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Conference Happenings and Else.

Bishop Holsey, of the C. M. E. Church, in his address before the conference, in behalf of the Haygood Memorial Hall, said some good things. Among them: "Our race has no infidels or atheists, and we only become infidels when we try to do like you do. . . . The colored man is a praying man. He prays without ceasing. He may steal a chicken or a pig on his way home from church, but he goes right on with his praying—obeying the injunction of Paul that, 'men ought always to pray and not to faint.' . . . The Negro is and always has been your truest friend. A few years ago, when war, bloodshed and famine swept your Southland like a flood, 'twas he staid by the stuff, tilled your fields, felled your forests and kept his faithful vigils over the jewels of your homes. . . . And whose voice made music half so sweet, or whose arms a couch more magnificent than the old 'black mammies' on whose faithful bosoms so many of you here today were cradled. . . . The Negro wants to make an exchange with you. He has what you want, muscles of iron and nerves of steel; and you have what he wants—brawn and brain, a higher civilization, and the white man's religion. They are greatly at fault who say the Negro was degraded by reason of his long sojourn in the bonds of slavery. When the black man came out from bondage he came out like the Israelites from Egypt—with rings and jewels and gold. You found him a heathen, in chains of gross—est darkness and superstition. You severed his chains, and by your association, education and religion, made him a part of the highest,

grandest civilization the world ever saw."

Some people oppose foreign missions on the ground that the light of the gospel would but increase the responsibility of the heathen and make severer his damnation. On this hypothesis, the sooner we can do away with the gospel at home and reduce our churches to ashes, the better it will be for us. For with light comes greater responsibilities.—Geo. W. Hill.

SOME SAYINGS OF BISHOP MORRISON.

The Lord did not say, "If ye abide in me ye shall have much fame, or much reputation, or much big appointments," but, "Ye shall bear much fruit! And fruit, my brethren, we must have."—Opening address.

"Bishop, I have preached to Jews, Mohammedans, Japanese, Chinese and the Dutch this year." "Then, it is a fact, brother, that you have already preached the gospel to all the nations," replied the Bishop.

Brethren, you will greatly facilitate the business of this conference if you will bear in mind to do just three things in making your reports: Be accurate, be prompt, be concise.

God sends a Methodist preacher forth to conquer and to conquest, not simply to hold and occupy.

Smooth running is no sure indication of success. I have seen the satisfied preacher and the satisfied congregation—both satisfied with doing nothing.

The fad for pulpit buffoonery, fun and foolishness, has done more to destroy the taste for the pure, plain gospel than anything that has touched us in fifty years.

Some preachers resort to sensationalism to draw a crowd. Beware of it, brethren. A monkey and a hand organ will draw a crowd.

You will never save men rightly and soundly except by the pure, plain truth.

ADMISSION INTO FULL CONNECTION.

Rev. P. W. Campbell was the only preacher admitted into full connection. The Bishop said:

"My brother, you claim to be called to preach the gospel. Then let that be your first care. You will not learn it in two years. I care not what talents you may have, or what other work you may do, your first duty and work is to preach the gospel.

Then I charge you, give your first care to preaching. Give your preparation your best hours—the morning hours. Shut you self off from the world and be sure you take God with you. If God has

called you to preach you can do it if you give it the attention God requires.

Now, I will give you some suggestions:

You must have self-control. You must hold yourself up to that which is correct and right. Control your voice. You can do it. Begin in a conversational tone; speak to the people farthest away and listen to the echo of your own voice. Control your spirit. Stand steadfast to your calling and your sense of duty. Direct all your power to do your work consistently and right. Don't be an imitator. Every man has a personality which is God's especial gift to him. It should be accepted humbly, sanctified, and used in the fear of God. "Have faith in God," I mean that faith for yourself which enables you to feel that God is with you and guiding you.

"Do you expect to be made perfect in love in this life?" I set before you nothing ethereal or visionary. You are to love what God loves and hate what God hates. Do not dream of loving God while you cherish ill will to any being whom God loves. Fall into the current of God's will, sweetly loving what God loves.

Never be unemployed or triflingly employed. There is nothing more inconsistent, shocking, than to see a preacher sitting 'round on goods boxes, whittling and telling stories.

Now, brother, if the time ever comes that you cannot remain in the church in perfect harmony with her doctrine and polity, for conscience' sake, and for the sake of manliness and common honesty, get out.

MEMOIRS.

A little before 11 a.m., on Saturday, the Committee on Memoirs asked permission to report.

Three saintly women, wives of preachers, have gone home this year. Their names were called in order: Mrs. J. L. Hays, Mrs. J. E. Martin and Mrs. J. C. Shipp. Fitting tribute was offered to each, and after these the name of Rev. R. F. Emmerson was called. He was the only member of the conference who was called to the church above during the year. He went, in the early part of the year, to Arizona, where he died of consumption. His obituary has already appeared in the columns of the METHODIST.

THE WAR CLAIM CASE.

Whereas (1), the Church has been profoundly agitated over the alleged deception connected with the presentation of our Publishing House war claim;

Whereas (2), the good name of the Church is of infinitely greater worth than money; and

Whereas (3), our Bishops, by a public deliverance, have declared their purpose to do all in their power to protect and defend the interests of the Church; therefore, be it

Resolved (1), that, without abating one jot or tittle our insistence upon the justice and merits of our claim, we heartily approve the deliverance of our Bishops, express our confidence in their wisdom and ability to carry their purpose into effect, and pledge them our support; and

(2) That, while we have no sympathy with the personal assaults upon our agents, and would not sit in judgment upon their motives, we are convinced that prudence and propriety suggest their retirement.

A. C. MILLAR.
P. B. HOPKINS.

Action of the Editorial Committee.

The Editorial Committee met at the office of the ARKANSAS METHODIST, at 3 p. m., Nov. 22, 1898.

Present: Revs. A. Hunter, J. H. Riggin, J. R. Moore, of Little Rock Conference; Revs. P. B. Summers and A. C. Millar, of Arkansas Conference; Rev. M. M. Smith, of White River Conference; also, Rev. J. E. Godbey, editor, and George Thornburgh, business manager.

Rev. M. M. Smith was elected president, and A. C. Millar, secretary.

Brief statements were made by the business manager and editor.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That we very cordially endorse the editorial management of the ARKANSAS METHODIST, that we express our entire confidence in Dr. Godbey, and that we earnestly urge our people to read the paper and pay for it.

Resolved, That we urge the Conferences which we represent, to discountenance and discourage the introduction of those papers which are run independently.

Resolved, That we request Bishop Morrison to appoint Dr. Godbey editor.

J. R. MOORE,
A. C. MILLAR.

A. C. Millar was requested to write an article for publication expressing the opinions of the committee.

On motion, the committee adjourned.

M. M. SMITH, Pres.
A. C. MILLAR, Sec.

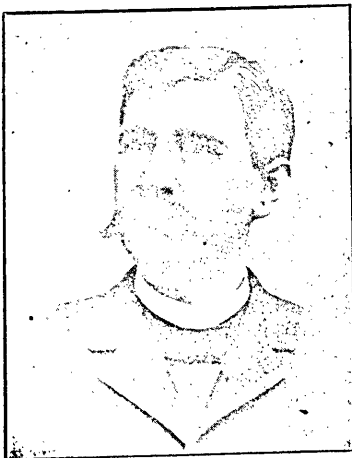
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SEMI-CENTENNIAL SERVICE

FIRST M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH,
SUNDAY NIGHT, NOV. 13, 1898,
PINE BLUFF, ARK.

The three Methodist congregations—First Church, Lakeside, and Riverside—were joined by the pastor and congregation of the First Presbyterian Church, in the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the mother church—the First Methodist—last Sunday night.

Fully one thousand people turned out to do honor to the occasion—more than could get standing room inside the commodious building.



Rev. A. O. Evans, Pastor First Church, Pine Bluff.

Rev. Cadesman Pope, of Philadelphia Methodist College, pastor from 1863 to 1867; Dr. W. H. Browning, a superannuate of the Little Rock Conference, and a resident of the city; and Rev. Jno. F. Carr, pastor of Riverside, were the only ex-pastors present. But most affectionate greetings and hearty congratulations were read from Dr. Andrew Hunter, Mrs. A. J. Marshall, Rev. J. R. Sanders, former pastor of Lakeside and Riverside, and Hon. Geo. Thornburgh, for the ARKANSAS METHODIST.

The services were pitched upon a high plane, and, though lasting two hours and fifteen minutes, the large number standing did not grow weary.

"How Firm a Foundation," was sung with old-time Methodist fervor.

Dr. Browning read a most interesting paper on "History and Reminiscences." Happy talks were made by Bros. Pope, Caldwell, Cason, and laymen R. H. M. Mills and Geo. J. Vining.

A poem, "Past and Future," was read by Miss Frankie Van Valkenburgh. It was a delightfully pleasing number to the audience.

Soul inspiring music was interspersed, and the greatest service Pine Bluff ever witnessed, closed with the doxology and benediction. Everybody went home happy.

Dr. Browning said, in part, "Reviewing the past brings both sunshine and shadows, joy and sad-

ness, as it calls up the memory of departed loved ones, with whom we were formerly associated.

"Most of those who planted this goodly tree, have passed into their eternal abode.

"It was in 1830 that Jno. A. Henry threaded the wilds of the Arkansas bottoms and began to publish the gospel of salvation to the scattered inhabitants from the Mississippi River to Little Rock. One of the churches organized was at Pine Bluff, at that time quite a small village. It is a source of regret that there is not a vestige of the membership who composed this first church to be found.

"For eighteen years it continued in connection with the circuit and was served by fifteen different pastors, as follows: Jno. A. Henry, Mahlon Bewley, W. A. Boyce, Fountain Brown, James Essex, W. P. Ratcliffe, Jacob Custer, Robert M. Cole, James Graham, Steven Carlisle, David Crawford, Mason B. Lowry, Nathan Taylor, Gideon W. Cottingham and Ambrose W. Barrington. Not one of these fifteen preachers are believed to be living at this time. In the fall of 1848, just fifty years ago, Pine Bluff was made a station, and Ambrose W. Barrington, who had traveled the circuit the previous year, was appointed to the charge and succeeded himself the following year. From 1848 to 1860—twelve years—the church was served by Ambrose W. Barrington, Lewis Marshall, W. T. Anderson, Jno. Pryor, H. R. Withers, A. L. P. Green, Jas. M. Goodwin, P. C. Harris and Jno. M. Bradley, all of whom except Dr. Withers are believed to have passed away.

"From 1860 to the present, the church has been served as follows: C. O. Steele, one year; C. Pope, four years; J. M. Pirtle, one year; W. C. Heam, three years; H. B. Frazee, one year; Horace Jewell, five years; C. F. Evans, three

years; W. H. Browning, four years; E. M. Pipkin, one year; J. F. Carr, four years; A. O. Evans, six years; and J. R. Moore, three years; and it is quite remarkable that of these twelve pastors who have served the church for the last thirty-eight years, every one is yet living.

"Since 1855, the presiding elders are as follows, and in the order named: Wm. Moores, two years; A. R. Winfield, three years; Samuel Morris, one year; J. H. Blakeley, two years; W. R. J. Husbands, four years; M. H. Wells, four years; Cadesman Pope, one year; H. B. Frazee, two years; W. H. Browning, four years; Horace Jewell, three years; J. H. Riggin, eight years; T. H. Ware, four years; C. C. Godden, one year; J. H. Dye, one year; A. Turrentine, one year. Of these fourteen who have presided for the last forty-four years, all are yet living except W. R. J. Husbands, A. R. Winfield and Wm. Moores."

Dr. Browning noted the origin of Lakeside Church, under the leadership of Rev. C. B. Brinkley, assisted by a strong and influential nucleus from the mother church, which in the short space of ten years has become one among the leading stations in the conference; also the origin of Riverside Church, under the leadership of Rev. L. C. Wilson, assisted by another band of earnest, active workers from First Church. This church has gone steadily forward until it now fills an important position in the Methodism of Pine Bluff.

He paid touching tributes to our noble and heroic dead, who, when they went to their reward left us a blessed heritage.

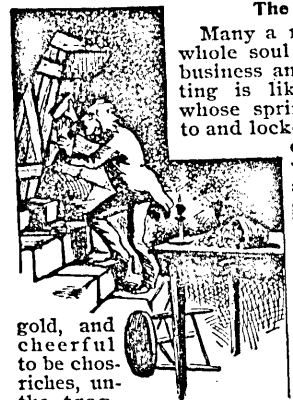
He recounted how we had progressed from a meager beginning to our present state of prosperity.

Combined Methodism in the city has property valued at \$40,000; a membership of 815; Epworth

Leaguers, 185; Sunday-schools, 500. Aggregate amount raised this year for all purposes, about \$7,000.

Allow me to say, in closing my sixth year of labors with the First Church—a pastorate in some degree blessed of the Lord, in that 615 have been added to the membership in that time—that in my judgment, our present membership in the three churches, are worthy successors of their noble and heroic ancestors. A more loyal and true body of Methodists cannot be found. They are pious, intellectual, liberal and aggressive. I shall part with them with the deepest reluctance. May the great Head of the church keep them pure and on the way to join those gone on before.

A. O. EVANS.



The Miser.

Many a man with his whole soul immersed in business and money-getting is like the miser whose spring door shut to and locked him in forever. Men work and slave and worry and get sick and broken down, forgetting all the time that health is worth more than that a happy home is rather than great till they hear door of disease

gold, and cheerful to be chos- riches, un- the trap- spring to and shut them off from all the bright hopes they labored for.

A sick man cannot be happy; he cannot accomplish the work he has to do in this world; he loses the very money he is striving for; his ambition defeats itself. Any man who discovers that his strength and energy are giving way has an unfailing means of regaining his physical health and stamina in the simple yet all-potent restorative power of that wonderful "Golden Medical Discovery" originated by Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., the world-famous specialist in diseases of the nutritive organism.

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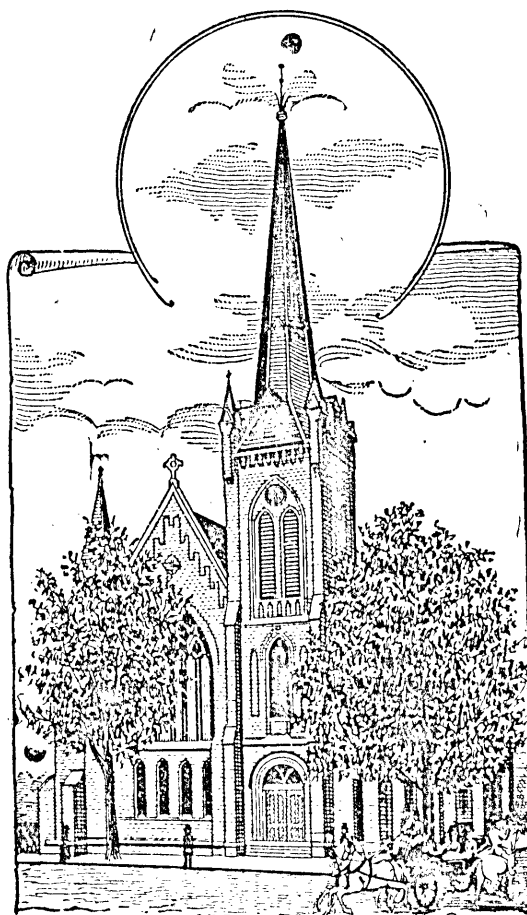
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First Church, Pine Bluff, Ark.

Contributed.

Sweet Charity.

MR. EDITOR: In the Pentecostal Herald of Oct. 26th, there appeared an article signed by H. B. Cockrell, in which he says: "One thing that hindered our work here, was the unreasonable and ungodly opposition of the presiding elder." "Among other elegant and exceptionally original things he said in opposing the doctrine of our church, was that if he had a hound dog, that would hear a holiness preacher, he would kill it." "Bro. S. will doubtless meet this remark at the judgment." "The trail of the serpent befouled the hearts of his auditors with unbelief, with regard to a Wesleyan and Biblical doctrine, for which he will be compelled to give an account."

The above statements are without foundation, in fact. No person ever heard me utter a word against the doctrine of holiness, or sanctification. But I do record the fact here, that I do not believe the second blessing theory of sanctification. Cockrell brings this railing accusation against me on his own authority. Does not even say that he "heard" that I made such statements, but says I did do so, and thus he assumes all responsibility for the false statements above. He does all of this and more, in the name of holiness and sweet charity. "Befouled," indeed! Can a man use such language about a brother minister as he has used, and not "befoul" his own heart? And that, too, in the name of holiness and sweet charity. He must either prove that I made the statements, or he must stand condemned for falsehood. Let the impartial reader decide whose heart is "befouled."

P. B. SUMMERS.

Christian Science.

The reductio ad absurdum was never better made than it was unconsciously by a little boy with whom the following colloquy was held:

"What's the matter, Johnnie, you seem to be feeling good?" asked one of his father's neighbors.

"Great! We got Christian Science over t' our house," said the boy as he munched one doughnut and waved a second one in the air.

"Christian Science! What do you mean?" inquired the puzzled neighbor.

"It's just immense!" cried the boy. "Best thing that ever happened. It's just boss, I tell you."

"I have heard that it sometimes did wonders," observed the neighbor, "but I didn't suppose boys knew much about it. Has it benefited you Johnnie?"

"Benefited me," echoed Johnnie. "You just bet it has. It's great! When you're Christian, you know, you ain't never sick. Benefit me, I should say it had. I kin slosh around in the rain and mud all day now and eat fourteen doughnuts, and ma never says a word, fer I can't be sick—see! I just can't be sick.—Ex.



Worth Knowing.

A woman, who ought to know, says that egg shells burned to a dark brown in the oven and crushed quite fine will keep all kinds of bugs away when sprinkled on pantry shelves.

The best liquid for cleaning brass is oxalic acid.

Never turn down a lamp wick so low that combustion is imperfect; it vitiates the air past endurance.

A tablespoonful of powdered alum sprinkled in a barrel of water will precipitate all impurities to the bottom.

Cut flowers will keep fresh much longer if a small quantity of alum is added to the water in which they are placed. A solution should be made by dissolving the alum in hot water, allowing it to cool, and then adding to fresh water in about the proportion of a tablespoonful to a pint.

Lemon juice will remove roughness and vegetable stains from the hands. After having the hands in hot soap suds rub them with a piece of lemon. This will prevent chapping and makes the hands soft and white.

Silverware can be cleaned brighter and will keep brighter longer when cleaned with lemon than with any other preparation.

To remove mildew, take equal parts of soap—soft soap is best—and fine starch, moisten with lemon juice, spread the paste thickly on both sides of the cloth, then expose to the sun. When the paste becomes dry soften it with more lemon juice.

To take out iron-rust, cover the spot with fine salt and saturate with lemon juice and lay on the grass. Repeat if necessary.—Exchange.

Death by Neglect.

Dr. Bye, the eminent specialist, of Kansas City, Mo., says thousands of persons die from cancer every year from no cause save neglect. If taken in time not one case in a thousand need be fatal. The fear of a knife, or the dread of the burning, torturing plaster causes a few to neglect themselves till they pass the fatal point where a cure is impossible, but by far the greater portion die because their friends or relatives, on whom they are dependent, are insensible to their sufferings and impending danger till it is too late. Book sent free, giving particulars and prices of Oils. Address Dr. Bye, Box 464, Kansas City, Mo.

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ALUM FOUND TO BE A PREDISPOSING CAUSE OF DISEASES OF THAT ORGAN.

Recent developments indicate that strong measures will have to be taken to suppress the free sale and use of alum baking powders if the health of the people is a matter of legislative moment.

Those powders are now sold deceptively nearly everywhere as cream of tartar powders, and if the sale is permitted to continue the results will be most serious.

It is a healthy sign that many states are limiting by law, the sale of the alum baking powder. Very soon it will be prohibited in all states, or treated as a poison, as it should be.

Besides their other evil influences, it has been discovered, the use of baking powders made from burnt alum coagulates the blood very rapidly, which interferes with its free flow through the arteries and valves of the heart.

Many people are suffering from some form of heart disease who have no idea of the cause of it.

Any disturbance of the digestive organs affects the heart's action and therefore every food which interferes with digestion is responsible where there are troubles of this character.

Formerly alum was used as a specific for children's croup, but owing to its tendency from the causes named to produce heart failure, physicians no longer employ it.

In face of such facts and in view of the overwhelming testimony of scientists as to the poisonous character of this drug when used for good purposes, can there be any excuse for the ignorance or unconcern which permits any one to take from the grocer a package of alum baking powder, simply for the sake of saving a few cents in price?

Where alum powders are not branded as such, nor their sale prohibited by law, it is better to avoid the use of any new or doubtful baking powder until it has been analyzed. The purity of all powders may be suspected if they are sold at a price lower than the price of the best standard brand. We know the Royal to be a first class cream of tartar powder, and if consumers insist on having that brand, they will be sure of a pure, healthful article. In view of the recently reported case of poisoning of a whole family living near Logansport, Indiana, from the use of alum powder, it behooves every one to take extraordinary care in purchasing such supplies. We do not hesitate to recommend the Royal to all who are in doubt as to the powder they have been using, as the United States Government tests placed that brand at the head of all the tartrate powders.

A Blessing.

BRETHREN:—Have we ever thought of what a blessing the ARKANSAS METHODIST is to our conference claimants? Here in Searcy, we have one dear old superan-

nuate preacher, Bro. Dannelly. Then we have five preachers' widows. These all receive the METHODIST without money or price; a compliment of the editor and manager, and if you but knew how this weekly visitor kept alive, in the hearts of our dear old brother and these good and godly women, the sacred relations and sympathies of other days, and how they eagerly read your notes of victory, your troubles, your bereavements, it would kindle afresh the fires of love upon your heart's altar. God bless our conference claimants.

M. M. SMITH.

An Appeal for the Methodist.

To the Brethren of the White River Annual Conference: You all know that I am a member of the ARKANSAS METHODIST Editorial Committee. I feel that this is not simply a nominal position, but one of vital importance; hence, I have been thinking about my duty towards my conference and the paper. I have heard and considered such objections as are frequently made by delinquent subscribers, disgruntled members, and sometimes good and loyal persons. I have had free and frank correspondence with both the editor and business manager, and I am thoroughly convinced that they are doing their very best to give us the best paper they possibly can. I am also sure, that the editor, though comparatively a new man in our state, is in vital connection and real sympathy with all our state interests; and while he, like every other true Methodist, is a connectional Methodist, believing most heartily in our connectional polity, he is also interested in the work of our dear brethren who serve the poorest home missions in the swamps and on the mountains.

I think the two last issues of the paper as good as the best. I shall not review their contents, but I read them all.

A man's attitude towards a thing has much to do with his feelings and opinions. Pray for a preacher or criticise him, and see the difference. Pray for the METHODIST and its editor and manager, and see how differently you feel.

I have written this on my own motion and before the meeting of the Editorial Committee.

M. M. SMITH.

Searcy, Ark., Nov. 18.

P. S. As the conference year closes and all other interests are being pushed, the claims of the METHODIST should not be forgotten, but vigorously pushed.

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Note From Brother Carr.

BRO. GODBEY.—In our deep affliction we have received so many sympathizing letters that it will be impossible to answer all, and ask the privilege of returning our sincere thanks to our many friends for remembering us in our sore bereavement.

I have often written such letters, but I have never known until now what rays of light, what bright spots in the dark clouds of life's realities they give.

A MINISTER'S STATEMENT

Rev. C. H. Smith of Plymouth, Conn., Gives the Experience of Himself and Little Girl in a Trying Season—What He Depends Upon.

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Yours,

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COPELAND-JACOBS—November 10, 1898, at the residence of the bride's father, W. S. Jacobs, Mr. M. A. Copeland to Miss Lula A. Jacobs, all of Dallas county, Ark. Rev. J. J. Menefee officiating.

DIXON-CLOAR—On the night of Nov. 16, 1898, in the Presbyterian Church, at Sweet Home, Ark., Mr. E. W. Dixon and Miss Annie Lee Cloar, Rev. W. W. Christie officiating.

CRAIGLOW-SNOWDEN—Nov. 16, 1898, at the parsonage, Vanndale, Ark., Mr. J. F. Craiglow and Miss Gertrude E. Snowden, all of Wynne, Ark., Rev. J. B. McDonald officiating.

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The woman who would rather die than wear a bonnet two seasons old.

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The woman who marries in order to have somebody to pay her bills.

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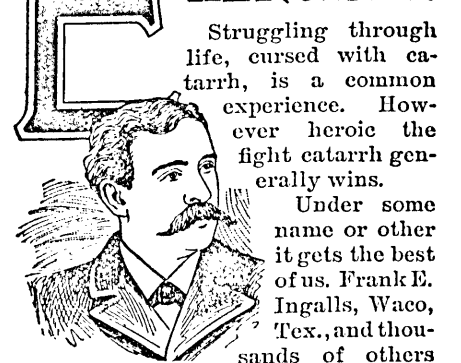
The woman who expects to have a "good, easy time."

The woman who cares more for the style of her winter cloak than she cares for the health and comfort of her children.

The woman who stays at home only when she cannot find a place to visit.

The woman who thinks she is an ornament to her sex if she wins a progressive eucher prize.—New York Times.

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Literary Table.

Washington Letter.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

The District of Columbia Annual Sunday School Convention, with all the white Evangelical Churches represented, was held this week, and the reports submitted furnished proof that this important branch of Church work, which does so much towards helping to "bend the twig as it should grow", is in a thriving condition in Washington. The annual address was delivered by President P. H. Bristow, and consisted largely of a report of the World's Sunday School Convention, at London, last summer, to which Mr. Bristow and Hon. W. S. Shallenberger were the District of Columbia delegates. After telling how the Stars and Stripes were cheered in London and that it was the only flag displayed in the big convention hall, Mr. Bristow, said: "It is all because blood tells; and the two great English speaking nations are together bearing aloft a greater banner than any on earth—the banner of the Prince of Peace". An interesting feature of the convention was an address upon "The Bible of Today", by Dr. Frank Sanders, professor of Biblical literature in Yale University. He pointed out the advantages we have in studying the Bible that our grandfathers did not have; the appreciation of its literary and artistic value, and that it is becoming more inspiring, in the light of science and education, which are enabling us to understand its philosophy and teachings.

An official report of the U. S. Consul at Jerusalem to the Department of State contains the following concerning the "Holy Land": "Ten years ago, there were very few carriages in Jerusalem, but now that the Yafa road is in good condition and the road to Jericho, the Dead Sea, and the Jordan is opened up, also that to Bethlehem and Hebron—there are scores of carriages, and the number is constantly increasing. A carriage road has recently been constructed from Jerusalem to the top of the Mount of Olives (for the German Emperor, it is said), and in a few years one will be built between Jerusalem and Nablous."

The arrest of a fourteen year old Washington newsboy in such a state of intoxication that he had to be carried to the emergency Hospital is the sort of thing calculated to make prohibitionists of those who are interested in the future welfare of the race.

It was seeing two young men inducing two young girls to drink, in an American concert hall, until they had to be led, reeling down a dark street, that caused Rudyard Kipling, the distinguished author, to say: "Then, recanting previous opinions, I became a prohibitionist. I understand now why the preachers rage against drink. I have said, 'There is no harm in it, taken moderately;' and yet my own demand for beer helped directly to send those two girls down the dark street to — God alone knows what

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end. It is not good that we should let it lie before the eyes of children, and I have been a fool in writing to the contrary. The Washington police are trying to ascertain the name of the dealer who sold the liquor that intoxicated the newsboy, in order to prosecute him, but, as it is known to have been purchased by an older youth, it is feared that the evidence will not be sufficient to convict, under present laws, even if it can be obtained.

The Annual meeting of the American Ornithological Union, composed of the leading men of the entire country in the study of bird life, although its active membership is limited to fifty, was held in Washington this week. The principal aim of the Union, at this time, is to lessen or entirely stop the cruel slaughter of plumed birds for millinery purposes, by getting prohibitory legislation from the various State Legislatures. The local branch of the Union, which was organized during the last year, is known as the Audubon Society. Surgeon General Sternberg, of the army, is its president, and Dr. Elliott Coues, the distinguished scientist and ornithologist, is one of its most active members.

The seventieth anniversary of the founding of the Methodist Protestant Church was celebrated, Sunday, by a union meeting of all the M. P. Washington congregations, and Dr. Greenfield, pastor of the Central Church, sounded the keynote of the meeting when he said in his address: "I am first a Christian, second a Methodist, and third a Methodist Protestant." The Methodist Protestants formally withdrew from the M. E. Church, Nov. 12, 1828, at a Convention held in Baltimore, because they believed it right and expedient that lay members should have representatives in the councils of the church; the denomination divided on salary, but was reunited in 1877, and now has 48 conferences, and a membership of more than 200,000.

Dr. S. S. Domer, pastor of St. Paul's English Lutheran Church, has just celebrated the twenty-fourth anniversary of his connection with that church. During all those years he has never missed an appointment on account of sickness. He has been President of

the Maryland Synod, and has been Chairman of the delegation from that Synod for about eighteen years. Only about twenty-five of those who were members of his church when he became pastor are now living.

Those who contended that the opening to the public at night of the Library of Congress would be a real boon to popular education have been fully justified by the character of works chosen by the several hundred readers who have nightly occupied the reading room of the Library. A record is kept of the book asked for, and the following titles were taken at random from a single evening's record: "Stubbs Constitutional History", "Barr's Napoleonic Memoirs", "Abbott's Napoleon", "Gibbon's History", "Keasbey's Nicauranga Canal and the Monroe Doctrine", "Spencer's Sociology", "Packard's Physiology", "Thompson's Electricity and Magnetism", "Loomis's Astronomy", "Van Dyke's Old Dutch and Flemish Masters", "Blanc's Ecole Hollandaise", "Matthew Arnold's Essays", "Wright's Celt, Roman and Saxon", "Becket's Shakespeare Himself Again", "Birch's Philosophy and Religion of Shakespeare", "Patemo's El Regimen en los Islas Filipinas", "Drake's Indians of America", and "Schuyler's Study or American Architecture". The list speaks for itself. Persons who read such books are not engaged in killing time, but in acquiring useful knowledge and information. The opening of this vast library at night is in reality adding another to the already numerous free educational institutions of the National Capital, and in good results it will by no means be the least among them.

Work upon the Hearst school for girls, for which Mrs. Hearst donated \$200,000, to be erected in connection with the Episcopal Cathedral, is to be started at once, instead of waiting for spring, and the trustees of the American University are proposing to break ground for another building upon their property nearby. This confirms my recent statement that a good-natured rivalry between the Episcopalians and the Methodists would go on in connection with these two projects.

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The Book of The Law Found.

2 KINGS. XXII:8-20.

Golden Text.—"Blessed are they that keep his testimonies, and that seek him with the whole heart." (Ps. cxix. 2)

Topical Outline.—I. The Book of The Law Found. (Vs. 8-11.) II. The Prophetess Consulted. (Verses 12-14.) III. The Prophetess Makes Reply. (Verses 15-20.) Time.—About 624 B. C.

Place.—In the temple and the king's palace at Jerusalem.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK.

The Reign of Amon, 2 Kings xxi. 19-26.

Beginning of Josiah's Reign, xxii. 1-7.

Another Account, 2 Chron. xxxiv. 1-13.

Book of Law Found, 2 King's xxii. 8-20.

Another Account, 2 Chr. xxxiv. 14-28.

The Law in the Heart, Deut. vi. 1-13.

The Perfect Law, Ps. xix. 7-14.

Reference Word, "Law."

Lesson Hymn, No. 300.

Our last historical study was about the wickedness and the repentance of Manasseh. After the death of Manasseh came the brief and terrible reign of his son Amon, who plunged the nation again into idolatry of the worst sort, and was soon slain by conspirators. Whereupon the people of Judah made his son Josiah, then eight years old, king. Evidently there was a regency during the young king's early years, though the fact is not mentioned. And it is also evident that those who really held the reins of government were good and wise men who feared the Lord. It is said that in the sixteenth year of his life, the king began to seek the Lord; that is, as we suppose, he began an earnest inquiry for the paths of right. It is further evident from the record that before the repairing of the temple mentioned, Josiah and his advisers had largely removed the signs of idolatry which Amon had left. The repairing of the temple is here mentioned as an incident that led up to the discovery of the Book of the Law. The lesson text gives an account of how the book was delivered to the king's secretary, who had been sent to the temple on the business of getting money in readiness to pay the workmen who were laboring there. This Book of the law was evidently none other than the tabernacle copy which Moses had been directed to lay up in the Ark of the Covenant, perhaps not the Mosaic autograph copy, but certainly the official copy which was kept in the temple, and which had been lost under the reigns of the wicked kings who preceded Josiah. The Higher Critics have made much of this discovery in their arguments to disprove the

Mosaic authorship of the Pentateuch. But it by no means follows from the fact that this official copy was thus discovered, and from the further fact that its contents greatly surprised and alarmed Josiah, that no copy of the law had been known before, nor that no copy was even then in existence. In the general demoralization that characterized recent years in Judah it is very probable that there were few copies, indeed, and it may even be true that Josiah himself did not have a copy, and had received his religious teaching from others. But it is certain that the kings and the prophets who had preceded him were acquainted with the written law, as any one can see who will patiently and without prejudice attend to the history of preceding times. The discovery, however, of this book greatly increased the zeal of Josiah. After inquiring of Huldah the prophetess, who appears in history here for the first and last time, and that probably because Jeremiah was out of Jerusalem at the time, Josiah proceeded with new vigor to turn all the people back to the Lord, extending his labors not only to Jerusalem and Judah, but also to Bethel and the cities of Samaria, producing the greatest reformation that had yet been known in Israel, if happily the Lord would forbear to execute the judgments he had pronounced by the mouth of Huldah. It would seem that this reformation ought to have been permanent, after so many lessons; but alas for poor human nature, when once it has gotten fairly on the downgrade!

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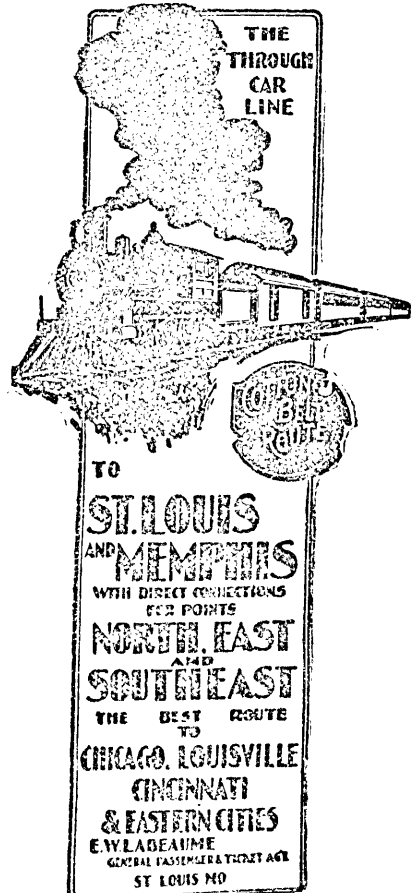
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ROMANS XIV:13-21.

Abstinence from all forms of self-indulgence is a discipline which contributes to self-possession and the best use of one's faculties, as exercise gives agility and strength of limb. One should disdain slavery in any form. But the worst of all slavery is some habit which we feel to be injurious. One is consciously unmanned by being thus bound. He feels that he is ruled by a tyrant enthroned over him by his own folly. In food or drink a wise man will consider only what is best for his health, and will curb any appetite which would carry him beyond this.

There is also a duty of self-restraint which we owe to others. Something must be allowed to other people's prejudices. This was especially important to Christians in Paul's day. Among idolaters, who worshiped various divinities, the butchers consecrated their animals, when they slaughtered them, to Jupiter, Minerva, Venus, Saturn, and other false gods, and the buyers chose among the meats, and in what they purchased and ate honored some heathen divinity. One who was fully enlightened in Christian knowledge and faith rose above all this folly and cared not whether meat had been consecrated to an idol or not, because, to his mind, the idol was nothing, and all those ceremonies nonsense and folly. But there were Christians of weak minds who, because they had renounced idolatry supposed that the eating of meat consecrated to idols was a sin.

Paul teaches that we should practice abstinence for the sake of such as these, not making them to

offend by our meat, that is to say, in our freedom not leading them to do what they believe to be wrong. For what a man believes to be wrong is wrong to him, for in consenting to do it he consents, as he understands the matter, to sin against God.

While abstinence from things which are harmless in themselves is still often required for the good of others, there are indulgences which are, in themselves, utterly destructive. Against such we ought, for our own sake and humanity's sake, to make relentless war.

Among the forms of intemperance which have been most detrimental to the human family is the indulgence in intoxicating drinks. This indulgence is exceedingly seductive, as the immediate effect of intoxicating liquors or drugs, is to stimulate vitality, so that the powers, physical and intellectual seem at their best, and there is an exhilaration as of the infusion of new life. But all this is only an overdraught on the vital forces, which results in their debility and exhaustion, attended by a sense of languor which craves again the stimulant, and which requires, as natural force is destroyed, a continually increasing amount of it. So the habit of intemperance grows apace. The end is the overthrow of health, business capacity, honor, affection and all things, until the last vestige of manhood is swept away, and the inebriate becomes a beast.

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The power of the church declines in proportion as the pulpit loses its lofty tone and its assertion of divine authority. But it can only preserve this tone by holding to the word of God.

While we value a good voice and good manners in a speaker, it is painful to see a minister of the gospel trying to be rhetorical, but when the effort at rhetorical effect is carried into prayer, it startles us like profanity.

Increase of activity is not always an increase of power. It depends upon what we are active about. As respects the church and her ministry, social influences may strengthen while religious influences weaken. Many so-called Christian workers, like Martha, are "Cumbered about much serving," and are neglecting the better part of studying the word and life of the Master.

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Arkansas Annual Conference—Sixty-third Session.

James A. Anderson, the pastor at Morrilton, had made excellent preparation for entertaining the conference. The preachers received cards before coming, informing them with whom they were to lodge and they were met at the depot and taken to their homes without the least confusion.

The classes were all examined on Tuesday and Rev. J. B. Stevenson preached Tuesday night.

Wednesday, at 9 a. m., the sixty-third annual session of the conference was opened by Bishop H. C. Morrison. He read John xv., following the lesson with some remarks in regard to ministerial power and fruitfulness. He then announced hymn 219:

"Let Zion's Watchmen all awake," and after the singing the Bishop led in prayer. The congregation then sang

"Jesus, Lover of my soul."

The Bishop offered a few suggestions in regard to the manner of conducting the business, urging punctuality in attendance, distinctness in speaking, and conciseness in statement. These suggestions were well observed and the best possible order prevailed during the session.

Rev. Jas. A. Anderson, secretary of the last session, called the roll. Of one hundred and twelve preachers, twenty-nine were absent at the first roll call, and of twenty-eight lay delegates, only eight answered to their names. There was a poor attendance of lay delegates during the session, but nearly all the preachers were in at the second day's roll call.

The only connectional officers in attendance were Dr. Whisner, Secretary of Church Extension, and Dr. J. H. Pritchett, Secretary of our Mission Board. They both represented the interests in their charge on the first day of the session, then left for work elsewhere.

Dr. J. W. Boswell, assistant editor of the Nashville Advocate, represented the interests of the Publishing House. Brother Boswell was long a member of this conference, and was once stationed at Morrilton. He preached Wednesday evening to a large and delighted audience.

The class of young men received on trial in the conference was regarded as very promising. They have good education and ability and are such men as the conference needs. Their names are given in the general summary. Hendrix College is rapidly paying the church back with interest for all the money expended on the insti-

tution, in giving higher tone to our Methodist ministry in Arkansas.

Much of every conference session is occupied in the call of Question 20: "Are all the preachers blameless in life and official administration?" An Old School Presbyterian preacher said to me: "You Methodists call for complaints against your ministers; you seem to assume that a man is guilty until he proves himself innocent." "No," I said, "But we assume that our preachers are men who are ready to stand a public challenge of their characters." All the preachers of the Arkansas Conference bore the challenge without arrest of character save one, T. J. Reynolds. But on report of the committee his character passed. He requested, and was granted a location.

The call of the roll of superannuates is always an interesting occasion at the conference. It is the review of the retired veterans. The old heroes love to attend the conferences. The social reunion, the Christian fellowship, the inspiration which comes from the sermons of the Bishop, and of the brethren, and especially the love-feast, inspire them with new life. The memory of their long and faithful service, and their strong faith as they near the goal, are a blessing to all the younger brethren.

The old file of superannuates are J. Loring, Jas. Cox, W. R. Gardner, B. Monk, John H. Cummins, Alex. Matthes, G. W. Evans, T. A. Graham, F. A. Taff, Sr., and B. Williams. There were added to the roll this year, C. H. Gregory, J. M. Clayton, W. H. Corley and R. M. Traylor.

When Brother Traylor took leave of his itinerant brethren, to retire to the ranks of the superannuates, they raised a collection of \$70, and presented him as a token of their love.

Bishop Holsey, of the Colored M. E. Church, visited the conference and took a collection for Paine Institute. His speech to the conference was in good taste and set forth in a correct way the relations and duties of the white people and the Negroes toward each other. The Bishop preached, on Friday afternoon, a good sermon to a full house.

Bishop Morrison's sermon on Sunday morning was of a very practical character—instructions to the preachers regarding the conduct of their work. He charged them to suffer no man to come between them and their people. If they are competent preachers and pastors, this is best for the church. If incompetent, they ought to re-

tire. God did not call them to call somebody else to do the work assigned them by the church. Every Methodist preacher must be an evangelist. If help is sometimes needed, get a brother pastor. Avoid sensation and sensational men. Frown down slang and bullying and vulgarity and bravado in the pulpit. The check which has come upon the progress of the church within late years is from such degradation of the pulpit as weakens its dignity and its hold upon the consciences of men.

In the afternoon, at the ordination of elders, after a sermon by F. S. H. Johnston, Bishop Morrison advised the young preachers to shelve the discussion of first and second blessings, and look to it that they and their people make full consecration of themselves to the Lord's service.

We will give summary of statistics next week.

CONFERENCE PERSONALS.

Much sympathy was felt for our brother, W. P. Hamilton, who has been called recently to bury one of his children.

Brother Whitson and wife suffered deep bereavement in the death of their only daughter, on the 1st inst. She was a promising girl of eleven years.

Dr. J. H. Pritchett, our Missionary Secretary, and Dr. Whisner, our Church Extension Secretary, were with the conference the first day.

Dr. J. W. Boswell represented the Nashville Advocate and Publishing House. He found many old friends at Morrilton.

Bishop Morrison was among the preachers as a brother among brethren.

Bishop Holsey, of the colored M. E. Church, made a very interesting speech in behalf of Paine Institute, and took a collection for that school. He also preached a good sermon to us on Friday afternoon.

Rev. G. L. Horton, from the Clinton circuit brought up \$57, on subscriptions to the ARKANSAS METHODIST.

When R. M. Traylor asked a superannuated relation, the brethren took affectionate leave of him as an itinerant and raised \$70 as a gift, and token of their esteem.

Rev. J. F. Jernigan visited the conference and preached us a good sermon on Sunday afternoon.

Wm. Thompson reported 150 conversions on his charge this year. That is an inspiring entrance upon the itineracy, for this is Brother Thompson's first year.

Prof. James Hawley came up to the conference on Saturday. He has extensive acquaintance and many friends in all the conferences of Arkansas.

CONFERENCE NOTES.

Our Sunday-school Secretary reports that the attendance upon Sunday-schools is not advancing in proportion to our increase in church membership.

The conference received an exceedingly promising class on probation.

The conference never presented a better appearance than at this session. We are especially hopeful of large usefulness in many of the young men. Hendrix College is to be credited for much of this.

During the last sixteen years the Arkansas Conference has received from the Board of Church Extension more than it has paid to that cause.

It was a touching scene in the conference when Rev. J. A. Anderson, making his report from Morrilton, referred to three members of his church who have long stood as pillars in the temple of God, now passing into superannuation because of age and infirmities. These are H. W. Burrow, W. M. Clifton and W. W. Garland. Brother Burrow is at home prostrated by a stroke of paralysis. Brother Garland gets to the conference room on his crutches. Brother Clifton is always present and keeps good oversight of the comfort of the house.

At the reference to them the conference joined feelingly in singing:

"Even down to old age all my people shall prove
My sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love."

Appointments

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Fort Smith circuit, B. W. Aston.
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Hackett circuit, Eugene Woodruff.
Charleston circuit, J. M. McAnally.
Mansfield circuit, J. J. Galloway.
Paris and Charleston, W. H. Dyer.
Booneville circuit, D. N. Weaver.
Sugar Grove circuit, P. W. Campbell.
Waldron circuit, J. C. Shipp.
Cauthron circuit, F. A. Taff, Jr.
Van Buren station, J. B. Stevenson.
Van Buren mission, F. A. Lark.
Alma circuit, S. F. Dykes.
Mulberry circuit, J. W. Griffin.
Conference missionary secretary, O. E. Goddard.

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Clarksville station, G. W. Hill.
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Altus circuit, J. W. Head.
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Ozark circuit, J. J. Douglass.
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Dardanelle circuit, W. H. Metheny.
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President Hiram and Lydia College, I. L. Burrow.

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Quitman and Goodloe, W. S. Bristow.
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Quitman circuit, D. C. Ross.
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TRANSFERRED.

Arthur Marston, to New Mexico Conference.
W. B. Hays, to White River Conference.
O. H. Tucker and Jas. A. Anderson, to Little Rock Conference.
Next conference will be held at Springdale, Ark.

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Personal.

Rev. J. H. Pritchett, D. D., Secretary Board of Missions, called Wednesday in our absence.

Rev. W. E. Boggs has been transferred from the West Texas to the North Texas Conference.

Rev. J. A. Biggs, of Texas, has transferred to Indian Mission Conference and is stationed at Purcell.

Rev. J. A. Lyons and W. M. Green have been elected editors of the Midland Methodist, successors of R. N. Price.

Dr. Lambuth and Bishop Candler are in Cuba, for the purpose of planning mission work for our church in that field. From Cuba they will go to Porto Rico.

Rev. J. J. Lovett has been elected editor of the Brother in Red, and the name of the paper is changed to Indian-Okla. Methodist. The paper is moved to Oklahoma City.

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We say, there is nothing so necessary as strong Christians, men and women who are endowed with the strength and spirit of Christ. David says: "Thou strengthenedst me with strength in my soul," but how is this strength obtained? Not only by education, not only by a study of God's holy word, but it is derived from God. Why, then, should some trust to other sources, lean on the arm of theory, when they know that such will soon become exhausted, which is absolutely inconsistent with the oracles of God.

In some warm countries men fill reservoirs with water to supply them in time of drouth, but those reservoirs become exhausted and they must go to the springs among the hills. It is just so with some men and women. When their own fountains of strength have become exhausted, they go to God who giveth strength. The Psalmist says: "The Lord is the strength of my life, of whom shall I be afraid," "The Lord will give strength to his people." Christian brother and sister, do you wish to fight the fight and come out victorious? If you do, then pray God for strength. The arm of flesh will fail you. God's arm will never fail. Are you weak, remember He is strong. Are you weary by the way because of the heavy burden, then remember that He is your strength and refuge. "God is our refuge and strength."

GEO. WILKINSON.
Hammonsville, Ark., Nov. 4.

Consistency of Life.

EDITOR ARKANSAS METHODIST:—There are three things that are past my finding out, yea four, and the fourth is how men and women, who pretend to be somebody, some of whom have their names enrolled on the church book and are making pretensions to religion, can aid and assist by their vote or by lending their names to petitions and otherwise encourage the setting up in the community in which they live, the most vile and corrupt agencies that the devil has on earth, with which to carry forward his work of destruction and death—the liquor saloon. It surpasses everything else

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in disgrace and degradation, because it is the fountain from whence almost all other villainy emanates. A person rarely, if ever, soars in the moral scale above the business that he is engaged in. If he is engaged in lying, then he is a liar; if in stealing, then he is a thief; if in the liquor saloon business, then he is just anything and everything that the devil wants him to be. When men and women lose all respect for their Creator, for the community in which they live and for the little children that are growing up around them; when they surrender themselves to the gratification of sensuality; when they give full freedom to their passions and devote their whole study to the pursuits of a corrupt world, with a total forgetfulness of the future; when they give to little children a godless education and no longer have any religion to teach them, may we not say these are evil times in which transition to devil worship is made easy? It is sad and humiliating to confess that in this enlightened age, in which God in his tender mercy is permitting us to live, that the propagation of infidelity, irreligion and immorality has become so alarmingly universal, that the defection from faith, disregard for its teachers and depravity in morals, have so deadened the influences of religion, that thousands are ready to yield to the absurd impiety of worshipping the devil as their Lord. Some through fear of losing what they have, others because of a desire to get what they covet. In his references to this devil worship for the sake of getting what we covet (13th chapter Rev.) the evangelist says of his satanic majesty that he caused all, both great and small, rich and poor, bond and free, to receive a mark in their forehead and that no man should buy or sell save he that had received the mark. When tempted to get this world's wealth by the devil's methods, may God help us to say, in the language of the blessed Savior, "Get thee hence, Satan."

GEORGE HATCH.

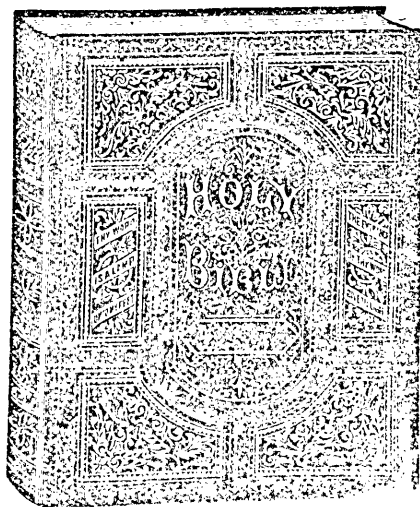
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Are all right enough in their way,
But may we not rise higher
On each Thanksgiving day?

Never failing to remember
As we call our friends to feast,
That oft the heart grows hungry—
For we're human, and not beast.
The oil and wine and spices
That compose the feast of the heart,
Is love and kind forbearance,
In which faith in man has part.

-F.

How it Went in My Childhood.

NO. XIV.

Good hard work on the farm does give one such an appetite, especially a boy.

At half-past eleven o'clock the dinner bell rang on our farm. Old Jenny (this is the name of one of our mules) began to bray with the first clap of the bell, then every boy in the field joined in the chorus with a mighty yell. Down went our hoes, then we would somersault ourselves for dinner. We buried our hoes deep in the ground to keep the sun off them and to leave something to hinder us from going directly to chopping cotton after dinner.

How we did eat! that is, if we had been smart during the morning. Father always asked John how we little boys worked. Often I would lose my appetite, completely, while the question was being asked, and it was no uncommon thing to see Julian raise his shoulders clear up over his ears to stop them up, or leave the table in the very midst of the question.

A neighbor of ours laughed at Julian and myself, when, once, he saw us going out to pick up cornstalks, in early morn. We did look so despondent. It was cool. Our feet were bare, and torn with briars, our pants hit us just below our knees; we had no coat. I was always in the lead. We stuck our hands down into our pockets just as deep as we could get them. We walked very slowly, with our heads bowed over. Our feelings were often hurting us, such times as these.

When we got there the sun burned down on our little white hats so much and the red-heads sang so lazy-like that we just could not work much—our feelings still hurt us. We soon got thirsty and must go and get some good cool spring water. When we got there we could not drink much, though, but we stayed a good while and warmed off, till we saw father's black hat bobbing up over the hill. This was the time or signal for quick action. Two smarter boys could not be found. The

cornstalks piled up in a hurry. But one time we missed. We saw father coming down on us with a long hickory switch. We knew what that meant. Julian proposed that we try father's sympathy by squalling just as loud as we could. So we began, but father got me first. He just smiled a loving smile and poured it onto me, while I was moaning and howling, sitting up and sitting down. But my noise did not seem to affect him. I got very hot all over my back and legs. I thought I never did feel smarter in my life. Work seemed so sweet to me. Julian always could beat me squalling. While father poured hickory oil on me, he yelled so pitifully and squalled so loud—some of the neighbors said they heard him a mile away—looked so gentle and humble at him that father just brushed him lightly. This was a full dose for us. We never tried the like again. But picking up and burning roots and sticks got so depressing to me one time that I concluded that something must be done, or must not be done. I ate a big breakfast, but discovered, after breakfast that I had a slight pain in my stomach. In a hurry, before it ceased, I announced to father that I was sick, and could not pick up roots that day. I lay down on our little trundle-bed and rested sweetly till dinner. At dinner I was hungry, but I knew a sick boy could not eat, so I kept my bed. Father came in after eating and examined my pulse to see if I had any fever. I was sound asleep—awake. I heard father say, "he needs some calomel." I was uneasy then, for I did hate to take calomel. He passed me by this time, and I began to improve rapidly, till, by night I was completely recovered. Father did not find out for many years how sick I was not that time. I did not think it to his interest to know.

But, children, that night my pain changed from my stomach to my conscience, and I was very sick there for a long while. I felt that I had sinned, and never did I try this again.

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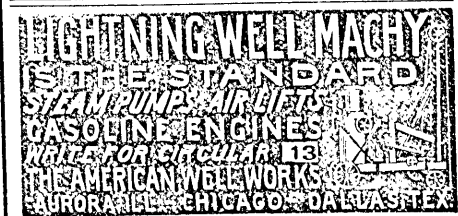
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Our Church at Home.

KINGSTON CIRCUIT.
DEAR BROTHER GODDEY:—One thing I failed to mention in my field note, just published in the METHODIST: King's River township, Madison county, went dry by thirty-five majority in the last election. One year ago, wild cat whiskey could be had anywhere and at any time, but the marshals have killed and captured whiskey men, until I doubt if a man could get a drop of wild cat whiskey in King's River township at this time. May the good Lord hasten the time when fathers and mothers may be freed from the evil that has so long cursed this country.

J. S. HACKLER.

AT WYNNE.
The series of meetings at the Methodist Church, conducted by Revs. Andrews and McDonald, have been highly entertaining and remarkably successful. Some of the most callous-hearted of our sinners have grasped the Divine hand, and committed their souls and lives to the noblest and happiest service mortals can live. Thirty-seven have joined this throng of the blessed.—Cross County (Wynne) Democrat.

Our meeting goes on.

J. B. McDONALD.

GAINESVILLE.
Fourth quarterly conference has come. Year's work winding up. I expect a full report on every claim. The Lord is with us. Bro. Davidson's coming proved a benediction to us all. It is in order, here, for me to assure you of my appreciation of your strong editorial in Nov. 9th, on "No Deepness." May the blessings of the Lord abide upon the ARKANSAS METHODIST. Truly,
L. C. CRAIG.

ASBURY CHURCH—DEDICATION.

On Sunday night, Nov. 27, Asbury Church, Little Rock, will be dedicated. All the former pastors have been invited to be present. We expect a great reunion of kindred and friends on that occasion. Many of the preachers of the Little Rock Conference will attend.
O. H. TUCKER.

A New Church.

Ground was broken exactly at 2 p. m. today, for the new, pressed brick M. E. C. S., J. L. Bezarth digging the first earth and W. T. Nesbit spading it out. By the first day of August, 1899, we expect to have one of the nicest modern church edifices in the Arkansas Conference. N.

Fayetteville, Nov. 15

Conference Notices.

Class for Admission on Trial will please meet examining committee at Methodist Church in Clarendon, at 9 a. m., Nov. 30, 1898.

Z. T. BENNETT.

ONCE MORE.

To the Delegates of White River Conference: The Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis, R. R. will give one and one-third fare round trip on certificate plan; Cotton Belt R. R. has arranged with the Little

Rock & M. R. R. to sell through tickets.

R. C. MOREHEAD.
Clarendon, Nov. 19th.

One of Our Colleges

It may be interesting to the readers of the METHODIST to learn that the present scholastic year of the Arkadelphia Methodist College, the second under the management and presidency of Rev. Cadesman Pope, is destined to rank as the most successful and important in many respects, in the history of the institution. The influence of this school upon the interests of Methodism in Arkansas is being felt most deeply throughout the State. Its work has always been conspicuous, but it is becoming more and more so as it becomes better known among the people seeking a school of high order, and as young men and women seeking an education are made familiar with its superior equipment and methods.

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While fitting many young men and women for the work of life, Arkadelphia Methodist College is building of her pupils many strong pillars for the maintenance of Methodism and many stalwart champions for the higher and better forms of living. How richly this institution deserves the hearty and cordial support of the Methodism of the State of Arkansas cannot be exaggerated. Pupils when placed here are under the care and instruction of an intelligent and aggressive president and faculty whose integrity and ability are beyond question. They will have most of all the comforts enjoyed by the best families of the land and all the facilities for obtaining a thorough and finished education.

We call attention to the superior curriculum of the college, which is too extensive and comprehensive to be detailed in a newspaper article but which we make bold to say is in advance of most colleges and the equal, perhaps, of any. Her methods are up to date, her texts the most progressive and recent as a rule, while the president demands that the instruction given shall be intelligent and thorough.

The institution is upon that high plane which brooks nothing but success in every department, and achieving this, will carry forward an intelligent religious influence much needed to render permanent and aggressive the Methodism of our great State and of our conference. The spring term will open on January 11th, 1899, and the management will cheerfully furnish any information desired by interested parties.

O. C. POPE,
Business M'gr.

AN AFFLICTED MOTHER.

BOTH OF HER BOYS KILLED BY DISASTERS.

One Met Death, With Six Other Children, by a Cyclone while at School, the Other, a Married Son, was Run Over by a Railroad Train—The Mother's Health Shattered.

From the Times, Paw Paw, Ill.

So much has been said regarding the almost miraculous cure of Mrs. Ellen A. Oderkirk, of Paw Paw, Ill., from a serious illness, that a reporter interviewed her and ascertained the facts. Mrs. Oderkirk was found to be a very genial lady about fifty years of age, and a prominent member of the W. R. C. She has met with many sad misfortunes in her life. On June 20th, 1890, her younger son, Robbie, a bright lad nine years of age, and the sunshine of the home, was one of seven children who were killed in an awful cyclone while at school. That was not the only sad experience of Mrs. Oderkirk's life, for on November 11, 1893, her only remaining child, Lewis, a married son, was run over and killed by a Burlington train.

Mrs. Oderkirk's health was shattered and she was a constant sufferer for years. Her principal trouble was neuralgia of the stomach and this was very severe.

The story of her complete and wonderful cure is described in her own words, as follows:

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ELLEN A. ODERKIRK.

Mrs. Ellen A. Oderkirk, whose name appears in the above statement, personally appeared before me, Police Magistrate of the village of Paw Paw, Co. of Lee, and State of Illinois, this 23d day of June 1897, and made affidavit to the above statement.

B. J. WARREN,
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Missions.

In China.

DEAR DR. GODBEY:—Our Jubilee and Annual Conference were both very enjoyable. Bishop Wilson attended the former and presided over the latter. We have enjoyed having him very much. His preaching was on the usual high plane. In the chair he gave great satisfaction. In our homes he has been a blessing. He has been in our home a great deal of his time and we always hate to see him leave. As you see, we have come back to our work, a thing which we could not help. Here are the

APPOINTMENTS.

Shanghai District, W. B. Burk, P. E. Shanghai Central Church, J. L. Hendry, Ling Tsz Yien. One to be supplied. College Station; A. P. Parker, G. H. Bell. Sung Kiangi, W. B. Burke, Fong Yoen Foo, and one to be supplied by Tseu Vung Ming. Sung Kiang Circuit, H. T. Reed, Kauh Li, Tsiau Tsz Fong. Tsang Ien, Sz Tsz Chung. Nanziang and Ikad-ing, R. A. Parker, Dong Moh San. Ci Tsz I. Anglo-Chinese College, A. P. Parker, President, G. R. Loehr, Jno. W. Cline, Professors. Review of the Times, Y. J. Allen, Editor. Absent on leave, B. D. Lucas, M. B. Hill.

Soochow District. T. A. Hearn, P. E. Soochow First Church, C. K. Marshall. Hospital Chapel, Dzung Zung Kyung, Kong Hongg. D. L. Anderson, Li Dzung Deu. Sung Gna Zien, J. A. G. Shipley, and one to be supplied. Soochow Circuit, W. B. Nance. Chang Shuh and Wu Sih, J. B. Fearn, E. Pilley, Tse Sen Tsz, and Zung Zing San. Luh Chih, T. A. Hearn and Ng Dong Hsien. Nanziang, Sz Tsz Kia and four to be supplied. Buffington Institute, W. B. Nance, President. Kong Hong Anglo-Chinese School, D. L. Anderson and J. A. G. Shipley. Soochow Hospital, W. H. Park, M. D.

Korea District. C. F. Reid, P. E. Seoul Circuit, C. F. Reid. Songdo Circuit, C. T. Collyer. Songdo Medical Work, R. A. Har Die, M. D.

Everything passed off very nicely. Dr. Wainwright, Mrs. Lambuth, and Mrs. Waters were visitors from our work in Japan. We had two native brethren as delegates from the Soochow Conference of the M. E. Church. There was a large attendance of natives.

I have no time to write more now. I will send you a copy of the minutes as soon as they can be gotten out. I do not know how long Bishop Wilson will be in China. He is very near to the China Mission.

Fraternally,
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Among Our Exchnages

Respect for Law.

It is said that Sam Jones and George Stuart had an engagement at Selma, Ala., contrary to the wishes of one pastor. They received a petition from the people with about 2,000 signatures, but, after the action of the General Conference, they cancelled the engagement by telegram.—Richmond Christian Advocate.

The Church Paper.

"During the season of revivals and ingatherings the weekly church paper should find its way into many new homes, and return to others from which it had been expelled by spiritual coldness and neglect. It is little less than pastoral criminality to allow our flocks to go unfed, or to be fed on poisonous food. Should we not be as much concerned about the gospel our people read during the week as that which they hear on the Sabbath? If not, the one may discount or displace the other."—Bishop Gallo-way.

Well Said.

The Tobacco Trust has intimated its intention of cheapening cigarettes, that is to say, it will, as far as possible, contribute to shortening the lives of American citizens. The Tobacco Trust is only a shade less iniquitous than the Whiskey Trust and in its proposed action, will do more harm to the people, for the object of the Whiskey Trust is to put up the price of liquor, while the Tobacco Trust, by cheapening cigarettes and making up the difference to itself by adding to the price of other kinds of tobacco, accomplishes only the greater mischief.—St. Louis Christian Advocate.

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Our Church at Home.

From Texas.

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The low price of cotton, of course with usual "back debts," will have full effect on church finances, and we have had, in the main, a bountiful harvest. Here, in rich soil and salubrious climate, we hear the cry of "hard times." I confess I can't fully understand it. Politicians say it is political oppression, and all parties claim to be working for reform, but somehow it don't come. I know but little of finances or political economy, but still, in my simple way, I will think. I verily believe the hand of God is upon us, and the problem will never be solved till, as a church and nation, we repent in sackcloth and ashes. We are "robbing God." Read Malachi, third chapter, entire; there it is in a nutshell. Such reformation will solve the problem and nothing short of that will. Really, I wish I had religion and sense enough to preach the pure gospel like it should be done. Well, I must keep trying. During this year it has been my blessed privilege, in my own charge and others, to preach, first and last, to several thousand people, seemingly with meagre results for the efforts put forth. We must wait till the "final day" to know results of these imperfect labors. A few more weeks will give the appointments (and disappointments of a great number of preachers and people. May we all be ready.

Yours in hope,
F. M. WINBURNE.

Killeen, Tex.

TAYLOR'S CREEK CIRCUIT.

I am closing up for conference. Our year has been fairly good. With many things, wrong font in their nature, to contend with, we have had a revival at most all our appointments. The shout of old children and new children has been heard. The preacher has been fed, etc. Many good people live in this country. Bad weather and low prices have militated against us. May God bless the people who attended to our necessities. A boy preacher will ever think of and pray for them. Let us work and pray that we may some day have a home eternal in the heavens.

K. R. DURHAM, P. C.
Colt, Nov. 17.

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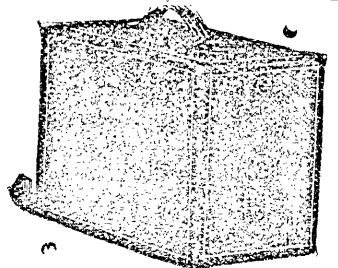
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DOUGLASS: Ethel C., was born February 19, 1881, and died October 15, 1898, aged 17 years, 7 months, and 26 days. Miss Ethel was a charming young lady, and possessed a very sweet and noble spirit. Deportment above reproach, exalted ambitions, and high aspirations were characteristics of hers worthy of emulation. We miss her very much from our ranks, and many hearts beat faster, being overrun with grief because of her demise. We will hope to meet her again in the sweet by and by.

D. C. ROSS.

Plummerville, Ark.

WILLIAMS: Another member was added to the angel choir September 21, 1898, when God, in His infinite wisdom, took sweet little Carrie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Williams, to dwell in his mansions of light. This golden-haired beauty, aged seven years and some months, was joy and pride of a fond father and mother, and now they are bowed with grief because her footsteps are heard no more, and the sweet voice is forever hushed.

Dear parents, the sunshine of your life has gone out, but look up, for beautiful little hands are beckoning you upward. Little Carrie has filled her mission on earth, and the Father has need of her. May you say, "Thy will be done," is the prayer of a

LOVING FRIEND.

Lockesburg, Ark.

TIPTON: Mrs. Cora L., wife of Dr. J. T. Tipton, of Mountain Home, Ark., died Friday evening, September 30, 1898. Sister Tipton was a victim of consumption, and was a patient sufferer, and like many, who are lingering on the verge of the grave, she spoke often of the joys of religion. I visited and prayed with her often during her sickness, and she seemed perfectly resigned to the will of the Lord; she bore her sickness only as one can whose trust is in the Lord. We preached her funeral at the M. E. Church, South, after which she was laid by tender hands, in the Mountain Home cemetery to await the resurrection. She has gone beyond the burdens and sorrows of life. May her husband be comforted, and may her three precious children grow up to love and serve God, and finally meet their mother in that clime where there is no sickness, sorrow, pain, nor death.

T. M. JACKSON.
Mountain Home, Ark.

VAN PELT: Mrs. Nasulo, was born in Tate county, Miss., February 20, 1876; moved to Arkansas in 1883, with her parents, W. A. and Mrs. White. She was married to Emanuel Van Pelt in 1892. Unto them were born two sweet little girls, May Olar and Dovie. She suffered a great deal before she died on October 10, 1898, leaving behind the testimony that Jesus saves to the end. I was not permitted to visit her but once in four years. A good daughter, a loving mother and an affectionate sister, and devoted wife is gone. Just a short time before her death, little Grace, a niece of hers, the only child of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. White, died. She was born near Lonoke, Ark., August 2, 1897, died near Hunter, Ark., August 18, 1898. Her disease was chicken pox.

In sorrow,
J. W. WHITE.

COLSON: Rosalie A., wife of Rev. J. J. Colson, was born in Saline county, Ark., February 20, 1859, and departed this life, at the parsonage of Tillar circuit, Nov. 10, 1898. On the first day of January, 1878, we were happily united in holy wedlock, and from that day to the day of her death she stood true and devoted, sharing with us any hardships or privations we were called to pass through. She never complained nor

murmured with her lot, but bore her part bravely. Our home was blessed with nine sweet children, five of whom preceded her to the haven of rest; four, with her broken-hearted husband (the writer) are left to mourn her loss. And besides us, she leaves a mother, brother, sisters, and a host of loving friends, who join us in great bereavement. As a wife, she was true and devoted; as a mother, kind, indulgent; as a Christian, calm and serene, with an unswerving faith. So often has she exhibited that faith to us when the way would seem dark, by saying: "All things work for good to them that love and serve God." Also, that God would not withhold any good thing from them that walked uprightly with him. She professed religion shortly after our marriage, but having been raised up by Baptist parents, she did not join the church until the year 1889, when she joined the M. E. Church, South, and lived a consistent member of the same until God called her to her reward. She has counseled with me so often, and urged me to earnest effort in ministering the gospel of our Saviour to others. But now her voice is stilled, and she appears among us no more. We will miss her so much. But thank God for the hope of a glorious reunion in the sweet by and by. Our loss is her eternal gain. She has been a great sufferer, but bore it with patience. She fell asleep calmly, peacefully and without a struggle. While she lived, she was self-denying, self-sacrificing for her family and friends. This she felt to be her mission in life. May the good Lord help us all to follow her as she followed Christ, and at last meet her, and the five sweet babes around the great white throne in heaven, an undivided family, where we will never have to say good bye.

J. J. COLSON.

Selma, Nov. 11.

THOMASSON: Again we are made sad Little Milrem, the five year-old daughter of Irene and the late Rev. N. T. Thomasson, was born Sep. 20, 1893, and went to Him who said: "Suffer the little children to come unto me," at 2:30 p. m., October 18, 1898. For four days she had suffered from that dreaded disease, membranous croup. From the time she was taken she said: "I don't want to get well, I want to go to heaven and be with papa and little brother." As I held the little sufferer and watched the heaving breast I could but think, "There are angels hovering round," and as the lifeless form lay in my arms I fancied the meeting within the veil. Christ with tender touch surely folded the little tired pilgrim in his arms and bade it rest forever with "papa and little brother." Sweet little darling, light of the home, will be waiting and watching for mamma and sister coming sometime. We bow our heads in loneliness, but with submission, and thank God as they go from us, they rest in peace. Her loving uncle,

W. F. EVANS.

Magnolia, Ark.

POPE: Abi Pascal Pope (nee Byers), wife of Rev. Jas. K. Pope, was summoned by the Master to "come up higher," at 10:15 o'clock, Wednesday night, October 26, 1898, near Turner, Ark. She was born April 5, 1841, in Harris county, Ga., and was the youngest of a family of four children. Her parents dying when she was quite young, she was reared by her maternal grandmother Elliott, who lived in Upson county. By reason of very religious training, she became a Christian while only a child of tender years, and joined the M. E. Church, South, of which she remained a continuous and consecrated member throughout her entire life. On the 8th of January, 1866, she was happily married and truly mated to Jas. K. Pope, and removed with him to Arkansas in 1872. She was the mother of five children, three of whom, a daughter and two sons, survive her, walking in the way she taught them. For many years she had been almost a constant sufferer, yet she was never heard to complain of her lot, but was submissive, meek, and faithful in all things. During her last illness of nine weeks, even while intensely suffering, she often prayed and praised the Lord. Just before the final hour she sang, "I'm going home to suffer no more." At the close of the song she was quite happy in the realization of

the comforting and sustaining presence of God, and said she would soon be at rest in the arms of Jesus forevermore. She was a faithful Christian soldier, a devoted, loving wife, and a true mother, whose life was spent in tender labors of love for the welfare of those whom God had intrusted to her care.

Dear father, sister, brother, and other kindred, while we can but mourn because of the aching void her absence causes, yet we rejoice in the hope of a happy meeting by and by, for we know she has gained the mansions in the skies.

HER ELDER SON.

COULTER: Mrs. Ida Coulter (nee Ratliff), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Ratliff, was born near Canton, Miss., December 10, 1863. The sunny hours of childhood and girlhood were spent in her native state. While on a visit to an aunt at Lockesburg, Ark., she became acquainted with Mr. C. P. Coulter, and on August 26, 1884, they were united in the holy bonds of matrimony. As a happy bride she went to his beautiful country home, near Lockesburg, where she dwelt until September 21, 1898, when her spirit winged its flight to the God who gave it. She was a loving daughter and sister, a devoted wife and mother, sweet friend and neighbor; a consistent member of the Methodist Church, an interested worker in the Woman's Home Mission Society; a lovely Christian character. How sad to part with such a grand woman when the world is so much in need of Christian mothers! God's ways are always right. She is not dead, only gone before to dwell in the mansion the Saviour has prepared for her. She leaves eight little children, seven sons and one daughter, to realize "what home is without a mother." Home is desolate without her; the vacant chair at the fireside reminds them that there is no mother now. May her sweet influence be ever over and around them and may each one develop into the beautiful character she so much desired and meet dear mamma "some sweet day." Let the dear, aged mother, fond sister and brother, bereaved relatives, saddened husband, little motherless children, and last, but not least, her faithful nurse, the old black woman, strive to meet her in the beautiful beyond. May the all wise Father pour the oil of consolation into their aching hearts.

ONE WHO LOVED HER.

TANKERSLEY: Dr. O. D. Tankersley was born in Jackson county, Georgia, December 24, 1821. His parents moved to Tennessee when he was a small boy, where he remained till grown, when he came to Arkansas (1851). He married Miss Sarah E. Harrison March 29, 1853. They had born to them nine children. Sickness, in the form of paralysis, attacked him July 11, 1898, and he passed away July 23, 1898. He leaves a wife and five children, other relatives and many friends to mourn his departure. He practiced medicine in Washington county, Ark., before coming to Johnson county. He settled in Johnson county two years after the civil war (1868), where he practiced medicine for a number of years. He retired from practice in 1885, and moved from his home on Horsehead to Clarksville, where he lived till his summons came when he moved to his final abode.

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His departure is sadly felt by his faithful companion and children. But we will follow him. He crossed at the "Pilgrim's Ford," and entered the promised land. He doubtless heard the Savior say: "Well done, enter thou into the joys of thy Lord."

S. F. GODDARD.

SHARP: Sister Ella L., daughter of Maj. B. D. Thomasson and wife, was born, reared, and married to J. T. Sharp, in Carrollton, Ga. The two families, with a married brother, moved to Prescott Ark., December, 1881. Since their arrival here, the father, mother, two sisters, two brothers, her husband and other near relatives had gone from us to rest from their labors.

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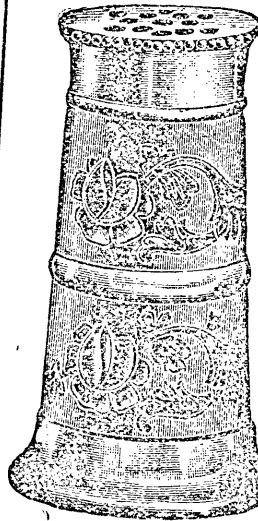
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