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News and Notes.

John Henry Hay entered upon
his duties as Secretary of State,
September 30.

The yellow fever has considera-
bly strengthened. The disease has
gotten hold in new places in Louis-
iana and Mississippi.

The new battleship, Illinois, the
largest vessel in the United States
navy, was launched at Newport
News, Tuesday, the 4th.

Arkansas wheat took the first
and second premiums at the Spring-
field, Mo., fair. The wheat was
raised in Boone county.

The supreme Court of Tennes-
see holds that saloon keepers are
responsible for damages resulting
from the sale of liquors to habit-
ual drunkards.

The proposed new ordinance, re-
quiring pawn-brokers and second-
hand dealers, of Little Rock, to re-
port daily to the chief of police,
ought to pass.

General Fitzhugh Lee will have
charge of the troops at Havana.
This has been anticipated from the
beginning and the whole country
will approve it.

The Spaniards are expected to
leave Cuba by the first of Decem-
ber. General Fitzhugh Lee will
have command of the American
forces at Havana.

It is reported that an American
company with a capital of \$40,-
000,000 will build a railroad from
Hongkow, China, to Canton, and
the sea, opposite Hong Kong.

The army camps will be estab-
lished in the South during the
winter. The statistics show that
the sanitary conditions of the South-
ern camps have been better than
those of the Northern.

The Hot Springs Weekly News
talks right for the enforcement of
law, and Judge Duffie is known to
be a true man. The eyes of the
good citizens are now on the sa-
loon keepers and the grand jurors.

Judge Van Wyck, the brother of
the Mayor of New York, is the
Democratic nominee for Governor
of the State. Theodore Roosevelt
is the Republican nominee. Roose-
velt is a man of courage and great
administrative ability.

Very great damage was done to
the cotton crop in Georgia by a
continuous driving storm of wind
and rain during Sunday, Monday
and Tuesday of last week. The
amount of damage, "it is thought,
will reach \$5,000,000."

The war department has ordered
three more regiments of soldiers to
Porto Rico. They are the Fifth
regular cavalry, at Huntsville,
Ala.; the Sixth United States vol-
unteer infantry, at Chickamauga,
and the Forty-seventh New York,
now at Fort Adams.

Under the pressure of our war
with Spain, the regular U. S.
army was increased from 26,610 to
61,000, and 200,000 were called in-
to the service, making an army of
261,000. Since the signing of the
protocol, 100,000 volunteers have
been ordered mustered out of the
service. Great pressure has been
brought upon the President to di-
minish the army still more, by fur-
ther release of volunteers. But a
very positive stand has been taken
against this, and wisely, we think.
Our peace commissioners need the
moral effect of a strong army be-
hind them, until the last item of
the treaty with Spain is agreed up-
on. At present there are, in Porto
Rico, 2,750 regulars and 8,000 vol-
unteers; 3,000 regulars and 14,000
volunteers are at Manila. There
were sent to Santiago 15,000 regu-
lars and 6,000 volunteers. It is
expected that 50,000 soldiers will
be needed to do garrison duty in
Cuba after the Spanish army is

withdrawn, and the army at Ma-
nila will need to be strengthened.

The vote in the Dominion of
Canada, September 20, went with a
strong majority in favor of prohi-
bition. The provinces of Nova
Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince
Edward's Island combined, gave a
majority of 35,000 in favor of abol-
ishing the manufacture and sale of
liquors. Ontario gave a majority
for prohibition of about 15,000,
and the majorities on the same
side from Manitoba and Northwest
Territory are from 12,000 to 15,000.
Quebec has a population of French
Catholics. The Catholic priests
did all they could to defeat prohi-
bition, and so there is reported
from this province 40,000 majority
in favor of liquor. This is a con-
spicuous illustration of the class of
people who uphold whiskey. It is
reported, that in the whole Domin-
ion, prohibition is carried by a ma-
jority of from 15,000 to 25,000.
This expression of the people
comes now before the Dominion
Parliament. The Liberal govern-
ment is committed to nothing, but
has invited this expression of the
will of the people. Shall their
will be regarded? Every influence
of the liquor power will now be
used to prevent this. The liquor
papers are already representing
that no interest was taken in the
election, and that the law-makers
cannot afford to accept the result
as the will of the people. But our
exchanges do not represent that
the election was a tame affair. It
is stated that the contest was vigo-
rous on both sides. That it was
vigorous on the whiskey side, need
not to be told. The tiger does not
die without a fight. If the temper-
ance people were as well united
and half as earnest as the whiskey
forces, prohibition would sweep
over this land like fire on a prairie.

The Emperor of China, during
the latter half of last month, sent
out to his subjects edicts demanding
certain reforms in the conduct of
the government, which were re-
garded very radical for China. A
few days later, he abdicated in fa-
vor of his aunt—the Empress dow-
ager—a strong minded and resolute
woman, who has really been the
ruling power behind the throne.

A few days after the abdication, it
was officially reported, that the
Emperor had committed suicide.
But assassination was understood.
This is the fourth Emperor who
has died under the dowager Em-
press. It is expected that Li Hung
Chang will be restored to his
place, as he has formerly been the
queen's trusted counselor. Russia
is understood to gain by all these
changes. Internal troubles will
only hasten the partition of China
among the powers. Reform from
Peking is putting new cloth into an
old garment. The successor to the
throne is Yin, a grandson of the
prince. He is said to be an intelli-
gent man, who has a strong will.

On account of conditions at Pe-
king, our government has ordered
Admiral Dewey to send two war-
ships immediately from Manila to
a point as near the Chinese capital
as possible, and the Baltimore and
Petrel have been sent. The heavy
draught of those vessels will not
permit them to ascend the Pan-
g He River upon which Peking is
situated.

Birthday at Galloway College.

One of those pleasant things, that
often take place in the life of good
people, occurred at Galloway Fe-
male College a few days ago.
Grandma Rison, who has been
quite a friend to Galloway College,
was visiting the college on her
birthday and was surprised with a
birthday reception tendered her
by Brother and Sister Godden and
the teachers. A delightful time
was had and very much enjoyed by
Sister Rison and the rest. Refresh-
ments were served—grandma sang,
and Mrs. Thornburgh, who was
visiting the school, lead an earnest
prayer that grandma might be
spared to see many more birthdays
and continue to enjoy the raptures
of a sweet and close association
with her loving Saviour.

Sister Rison's last gift to the
college was a Chinese gong, which,
when vigorously pelted "awakes
the natives." But be it said to its
credit, that it is not noisy except at
the right time. It keeps its noise
all to itself until needed. Wish
everything and everybody would
do that. They come as near doing
everything at the right time and in
the right way at Galloway College
as at any place I have visited.

G. T.

Contributed.

Arkadelphia Methodist College.

The friends of this institution will be glad to know that it has had a very fine opening. Already the boarders lack only two or three of outnumbering any year of the past. By Christmas it will have gone beyond any past record. This result, while it is gratifying, is quite natural. The course of study has been gradually raised, until it stands at the very forefront. It invites comparison in this regard with schools making the largest pretensions.

It is quite natural, also, because the teaching force is the very best. Brother Pope has had a long and successful career as college president. He and his wife are cultured Christian people, and no children are in safer and better hands. Professors Jones and Goodloe stand at the top as scholars and educators. No school has any better, and few their equals. They are cultured gentlemen, and do not blow a trumpet proclaiming their superiority. And there is no need of it. They are known and trusted.

The other teachers, while new, impressed me favorably. I took them for earnest, capable people, whose influence and work will be for good.

This school has gone quietly forward without making any blow. It has depended upon its merits, and these are becoming better known every year.

If conference action means anything, if conference pledges have any binding force, this school is on a solid basis. The best building, the best equipment, the best teachers in the State are there. Success is already assured, and the Board of Trustees give it an unqualified endorsement.

J. R. MOORE,
Pres. B'd Trustees.

Arkadelphia Methodist College
Opening.

DEAR DOCTOR:—It was my good fortune to attend the opening of the Arkadelphia Methodist College on the 14th inst., and I feel that I would be untrue to Methodism in Arkansas, if I should not have a word to say about this institution. Methodists in Arkansas have many institutions of learning to be proud of. If they had but one college, it would be no credit to that college to say it was well patronized—then to the Methodists it would be Hobson's choice, this or none. Any merchant can get trade, when he is the only chance. He may have shoddy goods, high prices, insulting, unkind clerks, but he is the only chance. But with many enterprising, pushing, wide-awake, enterprising merchants occupying the same field, the shoddy, high-priced man dies. The best way to judge a merchant's goods and prices is by the amount he sells. Lincoln said: "You may fool all the people a part of the time, some of the people all the time, but you can't fool all of the people all the time." The goodly number of students at Arkadelphia attest the

work she is doing. I heard a reliable man, who had brought his children there, say: "I am more than pleased with the work done here, and many in my section of country have been sending here, and I have never heard a word of complaint from any of them." The enrollment at the opening this year was much larger than last year. No school, of its age, has more of its alumni filling high positions. Its graduates are in demand. Its buildings and equipment are the largest and best in the State. Its faculty is excelled by none, in or out of Arkansas. Both Dr. Pope and Dr. Jones have records in the East as educators that are second to none.

Arkadelphia is a healthy town. Its records show a city of 4,000 people; yet during the months of June, July and August of this very sickly summer, it reports to have had only four deaths—one out of a thousand in ninety days. Uncle Sam, in the next war, would show his wisdom to make Arkadelphia a national camp.

I have visited many of the leading schools of the South, from the Carolinas to California, and from Florida to Kansas, and I must say that the Arkadelphia Methodist College is the best equipped college I have ever seen in the South. No one can do better than educate within its walls. And I am profoundly happy to say, also, that both the Arkadelphia Methodist College and D. D. Warlick belong to the Little Rock Conference—there are no others like them. We both have all we can do. No danger of either of us going out of business.

I have just closed a meeting of three days at Good Hope. The church was wonderfully blessed; eleven accessions. This was one of the sweetest meetings I ever attended; no jar, no sorry service. This gives us about 100 conversions and some seventy-five additions, up to date. God bless Godbey and Thornburgh. They are giving us a good paper.

D. D. WARLICK.

My Answer.

MR. EDITOR:—Brother M. M. Smith, in his article criticising me for my position on the publishing house claim, charges me with having "taken up a reproach against my neighbor," and with lack of charity. I deny his charges. The reproach is already up, and I am simply putting forth what effort I can to keep this reproach from off our great church.

He seems to think I should desist from speaking because of my youthfulness. I never knew that it was a crime for a young man to express himself, especially on a great moral question, even though parties involved were "preaching before he was born." Though men of years often learn wisdom, they have no monopoly of the truth. Both Luther and Wesley began their work of reformation with plain speech while young men.

He says that if Barbee and Smith and the book committee should be exonerated, then I "would be

placed in a very unenviable attitude." I don't see that I would. Will the Illinois, Missouri, and St. Louis Conferences, which have passed such strong resolutions in condemnation of the acts of Barbee and Smith, be in an "unenviable attitude"? Will all the noble men who have honestly condemned the acts of the book agents, be in such an "unenviable attitude"? Were Caleb and Joshua in an unenviable attitude, when their minority report was not accepted by the Israelites? We must not be too quick to condemn men as uncharitable for honestly expressing themselves.

Such arguments as Bro. Smith's, if heeded, would stop and prevent all reformation, and make men of long standing in the church infallible.

W. B. RICKS.

Newport, Sept. 27.

Our Conference Claimants.

To the Brethren of the White River Conference, Clerical and Lay:—

DEAR BRETHREN: It falls to my lot to be the chairman of the Joint Board of Finance again. I make no apology for this. I did not ask it. I think right now, loud enough to be heard by you all, that a good broad-minded, liberal-hearted layman should be the chairman of the Board. I asked Bishop Keener to appoint one at Jonesboro.

"I will not do it, sir." Said I, "Bishop, they have them in some conferences."

"Where?"

"The Memphis Conference."

"Who is he?"

"Judge A. D. Bright, of Brownsville."

"Yes," said the Bishop, "he is a very superior man."

"Well, we have some superior men, Bishop."

"I'll not appoint, though."

I see no good reason for not having a layman like unto the one mentioned, and we have them. Judge Bright has lately laid down this life's burdens and gone home to rest. Dr. W. C. Johnson, speaking of him, made this an emphatic work of his life—his interest in the superannuated preachers and widows of deceased ministers.

With this introduction, let me lay this claim on your hearts. Give it a seat in the most sacred group of guests you admit to your inner life. Preachers ask, people give, for the sake of those grand old men who have worn out in the great work of soul saving, and those good, faithful, godly women who have given their lives to a work that subjected them to change once a year; and the children, whose mouths must be filled. Will you hear? We have forty of these at our front door to be cared for and helped. Turn them away, and this scripture meets you or yours as a just retribution, when you are where these veterans are, or your wives are widows, or your children are fatherless: Gal. vi. 7.

Collect this claim in full, if nothing else. And remember, just two months from today we meet at Clarendon. Begin today, and don't let up until your task is done; then

give "a written account of the condition of the claimants in the bounds of your charge" to the Board at conference. And, good sisters and brothers, if your pastor don't look after this, write to me at Clarendon, in care of "Conference Room," and tell the good as well as the bad side of your condition. I paid one of our widows \$5 this year, and have her receipt therefor. When she took it, she said:

"Oh! Bro. Jernigan, it comes in such good time. I have but one copper in the house."

This sister did not live in the bounds of my charge, but she has a good pastor who has and will look after her wants.

Brother, do not read this and lay it down and say "Well!" and stop at the "well." Do act, for the reasons herein given. God bless you all. We are "rounding up" here, slowly. Our P. E. is run out of breath over a big territory, and has not time to do his work as it should be done. Remedy, make the districts smaller and then better work and better pay.

JAMES F. JERNIGAN.

Beebe, Oct. 1.



A man must reap as he sows. If he sows ill-health he will reap ill-health. If he neglects his health the weeds of disease will grow up and choke it.

It is a daily and hourly marvel that men will recklessly neglect their health, when a moment's thought should tell them that they are courting death. It lies in most every man's power to live to a green old age. If a man would only take the same care of himself that he does of his horse, or cow, or dog, he would enjoy good health. When a man owns a hundred-dollar horse, and it gets sick, he does not waste any time about doctoring him up. When his garden gets full of weeds, he doesn't delay about rooting them out, for he knows they will choke out his vegetables. When he is out of sorts, sick, nervous, headache, has no appetite and is restless and sleepless at night, he pays little attention to it. The result is consumption, nervous prostration or some serious blood or skin disease. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is the best of all medicines for hard working men. It gives edge to the appetite, facilitates the flow of digestive juices, invigorates the liver and purifies and enriches the blood. It is the great blood-maker and flesh-builder. It cures 98 per cent. of all cases of lingering coughs, bronchial and throat affections, weak lungs, bleeding from lungs and kindred affections. Do not wait until the lungs are too far wasted to admit of being cured.

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REMARKS OF CHAPLAIN BABCOCK

At the Funeral of Maj. J. J. Johnson.

James Junius Johnson, Major of 2nd Battalion, 2nd Arkansas Volunteers, fell on sleep Sept. 29, 1898, at 11 p. m. He had been sick with typhoid fever for several days; this, together with disability of the heart, caused by an attack of rheumatism some years ago, accounts, on the human side, for the mournful event which calls us together tonight.

The news of his death came upon the camp like a peal of thunder from a clear sky. It cast a shadow upon the regiment and sent a pang of sorrow to many hearts. We can scarcely yet realize that our gallant major is no more.

Had we been asked to select the best specimen of physical manhood in the regiment and the man who had the longest life expectancy, many no doubt would have said Major Johnson. Only thirty-four years of age, compactly built, with a strong, muscular body and dignified bearing, he moved in our camp the very impersonation of a soldier. But this young, strong, manly form now lies in the cold embrace of death.

We all looked upon Major Johnson as one of our truest and bravest men. With a brilliant intellect and a warm heart, he drew us to him as a man worthy of our admiration. How anxious he was to go to Cuba when the fight was on, we all know. Had he been called upon to lead a charge, he would have been in the thickest of the fight—the forefront of the battle. The beautiful flowers in his clasped hands fitly symbolize how he loved and trusted in his men. He said to me one day: "Chaplain, I would give a year's salary if I could lead my battalion into one good fight, one desperate charge. I know they would acquit themselves like men—like American soldiers."

Judged by the best army tests, he was a first-class army officer. Born to command, he was willing to obey. He seemed to court the privilege of fighting and, if need be, of dying for his country. Having taken his sword, he was unwilling to lay it down until the government had secured the full and final results of the most successful war of modern times. The 2nd battalion had caught the spirit of their heroic leader. When the regiment was polled, his battalion voted stronger than either of the others to remain in service. As field officer of the court, he discharged his duties with singular fidelity. I have sometimes witnessed the trials before him and have been gratified to find that, while he tried to hold the scales of justice in balance, yet when they tipped it was on the side of mercy.

For weeks he has been watching with great solicitude and tenderness at the bedside of his devoted wife, and at the same time trying to do his military services. How the staff and line will miss his genial fellowship and the regiment his manly personality! We surrender

with tears, but with submission, his body to the earth from whence it came and his spirit to the God who gave it. Farewell, brave comrade; sleep on until the resurrection shall wake thee from thy slumbers.

NOTE.

The funeral service took place at 7 p. m., at the residence of Mrs. Darden, where the Major and his wife were boarding. Saturday, his remains were followed to the depot by the 2nd Battalion under arms, a procession of carriages, and hundreds from the other two battalions of the regiment. The band played softly and sweetly "Flee as a Bird to Your Moun-



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tain," as we went on our mournful way to the depot. At 7:45 the train bearing away the corpse, the members of the family, and an escort under command of Capt. Pearson, [pulled out for Little Rock.

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Danger of Alum in Food.

Dr. Vaughn received news from Sydney, Ind., that his relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Brewer, and another person in the family were poisoned by eating bread made up with a cheap brand of baking powder. Moral—Use only a pure and wholesome powder, like the Royal, for instance.—Winimac, Ind., Dem.-Journal.

Dr. Souder was summoned by telegraph last Sunday night to attend the family of Braden Harper, living southwest of Logansport. Four of the family were poisoned from eating dumplings made from alum baking powder. This should be a warning in using cheap baking powders which flood the country.—Logansport, Ind., Times.

In a female seminary in Georgia there recently occurred an epidemic which affected the students in a peculiar and most serious manner. An investigation by the physician showed that the trouble arose from alum baking powder, which was being used in the baking. A pure cream of tartar powder was substituted and the affliction disappeared.—Washington Post.

The cases of alum baking powder poisoning reported in the newspapers, of which these are but specimens, are sufficiently numerous to warn customers against the use of the over and over again condemned cheap powders. Burnt alum or phosphatic acid we are assured will be found in nearly every one of the low priced brands. Some of the powders that are peddled from house to house at 30 and 40 cents a pound are said to be made of alum although misleading notices are printed on their labels affecting the public to believe that they are made of cream of tartar or some harmless ingredient.

The highest grade and most healthful cream of tartar powder, the Royal, costs but about 45 cents per pound. But it is noted that the U. S. Government investigation shows this baking powder to be greatly superior in leavening strength to any of these cheap alum powders. It cannot, therefore, be economy to purchase the latter. Good health, however, is of more importance than a few cents, and it is criminal to use alum baking powders which, it is an understood fact, will seriously injure the stomach.

Our Need.

There is occasion for an emphatic restatement and pronounced advocacy of the connectional principle. Upon the integrity of that idea and the emulation of its spirit depend our continued triumphs. He has read Methodist history to little profit who has not discovered that in our intelligent and loyal connectionalism is the true secret of Method-

ism's marvelous growth. We ought, therefore, jealously to guard and sacredly preserve that vital principle from injury or desecration. To do this we need to circulate our authorized journals that put honor upon the perpetuity of Connectional Methodism, and are devoted to the exposition of its doctrines and the dissemination of its sacred teachings. Our great church has written a wonderful history, and our toilsome, self-denying fathers have handed down to us a heritage of apostolic devotion and achievement, that command our emulation and should be taught diligently to our children.—Bishop Charles B. Galloway in New Orleans Christian Advocate.

One of Their Number.

It comes up from almost every quarter, that one of the urgent needs of our church in Arkansas is a better educated ministry. We read it in the church press, we see it referred to in the secular press, we hear it from our great men on the platform and from the rostrum, our stations, circuits, and missions declare it and complain of it, and I, for one, believe it, confess it, and profoundly regret it. It cannot be said, with any show of truth, that the Methodist ministry of the Arkansas Conference (I mention this conference, because I am acquainted with it) is composed of irreligious, secular, self-seeking men, possessed of a worldly spirit. Such a man may be found among them now and then, but he is an exception, and soon sloughs off. As a rule, our preachers are consecrated, earnest men. The most of them are thoroughly devoted to their work, and oft-times stand at their posts of duty amid appalling difficulties, and live from year's end to year's end surrounded by the most trying circumstances. But we are not a body of educated men. Many of us have not even the foundation for the education which we need. Many of us are to be embarrassed and hampered all our days, from a consciousness of our need in this direction.

How shall we meet this confessed, regretted, and wide-spread need? "Why," somebody says, "simply by educating." Somebody else is ready to go into ecstasies over our facilities for education, and to declare that any boy of parts and spirit can get an education these days. No man goes beyond me in rejoicing over our educational facilities, and I hope I have some appreciation of what a boy of spirit and parts can do. If all young men of parts can and do educate themselves these times, not many of us in my own conference were such young men, for not many of us are educated.

Of course, "to educate" is the solution of this problem. The good schools in our midst make it possible to solve this problem. They go a long ways in meeting this great need of our church. There must be help also from another direction, before this need is fully met. It is to invoke this help that I write these lines.

The foundation of a minister's education ought to be laid in a

thorough course of collegiate training. I use the word "foundation" advisedly. It is only a foundation which the college course gives. This is sorely needed by every pastor. The chances are, that if the foundation is not laid before the candidate enters the ministry, he will go through his life work an uneducated man. It is needed, that our preachers come to their work with a better previous preparation for it, than they have heretofore had. This is the point to be emphasized.

What is done in this direction, as far as the preachers themselves are concerned, must be done by the young preacher and the candidate for the ministry. Most of us are too old to lay new foundations; we must build on those already laid.

Let us notice a difficulty in the way of our candidates for the ministry in preparing for their work. It is safe to say that nine out of ten—I believe I might say nineteen out of twenty—of those who enter the Methodist ministry in Arkansas, and who prepare themselves for their work beyond the merest rudiments of an education, make that preparation at their own cost. We are wont to think it the duty of parents to educate their children. But there are very few parents among us who educate their sons for the Methodist ministry. For some reason, the most of the boys educated by their parents drift into the law, or practice of medicine, or politics, or some other secular calling.

That we may get this difficulty clearly before us, take a typical case. A young man, living in the bounds of the Arkansas Conference, is converted in his eighteenth year. By the time he is twenty, he feels it to be his duty to preach the gospel. He is settled in his conviction. His capital, at this time, consists of his ignorance, poverty, enthusiasm, convictions, and the rudiments of an English education. The problem of equipment is before him. He must meet his own expenses. The cost, in time, is anywhere from \$600 to \$1,200. How can he manage to spend so much time, is a large and perplexing question. But how can he manage to get so much money, is a larger and much more perplexing one. Suppose he manages to borrow \$800, and spends five years in college. When he joins his conference, he takes his place among a body of men whose average annual income is \$286.54. When can he hope to repay that \$800 which he borrowed in good faith? Suppose such a young man were to join the Arkansas Conference this fall. He would take his place in a body of ninety-nine men, ten of whom receive less than \$100 annually; forty-eight, less than \$200; seventy-one, less than \$300. Under such circumstances, when could this young man hope to pay that debt, honest debt, of \$800?

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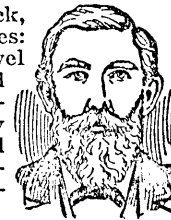
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on an annual salary of \$286.54? I knew a young man in one of the Arkansas conferences, who was converted in his twentieth year. He was soon convinced that it was his duty to preach. Fortunately for him, he was also convinced of his own broad, deep ignorance. Before he was converted, he had accumulated a small sum in real estate and personal property. When he was called to the work of the ministry, he converted all his property into bank notes, and dedicated the little all to the purpose of educating himself for his life work. By a sudden stroke of what we call misfortune, the whole was swept away in an instant. Everything gone now except the young man's ignorance, enthusiasm, and purpose to educate. He sat down and wrote to a rich Methodist man, whom he had met, explained his misfortune, made known his purpose, and asked for aid in the way of the loan of a modest sum, promising that two noble Methodist preachers would stand good for the payment of the loan. Well, that rich Methodist man never even answered that distressed, perplexed boy's letter. For a long time, this silence was a mystery to the young man. He thought maybe he had done something wrong in writing such a letter. But afterward the mystery all cleared away. That rich man was simply a business man as well as a Methodist. When business men loan money, they expect to be paid back. The young man had chosen a calling which yielded to its members an annual

average salary of \$286.54. What could he ever pay back? As to the two Methodist preachers who were to stand good for the loan, they belonged to the same fraternity. What could they ever pay?

As one of the uneducated members of that so largely uneducated body composing the Arkansas Conference, I confess our lack, and deeply feel our need of better equipment for our work. When shall we ever be able to meet this need and wipe out this reproach against us, with the present salaries paid us? Many of us must answer, when our names are pronounced at the roll-call of the uneducated, but we do it from necessity, not from choice. It was financial necessity that forced us out of school before the time, and the same necessity has kept us out. It is too much, entirely too much, to leave this work of equipping the ministry so largely in the hands of a few boys and young men, whose principal possessions are ignorance, enthusiasm, and poverty. The whole church must rally to this work by making a more liberal provision for the support of its pastors. Never, never, while the heavens are above us, can the cost of an educated ministry be supported by the slender props of an annual average salary of \$286.54.

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DEAR DR. GODBEY:—Let us all hope and pray that the authority and power with which the P. C. is now invested will never have a dying day. It is the only way, in my judgment, out of the present fanaticism, so prevalent in our beloved Methodism. If I can not have exclusive control of pulpit, "P. C." is a misnomer. If our ministry and membership don't like the rule and think it tyrannical and oppressive, let them join some other church. We can do without all such, as well as they can do without us. The rule properly clothes the P. C. with such power as is needed. If I were an evangelist, I would not want to preach anywhere without getting the approval and endorsement of the preacher in charge. Let the same courtesy be shown among ministers as among doctors, lawyers, and others.

Hurrah! for Bros. Ware and Smith. Bro. Smith did well in his last article, arresting the attention of our good Bro. Ricks. Let all our young brethren profit by the long experience and usefulness of the older men of our conferences.

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Literary Table.

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And smoothed it tenderly upon her knee,
Then through the soft web of a wee red sock,
She wove the bright wool, musing thoughtfully:
"Can this be all? The world is very fair;
I hunger for its green and pleasant ways,"
A cripple, prisoned in her restless chair,
Looks from the window with a wistful gaze.

"I can but weave a faint thread to and fro,
Making a frail woof in a baby's sock;
Into the world's sweet tumult I would go,
At its strong gates my trembling hands would knock."

Just then the children came, the father, too;
Their eager faces lit the twilight gloom.
"Dear heart," he whispered, as he nearer drew,
"How sweet it is within this little room!"

"God put my strongest comfort here to draw
When thirst is great and common wells are dry,
Your pure desire is my unerring law;
Tell me, dear one, who is so safe as I?
Home is the pasture where my soul may feed,
This room a paradise has grown to be,
And only when these patient feet shall lead
Can it be home for these dear ones and me."

He touched with reverent hand the helpless feet,
The children crowded close and kissed her hair.
"Our mother is so good and kind and sweet,
There's not another like her anywhere!"
The baby in her low bed opened wide
The soft blue flowers of her timid eyes
And viewed the group above the cradle-side
With smiles of glad and innocent surprise.

The mother drew the baby to her knee,
And, smiling, said: "The stars shine soft to-night,
My world is fair, its edges sweet to me,
And whatsoever is, dear Lord, is right!"

—May Riley Smith.

Some of the additional autumn announcements of D. Appleton & Co., are Cannon and Camera, Sea and Land Battles of the Spanish-American War in Cuba, Camp Life and the Return of the Soldiers, by John C. Hemment, war artist at the front, with over fifty illustrations from photographs taken by the author; Puerto Rico, an illustrated handbook for travelers, investors, and others, by Frederick A. Ober; Latitude 19°, a romance of the West Indies in 1821, by Mrs. Schuyler Crowninshield; Paleface and Redskin, and Other Stories for Boys and Girls, by F. Anstey, author of "Vice Versa," illustrated; Pharos, the Egyptian, by Guy Boothby; Belinda—And Some Others; Fortune's my Foe, by G. B. Burton; and The Knight of the Golden Chain, by R. D. Chetwode.

A Herald of the West is the title of Mr. J. A. Altsheler's new American historical romance which is to be published immediately by D. Appleton & Co. The author's brilliant success in this country and in England as a writer of American historical romances will direct especial attention to his new book, which embodies his most ambitious work. He opens with some most interesting pictures of social life and political conditions in Washington just before the war of 1812, and later the reader gains an insight into the contemporary life of Philadelphia, New York and Boston. The passages dealing with the war itself include singularly vivid and dramatic accounts of the capture of Washington by the British, and the battle of New Orleans, both noteworthy contributions to American literature. Another feature of the book is the delimitation of views between the East and the West of that time, and the characterizations of senti-

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Book Notices.

SIN AND HOLINESS. OR WHAT IT IS TO BE HOLY.—By Rev. D. W. C. Huntington, Cincinnati; Curtis & Jennings, New York; Hunt and Eaton, \$1.50.

This work discusses the much debated subject of holiness. The treatment is from the theological standpoint, and with special reference to the teachings of the second blessingists, as compared with the teachings of sound theology and of Mr. Wesley.

The writer says: "At the time of my conversion and connection with the church, I assumed the correctness of the teachings on the subject of entire sanctification, which I then received. I was taught that they were scriptural and according to the standards of Methodism, guided by those who received them in a similar way. I was led, at two different periods of my Christian life, to believe that I had 'experienced the blessing of entire sanctification,' understanding, by that term, as I did, the removal or destruction of what I was instructed to regard as 'inbred sin.' That I did realize, at each of these seasons, a gracious uplift in spiritual experience, I shall never doubt. Christ was revealed to me and in me, as he had not been revealed before. For weeks following, not a movement in my nature disturbed the deep calm of my spirit. I could say, with another, 'I sought God in everything, and found him everywhere.' That I experienced what I thought I did I do not now believe."

The author's arguments are chiefly aimed to show that the "second blessing" doctrine sets out from a false view of inbred sin through a popular view, and reaches, as a consequence, false conclusions of the psychology of sanctification, and that the conclusions

being thus incorrect, open the way to dangerous fanaticism.

Mr. Huntington insists that Mr. Wesley was always consistent with himself, and that he did not hold the view presented in the "second blessing" theory of sanctification. Mr. Wesley's psychological system, he says, was that of Edwards, which confounded the will and the sensibilities, and which is now discarded.

It led Wesley to forms of statement which now are seen to involve errors, which errors, however, he did not hold. In the light of a current psychology Wesley's statements convey some ideas which he did not mean to teach. Mr. Wesley always insisted, however, that sin is of the will, and in this taught correctly.

The whole question of sin and holiness is handled with great clearness and force, and there is not a sentence in the book which would suggest an unfair or prejudiced mind. We have never found in any similar work so full and satisfactory a presentation of Mr. Wesley's views, nor, indeed, any better treatment of the subjects of sin and holiness. The work is well timed, and cannot fail to aid in the promotion of scriptural holiness, both in doctrine and in life.

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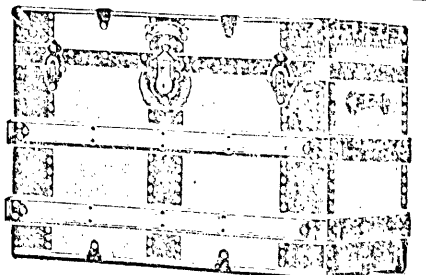
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Isaiah Called to Service.

ISAIAH VI.

Golden Text.—"I heard the voice of the Lord saying, whom shall I send? and who will go for us? Then said I, here am I; send me." (Verse 8.)

Topical Outline.—I. The vision. (Verses 1-4.) II. The call. (Vs. 5-8.) III. The commission, (Vs. 9-13.)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK.

Isaiah's Call, Isa. vi.
Revelation to Moses, Ex. xxxiii: 12-23.

The Majesty of God, Ps. civ.
The Majesty of God, Isa. xl: 12-17.

The Majesty of God, xl: 18-31.
Great White Throne, Rev. xx: 11-15.

Holiness and the Sinner, Luke vi: 1-8.

Reference word, "Serve."
Lesson hymn, No. 4.

Time—Isaiah was contemporary with Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah. These monarchs reigned in succession from 810 B.C., to 722 B. C. It is likely that Isaiah's call coincided with the last year of Uzziah's reign, 759 B. C.

Place—In the Temple at Jerusalem.

We have in this lesson an account of the call of Isaiah to the office and work of a prophet. You will observe that the account occurs in the sixth chapter of the book of Isaiah, just why we do not know. It may be that the former chapters were intended to be a sort of introduction, indicating the spirit of Isaiah's prophecies, or it may be that this account was simply written at a later date than that of the prophecies contained in the first chapters.

You will observe that the ministry of Isaiah opened in the last year of the reign of Uzziah, called elsewhere Azariah. This king was the son of Amaziah, who was the son of Joash, with whom our last lesson dealt. The sad fall of Joash and the people into idolatry, after the death of Jehoiada, the high priest, we noted last week. Amaziah's reign was like that of Joash. After a great victory over the Edomites, he set up their gods for the worship of the people, and he spurned the counsel of the prophet Zecariah, who was sent to warn him. These repeated defections of the royal household had told sadly on the people, and the evil was not remedied during the comparative good reign of Uzziah, at the latter end of which the call came to Isaiah. The opening chapter of Isaiah, which please read, was a bitter complaint of the rebellious condition of the people. They were pronounced as more stupid than the ox or the ass. Isaiah saw the desolating tide of

ruin sweeping over the nation, and it was this tide he was called to stem. He lived to see the tide sweep on within, while without the nation was being ground to pieces beneath the upper and the nether millstone of Assyria and Egypt, to which powers the kings turned alternately for help. Isaiah's ministry was a burning call to them to repent of their wicked ways and turn to Jehovah for help. Fasten these facts in your mind, and you will have little trouble to understand the writings of Isaiah.

Notice now the call. It was in the form of a vision. He saw in the heavens a scene like the temple indefinitely enlarged; the throne of the Lord occupied the place of the mercy seat; a train of light flowed out from the garments of the King of kings, and filled all the temple; about him stood a double choir of seraphs, poised upon their wings, veiling their faces and their persons with other wings, and chanting their lofty chorus of "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The sound made the pillars of the vast fabric to tremble, and the house was filled with smoke. Isaiah was awe-stricken, and cried out, "Woe is me! for I am undone." His sense of his own sinfulness and his knowledge of the sinfulness of the people, in the light of this vision, humbled him into the dust. It was not until his sinful lips were touched with a live coal from off the altar of that upper temple that he could endure the thought of his mission. Then he could humbly say, "Here am I, send me."

His mission was a most discouraging one. His preaching was destined to be a savor of death unto the people, till the judgment of God should fall upon their cities, and they themselves should be removed far away into captivity. Nevertheless, a remnant should be saved, the core of the Jewish nation should be preserved and the holy see should spring up again, like the sprouting of the stock of the terebinth tree when the tree had been cut down.

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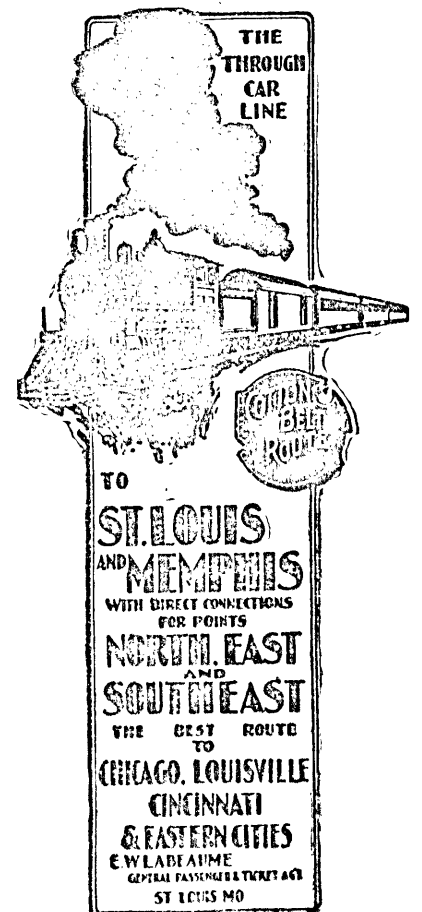
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The Choice of Moses.

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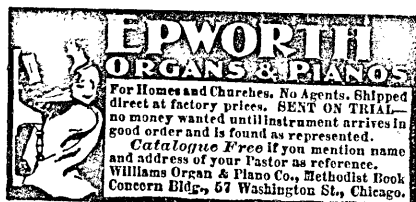
When the Hebrew was a slave, driven by the whip of the task-master to toil in foreign cities, while the emissaries of a tyrant watched his home to strangle his children, Moses, with a faith as sublime as Abraham's, cast in his lot with his suffering people.

By a bold act—killing the Egyptian who was smiting a Hebrew—he cut himself off from royal favor, made himself an outlaw to befriend the Hebrews, and asserted his brotherhood of faith and blood with them.

For Moses' choice was a religious choice. Paul tells us that, "By faith he refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter. He had respect unto the recompense of reward."

For the faith and purpose that swayed Moses, it is natural for us to go back to the nursery. We remember that beautiful story of his birth and his rescue from the common fate of the male children of the Hebrews, and of how he was returned to his own mother for nursing.

At what age the adopted child of Pharaoh's daughter went to the palace, we can hardly conjecture. But certainly it was not at the court of the king that he learned either love of his people or devotion to God. Yet Moses's act was well matured. He was about forty years of age. He was learned in all Egyptian learning. "He chose affliction with the people of God." Stephen A. Douglass said: "I had rather be right than to be president." That was noble. But to choose suffering to serve God is the highest test of the God-like in hu-



man souls.

Paul attributes to Moses a faith in future rewards. What else? Was it in his forty years exile in Midian, or his forty years of toil and wandering with his people in the desert, that Moses found the reward he chose? Not in these, surely. Go and read that story of his death on Mt. Nebo. In sight of the promised land he died. The home of all his dreams. Saw he no other rest? He did not fail of his reward. The rest which remains to all the faithful in God he entered ere Joshua crossed the Jordan.

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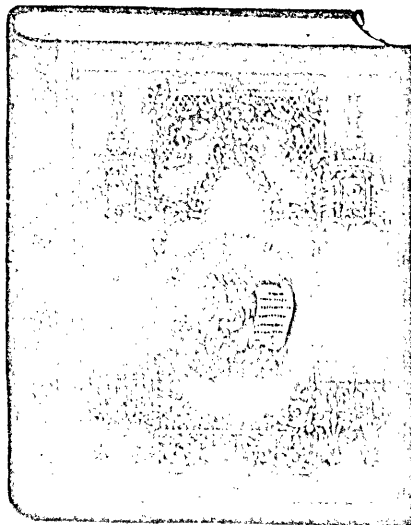
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The Methodist Church in Fernando, California, adjourned its services to attend the dedication of a Catholic Church. The Rocky Mountain Advocate and the Michigan Christian Advocate approve.

"Our Homes," under the hand of Miss Emily Allen, editor and manager pro tem, is being conducted with energy and excellent judgment. A clear head and an earnest heart are manifest in all her work.

We have received a very pretty sixteen page paper, size of the ARKANSAS METHODIST, first number of a new venture, Arkansas Cultivator, Locke & Smith, editors. Mr. Locke is a former commissioner of agriculture, Mr. Smith was candidate for the same office last election. We welcome the new journal. A paper which treats of the cultivation of the soil has, as the Yankees would say, "All out of doors" for its field. To be issued 1st and 15th of each month, fifty cents a year.

We spent the last Sunday in September and four days following at Morrilton, being entertained at the home of Mr. Earl, just across the street from the church. Our good host and hostess spared nothing to make myself and wife comfortable, and we have cause of kindly and thankful remembrance of them. We preached six sermons to appreciative hearers. Brother Anderson has succeeded in putting the church building in excellent order. It is beautifully carpeted and frescoed. We came away Friday afternoon. Dr. Hunter dedicated the church on Sunday.

Our Ministry.

No man, who aspires to high station in the ministry is, fit to preach the gospel at all. Of course, we speak this in the worldly sense. Every man, who is a man, desires to be all that God and nature have prepared him to become. The highest duty is to attain full development of mind and heart and influence for all that is good.

So, a preacher of the gospel is unworthy of his calling if he be idle, careless of opportunity, or listless in effort. The love of Christ and of souls should inspire him to high aim and unremitting effort. But he should

not reckon honor in the ministry by the wealth or social influence of the church he serves, nor by the salary which he attains; nor among servants of the Master, equally devoted, should he reckon that there is either high or low.

The preacher who continually pleads the cause of the poor and who is yet displeased, offended, humiliated, because he is sent to a poor church, is contemptible. The church wants no whining place-seekers in her ministry, but soldiers, ready to wage spiritual war upon any field.

The ministry is not for worldly comfort, or social place, or public reputation. The dignity of the calling is in its divine character, and love is its strength and reward. He who has, in his heart, this constraining power of love has meat to eat that the world knows not of.

We see letters in the papers from preachers, gone to new stations, telling how elegant is the church, the parsonage, and how liberal the salary. And some of these, who are so pleased, pass the year in these stations content, without the conversion of a soul, and deem it a successful ministry if the salary and collections have been paid. It makes us sick at heart. A preacher of the gospel should be ashamed to write of the wealth or social standing of his people save as these gifts are sanctified to spiritual uses, and he should not think them so sanctified simply because he receives the benefit. We do not know a more unsanctified use of money than the support of a fawning sycophant, who calls himself a prophet of the Lord. The Lord may bless the honest purpose of the giver, but in this case certainly it is "more blessed to give than to receive." The Lord commended the widow who cast in her last mite into the treasury of the temple, while he condemned the avarice and venality of the priests and pharisees who "devoured widow's houses."

The Methodist Church is organized after the military idea and method. We should expect obedience and know nothing of honor but faithfulness of service. Our ideal of manliness is not in self-assertion, but in soldierly duty. The cause is worthy of our service and our lives, and the system which is most effectual in advancing the cause demands our unfaltering allegiance.

Our great need is an enthusiasm of devotion of the soldierly type. We want the spirit which unifies, equalizes and sways individual and company and corps, and the whole great army, by one impulse, that

impulse a desire to serve to the uttermost.

The "esprit de corps" must be preserved in Methodism. Its organization demands it and cannot survive its loss. Our organization is military. It assumes that the soldierly spirit is to be found in the church militant. If this spirit fail in our ministry, strife and disunion must result.

Spiritual Churches.

How shall we judge spirituality in the churches? First, we shall say that the basis of religion is the Godward conscience, and the strength of religion is in the strength of this conscience. This is fundamental, and, in all the so-called religious associations, marks and measures the religious spirit, as distinguished from any merely human sympathy, culture or humanitarianism.

But the religious conscience is a root, from which proper cultivation will develop every flower and fruit of holy life.

One may have the spirit of a true disciple and lack much in culture. One may have the devotion of a martyr, and yet fail in duty as a brother. Perfect love does not make perfect Christians, any more than perfect loves makes perfect mothers. Many a mother has grown wiser in the care of her children, not because her love has increased, but because love has found the way to a proper expression of itself.

So, perfect love lays the foundation for the best possible development of character and life. It makes its subject teachable in the school of Christ. It gives ardent aspiration to learn more and more.

But the beautiful fruitage of spiritual life requires experience. Time is an element in its production, and much of our teaching in the church is not to intensify the desire of service, but to guide it into graceful and effective expression.

The highest type, then, of spirituality in the church is what we call a true Christian culture, taste, sentiment, personal dignity, brotherly care, faithfulness in duty, grace of character and conduct—a life which has back of it an ardent Godward aspiration—communion with him, and single-eye to his glory.

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Washington Letter.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

President McKinley has announced a special reception, Friday evening, in honor of the delegates to the Triennial Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of America, now in session here, and their families. This is the first time this convention has been held at Washington, and the gathering is said to be the largest of eminent men in the Church ever held. The convention will remain in session three weeks, and it is expected that among the important questions to be dealt with by the convention will be that of divorce.

Although nothing official on the subject can be had at the Department of State, it has been positively stated unofficially that Mr. Straus, the new U. S. Minister to Turkey, has been given instructions to insist upon a prompt settlement of the claims for damages caused by the destruction of property owned by American Missionaries in Turkey, and which the Sultan disclaimed responsibility for, some weeks ago. It is known that the President and Secretary Hay entertain no doubts of the responsibility of Turkey for the Missionary property destroyed by Turkish mobs, and believed that it is their intention to compel the payment of these claims. The press of the country has made it plain that any action the administration may take towards that object would be endorsed by the people. It is also stated that Minister Straus has instructions to endeavor to obtain authority for the appointment of U. S. Consuls at all ports of the Ottoman empire, and full protection of all naturalized Americans in Turkish territory.

The twenty-first annual convention of the Christian Missionary Society of the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Delaware opened here today and will continue for three days.

At the last meeting of the Anti-Saloon League, a letter written by Major Miley, of Gen. Shafter's staff, in answer to a letter endorsing the resolution adopted by the league commending Gen. Shafter for his stand against the sale of intoxicants to soldiers, in the "canteens," was read. It said: "General Shafter directs me to acknowledge the receipt of the resolutions passed by your league concerning the stand he has taken in regard to regimental canteens. He instructs me to say that he has always been interested in the cause of temperance, and will continue to do all he can to promote the cause. He thanks you for the expressions of esteem and respect you have uttered respecting him."

Chaplain C. S. Bullock, of the 1st Illinois Regiment, stopped in Washington on his way to Chicago, where he resides, to talk to the President about some of the charges that have been made about conditions at Camp Thomas, Chickamauga Park. As Chaplain Bullock was stationed there, with his regiment, for four months, and was President of the Chickamauga Chaplains' Association, he has a

right to claim to know something about that particular camp. He said: "There is no truth in the stories of neglect of sick soldiers and the serving of impure food. Our Chaplains' association had weekly meetings at Camp Thomas and received reports on the condition of affairs. At no meeting was there reported any of the things I have since seen charged. I notice that Archdeacon Brady, of the 1st Pennsylvania Regiment, and Chaplain Carstenson of Indianapolis, make severe charges about what they saw at Chickamauga. They allege, for instance, that sick soldiers lay in the mud without attention, and went for hours uncared for. I saw none of these things, and remember distinctly that Chaplains Brady and Carstenson made no such charges before our Chaplains' Association, where they would have instantly been investigated. Food and medicine were plentiful and medical attention could be quickly had. My regiments had fresh meats and bread every day from the third day after arrival. The soldiers ate hard-tack for only three days after reaching Camp Thomas."

Notice—Little Rock Conference.

Preachers or delegates intending to bring wife or any member of the family, will please notify me at once, that I may provide homes. Unless notified, I shall be in no way responsible for failure to get homes. But one presiding elder has furnished a list of delegates up to date. I wish each one would send in list.

JAMES THOMAS.

Little Rock, Oct. 10.

Dedication.

Under the auspices of Hendrix College and through the liberality of the K. C., P. & G. R. R. and the people of Orchard (Gentry) a new Academy has been organized and new buildings have been erected at Orchard.

At 10 a. m., October 20, the Academy will be dedicated by Bishop E. R. Hendrix, D. D., LL. D. Addresses will be delivered by the Bishop and others. If the weather is favorable, a basket dinner will be served on the campus. The K. C., P. & G. R. R. will give reduced rates from neighboring towns. Preachers will receive free entertainment, if they will in advance notify Prof. J. M. Hughey of the time of their arrival.

Trains arrive at Gentry (the R. R. station) as follows: From the north, 3:50 a. m. and 5:51 p. m. From the south, 8:40 a. m. and 11:59 p. m.

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Personal.

Rev. M. B. Umsted is making good progress in his work at Argenta.

Rev. R. R. Moore, P. O. of First Church, Hot Springs, called Friday.

Bishop Fitzgerald, of the M. E. Church, purposes to make his home in St. Louis.

Dr. A. C. Millar reports no spread of small-pox at Conway. All cases recovering.

Bro. A. A. Wood, of Russell, called Friday. He is doing a good work with the Sunday-school at Russell.

The Louisville Conference has requested Bishop Morrison to reside in Louisville. He has consented to do so.

The congregation of First Church, Memphis, parted with their pastor, Dr. R. D. Smart, with many testimonies of love.

Miss Emily Allen will shortly retire from her work as editor of Our Homes, and Miss Mary Helm will assume her duties as editor of the paper.

In a business letter, R. G. Rainwater, one of our laymen at Imboden, Ark., says: "Bro. Ellis, our preacher, is doing well, and is liked by all the people."

The Baltimore Advocate reports that Dr. C. M. Hawkins entered upon his work at Trinity Church, that city, on Sunday, the 2d, and that a very favorable impression was made.

Chaplain Babcock is expected home on a furlough this week. Alfred Babcock, his son, came into Batesville on a furlough a few days ago. It is expected that the regiment will soon be sent to Cuba.

Bros. Cochran and Fisackerly, of the White River Conference, have our deep sympathy in their bereavement. Each has lost a loved one. But they rejoice in the Christian's hope of the sweet bye and bye.

Another widow, from Clarksville this time, writes: "The METHODIST is the best religious paper I know of. I wouldn't be without it." And she enclosed funds to pay ahead into 1899. Let some of our lazy men subscribers get ashamed of themselves and pay up their long past due subscriptions.

Miss Mamie Poynter writes, under date of October 3rd: "The last week has been a sad one for us. It seemed that the angel of death would surely take some of our loved ones from us. But we are happy to say that God has spared them to us. Papa is very sick and we ask the prayers of the brethren."

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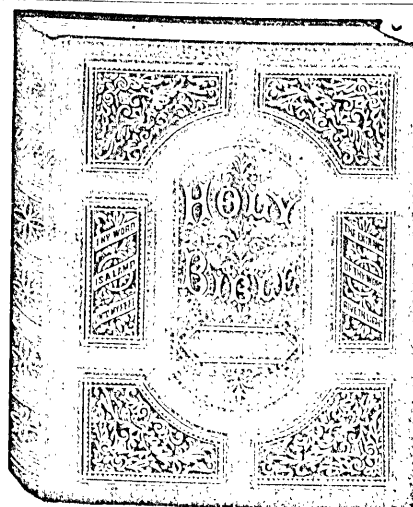
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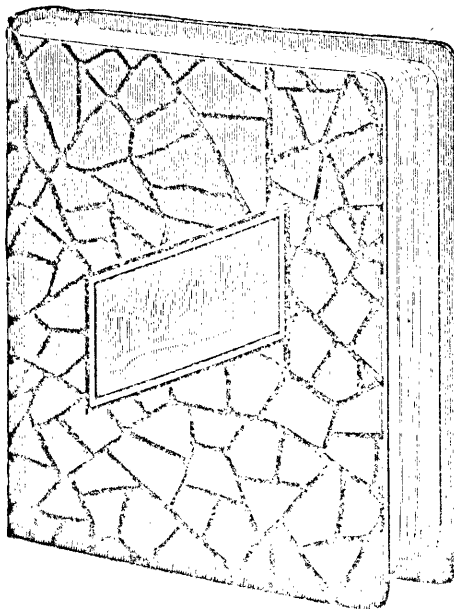
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I would have thee reign in me.
Humbly waiting, I am praying
To be cleansed by power divine,
I am praying, precious Spirit,
That I may be wholly thine.

Holy Spirit, I am pleading
To be strengthened now with might;
Though unworthy, I am asking
To be filled with love and light.
I have yielded all to thee, Lord,
I have consecrated all,
In my weakness I implore thee,
Now upon me sweetly fall.

Holy Spirit, I am coming,
In the blessed Master's name;
I am trusting in his merit
Who forever is the same.
In thy tender love and mercy
Let me now be anointed be,
Let the promise of the Father
Be fulfilled just now in me.

While I tarry, Holy Spirit,
Let the heavenly fire descend;
Fill me with thy holy presence,
Let my faith now have an end;
Let me know the joy and glory
Of a soul possessed by thee;
Let me, O thou blessed Spirit,
Once for all thine wholly be.

—Melville Winans Miller, in the Christian Advocate.

The Appeal of the Gospel to Common Sense.

All who pride themselves on being governed by good sense rather than by sentiment, influence, or even example, ought especially to be Christians. If ever any appeal was made directly and forcibly to common sense, it is that of Christianity. Leaving out of account at present all considerations of gratitude or affection, and taking merely the lower grounds of expediency, has not the gospel a right to everyone's serious attention, and to his acceptance?

It appeals to every man in his own behalf. It tells him that, whatever others may do, he has himself to look after and provide for. This is as true in religion as in business, and more true. Others indeed may concern themselves and may be helpful. But if he does not make effort for himself to take advantage of the divine offers, no other person's zeal can do the work in his behalf. The gospel reminds him of this, and points out to him the risk of not looking personally after his own interests.

It deals with simple, plain, undeniable facts, from which there is no escape. He is here today. He may be gone next year, next month, perhaps even tomorrow. Whether he does or does not believe all which he hears about a future life, his good sense tells him to live so that, if there be one, he may be prepared for it in the best manner. The same sound sense insists that whoever lives the most pure, noble, unselfish, useful life here, of course is best fitted for whatever may be coming hereafter. And it declares that this is just the life that Jesus Christ did live and which his gospel insists upon.

The gospel does not try to deceive anyone or to beguile him. It does not pretend that to be a Christian always is easy, and his observation teaches him better than to

believe that. Nor does it hold out to him the prospect of immediate perfect happiness, or of any other kind of reward, as a bait, although it does assure him that in the end he will rejoice in being a Christian. It treats him fairly and frankly, as a man deserves to be treated. It tells him that he ought to be a Christian. Let him do his duty, and let happiness take care of itself. It tells him that he will have a hard fight against evil as long as he lives, but it is more sensible to accept this fact and to make his fight manfully, with the heavenly aid which he will have, than to shrink from it or refuse to consider it.

In a word, in spirit, in fact, and in method the gospel appeals to common sense upon its own ground.—The Congregationalist.

Piety and Preparation for the Pulpit.

But in such a sacred profession as the ministration of religious truth the first preparation for profitable study must necessarily be sincere personal religiousness. Luther's words are hence forever true: "Right praying makes right study." For it is self-evident that the words of Job, "The inspiration of the Lord giveth understanding," must be especially true of those studies in which the loving and reverend knowledge of God is the very beginning of wisdom. How, indeed, shall he attune himself to heavenly meditations who is a stranger to communion with him in whom they both begin and end? A prophet is one who speaks as the mouth-piece of God, and no man has a right to be a preacher who is not a prophet. If he be not, he is an actor, playing in a part, not a sincere man, which in Christ's vocabulary is not to be a "hypocrite." A burning glass of ice may transmit the sun's heat, but only to neutralize it by its own cold. The lips of the preacher must be touched with the divine fire which God gives for the asking, before his studies can be efficient aids in his great commission. It was when John was "in the Spirit" that the voice spoke the message to the churches through him. Without God we can do nothing worthy either in the pulpit or for it.—Cunningham Geikie, D.D., LL.D., in Homiletic Review for July.

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JOHN R. COLLINS.

Mr. J. W. Sanders, Earl, (Ark.) writes July 7, '98: I suffered terribly with Catarrh for four years, but after using two bottles of "5 DROPS" I recovered and am now entirely well, and as fat as a hog, and I give your "5 DROPS" the praise, for I could not find anything that would give me the slightest relief until I tried this great remedy. I can truthfully say that it has cured me, and I give "5 DROPS" the name of being the best medicine that can be made, and recommend it to everybody as a permanent cure for Catarrh. Sincerely,

J. W. SANDERS.

Eli Cherry, Notary Public, Gillis Mills, (Tenn.) writes July 14, '98: I am a farmer and have labored very hard. Three years ago I was taken with severe pains in left breast and about my heart, and the best doctors said I had Neuralgia of the Heart and could never get well. I had to quit work and had very bad spells with my heart. My daughter, Mrs. H. T. Franks, saw your "5 DROPS" advertised, and she ordered a bottle for me, and it did me so much good that she ordered a second bottle, and after using that one I felt as good as I ever did, and have made a full hand in the field this year; and my old neighbors and friends are astonished and are all inquiring of me what cured me, and I can only say "5 DROPS" DID IT! Even the doctors are astonished at my recovery, and a great many of my friends who are afflicted with Neuralgia and Rheumatism wish me to send and get them some of the wonderful remedy, "5 DROPS." Trusting that the people who are suffering may see this testimonial and have confidence enough to give "5 DROPS" a trial, Yours Respectfully,

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For the Young People.

How it Went in My Childhood.

NO. VIII.

Dear young people, I have been sick nearly all summer, and have had to drop my stories, but, if you desire, I can give you a few more. I wanted to tell you about the greatest event of my life—my conversion.

Some grown people say that children ought not to give their hearts to Jesus, because they do not know what they are doing. I was converted when I was eleven, and I believe I knew just as much about what I was doing as any grown person, and I was so happy.

We always had family prayers, night and morning, in our home, and we children were taught from beginning to love our Savior. O how we did love to sit and listen to the Bible read!

I remember to have told my older brother, when I was seven, that I would be a preacher, but I don't remember then to have had any conviction of sin. But, when I was ten, I remember to have determined that I would seek Christ. Our pastor's name then, was N. G. Davis, who, now, is in heaven. He held his meeting in August, I believe. Instead of preaching and working for the salvation of sinners he preached a series of doctrinal sermons. He did not make a single appeal to us that were lost. I remember how sad I felt when the meeting closed and I was not saved. My heart was burdened. I don't know how many souls were lost because our pastor did not appeal to them to give their hearts to God. I do know that I told God, on my knees that night after the meeting closed, that I would go to hell if I should die as I was then but, if God would spare me for another year, I would give my heart to him then.

When another year had come and our meeting started we had as leader Rev. C. B. Moseley. We all loved him. I was still under deep conviction, and came to the altar when the chance was given. The night I was converted Rev. V. V. Harlan had preached one of his stirring sermons and had made a strong appeal to us to come to the altar. Others went but I halted. In a moment my older brother came to me and laid his hand on my head and asked me to go. I began to cry and ran to the altar just as quick as possible. I remember distinctly my thoughts and feeling. In my despair, I seemed to be going down a dark road to hell. I looked back and saw mother and father, brothers and sisters going up another beautiful shining way and I was all alone in this dark road. Just at that moment I raised my very being to God and cried for mercy. The next thing I knew I was standing on my feet and my face met the happy countenance of father and Bro. Moseley, who were right by me. My very soul was filled with light. My whole being thrilled and quivered as wave after wave of the divine light rolled into my soul. I sang a song I had

never sung before. It seemed to come to me from above, and it was a new sweet song. I remember as I rode home in our wagon that night that I seemed to hear sweet music in the skies. I had never heard anything like it before. I could almost translate it, but words would not have expressed it. My soul was then lifted up into heaven. O how happy I was! I started once to throw myself out of the wagon and run a nearer way home and tell mother what a blessed Savior I had found. O children, how sweet it is to give our hearts to Jesus while we are young! He will make you so happy, and what a blessed life you can live. Have you done it?

DERF S. KRAL.

Van Buren, Ark.

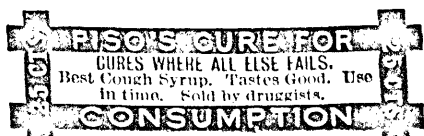
"Peace to His Ashes."

The Spanish government has determined to remove the remains of Columbus from Havana to Spain, and General Blanco has issued the order for the removal. He has appointed a commission consisting of the captain-general, the bishop of Havana, the colonial secretary of justice, the civil and military governors, the dean of the cathedral, the state architect and a physician to be commissioned by the board of health, who shall examine the niche in which the remains rest, and immediately prepare for their shipment to the mother country. The monument containing the remains is to be sent also. Since Spain must retire forever from Cuba, she will not leave the ashes of the great discoverer behind. She is much more careful of his bones than the Spaniards of his day were of his living body. But Spain is not alone in having made martyrs and then canonized them.—Pittsburg Christian Advocate.

Thought of Her Boys.

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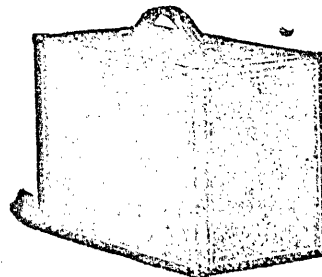
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Our Church at Home.

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I have just closed my last protracted meeting, which was held at Waldron. The services lasted ten days, resulting in six conversions, one reclamation and two accessions to the church, with more to follow. The church was greatly revived and carried to a higher plane of religious life. Our people say the meeting was by far the best that has been held in Waldron for a number of years. I was assisted by Brother Barker, of the C. P. Church. Rev. J. L. Hayes (superannuate) was with us and did some most excellent preaching. He is a strong pulpit man. He was licensed to preach in Waldron in 1871, and has been preaching more or less to this people for twenty-seven years. They love him very much and enjoy his sermons greatly. I am now closing up my year's work with strong hopes to be able to report favorably at conference. The ARKANSAS METHODIST will receive our attention. To God be all the praise.

Yours in the work,

JNO. C. SHIPP.

MORGANTON MISSION.

Our meetings have closed. The meeting at Goodloe's Chapel resulted in about eight conversions. We had the benediction of Father Ray, of Quitman circuit, and Father Johnson, of Quitman; also, Brothers Charles Williams, Bates, and Patchal, helped to do the preaching, but there was nothing like a general revival. At Wesley's Chapel the meeting went on for a week. Brother Barner, of the Baptist Church, carried the meeting on, assisted by Brother Thomas, of Morganton. There was one reclamation. Thence to Harrison's Chapel, eight conversions, assisted by Bros. Thomas, of our church, and Wood and Bartlett, of the Baptist. Thence we went to Morganton, thirty-nine conversions. Bros. Thomas, of our church, Wood and Barner, of the Baptist Church helped us. Next, at Bee Branch, four conversions, assisted by Rev. Thomas. Thence at Salt Spring Barns, forty conversions. Bros. Mcklehaney, Smallwood and Wood of the General Baptist Church helped us. Total, 99 conversions and 43 accessions to our church, and others to follow. Pray for us. Remember that we are in one of the hot beds of wild cats. We are fighting them with all the power we have. They are cursing us and writing us up in the paper, but we care less for that than we do for the flies that light on our nose.

Your brother in Christ,

HUGH REVELEY, P. C.

Notes.

MR. EDITOR: We have pulled along this year in this charge with some difficulty. We do not feel that we have accomplished very much on the side of the spiritualities. We have done something in the matter of the temporalities. We have about provided for a considerable debt on the parsonage;

we have greatly improved the church building and now have one of the most handsome auditoriums that I know of in the state. The church had never been dedicated, but that brief and impressive ceremony was performed last Sabbath by our venerable Dr. Hunter. He preached to large crowds morning and evening, and preached with rare power. His presence and service were greatly appreciated by all the people, and by the pastor no less.

During the morning service a collection was taken to make up deficit on the year's current collections, and enough was secured to render it assured that we shall pay out all claims for this year. If I found it as easy to get the people of Morrilton to be devout as it is to get them to pay money, I should pronounce them the banner charge of the conference. And this not that they are behind many other places in piety, but that they are ahead of any among us in liberality. We have found them liberal and generous ever since we have been pastor here.

If the editor's modesty would permit, I should tell about his preaching among us, and how thoroughly it was enjoyed. Suffice it to say, that good was done by his coming.

We are beginning to stir in preparation for the annual conference. We expect to extend a royal welcome to our brethren on that occasion. I will here ask all preachers who expect to be accompanied by their wives to notify me at once. Also, the presiding elders to send up the names of all lay delegates, and preachers whose names are not on the conference roll and who will attend from their several districts. Please do not delay this.

J. A. ANDERSON.

Situation at Hendrix College.

DEAR DR. GODBEY:—There are no new cases of small-pox in Conway, and those who have been exposed, having been quarantined thirteen days, are supposed to be beyond the danger of taking or communicating it. I believe that students may now safely come in.

While we have kept the small-pox out of the college, a revival has just "broken out" among the students. Last night five were converted, and others are deeply interested. Fraternally,

A. C. MILLAR.

Conway, Oct. 10.

Quarterly Meetings.

N. B.—Henceforth the Quarterly Conference notices will be published but twice. Please clip for future reference.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT, fourth round, T. D. Scott, P. E.

October—Bartholomew circuit, 1-2; Palestine circuit at Farmville, 8-9; Warren, 9-10; Lacy circuit, 15-16; Carriola, Independence, 22-23; Berea, Bear House, 29-30; Hamburg and Portland, 30-31.

November—Mt. Pleasant circuit, 5-6; Star City, 6-7; Grady, 7-8; Hamburg circuit, 12-13; Arkansas City, 15; Monticello, 16; Tillar circuit, 19-20; Dumas, 20-21.

A POETESS' CHILD.

A GIFTED MICHIGAN WOMAN TELLS OF A STRANGE RECOVERY OF HEALTH.

How a Frail, Helpless Little Sufferer was Changed into a Bright, Rosy-Cheeked School Girl.

From the Huron Tribune, Bad Axe, Mich.

A gifted Michigan poetess, whose literary work has given pleasure to thousands, has just made a true and detailed statement of one of the sorrows of her life and the strange manner of its disappearance. The author is Mrs. Annie H. Magee, of Port Austin, Mich., and her remarkable statement is given in her own words as follows:

"My daughter, Jean Magee, was fourteen years of age last August. She was always a delicate child, had stomach trouble, nervous debility and general weakness. From the age of eight years she had been subject to distress after eating and frequent sick headaches. She had to be taken out of school and kept from all study for nearly five years.

"She was so extremely nervous that life seemed at times almost unbearable. She would say: 'Oh! mamma, if I could only sleep,' but as soon as she fell into a doze some frightful dream would awaken her so that sleep was almost more dreaded than the want of it. At the age of ten years she was taken to Dr. R. C. Flower, of Boston, who said she had spinal trouble and gave her seven months' treatment. The spinal trouble was cured, but the nervousness and stomach trouble returned with such effect as to render the child very miserable. The bad dreams came again.

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A Nation's Martyr.

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Alas for us! She literally gave her life. To many homes in St. Louis, most poignant grief was brought by a little telegram received Tuesday, saying: "Dr. Irene Toland, of St. Louis, is dead in Santiago de Cuba."

The beloved physician, the loving, sympathizing friend, has become the nation's martyr.

She was born of missionary blood. Her sister is our own missionary at San Luis Potosi, Mex., and she had also been connected with the school there.

Let us follow her as she followed Christ, and let her beautiful life of self-abnegation point us to higher victories over self, and to a fuller sacrifice of our own lives and will for the good of others.


MRS. E. L. HOLMES.

St. Louis, Sept. 29.

Weekly Words.

We scarcely realize how largely we are influenced by what we read. Information is the basis of all interest. One of Sister Marshall's vivid illustrations is in evidence here. You have a daughter at school. You feel that she is in good hands, and you have no special anxiety. But there comes a hasty telegram that she is ill, and how quickly the entire household is astir that you may take the first train to reach her bedside. Peaceful quiet is changed to intensest activity. Thus it is with interest toward the vast heathen world. Indifference is broken and sympathy awakened when we know of them as Christ's lost folds, having no shepherd, and no helping hand from the bogs of sin and superstition. A touching little incident on a sleeper, bears on the same lack of understanding. A gentleman was disturbed by constant crying of a baby opposite him. Not being able to sleep, he was exasperated and called out: "Why don't that baby's mother quiet him and let us have some rest?" The father sorrowfully made answer: "I have done all I can to hush his crying. Baby's mother is lying dead in the baggage car. I'm sorry, indeed, to disturb you." Electrically the chord of sympathy was touched. The complaining gentleman was up in a moment, tenderly saying, "If I had known." Ladies were at once ready, and baby was lulled with motherly tenderness. Oh, if we only knew, how would heart and hand be quickened for service! By and by, when we shall come before the

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throne, and better understand our Father's vast household, and see how we might have reached out to fuller accomplishment of the Saviour's great commission, we shall wish our hearts had sought earnestly for wisdom, according to our gracious opportunities.

Oh, may one beam of thy blest light
Pierce through, dispel the shade of night,
Touch our cold breasts with heavenly fire,
With holy conquering zeal inspire.

L. A. H.

We Can Pay It.

We can pay the entire assessment for missions in the Arkansas Conference this year. Our people are being made willing to pay and the fields are white unto the harvest. With our forces all at work much more can be done. "Rally Day" for the Sunday-school, "Mission Studies in the League," and the Review of Missions, for twenty-five cents, will certainly quicken our paces for missions.

As a church we pay a little less than twenty cents per capita, while in the Arkansas Conference we paid nearly seventeen cents per capita last year. By looking into the Minutes I find that we paid by the districts, as follows:

Fort Smith district, 16c; Clarks-ville district, 30c; Dardanelle district, 12c; Morrilton district, 14c; Fayetteville district, 23c; Harrison district, 11c; Eureka Springs district, 10c.

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Our Church at Home.

ALMA CIRCUIT.

We have just closed a good meeting at Alma. There were more than twenty conversions and twenty-eight accessions to our church. We have held three meetings on the charge, which have resulted in about forty-five conversions and thirty-three accessions, and perhaps more to follow.

IRVIN F. HARRIS.

CEDAR GROVE MISSION.

The Lord has been with us this year. I have held six protracted meetings on my work this year, five of which were successful. The Lord was present at nearly every service. Several professions and accessions, and the church greatly revived.

Our fourth quarterly conference was held at Cedar Grove, Sept. 3rd and 4th. Our beloved presiding elder was with us and preached two sermons, which were accompanied with great power. Finances are behind, but I hope and pray that I will be able to make a good report at conference.

T. J. TAYLOR.

Floral, Ark.

YELLVILLE CIRCUIT.

I closed my meeting at Pleasant Ridge church, Aug. 14. It lasted nine days. We had a very good meeting. No conversions, but the church was much revived. Our collection for Foreign Missions was far in advance of any collection ever raised there before.

I closed my meeting of nine days duration at Cedar Grove, Sept. 11. God was with us, to the saving of the people and the reviving of the church. A few accessions and the good work is going on. Amen.

I began a meeting at Friendship, Sept. 17. We had a very good meeting; the church revived, backsliders reclaimed, and a fine collection on the claims of the church; \$232 was subscribed to build a new church. Bro. Merrill, P. E., was with us the last two days of the meeting, and held our fourth quarterly meeting. He preached a good sermon on Missions. Hurrah! for Merrill. He is made of pure stuff; he stands by the church.

JOHN H. SMITH.

Sept. 28.

VIOLA CIRCUIT.

We have held five revival meetings on this charge. The first, a union meeting at Viola, resulted in a number of conversions and eighteen accessions to our church. The next, at Hickory Grove, resulted in two conversions and one accession. At Fluty's Chapel I was assisted by Rev. H. F. Horsman, of the M. E. Church. Only one conversion. Our next meeting was at Prospect, where I was assisted by Rev. Shaw, a Cumberland Presbyterian. One joined the church. We next went to Hudson's school house, where we labored one week. Sev. J. D. Spence, local preacher on the Salem circuit, preached a splendid sermon Sunday, after which we received three into the church—two by baptism and one by church vows. Bro. C. T. Davis did some

good work in this meeting. Up to date, I have received thirty-three into the church, others will follow soon. I have one more meeting to hold.

C. H. NEWMAN.

SPRING HILL.

We have closed our protracted meeting, and I am just home from our third quarterly conference, where we heard Dr. Riggin preach three of the most applicable and practical sermons I ever heard. Our people love Dr. Riggin.

I feel that our work is in much better condition than at the first of the year. There is still room for improvement. We have had twenty-three accessions to date, and several more to follow. The majority of our leading members are becoming more interested in church work. They are looking forward to a better day for this circuit.

I have learned to love my people on this charge, and as this conference year draws to a close, I am praying that the one who follows me may be more competent to lead these people to light and truth.

At Spring Hill we were assisted by Bros. Sanders and Bearden; for which we are very thankful.

HENRY M. BRUCE.

FAYETTEVILLE.

Our great tent meeting closed last Sunday night. Two hundred and seventy persons gave me their names as converts. Seventy-one united with our church last Sunday; thirty or more will join at first opportunity. Other churches share largely in the results. Nearly half of the converts are men and boys, ninety of whom are over eighteen years of age.

Fayetteville has never known such a religious upheaval. Bro. J. B. Andrews (not Anderson, as you had it in a former issue) is a most efficient pastor's helper. Bold and zealous in his denunciation of evil; Methodist to the core in doctrine, a man of faith and prayer, greatly gifted in illustrating and presenting the truth, blessed with wonderful hortatory power, preaching many things in his exhortations, Brother A. is to my mind a man of God, whom no pastor will regret having in his pastoral charge.

We are now pressing the effort to get our new church under way by conference. I shall be greatly disappointed if the corner-stone is not laid in thirty days. Brother Andrews is now at Springdale, where indications are good for a great meeting.

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We publish in this department obituaries of our Church members sent us by the preachers. We cannot publish resolutions of Sunday-schools, or Epworth Leagues or Missionary Societies in honor of deceased members. We also require all obituaries to be short.

McCARY: Mary Frances, was born February 26, 1897, died August 3, 1898, aged one year, five months and seven days; daughter of Rev. C. C. McCary, local preacher of the Amity circuit. God bless the bereaved parents and help them to so live as to meet little Mary in the Beulah land.

J. S. NICHOLSON.

ODEN: Adah Vera, daughter of Thos. B. and Sallie Oden, was born October 6, 1891, died Sept. 17, 1898. Precious child, she is in glory, singing with the angels. Dear parents, she was yours on earth, she is yours in heaven today. May God comfort and bless the bereaved ones and bring them home to Vera, in the home of the pure and good.

J. S. NICHOLSON, P. C.

GOODWIN: Death invaded our home and took from us our dear little Harley, youngest son of J. M. and Angie Goodwin, aged four years, ten months and nineteen days. Died of congestion, after an illness of only two days. He is now basking in the sunlight of Jesus's love, and enjoys that rest which remaineth for the pure and good. Oh, how we miss him in our home, and how we will miss him in his Sunday-school class. He was always ready to go to Sunday-school and prayer-meeting; often leading prayer-meeting with his little brothers at home. He was very fond of singing, and could sing God's praises by the time he could lisp his name. He was in his fifth year, yet he was very precocious; wise beyond his years. The burial service was conducted by Brother Cab. Henderson, and he was laid to rest in the Union cemetery to await the resurrection morning.

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BURROUGH: Miss Beulah, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Burrough, was born at Chambersville, Calhoun county, Ark., Dec. 14, 1881, died September 25, 1898. In her death the community loses a faithful Christian girl, the family a loving daughter and sister, but heaven gains a jewel. Although her Christian life was short, it was full of good works. On her death bed Christianity was her delight. She talked of religion, sang religious songs, and rejoiced with her school-mates recently saved.

Dear parents, look up, Beulah beckons; she has joined the angel band around the great white throne. We have sustained a great loss, but our loss is her eternal gain. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

Be it resolved,

1. That the Sabbath school has lost one of its most active workers.

2. The church one of its most faithful members.

3. The family a loving daughter and sister, and,

4. A copy of this obituary and resolutions be sent the ARKANSAS METHODIST, Chronicle-Enterprise, Arkansas Baptist, and also a copy be furnished the parents of the deceased.

MISS M. V. MACHEN,

MISS ELLA BASS,

MISS E. M. BRILEY,

J. H. ROWLAND,

Committee.

REGISTER: Elmore Greene, son of Noel and Delilah Register, was born in Washington county, Georgia, December 18, 1831, and moved with his father to Pike county, Ala., in 1847. His mother died when he was two years old. He embraced religion in 1847, and united with the M. E. Church, South, and lived a consistent member until the day of his death, January 21, 1898, in Tallapoosa county, Ala. In 1871 he moved with the writer, to Independence county, Ark. In 1894, he went to Tex-

as and remained there one year and went back to Alabama, and from there to heaven. I was intimately acquainted with him all my life and knew him to be a good boy. I never knew him to tell a falsehood in my life. He was unassuming in his life and honest and upright in all his dealings with his fellow men. He lived with me several years and I always found him the same devoted Christian. I read a letter from him that he wrote to his sister a short time before his death, in which he said: "The Lord is on my side. I make it a business to look to him for help." He was afflicted for many years, but he bore his afflictions with patience and was willing for God's will to be done in all things. He was a Confederate soldier, as well as a soldier for Christ. He has only one sister living, out of five children. They are all in heaven but one. Be faithful, and after awhile you will meet your brothers and sisters in heaven, and your father and mother.

S. W. REGISTER.

SIMMONS: Mabel Morton, was born May 1, 1898, and fell asleep July 13. A sweet little bud plucked from earth to bloom in heaven. Oh! how sad and lonely is our home, since little Mabel has gone. She was such a lovely little babe, it seems almost more than we can bear to give her up; but we must be submissive to Him who said, "Suffer little children to come unto me." We realize that our loss is her eternal gain. May we so live, that we may meet our little Mabel where parting is no more. She is watching and waiting for us, beckoning us to come.

HER MAMMA.

Durham, Sept. 20.

WOFFORD: Sister Josephine Wofford (nee Ratcliff) was born June 19, 1847, in what is now Grant county, Ark., and died in Wofford's Chapel church house August 22, 1898. Sister Wofford attended church on Sunday morning, in good health, and as she walked down the aisle to her accustomed seat, the writer noticed the apparently healthful look, the lovely smile that characterizes the true Christian as she enters the holy sanctuary. A few minutes after taking her seat she fell into the arms of the one by her side with the exclamation, "I am sick," and never spoke again, and in about twenty-four hours her sweet spirit took its flight to the glory world. In early life she joined the Baptist Church, in which she lived a consistent member until Oct., 1897, when she joined the M. E. Church, South, in which she lived a consistent member until her death. In the death of Sister Wofford her children have lost a devoted Christian mother and our community one of its brightest jewels. She leaves three sons and four daughters to mourn her loss, but we love to remind them of the fact that their loss is mamma's eternal gain. She cannot come back to you, but you can go to her. May you all live right and mamma will be waiting and watching for you and meet you at the pearly gate of the beautiful city of God. Her life was one worthy of emulation, as she was possessed of the qualities that adorn the true Christian woman.

JAMES A. LOWE.

HILL: Sarah Jane Hill (nee King) was born Nov., 1842, in Lafayette county, Ala., and died March 24, 1898, near Holly Grove, Ark. In 1858 she came with her parents to Arkansas, the family settling in Monroe county. She was married to Mr. Phineas Hill, December 25, 1860. To their union were born eleven children, four sons and seven daughters; three of the sons and three of the daughters are living to mourn their loss of a loving mother. Her husband died November 17, 1882; three of the children died before and two after his death. Thus she was left a widow with eight small children, two of whom died a few years later as stated above; six were raised by her to womanhood and manhood, to "call her blessed." Hence her life's work was done and she has "entered into that rest that remains to the people of God." Sister Hill professed conversion and united with the M. E. Church, South, in 1861, of which church she remained a worthy and faithful member until death. In 1881-82 the writer was in charge of Indian Bay circuit, also again

in 1897-98 (now Turner mission). As her pastor and in associations of hospitality at her home, I had a fine opportunity to form an unbiased estimate of her character. In person, she was of short stature, and blond complexion, which indicated the energy of a nervous, sanguine temperament. She was impulsive, impetuous and persistent; she was kind, sympathetic and hospitable; she was trustful, affectionate and sincere. Her friendship for me as pastor and friend abided in its strength, repeatedly manifesting itself in kindly acts, strengthening with the years, and following me in sympathy and care, and culminating in the request of her children that I write her obituary. "Aunt Jane," as everyone called her, had been much afflicted for several years, and while hoping for the best, was seeking to be ready for the worst. We have good reason to believe that it is now well with her. May the bereaved mother, brother, sisters, children and grandchildren follow her as she followed the Saviour, and all reach heaven at last.

J. K. POPE.

TODD (nee Landes): Mrs. Della Todd was born March 19, 1873; converted in a revival meeting held at Buckner, by Brother Freeman some five or six years ago, united in matrimony to Brother B. M. Todd, January 12, 1898 (the writer officiating), and died most triumphantly July 27, 1898.

She was affectionate, sweet-spirited, sympathetic, kind-hearted and true; modest, gentle, refined. She gave every possible evidence of her readiness to go to the Master's command. Calling her broken-hearted husband to her bedside, she said: "Our married life was short but pleasant," then giving instructions concerning her burial, she added: "Bert, be a better man and meet me in heaven." She had many beautiful words for all her friends and loved ones. To her physician she said: "Doctor, you can't save me, but you can meet me in heaven."

Brother and Sister Todd were so happy together. They seemed to have such a bright and promising future before them. But alas, in the midst of life we are in death.

It seems like a great pity that such fond hopes must vanish like a dream and such happy dreams be severed in a day. But God knows best. "He doeth all things well." "Let not your heart be troubled." "I will not leave you comfortless."

An immense congregation gathered around the open grave to take the last look and mournful farewell. O thou sympathizing Savior. Thou who hast wept over the grave of Lazarus, who art in sympathy with all who weep, send thy holy comforter to the broken-hearted husband and all the bereaved of the deceased. O let the riches of thy grace abound unto us all that we may meet her in heaven.

J. J. MELLARD.

GREEN: Cora E. "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints." It is always sad to part with our friends, and even more so when they are just entering upon young womanhood or manhood.

Cora Ellen Green was born in Saulbury, Tenn., May 2, 1884; came to this city in 1885, and departed this life August 19, 1898, aged 14 years, 3 months and 16 days.

Cora was a lovely character, both in her religious and social life. She was a member of the Fort Smith Central M. E. Church, South, also a member of the Sunday-school of the Central Church and of the Mission Sunday-school at Catholic avenue and North Twenty-second street. Her efforts in the interest of the Mission Sunday-school had been so earnest and successful until the school bought out of its treasury, a pillow of flowers to decorate her grave on the day of her burial.

Cora had a sweet disposition, winning all who came in contact with her. She stood well in the literary school, having been promoted from the eighth grade to the high school last year.

We cannot see why God comes and lays his hands upon one so fair, yet he doeth all things well, and we can but submit to his will and say, "Blessed be his Holy name."

Cora submitted to an operation for

appendicitis on the day of her death. She stood the operation well and seemed to be doing all right for awhile, when she went into a collapse and crossed the river of Jordan without a murmur. All that could be done to relieve her, both by loving hands and skilled physicians, was done. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. P. C. Fletcher, her pastor, at her parents' residence, on Sunday afternoon, amidst the bereft family and sorrowing friends. The Sunday-school of the Central Church and the Mission Sunday-school both adopted beautiful resolutions in memory of their deceased sister. Cora not only taught us how to live, but her example in death is worthy of imitation. As time rolls we too will have to meet our Saviour. May we, like Cora, be ready to hear the summons from the Master, "Come up higher and enter the joys prepared for you from the foundation of the world."

To the mother, father, sisters and brother, allow me to say, weep not for Cora; she is not dead, but only risen. Prepare to meet her on the morning of the final resurrection.

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DEAR BRO. THORNBURGH:—Will you please draw up and publish a petition to the county court to secure an order prohibiting the sale of liquors within three miles of any church or school-house, etc. Will you also publish an answer to the following questions:

Where a county votes for wine, but one or more townships vote against wine, can wine be sold in said townships?

If a county votes against license, but for wine, can the adult inhabitants, by petition, procure an order from the county court prohibiting the sale of wine?

On the latter point I have great doubts, but, as I have not the statute before me, I hesitate to express an opinion.

Saline county went for wine by only 47 majority. And I believe it can be petitioned out if it is legal to do so. If you think it best to let them try it, and let the courts settle it, you may withhold from publication your answer if it is adverse. But give us the petition. Cordially yours,

E. L. BEARD.

Alexander, Sept. 22.

P. S. Since writing the foregoing, I have seen the wine law, Section 2 of which is as follows: "When the county court is petitioned to prohibit the sale of liquors under the 'three-mile law,' the petition may specify all kinds of liquors as provided by law; or may specify wine as the only liquors to be prohibited, or may except wine from the petition."

From which I conclude, that where there is a majority against license, and a majority for wine, all that is necessary is to petition the county court to make an order prohibiting the sale of wine. Am I right?

E. L. B.

ANSWER.

I have prepared a petition and it will be found in this issue of the paper. I answer the questions as follows.

1. Wine can not be sold in a township that votes against such sale, no difference how the county votes.

2. The adult inhabitants can pe-

tion out wine when it is voted in in any three-mile territory under the section quoted by Bro. Beard, if there be a school house or church house in such territory.

Petition For Three-Mile Law.

As some of our readers have written for blank form of petition to be used in application to the County Court for the Three-Mile law, we republish below the form, which was given in this paper heretofore:

To the Honorable County Court of—County, Arkansas:

We, the undersigned, your petitioners, respectfully state that we are adult inhabitants (males 21 and females 18 years of age) residing within three miles of—(here give the name of the school house or church house) located on—(give the number of the lot and block, if located in a town; or the 40 acres subdivision, section, township and range of land, if in the country) in the county of—, State of Arkansas; and we desire to prohibit the sale or giving away of any vinous, spirituous, or intoxicating liquors of any kind, or alcohol or any compound or preparation thereof commonly called tonics or bitters, within three miles of said—(school house or church house). We therefore pray that the sale or giving away of the intoxicating liquors and alcohol enumerated above be prohibited by you within three miles of the (school house or church house) above named. Respectfully,

Names

Names.

Note.—The petition should be carried by persons of good reputation, who will go into the County Court and testify that the names are genuine and that the signers live in the territory to be covered.

It is well also for those who carry the petitions to make a list, as they go, of those who will not sign, so as to know if a majority has been obtained.

The last legislature made a law to the effect that, if it is desired to prohibit the sale of wine only, the petition should specify wine only. If it is desired not to prohibit the sale of wine, the petition should not include vinous liquors.

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