year. The merchants of the city and the farmers of the adjacent country are very hopeful for the future. The crops are promising uncommonly well. My wife is with me here, taking the baths. We shall remain some days.

Hendrix College.

We were able to be present at the Hendrix College commencement only on the last day. Professor Hawley has engaged to furnish us a report of the occasion. Hendrix has just completed the best year of its history. The at-

tendance was better than the year before, and the grade of the students higher. The people of Arkansas are learning that no superficial work is done at Hendrix College. The professors have always been able men, and competent to fill like chairs in any college. President Millar has held to the work with a devotion which should endear him to every Methodist of the state. He is the man we want at the head of this school, and we feel sure that in a few years he will have reason to rejoice in the fruits of his wisdom, self-denial and zeal.

The debt upon the college has been put in far better condition to be managed and the interest reduced from 10 to 6 per cent, with good time for the liquidation of the principal. We expect a more particular report from another source. We are sure that the coming year will bring a large body of students to the school.

Our Schools.

All our colleges, Hendrix, Galloway, Arkadelphia, Quitman, have made their arrangements for next year's work. They have all an excellent prospect. Hendrix has gotten relief from the immediate pressure of debt and will add another chair to her faculty. This institution is yearly strengthening in influence through the noble young men whom it has graduated. The discipline has been so wise and so kind that all the students have been made friends of the school. There will be the largest number of students at Hendrix it has ever had next fall.

Galloway is also in better financial condition, and retains her excellent faculty. The ample accommodation and fine equipment offered by Galloway College, with her healthy location and her successful past, are guarantees of continued and increasing patronage.

Arkadelphia, with Dr. Pope added to the faculty, and Dr. Jones' return, will be stronger than ever before.

Quitman will be strengthened by the return of Rev. O. H. Tucker to the presidency. His labor for two years past on Harrison District has given him acquaintance and influence in that section, from which students are to be drawn to Quitman.

While we have gotten relief and can take breath in our struggles to establish colleges in Arkansas, let us be encouraged by this to more vigorous effort and larger liberality to put our schools, so well begun, on a basis to stand and develop steadily through the future. They must all be freed of debt. This is imperative, and Hendrix College

must have a liberal endowment, and she ought not to wait long for it. There will be through the coming year a vigorous agency devoted to the financial claims of this school, and intelligent Methodists will see their opportunity to do a great work for the church in Arkansas by contributing money to Hendrix College.

Commencement of Hendrix College.

The College was fortunate in securing Dr. J. J. Tigert, of Nashville, to preach the annual sermon. The subject of his discourse was the Centurion of Capernaum. A masterly analysis of this centurion's character was made and presented as an example of what a young man might make of himself even in most unfavorable circumstances. This captain was declared to be a young man, without family, away from home on military duty in Palestine. He was a stranger and an unwelcome one among the most exclusive nation that ever existed—the Jews; yet in spite of this and the lack of any restraints such as home and family put upon a man, this centurion developed a character whose prominent traits were philanthropy, liberality, humanity, humility and faith. Each of these was brought out in a clear and impressive manner. There were some parts of the sermon especially striking. While setting forth the solicitude of the centurion for his servant as an evidence of humanity, the preacher called attention to the fact that this servant was a slave and in all probability had been brought up with his master whom he now accompanied as body servant. To illustrate the affection of the Master for this slave the speaker imagined a scene like many that actually occurred during the late war. A young man is called up by his father and mother to be sent to the front. The black boy of the same age, who has been his young master's playmate and protector, is sent along to the front to care for him still. In such a case the black boy would not more surely or tenderly minister to his master injured than would the white boy if the misfortune were to befall his slave. So it was with this Capernaum centurion. In the comment on the humility, attention was directed to the fact that the centurion claimed no special favor because he had built the synagogue, he did not feel that he was complimenting the Lord by building a house of worship. The modern fashion of courting the wealthy and influential was contrasted with this. And further application was made in these words: "Some preachers think they are preaching the gospel when they gather the testimonies of men who reject the divinity of Christ but speak of him as the best man that ever lived. No man on earth," exclaimed the preacher, "is big enough to endorse Jesus Christ." There are many other things I should like to say about this excellent sermon, but must not take up more space.

The "Farewell meeting" of the

Y. M. C. A., Sunday afternoon is always one of the most enjoyable and profitable occasions of commencement. This year it was more impressive than usual. Prof. J. W. Cline, who is to sail for China in a few weeks, led the meeting. All the talks were brief and calm. There were evidences of suppressed emotion in almost every testimony. During the singing of the last song all the audience voluntarily came forward one by one to take the hand of Bro. Cline and bid him godspeed, while the president of the college and the president of the board stood arm in arm weeping like children. There were certainly not more than two men in the room with dry eyes, and although there was no noisy demonstration, it was with great difficulty that even one voice could keep the singing from ceasing altogether. It was a scene that will never be forgotten, and was an endorsement of Bro. Cline both as man and teacher such as few men can secure. The work of the Y. M. C. A. has been more successful this year than ever. Nearly twenty young men have been converted.

Sunday night Bro. Babcock of Batesville preached the Y. M. C. A. sermon from the text, "Every one of us shall give account of himself to God," and in his terse and logical manner set forth the grounds of human accountability. This sermon was strong and timely and was marked by the appropriateness which in an unusual manner characterized the sermon and addresses of this occasion.

At 10 o'clock Monday the essays written in the contest for the College and Preparatory Medals were read. In the collegiate contest there was a tie between Mr. E. H. England of Van Buren county and Mr. G. P. Willbanks of Conway county. By every method of grading there was a tie between these two. Another judge had to be called upon to break the tie and he decided in favor of Mr. Willbanks. The Preparatory medal was won by Mr. S. C. Reynolds of Faulkner county.

The contest for the ARKANSAS METHODIST medal in oratory was held Monday night, and was one of the very best in the history of the college. The medal was won by Mr. H. B. McKenzie of Nevada county. In the inter-society contest Tuesday night, Mr. C. G. Hughes of Howard county was successful. This victory secures for him a prize and the honor of representing the college in the next State oratorical contest.

For simplicity, brevity, directness, and helpfulness, the baccalaureate address by Dr. Godbey surpassed all. Many false ideals and notions were destroyed in his half-hour speech; and, what is better, true ones were put in their place.

Besides those mentioned above the following were successful in winning prizes and medals: The A. S. McKennon Scholarship medal was awarded to Mr. F. C. Cannon of Sevier county; the Preparatory Scholarship prize was awarded to Mr. M. E. Dunaway of Faulkner county; the Hall Debater's medal was given to Mr. W. E. Hogan of

Sharp county; the Mirror prize for the best article in the college magazine was given to Mr. J. G. Fraser of Van Buren county.

There were eight graduates this year, the largest class that ever went out from Hendrix. The graduates were H. H. Barger, Johnson county; O. L. Dunaway, Faulkner county; W. B. Hayes, White county; W. E. Hogan, Sharp county; A. E. Holloway, Monroe county; J. J. Galloway, Crawford county; Susie McKinnon, Clark county; M. House, Faulkner county.

The usual custom of having all the graduates speak was dispensed with this year on account of the size of the class. Instead of this the Faculty chose Mr. W. E. Hogan as their representative, who spoke on "Progressive Conservatism;" and the class elected Mr. W. B. Hayes as their representative. His subject was "Education, the Harmonizer of Human Action."

The prospects for the relief of the debt and also for large attendance next year are as bright as any one could desire.

J. M. HAWLEY.

Personal.

Rev. P. B. Summers and Hon. J. V. Connell of Conway were callers yesterday.

Mrs. Cranston, wife of Bishop Cranston, has been appointed Indian inspector by President McKinley.

Rev. R. M. Traylor P. O. of Conway called Monday on his way to the Confederate Reunion at Nashville, Tenn.

Bro. J. G. McAndrew, sheriff of Benton county, was a caller Tuesday, accompanied by his wife. Glad to make their acquaintance.

Tyson S. Dines has resigned the presidency of Central College, Fayette, Mo., and E. C. Craighead, an alumnus of the college, has been elected his successor.

Rev. L. D. Ray of Arkansas Conference reports the Gravelly charge has painted the church and parsonage and furnished carpets and good lights. They are having a spiritual uplift all over the charge.

Bro. John P. Lowery was at home last week from some successful meetings in Kentucky. He went to Tupelo, Miss. Bro. Lowery is one evangelist who helps the pastor and does not sow seeds of discord where he goes.

Rev. Dr. A. Coke Smith recently received notice of his sister's death. Mrs. F. S. Kager, at her home in Columbia, S. C. Mrs. Kager's husband was a missionary to Brazil and died in that country about ten years ago.

Rev. W. B. Murrah, president of Millsaps College, Jackson, Miss., and Rev. B. B. Clifford, ex-president of the State Conference of Epworth Leagues, are the Mississippi speakers on programme of the third International League Convention to be held in Toronto, Canada, July 15-18.

Rev. W. H. W. Burns died at Van Buren, Ark., on Saturday 12 inst. and was buried at Ozark on the 13th, V. V. Harlan officiating assisted by other ministers. Brother Burns took a superannuated relation at the last session of the Arkansas Conference. He was a preacher of more than average ability and a consecrated man. He leaves a large family.

NOTICE.

In my article on our District Epworth League day, you have Tuesday, 8th, should be Thursday, 8th. This should be corrected so there will be no confusion about the day. There will be League delegates who are not delegates to the District Conference, and it is important to know the time to attend the League Rally. Yours truly,

G. N. HART.

Arkadelphia District Conference: Let all the delegates come to Pike City, July 7. We will furnish conveyance to this place for all who come that day.

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NOTICE.

Please announce in the METHODIST to those coming up to the District Conference of Batesville District, White River Conference for examination for elder's orders will please meet me at Melbourne on Tuesday night, July the 13th, 1897.

S. W. REGISTER,
Chairman of Committee.

LOST.

The Journal of the Jonesboro District Conference was placed in the hands of the committee for examination at the last Annual Conference, and I have never been able to find it again. Will said committee, or any one knowing the whereabouts of said Journal please send it to me by mail at Jonesboro, Ark.? Please do so at once, as I greatly need it July 7, when we open the District Conference.

Yours truly,
FRANK RITTER.

NOTICE.

The pastors of Newport District will please bring their Quarterly Conference Journals to the District Conference, July 14. All preachers intending to bring their wives with them will please notify Rev. A. M. R. Branson. Pastors will also report at once the names of their League delegates, so that homes may be provided for them. The editor and business manager are cordially invited, and visitors will receive a cordial welcome. Let all come determined to know nothing save Jesus Christ and him crucified.

S. L. COCHRAN.

June 19, 1897.

NOTICE.

DEAR BROTHER GODBEY—Some of our preachers serving missions in the flooded district of the White River Conference are greatly in need of help from the Board of Missions. They write me that their people will be unable to do anything for them till crops mature, and if they do not get relief from the Board they will be com-

pelled to give up their work. How many preachers will send me \$10, \$5, or any amount, by the first mail or within a month. "Blessed are the merciful." Help the needy.

F. R. NOE, Treasurer.

Salem, Ark., June 17.

Methodist Calendar.

June 30.—Little Rock District Conference, Mount Tabor.

July 1.—Fayetteville Epworth League Conference, Springdale.

July 1-4.—Monticello District Conference, Monticello.

July 5.—Pine Bluff District Conference, DeWitt.

July 7.—Jonesboro District Conference, Piggott.

July 7.—Prescott District Conference, Nashville.

July 7.—Arkadelphia District Conference, Murfreesboro.

July 7.—Camden District Conference, El Dorado.

July 8-11.—Dardanelle District Conference, Gravelly Hill.

July 8-11.—Helena District Conference, Cotton Plant.

July 14.—Newport District Conference, Walnut Ridge.

July 14.—Batesville District Conference, Melbourne.

July 15.—Searcy District Conference, Heber.

July 15.—Morriston District Conference, Pleasant Valley.

July 15-18.—Harrison District Conference, Valley Springs.

July 22.—Eureka District Conference, Berryville.

July 23.—Hot Springs District Conference, Black Springs.

Attention!

Dr. Godbey, allow me to call the attention of your readers to the fact that (1) The Batesville District Conference will convene here July 14. (2) That you and the entire connectional force are cordially invited to be here. (3) That there are some needed improvements to be made, in the Batesville district. That is, if we attain to that degree of success that the facilities at hand and the needs of the people demand. Nothing of very great importance is achieved without agitation, hence I agitate, viz.

(1) The territory of the district is too great for one presiding elder.

(2) The number of pastoral charges is too much, by at least five.

(3) There should be built at once a district parsonage. The comfort of the P. E. and the success of the district depends to a large extent upon a comfortable and a conveniently located parsonage. Let's build one.

(4) I suppose all that attended the last session of the White River Conference remember, that at the suggestion of Pres. A. C. Millar of Hendrix College, a resolution to the effect that a district Training School be established in each presiding elder's district, was offered and adopted. The demand for such a school is exceedingly great

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in the Batesville District. I have been in many districts in Southern, Eastern, and Northern Arkansas, and I can say decidedly, that, the facilities and the necessities for such an institution are not excelled in any of the districts in which I have been.

There are many things in the bounds of this district that are peculiarly favorable to such a school and if we can get the advice of Presidents Millar and Godden and all other experienced men, we will make an effort to carry out the resolution of the Conference. I shall not ask you for space in the paper at this writing to relate all the advantages referred to in this district, but will call your attention to a few of the primary reasons, why such an institution should be established.

(1) In order to carry out the resolution—loyalty.

(2) The material at hand is abundant.

(3) The demand of this, and of all succeeding generations demand the advantages that such an institution will afford.

(4) We are held responsible for what we might do. We can do this and we are morally bound to do that which we can—remember the "Pounds and the Talents."

I propose at the district Conference to put the question under discussion before that body, and I frankly say that I believe with the co-operation of all the preachers and a definite explanation by Pres. Millar, of the scope, range and purpose of such a school, there will be heard, within a few months in Melbourne, the sound of the carpenter's saw and hammer in the erection of a building whose walls will soon be reverberating the sound of the school boys' declamations. Melbourne wants the school, Batesville district needs it, we can build it, we will fail to do our duty if we don't do what we can.

Some one will say that there are too many schools and too much indebtedness already; we admit that we have a number of schools and some embarrassing indebtedness too but does this obviate the necessity here? Most assuredly it does not. The fact that we are in debt only proves that we are hoarding the Lord's money instead of investing it in the training of the mind, the souls of men. Let's bring into the treasury of our God that which we can. Yours for Christian education.

THOMAS W. FISACKERLY, P. C.
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Christian Life.

Wings of a Dove.

At sunset, when the rosy light was dying,
Far down the pathway of the west,
I saw a lonely dove in silence flying
To be at rest.
Pilgrim of air, I cried, could I but borrow
Thy wandering wings, thy freedom blest:
I'd fly away from every careful sorrow
And find my rest.

But when the dusk a filmy veil was waving,
Back came the dove to seek her nest.
Deep in the forest where her mate was grieving—
There was true rest.
Peace, heart of mine! no longer sigh to wander!
Loose not thy life in fruitless quest.
There are no happy islands over yonder,
Come home and rest.

—Henry van Dyke, D. D.

Environment.

BY M. C. ALLEN.

Within a dreary prison
Where no sunlight ever falls,
To cheer it with a ray of hope,
Or dry its mouldy walls.
Where snails and vermin make their
home
Amid its damp decay,
Within a wretched cell alone
A youth in suffering lay.

Time was when one had loved him
And taught him right from wrong,
But all his wicked ill-spent life.
The slums had been his home.
He thought of parents worse than none
In dullness and in grief,
Friendless, alone, in misery
At midnight, and a thief.

He prayed—a radiance shone around;
He rose upon his bed,
And saw a kingly stranger near
With a halo 'round his head.
Like the saintly light that circles round
A distant radiant star,
Shining best in darkest azure
In the mistical afar.

He opened wide the prison door
And set the prisoner free,
Forever and forever
From crime and misery,
He led him straight to heaven
By a royal star-decked path,
And the jailer came next morning
And said that it was death.
Helena, Arkansas.

Sanctification.

No. II.

Below are a few more quotations from Richard Watson's Institutes for the special benefit of those who have not the chance to read his utterances on sanctification. "We have already spoken of justification, adoption, regeneration, and the witness of the Holy Spirit, and we proceed to another as distinctly marked and as graciously promised in the Holy Scriptures; this is the entire Sanctification or the perfected holiness of believers; and as this doctrine, in some of its respects, has been the subject of controversy, the scriptural evidence of it must be appealed to and examined. Happily for us, a subject of so great importance is not involved in obscurity. That a distinction exists between a regenerate state and a state of entire and perfect holiness, will be generally allowed. . . . Two passages only need be quoted to prove this: I. Thes. 5:23;

"And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." II. Cor. 7:1; "Having these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God." In both of these passages deliverance from sin is the subject spoken of; and the prayer in one instance, and the exhortation in the other, goes to the extent of entire sanctification of "the soul" and "spirit" as well as of the "flesh" or "body," from all sin; by which can only be meant our complete deliverance from all spiritual pollution, all in depravation of the heart as well as that which, expressing itself outwardly by the indulgence of the senses, is called "filthiness of the flesh." The attainableness of such a state is not so much a matter of debate among Christians as the time when we are authorized to receive it. For as it is an axiom of Christian doctrine that "without holiness no man can see the Lord." . . . so it must be concluded— . . . —that the entire sanctification of the soul, and its complete renewal in holiness, must take place in this world. While this is generally acknowledged, however among spiritual Christians, it has been warmly contended by many that the final stroke which destroys our natural corruption is only given in death. . . . We now here find the promises of entire sanctification restricted to the article of death, either expressly, or in fair inference from any passage of Holy Scripture. We nowhere find the circumstances of the soul's union with the body represented as a necessary obstacle to its entire sanctification." Yours,

I. B. MANLY.

In the Shadow of His Wings.

One of the most touching words our Saviour spoke was when, weeping over Jerusalem, He said, "How often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not." The expression calls up pictures of helplessness, sympathy, affection, solicitude, and love. How safe are the little brood when the hen has gathered her chickens under her wings! How free from all concern and fear! And thus the Lord would make us safe in His presence and under His protection, if we would but confide in Him. The hen may gather her chickens under her wings, and may perish with them. She may be unable to protect them, however willing she may be to give her life for her helpless brood; but there is no weakness, no helplessness in Him. The powers and resources of the universe are at His command. Under the shadow of his wings, what can disturb our sure repose? Who can harm us when the great and mighty God is our refuge and our trust?

We who have tasted that the Lord is gracious, and have known something of the love "which passeth knowledge," may bid adieu to

fears and doubts and uncertainties and anxieties under the shadow of His wings. We know he has the will to help us, and we know He has the power; we know whatever man may say or do, He is able to do for us "exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think." He can protect us from every foe; He can deliver us from every danger; He can shelter us from every storm; He can hide us from every assault. No weapon formed against us shall prosper while He protects and defends; no power of man or devil can shake our sure repose or drive us from our refuge in the Lord.—The Christian.

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the hill,
And I hear the thrush's evening song and the
robin's morning trill;
So I fall to thinking tenderly of those I used to
know
Where the sassafras and snakeroot and checker-
berries grow.
What has become of Ezra Marsh, who lived on
Baker's hill?
And what's become of Noble Pratt, whose father
kept the mill?
And what's become of Lizzie Crum and Anastasia
Spell,
And of Roxie Root, who 'tended school in Boston
for a spell?
They were the boys and they the girls who shared
my youthful play;
They do not answer to my call! My playmates,
where are they?
What has become of Levi and his little brother
Joe,
Who lived next door to where we lived some forty
years ago?
I'd like to see the Newton boys and Quincy
Adams Brown,
And Hepsy Hall and Ella Cowles, who spelled the
whole school down!
And Gracie Smith, the Cutler boys, Leander Snow
and all
Who I am sure would answer could they only
hear my call!
I'd like to see Bill Warner and the Conkey boys
again,
And talk about the time we used to wish that we
were men!
And one, I shall not name her, could I see her
gentle face
And hear girlish treble in this distant, lonely
place!
The flowers and hopes of springtime, they per-
ished long ago,
And the garden where they blossomed is white
with winter snow.
O cottage 'neath the maples, have you seen those
girls and boys
That but a little while ago made, O! such pleasant
noise?
O trees and hill and brooks and lanes and mead-
ows, do you know
Where I shall find my little friends of forty years
ago?
You see I'm old and weary, and I've traveled long
and far;
I am looking for my playmates, I wonder where
they are!

—Eugene Field.

An old Woman.

Mrs. Jordan, "Grandmother Jordan," was a native of Kentucky. She died at the age of 107 years. During the Blackhawk war she picked up and raised an Indian baby near her ferry (East Dubuque), and this baby was afterward known to the old settlers as "Wild Kate." Kate married a white man and still lives near Sinsinawa mound.

The Little Pig Came Home.

A farmer in New Jersey had a number of little pigs. He did not want to keep them all, so he sold one to a man living in the near-by village. The little pig had been living in the pen with his little brothers and sisters, and had never been outside of it until the man who bought him put him in a basket, tied down the cover, and put it in his wagon to carry to the new home. Late in the afternoon the farmer who sold the pig saw something coming across the swampy meadow below the house.

He watched it struggling through the wet places, climbing the knolls, until he could see it was his little pig all covered with mud and very tired. The pig went straight toward the barn, against which was the only home he recognized. The man was paid back the money he had paid for the little pig and the little pig stayed at home.

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PIERCE MERRILL, Pastor.
Huntington Ark., June 7.

A Happy Day.

Last Sunday morning was dark and showery but the sun came out and drove away the gloom and by 10 o'clock the church was filled by as refined and cultured audience as one seldom ever sees, who had assembled to witness the Children's Day services. Wynne, Forrest City, Colt, Palestine, Hayens, Mill Brook, New Castle and Widenor were all represented. At 10:45 o'clock Superintendent G. W. Crippen announced that the exercises would then begin and for one and a half hours the audience was entertained with songs, recitations, addresses, and etc. Miss Sadie Eppes presided at the organ and notwithstanding it was her first public attempt we must say that her performance would have reflected credit on one of long experience. Rev. J. B. McDonald delivered a short though forcible and logical address on education. He urged the importance of building up and patronizing our home institutions of learning and denounced the falacy of having to send children off to other schools to educate them thus adding thousands of dollars to the wealth of other States while the schools of Arkansas are inferior to none in the United States. He complimented the intellect at Madison and spoke words of encouragement to the young ladies and gentlemen to properly employ their time, and closed by appealing to the citizens to go to work and erect a new church house and build up the Church and school at Madison and make them equal to if not superior to these of any other place. We refrain from giving the programme as we fear our correspondence will be far to long to be pleasing, but suffice to say that the exercise throughout were declared to be a perfect success by those who are competent to judge.—St. Francis Democrat.

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Our children's day was the first Sunday, had a very profitable time, collections small.

Have a fine Sunday-school at Clinton. Some improvements on all lines on Clinton circuit. Papa has been quite sick for a day or more.

ELLA DAVIS.

WHITE RIVER CIRCUIT.

Children's day at St. Charles and Roe was a success, large congregations attended and every one was well pleased with the programme; at each place a collection was taken as ordered by the discipline. I have been very busy since Conference working nearly all the time on parsonage, but have everything convenient now and can give more time to other duties. This work is too large for one preacher as he has to travel over two hundred miles a month to fill appointments, and not a local preacher in this part of the country and very little preaching by other denominations.

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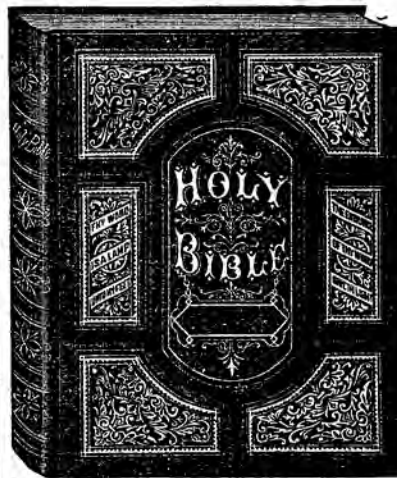
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In Pulaski Circuit Court.
Jacob Blass, Plaintiff, vs. Benson Murray, Defendant.

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May 28, 1897. H. G. DALE, Clerk.
John J. Montgomery, Atty. ad litem.

Warning Order.

In the Pulaski Chancery Court.
L. W. Cherry et al., Plaintiffs, vs. A. G. Rogers and Amanda A. Rogers, Defendants.

The defendants, A. G. Rogers and Amanda A. Rogers, are warned to appear in this court within thirty days, and answer the complaint of the plaintiffs, L. W. Cherry et al.
May 31, 1897. J. H. PASCHAL, Clerk.
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They traced up all the letters they could for us, and promised to send up the one from the D. L. Department, which promise was kept as it was handed me to-day, and proved to be yours of January 1st., telling me that you had placed my name on your list. I suppose you took my address from the Missionary Advocate, and consequently did not get the number of the box to which my mail should come, so your letter went to the Dead Letter Office, and I suppose that the "METHODIST" has met the same fate as I have never received a copy of it. I thank you however just as much for your kindness in remembering your old pupil, and shall try to find out if the papers as well as the letters are taken care of. I have my mail sent to Bro. Tucker's box, which is 454, and so if you are still sending me the

"METHODIST" you may change the address so that it will be put in that box, and if you ever have time to write me a few words of counsel or encouragement (which at times I need sorely) you can direct your letters to the same number.

Yes, I had already heard of the sad losses that you have been called upon to bear, and I have remembered you in prayerful sympathy at our Father's throne. It does, indeed, seem as if affliction's rod has rested heavily upon you and your devoted wife; and yet it seems that we should not call promotion affliction, and that we should not mourn when the Master speaks to some of our dear ones and calls them to "come up higher." We do mourn though, but oh! what a glorious truth, that we mourn not as those who have no hope. O Dr. Godbey, I never really realized what that meant until I came to Brazil, and saw people lay their loved ones in the tomb with the sad consciousness that they had lived till the last breath in open defiance of God's commands, and that the only hope for them in the hereafter was that by many prayers their souls might be liberated from suffering. "He that believeth in me though he were dead yet shall he live!" Blessed assurance which nothing can take from the faithful followers of Him who died that we might live. May he comfort and sustain you and your life companion in all the trials that come to you, may He guide and support you and make the 23rd. Psalm very real to you until you rest at His feet re-united with your loved ones who have gone on before.

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In the Pulaski Chancery Court, Mary Krause, Plaintiff, vs. Frederika Sue s, et al., Defendant.

The defendant, Frederika Sue s, is warned to appear in this court within thirty days, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff. June 22, 1897. J. H. PASCHAL, Clerk. Morris M. Cohn, Sol. for plaintiff.

Warning Order.

In the Pulaski Chancery Court. E. M. Harrison, Plaintiff, vs. J. J. Harrison, Defendant.

The defendant J. J. Harrison is warned to appear in this court within thirty days, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff E. M. Harrison June 1, 1897. J. H. Paschal, Clerk. By James Paschal, D. C. A. J. Newman, Sol. for plaintiff.

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August: Alicia circuit, 7, 8; Jacksonport mission, 13, 14; Newport station, 15, 16; Tuckerman circuit, 21, 22; Reyno circuit, 28, 29; Corning circuit, 29, 30.

September: Siloam circuit, 4, 5; Pocahontas circuit 5, 6; Sedgwick mission, 10, 11; Walnut Hill mission, 11, 12.

HELENA DISTRICT—Third Round, M. M. Smith, P. E.

June: McCrory and Wynne, 12, 13; DeView mission, 19, 20; Taylor's Creek circuit, 26, 27.

July: Forrest City station, 3, 4; Cotton Plant and Howell, 10, 11; Haynes circuit, 17, 18; Marianna station, 24, 25; Oak Forrest circuit, 26, 27.

August: LaGrange circuit, 1, 2; Helena station, 7, 8; Turner mission, 9, 10; Holly Grove circuit, 14, 15; Cypress Ridge circuit, 21, 22; Clarendone station, 28, 29.

September: Brinkley mission, 1, 2; Wheatley circuit, 4, 5; Jericho mission, 6, 7; L'Anguille mission, 8, 9.

Helena District Conference at Cotton Plant July 8-11. Opening sermon by Rev. W. M. Wilson July 7, at 8 p. m.

SEARCY DISTRICT—Third Round, H. T. Gregory, P. E.

June: Augusta station, 5, 6; Auvergne and Weldon, 12, 13; Argenta station, 19, 20; Searcy station, 26, 27.

July: West Searcy circuit, 3, 4; Marion and Revel, 10, 11; Jacksonville circuit, 24, 25; Ward mission, 31.

August: Ward mission, 1; El Paso circuit, 7, 8; Stony Point circuit, 14, 15; Beebe circuit, 21, 22; Mineral circuit, 28, 29.

September: Beebe and West Point, 4, 5; Bald Knob circuit, 11, 12; Mt. Pisgah circuit 18, 19.

FORT SMITH DISTRICT—Third Round, D. J. Weems, P. E.

June: Boonville at Wesley's chapel, 5, 6; Greenwood at Washburn, 12, 13; Huntington and Jenny Lind at Jenny Lind, 19, 21; Mansfield at Hartford, 26, 27.

July: Canlksville at Shaver, 3, 4; Ft. Smith at First Church, 11, 12; Hackett at Union, 17, 18; Charleston at Pleasant Ridge, 24, 25; Sugar Grove at Belva, 31.

August: Sugar Grove at Belva, 1, 2; Paris and Roseville at Roseville, 7, 8; Fort Smith circuit at Spring Hill, 14, 15; Fort Smith Central, 15, 16; Waldron at Square Rock, 21, 22; Park at Blansett, 24, Cathron at New Hope, 28, 29.

EUREKA SPRINGS DISTRICT—Third Round, P. B. Hopkins, P. E.

May: Eureka Springs, 30, 31.

June: King's River mission at Pleasant Ridge, 5, 6; War Eagle, a. Pleasant Ridge 26, 27.

July: Green Forrest, at Rule, 3, 4; Hindsville at Pleasant Home, 9, 10; Huntsville at Arbor, 17, 18; Berryville at Berryville, 24, 25.

July: St Paul and Mountain Grove 31.

August: St. Paul and Mountain Grove 1, Goshen at Goshen 7, 8; Kingston at Racker's chapel 14, 15; Hacklers Grove at Coal Hill, 18, 19; Carrollton at Dips chapel 21, 22.

JONESBORO DISTRICT—Third Round, Frank Ritter, P. E.

May: Rector circuit, 22, 23; Paragould circuit, 29, 30.

June: Nettleton circuit, 5, 6; Vann-dale circuit, 12, 13; St. Francis circuit, 19, 20; Boydsville circuit, 26, 27.

July: Harrisburg circuit, 3, 4; Marion circuit, 17, 18; Buffalo Island circuit, 24, 25; Lorado circuit, 31.

August: Gainesville circuit, 1, Jonesboro station, 7, 8; Osceola station, 14, 15; Osceola circuit, 16; Blytheville circuit, 21, 22; Paragould station, 29, 30.

September: Cotton Belt mission, 1, Shiloh circuit, 4, 5; Big Bay mission, 7, Golden Lake circuit, 11, 12.

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August: Rison circuit, 7, 8; Kingsland, 14, 15; New Edinburgh 21, 22.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT—Third Round—Thos. H. Ware, P. E.

July: Asbury, 10, 11; Winfield Memorial, 11, 12; Mablevale, 17, 18; Lonoke, 24, 25; Hazen, 25, 26; England and Liberty, 31, August 1.

August: Hunter Memorial, 1, 2; Des Arc and Devall's Bluff, 7, 8; Hickory Plains, 14, 15; Austin, 16; Tomberlin, 21, 22; Maumelle, 28, 29.

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EUGENIA RUSSELL,
His Little Cousin.

DICKERSON—Dear Methodist, permit me to give this note in respect to our dear Sister Dickerson. Brother Dickerson was our pastor last year, and we have learned to love them so much that our hearts are filled with sadness at the notice of her death. Her stay with us in Arkansas was short, but she won the warm affection of many hearts. Kind, gentle, sweet spirited and true, her presence was a benediction of grace. We feel that we have lost a faithful sister, but by the grace of God we can go to her.

God bless Brother Dickerson, he is not a stranger here, he is our brother, and we love him and sympathize with him in this sad bereavement.

DAVID BOLL.

June 4, 1897.

ISAACS—Sarah Amelia, daughter of J. L. and Mrs. Amelia C. Isaacs, was born in Grant county, Ark., January 24, 1870. Converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, at Cold Springs Camp Ground, in Tarrant county, Tex., in 1882. Died at Polytechnic College at 4 p. m., June 9, 1897, buried at Handley, Tex., June 10, 1897. This is the brief story of an earnest, honest, plain, positive, decided, unselfish, thoughtful, kind, attentive, devoted, loyal life consecrated to man, to church and to God. For several months she was confined to her bed and suffered much, but amidst it all Miss Sallie was perfectly resigned and frequently shouted praises to God. Those behind, a father, sister and two brothers, while they miss her, are sweetly resigned to the will of the Heavenly Father.

"She needs no tears, who lived a noble life;

We will not weep for her who died so well,

But we will gather 'round the hearth, and tell

The story of her strife."

E. V. Cox, Pastor.

THOMPSON—Virginia E., wife of A. T. Thompson, was born in Ouachita county, Ark., June 4, 1857, and departed this life May 29, 1897. She was the daughter of Brother Marler, of Prescott, and was married to A. T. Thompson January 14, 1879. She was converted during the year of 1874, and joined the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, but after her marriage she went with her husband to the M. E. Church, South, in which she lived a faithful member until death. Her death was caused by an attack of la grippe, which resulted in consumption. Her life was humble and sincere and is a loving memory and an inspiration to the family she leaves behind, which consists of husband and six children. We would say to them, Weep not, mother is not lost, but gone before. You know how she lived on this earth and you know where to find her in the world to come.

She endured her sickness, pains and aches, without murmuring. Her faith was in God. Yes, in the light of Christ she lived, and in the full light of His glory she died. During the night preceding the morning on which she died, she called her children to her bedside and talked to them as none but a true Christian mother can. She bade them farewell, and told them to meet her in

heaven; also told her husband that she would be waiting and watching at the pearly gates for him. Oh! brother and dear children, take new courage, and may God sustain you in this dark hour of trial, and may you rejoice in the hope of that meeting beyond the grave, where partings are no more.

F. R. CANFIELD.

Caney, June 11, 1897.

JARNAGIN—Miss Lizzie Jarnagin was born February 7, 1877; professed religion and joined the M. E. Church, South, on what was then the Lamar circuit, at Mount Olive, July 29, 1887; died January 5, 1897. These are sad lines. A sweeter, happier girl than she was hard to find. I cannot do better than give the following brief, but tender tribute, written by her sister, Miss Lucy, in a private letter to the writer:

"Lizzie was sick about ten days, during which she suffered very much, but seldom ever complained. She was of a sweet, cheerful disposition, always so happy and lively. It now seems that she was almost the life of our home. She never said anything about dying, yet tried so hard to talk several times during the night before she died. She took hemorrhage of the lungs Monday at 4 o'clock, and we could never get it stopped till 12 o'clock Tuesday, when she was released from suffering, and her sweet spirit took its flight for a brighter and better world."

One week after, January 12, 1897, the sorrow of the home was deepened by the death of Mattie, aged 13 years. This precious young life was just beginning to unfold the beauty and loveliness of womanhood, but the young rose was touched by the frost of death and its petals lie upon the ground. Referring to this death in the letter from which I have already quoted, the writer says:

"Mattie raised her little hand and gave it to us all as we stood around the bed, but she could not speak one word to us. Oh, how sad and lonely are our hearts as we see the vacant places where they were once so happy!"

Yes, but the light of immortality shines athwart the darkness of your broken home, Jesus Christ has robbed death of its pain, the grave of its gloom and eternity of its doubt. You will meet again, by-and-by.

JNO. W. HEAD.

June 11, 1897.

THORNTON—We are deeply pained to announce the sudden and unexpected death on the 27th of May of Mollie Thornton, who for some time past has been a member of our Sunday-school. At the early age of 8 years, 10 months and 17 days, death claimed her, and her spirit, so tender, so loving, winged its flight to the better world. At this young and tender age she possessed that true Christian character, so often noticed in so young a life. Just before dying she turned to one of her friends and said: "Oh, I am so happy."

It grieves us that one so young and bright should be taken from our midst, but He who gave knew best and called her to her home above. Another flower has been plucked from our garden, but we feel safe in saying it is transplanted in that beautiful garden above, there to be an eternal blossom through the ceaseless ages to come.

Our school mourns her loss as irreplaceable; therefore, be it

Resolved, That while we deplore and regret the loss of our departed friend, that we submit to the will of our Heavenly Father, who gives us life and takes it according to His divine will and pleasure.

Resolved, That we may therefore bow in humble submission to the divine will of Him who doeth all things well.

Resolved, That in the death of Mollie Thornton this school loses one of its brightest jewels.

Resolved, That we tender to her bereaved family and friends our condolence and the full measure of our heartfelt sympathy in this dark hour of affliction, and commend them to the care of our Heavenly Father who will surely give them solace and support.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the record of this Sunday-school, and that a copy be sent to the ARKANSAS METHODIST for publication; also a copy of the same be sent to the

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8:30. Pastor's duty and relation to the League—Rev. Frank Ritter.

8:45. Short reports from Leagues.

9. Design of the League—Paper by Mrs. T. J. Ellis. Talk by Rev. H. B. Cox.

9:20. The work of the three departments—Paper by S. E. Ebbert, Jr. Talk by Rev. E. N. Bickley.

9:40. The League as an aid to the pastor—Paper by Prof. S. E. C. Brown. Talk by Rev. S. F. Brown.

10. How a League may be successfully operated on a circuit—Paper by Dr. W. T. McKie. Talk by Rev. E. H. Wallis.

10:20. Opportunity and responsibility of Leagues—Paper by member of Osceola League. Talk by Rev. Fred Little.

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