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News and Motos.

THE NEWS FROM SOUTH AFRICA is just now of especial interest. The Boers made a desperate attack on Ladysmith on the 6th. There was a tremendous bombardment and charge after charge for several hours. The British outerworks were taken and recovered three times in succession, but the Boers were finally repulsed. that Gen. Buller has been able to better salaries to teach elsewhere, pass the Tagula River. British forces in the armies of Gens. White and Buller exceed the entire force of the Boers about Ladysmith by one-third the number of the latier, at least, and in all the fighting, to the present time, Transvasi soldiers have wen the admiration of military men for their courage and skill.

News from Rensburg tells of an unsuccessful attack made by a regiment of Gen. French's soldiers, in which the British were repulsed with the loss of about seventy men, killed and captured

General Erench's army not hold Colesburg, which was reported captured last week. The Boors rallied and drove him back.

THE WAR IN THE PHILIPPINES IS still actively pressed against the scattered remnants of Agninaldo's army. Wherever bands of Philippine soldiers are found, they are easily routed. They are no longer attempting to hold either American or Spanish prisoners.

THE TERRIBLE BUBONIC PLAGUE is at Honolulu. Seventeen cases have occurred. A shot-gun quarantine is kept round the place at a cost of \$1,000 a day. Many of the district are starving.

THE MERCHANTS AND BUSINESS men of Little Rock are arranging to make a genteel call upon their new neighbors. A special train will go out over the Choctaw railroad west, on the 22nd of this month. It will make the trip to way, to give the visitors time to promptly paid to Brother Thomas, shake hands with the merchants As to the church debt, we underalong the route and to tell them stand it has been paid.

what advantages they will have in buying goods at Little Rock. This is a proper thing to do.

MANY OF THE TEACHERS IN OUR Christian colleges show even greater devotion to the cause of Christianity than the preachers. preachers, though poorly paid, generally obtain as good salaries as their services can command. But some of the professors in our col-There are rumors, not confirmed, leges are constantly being offered The but remain at their places through their devotion to Christian education, the church to which they belong, and the institutions they are seeking to build up.

> THE STATE BAR ASSOCIATION, which was held in Little Rock last week, elected the following officers: President, Judge H. C. Cadwell, Little Roc1: secretary, D. E. Bradshaw, Little Rock; treasurer, Geo. E. Dodge, Little Rock; vice-presidents, one for each judicial district, E. A. McCulloch, Allen Hughes, J. M. Slayton, B R. Davidson, Carrol Armstrong, J. H. Harod, Charles D. Greaves, W. V. Tompkins, W. A. Rodgers, W. J. Stanfield, X. O. Pindall, Joseph M. Hill, R. S. Floyd, J. C. Clark, J. B. Baker, Joe T. Robinson.

The Lonoke Church Debt.

As some are inquiring about the debt on our church at Lonoke, we give a full statement as follows:

When Rev. Jas. Thomas took charge of the Little Rock District and learned the amount of the debt, it was \$2212.80. At the meeting of the last session of the Little Rock Conference, that debt had been reduced to \$800. Of this \$300 was subscribed at the conterence. Rev. Ben Cox, the paspoor Chinese and Japanese in the in this city, who was brought up at Lonoke, and whose father is in business there, on his visit home recently gave about two days to soliciting subscriptions from the people of Lonoka of all denominations and of none at all, and as a result obtained the remaining \$500. Brother Thomas has personally advanced the \$300 sub-cribed at conference and has at this date collected \$117 of the same. Now



Mr. Moody.

By and by people will say: "Mr. Moody is dead." Don't you believe a word of it. At that moment I shall be more alive than I am now. I shall then truly begin to live. I was born of the flesh in 1837. I was born of the spirit in 1856. That which is born of the flesh may die. That which is born of the spirit will live forever .- D. L. Moody

The career of Mr. Moody has lessons which the present generation will do well to consider. While eminent scholars are engaged in critical questions and speculations about the Bible, we do well to consider the work of a man who knew nothing but to hold forth the Book as the inspired truth of God. and test its power by bearing its teachings in all simplicity and earnestness to the consciences of men. The marvelous work of this man is a sublime illustration and verifi eation that the gospel of Jesus Christ is the power of God and the wisdom of God.

Dr. Buckley, editor of the Christian Advocate, New York, furnishes his readers two admirable articles upon Moody which we present, in part, to the readers of the Metu-

We take up the story at the time when Dwight L. Moody went from the farm to engage with his uncle in Boston, as clerk in the shoe store. His uncle required that he attend church and Sunday-school, tor of the Second Baptist Church He was then eighteen years of age. In regard to the beginning of his religious career, Doctor Buckley savs:

"The statements which have been often repeated and are now brought forward in the press, that after his conversion Mr. Moody applied for membership in the church, but was kept waiting for a year, and even after his admission his at-Weatherford, stepping along the the subscribers will understand marks in the prayer meeting way, to give the visitors time to promptly poid to De to be of such a character that his attention way. tempts to edify the brethren by re-Dr. Kirk, took him aside and suggested to him that he might serve the Lord in some other way more

acceptably, and that many others advised him to keep silence, when stated in that bald way, must be taken with many grains of allowance. Many a time we have heard the statement made by persons who wished to flavor their Sunday-school convention or Christian Advocate addresses with something piquant, that the "staid and stiff New England orthodoxy was so barren that it would hardly admit to the Lord's table so devoted and earnest a servant of Christ as Dwight L. Moody, of Chicago."

Others affirmed that when he went to Sunday-school he was critical, self-assertive, independent—a troublesome senolar. The facts are that Dr. Kirk's was organized as a revival church particularly to retain in Boston the eloquence, zeal and marvelous fervor of that man, to whom God gave as noble presence and as wonderful a

voice as we have ever heard. When Mr. Moody appeared for examination he was eighteen years of age. He had only been in the Sunday-school class a few weeks: he had no idea, and could not tell what it was to be a Christian. Even when aided by his teacher, whom he loved, he could not state what Christ had done for him. The chief question put to him was this: 'Mr. Moody, what has Christ done for us all—for you—which entitles him to our respect?" The longest answer he gave in the examination was this: "I do not know. I think Christ has done a good deal for us, but I do not think of any-thing particular as I know of."

Under these circumstances, as he was a stranger to all of the members of the committee, and less than a month had elapsed since he began to give any serious thoughts to the salvation of his soul, they deferred recommending him for admission to the church. But two of the examining committee were specially designated to watch over him with kindness, and teach him "the way of God more perfectly."

When he met the committee again no merely doctrinal questions were asked of him; but as his sincerity was undoubted and he appeared to have more light, it was decided to propound him for admission. About eight years after this, and when Mr. Moody had become prominent as an evangelist, he expressed his gratitude to one of the officers of the church for the course pursued, and said that his conviction was that its influence was fevorable to his growth in grace. He was afraid that pastors and church officers generally were falling into the error of hurrying

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The Nation's Curse.

The highwayman lurks under covert and meets the traveler with the demand, "Your money or your life," but the saloon keeper plies his work of destruction in our great tion of the whiskey traffic. cities day and night, and his demand is "Your money and your life," and the saloon keeper counts a hundred victims where the highwayman counts one. Did you ever vote to license a saloon?

The Darkest Curse.

At the Anti-Saloon league meeting in this city on Sunday last two important points were developed. One of these was couched in the statement by Judge Grant, of the supreme court, that he could not be a member of the Anti-Saloon league because the saloon is a legal institution, and he could not antagonize what is legal. He declared himself, however, an opponent of the illegal saloon. Of course, under the tax law of Michigan, the judge's position is perfectly logical and representative. It is the legalized saloon which plays the mischief in Michigan because such men as Judge Grant can not logieally combat it, and because behind it all the illegal or law-defying saloons successfully hide. It is almost useless to attack the illegal saloon while the legal saloon is left unattacked by men of influence and politicians of power. The ax must be laid at the root of the do this the victory is ours and will tree, but it never can be while the be final.—Wesleyan Advocate. law protects the tree.

Another important_ statement was that made by the Detroit police commission to the effect that public sentiment does not demand rigid enforcement of law against saloonkeepers and that juries in the majority of cases will not convict. Here again we see the bitter fruit of the tax law. The law represents the people, the saloon represent the law and all who oppose the saloons are logically and gloefully classed as "faustics," narrow-minded meddlers," "busybodies in other men's matters, etc. It will always be so under a law which legalizes the saloon. The force of the legalized institution is so great that any sertiment against unlawful incidentals in connection with it is borne down and smothered. It is the tax law itself, not its fruit, which is the deepest, darkest and most dreadcurse of Michigan to-day. The bishops said truthfully that the liquor traffic "can never be legalized without sin."-Michigan Christian Advocate.

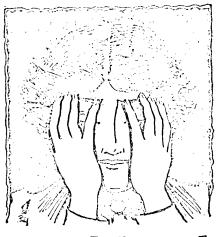
The Old Issue and The New.

The Georgia Senate voted last Friday on the Willingham prohibition bill which had passed the House a short time before. bill was defeated in the Senate by a vote of 16 for to 24 against it. We are not surprised at this result, as it was generally expected that the bill would meet defeat in that We regret it, however, more than we can express, be- bowels in healthy condition.

cause, first, it defeats the will of the people of the State; and second, because it will only prolong the contest before the public. The people are determined, and the issue is too vital to be allowed to rest until it rests in the oblitera-

We have heard that, if the bill had passed the Senate and become a law, it was the purpose of the whisky powers in the country to pour money into the State next year and secure the election of a legislature that would repeal the bill in the next session. but believe that the insinuation implied in the statement is to be resented as an unjust imputation. It is an imputation that the fight is only a contest between money and men, and in that contest we can but believe that we can rely upon the men of Georgia to resent the imputation and vindicate the right.

We have made progress in the State and in the present legislature, and this is encouraging for a more compact and vigorous organization and campaign. The preachors of the State have been more active and pronounced during the present year than ever before. Tí they will only maintain this activity and co-operate more closely the victory may be had in the near future. The preachers of each county, town and city, should organize and devise plans for organizing the citizens for one final, solid and triumphant movement against the great enemy of the State and country. If they will



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Twentieth Century Notes.

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Two unnamed donors have recently given \$100,000 to Drew Theological Seminary, with which a magnificent administration and recitation building has been erected.

Mr. D. E. Converse has just lately died, leaving nearly \$100,000 to the college for young women that bears his name at Spartanburg. He had already given the same amount to the institution. Bosides, he leaves \$2,000 to the Kennedy public library in the same city, and the further provision that his estate will duplicate every dollar that the citizens of Spartanburg will give.—New Century Education.

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"Dull indeed must be the soul which cannot be moved by the facts of our case.

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mention of it calls up a flood of the most sacred memories. It is a name expressive of a love, a tenderness, a pathos known to no other name. It is usually the first name the child learns to speak. is often the last word uttered by the old man in his dying dream.

God never bestowed upon a boy a greater blessing than that of a "precious" mother. It is true to nature, although expressed in a figurative form, that a mother is both the morning and evening star of his life. The light of her eye is always the first to rise and often the last to set upon man's day of trial. There is an enduring tenderness in the love of a mother to her son that transcends all other affections of the heart. It is neither to be chilled by selfishness, nor daunted by danger, nor weakened by worthlessness, nor stifled by ingratitude.

No son ever gets too old or too famous to keep him from still being his mother's "baby." When old Mrs. Garfield received the sad intelligence of her noble son's assassination, she exclaimed: "How could anybody be cruel enough to kill my baby?" Though her son brow, he was still his mother's his place. Any office; any position, political, ecclesiastical, or social, may be filled by another, but when mother is gone who can take memory. her place? Ah, there is but one mother.

"The hand that rocks the cradle moves the world." How true. The mother is the moulder of the er is a mother still, the holicst thing alive." Said Webster, the great American statesman, "The memory of my mother is the brightest recollection of my early years.

How true the saying: "When God wants a great man he first makes a great woman." Were there no good mothers there would be no good sons. When there God wanted a John Wesley he first made a Susanah Annsley. When God wanted a George Washington he first made a Mary Ball. When God wanted a Thomas Jefferson he first made a Jane Randolph. When God wanted an Abraham Lincoln he first ma 'e a Nancy Hanks. Study this world's history and you will find that almost without an exception, the great men and great women had great mothers. It was so in the case of Doddridge, Augustine. Chrysostom, Luther, Whitchield. Scott, Emmerson, and countless

What is more beautiful than to

see a big grown up boy in love with his mother? Of all the love affairs in the world none can surpass this. It is pure and noble. And she is a sweet-heart who will What a sweet name! The mere thing President Garfield did after The first assuming the oath of office was to turn and plant upon his old mother's cheek a kiss of love. There is no more beautiful picture than that which represents Mrs. Mary Washington as leaning on the arm of her illustrious son as they stroll beneath the trees of their old home in Virginia. Milton's letters often alluded to his mother in the most affectionate terms. Beecher was right when he said: "The man who would be disrespectful to his mother would spit on her grave when she is dead."

Ah, we ought to do all in our power to add to mother's happi ness and comfort while she is with us. Soon she will be gone. See those gray hairs, those sunken cheeks, those wrinkles. See how the sparkle has left her eyes, how bent her form, how slow and unsteady her siep. She is ripening for heaven. How lonely life will be without her. How we all miss her advice and prayers.

Since we have been out on life's highway, far away from home, fighting life's battles, we have often been cheered, comforted and en-couraged by the thought that back at the old Virginia homestead was world-wide in his fame; though a mother's prayers constantly asthe garlands of honor encircled his cend in behalf of her boy. Never can I forget the sweet glances cast baby. If the president of the upon me when I appeared to be United States dies there is another asleep, never her kiss of peace at asleep, never her kiss of peace at to fill his high and responsible po-sition. If the governor of Arkan-advice. While she lives her boy sas dies there is some one to take will love, honor, protect, and comfort her, and when she goes hence to make heaven brighter, he will cherish and reverence her blessed

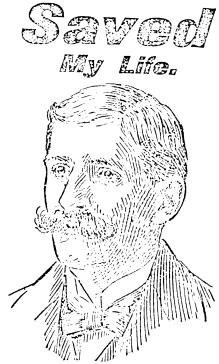
When President McKinley received the news at the White House of his mother's last illness he wired his brother at Canton: "Tell mother I'll be there." A nations of the earth; she is the swift-wheeled special bore him to maker of this world's history. It the old homestead, but when he maker of this world's mistery. It has our nonlessed, the mother was John Quiey Adams who said; reached the bedside the mother "All that I am my mother made had almost crossed "the mystic me." Coleridge declared: "A moth- river," and did not recognize her son.

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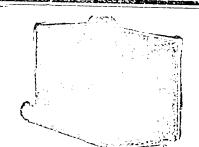


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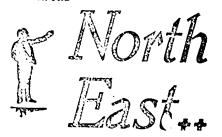
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Mr. Moody.

(Continued from 1st page.)

new converts into a profession of religion. To a person of our acquaintance Dr. Kirk himself referred with deepest grief to these imputations upon the church, and declared them to be without foundation in truth; as well he might, for if there ever existed a man in New England who was free from the spirit of "staid and stiff New England orthodexy," it was Dr. Kirk.

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In a short time he removed to

Chicago and became a salesman in the shoe trade. He immediately began to attend the Congregational Church. It seemed very improbable at that time that he would ever become what he subsequently did. In the church he rented four pows, which he kept filled with young men and boys, and wished to take part in the prayer meetings there, but on account of his uncouth methods of expression did not meet with any encouragement. He asked if he might teach in the Sunday-school, and was told that he could, if he would bring his own scholars. The next Sunday he led into the schoolroom eighteen boys whom he had collected. More an object of curiosity than of sympathy, in the year of 1858 he started a school mission of his own in an unoccupied tavern; then a much larger building was occupied.
John V. Farwell and others took part in the movement, and showed their interest by supplying benches for the scholars Mr. Farwell became the superintendent of the school. By personal canvassing Mr. Moody secured sixty teachers, and the average attendance of scholars was six hundred and fifty. In those days be was spoken of as "crazy Moody," years he gave and in four business $\mathbf{u}\mathbf{p}$ to devote his whole attention to religious work. For some time to save money he slept on a bench in the Young Men's Christian Association rooms Later he became city missionary and came to be known as "Brother Moody."

In 1862, he married Miss Emma C. Revell, sister of Fleming H. Revell, the publisher. She proved a helpmeet indeed. They were soon in great straits. One morning some time after his marriage he said to his wife, "I have no money, and the house is without supplies; it looks as if the Lord has had enough of me in this mission work and was going he became president of the Young land and a layman, almost stran- wondrous Men's Christian Association of gers, who had been brought into achievements.

Chicago. Most of his converts had not been members of any religious denomination, 30 Mr. Moody became pastor himself. Mr. though not ordained. He refused to take a salary.

Between the years 1865 and 1871 he traveled in the interest of Sabbath schools and Young Men's Christian Associations, attending conventions and delivering addresses. In the great fire in Chicago his church building was destroyed. With his family he was forced to flee and leave everything. Within a month a temporary house was built. This was replaced by a structure that would hold 4,000 people and cost nearly \$70,000, which in a very short time was paid. In 1866 he was instrumental in the building of the Young Men's Christian Association building His third enterprise was the re-crection of that building, and this building, being destroyed in the great fire, was again rebuilt. He also raised large amounts of money for the New York, Boston, orably by others, Philadelphia, San Francisco. Baltimore and Scranton Young Men's Moody.'

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nity, he gave special attention.

He flowered into cosmopolitan fame under very peculiar circumstances. His first visit to Great Britain was in 1867. What he did in the United Kingdom under his sobriquet of "The Singing Pilattention or left such grim." But in 1873 he began an nent and valuable fruits.

contact with Moody and Sankey in Chicago. On arriving in England they found that the friends who had invited them had both died, and they were left alone without means, friendship, or money.

After reaching London they ent to York to begin their went to meetings. Their first congregation consisted of five hearers; tneir second of soven; their third of nine. There were some signs of success, however, as they advanced. Afterward they were invited, by someone who was willing to spend a little in doing good, to Newcastle-on-Tyne. They met Newcastle-on-Tyne. with marvelous success. Thence they went to Edinburgh, Glasgow, Dundee, Manchester, Sheffield, Birmingham, Liverpool and Lon-

When they arrived at London for work, such was the interest that 1,800 persons were assembled at the first meeting. While there South, East and West. the evangelists were much critieised—favorably by some, unfavorably by others. The most outrageous falsehoods were circulated concerning them, the worst of Christian Association edifices, and them originating in this country. many other buildings, besides It was reported that they were twenty at Northfield. By this sent over to London by a certain time he was widely known as "Mr. firm of organ manufacturers, at a salary of £500 a year, and the pres-Long before this he was found ident of the company was obliged to have unusual and ever-available to come out over his own signacommon sense, and business sa-ture, and certify that "neither Mr. gacity worthy to be classed with Moody nor Mr. Sankey derives that of Vanderbilt, Huntington, any pecuniary advantage from the and many other commercial use of our organs. At our request princes. It was the development our London agent has loaned Mr. of such abilities, in part, that se Sankey one of our organs for use cured him the confidence of men in their services without charge, a of large means to a degree never favor which any organ maker would attained by any other person enhave been glad to do him." It gaged in such work as that to was stated editorially by one of which he devoted his life. He leading daily papers of this may be considered at least the uncertainty of the matter of June 25, ecclesiastic founder of modern institutional work for the salvation formed that Messrs. Moody and from a severe cold and was of men. Everywhere he acted Sankey were sent to England by God we can do nothing effectual in lation." This was reprinted in saving men, and that God requires the London "Cosmopolitan" and papers. Sosensiwere the evangelists the large sum of \$28,335, the evanthe London committee concluded great bodies, to co-operation, the to apply it to Mr. Moody's church in Chicago, and the amount credreligious unity, and the presence ited to them was forwarded to the treasurer of the funds for the new building.

They also suffered much from methods, a prejudice which has then chiefly excited surprise and been happily formed into a preattracted to send me back to sell boots and ly three years. This time he was Advocate" we shall outline his in business. evangelical tour which lasted near-next issue of the "Christian particulars. They will start you shoes." But he succeded, and in 1863 an edifice was erected to hold his congregation. Two years later clergyman of the Church of England by a clergyman of the Church of England in the condition of his ble and inimitable elements of his land and a land a development

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The Preaching of John the Baptist.

LRKE III. 1-17.

Golden Text.—"Prepare ye the way of the Lord." (Verse 4.)

Time.—The summer of 26 A.

D.

Place.—John's work of baptizing was carried on mainly in the sunken valley of the Jordan, north of the Dead Sea, "the deepest and hottest chasm in the world."

It had been four hundred years since Israel had heard the voice of a living prophet. The heavens had uttered no message since Malachi when the angel foretold the birth of John the Baptist to his father, Zacharias. The ecclesiastical mind had occupied itself about the Law, following a direction that never had been given it by the influence of Ezra the Scribe. Of the law it had made a fetich which it worshiped with a slavish superstition. So truly was it a fetich that the living voice of God had gone even out of that —it was a dead letter. Scribe and Pharisee worshiped it, believed that Almighty God himself spent some hours each day in the study of it. To a public mind so occupied the voice of prophecy would have been an incongruity, for the most part, an absurdity. We take this to be the reason why God sent no proph-

But the time had come in the history of the world and in the history of Israel also when the Messi anic movement must begin. The world had, on the one hand, worked down to a demonstration the futility of its wisdom, and the Jew had, on the other hand, demonstrated the worthlessness of his ceremonialism. Amidst it all there was a deep sense of need among the masses, a sense of need not unmixed with hope and despair; despair over the condition of the world, hope that some Deliverer would arise. It was in this sunken condition of his nation and of the world that John was to open up his ministry. He was about thirty years of age, and had been in the wilderness for years, alone with God, in the solitary prepara-tion for his great work. He came forth unfettered by any of the conventionalities of his age, untrammeled by any of the miserable miseducation of the tribes and rabbis. He knew only God and the word of God and the deep disharmony of the age with that word, and that he himself was to open up the way for the coming of one who should call the world back to spiritual life. A definite conception of his own mission and the method of it made him one of the boldest and most rugged preachers of rightconsness that ever lived. His time was to be short, that of a mere herald. His message was simple -a call, sharp and distinct, to turn from the dead formalism in which people were living back to the

great ethical principles of rightcousness; to forsake their sins, cloaked under the guise of legalism; to abandon the delusion that descent from Abraham was salvation, or that anything would make sons of God except genuine repentance.

These were the abstract principles of his ministry, but he could do business beneath the stars, could come down in his preaching from a statement of abstract principles to a direct application of them to the men who were listening to him. With marvelous directness be sent a shaft flying into the very heart of such wickedness as usually characterized the dealings of publicans, when he talked to publicans, and drove home the truth as to the sins which make criminals out a of soldiers, when he talked with soldiers. He could tell a scribe of his meanness. would not blanch nor blink the truth in the presence of Herod Antipas on his throne, but hurled into his face a fearless charge of

incest and adultery.

If any man feels called upon, however, to exercise a ministry of this sort, let him count the cost, and let him know that the world will make short work with him, as it would have done with Elijah, as it did do with John the Baptist. Nevertheless, if he feels called to such a ministry, let him fearlessly exercise it, for both Elijah and John have received notable testimonials that they were no misguided servants of the Most High, much less fanatics. Elijah was the greatest of all the old prophets, and John was a greater than Elijah. Still, not all true workers have wrought in their way, and they are not, therefore, to be set forth as the type of the universal ministry. It is enough that every man should do his own work in his own way, as God has made him and appointed his times, do it well, and have this testimony, that he pleases God.

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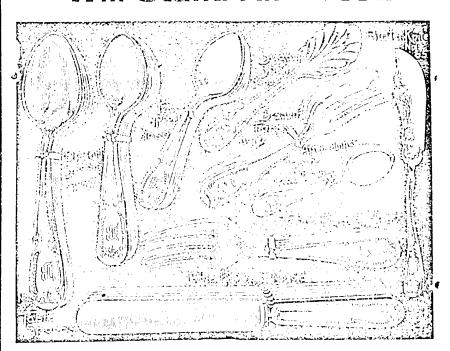
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ACTS XXII. 17 21; XIII, 2.

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We see Paul praying for guid-nce That is essential. We also ance see that the providence of God directed him to the best field. Jerusalem was not the place for him. His past record there had erected barriers to his ministry there, es-Other disciples were pecially. there preaching in peace, but when the Jews heard Paul was in the city they "went about to kill him." He had led in the killing of Stephen, which made the Christians still fear him. He had forsaken his own party—the Pharisees—and for this they despised him. He clearly needed a new field. The Jews of Jerusalem would not hear him. He was He was chosen to preach to the Gentiles.

Besides the things which we have referred to, Paul had especial qualifications for work among the Gentiles. $_{
m His}$ learning, $_{
m his}$ knowledge of heathen philosophy, his right of cit zenship as a Roman were all in his favor. Ho was a chosen vessel for such a ministry as the heathen world

required.

It is a point to observe and remember that although Paul was impressed with the spirit of God that his work was among the Gentiles, he did not proceed upon that work, but went to his home at There he waited until the Tarsus. door of his ministry to the Gentiles was formally opened by the Church First in order came the revelation of Peter that the Gen tiles should hear the gospel, and then the conversion of Cornelius and his household. Knowledge of this caused the apostles at Jerusalem to send Barnabas to Antioch, where they heard already that a large number of the Greciaus had received the faith. After witnessforth by the church at Antioch to go to the Gentiles. We see at every tion to us for what you want. step that God directed his ministers through the church. ters through the church. We teach that a preacher should be entirely called of God, but a call from God is not a commission to et independent of the church.

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WEDNESDAY, JAN. 10, 1900.

Bishop Brown on Church Unity.

We see published in the Arkansas Democrat of January 2, an appeal for organic unity of the churches, made by Right Rev. Wm. M. Brown, D.D., Episcopal Bishop for the diocese of Arkansas. The "If Protestant Bishop says: churches are ever united it will be on the basis of unity in essentials, and liberty in non-essentials. The essentials," he says, are

- The Bible. 1.
- The ecumenical creeds.
- The two sacraments. 3.
- The apostolic ministry."

"That these are essentials," he continues, "is evidenced by the fact that they are so regarded by at least four-fifths of all the Christians now in the world. There is, therefore, no possibility of re-union without those essentials. If, then, you belong to a body of Christians which is lacking in one or more of them, your plain duty is to abandon it for a church which has them all."

Now, this is a very terse presentation of the matter. The "argumentum ad rem" and the "argumentum ad hominem" are very direct indeed.

But shall we not respond to Bishop Brown, that since fourfifths of all the Christians in the world are agreed as to the essentials of which he speaks, they are already, therefore, grounded upon these essentials according to their own understanding of them, and deem their respective denominations the best exponents of them. The Bishop, if he rightly understands the case, will find little reason to hope that any of these, who accept the essentials stated, will think it necessary to change church relations to get on any platform different from that which they now occupy.

But if the arraying of all the forces of Christianity in one church organization appears now to be im perative, has not the Roman Catholic Church, which holds all the essentials named and outnumbers greatly all the Protestants, the b st claim and the only reasonable the Protestants alone, and find that, while the great majority accept the necessity of an "apostolic

ence among essentials or non essen- denominations in this country tials? The denominations which much larger, more aggressive, more have repudiated the idea of prelatical or tactual succession as a false claim, and a more figment, and grounded their idea of apostolicity in a call of God to the work of the ministry, and in an apostolic spirit and character, have had, in a remarkable degree, the divine sanction on their work. How will Bishop Brown define apostolicity? Will he accept that which is vital and spiritual or be content with an empty husk? It may be found when the Protestant Churches assemble in ecumenical council to establish their union, even upon the basis which the Bishop lays down, they may require the Bishop himself to revise his definition of an apostolic ministry.

The closing paragragh of the Bishop's appeal urges the importance of prompt union of the churches to save our government. He says: "The official statistics show that over half of the population of the United States is unidentified with any organized form of Christianity. This means that the foundation of our supremely blessed and superior civilization is crumbling. The unhappy division among Protestants is largely responsible for this falling away,'

It would be hard to compress more false suggestions than are found here into so short a space.

Is the Christian Church membership of this country declining? When this government was organized the Protestant church membership of the country was not more than one in fifteen, now it is more than one in four. If the foundation was laid in Christian faith is that foundation "crumbling away?'

The Bishop says: "?he unhappy division among Protostants is largely responsible for this falling away." Does anyone doubt that so far from increase of strife and sectarian intolerance the whole history of this country, for the century just closing, has shown a steady advance in the spirit of unity, toleration and good fellowship among Protestant churches? And what is meant by "falling away?" Are the churches dying? Is Christianity halting in its progress? During the decade closing with 1850 our statistics show that the Protestant to be accepted by us all as the true churches increased in membership fold? Or if we confine our view to at a ratio far beyond our increase in population. Have any divisions and strifes arisen in the Protestant ranks since that time to cipal peace officer of the county, ministry" they can not agree as to weaken the power of the church? how the term "apostolic" shall be However, if the good Bishop reconstrued will the Bishop recognize gards organic unity of so much imthis as a barrier to his scheme of portance, if he will look about him perpetrate that kind of violence tions located in the Umted States

efficient in making converts, more powerful in their public moral influence than the Protestant Episcopal Church; in one of those he might find the larger fellowship for which he longs and, withall, be inspired with more hopeful views of the progress of true Christianity.

To Suppress Lynchings.

Every good citizen of Arkansas feels the reproach which falls upon the whole State because of the frequent lynchings which occur among our people. No matter how terrible the crime, this method of punishment dishonors us, and as a means of restraining crime it is a failure. It fosters a recklessness of human life, and engenders feelings of revenge which on occasion flame out in further crime. We are glad that this matter of so much importance received especial attention from the State Bar Association, which convened in this city last week. The speech of Judge Rose upon the subject was an able plea for reform. It ought to be delivered before our next legisla-

The recommendation adopted by the association we present to our readers:

"One of the evils of the day, which has grown of late years until t has assumed alarming proportions, is the crime of lynching. The resort to mob violence has become so common that it is beginning to be regarded as an unavoid able evil. It acts in contempt of all law and authority and repre sents anarchy in its last and worst phase. Experience in all parts of the country points to the fact that it can not be repressed by the imposition of penalties against the in dividual participants, and the only way to reach and repress it would seem to be the imposition by law of such resonsibilities upon the offi cors, chargoable with the enforcement of the law and the protection of the lives and liberty of the citizens as will make it to their interest to discharge their duties more faithfully than is usually done on such occasions. So far as we are aware there has been no legislation in that direction; at least, if there has, it has not been such as to attract attention or to afford a test of its efficacy. Recent occurrences in this and other States admonish us that some action should be taken by the legislative branch for the purpose of cradicating this monstrous evil

in every instance where a person in legal custody is put to death by a mob, the sheriff, who is the prin- Herald and Presbyter presents. shall forthwith forfeit his office and or re-election for the same term.

classes, and the mass of the responsible citizens who do not approve of their conduct remain passive, because they do not care to embroil themselves with the mob, while the officials whose duty it is to resist usually find it easier and safer, as well with regard to their political interest as their personal welfare, to comply with mands of the mob and in that way it is very seldom that an earnest or even honest effort is made by these officials to protect the helpless classes who are committed to their custody, charged with heinous offenses, but who are, nevertheless, entitled to an impartial judicial trial.

"In this connection we suggest, but do not recommend, as there is a difference of opinion among the members of the committee on the subject, that in addition to the penalty prescribed against the sheriff, the imposition of a liability on the county in which a lynching petrated, to pay \$5,000 to the widow and children, or if there be none such, to the next of kin, of every person who is put to death by a mob, recoverable by action on the part of the beneficiaries in any court of competent jurisdiction, and that upon the recovery of a judgment by presentation of a certificate copy thereof to their agent, that the same forthwith be paid in money, or, if there be not money in the treasury for the purpose of paying the same, that it be paid by the issuance of county scrip which shall be receivable for all licenses, taxes and dues of every chara ter payable to the county.

The Herald and Presbyter of Jan. 3, presents some statistics relative to Presbyterian Churches and the extent to which they are supplied by ministers. It reports for the entire church 7,315 ministers, 7,673 churches of which 1,011 are vacant, while 3,126 have what is termed stated supplies, that is to say, ther have no settled pastors and depend for the preaching they get upon ministers who are without a pastorate and upon the evangelists. Now there are reported 1,493 and 427 evangelists supposed to be serving in this capacity. Of the 7,683 churches only 3,536 have settled pastors and of the whole number only 3,332 are self-sustaining. The number of ministers not engaged as past rs, stated supplies or evangelists, but wholly unemployed is 795-less than the 1,011 vacant churches. The Herald and Presbyter concluded that there is no surplus of preachers.

It will strengthen many a Metho "We would recommend that dist pastor in his devotion to the statutes be enacted providing that itineracy to read carefully the summing up of the situation which the

"The arithmetical calculation is simple and ought to be convincing shall be ineligible to reappointment; in the matter. To begin with, the r re-election for the same term. | ministers who are not able to ren "In most cases the mobs who der regular service to the congrega union? Will he reckon this differ- he will see a number of Christian are made up of the irresponsible are 241 foreign missionaries, 94 ec

clesiastical officers, 268 teachers, 397 162 churches is self-supporting. honorably retired; a total of 1,000. There is evidently agreat field open Subtracting this sum from the before the Presbyterian Church in total of ministers (7,315), we have the United States of America for left 6,315 for possible services in the increase of contributions for the home field. Further, of these the maintenance of the regular minministers, 3,817 are pastors, so that the number of seemingly avail- tions. able ministers who are not in pastorates is 2,998 Now, the number of churches having pastors is reported as 3,536, giving a total of 4,137 churches needing mini-ters. It therefore appears that if each of the 2,998 ministers who are not pastors were located each in a church, there would still be 1,139 churches unsupplied with a regular ministry. Instead of there being a surplus of ministers, as has been repeatedly alleged, there is a dearth tices with approval certain anof ministers. There are not men nouncements of funerals which enough to care for 3,1 6 churches reported as having stated supplies, that are vacant.

But it will be said that a considmarked Ev. and W. C. are not in a claborate designs in flowers, of position to render service to the Church, for reasons for which they can not be held responsible. This is admit ed, and it is estimated that ton per cent., at the least, of the ministers thus designated are incapacitated for active service. Making allowance for this percentage; we have 2,876 ministers prepared, if locations can be found for and women do not desire that relathem, to engage regularly in ministerial work. Further, it is fair to for a costly funeral. Besides, such estimate that, of the 4 137 church-tributes, when they have grown ines on the roll of the General Assembly that are without regular past to a fashion, cease to be testimotors, fully ten per cent could not nies of affection. The dignity of at present provide, our of their own humanity is in that which all the resources, for any other than an occasional pulpit supply. Making the deduction for this percentage, we have left 3,724 churches for 2, 876 ministers. Even in such a the spiritual world. Synod as Pennsylvania there are but 301 ministers other than pastors for the 279 churches which are without pasters. The fields are white for the harvest, but the laborers, what of them?

The main obstacles in the way of securing a stated munistry for all the congregations, and so colving the problem of vacancy and supply, are two in number.

The first is the reported financial condition of the congregations. Only 3,332 churches are reported by the Presbyteries as relf-su-taining, i. e , as able out of their own resources to meet all the expenses of maintenance. We therefore have 4,341 churches which are reported as being unable without outside help to pay ministers a living The non-self-supporting churches are found in all parts of the country. In the Synod of Pennsylvania, for instance, there are 458 such chareles reported out of 1,187. When we so to regions which are regarded exclusively as home missionary, we find the pro- opening, except four. portion of self-customing churches Washington but 6 out of 132; in the spirit of the work.

Synod of Indian Territory, but 3 Bro. Trawick was much gratified once of Visbely aborizont is changed by the attendance and interest at from Jac. 17 to Jac. 16 So take

istry in financially weak congrega-

The second obstacle is that the denomination has no general system by which the vacant churches and the unemployed ministers may be brought into a practical relation to each other. It is this latter matter which the Assembly has committed to its Special Committee on Vacancy and Supply, of which the Moderator is Chairman.'

The "Midland Methodist" nohave appeared in the secular pathat there is neither good taste nor erable preportion of the ministers good principle exhibited in the crosses, harps, pillows, anchors, hoops, doves, etc., which are heaped in profusion upon the casket of the dead and about the chancel of the church at funerals. We fully agree with this view and hope the reform will succeed. Good men tives and friends should be taxed tributes, when they have grown inpure and true can claim together in common, and the display of realth is un cemly at the gate of

Preachers' Meeting.

The preachers' meeting convened at the office of the presiding Present: Thomas, White, Christie, Workman, Richardson, Godbey and Trawick.

Bro. Godbey offered prayer.

Bro. Workman reported four idditions to the church Sunday. The Sunday-school made the best missionary collection of the conforence last year, being \$67. The Epworth League is well organized

Bro. Christic reported his work in encouraging condition.

Bro. White is a new preacher on Alexander circuit. He thought there was good promise in the work

Bro. Richardson said the mission was sufficiently supported financially. At Cross and Water streets, the work is doing fairly well. The Markham street hali work is problematical. Services have been held every night since

Bro. Thomas has been very busy vary smal. In the Sand of Ut the in getting the work of the district there are but three self-supporting started. He is especially pleased churches out of 42, in the Sypod of with the cheerful and helpful

Synod of Catavelar, no one of that Bro. Thompson was called to 16.

one at Control of the Virginia. Bro. Trawick preached at First Church in the morning, and Bro. Thomas at night.

Church Notes.

Our people at Bentonville, Ark., worshiped in their new church last Sunday, for the first time. Bro. Steel has done a noble work and is much appreciated by his people.

The Congregational Church has opened two schools in Porto Rico; one at San Juan and the other at Utuado, Together they accommodate 400 children. Yetit is reported that 11,000 applied for admission in two weeks.

The Fifth Avenue Presbyterian not to speak of the 1,011 churches pers-with the request, "no flowers, Church, New York, of which Dr. please." The Midland suggests Hall was so long p stor, is now under charge of Dr. George T. Purvis, former Professor o' New Testament Exegosis in Princeton Theological Seminary.

> The Northwest Texas Conference discontinues its annual Epworth Leagne Conference. That is well. We are losing time in dress parades.

> ing to raise for the Twentieth Century offering are as follows:

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This is a great sum, and yet it is a good degree of promptness. not a fourth part of some private fortunes now held by professedly Christian men in the United States.

The Methodists of New York City propose to raise \$700,000 to clear all heir churches in that city of debt.

The Cline Fund.

Received since last report: From Beebs League, by Mrs. Nettie Colvin, \$10; Portia League, by Rose Coffman, \$5.

GEO. Tronsmunon, Treas.

At 0 tark.

Our meeting to Ozark opened yesterday, led by Rev. J. B. An-Chapel. drews and his singer, Mr. Phillips, We had two fine sermons yesterday. The meeting starts well, and the prospects are fine. Bros. Andrews and Phillips start well. The people are well pleased with their work, thus for, and we believe they are the very men we needed.

S. F. GODDARD.

Jan. 8.

do, but 25 out of 124; in the Synod bis church. They raised \$ 0 for notice, betteen, we in clust Mt., of Atlantic, 5 out of 176, and in the Cuban missions last Sunday. Pleasant at Hacto, Tuesday, Jan. Ass. BROWNS, P. E.

Personal.

Read Quinn's adv.

Rov. Sam. P. Jones is again at work. His health is recovered.

We bear excellent things of Brother Hicks' beginning at Helena.

Quinn's, 3rd and Main, going to quit the clothing business. See adv.

Rev. John B. Culpepper, Lebanon, Mo., has been very ill. He is improv-

John. D. Rockefeller has given \$10,-000 to Booker Washington's Tuskogee Institute.

We were pleased to have a call this week from our long-time friend, R. F. Chew, of St. Louis.

You can save money on men and boys' clothing at Quinn's, 3rd and Main -the cause, see adv.

Generals Wheeler and Lee have both been confirmed by the Senate as Brigadiers in the regular army.

Daniel S. Ford, the owner of the Youth's Companion paper died Dec. 31. He leaves a fortune estimated at ×2,500,000.

Rov. C. J. Andrews, D. D., presiding elder of Meridian District, Mississippi Conforence, died at Meridian Miss., Sunday last, 70 years of age.

Count Tolstoi is reported seriously ill; The amounts which the various the cause of his illness is due to overbodies of Meahodists are undertak- work on the third part of his new novel, "The Resurrection."

> Dr. Bounett notifies us that the Minutes of White River Conference are ready for distribution and that only a few preachers have advised him as to their postoffices.

We thank Prof. J. D. Clary, Secretary of the Little Roe's Conference, for a copy of the Miautes of the session held Nov. 22-27. The work is well done and with

Rev. E. E. Hamilton, a superannuated member of the Memphis Conferonce, died at his home at Dyersburg last Sunday. He was the father of W.P. Ham Iton, formerly of the Arkaneas Conference.

Wo had a call from Rev. J. F. Carr Tuesday. Ho seems quite well. He preached twice last Sunday, held an Epworth League meeting, and heard a sermon at night. Very good for a superannuste.

Bro. I. B Manly writes: "Good epiritual interest was manifested at our mostings yesterday at Wesley and Forrest Chapel. One infant baptized. Conducted a funeral service this morning. Our first quarterly meeting will be at Wesley the 24-25 instead of Smith

Mr. R. E. Drake and Miss Jennie Carland, of this city, were married Wedneeday night at the First M. E. Church, South, Rev. W. E. Taanipson officiating. Mr. Drake is the basiness manager of the Ackansas Baptist and Miss Carland have for quite a while, been the leader of the sirging in the Sundayselood of Fird M. E. Church, South.

RAMILOADING PARENTS

Christian Life.

An Appeal.

No money in this case; it is not even to be thought of in connection with the object we have in view. A prompt, favorable response to this appeal: will not cost you one cent.

What now? Some one may ask. No new th ng, I assure you; no hobby, no question of foolish curiosity; no controverted point in theology or church polity; nothing, absolutely nothing of the sort. We have been practically face to face with this intensely interesting matter all our ministerial life; we are satisfied, too, that at least one reader for every subscriber to the ARKANSAS METHODIST in the State ought to be brought to consider it, and pray over it, until the high purpose is formed to follow the convictions of reason and con-science. It is this: Waiting upon the ministry of the word. Please now, good reader, don't look over the paper for something don't shirk a plain duty. more pleasing, stay and let us reason together. We are not appealing to, or referring to scores of dear ones who are providen-tially barred this privilege; they would be there of they could; there's the mark upon the wall witnessing their fidelity to duty in the past. They loved the sanctuary of God and often proved it to be the gate of Heaven to their souls. Let us hold such in everlasting remembrance.

First. To the law and to the testimony, I do not want to give you a "Thus saith the Lord." His words are spirit and they are His words are spirit and they are life, and their authority I know you will not question. Here is the very beginning of the trouble. Vast numbers of professing Christians have never understood that it states to go to shareh made have replicated adjusted on the results. which they have subscribed as the only rule, and the sufficient rule, The statutes of our country clearly define the duties of citizenship. Says the Psalmist: "I esteem all thy precepts concerning all things is the real cause. to be right." It is right to go to church because God says so. Now ered themselves together as one man, and they spake unto Ezra the scribe to bring the book of the in nine cases out of ten. Plans, law. And Ezra, the priest, brought the law before the congregation until mid-day, and the ears of the will and tireless, ceaseless tool law." Ezra viii. 1-3. Oh, how the law drew them! The gospel ment, that crown life with victory: ought to now. "Hear this (the gospel) all ye people; give ear all ye inhabitants of the world, both ye inhabitants of the world, both low and high, rich and poor tolow and high, rich and poor together." "Come, I pray you, and hear what is the word that cometh sell a Barster Teacher's Bible for forth from the Lord." "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves better than that. We will mail together, as the manner of some is." "Ho that heareth you (Christ's ambassadors) heareth me; and he that despiseth you despisted the words, and is at all disposed to allow them due weight, will Bible for only \$2.50. to allow them due weight, will Bilds for only \$23.0.

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yield them a conscientious obedience, and never let his or her seat in the house of God be vacant if they can help it. Come, brother,

J. E. Caldwell.

"Always At It."

"And he said, Take the arrows. And he took them. And he said unto the King of Israel, Smite upon the ground. And he smote thrice and stayed. And the man of God was wroth with him, and said, Thou shouldst have smitten five or six times; then hadst thou smitten Syria till thou hadst consumed it; whereas now thou shalt smite Syria but thrice.'

Many an artist, many an inventheir duty to go to church, made been sufficient education, there has so by the Holy Scriptures, to been apple opportunity, but nevbeen ample opportunity. but nevortholess life has had a very measire outcome. The disconfited soul not only of faith, but of practice. has laid the blame on a score of persons and things, but has not seemed to realize that want of well directed and persistent effort

If preachers would be honest read: "And all the people gath-that hereix is to be found the explanation of their want of sucpurposes, desires may be all right, but none of these avril noless and read therein from the merning back of them is the indomitable

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C.O. KIMBALL.

For the Young People.

My Trip Across the Rockies.

No. 5.

I am still on a branch of the Union Pacific Railroad, hurrying on to Cheyenne, Wyo., where our train stops and we are taken onto the trunk line of the Union Pacific, coming across from Omaha. We have a hundred miles run due North to Cheyenne from Denver.

Here we are at Cheyenne, and the Omaha train is not in. It is off. We have to wait in the cold, for it is even now, September 30, cold. Frost is in the air. You know it is Saturday night about 11 o'clock.

Yonder comes our train.

Well; I'm again on my sleeper, on my way across the Rockies. I'll soon be there for I have no more lay-overs till I reach Portland. We are climbing the Rockies, but it is night, and all I know about it is the slow motion of our train as it puffs up the slopes. I sleep soundly most of the night. It is morning, Sunday morning, and I am aboard a train on Sunday the second time in my life No Sunday-school today, nor will I stand in a pulpit and talk for Jesus. There'll be no prayer ervice here, either I ask Jesus to forgive me, and help me to be not a shamed of Him among these people. I read my Bible nearly all the morning and I'm sure every one decided, "There's a minister." One young man came to me once, and said: "I guess you are a preacher. My wife told me she know you were a minister." see I had been reading my Bible. I wonder if every traveler is a minister who reads his Bible. If there was a Christian on the train while I came out, he did not let himself be known. Oh, yes! I'll take that back. On my way from Denver up to Cheyenne, I heard a young couple, sweethearts, apparently in the last stage, talking earnestly of church work. They were Methodists, that's all I heard. But I heard our religion scoffed at, ridiculed and blasphemed. A Bible did not appear among my fellow passengers, but they all seemed to respect me perfeetly. Even the very man whom I heard scofling at Christianity, showed himself to be a friend to gation, look up the word, me. Man respects man who shows himself a friend to Carist Jesus know it. I can't but exclaim: showed himself to be a friend to anywhere. I hear no one speaking as if they would like to go to Beautiful crystal waters of Green church, but I heard a young man say: "I tell you, I would like to go to a dance tonight," Sunday night, children.

and it is now nearly 11 o'clock on



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opening of the car closed. The wind is blowing a perfect gale, and driving the dust in clouds across the valley. They tell us at Green River that on Saturday they had a dust storm, and they said one could see but a few yards ahead of him-not much better on Sunday.

Here are some prairie chicken ! Did you ever see any? There are a great lot of prairie dogs! live in towns. You know these little dogs live down in the ground -they look like a grey squirrel to me. Not many people seem to live along here in Wyoming. The principal product seems to be sheep. There are lots of them. I guess they are fed on sage brush, nicely dried. The people live, mostly, in little log cabins, covered with dirt and gravel. They are very low. They cover them this way to keep the wind from blowing them away. I should judge it to be a pretty good idea. I suppose the people wear rock hats and bonnets, or the men wear rocks in their coat tails, and the women—they must stay at home. Some of the people live in covered wagons These are usually the shepherds who tend the sheep.

never saw the like of sheep. Well, the country is changing. A little stream of water has appeared and along its banks small trees are growing. Large and larger grows the stream, and now I believe the maps in our geographies mark it Green River. It scarce deserves the name of river. But what a change it has wrought in the country! Grass is growing all along the valley, and it is blocked off into farms; the clover is growing; here the mower has been at work and great mows of hay dot the fields; the corn stands in places in shocks; fine bunches of horses and cattle are grazing on the grass; the houses have grown from huts to fine country homes, with neat outbuildings splen 'id orchards. The water is and led off down across the farms where it is made to run over the fields at will-they call this irri-Beautiful valley of Wyoming! River! You run down from the eternal snows of the Rockies to our North, clear, cold and bright! The fields push back up against Well, I've been talking along the mountains, towering up on each side of us. These stand Sunday, October 1. I must look there cold, grave, stern looking, out awhile at the country. We the silent sentinels of our day. the silent sentinels of our day. are away over in Southwestern Their ops are bare, as if in defer-Wyoming. Grey looking mountains rise up ff to both sides of us. I see nothing very interesting along our valley-like country. It is barren. Very little rain seems to fall hore and nothing but some to fall here, and nothing but sage brush seems to grow. And dusty! I never saw the like. Our windows are double-cased, and yet the dust gets through with every other. The sun is sinking into the West, short space on the far distant short space on the far distant dome of mountains and this event to bury us in night. Now we have started down another stream in the midst of a beautiful valley. It before night folds me in his tory. But wait a proment.

must be a little river called Stone, Youder upon a great peak stands into Great Salt Lake in Utah. numbered years? Surely angels re-joiced over thee."

Well, now, children, I want some supper, just a little, and, as sentinel answer back: I must go out into the palace eating car for lunch. You know us preachers don't have money to finish Idaho tonight. spend like some other people, and I will make my bill as light as possible. I call for: "A little mashed potato, a little piece of pie, a little cup of coffee and a little fruit," with butter, pepper, salt, water and toothpicks thrown in. I eat very dignified in the fine car and enjoy my eating much, and, r in the meantime, the waiter throws down my bill-jest 55 cents-and he looks a little mad because it is so small I think they let you have a full meal for 75 cents. You had better believe "I licked the platter clean," and never did taste that much money in it. I went large sized Marriage Certificates, out amused at myself, and I left on heavy paper for framing. the cashier smiling too; it seemed Drives from 22 to 22 or 12 to be mutual. I think he put me up to be an old bachelor miser,

Well, I come now to view the erowning glories of the day. The day is growing dark. The great peaks have become larger by the way of this valley—the Vailey of the Stone. One great mountain seems to give way only to reveal the distant grey dome of another, still greater. I have noted this: that subject. We will dispose of "The finger of God touches sub- what we have as 25 com's per copy. limely, beautifully, delicately." There a great black cloud seems to place his lower part upon a mountain peak and lift his buge bedy up one-fourth across the sky. Now the mountains suddenly sink into deep canyons, and then rise to peaks higher than ever before. I cannot describe the beauty of this scene. Just imagine a mountain scene, where the nearer parts, in peaks, are extremely beautiful, and the picture grows more and more beautiful as distance is added Copies of the anti-burgh's Catto it. till it fades away in the deli- echism for lives coll ten have been cate haes of the sky. This is the picture before me. Now the River Stone rushes over a ledge of copies p int a. No similar work rocks and dashes its form us into rocks and dashes its foam up into the face of the sun. Youder a It is a simple, son ble casechism, mountain peak, far in the distance, made for called a ble mother of mutely looks me in the eyes. His children, who are been for many coating is very dark.

coating is very dark.

Our train rushes into the beautiful city of Pocatillo, sitting down in this lovely valley of Idaho, cit-cled by mountains, seemingly a local seemingly early and rises late, surely. But onward we go, till the sun restalf like a great dise, upon a mountain, dark shadows drop onto the other side, while the golden light of the setting sun crowns the top, and above and about the sun black clouds seem to hover, whose nemer. parts are mide to blush in his light, and glory fades, as night drops her shadows into the valley,

which runs out of Bear Lake down a lone pine, a sente of night, and he seems to ask of another have here marked in my note peak, arising higher: "Watchbook: "Reautiful valley of Idaho, man, what of the night?" And nestled you here unseen for unwhat? Lord, as I view these vast domes standing in black night yonder, ict my spirit rest on Pisgah's bright heavenly top, and yon my lunch basket is nearly empty, man, a night of sweetest peace." I have bin down on my jumping couch for rest, children. We will

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sold in theat the year, and we has met with spell provered favor.

Our Church at Home.

RUSSELLVILLE, ARK.—After a move of over 200 miles, we are comfortably settled in an elegant little parsonage in Russellville. The good people of the town have given us a cordial welcome. We have been here about three weeks and have formed the acquaintance of quite a large number of people, and find them to be a most excel-lent class of people. They are people who know how to look after the interest of a new pastor and his family. They have not "pounded" us, but have done larger things, which renders pounding unnecessary. Owing to the smallpox scare, the attendance upon the Sunday-school and preaching services have not been so good as would be otherwise, but we are thankful to say that we expect no more trouble on that score, and the congregations are already much larger than at first. Our stewards met Christmas and made a very liberal assessment for the support of the P. C., and made satisfactory arrangements for the other interests of the church. We feel very hopeful for a good year in [all departments of the work of the church. Fra ternally,

R. LUTHER BROACH, P. C.

SILOAM SPRINGS STATION.—] found my people somewhat discouraged and doubtful as to results, but all said, "We will do our best." All things considered, the outlook is hopeful. We are all agreed that we must move our church to some more central part of the city. This we intend to do as soon as possible. Our congregation is much larger now than at the beginning of the conference The Planter's Dependence on Good Seed

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J. R. MAXWELL.

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On Dec. 16th our home was invaded and the preacher pounded. He is getting along very well—has had plenty to eat since the pound-Though we have not heard it on this work, we have heard people say they could not afford to pay anything for the support of the gospel. Any one who says this ought to be ashamed of it. Last year I was P. C. on the Calamine work. There is a poor old mother curs All Pair. "One cent a dose." Age, Nashville, Tenn.

in Israel living on that work who wanted to show some of the good sisters that they could all pay something; so she told them she was going to pay her preacher all she realized from one hen. She called that hen her "missionary hen." During the year she set the hen twice, sold both broods, paid me \$2.10 as the proceeds of her missionary hen. It looks like all could Who will follow the exdo that. ample?

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Helps in the Home.

BY S. J. H.

Family life and happiness depend upon the home, but the wife and mother is the home maker, and she must be a thoroughly feminine woman, a house-keeper as well as home-maker. Skilled homewifery means a great deal; its foundation is excellence, and whether a woman be rich or poor, if she possesses this art she is a benefactor. One important item for such house-wives to remember is that it is their duty to take care of themselves - so many overwork thomselves do not surround their work with health lifts, and labor savers. Remember, when a mother in a family breaks down there are desolation and sadness in the home. What I want to say is that every device that helps a house-wife in ber daily routine of duties should be eaught hold of at once. As sweeping is one of the most laborious things that a woman has to contend with, perhaps an easier method learned in the school of experience may benefit you as it has me. The dust always hurt my throat, and when you, every day, sweep a heavy carpet, it becomes very irksome.

To be able to sweep less, is the idea. Fill a pail full of warm water, and dissolve two tablespoonfulls of pearline into it, and then dip your broom into it (it must be perfectly clean) then sweep width by width. As soon as the water becomes dirty, empty it out, and prepare as with the first, as soiled water carpet look dingy. It will allay all the dust and brightens up the carpet to look like new. This sweeping will answer for a week, and such a sweeping in this way is equal to a spring or fall

cleaning.

Have plenty of stove holders and a nail near the stove to hang them on-keep plenty of dish cloths and towels, for health's sake as well as for cleanliness, and above all necessary helps a housewife who has to be much in her kitchen needs an easy chair to sit in, one which reaches to the table comfortably, so that she can wash dishes and prepare vegetables, etc. Standing so much is very trying on a healthy woman, but to a tired, delicate woman it is very injurious. These are only a few items of help, howev-

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Our Church at Home.

ROWELL CIRCUIT.—After a move of fifty miles, we are now in the parsonage on Rowell circuit. The ecclesiastical wheel certainly rolled us off among good people, for on the night of Dec. 20th, after we had eaten supper and were quietly chatting with some friends, we heard voices at the front gate singing "Peace on earth, good will to Into our dining room they came, bringing such things as flour, sugar, coffee, etc. They then entertained us with some of their best music, after which the writer tried as hest he could to ask the blessings of God to rest upon us all. A week later, the lower part of the circuit came up, and completed the filling of our pantry. Truly, the lines have fallen to us in pleasant places. God bless the people of this circuit.

R. L. Reese.

Rowell, Dec. 28.

Austin circuit -In the providence of God, I was re-appointed to this circuit. It was with much gratitude that I received this appointment. Our first quarterly conference was held Dec. 20th; was well attended by the stewards, and a good report was made on finances, considering the earliness of the conference. Brother Thomas was with us, and, as usual, scattering sunshine everywhere. He preached but one time, but his sermon did much good.

Thursday night, Dec. 21, the people of the Mt. Tabor community made our hearts glad by a token of their appreciation, in the form of a donation party. Many nice things were brought, and a good number participated. Of course, we felt grateful to them.

The prospect for a good year is flattering. We have determined, by the help of God, to try to make this conference year the best of the twenty-three years of our itinerant life. W. M. CROWSON.

Cabot, Dec. 29.

BERRYVILLE, ARK.-Well, we are here at Berryville, all safe and no mishap, break-down or damage to person or goods. We are well pleased, in the main, and our people have given us a very cordial welcome.

Berryville is a larger town than I expected to see. Our new church here is nearly completed—a few hours' outside painting to do, can-vassing and papering. We lack just a few dollars to finish; some of this in sight; we aim to have it dedicated in a few weeks.

good here. I have not seen a Paul, Minn. drunken man since I have been on this side of the mountains.

Most of our citizens are very much encouraged over the prospect of the new railroad. A large number of hands are now clearing off the right-of-way. The road will miss Berryville about three miles, but there is a mutual understanding between the citizens here and the railroad company, that a depot will be built for the town and Berryville will build her own line to it.

New Year's night a number of neighbors and friends visited the cash. parsonage and deposited on the

dining table many good things for the family. We talked and prayed and thanked the Lord for such kindness, and we all felt that it was a happy New Year's night. We take courage and start out with renewed energy, to try and do more for the Lord in this year of his grace than ever before. W. H. METHENY.

Berryville, Jan. 3.

TO THE METHODIST PREACHERS and others of Arkansas:—I am very desirous of finding a cousin of mine, by the name of Wm. Teague. who emigrated from Mississip pi to Arkansas, and when last heard from, in the spring of 1892, was living near Paris, Logan Co. Ark. He had a wife and two chil-If any Methodist dren then. preacher or other person can give me any information about William Teague, it will be very thankfully received And if the said William Teague or either of his heirs will communicate with me, I can give them information which will be of financial interest to them.

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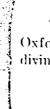
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The world's conference. The very name is so vast that one fails to grasp its maining. I am reminded of the man who exclaimed: "A billion of heathens." That a conference on foreign missions m gl t include the uncivilized and un-Uncistian portions of the globe we can easily understand. That England sends out missionaries is a well known fact, for who has not heard of the Baptist Missionary S cicty, which dates from 1792, the London Missionary Society, 1794, and the Church Missionary Society, 1799?

In our own country the hay-stack meeting of 1810 and the birth of the first foreign missionary society in the United States, are widely known, and so is the fact that almest every religious body is organized for foreign work. But an Ecumenical conference takes in more than England and the United States. Turning to a prospective Bengal Christian Family Pontus, I find that all the Evangelical sion Fund. This is the most suc-Protestant societies conducting cessful attempt in India, perhaps foreign missiona to un-evangelized peoples in the world, and all missionaries so employed, make up phans. the constituency of this approahing conference.

There are more than one hundred and fifty Protestant missionary organizations that are trying to make inroads on heathendom. This country leads with 101, but England is a close second with 97. Scottend has 31, Ireland 4, Denmark 6, Norway 6, Sweden 15, Filand 3, Formany 21, Holland 21, France 2, Scitzorland 4, Hawaii 2, New Zealand 9, Tasmania 2, Australia 27, and Canada 16.

Missionaries have accepted invitations from Japan, Korea, Assam, Burna, O ennica, Inda, Turkey, Palestine, Malay ia, Brazil and Moxico. Others are replying, and it is now certain that the conference will be an event that ought to arouse the interest not alone of

This is the third such conference es, the first one having been held European Turkey. Although Dr. at Milemay, 1878, and the second Hamlin is not now on the field, his every eventelical church in the world having any agency for the extension of the Redeemer's Kingdom was represented. The report to Turkey?' of it says that "it was a great meeting, creat in numbers, great in the quently of mone imprising it, and greater in its object." "Few if any series of meetings could show

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such a large number of able and influential men occcupying the platform.

All this and more will be true of the approaching conference, and certainly the personnel will be one of its most interesting features. Men and women from nearly every civilized and uncivilized nation of the earth, many peoples and tribes, and nobody knows how many tongues. When we remember hearing a missionary declare there to be a language for every ten square miles in Africa, we are estimating careful in tongues of the earth.

Among the noteworthy missionaries who are expected we find the name of Rev. K. S. Macdonald, the senior worker of the Free Church of Scotland, now in his thirty-eighth year of service. He has long been Fellow of the Calcutta University, with which all of the mission colleges of that part of India are affiliated. For the last five years he has been president of the Board of Studies in English, and president for many years of anywhere, by native Christians, to support their widows and or-

Mr. Macdonald is vice-president of the Calcutta Christian Book and Tract Society, and was made by the government a life member of the Pure Literature and School Book Society. As if all these positions were not enough, he is an editor, a director in a school for deaf and dumb, the latter the first and only one in North India. He brings the authority of service and experience to speak on "Literary Fields." Workers in Mission

Another veteran is Rev. Dr. Cyrus Hamlin, who went to Turkey in 1837 under the American Board. His labors have been quite as abundant as those of Mr Macdonald, although along quite different lines. Forty years' work are to his credit. He was one of the founders of New York, but of the whole na Robert College at Constantinople, which has sent out its influence into every part of Asia Minor and in Landon, 1888. At the latter loving service in foreign missions will never cease on earth. Recently in answer to the inquiry, you return he said: not know what privileges will be accorded me in the other life, but if the choice is given, I shall make a bee line for Constantinople."
Rev. Dr. William Ashnon has

known a half a century of service the Baptist Missionary under He is the nestor of the Union. Baptist force in China; a Christian statesman. Rev Jacob Chamberlain, M. D., went to India forty years ago under the Board of the Reformed Church. By his medical skill, his accurate knowledge of the language and extended touring, he has exerted a wide influence. He is the author of "In the Tiger Jungle," which has been so eagerly read.

who are to come to the conference. evils of it. Price, 25cts. Who, interested in foreign mis-



sions, has not heard of Gulick, Scudder, Clough, Paton, Hume, Hop-burn and a host of others? All these will represent the uncivilized world next April; while the long list of picked men from the United Kingdom and the United States, who form the twenty-seven comassures us that we are to have a wonderful gathering in this forthcoming Ecumenical Conference on Foreign Missions.

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Kelley-Jennings Bryan, infant son of J. Lee and Annie Kelley, born July 25, 1898; died October 13, 1899, age 1 year, 2 months, and 18 days. One more little face beaming o'er the walls of Heaven looking for papa and mamma to come. mamma to come.

M. N. WALDRIP

Moore—George H. Moore was born in Ward, Ark., August, 1858; died October 19, 1899, in Judsonia, Ark. He was converted eleven years ago in a meeting held by Rev. W. H. Cryer, and joined the M. E. Church, South, at Ward. He was one who was tempted and tried with the cares of this world. There were traits about Bro. Moore which could be excelled by none. His home was a preacher's home; always made him feel welcome. He had a wife and two children to meet him on the other shore. His body was laid away in Sylvania Cemetery to wait the resurrection morn. I would say to the bereaved ones, Look up to Jesus, He is the great comforter and consoler.

George Wilkinson. Moore-George H. Moore was born GEORGE WILKINSON.

Cato, Ark.

SNEED—Mollie Lynn was born July 25, 1864; married to J. H. Sneed, Aug 1832, and joined the M. E. Onurch, South, early in life and lived a consistent member of the same until it pleased the Heavenly Father to remove her on November 23, 1899. She leaves a husband and three children to mourn her loss. Mourn not dear ones. leaves a husband and three children to mourn her loss. Mourn not dear ones, for your loss is her eternal gain, and she is now waiting on the other shore to meet and greet you at your coming. Live then for God, and you will find mother where her tears will be dried, and she will have forgotten her ex trome suffering with the coscientious ness of ther patience and endurance May she be favored with the happy privilege of meeting her dear family one by one at the beautiful gate and welcome them to the saints' eternal home.

HUGH REVELEY, P. O.

HUGH REVELEY, P. C.

POYNTER—Mrs. Amanda, nee Costar, was born in Monroe county, Ark, Juno 4, 1845; married to J. P. Poynter in March, 1872; moved to DeWitt in January, 1879, and dlod October 3, 1899. In early life she joined the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. On their removal to DeWitt, there being ne Cumberland Presbyterian Ohurch there she united with the M. E. Church, South, in which she lived an exemplary Christian life. Everyone knew her but to love her. Her husband preceded her some years ago, and was watching and waiting for her over there. Sister Poynter was a sufferer for more than twenty years, but in all her suffering she; was never heard to complain. Just a few days before her death, she said she would be glad to dle if it was God's will. She left to this community the memory of a beautiful Christian life. Sister Poynter left three children, two of whom are grown and one is 12 years old. May God's richest blessings be with the children in their lonely life. The life of the mother is shown in the children. May the protection of Heaven be ever around them, and at last they meet with father and mother to part no more. POYNTER-Mrs. Amanda, neo Costar,

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He was a promising boy, and we had begun to indulge in fond hopes that through him our memory would be perpetuated in the Arkansas Confer- Catalogue. The C.S. BLLL CO., Hillshore, W.

once, for he was studying and preparing himself as fast as he could for the work of the itinerant ministry. Looking to public talks of which we had heard rayorable reports, and his last public effort, especially, was crowned with good results. His last illness continued eleven days and he suitcred greatly, but never murmured or complained for a moment. Early in his sickness he called his mother to his bedside and said: "I want you to pray with me once more," which she did, after reading some portions of God's word to him, and he became very happy and rejoiced greatly. Twice during his sickness he had prayed with the family, kneeling upon his bed while he prayed. The last Sunday spent upon earth will be especially memorable to us. He said: "It is Sunday morning again, and I want to have prayer with you all once once more." Thon kneeling upon his bed, he gan by thanking God that our lives had oeen spared through another week and we were permitted to see anotter Sabbath day. And after giving thanks to God for all his blessings and bonefits to uswerd, he then prayed for the Arkansas Conference, then in assion, and for all the preachers and thoir work. Then for the taculty and students of Quitman School, and for the various interests of the people of Quitman and closed his prayer after commending us to the Lord's protection.

Our sorrow is great and hard to bear, but we find great consolation in the for

Our sorrow is great and hard to bear, Our sorrow is great and hard to bear, but we find great consolation in the sweet experiences he manifested during his last illn fs. We expect some sweet day to find our boy rgain in the city of God.

HIS MAMMA AND PAPA.

VANCE-With a sad heart and subdeath of Sister Carrie Frances Vance. She was born December 14. dued spirit I make record of the death of Sister Carrie Frances death of Sister Carrie Frances (Anne) death of Sister Carried from the Mine Was to low and honor. She always met her pastor and friend, whom to know was to low and honor. She always met her pastor and friends with a smile and cheering words. Her presence was as unshine to the soul. Her words were as music to the soul. Her words were as music to the soul. Her words were as music to the sad. Her wongs were heard in the praise meetings and her prayers ascended the hill of the Carrie has has gone from us, we will never hear her songe on earth again; never be choered by her kind and friendly greeting. Her place is vacant. Oh, the gloom, how dark! The sorrow, how great! Fond parents and loving brothers, look up, listou, hear the words of concelation: "Blessed are the dead which die in the in the Lord." Carrie has only stepped into God's little dressing room to pat on Heaven's regalis; to be clothed with immortality. She is waiting on the glory of the redeemed, wearing the coher shore in the land of unclouded day. She will come forth with all the glory of the redeemed, wearing the crown and singing with angels. Yes, she is gone from corrow, gone from fear, gone from danger, gone from singon from earth, gone to God. Gone to the home of the soul. Gone to live with the angels and talk with God. Weep not, sad hearts, as those who have no hope. It is only another into the part of the soul. Gone to live with the angels and talk with God. Weep not, sad hearts, as those who have no hope. It is only another into the part of the soul. Gone to live with the angels and talk with God. Weep not, sad hearts, as those who have no hope. It is only another into the part of the soul. The first of the soul. The first of the soul of the words and soul. Her the soul of the words and soul of to the home of the soul. Gone to live with the angels and talk with God. Weep not, sad hearts, as those who have no hope. It is only another tie to draw you closer to Carrie's God. Oh, May God sanctify this to the good of all. May we all meet her in glory.

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Our Lonoke Church Again.

About one-third of the amount has been raised and forwarded Bro. Thomas. We arranged to get the ballance; the debt is paid and the Church at Lonoke is free. During the month of January we expect the full amount we expected the conference to raise, to be sent in. December was consumed largely in moving and the bolidays, so it was not casy to get before the people for any special object. urge the brethren to attend to this matter at once. It is a small matter as related to all. Brother Thomas has written to you, perhaps; don't overlook his letter. Two of our preachers carry the burden now.

T. D. Scott. Extension Chairman Church Board.

Superannuates.

As at our love feast at our conference reference was made to pastors by a few as being under God the cause of their being in the Saviour's service, I wish to speak a word of appreciation for Rev. H. R Withers. Every pastor I have had has greatly benefited me, but I owe more to him than to any othor. B. W. Dodson of Tenn. Conference, J. W. White and myself of Little Rock Conference and probably others have started for the ministry under his pastorate.

It is not much breaking the connection to say that I regard the old list of our superannuates a gracious blessing, and their younger brethren have a heritage in entering upon their labors. Rev. M. H. Brashears is among those moving away from our work. He is a loyal local preacher who, when pastor of Maumelle, tried to do his your liver alone. duty and keep his roll straight. He is commended to the church at Little Rock. Fraternally,

JNO. F. TAYLOR.

Searcy District.

"Resolved, That we, the pastors of the Searcy District, White River Annual Conference, will, during the months of January and February and March-first quarter, make a thorough cauviss of all our men bers and friends of our church in our respective charges, securing what money we can, and subscriptions on the Twontieth Century Fund.

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himself to the work until his charge is thoroughly canvassed. Give every one an opportunity, both members and friends of the church. If your predecessor did not leave book with you, write to him and get it. It belongs to you. If you can't get a book write me, or the manager, Rev. F. S. H. Johnston, Conway, Ark. Your servant.

, M. M. SMITH.

Response.

DEAR BRO. GODBEY:-Please allow me to say in reply to Brother George McGlumphy's statement as statistical secretary of our last annual conference, that the stub in my report book shows that my report was made correctly relating to the money referred to. m~I~ possibly may have made a mistake at this point, but as to the aggregate of membership I made no error in my report. The cause of so large a difference in aggregate of membership from last your grows out of the fact that one appointment was taken from my charge and placed on the Cauthron circuit of the same district.

JNO. C. SHIPP.

Helena, Jan. 5.

A lazy liver may be only a tired liver or a starved liver. A stick is all right for the back of a lazy man. But it would be a savage as well as a stupid thing to beat a weary man or a starving man because he lugged in his work So in treating the lagging liver it is a great mistake to Jash it with drastic drugs. In ninety-nine cases out of a hundred a torpid or sluggish liver is but a symptom of an ill-nourished body, whose organs are weary with overwork. Start with the stomach and its allied organs of digestion and nutrition. Put them in proper working order, and see how quickly your liver will become active and energetic Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery has made many marvelous cures of "liver trouble" by its wonderful control of the organs of digestion and nutrition. It restores the normal activity of the stomach, increases the secretions of the blood-making glands, cleanses the system from personous accumulations, and so relieves the liver of the burdens imposed upon it by the defect of other organs.

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