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## News and Notes.

WE INTRODUCE OUR TALK THIS week in the most approved style—the weather. Yes, we talk about the weather. North, South, East, West, everywhere reports are the same—the severest weather over the whole country east of the Rocky Mountains known in many years. In very many localities the coldest ever registered in the history of the country. This was the case in Arkansas, where the cold was reported 24 degrees below zero in the northwest and 11 below on our southern border. The official report for this city was 12.5 below. The extreme of cold was reached about daylight Sunday. Unusual cold has extended clear down to the gulf and to middle Florida. There will be almost a total destruction of the peach crop and even of the orchards. We have never known peach trees to survive 18 degrees below zero.

THIS, TUESDAY, IS MARDI GRAS day. There are but few strangers in the city. Cold weather, scarcity of money, and more than all, good sense has kept the country people away. Well, the city will not lose much by it. The paper flowers

did not cost much. So far as we are concerned, Mardi Gras has our permission to take itself off the stage, to go and return never.

REVS. JAS. THOMAS AND W. E. THOMPSON were appointed a committee by the Preacher's Meeting Tuesday, to look after the vile exhibition going on at Fourth and Main streets. It was shameless beyond expression. They went directly to the mayor and secured its immediate suppression.

THERE WAS MORE FIGHTING AT Manila, during the week, Gen. Otis' army driving the insurgents from various posts about the city. On Sunday last Iloilo was taken by the American forces under Brig-Gen. Miller. The insurgents set fire to the city and fled soon after the bombardment began. The fire was extinguished before great harm had been done. There was no loss to the Americans. The Filipinos suffered severely.

THE HULL BILL, WHICH HAS PASSED the house of congress, provides for increasing our standing army to 100,000 yet, so as to allow the regiments to be skeletonized, reducing the soldiers under service nearly one-half, as conditions may suggest. There is no probability of this bill passing the senate. The most likely thing, so far as the present congress is concerned, is the passage of an act continuing the army at its present size of 62,000 for a year longer, to meet emergencies in dealing with our newly acquired possessions.

EQUAL LAY REPRESENTATION IN the General Conference of the M. E. Church has received the constitutional three-fourths majority from the annual conferences. It now waits ratification by a two-thirds vote of the General Conference. This is counted on as assured. Meantime, the question is up, whether the conference shall act upon this amendment in their next election of lay delegates, and whether the proposed change can be legally put in practice at the next General Conference. Strict constructionists insist that it cannot, since the action of the Gen-

eral Conference is yet necessary to establish the law, and any election held previous thereto, would not be a legal election.

This is opposed by others who bring forward the fact that the annual conferences initiated the present system of lay delegation in 1869, the proposition coming to them from the General Conference of 1868, and that that proposition contained the following clause:

"Resolved, 3. That should a majority of votes cast by the people be in favor of lay delegation, and should three-fourths of all members of the annual conferences present and voting thereon vote in favor of the above proposed change in the Constitution of the Church, then the General Conference on meeting in 1872, by the requisite two-thirds vote, can complete the change, and lay delegates previously elected may THEN be admitted."

The delegates elected in 1869 did sit in the General Conference of 1872, which was the same that completed the new legislation. In the absence of any such specification as was contained in Resolution 3, 1868, it is argued that the precedent may still be properly followed, as a rule already accepted. We may expect our Northern brethren to settle this question by their ideas of expedience. The precedents all point that way.

WHEN A MEMBER OF THE CABINET of the President of the United States gives a dinner party on Sunday evening, as Attorney-General Griggs did last week, in honor of Lord Herschell, a distinguished member of the Anglo-American Commission, every lover of the American Sabbath has a right to criticize the setting of such a bad example by such a prominent official, and many of them are doing so. A few of the society families who ape foreign manners, have for several years been giving Sunday dinner parties, but if they are to be given by members of the Cabinet, whose actions are closely copied by society at large, the practice will soon become general in

Washington, and if Sunday dinner parties are countenanced, it will be but a short step to other sorts of Sunday parties and entertainments.

## Educational Campaign in Arkansas.

MR. EDITOR:—In response to earnest request and the prompting of my own heart, I have consented to aid the Arkansas brethren in their united and well directed efforts to immediately rebuild our college at Searcy. Out of the ashes that magnificent institution is to arise, with ample equipment for the splendid work it is providentially designed to accomplish. The good people of Searcy have responded nobly in the hour of calamity, and have determined that the fire shall only have occasion to illustrate their unwavering loyalty to the college and to display their large liberality. Beautiful for situation was that queenly institution, and upon that same firm foundation will the new building be erected. Engagements in Virginia necessitated my leaving, on Tuesday, for that State. In Richmond, Norfolk, Lynchburg, and possibly elsewhere, I hope to speak some helpful words in behalf of the Twentieth Century educational movement. But for these appointments, and another important engagement in Texas, I would gladly go at once to Arkansas. But it may be best to wait for a lower mercury and brighter skies.

I will give some days to this noble enterprise, beginning March 21. The appointments will be arranged by the committee charged with the conduct of the canvass. Bishop Morrison has been asked to come over at the same time in that interest. The suggestion is that one representative of the college will accompany Bishop Morrison, and another go with me, so we will address two different Arkansas communities on this subject the same day. I am sure, if at all practicable, the Bishop will accept and help to enthusiastically inaugurate this forward movement. Only a few weeks ought to be necessary to secure the amount needed for the college at Searcy. Then the Twentieth Century campaign should go right on. Indeed, the amount raised for the college might, very appropriately, be credited to the Twentieth Century fund, if the Board of Education will so arrange. Yours fraternally,  
CHAS. B. GALLOWAY.

## Among Our Exchanges

According to the superstition regarding ground-hog day, we will have an early spring, but the Rev. Irl Hicks is predicting some hard weather. We prefer to put our faith in the ground-hog.—Log Cabin.

We have seen this conflict of Hicks with the ground-hog illustrated. The weather prophet had crawled into the hole of the ground-hog. The indignant ground-hog was dragging the usurper out by the leg of his pants. For this spring, at least, the people of Arkansas hope the ground-hog is right.

Every temptation resisted, every noble aspiration encouraged, every sinful inclination repressed, every bitter word withheld, adds its little force to the impetus of that great movement which is bearing us and all humanity onward and upward toward a richer and sweeter life, a purer and higher character, and a nobler and sublimer destiny.—North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Dr. Rankin, of the Texas Advocate, is a good deal stirred over a circular which has been sent to the Texas preachers, and from which he prints the following:

By the inclosed prospectus you will see our desire and hope to place a live church paper in every Methodist home. If you will cooperate with us we will make you the following offer, which is strictly confidential and limited to this last year of the century—1899.

If you will canvass your flock and field thoroughly, for every new subscriber you get to the St. Louis Advocate at the regular cash price of \$2 a year, we will give you one-half, or one dollar each. In no case must the subscriber be allowed to think the paper can be had at less than the regular price, except in clubs of six for \$9.

This, from one who has of late exhibited such indignation at secret methods and concealment of facts, greatly surprises Dr. Rankin. But he says Texas preachers cannot be bought up by him to become his agents in circulating his paper in territory that belongs to their conference organ.

Dr. R. N. Price, writing to the Holston Methodist, from Santiago de Cuba, says: "In common with the soldiers, I am here making a battle with malaria, acting mainly on the defensive. Sickness is prevalent in the regiment. Out of the 600 men stationed here only 80 were on drill a few afternoons since. Yesterday there were not more than 200 on dress parade.

The Nashville Christian Advo-

cate, referring to the report which the Independent makes, that our church has lost 24,320 members during the year 1898, says that the Independent reported the number too high in 1897 by 20,513, so that, correcting its own figures, the Independent should report but 3,807 loss. There is no reason as yet, however, to report a loss at all, as all the figures for the year are not yet in.

Dr. R. N. Price, at Trinidad, Cuba, writes Bishop Candler that he is ready to preach one sermon every Sabbath while in pay of the government as chaplain, without expense to the Missionary Board, if he can only be furnished a preaching place and an interpreter. Bishop Candler is calling for contributions for the Cuba work.

## Educational Notes.

The Georgia legislature has reduced the public school fund \$200,000 for each year, and cut down the appropriation for the State University \$14,000. The State normals will receive less, but the College of Technology gets an extra appropriation of \$10,000.

Harvard University has 3,879 students in all of its schools, 524,700 volumes in its library, and \$44,275 available for scholarships.

Last year New York spent \$29,575,938 on the 1,168,994 children and 25,851 teachers in the public schools.

Geo. D. Armour, a graduate of Princeton University, has recently given \$10,000 for a classical department in the university library, and will for three years give \$2,700 annually to support the department.

The University of Minnesota will confer a diploma upon those students who complete the course in dairying. Every year 50 to 100 students finish the course, and since its establishment in 1892 the State has made unusual advancement in dairying interests. This is education adapted to the needs of an agricultural community.

Mrs. Hearst is perfecting plans for the entire rebuilding of the University of California.

Mrs. C. P. Huntington of New York has given Pres. Booker T. Washington the money to build a girl's dormitory for his Industrial Institute at Tuskegee, Alabama.

Mr. A. J. Beveridge, the recently elected senator from Indiana, is only thirty-six years old. A farmer's boy, he worked his way through De Pauw University. He won first honor in both state and interstate oratorical contests. The Review of Reviews observes: "These laurel-winners in the Mississippi Valley collegiate oratorical contests have been coming to the front in a striking manner in politics. It is enough to mention such men as LaFollette, of Wisconsin, Dolliver, of Iowa, and W. J. Bryan, of Illinois and Nebraska."

On the commission just appointed to study the situation in the Philippines are two college profes-

sors: J. G. Schurman, president of Cornell, and D. C. Worcester, of the University of Michigan.

Martin Luther has said that no one can ever sufficiently remunerate the industrious and pious teacher who faithfully educates children.

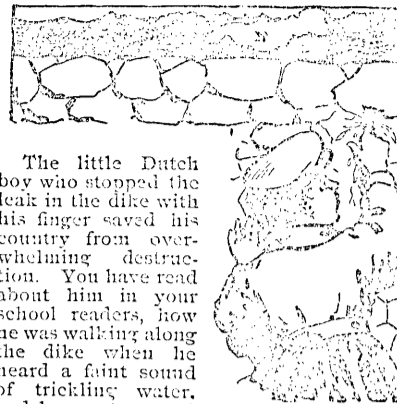
Andrew Carnegie proposes to give \$250,000 for a public library building at Washington, D. C., if congress will furnish a site and afterwards maintain the library.

The M. E. Church (North) has 230 institutions of learning, with property and endowments amounting to \$28,000,000, and 47,000 students. The requirements of the University Senate are being faithfully applied by the Board of Education. This work is greatly elevating the standard of scholarship in Methodist colleges.

## The Nation's Curse.

The liquor laws of the District of Columbia, strange as it may appear, provide no penalty to prevent brewers selling beer by the keg on Sunday, and the result is a large traffic in small kegs and much Sunday drunkenness. A minister, in a recent communication to the Commissioners, said that a single brewery had sold to men and boys, on one Sunday, two hundred kegs of beer. At the request of the Commissioners, Representative Curtis, of Iowa, has introduced a bill in the House imposing a penalty of not less than \$250 and not more than \$500 upon any brewer, or dealer, or agent, for each sale or delivery of any intoxicating liquor in the District of Columbia on Sunday. Such a law is badly needed, and it is to be hoped that Congress will promptly pass the bill, but, owing to the pressure of other matters and the short time remaining of the session, it is by no means certain that it will do so.

The adoption of an amendment to the Hull army bill, which was passed by the House of Representatives last week, that will abolish the army "canteens" will be good news to the thousands who have joined in the many memorials asking for their abolishment that have been from time to time sent to Congress by Christian, temperance, and reform organizations. The amendment was offered by Representative Johnson, of North Dakota, and was adopted without a division and without a word being spoken against it. The amendment reads: "That no officer or private soldier shall be detailed to sell intoxicating drinks, as a bartender or otherwise, in any post exchange or canteen, nor can any other person be required or allowed to sell such liquors in any encampment or fort or on any premises used for military purposes by the U. S." The presence of this amendment will add to those who will hope for speedy action upon this bill by the Senate. While a few army officers have expressed themselves in favor of the "Canteen," hundreds of officers have condemned it, and the evidence is overwhelming that it has done much harm and no good.



The little Dutch boy who stopped the leak in the dike with his finger saved his country from overwhelming destruction. You have read about him in your school readers, how he was walking along the dike when he heard a faint sound of trickling water, and knew at once that a leak had sprung in that great embankment which saves Holland from the devastations of the hungry sea. It was early in the night, and no one was near at hand. The leak was small when he found it, but he knew that the action of the water would enlarge it long before morning, and wash away the entire embankment, inundate the country and destroy his own and thousands of homes. So he bravely put his finger in the crevasse, and kept it there all the long night through, until help came and the opening was properly stopped. He had saved his country.

Equally insignificant is the entrance of disease into the human system. The beginnings of the most terrible ailments are so small they can be easily stopped at the start. Your health is a dike which keeps out and stops the inroads of dangerous and devastating disease. Whenever it breaks down, no matter how slightly, there is an opening for disease to enter. If the opening is not watched, it will grow larger, until the sweep of disease overwhelms you, and health and perhaps life is destroyed forever.

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Some Suggestions.

BY W. P. WHALEY.

To the Board of Trustees of the Little Rock Annual Conference:

At the session of the Little Rock Conference, held at Camden in 1896, seven brethren were appointed to constitute a board of trustees for the Little Rock Conference. At the next Conference, held at Pine Bluff, this board reported its organization, incorporation and the adoption of a constitution. The following is the important part of that constitution:

"We, J. E. Godbey, J. R. Moore, C. E. Pattillo, James Thomas, T. M. Mehaffy, F. M. Goar and W. C. Ratcliffe, and our successors, desire to form a corporation, and for that purpose do adopt the following constitution:

First. The name of said corporation shall be, The Board of Trustees of the Little Rock Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Second. The object of said corporation shall be to receive, hold and administer any and all moneys, funds and property, real and personal, that may from time to time come into its hands by donation, gift, devise, bequest or otherwise, for any of the uses, purposes and needs of the Little Rock Conference, particularly, funds and property for the use and benefit of superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of deceased preachers of said conference.

Third. Said Board is authorized to invest or place at interest any and all funds that may come into its hands for the use and benefit of the said conference, and shall make a full and complete report of its acts and doings in that behalf to the annual meetings of the said Little Rock Conference for its approval, showing disposition of the interest and funds so received, provided always, the Board shall carry out the wishes of the donors of said funds or property."

The Conference took this good step in the right direction in search for an adequate support of our conference claimants. There has been a long and painful pause. Nothing has been found. I think the action has not been made sufficiently public. Our people have not been made to think about it. We must think, and we must act.

There are fifty claimants upon the conference fund, and this list must grow considerably in the next few years. The little sum we apportion among them at conference is merely sufficient to keep them in poverty.

Most of our active preachers receive appointments to comfortable homes. Thank God for this great improvement in most of our charges. Even our districts are generally provided with a good home for the P. E. So, whatever else we may look for, we expect a home for ourselves, our wives and our little ones.

Not so with our superannuates and widows. To announce to a

**EASYGOING PEOPLE**

Those who disregard early indications of disease.



The progress of catarrh is frequently gradual. Chronic catarrh secures possession without the knowledge of its victim.

It has become so common to say, "Everybody has a little catarrh" that many easy going people pay slight attention to it. Yet no class of disease is so difficult to shake off.

Many people well advanced in years find themselves in the toils of catarrh. Mr. and Mrs. Collum, of Giddings, Tex., found help in Pe-ru-na. Mr. Collum's letter follows: Pe-ru-na Medicine Co., Columbus, O.

DEAR SIR:—"I think your Pe-ru-na is the best medicine I ever tried for catarrh. I have tried all the catarrh medicines that I could hear of and none of them did any good until I tried yours. I and my wife have both used the Pe-ru-na and Man-a-lin, and we are about well. I am 70 years old and my wife is 66. When we commenced to take your medicines we were not able to see after our work, but now she can tend to her work and I see after my farm. You can use this publicly if you want to."—A. P. Collum, Giddings, Tex.

worn-out preacher that he is given a superannuated relation is mildly to tell him that he is turned out of house and home—it is to say to him, "We can no longer use you nor shelter you." When a preacher's wife sees her husband laid in the grave, she not only sees the little income cut off, she hears the gentle voice of her church saying, "Get out of this house and seek the charity of your kin, or make any other shift you can."

A large part of the money received from the conference is used by these claimants to pay rent for a shelter.

Why not secure parsonages for our superannuates and our widows, as we do for our active men? How?

Well, the Board of Trustees must answer that; but I may suggest:

First. Let the whole church get interested in this as in any other worthy cause.

Second. Some of our aid societies and Home Mission societies need some such work.

Third. Men of means and heart should make donations for this purpose.

Fourth. The Joint Board of Finance might appropriate a percent of the amount collected for conference claimants. This might seem like robbing at first, but it would pay a large interest soon. This ought not to be necessary, and I wish that it may not be.

Fifth. Some of our superannuates could do much toward arousing interest in this work. They know how parsonages are built. They were the moving spirits in

such while in the active service.

These parsonages should be located in communities selected or approved by the Board of Trustees. The title should be in them. Of course, they would be distributed over the conference. They should be near railroads, within easy reach of live churches, and convenient to good schools. There might be a little farm land in connection with some of them. With a home and a little piece of land, some of these conference beneficiaries could save rent, make part of their own support, and be happier.

Sometimes a preacher needs only a year of rest; but to desist from the pastorate, means to be without a place to lay his head. So he drags on, doing poor service for the church, and killing himself, until he comes prematurely to the grave. If he could receive an appointment to one of these quiet, comfortable homes, rest a year from the strain of pastoral labors, and change his occupation for a livelihood, he might go back into the conference at the end of the time, a new man, good for many years.

I think something like this arrangement would meet a great need. It does not seem at all impracticable. Moreover, it accords perfectly with the constitution of the Board of Trustees.

**WASHINGTON CONQUERED**

Grip Takes the City In Its Iron Grasp.

Government Machinery Almost at a Standstill.—Enormous Percentage of Employees Stricken with La-Grippe.—Capitol at the Mercy of the Plague.

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## Out of the Current.

DEAR DR. GODBEY—I read with interest your editorial on the "Movement of the Current." Your exhibit of the progress (?) of the St. Louis, S. W. Missouri, Arkansas and White River Conferences was not very encouraging. I wondered that you left out the Little Rock Conference, and decided it was because it was so far from St. Louis, so I made a personal investigation about the Little Rock Conference, and decided there was another reason: Little Rock is not in the current.

In 1876 the Little Rock Conference had sixty-four pastoral charges, which paid the preachers in charge, \$19,783 62, an average to each preacher of \$309.25, or \$1.33 per capita of the membership. In 1898, 106 pastoral charges paid the pastors \$42,535 53, an average to each of \$401.28, or \$1.71 per capita, an increase in twenty-two years of 30 per cent on the average of the preachers' salaries, and of 29 per cent on the per capita contribution.

Furthermore, there were, in the Little Rock Conference in 1876, but twenty-one parsonages, valued at \$18,000, and in 1898 there were eighty-eight parsonages, valued at \$38,500, an increase in twenty-two years of 315 per cent in number, and 210 per cent in value of parsonages. This represents in house rent so much increase in the preachers' salaries.

Yet further, in 1876 there was in the Little Rock Conference, nothing at all collected or appropriated for Domestic Missions. In 1882, the collection for Domestic Missions was \$762.80; in 1883 it was \$1,144; in 1884, it was \$1,311 25; in 1894, it was \$2,411.23, but in 1898, it was \$2,754.66.

The Conference collection in 1876 was \$1,448 05; in 1898, it was \$3,279.50, an increase of 127 per cent in twenty-two years. The increase in membership is 107 per cent.

J. H. RIGGIN.

## Galloway College, and Galloway Day.

Barring all the past, only to say it is grand and glorious—even the burning—let us listen at the call for our new Galloway, and like the true men and women we are, in the Jonesboro District, be naught but at our best to aid in this supreme work. To see Galloway up, on her feet, and going again, is to see the crown for our young womanhood, and every girl who has, and who may go out from her classic walls, and true to her instructions, will be a sparkling diamond therein. Brethren, sisters, laymen, my countrymen, let us raise \$1,000 for this school on the 12th of March. Aye, listen! I will be one of 5,000 to give \$2 apiece on that day. How many in the district who will give \$5 apiece? The thing is a possibility for that day. What say Helena, Batesville and Searcy? What say the districts of Little Rock and the Arkansas Conferences? There are

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JAS. F. JERNIGAN.

## A Service of Humiliation and Prayer.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1899.

All the Woman's Home Mission organizations in the United States of America, have agreed to observe the 23d instant in humble, earnest prayer for the cause of Christ in our land.

A common program has been adopted. Should the state of the weather in any locality prevent the attendance upon the public meeting, let each observe the day privately. Let united, importunate prayer ascend for the outpouring of the Spirit.

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## Quarterly Meetings.

NEWPORT DISTRICT, second round, J. I. Maynard, P. E.

March—Black Rock and Imboden, 4-5; Powhatan and Portia, 5-6; Albia circuit, 11-12; Portia circuit, 18-19; Smithville circuit, 25-26.

April—Tuckerman circuit, 1-2; Knobel circuit, 8-9; Reyno circuit, 15-16; Mammoth Spring station, 22-23; Walnut Hill circuit, 29-30.

May—Siloam circuit, 6-7; Pocahontas circuit, 13-14; Walnut Ridge and Corns, 20-21; Gainesville circuit, 27-28.

June—Oil Trough circuit, 3-4; Jacksonport circuit, 10-11; Newport station, 17-18.

CAMDEN DISTRICT, second round, R. R. Moore, P. E.

March—Fordyce station, 4-5; Buckner circuit, 11-12; Magnolia station, 18-19; Eldorado circuit, 25-26.

April—Junction City station, 1-2;

Stephens and Waldo, 8-9; Camden station, 15-16; New Lewisville circuit, 22-23; Atlanta circuit, 29-30.

May—Eldorado station, 6-7; Camden circuit, 13-14; Bearden and Thornton, 20-21; Hampton circuit, 27-28.

June—Harmony Grove circuit, 3-4; Lapile circuit, 10-11; Genoa circuit, 17-18; Onachita circuit, 24-25.

JONESBORO DISTRICT, second round, Jas. F. Jernigan, P. E.

March—Jonesboro station, Nettleton and North Jonesboro station, 4-5; St. Francis circuit, 8; Boydsville circuit, 11-12; Paragould circuit, 18-19; Paragould station, 19-20; Big Bay circuit, 25-26.

April—Marked Tree circuit, 1-2; Marion circuit, 8-9; Crawfordsville circuit, 11; Cherry Valley, 15-16; Harrisburg circuit, 18; Shiloh circuit, 22-23; Lorado circuit, 24; Trinity circuit, 29-30.

May—Blythesville circuit, 6-7; Luxora circuit, 13-14; Osceola circuit, 14-15; Golden Lake circuit, 20-21; Buffalo Island circuit, 27-28.

Brethren: This arrangement may not suit you all, but I have done my best to do so. When you all have been P. E.s once, you will understand this thing as you do not now. When Methodism learns her lesson well enough to quit operating her districts on week days, except Saturdays and Mondays, then I, or any other P. E., can do better. No P. E. should have more than twelve pastoral charges. Then he could visit the country appointments Saturday and Sunday, as in olden times, and the stations Sunday and Monday. Is it a high crime for a P. E. to be with his books and boys for four days out of each week? Is his work of so little value that he is not needed only to hold a quarterly conference? If so, he can be done away with entirely. Then our itinerant system goes, and we come to the Saturday and Sunday service without a P. E., or to the Sunday and Monday meeting with no P. E. Furthermore, the local preacher will be known among us but a few years more. And the door he has gone out at, is wide open, with no one in it but modern evangelists. Here is where they have come in, and unless some regularly authorized minister is put in this breach, we are hopelessly doomed at this point. I have a paper in my mind on this, and a "Prayerless Priesthood," that I want to put under the public eye in the near future. I am going to assert that we have "a prayerless priesthood" in our pulpits today, and if it requires such testimony to establish it as personal mention it shall come. We are ailing just here, as sure as we read these lines. This does not apply to any one it does not apply to, either in this or any other district. May God help us all to be distinctively Methodist preachers and cling to the old paths, customs, usages and doctrines; then, and not till then, will the conditions be such as God can bless or will bless. Your fellow laborer,  
JAS. F. JERNIGAN.

DARDANELLE DISTRICT, second round, J. M. Cantrell, P. E.

February—London circuit at London, 18-19; Lamar and Knoxville at Lamar, 19-20; Clarksville, 25-26.

March—Walnut Tree circuit at Shark, 4-5; Danville circuit at Danville, 5-6; Apploton circuit, 11-12; Dardanelle circuit at Oak Grove, 18-19; Dardanelle station, 19-20; Altus circuit at Altus, 25-26.

April—Ozark circuit at Lone Elm, 1-2; Coal Hill circuit at Mt. Zion, 8-9; Gravelly circuit at Brush Creek, 12-13; Rover circuit at Briggsville, 15-16; Clarkville circuit, 21-22; Ozark station, 22-23; Prairie View circuit at Elizabeth Hall, 29-30.

MOREHILL DISTRICT, second round, P. B. Summers, P. E.

February—Springfield circuit at Harris Chapel, 25-26.

March—Cleveland mission at Center Point, 4-5; Russellville station, 11-12; Atkins circuit at Pleasant Grove, 18-19; Quitman and Goodloe, 25-26.

April—Quitman circuit at Pleasant Hill, 1-2; Morganton mission, 8-9; Clinton circuit at Scotland, 15-16; Plummersville circuit at Oak Grove, 22-23; Morrilton station, 23-24; Perryville circuit at Dixie, 29-30.

May—Martinville circuit, 6-7; Conway mission, 13-14; Conway station,

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14-15; Aplin mission at Aplin, 20-21; Ada circuit, 27-28.

June—Mt. Vernon circuit, 3-4.

HARRISON DISTRICT, second round, Pierce Merrill, P. E.

March—Valley Springs circuit at King's Prairie, 4-5; Lead Hill circuit at Lone Cherry, 11-12; Harrison circuit at Mt. Zion, 18-19; Carrollton circuit at Black-jack school house, 25-26.

April—Green Forest circuit at Rulo, 1-2; Berryville circuit at Pleasant Valley, 8-9; Euroka Springs station, 9-10; War Eagle mission at War Eagle, 15-16; Harrison station, 22-23; Yellville station, 30 and May 1.

May—Mountain Home station, 6-7; Mountain Home circuit at Rockdale, 13-14; Lone Rock mission, 20-21; Leslie circuit, 27-28.

June—Hackler Grove mission, 3-4; Kingston circuit, 10-11.

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Literary Table.

An Appeal.

By Bishop Charles B. Galloway, President of the Board of Education.

As President of the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, I make special and earnest appeal in behalf of the Twentieth Century Education Fund, for which the General Conference gave authority and made provision. The close of an eventful century and the hopeful morning of a new furnish a happy opportunity for our great Methodism to make a monumental thank-offering to God. Mighty things have been wrought during the past one hundred years under a favoring and guiding providence that call for public and grateful recognition. The wilderness and the solitary place have been glad, while the desert has been made to rejoice and blossom as the rose. The little company has become a great army. The cloud, no larger than a man's hand, has overcast the heavens, and rained its life-giving blessings upon the whole land. We have seen "the glory of the Lord, and the excellency of our God." Surely we have occasion for profound and unceasing gratitude.

And then we are facing a mighty future. A new century of marvelous opportunity is ready to dawn. Its imperative demands call for deeper consecration and better equipment for service. To secure such preparation is the divine significance of this timely movement. As to its broad scope and the high purpose which inspired it the reader is referred to the admirable report adopted by the General Conference and published in all our connectional journals. That report wisely suggests that "preparation for our work in the twentieth century should begin with a great re-enforcement of our educational strongholds, literary and theological." Too much emphasis cannot be placed upon this statesmanlike and apostolic suggestion. We cannot do the work of the twentieth century with the crude implements and inadequate equipment of the nineteenth. These were sufficient for the exigencies of the past, but cannot cope with the emergencies and tremendous responsibilities of the future.

During the session of the first Ecumenical Methodist Conference, which met in City Road Chapel in 1881, the London Times paid generous tribute to the rapid and splendid progress of Methodism, but raised a question as to its "staying power." In my judgment, the only successful answer to that solemn question of a friendly critic is to be found in Methodism's well organized and thoroughly equipped institutions of Christian learning. If it is to live and grow as a distinct and mighty ecclesiastical and spiritual organization in the world; if it is not to pass on as a simple, revival influence affecting the life of other great Churches—the conserving and reproducing forces of education must receive intelligent and increased attention.

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The aggressive power of Methodism is in a divinely called and Spirit-baptized itinerant ministry. Its "staying power" is in the Christian schools, where youth is carefully and religiously fitted both for life and eternal life.

The material strengthening of our educational institutions is an immediate and imperative need. I do not believe the General Conference overstated the serious fact in saying that "in all cases it is important that we advance; or abandon the field altogether."

It is proposed, therefore, to raise \$1,500,000 for the educational work of the Church. Of this amount, seventy-five per cent will be retained in the several Annual Conferences for such application as they may order; and the balance, after deducting expenses of the canvass, shall be devoted to the endowment of the theological department of Vanderbilt University.

Plans for a thorough canvass of the entire Church will be perfected as soon as possible by the General Board of Education; but if the movement in its successful issue is to be any approximate expression of the Church's gratitude to God and any adequate preparation for the exacting duties and awful responsibilities of the portentous future, the whole connection must rally to its support. For such sympathy and help I make earnest entreaty.

The co-operation of all Conference Boards of Education is invited. The Annual Conferences, with remarkable unanimity, and not a few with marked cordiality, have indorsed this "forward movement" in Christian education. They expect their pastors and local boards to carry out this heartily expressed approval of the Twentieth Century Fund. Early and thorough organization is advised. Sow down the Conferences with literature, and see to it that sermons and addresses on Christian education are delivered in every Church.

Some, notably the Louisville Conference Board, have already taken action, voluntarily assuming even more than their proportion of the proposed \$1,500,000. This evidences intelligent and conscientious interest, that must command the largest success.

We only need concerted and well-directed effort to make this

movement the grandest epoch in Southern Methodism.

Much depends upon the Conference Secretary of Education. He should magnify his office by an active, aggressive leadership and a comprehensive grasp of the mighty work to be accomplished.

Able men, thoroughly furnished for such high service, will be secured to aid in the canvass as the needs of different sections seem to require. To some honored brethren who have already agreed to engage in this work of love I am most grateful.

But upon the pastors rests most heavily the success of this movement. What they ordain will surely come to pass. If active and urgent, their people will freely give; if unappreciative and inattentive, their pastoral charges will make meager or no reports. The preacher in our Methodism is the key to every situation, the determining factor in every equation, the condition of every success or failure. My earnest appeal, therefore, is to the noble men who stand next the people, and to whom they look for instruction and leadership. If their hearts are thoroughly enlisted in this magnificent movement, we may at once rejoice in a victory already assured. I would solicit every pastor to at once begin to lay plans for a systematic canvass of his charge, with the purpose of securing at least an average of one dollar per member as a special thank offering for Christian education. Of course some wealthy churches will increase this amount a hundredfold and more.

To pastors, presiding elders, teachers, editors, connectional officers, and lay members I appeal for hearty and continued co-operation. And out of this widespread educational quickening I pray there may come throughout the connection a great spiritual awakening, that will demonstrate, as in the early days, the converting and sanctifying power of a God "mighty to save." Thus will the movement in behalf of the Twentieth Century Fund result in a better and larger spiritual equipment with which to meet twentieth century opportunities and responsibilities.

From our Bishops.

To the Ministers and Members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Dear Brethren: The General Conference, at its late session in Baltimore, Md., by a unanimous vote passed resolutions in favor of raising a Twentieth Century Education Fund to commemorate the signal blessings of God upon our Church during the past one hundred years. The minimum amount suggested as an appropriate thank offering, on the morning of the new century, is \$1,500,000. This surely is a modest sum to be given by a million and a half Southern Methodists. We desire, as your Chief Pastors, to earnestly commend this most important and timely movement. It is eminently fitting that we should celebrate the birth of a new century of opportunity by generous offerings to

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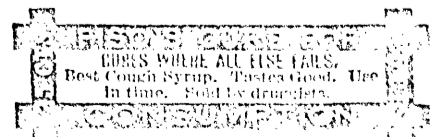
the great educational work of our Church. The General Board of Education is perfecting plans for a thorough canvass of the connection in this interest. We would affectionately urge you to cordially co-operate with these efforts and thereby make sure the largest success of this noble enterprise. The General Conference has placed this matter before the Church as of chiefest concern. It is suggested, therefore, that local or other connectional enterprises should not be allowed to give this Twentieth Century Fund a secondary or unimportant place. In addition to the regular tithes we bring to the church let this be a special and liberal thank-offering. By a re-consecration of ourselves, soul, body, and substance, to the Lord, we may make this connectional movement monumental, and provide ampler equipment for nobler work during the next century of wider opportunity and greater responsibility.

- JOHN C. KEENER,
- JOHN C. GRANBERY,
- ROBERT K. HARGROVE,
- WILLIAM W. DUNCAN,
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- EUGENE R. HENDRIX,
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Owing to the absence of Bishop Wilson from the country his signature could not be procured.

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## The Sunday School.

PREPARED BY REV. J. A. ANDERSON.

FEBRUARY 26, 1899.

Christ at the Feast.

JOHN vii. 14-28-37.

Golden Text. "If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink." (Verse 37.)

Topical Outline. I. The Self-Assertion of Jesus to the People (Verses 28-31.) II. The Self-Assertion of Jesus to the Officers. (Verse 32-36.) III. The Great Invitation. (Verse 37.)

Time.—October, A. D. 28.

Place.—In the temple at Jerusalem.

The scene of our last lesson was in Galilee and Gaulonitis. The time of it was in the month of April. The time of this lesson was in the following October. John tells us very little of what happened in this interim. The latter part of the sixth chapter details how the multitudes fell away from Jesus, and shows that the faith of the Galileans was not of a sort that tied them on to the Master. After this came the journey to the northwest, into the land of Phoenicia, a sad journey, alone with the Twelve. Then came the return from this journey through Decapolis, with the second multiplication of loaves and fishes, the return to the western shore of the lake, and then the trip to the region of Caesarea Philippi, where the transfiguration took place. But John's narrative does not follow up the history of these matters. He says in general terms that Jesus sojourned still in Galilee, because he could not go down to Jerusalem, on account of the opposition to him there.

However, the feast of Tabernacles was drawing nigh, and as Jesus had not attended either the feast of the Passover or the feast of Pentecost that year, and as every Jew was supposed to attend one of the three great feasts each year, the disciples felt assured that he would go to this feast of the Tabernacles. Besides, they were annoyed at his delay in proclaiming himself as the Messiah, and began to urge him with the argument that if he desired to get himself recognized he ought to go and get it done. This reveals the fact that his brethren's faith was of a piece with that of other Galileans.

Jesus waives their desire to have him go up and manifest himself to the world, assigning as a reason the fact that "the world" hated him, meaning by the world what they had also meant—the authorities at Jerusalem through whom the world was supposed to come to a knowledge of him. Our Lord knew that he would be expected to go to this feast, that he would be looked for there by the authorities, and he desired to forestall any arrangements they might make to apprehend him on finding him in any of the crowds of pilgrims that might arrive. So he would go privately.

The first knowledge the Jews at Jerusalem had of him was when he

appeared boldly in the temple teaching the people, where his teaching was exciting various comments. The opposition took two distinct forms: 1st. They challenged the sources of his information as a teacher. 2nd They challenged the origin of Jesus himself, and said that no prophet could come out of Galilee. Against the first of these challenges, Jesus pointed out that their difficulty about receiving his teachings (is it not also the difficulty of men in every age who reject them?) was that they lacked a genuine aspiration to do good; that if they had even earnestly believed Moses, they would have experienced no difficulty in believing him, for they were aroused there at Jerusalem because on his last visit he had healed a man on the Sabbath, whereas Moses had put the observance of the rite of circumcision above the observance of the Sabbath, circumcision being as it was the symbol of salvation.

As to his origin, he would say, You know whence I am, you know one side of the matter, the other you do not know. It is true that I came not out of any of your schools, nevertheless I came from one who had the right to commission me; him you know not, but I know him, for I am from him.

As he taught the people there was a movement of faith toward him, and when the Pharisees saw this they immediately convened a session of the sanhedrin in the hall near at hand, and officers were sent to arrest him. This was the first overt act on the part of the sanhedrin, and may be regarded as the beginning of that judicial course which culminated in his death. Meanwhile Jesus began to say to the people that his time with them was short, that he would soon go whither they could not follow, and it was necessary therefore for them to hasten in the making up of their minds. At this some sneered at him saying, Will he, who has not gotten himself accepted here among his own people turn to the Dispersion and to the Gentiles? A pretty Messiah that!

On the last day of the feast, Jesus threw off the apologetic tone that had marked his addresses and boldly proclaimed himself as the fountain of living waters.

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A Missionary Church.

ACTS xiii:1-3.

The plan of a great mission to the gentiles developed in the church at Antioch.

For this several reasons plainly appear.

The church at Antioch was cosmopolitan. There was a mingling of Jews and proselytes of the gate in its converts. The conflict which Christianity had there with heathen doctrines made the learned Saul of Tarsus a most effective preacher among the people, and suggested the work for which he was qualified. It was already known that to Peter it had been revealed in the case of Cornelius that salvation was also for the gentiles. Also to Saul at Jerusalem. Before this the Spirit had said, "I will send thee far hence, among the gentiles."

Another most important fact is, that the missionary movement grew out of the faith and zeal which were developed in a great revival. Fully under the sway of the spirit of Christianity, and praying for guidance, the Holy Ghost said unto them, "Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work wher unto I have called them."

Mark that there is no casting of lots, no suggestion of doubt or uncertainty. The conviction came clearly upon the church that the gospel should be sent abroad, and that Barnabas and Saul should be the bearers thereof.

Two things are needed for the preacher—the spirit and guidance of God; the appointment of the church. For the first, they fasted and prayed that it might be given; for the second "they laid their hands on them," to tell to all that by church authority and appointment they were sent upon their mission.

There is a folly and error which has often been propagated by men claiming to be called of God to the ministry, in assuming to be above the church. The impression or judgment of one man, no matter how sincere and pure in purpose, is not to be set against the united judgment of other men equally earnest in God's cause. If one respects the fact of consecration to God in himself, he must respect it also in others. If men, standing together upon a worldly plane, respect the judgment of majorities, the same must still hold true if men are placed upon a spiritual plane.

There is a commonwealth of be-

lievers, and among the people of God the same rules of government still apply as in States and societies. This is the dictate of wisdom and the teaching of the word of God.

The church has authority both for guidance and discipline. "If he will not hear them, tell it to the church; if he will not hear the church, let him be unto thee as an heathen man and a publican." As for Paul, though the Spirit had already revealed that his mission was to the gentiles, he waited till the church sent him forth.

Our Washington correspondent says: "This is Epworthian week with Washington church goers, and especially with the Methodists, who furnish a majority of the members of the organization. The general cabinet of the Epworth League met in Washington today, to consider Epworthian business. The membership of the cabinet is, President, Bishop Ninde, of Detroit; Vice-Presidents, Rev. W. I. Haven, of Brooklyn; Rev. E. M. Hillis, of Elmira; Prof. R. R. Doherty, of New York; Mr. John H. Patten, of Chattanooga; General Secretary, Dr. E. A. Schell, of Chicago; Treasurer, Mr. C. E. Piper, of Chicago; Rev. J. F. Berry, of Chicago, editor of the Epworth Herald, the official organ of the league; German Secretary, Rev. F. L. Nagler, of Cincinnati; Secretary for Colored Conferences, Rev. I. G. Penn, of Ga. A grand rally of Epworthians was held at the Metropolitan M. E. Church this evening, when Dr. Schell installed the new district officers, and other members of the cabinet delivered stirring addresses."

### League at Princeton.

Our pastor, Bro. Few, organized an Epworth League at Princeton, Wednesday night, January 25, with fifteen members: The following officers were elected: Robt. K. Higgs, president; Miss Jessie Few, 1st vice-president; Miss India Lea, 2d vice-president, Mr. Isaac W. Holmes, 3d vice-president; Miss Nannie Lea, treasurer; Miss Lota Mallett, secretary.

### Bishop Fitzgerald "Exhorts."

Your probation, Dr. DuBose, as our Epworth Editor is passed. Up to this date your success has been marked. Everybody has a good word for you. If you love such things, your face ought to be as bright as was the New Year's issue of the Epworth Era. If compliments counted, your subscription list would already have climbed to an altitude that would make you dizzy. But actual subscribers are worth more than mere good wish-

es; cash is better than mere compliments. Therefore, beloved Leaguers, while you do not withhold the kind words, let your action speak louder than your words. That is to say. Send in at once long lists of subscribers with the cash. The editor can not do your part and his, too. He is making a superb paper—give him a superb backing. The figure to be reached is 50,000. If all that ought to be in the League were in it, and all in it would work for it, the next New Year's issue would be a jubilee number. Why not? What say you all?

O. P. FITZGERALD.

There is no joy in this world equal to the happiness of motherhood: A woman's health is her dearest possession. Good looks, good times, happiness, love and its continuance, depend on her health. Almost all of the sickness of women is traceable directly or indirectly to some derangement of the organs distinctly feminine. Troubles of this kind are often neglected because a very natural and proper modesty keeps women away from a physician, whose insistence upon examination and local treatment is generally as useless as it is common. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription will do more for them than 99 doctors in 100. It will do more than the hundredth doctor can unless he prescribes it. It is a prescription of Dr. R. V. Pierce, who for 30 years has been chief consulting physician of the World's Dispensary and Invalids' Hotel, at Buffalo, N. Y.

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### Warning Order.

In the Pulaski Circuit Court.  
Little Rock Ice Company, plaintiff, vs. William Low, defendant.  
The defendant, William Low, is warned to appear in this court within thirty days, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff, Little Rock Ice Company.  
HORACE G. DALE, Clerk.  
January 23, 1899.  
J. G. Dunaway, attorney ad litem.

### Warning Order

In Pulaski Chancery Court.  
Tillie Overholt, Plaintiff, vs. Charles Overholt, Defendant.  
The Defendant, Charles Overholt, is warned to appear in this court within thirty days, and answer the complaint of the Plaintiff, Tillie Overholt.  
CHAS. M. CONNER, Clerk.  
By WILL H. BASS, D. C.  
February 7, 1899.  
Dodge, Johnson, Carroll & Pemberton, Solicitors for Plaintiff

### Warning Order.

State of Arkansas. } ss.  
In the Supreme Court. }  
Hebe G. Grimes, Appellant, vs. F. C. Prest and J. H. McHugh, Appellees.  
Appeal from Jackson Circuit Court in Chancery.  
The appellee, F. C. Prest, is warned to appear in this court within thirty days, and defend this cause.  
P. D. ENGLISH, Clerk.  
January 24, 1899.

### Warning Order.

State of Arkansas. } ss.  
In the Supreme Court. }  
J. L. Cooke & Co., Appellants, vs. Edna R. Clausen et al. Appellees.  
Appeal from Crittenden Circuit Court in Chancery.  
Bonnie Reed and Edward Clausen, non-residents of Arkansas, are warned to appear in this court within thirty days and show cause why this cause should not be revived against them, as only heirs of Edna R. Clausen, deceased, and defend this cause.  
P. D. ENGLISH, Clerk.  
January 23, A. D. 1899

### Warning Order

State of Arkansas. } ss.  
In the Supreme Court. }  
Richard Towell and John Thompson, Appellants, vs. The heirs of W. W. Eiter, deceased, Appellees.  
Appeal from Crittenden Circuit Court.  
The minor heirs of W. W. Eiter, deceased, Mary Shotwell Nathan Shotwell, Ralph S. Shotwell, Maggie Sue Shotwell, Geo. F. Omohundro, Frank F. Omohundro, Blanche Omohundro, Howard Omohundro, Annie E. Omohundro and Minnie L. Omohundro, non-residents of the State of Arkansas are warned to appear in this cause within thirty days and show cause why this suit should not be revived against them, and defend said cause.  
P. D. ENGLISH, Clerk.  
January 31, 1899.

ARKANSAS METHODIST

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

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1899.

Little Rock Conference--In the Current.

Doctor Riggin seems to have missed the point in our article, "Movement of the Current," inasmuch as he thinks the Little Rock Conference an exception. We showed that the support of circuit preachers has materially declined in all the conferences referred to, and in the four adjoining conferences, viz: the St. Louis, the Southwest Missouri, the Arkansas and the White River; their salaries have reached the average of only \$274.18. In these conferences are 412 charges, 106 of which are stations. If taken altogether, they might show some advance in the average preacher's salary, because stations have so greatly increased. But we separated between circuits and stations, and showed that on the 306 circuits, salaries had greatly declined.

Now, can we say that salaries are advancing, when we find that they are growing less for three-fourths of all the preachers engaged? Will the circuit preachers take comfort in their own loss in the reflection that there is gain to some? An old lady who went out to kill her Christmas turkey, and found that somebody had taken it from the coop the night before, quietly said, "Well, I'm glad somebody has it." We are afraid our circuit preachers will not take the situation so mildly.

I had not the new Minutes for the Little Rock Conference, and only the old Minutes back to 1890, when I wrote the article. That is the reason the Little Rock Conference was omitted from the exhibit. Having since received the Minutes of this conference, I find that the Little Rock Conference is no exception, but is in the current and drifting rapidly. In 1890 the Little Rock Conference had 77 circuits which paid an average of \$346 salary, and in 1898 it had 85 circuits which paid \$295 average salary. But the stations in 1890 were 20, and average salary \$745, and in 1898 23, with average salary \$750.

The matter with which we are dealing is vital. Preachers and people desire that stations shall be formed as rapidly as expedient. But we have gone beyond expedience in many cases. Most of our members are on circuits. Three-fourths of our preachers serve circuits. To improve the circuits is to solve the great problem of

progress. To move up the circuit is to move the great center column of our church militant.

About the Records.

Our editorials about the records have set many to considering this matter; not only in our own conferences, but elsewhere. It is well. The subject needs to be laid upon every preacher's mind.

MY PART EXPLAINED.

DEAR DOCTOR: You seem to think that our stationed preachers are all right in every particular, and that the circuit preachers are wholly responsible for the decrease in membership as shown in the Minutes. You also say that it is guess work, or that the figures are set back in order to show an increase. I have never had this to do, Doctor. I have been in the ministry five years and have had an increase of not less than fifty either year of the five. And I have consulted both Minutes and church register as Bro. Johnsey did, yet you will find by comparing the Minutes a considerable decrease in membership on DeAnn circuit last year, when I know there was an increase of fifty-one. Why so? Because Minutes and registers do not agree. Why is it that they do not agree? I will explain and you can answer. I was assigned to a work once, and in the first church conference the name of a certain sister was called. I asked where she lived, wanting to pay her a visit or call on her. The brethren told me that her grave was the first that was dug in a large grave-yard which was near the church. She had been dead just twenty years, but the register did not show it. Brother, if you will consult many registers you will find scores of them who have been dead or gone from the country from one to twenty years. I know whereof I speak. I do not think any honest man would set the figures back to show an increase, and I know that such a man should not have a place in the ministry. No, brother, our secretary, J. R. Moore, had studied the matter before saying that the bulk of the conversions were on the circuits. The most enterprising men to be found in our towns and cities were converted on circuits. The most of our leading preachers (myself not included, of course) were converted and called of God to preach on circuits, where evangelists rarely ever go. Brother, let the blame fall where it should until the registers are kept straight, and then the Minutes and registers will bear comparison. As for me, I expect to report from registers until this is done, unless otherwise ordered by my P. E. or the college of Bishops. Is this right or wrong? Please answer. Yours in the work, J. H. McKELVY.

That is just it brother. Your duty is to report as per register. The fact that reports do not agree shows that many do not do that or that registers are not kept. Personal inquiry has brought to my

knowledge the fact, that many preachers have no church register, and some even insist that no record is contemplated in the Discipline, except class records kept by secretaries of church conferences. I think that is just what you found on DeAnn circuit. You say the "registers," and as you use the plural, I suppose you refer to the class records. Unless your predecessor left you a register for the whole charge, kept by himself, the circuit had no church register. That is one of the matters we are raising a row about. The preacher is required to keep a register of the circuit. If he does not there is no church register for that circuit in existence. Class registers are another matter. An old Mississippi P. E. writes on this same subject as follows:

LACK OF CORRECT REGISTERS.

Much trouble and confusion arises from a lack of correct bookkeeping in our church registers. The law of the church requires that two books be kept—one by the secretary of each church in the charge, and one by the pastor for the whole charge. Where this is done there is not much trouble in keeping the books straight. The secretary of the church conference is required to enter the full names of all who join the church on his register, and in chronological order. (See Discipline, paragraph 88.) This book, when correctly kept, ought to be well nigh perfect. The preacher in charge is required to keep a similar register for the whole charge, no matter how many churches, secretaries and church registers there may be in the charge. This is bookkeeping by double entry—one entry by the secretary of each church, and one by the preacher in charge. As to the duty of the preacher in this regard, see paragraph 132. If the secretary's book gets wrong, it can be righted by the pastor's book; or if the pastor's book becomes twisted, it can be corrected by the registers of the several secretaries. This law, requiring the preacher in charge to keep a register, applies to stations, circuits, and missions.

The secretary of each church is required to report to the Quarterly Conference all the statistics which the Discipline requires to be reported to the Annual Conference. From these reports the preacher makes up his report. From all this it would seem that our statistical reports ought to be absolutely correct.

In charges containing more than one organized congregation, the pastor is to record the names on register under the name of each church in his charge. The reason, or reasons, for all of this will be apparent after only a moment's reflection.

The law is so simple, plain and explicit that it looks like it is needless to call attention to it, and yet little experience in the field satisfies one that the law is not known, or is ignored by most secretaries

and by a majority of pastors.—Gilderoy, in New Orleans Christian Advocate.

Democracy is the best form of government for an enlightened and virtuous people, otherwise it is the most unstable and dangerous. Every legislator, therefore, who seeks to be a democrat in maintaining the individual rights and liberties of the people should show himself yet more a democrat in promoting justice, temperance, intelligence and every quality by which the individual citizen is elevated and ennobled. Thereby, only, is the State truly served.

Church Notes.

The M. E. Church has established a Publishing House at Tokio, Japan.

A lady in Mississippi has sent Bishop Galloway a check for \$500 as a contribution to the Centenary Education Fund—the first contribution from that State.

At the late Lambuth Conference, the Bishops of the Church of England found it necessary to condemn certain ritualistic practices which have, for several years past, been gaining currency in public worship. The practices are, use of incense, the use of holy water, the burning of candles before pictures, priestly vestments, and auricular confession. All these practices in the High Church party is a confession that in their view the way of truth is back to Rome.

In looking over some records which we made in 1877, in regard to Protestantism in St. Louis, we find that the figures at that time were as follows:

Methodists, South	1,406
Methodists, North	1,088
Presbyterians, North	3,016
Presbyterians, South	814
Episcopalians	2,046
Congregationalists	940
Baptists	1,373
Total	10,713

We submit these figures to Dr. F. M. Finney. Can he tell us the present numerical strength of all the denominations named? Is Southern Methodism keeping up with the procession in St. Louis?

The Little Rock Conference and the White River Conference of the M. E. Church, South, at their recent session provided committees to plan for the building of an orphanage in the State. The following named committeemen met in the office of the ARKANSAS METHODIST Thursday, to wit: Revs. J. R. Cason, James Thomas, M. M. Smith, W. B. Ricks, E. A. Taber, and Col. George Thornburgh. Papers were drawn for in-



corporating the movement. The trustees will be Revs. J. R. Cason and James Tomas and George Thornburgh, of the Little Rock Conference; M. M. Smith, W. B. Ricks and G. W. Culberhouse, of the White River Conference; Revs. F. S. H. Johnston, Stone-wall Anderson and E. A. Tabor, of the Arkansas Conference. Incorporation papers were drawn by Hon. Thomas M. Mehaffy and were presented to the circuit court Saturday. The permanent officers are Rev. J. R. Cason, president; Rev. W. B. Ricks, secretary, and George Thornburgh, treasurer. Steps will be taken at an early day for the location and building of an orphanage in some town or city that wants it.

#### PREACHER'S MEETING.

There were present at the preacher's meeting Revs. James Thomas, A. O. Evans, Wm. E. Thompson, Frank Moore, of Lonoke, and Godbey.

Bro. Thomas was at Hazen last Sunday; had good service in the morning, but none at night. Reported Bro. Henderson doing good work.

Bro. Moore reported no services Sunday, by reason of the extreme weather. Had dismissed several by letter.

Bro. Thompson reported regular services Sunday. Received two by certificate.

Bro. Watson: no services Sunday by reason of extreme weather but is doing work in relieving the poor and sick.

Bro. Evans reported regular services, but no special results.

Dr. Godbey reported that he sat religiously by the fire.

The side show on Fourth street was discussed and a committee appointed to consult with the Mayor, to take steps to run it out of town. It was represented as a shame to Sodom, "The Midway."

#### NASHVILLE NOTES.

The extreme cold of the week just closing has tested, not only the beneficence of our people, but their business tact and good management. It has also taught some valuable lessons. Two days ago it was publicly announced that the city was in the midst of a coal famine. The dealers were berating the railroads and the mine owners. The famine was upon us as unexpectedly as the cold weather. Many could not get coal for love nor money, but soon all were aroused. The railroad officials came to the rescue. They telegraphed to various points in Kentucky and Virginia, as well as in Tennessee, and today found 75 to 100 car loads here, above the ordinary daily supply, with the assurance of as much more by Monday. To succor the needy, the relief Society has been about and

busy, aided by the city authorities, who have opened the police station, the engine houses and the work-house as places of resort for any suffering from cold. Several churches, too, are kept open and heated. The daily Banner, with its usual enterprise and generosity, has been the medium of collecting several hundred dollars for the poor. The worst is now over, and by energy and enterprise, a very serious situation has been averted. Moral: Those able to do so, should, in summer, lay in their winter supply, and if they will not, the dealers, anyhow, should carry a good reserve. Then, none of us should conclude that because one winter is mild, the next will be. Let us be watchful.

The week has witnessed two horrible tragedies, proclaiming in trumpet tones, the accursed work of whisky. A woman of good family murdered by her husband; a man, while beating his wife, shot dead by his 17-year-old son.

The death, in Cincinnati, of Dr. T. J. Dodd, the eminent scholar and teacher, brings sorrow to many here who knew and loved him while he was a professor in the Vanderbilt University.

Thursday night 7th inst, there passed away one of the old landmarks of Nashville, in the person of Mrs. Jane Ramsey Brown. Mrs. Brown was eighty years of age. Her father, Josiah Nichol, came here in 1809, when Nashville was a small village, and engaged in merchandising. She was a typical representative of the town's early society. Her mother was one of the original six or eight who composed the First Presbyterian Church.

The State Y. M. C. A. met here this week.

Several churches will observe Student's day tomorrow. W. Nashville, Tenn., February 11.

#### Notices.

##### CHANGE OF DATE.

Galloway Day has been changed from 2nd Sunday in March to 2nd Sunday in April.

W. C. RATCLIFFE, President Board of Trustees, Galloway Female College. February 13.

##### NOTICE.

The preacher's meeting for the Monticello District did not come off as announced, owing to bad weather. The meeting is now called for Tuesday night, February 21, to be in session two days, February 22-23. Opening sermon Tuesday night by A. P. Few.

T. D. SCOTT.

##### NOTICE.

The Executive Committee of the Church Extension Board of the Arkansas Conference will meet at the pastor's study, First Church, Fort Smith, at 10 a. m., March 7. Brethren desiring to make application to the Parent Board should send their application to the Secretary, Rev. O. E. Goddard, Fort Smith, Ark., by March 1. Blauks may be secured from the secretary. Fraternally,

J. B. STEVENSON,  
Chairman.

#### BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

The White River Conference Board of Church Extension is required to meet at Newport, March 7, 1899, at the Methodist Church, at 1:30 p. m., for the purpose of organizing and considering applications for aid. As the Church Extension Manual says: "All applications for aid must have the approval of the Conference Board, or its Executive Committee, in a regular meeting in March," and as we are not yet organized, and the committee consists of the officials, therefore, the entire Board will please meet. Bro. Ricks will gladly receive and assist us. Our Board, appointed by Bishop Morrison, is P. B. Wallis, M. B. Umsted, Thos. East, J. H. Clark, A. E. Holloway, A. C. Graham, Geo. Kew, J. L. Howell, John Eidson, Geo. Culberhouse. Brethren, this is part of our work for this year. What our hands find to do, we will do in Jesus' name with all our might. All who have business with the Board may write me before the meeting.

P. B. WALLIS.

Tuckerman.

#### Personal.

Rudyard Kipling arrived at New York from Liverpool on the 2d inst.

Rev. D. H. Colquette visited his flock at Star City last Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. T. O. Owen is expecting a very prosperous year at Malvern Hill, Hot Springs.

Dr. M. B. Chapman has severed his connection with the Central Methodist as its editor.

Rev. R. L. Wozencraft, P. C. of England circuit, is very ill of swamp fever at Hot Springs.

Bishop W. A. Candler will preach the commencement sermon for Millsaps College, Sunday, June 18.

A Texas reader writes us: "You are making a good paper, and considering quality, marvelously cheap."

Rev. S. C. Vinson says: "We have all been sick since the first of December, and three of my family are sick now."

Rev. Thomas J. Dodd, D. D., of Covington, Ky., is under treatment for Bright's Disease, at Christ's Hospital, Cincinnati.

Rev. J. P. Lowry had a successful meeting at Broadway Church, Louisville. Seventy-two persons professed conversion.

Dr. Hunter was to have conducted the funeral of the late ex-Attorney-General A. H. Garland, but bad weather hindered his attendance.

Rev. O. E. Goddard, pastor of First Church, Fort Smith, will make a tour through the Harrison district, during this month, in the interest of missions.

President McKinley has commuted the sentence of Gen. Egan to suspension for six years. This will bring him to the age of retirement and continue his salary.

Rev. F. N. Brewer writes: "Bro. N. J. Cook, a prominent member of our church at Richmond, died on the 7th. He was a devout man. An obituary will follow later."

The Galloway College Board sent

#### The Oil Cure. Thank Heaven for Such Discovery.

I was the victim of cancer. I applied to Dr. R. E. Woodard, of Oil Cure fame at Little Rock, Ark., for relief, in response to a published testimonial, and I thank heaven that I did, for I am now sound and well. I have been well for over eighteen months, and I was not under the Oil Cure treatment but about one month. I first declined giving my name as reference until I was sure that the cancer was not going to return, for my family physician told me that it would likely return in a short time. It has no symptom of ever returning, and I feel free to direct suffering humanity to the Oil Cure. While I was being treated, I saw others being treated with the same results as myself. The treatment is almost painless—did not have to stop my work while under treatment. Thanks for the discovery of the Oil Cure.

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Little Rock Ark.

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Rev. J. R. Cason to see Bishop Galloway in person about making a canvass for the college. The Bishop's note in this paper tells how successful the effort was.

Claude H. Dyer writes that his father, W. H. Dyer, pastor at Paris, Ark., suffered a painful accident on the 6th, whereby he had the end of a finger torn off. The hurt has disabled him for a time.

Revs. M. M. Smith, J. R. Cason, W. B. Ricks, James Thomas and E. A. Tabor were in our office Wednesday. They were present to take part in the organization of the Methodist Orphanage. The officers of the new association are: Rev. J. R. Cason, president; Rev. W. B. Ricks, secretary; Geo. Thornburgh, treasurer.

It is with deep regret that we learn of the death of Mrs. George Thornburgh, the wife of the business manager of the ARKANSAS METHODIST. For two years the writer was Mrs. Thornburgh's pastor, and he knew her as a woman of beautiful Christian character, an earnest church worker and a devoted Methodist. Our sincere sympathies go out to the bereaved husband and daughters.—M. B. Chapman, in Central Methodist.

Christian Life.

"These Light Afflictions"

BY REV. JAMES A. ANDERSON.

The old old clock upon the mantle board  
 Had ticked through many, many weary years.  
 When men had ceased their busy, anxious toil,  
 And beasts of burden took their quiet rest,  
 And insects stilled their restless, fretful wings;  
 When tides rolled in, and when they outward  
 flowed,  
 Through cold, through heat, through wet, through  
 dry,  
 When moons were young, when moons waxed full  
 and bright,  
 When suns hung low, far down in Southern skies,  
 Or poured their rays from zenith's lofty heights—  
 Year in, year out, my faithful clock ticked on;  
 Its ceaseless hands each minute pointed out.  
 Within were heavy weights lying bad borne;  
 But still, without complaint, it ticked away.

When many, many years had passed and gone,  
 It said to me one day, "Take off my weights!  
 Though old I have not murmured hitherto,  
 I've tried to be a faithful clock you know,  
 But Oh, these weights I've borne so long, so long  
 Relieve me now, I'll still my duty do."

I heard its cry with sympathetic ear,  
 I took its weights and flung them quite away.

Returning now, I looked, and lo, my clock,  
 Which had so faithfully been, had ceased its stroke,  
 And sat a dead and nameless useless thing

Ye burdened souls, this lesson heed, heed well,  
 Nor chafe because your care have long been great.  
 White us like weights you seem to have to borne  
 Take heart! toil on! toil on! nor rest amidst  
 The years; the Master knows what insurance, too,  
 As hindrance seems to our dull, blinded sense.  
 Shall help be proven, what weights are needed  
 here

In that glad day when he shall come and touch  
 These weights, they wings shall prove, to be on  
 which

To rise beyond all care and toil for aye.  
 Where ransomed spirits sing in joy complete  
 Their song at last you'll join with voice attuned  
 To sweeter melody by yonder here.  
 God's wondrous ways you then shall know,  
 As you by faith can dimly see them now  
 Take heart, poor soul! Take heart! Toil on,  
 toil on!

Concerning Spiritual Power

A. H. GODBEY.

Much is being said upon this topic just now, and the complaint of need in this respect seems general. I have no wish to decry or minimize the importance of spiritual intensity. But I am satisfied that many a man who is moaning and groaning after greater endowment in this respect is mistaken as to his need. He is earnest enough already; his crying at or God continually evidences that. What he needs very often is physical energy, not spiritual. Twenty minutes brisk walk in the fresh air would put new life into him; new vigor into his thinking, new force and intensity in his utterance. He has been hanging over books for a week, nosing around for a suggestion, till his clogged circulation and half-baked brain refuse to respond to the demands upon them. The average man will find in such circumstances that he can get better sermons out of his heels than he can out of his head. Even Divine inspiration can't get much out of a man who has handicapped himself with days of physical inaction or a chunk of indigestible fat pork.

How curious are men's ideals of the Divine! Christ, in his physical constitution, is imagined to many as a fragile, ethereally delicate, effeminate creature; a mere angelic dude, and men of this type

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are by many deemed to most perfectly portray the Divine. It is a medieval, an ascetic conception of saintliness. The Christ was not so. It was no slight and flimsy frame that stood those years of walking and incessant toil. The frame that many deem divine would have never reached Calvary. The tremendous strain of Gethsemane would drive any weak physique into insanity or kill it on the spot. Those years in the carpenter shop at Nazareth were not meaningless nor useless. Doubtless he had many a friend who thought he saw a precocious lad who ought to be occupying more prominent place in the world's eye. But the fragile frame and youthfulness of that lad of twelve, in whom already dwelt all the fullness of the Godhead bodily, would never have gained the respect of men or endured hardships of later years. He who was to be our exemplar could not afford to put himself in a position to be considered as a warrant for youthful pertness and self-assertive youngsters. Had He entered upon his work then. His loftiest truths would have been treated as boyish fancies. He must appear among men with manly vigor and mature power. He must not ignore the steps necessary to secure a sound physique. This reason, among many others, exists for that carpenter shop and in the three years' public life I cannot conceive of his ignoring His own creation, the laws of health, and driving himself into a "blue Monday." I doubt if he had a "blue Monday" in his life. He was an incessant walker. The physical powers He had acquired were ever at perfect command. And there is a like reason, among many others, in the selection of his early apostles. Whatever their other qualifications, however great their zeal and consecration, disciples from the wealthy and effeminate idlers could not have endured the strain and hardships to be undergone in the planting of the Church. He must have men of sinewy frame and rugged endurance, to whom toil and peril had given constitutions of iron and habits of watchfulness. None of the early disciples died of nervous strain or overwork. The one who did not die a martyr's death died, perhaps, the oldest man of his time. The apostles were not fragile semblances of men. The tent-maker of Tarsus may not have been of commanding presence, or of fluent speech, but his life-story indicates a constitution like tempered steel. The apostles were not men whose feeble frames and disordered brains rendered them liable to hallucinations, distempered fervor and tangential theories. Yet, precisely such men and such peculiarities are not infrequently taken

today as synonyms for spiritual power.

The old itinerant's hardships were responsible for much of the superior spiritual power with which he is credited. He traveled incessantly, reaching his appointments with blood astir and frame aglow, most keenly sensitive to vivid impressions; with lungs tense and voice clear, he was in readiness to impress his hearers, many of whom, like himself, had walked long distances to the meeting and were equally alive and impressible physically. Many modern ministers, groaning under a sense of deficiency, should ponder this. A more vigorous and virile vitality is in some cases the chief need. There are young men of my acquaintance already showing tokens of decline. They are learned, bookish, dreamy, dull; they never had Brush College training. It is telling on them now. It is useless for them to demand more spiritual power. Their puny physical engines are already carrying all the steam they can stand. The Almighty must do the best he can with them as they are; make them last as long as He can.

Why will men overlook, in their stress of the spiritual, the importance of the physical? What is the resurrection for, if not to teach the importance of the body? Men believed in ghosts and spirits before. How much difference does God see between the man who ruins the body by neglecting the soul, and him who runs the body by thinking of nought but the soul? Is asceticism and self-torture any better than sensualism?

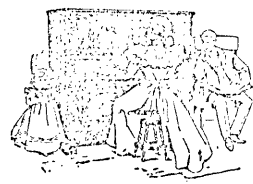
Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter. I do not doubt the spiritual degeneracy of some preachers; but I am sure that in many cases it has its origin and stronghold in physical degeneracy, indolence, non exertion; and in some cases of my personal acquaintance, I doubt there being a lack of spiritual earnestness. The rickety engine is clogged and choked till inspiration itself can't do much with it. The old itinerant's habits would serve to give many modern seekers much of His power.

He that would accomplish much must love much. There are a great many burying fol that are always on the go whose actual achievements in life could be squeezed into a good-sized thimble. It is not the power produced by a steady, high-burning flame of love that makes a full life. A sense of obligation and the persuasions of friends have brought some things to pass, but all the world knows that the life that is richest in lasting achievements is the life that is richest in love. Where there is great love, there is a great life.—Richmond Christian Advocate.

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Her watch, broken-hearted,  
Where all she loves sleeps!  
Let falsehood assail not,  
Nor envy disprove;  
Let trifles prevail not  
Against those ye love!

Nor change with tomorrow,  
Should fortune take wing,  
But the deeper the sorrow  
The closer still cling!  
Oh, be kind to each other!  
The night's coming on,  
When friend and when brother  
Allike will be gone!

—The Tribune.

### How it Went in My Childhood.

NO. XXIV.

The meeting continued on and grew. A. Anderson has become greatly enthused. Uncle A. is an old man in our neighborhood who can tell fortunes for the young people, eat hot lead, and chew down burning coals of fire. He can eat more "sweet tobacker" than any one I ever saw. It seems to do him untold good. Uncle A. is a very tall man, with a long white beard, blue eyes, and a regular extending nose. He wears, to church, a long linen duster, looks as if he were a little afflicted with "preachery" thoughts.

The sermon has been preached, and penitents have been called into the altar and they are weeping, bitterly, when a long rasping, twanging, cracking voice sounds high in the church. We look up and see that Uncle A. has started a song—an "Old Time Religion" song. He has taken the top and bottom off of the verse, the music circles up above, darts down below and twists around the verse, then, darts way on beyond it. No one else is singing. A very serious laugh has caught the congregation and seems as if it were going to dismiss our crowd to go outside and cool off the deep amusement gathering, but our pastor gives us relief by starting another song. Uncle A. came very near singing that night's meeting's funeral knell. Why?

Another night has come and Uncle A. is still enthused. His zeal is burning much. The service is moving on, smoothly, when we are suddenly startled by that same rasping voice, without a tune, though. He has jumped up from beside his wife, started down the right aisle, shouting. His peculiar shout smooths down, as he advances, into a set speech. He gets faster and faster as he goes on, bending around at the door between two long benches, till he runs into the left aisle. He has faced for the preacher's stand. He has a clear run, and he runs and, as he runs, he cries: "O, Jimmie, my son! my son! Jimmie, my son! Jimmie, my son!"—this is one of his

boys. He fairly flies; his linen duster almost blisters the church air. The north pole seems to come up from below among the Christians, and a great gale of laughter is swaying the sinners before it, while Jimmie is back in the congregation meekly cursing his dear papa, and does not feel very religious. Why? Why did Uncle A. ruin our meeting that night?

The meeting goes on, and sinners are being saved. Sweet Lee, a noble young lady, is kneeling at the altar. Tears of deepest penitence are running down her face; our Pastor says: "all may go home," but Miss Lee says: "I will not go till I am saved." Crowd by crowd files out away home till we see a small band of faithful Christians—but few others standing around her, singing. Miss Lee's face shows the deepest agony. I am young—not saved yet—but I never heard such agonizing prayer before. Some of the sweetest songs I ever heard are sung to her, but no relief; some of the most earnest prayers are prayed for her, but the shadows seem to gather around her soul more dark, till some one starts, sweetly, that hymn:

"Pass me not, O gentle Savior,  
Hear my humble cry,  
While on others thou art calling,  
Do not pass me by"

"Savior, Savior,  
Hear my humble cry,  
While—"

I never have seen anything like it. With the quickness of lightning the shadows go, and light is left on her sweet face and a smile is there, and glory is there. I have seen the light of the setting sun glimmering on the snow-covered crags of our North Arkansas Mountains, but it is not like that. I have seen the rising sun flash his brilliant light up against clouds, floating in receding darkness; that was beautiful—but it is not like that. The agnostic says it is nothing; the non-spiritual say it is imagination, but my young soul exclaims: "It is surely God shining there in her countenance. I will see millions of faces like hers in glory."

Sunday eve has come. Bro. Frank Naylor is going to preach for Bro. H. A. Storey. The power of God is felt at our place of meeting. He is beginning his service, when the men begin to come in from their grove meeting. The Holy Ghost has fallen on them out there, and they march in in a band, singing, shouting, and praising God. Bro. Naylor tries to begin his sermon, but O'Bryant breaks out into a triumphant shout right near him. No one can preach with O'Bryant shouting, and he joined with many more, so he quiets and calls for penitents. The altar is filled; they are weeping everywhere over the congregation. I can't describe what followed. Old Mountain View hill is ablaze with the fire of God. The old hill seems to mount up to God. Twenty-five souls are saved that night without a sermon. While a young man, a sinner, expressed it the next day, when he said: "I never saw anything like it, Ed, everybody was either shouting, or weeping, or

laughing in all that vast crowd." Children, my meeting has closed. The Judgment will reveal the rest. Are you saved?

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## Our Church at Home.

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Nothing "new" has happened, but we are glad to say that everything is moving on nicely. We have received four members since conference. We have less than one dozen resident members, and only one male member. But that does not mean that we are "lonesome" at all. There is only one church in the town, and quite a number of the citizens are members of other churches; but they all very liberally support the "Church at Home." Our congregations are growing, and promise to tax the seating capacity of the church. The weather has been severe, and we have had some sickness; but no deaths, except Mr. Jett, a gentleman who had been in ill health for a long time. We are very thankful for that. We have a delightful charge, and are praying that much spiritual good may be accomplished. The P. C. is the only subscriber for the METHODIST in town, but we look for better reports on that line in the future. Fraternally,

R. LUTHER BROACH.

GENOA.

Our first quarterly conference has come and gone. Our P. E., Bro. R. R. Moore, was with us. We think he presides well; and he did some splendid preaching. We had only small congregations during the quarterly meeting, owing to the fact that the weather was so very disagreeable. But all seemed to enjoy the services. After closing the quarterly meeting with the 11 o'clock service on Sunday, we came to College Hill, where Bro. Moore preached an awakening sermon at night. Only a small per cent of the P. E. and P. C.'s salary was paid. We are behind on all financial lines. But we are making an effort to come up on all. And we believe we will succeed. Our spiritual condition is steadily improving in a majority of our appointments.

My folks are beginning to talk parsonage building. The circuit has no parsonage and needs one very much. \$5 per month for house hire, very much disfigures a preacher's pay. We hope for improvement. Our College Hill folks were delighted on Friday night, Feb. 3, to have Dr. J. H. Riggin, of Prescott, occupy our pulpit. At which time and place he delivered one of his great, and I might say, one of his greatest sermons. The writer and his family, are always glad to see and entertain Bro. Riggin. We love him.

Our second conference will be held at College Hill. Dr. Godbey, you are invited to attend.

F. F. HARRELL.

Texarkana, Ark.

GAINESVILLE CIRCUIT.

DEAR BRO. GODBEY:—The Lord gave us a good year last year on this circuit, a general forward movement along nearly all lines, as the Minutes show. The beginnings of our second year are more auspicious than last year, and we anticipate a genuine, deep,

widespread revival throughout the circuit.

We have been swept by an epidemic of la grippe, and some of our most efficient members have died.

Our first quarterly conference with our new P. E., Bro. J. I. Maynard, came February 4 and 5. In spite of the bitter cold we had a pleasant time. Our Stewards had met on December 24, organized and made liberal assessments. Bro. Maynard preached us some good sermons and won all of us in business and social circles. The transfer of our circuit into the Newport District has been accepted loyally by our people. We have had two conversions and one reclamation. Without spending any time in senseless argument as to the cause of the "falling off" in conversions, we, for one, have determined to do more praying and seek from God the power that will bring conversions and thereby "clear our skirts." "The best of all, God is with us." Yours truly,

L. C. CRAIG.

Gainesville, January 7.

BEEBE.

It is a great pleasure for me to be engaged in the work of the church again. I came to Beebe in time to make connection with my predecessor. This is one of the beauties of our itinerant system. When I reached Beebe, about the middle of December, the people were much agitated over the probability of saloons being opened here on January 1. Earnest work by a few faithful men and women soon relieved us of all fear. A petition, signed by nearly two-thirds of the adult inhabitants within three miles of the Methodist Church, showed the moral sentiment of the intelligent, thinking people of this town and community, and secured a decision of the court in favor of temperance.

On December 29, at about 8 p. m., we were inducted into the mysteries of that modern and most liberal institution, known as the "Donation Party." Three loud raps upon the outer door warned us of the approach without. Soon as we learned whence they came, and whither they were going, we bade them enter and take possession according to the holy order of pounding. It is a good thing for one to become a member of this order if one holds the keys of the donor's repository.

We have a good church at Beebe. The membership at Lebanon is small. The spiritual tone of the church here is equal to that of any church I know. Requests for prayer are made at nearly every service. Eighteen new members have been received into the church since the first of the year. Beebe is a pleasant place to live.

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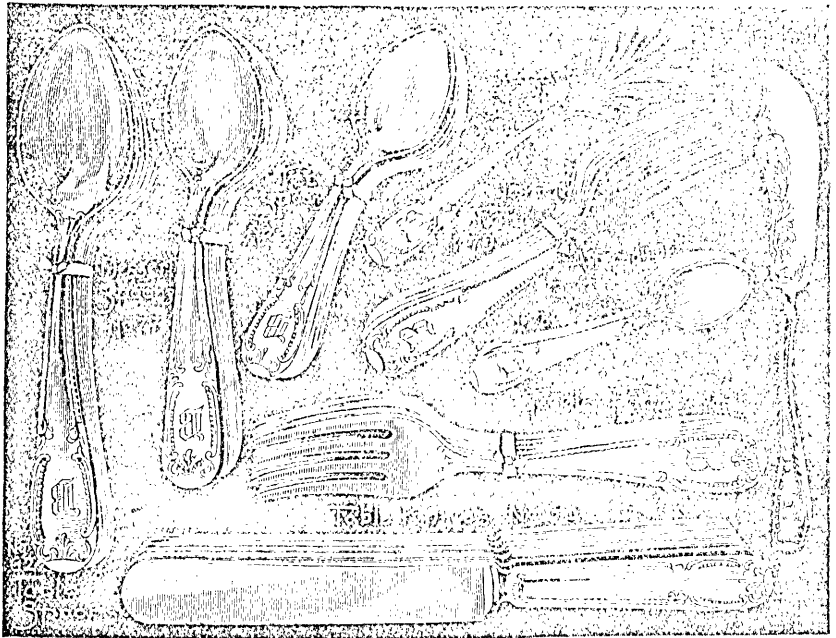
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The Mansfield circuit needs me so much. I hate to lose so much time, but God knows best.

J. J. GALLOWAY.

KINGSTON.

DEAR DR. GODBEY:—We have made two rounds on our work; met all my appointments; received about \$5 in quarterage. We find the work unorganized and the most difficult field we have ever had. O how it tries a man! Pray for us. Say, I have a local preacher on this work who has been preaching for twenty-nine years. He is an object of pity. He is a complete cripple; he wants the ARKANSAS METHODIST; can't you send it to him? I give you his name.

J. S. SIMMONS.

Kingston, January 30.

ALEXANDER, ARK.

MY DEAR BRO. THORNBURGH:—I was taken with a severe chill on January 12, which terminated in la grippe. I have been unable to do anything. I am now able to sit up all day, but am very weak. My wife was taken with the grippe about ten days after I was. She is very feeble yet. Put a portion of the above in the METHODIST, that my brethren may know my condition. They write to me on business and I am unable to answer.

I wanted to write you before now and assure you of my sincere sympathy with you in the loss of your wife, but I was in no condition to do so. May the Lord bless and comfort you. I am sincerely yours,

E. L. BEARD.

January 7, 1899.

HARRISON DISTRICT.

I am glad to note that the work of my district is in advance, up to date, of that of the same date last year. My preachers well received and are at their posts of duty doing faithful work. I have been shut out of two of my quarterly meeting appointments on the account of White River being frozen, too much ice. The weather has been severe on P. E. s in the mountain districts for the past ten days. Dr. Godbey, I shall expect you to attend our district conference. I think now that we will hold it either the fifth Sunday in April or the first Sunday in May. It will meet at Mountain Home, Baxter county. How will either one of the above dates suit you? We are anxious to have you with us. We need you; you can do us good. Let me hear from you soon. Yours cordially,

PIERCE MERRILL.

January 7, 1899.

DE QUEEN.

First quarterly conference held today. Bro. Riggin's sermons were strong expository efforts, provocative of thoughts calculated to confirm God's children in tri-

umphant faith. For the information of others, ignorant as we were when we received this appointment, bearing this aristocratic name, we beg to state briefly: It is in Sevier county, on the Pittsburg and Gulf Railway, only eighteen months old and having 1,400 inhabitants; buildings going up on every hand and there is a steady incoming of people from the Northern states. The strangers are engaging in fruit culture, for which this section is pre-eminently adapted. Things are done, in a rush here. Within six days after we arrived a parsonage was built, and now boasts of picket fence, outbuildings, etc. Next week expect to begin a church, 55x36 feet. There are several large factories here and we handle over 4,000 bales of cotton. Cost to arrive here, after leaving the conference door, \$122, a fact somewhat curtailing the magnitude of my operations in Wall street. My people met me with open hands and hearts. I love the work and the people, but my love wanders back at times to the dear ones I left, who so tenderly, in our illness, cared for wife and I, and in whose keeping we have left the grave of our boy. Membership increasing.

M. W. MANVILLE.

UNION AND REVEL CIRCUIT.

We are back on this circuit for the third year. At least a large majority of the people seemed anxious for our return, which was appreciated by and agreeable with the preacher. Having had so much sickness and rain last year, our church work was somewhat paralyzed, but with the opening of the new year, and the improved health of preacher and people, we hope by the grace of God and the co-operation of the church, to do a good year's work. Having already seated Union Church with manufactured pews, we hope to continue to improve our houses of worship till they will compare with any in the country. We very much need a new church at Riverside, which we expect to make an effort to build this year. With this material improvement, we are praying for, and hoping to see, many of our members more consecrated and many sinners converted. Our people, as a rule, are very liberal and kind to their pastor, and are truly Methodist in sentiment.

Our first quarterly conference has passed. Our beloved P. E. was on hand in good spirit and full of energy, and preached to the delight of all. The Board of Stewards had a very good report, and made a reasonable assessment for the pastor. While we have not had a great pounding like some of the brethren, yet our people are continually remembering the preacher's family in substantial tokens of appreciation. By the grace of God and the help of the people, we hope to make advancement on all lines.

We are looking forward to our preacher's meeting at Augusta, in March, with a good deal of anxiety.

A. F. SKINNER.

Augusta, Ark.

# A Terrible Accident.

## A FRIGHTENED TEAM OF HORSES RUNS AWAY.

### Dashes into a Preceding Conveyance in the Road and a Young Lady is Seriously Injured.

From the Advocate, Crestline, O.

Probably there is not a single incident remaining more vivid in the minds of the people in this locality, than the accident which befell Miss Fannie Thoman, a young lady nearly twenty years old, residing about three miles west of this city, while out riding one day in May, 1894. In conversation with a friend recently, Miss Thoman told the story concerning this horrible affair and the results from it.

She said: "I was working in a dressmaking establishment in Gallion, Ohio, and one day while out riding with my friends, we were overtaken by a team of runaway horses, and the carriage in which I was riding was badly wrecked and I was thrown out, receiving a hard fall.

"I was taken to my home, and a physician was called and upon examination told me that my right kidney had been affected. He gave me medicines which relieved me some, but which never helped me as they should.

"I was weak and whenever I attempted to do light work about the house, I would become prostrated. I was very dizzy and frequently pains would dart through my back in an indescribable manner. In fact, my whole constitution was affected. I had a very sallow complexion with seemingly no color in my face at all.

"I remained in that condition for over two years and nothing seemed to relieve me. I happened to read in a paper how some people had been cured by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. One case described was similar to mine, and I called

the attention of the other members of the family, and mamma suggested I should have a box at once.

"Of course I was anxious to get well and a box of these pills was secured and tried. When I had taken the pills one week I noticed an improvement in my condition. A better color came in my face and lips, I became stronger, had an increased appetite and the dizziness in my head was relieved.

"I had often read of these pills but gave no attention to them until the day I procured my first box. Since then I have taken twelve boxes and have been greatly relieved. My blood is in a better condition, I have gained in flesh and my entire system has been built up. I most certainly recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People to any one troubled with kidney complaint."

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MONTICELLO DISTRICT.

I have just returned from Grady circuit. The people are in good spirits. Bro. Newman, who has charge of the work, has taken hold in earnest, and is in favor with the people. They are improving the parsonage and have planned liberally for ministerial support. Eight accessions by certificate were reported.

The Minutes don't show anything done by Grady charge last year. I am sorry the report was not made. As near as we can get at the figures, they report P. E. paid \$42.40, and P. C. about \$450. There was something paid on collections ordered by the conference, but we could not get amounts; \$520 was expended on parsonage; accessions, 10. The work did well, considering the difficulties; overflow, late fall gathering, sickness, etc. I notice the report shows Arkansas City blank for P. E. They paid P. E. \$20.25, P. C. \$523.81. I am sorry the Minutes got Hamburg circuit, Hamburg and Portland and Bartholomew mixed up so. Hamburg and Portland has always paid in full, in some things an excess. Bartholomew has Hamburg and Portland's report. Hamburg circuit has Bartholomew's report, and Hamburg and Portland has Hamburg circuit report.

The outlook for Monticello District is encouraging. Accessions and increasing interest are reported at every quarterly conference. Finances move slowly, but there is no disposition to retrench. A large amount of cotton is still in the field; the weather continues

bad, and plans for the year's business mature slowly. Bro. Watson, at Monticello, is having his parsonage overhauled and added to, and a new barn built, all to cost between \$400 and \$500. The people are pleased with their preacher. T. O. Rorie has the people of Mt. Pleasant enthused and planning for a forward move. They are planning for a new parsonage at Wilmer.

With the advent of railroad facilities, Hamburg is putting on new life. W. A. Steel is seeing to it that the church keeps pace with the movement. The people of Tillar are greatly pleased with the man from California, A. P. Few, and are planning to build a new parsonage at Tillar. McClintock, at Warren, has been hindered since conference with sickness in his family, but he still has things moving and planning for improvements on parsonage and church-house. He, by no means, neglects the spiritual, but always has some one or more "on the way" so the accessions come along in the regular services. Colson has things well in hand at Arkansas City. S. W. Rainey has made a good start on Lacy circuit.

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## Missions.

### Missionary Mass-Meeting.

#### FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

Convened in the town of Rogers on the morning of the 1st inst., the opening sermon having been preached the evening before by brother Massey, Springdale. And a well-prepared and stirring deliverance it was, too.

Our "buh-loved," Dr. Wilson, was detained at home by sickness, which fact was sincerely lamented by all. But he was remembered in earnest prayer. Brother Hanesworth came up armed with authority to sit as chief Elder, and gracefully enough did he perform the duties of that office. And, as a matter of recompense for the rare privilege of "bossing us around," we preached him once and yet again. And helpful, inspiring sermons were they. Brother Steele, Bentonville, delivered his message well on The Idea of Missions as Taught in the Bible." It was thought-provoking and full of fire.

The attendance of preachers was not full, owing, doubtless, to sickness and rough weather. These absent brethren, with their charges, were earnestly remembered at a throne of grace—but they missed so much! . . . From the very first service it was clearly indicated we were going to have a good time. And we were not disappointed. The Spirit of the Lord came upon us, and our fellowship was sweet.

The discussions were lively, interesting and intensely spiritual.

Brother Johnson, Conway, he whom we all love, was with us. On Thursday he gave us a very thoughtful discourse on the needs and opportunities of the hour. He also lent valuable aid in the discussions. He explained to us the whys and wherefores of the late innovation in the policy of the Conference Board of Missions. We concurred. We are glad to know that our Domestic Mission fund is to be more wisely expended from this time on.

Two days were closely occupied in discussing the program as outlined by the committee—two days long to be remembered by every preacher so fortunate as to be present—days full of prayerful thought, earnest heart-searchings and holy communion. And we feel sure that this gracious season will be as the seed-time to a glorious harvest—days that will tell upon our congregations in the quickening of a greater missionary zeal and a moving forward to a more intelligent consecration to the work of our Lord to save the world. How our hearts burned within us as we reviewed the glorious triumphs of the Cross within the past one hundred years, and how that, in these closing hours of the century, God is so marvellously and wondrously "breaking in pieces" the heathen nations of the earth, and crumbling to dust the granite walls that have so long defied the entrance of Protestant Christianity into their benighted realms. And how our hearts went up to God that He would help us to

lay upon the conscience of our people as never before the demands, the privileges and opportunities of the hour. . . . Abram saw afar off the day of the coming of his Lord, and was glad! A day that angels might well covet—the day when He shall deliver into our hands the heritage of the heathen, and the uttermost parts of the earth for our possession. Amen.

W. DEAN WHITE.  
Rogers, Feb. 3 1899.

## Woman's Work.

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### Scarritt Bible and Training School

EDITOR METHODIST: Your paper is gladly received each week at the Scarritt Bible and Training School. Especially is it enjoyed by the "Arkansas girl."

With the earnest desire that a message from our dear Training School will so completely introduce some young lady into its grand and noble work, that she too may be constrained to enter with the purpose of better fitting herself for a more successful soul-winner—otherwise that she may lend her prayers in behalf of those already here, I submit the following: The term of 1898-'99 opened September 8, 1898, with an attendance exceeding that of last year. At 10 o'clock we assembled in the chapel for the opening exercises. Many friends, by their presence, showed their interest in the school. An interesting program had been arranged, the principal feature being the scripture lesson by our worthy Bible teacher, Mrs. Hargrove.

The closing song was one of "consecration" by a quartette of students, and its words were truly the purpose of each girl's heart:

"I'll go where you want me to go, dear Lord,  
I'll say what you want me to say,  
I'll be what you want me to be."

At its close the students assembled in the class room, where Mrs. Hargrove, in her first talk, gave us some valuable thoughts for the year—thoughts which should prompt every life.

1. That we, ourselves, may be edified and built up spiritually.  
2. That we may teach the word to others.

3. That we may win souls.  
With these thoughts we entered upon a new year's work.

The junior class of study includes methods of Christian work, book-keeping, lessons on practical nursing—one lesson a week in each—sight-singing, and three med-

ical lectures; a Bible lesson every day, and each young lady considers her hour of Bible recitation the sweetest and most refreshing hour of the day.

The senior course consists of Bible, Church history, Christian evidences, missions and sight-singing. Our training school is not for the training of missionaries only, as many suppose, but its doors are open to all alike who are seeking a more thorough preparation for Christian service either at home or abroad; yet the school has representatives in China, Japan, Brazil, Siam, Mexico, India, Indian Territory and several more are soon to be added to the number already gone.

In connection with the regular course of study, each young lady has her share of the household duties, including the keeping of her own room, which must be ready for the matron's inspection by 9 a. m. This we consider a very important feature of our training here, realizing that it is faithfulness in the smaller, more insignificant duties that add to the completion of a more useful life in greater things.

First in order on the outside work is the Friday afternoon's city mission work, to which each girl anxiously and prayerfully looks forward. Does it seem possible that here in our Christian land, and within reach of more than 100 Churches, could be found children who never heard of a Savior, who are absolutely ignorant of what Sunday-school or prayer means? Does it seem possible that a dying woman weeping for the prayers of some one as she "passes through the valley of the shadow of death" would be denied this last request, even though her bed be surrounded by many friends? But not one to pray.

"The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few. Pray ye, therefore, the Lord of the harvest, that He send forth laborers into His harvest."

Next I would mention the Industrial School, conducted every Saturday morning at Campbell Street Church, where many little lives that have known nothing but dark tenement rooms, a drunken father and unhappy mother, are brought into the light of another world through the songs, Bible verses and the earnest prayers of their teachers, who also teach them sewing, each young lady having been assigned her

class in the Sunday-school, which she attends, considers it her duty and privilege to always be prompt and with a well prepared lesson, which has first been taught in our own class room.

I would not fail to mention our Thursday morning lectures of last term and this, for we have indeed been fortunate in having with us Rev. F. B. Meyer, London, Eng.; Dr. A. P. Parker, Shanghai, China, and Dr. Young J. Allen, China. Also many other lecturers, including returned missionaries from Alaska, Japan, Spain, and last, a most interesting lecture by an Armenian. The above mentioned duties and privileges bring us much joy, but the happiest time of all is Thanksgiving and Xmas. As those times draw near we remember how many homes we have found in our Friday afternoon's house to house visitation, where are not even the comforts of life, much less a Thanksgiving or Xmas dinner.

With the announcement "Miss Gibson would like to see all the young ladies after supper," we know her first question will be for the names of those families; and the result is our matron goes to market, orders well filled baskets, and we distribute them according to address. No matter how cold or muddy the weather, it is all forgotten when we see the tear-filled eyes, and hear the words of thanks in acknowledgement of the basket received.

I also make mention of one other very helpful hour in our training school, our student's prayer meeting, which is held twice a month. A most beneficial service was our last, in which "the Spirit-Filled Life," was our subject. "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long suffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, meekness, temperance, against such there is no law." (Gal. v:22.) As a Spirit-filled life can you claim all these attributes? MARY L. DYER.

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FORSYTHE: Willie Landon, the only son of W. F. and M. L. Forsythe, was born January 4, 1894, and died near Bryant, Ark., January 23, 1899. Another one has gone to rest with Jesus. Gone but not forgotten. His ministry was a brief one. But at the open grave many kindred and friends promised to meet him in heaven. May the Holy Spirit seal our vows. We sang "God's children are gathering home," and "Looking this way."

O. H. TUCKER.

BLANN: Virgil, son of Wiley T. and Maggie R. Blann, was born September 1, 1894; died September 24, 1898. Little Virgil was a bright little boy beyond his age; the object of fond hopes and deepest love. Little Virgil was loved by every one who knew him. He dearly loved his parents and grandparents. He is sadly missed by his little baby sister and little playmates. Dear parents and bereaved ones, let us prepare to meet our sweet boy in that beautiful home beyond the skies.

His grandma,

M. A. BENNETT.

STRICKLIN: On January 23, 1899, the writer was called upon to make a few funeral remarks in paying the last sad tribute of respect at the interment of two infants of Brother and Sister J. M. Stricklin. The death angel kissed the lips of these children and claimed them for his own. They have gone to a purer and sunnier clime than this, budded here to bloom in heaven. Weep not, parents, only four more little hands beckoning to you from the windows of heaven, to come up higher. They are awaiting your entrance. Press on. God's grace is sufficient.

JAMES WILSON.

TRICE: Ella, daughter of Dr. A. V. and Virginia C. Hay, was born March 30, 1866, and died near Casco, Ark., December 2, 1898. She joined the M. E. Church, South, at Hunter's Chapel in 1887, in which church she remained till called to the church above. She was married to W. M. Trice, October 26, 1877 and by their union five children were born, who still remain with out her loving care. Sister Trice bade fair to be with husband and children many years, but in a few days passed away by that dreaded disease, swamp fever. She was a woman loved by all who knew her, and will be sadly missed by the community. We extend to the sorrowing husband and relatives our heartfelt sympathy, and may the blessings of our heavenly Father rest upon the motherless children. May all the loved ones so live as to meet their dear one where sad partings will never come.

B. F. SCOTT.

LONG: Mrs. M. A. Long was born June 4, 1832, near Riply, Miss., and died January 8, 1899, at Altus, Ark. She was an only daughter of Col. Samuel N. Pryor, who held different offices of state for eighteen years. At the age of 15 years she was happily wedded to Mr. T. J. Hill. Three children were born to them. On August 29, 1872, the husband and father died. In 1882 the sorrowing widow moved from Mississippi to Arkansas, with her youngest son. In 1888 she was married to Mr. J. B. Long who made her a kind companion till the death angel claimed her as his own. Sister Long joined the church in 1862, and to the day of her death was an ardent, consecrated member. For some time she resided in Fort Smith, during which time she was a consistent member of the Central Methodist Church. She loved the church and worked with a beautiful zeal in its interest. Sister Long leaves two children to mourn their loss. She died at the home of her daughter, Mrs.

Titia Reaves, of Altus Her death was triumphant. Her last words gave evidence of the fact that her spirit was undergoing a glorious transition. The remains were brought to Fort Smith and interred by the side of her loved ones in Oak cemetery. May God bless those who mourn.

P. O. FLETCHER.

FULLEN: John Wesley Fullen was born August 6, 1855, in Lauderdale county, Tenn.; died January 15, 1899, at Macy, Craighead county, Ark. Bro. Fullen had been a member of the M. E. Church, South, since he was 15 years old. He has been an acceptable L. P. since September, 1891. He died as he lived, in full assurance that he has "a building of God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens." The departed leaves a wife and five children, together with many friends who deeply mourn his death, but realize that it is his eternal gain. Weep not, bereaved ones, thy father, husband and friend has only gone over yonder, we too shall shortly follow. Trust in God, he alone is able to wipe all tears away. How short is life. How narrow the span from the cradle to the grave. Eternity, Oh, how long. Let us prepare.

JAMES WILSON.

BRANNON: Mrs. Nancy Garrison Brannon, nee Smith, was born in Elbert county, Georgia, April 19, 1818; was married to J. P. Brannon by Bishop Andrew, February 16, 1837; was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, at the age of 9 years. She fell asleep in Jesus at the home of her youngest daughter, Mrs. R. H. Farnham, in Little Rock, Dec 7, 1888. She lived, during her girlhood, in Newton county, Ga. In 1861 moved to North Alabama, and in 1886 moved to Little Rock, Ark. To Brother and Sister Brannon were born fourteen children, four of whom, with her aged husband, survive her. She, with her husband and daughter, were members of Winfield Memorial Church. After four years of association with the deceased, the writer is prepared to say that no brighter Christian ever came across his pathway. It was a pleasure to preach to her; a benediction to associate with her in the home. A sweet smile, words of tenderness and comfort were always ready for any who visited her. Her patience, resignation and serenity made it a privilege to look into her face upon which there was always "that light that never was on sea or land." My heart goes out to the aged husband, and self-sacrificing daughter, but thank God, they too, are ready for the summons.

JAMES THOMAS.

Little Rock, Ark.

MOORE: Louie Wilson, infant son of Lucius A. and Georgie May Moore, now of Searcy, was born in Cleburne county, Ark., Nov. 12, 1897 and died in Searcy, Ark., Dec 30, 1898. On the cold and stormy morning of the last day of 1898, the funeral services of this only child of the parents mentioned, was performed by Rev. M. M. Smith and the writer of this notice. Little Louie began his mission near Heber and finished in Searcy, at the residence of his uncle, the present sheriff of White county, to which place he had been brought for treatment. His life was brief, only for a few months was he permitted to bless the home of his parents. "A tender, transient flower," that even in blooming died. But hopes of immortality were kindled afresh in the hearts of the fond parents by this transient visitor, and a golden link was completed which binds them more than ever to the throne of God, and this infant of only a few months has passed away to contribute eternally to the attractions of the heavenly home. These Christian parents know where to find help, and are enabled by divine grace to say, "His will be done." In the dawning of the morning they may "know as also known" and even now may lean upon the strong arm of him who has assured us that "All things shall work together for good."

A. H. WILLIAMS.

Searcy, Ark.

GARRETT: Bro. I. O. Garrett who was an affiliate member and local preacher of the M. E. Church, South, died at his home in Nettleton charge

January 27, 1899 Bro. Garrett joined the church in 1881, and was licensed to preach in 1885 by M. M. Smith, his P. E. Since that time Bro. Garrett has been faithful and true to his church. I only knew him a short while, but like a great many others, I knew him to love him; he always filled his place in the church and did his part for any preacher that the conference might send him. Only a few weeks before his death he made his way to the parsonage with a company of God's children, to pound the preacher after which we had him to pray. He said in his prayer that he had lived to see the end of many things, but he had never seen the end of the goodness of God. And today, brethren, he more fully realizes the blessed fact that the goodness of God is from everlasting to everlasting. While his death is our loss it is his everlasting gain. May the dear wife and two children, who are left to mourn his loss, ever look to God, who does all things right, and be submissive to his divine will. While he has seen fit to take from this world the father and two of the dear children, weep not, for it is well with them. They are happy now, and we soon their happiness shall see. Bless God for the consolation.

Z. D. LINZEY.

MEDLOCK: Mrs. Mary J. Medlock was born in Virginia in the early part of this century, and died at her home near Collegeville, Saline county, Ark., October 30, 1898. She was married in Memphis, Tenn., to Archibald Smith, in 1839. With her husband she came to Little Rock in 1840. Mr. Smith was for many years one of the magistrates of the city, and before his death served as county and probate judge of Pulaski county. She lived a widow several years, and was married to Hon. John A. Medlock in January, 1863, with whom she lived until his death, which occurred four years ago. Her marriage with Judge Medlock brought her into the relation of step-mother. Five sons and three daughters came under her rule. With a firm hand, and a loving heart she ruled in the new home in such a way as to win the love and respect of all the household. Her step sons, now stalwart men, now that she has gone, speak of her with the utmost kindness and respect. My acquaintance with this good woman began in 1842, when I was first stationed in Little Rock. Then we had class meetings. She was always present and in her place at all the services, and by her uniform and consistent manner of living, impressed all who knew her with the sincerity of her piety. She was not demonstrative, but a quiet, unobtrusive Christian, a friend to the poor, full of mercy and good fruits. I knew this good woman for more than half a century. She was my near neighbor for twenty six years. I have spent days in her home. I visited her in her last illness; preached her funeral when she was buried; and with scores of her neighbors, turned from her grave with stronger assurance that death does not end all. Farewell, Christian sister, "We shall meet in glory tomorrow, though we part in tears today."

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## DOTS FROM BATESVILLE.

Rev. A. E. Holloway, our P. E., has decided to live in Batesville. We are glad to number him with our citizens.

Bro. Edwards, who served the Central Avenue Church four years ago, has bought a house in that part of the city and will make his home there during the year.

Bro. F. M. Smith, the pastor of Central, is starting off very well, after receiving a good pounding. His wife is improving and it is hoped she will soon be fully restored to health.

Mrs. J. S. Brooke, the wife of our former P. E., is improving in health, but is not yet able to get out to church. She is greatly missed in the Sunday-school, prayer-meetings and other services.

Mrs. S. H. Babcock, well-known to many of your readers, is one of the efficient teachers in our public school, and on Sunday has a large class in the Sunday-school. What would we do without the good women!

Mrs. I. K. Hooper, District Secretary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, is arranging for a district meeting in Batesville in February.

At First Church we are making some progress. The Sunday-school is growing, the prayer-meeting is improving, the League is advancing and the Sunday congregations are increasing. Eight accessions since conference. The choir, under the leadership of Bro. J. W. Glenn, has been furnishing some excellent music.

Bro. Watson wrote of his being pounded. We have fared worse than that. We have been sweetened and canned, and still we live. May we be more worthy of the favors shown us. R. A. H.

## NEW EDINBURG CIRCUIT.

I have read with much interest the notes from the brethren in the field. The New Edinburg circuit people are not asleep, their preacher is not dead. He has not come near enough starvation to need a pounding, but is living about as well as the best of his members. The meal in the barrel nor the oil in the cruse, nor the corn in the crib, nor meat in the smoke-house, have failed thus far.

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We are pressing our missionary collections. We want to try to pay the assessments made by the district Stewards this year for the first time in the history of this circuit. We are building at New Edinburg (hope to be ready for dedication by July 1) not a big barn, but an up-to-date church-house. The parsonage and lot have been much improved since conference; five new windows and two new doors, with five rooms nicely papered, new double floors, new fire jams, and a new flue for a cook stove, besides one new room and two newly ceiled; a nice little orchard put out and the barn and stables overhauled and much improved, a nice strawberry patch set out and doing well, some new family altars, and some new church members. Our Sunday-schools and prayer-meetings are becoming more spiritual. We thank God and are taking courage. We believe the day-dawn is upon us in these ends. May this preacher do his duty, is our prayer. The Lord is faithful and will bless.

D. D. WARLICK.

January 30.

## BERRYVILLE.

Bishop Morrison returned us to Berryville for another year's work, and we have been quite busy since conference. At some points on the circuit, we are starting off very well; at others not so well. At Berryville we have a new church building. It was built last year, but was neither finished nor furnished. It yet lacks paint and paper. Since conference Bro. G. W. Whitson, through his generosity and by his muscular powers, with a little help from one other man, has built fifty good comfortable benches, a pulpit and a chancel. We are now using the house for service. We have organized a good Sunday-school in it, with nearly fifty members. We also started a weekly prayer-meeting, and we hope that now Methodism will build up in this place. Our membership is small here, and we have never had a house of our own in Berryville before, but now we want to make progress in our Master's cause. We think we can comfortably seat more than 300 persons in our new building.

Our first quarterly meeting has come and gone. Bro. Merrill was with us and preached with that

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earnestness and zeal with which he usually proclaims the gospel, and we gave him the privilege of preaching the first sermon in the new church, and we had a real good spiritual service, even a shout in the camp. Bro. Merrill is also awake to all the interests of the church. We are praying and hoping for a prosperous year in this charge this year. God bless the METHODIST.

J. B. WINSETT.

January 26.

## YELLVILLE CIRCUIT.

I supercede myself on this charge this year. I have met with a warm reception. One of our very thoughtful and kind elect ladies, Sister Nancy Sims, exercised herself among the good people of Pleasant Ridge vicinity for us. They prepared a most excellent supper. About 6:30 o'clock p. m., Bro. and Sister Phillips preceded the pleasant bevy to the parsonage, and the table was soon set in order, loaded with good things, prepared by kind hands. We were invited, and, of course, accepted the invitation, and partook of a splendid repast. After supper we had singing and prayer, and then some contributions for the material benefit of the preacher and family. The good people then returned to their homes. May the blessings of the good Lord rest upon them.

Our first quarterly conference has come and gone. It was quite a success. Our P. E. did us some very good work. Bro. J. H. Cummins was with us and preached a splendid sermon. Our collection Sunday for Domestic Missions was quite good. This charge is in a better condition than it was at this time last year.

JOHN H. SMITH, P. C.

## BLUM, TEXAS.

I want "19" put to my name. I can't do without the ARKANSAS METHODIST. I did think I would let the METHODIST go a year or so and take the Texas Christian Advocate, but I can't yet awhile. I love to read about those poundings my old brother Arkansas preachers get. I love to read Bro. J. A. Anderson's Sunday-school column. By the by, brother, it gives Prof. Droke a good and timely currying. The Bishops need all the help they can get in giving out appointments: then, of course, some are not suited. Bishop McTycire used to call on the laity, called on me once at our Annual Conference for my opinion about Bro. W. W. Anderson, whose fitness for the work was being canvassed pretty rigidly. After I gave the conference all I knew about Bro. Anderson, the Bishop says: "Are you willing to take him?" And being answered in the affirmative, he says, very well. When the appointments were read out, we got Bro. W. W. Anderson and were well pleased. I make it a point to be pleased with any preacher the Bishop sends, feeling it is the Lord's will. I have been a Methodist since September 16, 1846, and I have my first complaint to make about my preacher. It's my duty and pleasure to help them all I can. I see a good letter from my old loved brother and preacher, B. H. Greathouse.

Bro. Thornburgh, I looked for you at Ft. Worth on the 7th inst., at the great Masonic gathering of Texas Masons, on the occasion of laying the corner-stone for the Home of the Widows and Orphans of dead Masons. Several states were represented. Had some grand speeches. Yours in Christ,

A. J. DYER.