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## News and Notes.

**DURING THE YEAR 1899 THE** people of wealth in the United States bequeathed for causes of public beneficence \$79,750,000, of which \$58,000,000 was given to educational institutions.

**THE PHILIPPINE INSURRECTION** being now regarded as virtually at an end, President McKinley has appointed another commission to organize a civil government for these, our new possessions. Professor D. C. Worcester and Charles Denby of the former commission will act upon this also, but the president of it is Judge William H. Taft, of Cincinnati.

**THERE IS LITTLE CHANGE IN THE** Kentucky embroglio. Federal Judge Evans has ruled that the Federal Courts have the right to protect the negroes in the free exercise of the right of suffrage, even in state elections. He will hear certain cases of alleged intimidation of negroes in the late election. Taylor refuses to recognize the acts of the Democratic Legislature, though it has a quorum in both houses. The courts must decide who is governor. Harlan Whitaker and James Sutton, suspected of the assassination of Goebel, have been committed to prison in Louisville.

**IT HAS BEEN THE WONDER OF** the world that the Boers have so long held the British army at bay in South Africa. Greatly inferior in numbers, they have been more than a match for soldiers whom the world had come to regard as almost invincible. England has

lost immensely in military prestige in this contest, and can never retrieve it by any victories which she may gain hereafter. None doubted the ability of Great Britain to conquer the Transvaal, but it is now plain that it will be done at a cost which will shake the British Empire.

The immense re-inforcements which have been sent forward, and the new plan of campaign under General Lord Roberts seem likely to turn the tide of war in favor of Great Britain. Kimberly has been relieved by General French. Montejó, the Boer general, is falling back on Bloemfontein, hotly pursued. The defenses of Ladysmith have been weakened. The tone of the English press is cheerful and confident.

**THIS WILL BE A WEEK OF GREAT** debates in Congress. Both houses are dealing with the most important question which will come before the present session—the government of our new possessions. The question is before the Senate in the bill providing for a government for the Hawaiian Islands. It is before the House in the Porto Rico tariff bill. The question of debate in both houses is whether the clause in the constitution providing for equality of excise and import taxes throughout United States territory, shall apply to our new possessions. The Democrats, who hope thereby to gain a victory for free trade, will insist that any new territory brought under the government of the United States must have the benefit of this clause of the constitution. The Republicans, in their effort to maintain the tariff system, will insist that we need be guided only by expedience in the form of government given to our insular possessions. The Hawaiian bill before the Senate proposes to give that country free trade. Republican senators will try to amend this bill with a tariff clause. The Porto Rico bill provides a tariff for that island. Democratic members of the House will attempt to defeat it. They will have the support of Mr. McCall, of Massachusetts, and Mr. Littlefield, of Maine, influential Republicans.

### Light Dawning at Galloway.

Smallpox situation improving—not a case in town out of the college. Dr. A. H. Glenan, United States marine surgeon, here this week. The Doctor had charge of the government's successful attempts to stamp smallpox out of Porto Rico last year. The college will be thoroughly fumigated under Dr. Glenan's directions, from cellar to garret, at once. The Doctor says that we can re-open with perfect safety by the 15th of March. All the cases in the college are improving. Dr. Godden has received news from twenty-five new pupils, who want to come as soon as it is safe to do so. I write this note for the information of all interested parties.

M. M. SMITH.

Searcy, Feb. 19.

### Nashville Notes.

Chancellor Kirkland and a party of friends left Saturday for St. Petersburg, Fla., for a week's outing.

The Science department of Vanderbilt University has in successful operation a set of wireless telegraphy instruments.

The Vanderbilt Woman's Club gave an entertainment to the faculty and students of all departments Friday night.

Rabbi Lewinthal will deliver a lecture to the students at Wesley Hall, tonight, on the Book of Isaiah.

Dr. Felix Adler, founder of The Ethical Culture Society of New York, will lecture in Nashville this week on "Perils That Threaten the Modern Family."

Paderewski will give a concert in Nashville, Feb. 20. This is the fourth visit of the great pianist to America. On the first trip the music loving public paid him \$95,000; on the second, \$160,000; on the third, \$148,000, and this trip will exceed the last in pecuniary interest to the famous man.

Dr. Lambuth lectured to the student volunteers of the city at Peabody Saturday night. He also addressed a meeting conducted by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society at Park Avenue Church Sunday morning.

A service of more than usual interest was held at McKendree Sunday night, at which the church united to pray blessings upon and say good-bye to Rev. John Trawick, M. D., who leaves Feb. 17, for China, as a Medical Missionary.

Dr. Trawick is a brother of the pastor of Winfield Memorial, Little Rock.

Two eminent Catholic divines are holding a mission at St. Mary's Cathedral. The Catholic mission ended yesterday with the papal blessing and plenary indulgence for 100 days to those who had purified themselves by penance. The non-Catholic mission will run through this week. Catholics are excluded from these services unless accompanied by a Protestant friend.

Dr. Rainsford, Episcopalian, whose parish in New York has grown in a short time from a few families to 4,000 communicants, will preach a mission in Nashville this week. He will address the Vanderbilt students to-morrow morning.

The name of the Endeavor Church, Cumberland Presbyterian, has been changed to the Peoples' Church, and the pastor, who has made a special study of adapting the gospel to the masses, will conduct this as an institutional church. The nine churches of that denomination in the city are back of the movement. C. J. G.

Feb. 12.

### Preacher's Meeting.

Present, Thomas, Trawick, Watson, Workman, Thompson, Godbey.

There was prayer by Brother Godbey. Brother Watson reported a Sunday-school of 76 in attendance; the League meetings good; fair congregations; one addition to the church by letter.

At Asbury they had good services. A call upon the League for a charity contribution was promptly responded to. Three were received by letter.

Brother Trawick reported large congregations and apparent good interest. There were six services of some sort in the Sunday work. The people are responding to financial claims. There was one application for membership.

Brother Thompson reported fine attendance at the house of worship, and an excellent Sunday-school; small attendance at prayer-meeting.

Brother Thomas held the second quarterly meeting at Lonoka. Affairs are moving well there. All matters about the church debt were wound up, and the debt is no more.

### Notice.

Rev. R. D. Smart, who is on a visit to his son-in-law, R. E. Wait, of this city, will preach at the First Methodist Church on Wednesday evening.

## Educational Notes.

### Twentieth Century Notes.

Three million dollars are called for to endow the institutions left by Mr. Moody. President Hadley is calling upon the alumni of Yale University for a new century offering of \$2,000,000 to strengthen the endowment of that historic institution. "For," says he, "the income of the university is only \$470,000"—a sum almost equal to the total income of all our Southern Methodist colleges. All Southern Methodists are called upon for only \$1,500,000, half the amount sought for the schools of Mr. Moody and less than the 10,000 alumni of Yale are asked to give. The alumni of Southern University are trying to raise \$25,000, with which to endow the chair of history. How much can the graduates and ex-students of our schools in Arkansas do for their alma mater?

The New Century Education reports the following recent gifts:

C. W. Thompson, of Tuskegee, \$1,000; E. Downing, of Brewton, \$500; August Boring, of Texas, \$500; City of Memphis, \$5,666; and Mrs. Laura C. Strider, for Japan, \$600. Why is there such profound silence in Arkansas? No gifts of any importance have been reported since the conferences last fall. Has the enthusiasm spent itself? Is the matter being pressed? Is it being carried to the laymen by the pastors? Are our laymen of means going to let the opportunity go by unimproved? A gift of five, ten, or twenty-



## What Makes Beauty?

Beauty is made or marred by the blood. When the blood is impure, the cheeks grow sallow, the eyes dull, the hair loses its luster. When the blood flows through the veins in a pure, rich current, the eyes sparkle, the skin is clear, the complexion beautiful. Women who use Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, find that it is a genuine beautifier. By purifying and enriching the blood it puts a bloom on the cheek and a brightness in the eye, which tell the story of perfect health.

"Having been left weak from fever last October, I was under the doctor's care here," writes Mrs. Alice E. Caschier, of Crawford, Dawes Co., Neb. "I took medicine, but did not seem to gain very much. I was tired all the time, had no appetite, had wandering pains all over me more or less, and was very nervous, as I had been sick all the summer. I was all run-down and didn't know what ailed me. I got advice from Dr. Pierce, telling me my symptoms better than I could describe them myself, and also telling me that I would have to take care of myself, and how to take the medicine. I took four bottles of 'Golden Medical Discovery,' and five of 'Favorite Prescription,' and gained strength right along. I took one bottle of the 'Pleasant Pellets,' also. I know that these medicines will do all that they are recommended to do."

Use Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets for sluggish liver.

thousand dollars now would have a great moral effect. If one layman would step forward with a \$25,000 conditional gift, it would electrify the whole State and it would cause others to act. The matter should not be postponed by either the pastor or the layman. The moral effect of present action is needed.

Dr. Hammond, in the New Century Education for February, says: "It is certainly not to the interest, either of our church or our beloved Southland, to multiply colleges just at this time. . . . The large institutions of the East and West are rapidly increasing their endowments, while the smaller and weaker are allowed to die. Men of wealth in these sections are coming to understand that one thoroughly equipped school is worth more than a dozen weak ones which must struggle all the time to maintain a sickly existence. . . . In educational facilities the South is at present behind any other section of our country, and yet we have, according to population, a larger number of so-called colleges, than any other section. . . . In the end, most of these poorly furnished schools must perish, and the thousands invested in them be lost."

The sad truth recorded by Dr. Hammond is shown by the figures of our own General Board. According to their report of 1898, we had 46 colleges and universities, valued at \$3,653,000, with \$2,210,895 endowment, and with \$570,662 income. Commenting on these figures, the Pacific Methodist Advocate says: "If these figures are correct, Harvard University, near Boston, Massachusetts, is worth about four times as much as all Southern Methodist institutions combined, and Leland-Stanford University, in California, is worth five times as much."

Is the denominational college to stand? President Andrew S. Draper, of the University of Illinois, in an address before the National Educational Association at Washington, in 1898, says: "These denominational or Christian colleges, as they are called, have been a very potent factor in advancing higher education. They have been well adapted to pioneer conditions, and would have been effective educational pioneers. Some have had sufficient support to enable them to meet the needs of wider constituencies and older communities. But very commonly their endowments have been inadequate, and as the educational advantages about them have become enlarged and improved, they have been able to keep abreast of the progress of educational events. Many are languishing, and the lights of many have gone out."

The question as to what is to become of the denominational colleges is much thought of and frequently discussed. It is impossible to consider it with any thoroughness here. It seems clear to me that they must stand or fall upon their merits, and upon their merits from the standpoint of higher education, rather than from the standpoint of sectarianism. Every one wishes them well, but

the trend of progress is inexorable. The standards of higher education in this country are going to advance and become more firmly established. . . . A weak college on a private foundation should not stand in the way of a good high school."

Dr. Draper's conclusion, therefore, would be that only those denominational colleges that adjust themselves to the changed conditions will stand. They cannot adjust themselves without large sums of money. The issue is clearly put to the church. The significance of the situation is seen when we reflect that relatively the denominational college has lost much ground during the century. At the beginning of the century practically the entire field of higher education was occupied by the church. At its close, considering an average of these items—number of colleges, number of students, value of grounds and buildings, libraries, endowment, and income—a fair index, the facts show that only 58 per cent of the work of higher education in the United States is done by Christian institutions. Thus undenominational institutions do 42 per cent, which represents the ground lost by the church during the century.

## TWO FINE SPECIMENS

### Of Physical Manhood.

No form of athletic exercise demands such perfect physical condition as prize fighting. Every muscle in the body must be fully developed and supple, and the heart, lungs and stomach must act to perfection.

Whether we endorse prize fighting or not, it is nevertheless interesting to know the manner by which men arrive at such physical perfection.

James Jeffries, the present champion heavy-weight of the world, and his gallant opponent, Tom Sharkey, in the greatest pugilistic encounter that has ever taken place, both pursued much the same course of training, and the first and most important part of this training was to get the stomach in condition and keep the digestion absolutely perfect so that every muscle and nerve would be at its highest capabilities.

This was not done by a secret patent medicine, but both of these great pugilists used a well known natural digestive tablet sold by the druggists under the name of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets and composed of the digestive ferments which every stomach requires for healthy digestion.

Champion Jeffries says: "Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets prevent acidity, strengthen the stomach, and insure perfect digestion. They keep a man in fine physical condition." Signed James J. Jeffries, champion of the world.

The gallant fighter, Sharkey, says: "Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets remove all discomfort after eating. They rest the stomach and restore it to a healthful condition. I

heartily recommend them." Signed Thomas J. Sharkey.

The advantage of the daily use of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets is that they keep the people well and ward off sickness and are equally as valuable to well persons as dyspeptics. Another advantage is that these tablets contain no cathartics, no poison of any character, but simply digestive ferments which are found in every healthy stomach, and when digestion is imperfect it is because the stomach lacks some of these elements, and Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets supply it.

They are no cheap cathartic, but a perfectly safe and efficient digestive and the demand for them is greater than the sale of all other so-called dyspepsia cures combined. No remedy could possibly reach such a place in public esteem except as a result of positive merit.

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## Warning Order.

State of Arkansas, ss.  
County of Pulaski, ss.  
In the Pulaski Chancery Court.  
Maggie Taylor, Plaintiff, vs. John Taylor, Defendant.  
The defendant John Taylor is warned to appear in this court within thirty days, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff, Maggie Taylor.  
CHAS. M. CONNOR, Clerk.  
February 6, 1900.  
John Barrow, solicitor for plaintiff.

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State of Arkansas, ss.  
County of Pulaski, ss.  
In the Pulaski Chancery Court.  
Kate S. Thomas, Plaintiff, vs. David L. Thomas, Defendant.  
The defendant, David L. Thomas is warned to appear in this court within thirty days, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff, Kate S. Thomas.  
CHAS. M. CONNOR, Clerk.  
By WILL H. BASS, D. C.  
February 6, 1900.  
J. A. Comer, Solicitor for Plaintiff.

## NOTICE.

All persons who have any interest in the lands hereafter described, which I have purchased for the non-payment of taxes, are notified to show cause, if any they have, and can show, at the next term of the Pulaski Chancery Court, which meets in Little Rock on the first Monday in April, 1900, why my title should not be confirmed on account of any informality, irregularity or illegality connected with the sales to me.

The lands, the authority under which I hold, and the amount I paid are as follows:

1. Lot 1, Block 4, N. W. quarter Lot 4 Block 7; N. W. quarter Lot 1, Block 15, all in Watkins's Addition to the city of Little Rock, Pulaski county, Arkansas, which I purchased from the State Land Commissioner February 15, 1887, the same having been sold for the taxes of 1882, and for which I paid \$7.45.
2. Lots 2, 3 and 4, Block 15, Watkins's Addition to the city of Little Rock, Pulaski county, Arkansas. Lot 2 sold to State for taxes of 1881 and Lots 3 and 4 for taxes of 1880, which I purchased from the State Land Commissioner on June 26, 1883, for tax amounting to \$35.61.
3. S. half Lot 1, Block 15, for taxes of 1888 and 1889, and S. half S. E. quarter Lot 1, Block 15, for taxes of 1887, both pieces in Watkins's Addition to the city of Little Rock, Pulaski county, Arkansas, which I purchased from the collector of Pulaski county for taxes amounting to \$2.79, June 9, 1890, and got deed from the county clerk October 19, 1890.
4. N. half N. E. quarter Lot 1, Block 15, Watkins's Addition to the city of Little Rock, Pulaski county, Arkansas, sold by collector of Pulaski county for taxes of 1890 to A. Curran for 96 cents, June 9, 1891. A Curran assigned his certificate to me and I got deed from county clerk October 19, 1890.

EDWARD WOODRUFF.

## Contributed.

### A Chinese Millionaire's Funeral.

To the Epworth Leaguers of Arkansas:

Below I copy a lengthy description of the funeral procession of a very prominent Shanghai multimillionaire. He was the head of a great business, well-known to natives and foreigners, and was much respected in business circles. He was born one of a large and poor family near Ningpo, and had nothing to start with but ambition and industry. He not only became very rich, but he was benevolent. The Shanghai city council permitted this great procession through the streets in his honor. It is what every Chinaman would have if he could get it. He had a very great one, because he was very wealthy. Every one else, down to the very poorest, has just as big a one as he can afford. There are two great and expensive times with every Chinaman—marriage and funeral. I have heard it said, doubtless with exaggeration, that the average Chinese family is never out of debt. When a man marries he goes in debt, which he does not get paid off till he dies, and then another burden is laid upon the family. But they do make a great deal of such things. They have great droves of hired mourners and a train of followers if they are able; also a drove of priests, without reference to creed or faith, to come and perform, etc. But I'll take up too much space if I do more than copy the description given in the North China Daily News:

"Sunday forenoon, the 24th inst., saw the largest and most expensive funeral procession ever witnessed here in Shanghai. This was the funeral procession of the late multimillionaire, Yeh Ching Chong, who died at his residence, 1109 A Broadway, Hong Kew, on November 5, last, at the age (according to Chinese calculation), of 60, having been born in a village suburb of Ningpo, on the 20th day of the 6th Moon, the 20th year of Tuo Kuang's reign (July, 1840). The three days preceding the funeral procession, viz., the 21st, 22nd and 23rd inst., were occupied with the usual ceremonial functions observed in such cases by the Chinese of wealth and rank, but the 24th was the principal day for escorting the remains of the late merchant and philanthropist to his temporary resting place before crossing over to Ningpo for interment in the family burial ground there. The procession was headed by two gigantic figures of ferocious mein, made of colored paper and bamboo, which, in their alleged character as 'way-clearing gods,' were supposed to open the way for the procession and drive of all evil influences that might presume to stop its way. Following the figures came, two and two, men bearing square flags and boards, on which were characters ordering people to keep clear the road, to observe quietness and prohibiting all outside clamor and shouts. Then came mounted mu-

sicians in gorgeous costume, followed closely by tabrets carried on men's shoulders, proclaiming to the on-lookers that the deceased held the rank of an unattached Tootai, with the brevet red button of the 2nd grade, that posthumous honors of the first rank had been bestowed upon the parents of the deceased by the throne, etc., numbering in all over thirty pairs of such tablets, the designations of which are too numerous to mention in detail. Then came men dressed gorgeously as household guards, and armed with lances, axe's, etc., of the antiquated sort, followed by more riders, two by two, some dressed in semi-mourning, as advanced couriers of the coffin, others again dressed like mandarins as advance guards of what were to follow, that is to say, two large tablets with the characters 'enthusiastic in good deeds and cheerful in giving charity,' which had been bestowed by the throne in recognition of the late Mr. Ching Chong's philanthropy. These were again followed by gilded covered stands, each borne by four bearers, containing first, the commissions of official rank held by the deceased, the second, an incense burner, the third, special funeral sacrifices, and so on. Behind these came a large cock, which is supposed to be able to show the way for the soul of the deceased to his resting place; then other gilded covered stands carrying more documents of posthumous honors. These were escorted by twenty-four men gorgeously dressed up as Imperial Guardsmen, conveying the standards in question. Then came a detachment of eighty soldiers from the native city garrison, under a captain and accompanied by the regimental bugle corps. A section of the town band then followed, and after it, a Cantonese band, a Soochow band, a band of musicians discoursing ancient music of the time of Confucius, and several local native musical associations. All these combined to make a rather varied volume of sound, resulting in anything but the music they were intended to convey. Then followed a large banner of white satin presented by



the employes of the Lushua Silk flature, which was owned by the deceased, and then several silk or satin banners presented by local associations, then thirty-odd pair of scrolls from friends of the deceased, followed by nearly twenty flower wreaths, gifts of the deceased's foreign friends. These were followed by beautifully embroidered 'myriad names' umbrellas, twelve in number, presented by various associations of handicraftsmen, who had at one time or another, received help from the philanthropist; twenty embroidered umbrellas, in red satin or silk, presented by friends and admirers before his death, and a similar number generally used in Buddhist funeral processions. Then came a company of 96 persons, consisting of Buddhist bonzes, Taoist priests, and Buddhist nuns, followed by two couples of beautifully dressed children, the girls representing the fairies, and the boys the genii. After them came the sedan chair and carriage used by the deceased when alive, again followed by native musicians and flutists; then a pair of gongs and a mourning sedan chair, where the soul of the deceased was supposed to rest. This chair was escorted by four guardsmen, and after them over fifty friends dressed in their official robes followed the procession on foot. Following these came the usual general paraphernalia and lanterns seen in such processions which need not here be specified, and then a large white cloth screen held at the four corners by servants of the family, within which, screened from public view, walked the chief mourners, namely, his six grown-up sons, while the seventh, the youngest, being but an infant, was carried by a relative following in a sedan chair. Then, at last, came the heavy hard-wood coffin, on a dragon figured bier, carried by 36 uniformed bearers, reserved only for men of high rank, and covered by a pall of heavy crimson silk, thickly embroidered in real gold threads—a most handsome thing. Following the coffin were a pair of ponies, ridden by men dressed up also as guardsmen.

The immensely long procession, which covered quite a mile of ground as it threaded its way through the principal streets of Hong Kew, Shanghai, and French settlements, was followed by nearly seventy carriages and sixty sedan chairs, filled with friends, foreign and Chinese, and relatives of the deceased. It was a unique scene and must have cost the family 8,000 Tls. for the display.

Among those who accompanied the coffin must not be forgotten forty aged men, pensioners of the late Mr. Ching Chong, who had built them a refuge in which to pass the rest of their days, and who came that day prepared to undergo the fatigue of many miles of tramping to show their gratitude to their late benefactor.

Scattered along the route of the procession were some sixteen sacrificial tables placed by friends of the deceased, who offered the viands on them to the manes of their late friend as the coffin passed each spot. The coffin was finally carried to a house in Sinza which had been prepared as a mortuary pending the final carrying over the remains to Ningpo sometime in March next."

The 8,000 Tls. mentioned above as the probable cost of the display is equal to about \$5,600, United States money. I think if that sum were doubled it would be nearer the real expense, perhaps.

I hope this very long quotation will not be too long and tedious to prove interesting to some who would like to know how some things are done in China. I will not claim space further to draw lessons or make comments.

The greetings of the new year to all. Do not forget to pray for us and the work.

JNO. W. CLINE.

Soochow, China, Jan. 10.

## Saved My Life.



Mr. P. W. Hebebrand, Pres. Ohio Pipe Covering Co., Cleveland, Ohio, says: "I am satisfied Dr. Miles' Nervine saved my life. I was a nervous wreck and unable to attend to my business. Doctors failed to benefit me and I decided to try Dr. Miles' Nervine. It gave me prompt relief and finally effected a complete cure. I am in good health now and have gained several pounds in flesh."

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## Contributed.

Some Good in Man.

REV. JOHN H. NICHOLS.

Somehow it is common for me to become interested for the salvation of some men who have been given up by those who know them best. Not for every such man, but for many such. I have become deeply concerned—indeed, I become fully possessed with a desire that they shall be saved, in a different way from what I am interested in the salvation of all men.

This special interest springs up on my first acquaintance with such men, and I am unable to give any reason why it is so. In many cases I have had the great joy of seeing such men so kindly converted, and have heard them rejoice in full hope of eternal life when their eyes were swimming in death as they neared the crossing over from time to eternity.

I will give one or two cases: On my first entrance into a town in which I lived three years as pastor, I saw an old man—a rough, sour looking man—and at once I had a desire to know who he was, although his very countenance showed that he was a bad man. I sought an introduction to him, and when he learned that I was the new pastor of the Methodist Church, in a very gruff voice he said: "These preachers better be in the cornfield making their own bread, than riding around in fine clothes for the people to feed 'em." I said, "I will come around to see you some day." He said, "If you do, you'll be the first preacher that ever did. Parson J—said he was coming to see me, but he lied—he didn't come. Maybe you'll do like he did." We soon parted, and the gentleman who introduced us said: "He would be likely to insult you, if you should go to his house." I set about finding out all I could about his habits, and soon learned that he was an old bachelor, a miser, a drunkard, a liar, and any thing else that was wicked, and in hunting diligently for something good in him I finally learned that he had been very devoted to his mother as long as she lived. This was the only starting point I had, so far as any good in him was concerned. In a few weeks I went to see him. Cold indeed was my reception, but I concealed my embarrassment from him and proceeded to talk about business matters and the like, and this gave him an opportunity to tell me how many grand rascals lived in that town, how many hypocrites there were in the churches, and how many men had cheated him out of money, and so on. I then asked about his parents—how long they had been dead, if they were members of the church. He said: "My father was a wicked man, but if there was

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ever a Christian my mother was one." I then dwelt much on good mothers, what a great blessing it was to have a good mother, until he became interested, then I asked the privilege of praying with him. Very reluctantly he granted the privilege, but did not kneel during the prayer. I arose to go away, and in a cold way he asked me to call on him again. For two years I called on him regularly and never left without praying with him, but all this while he never got on his knees one time.

When I returned to the work for the third year, I visited him and told him what a good time we had at conference, and when I mentioned leaving I rose up and said nothing about prayer. He said: "Won't you pray with me before you leave?" I said: "I have been praying with you often for two years, and you have never been enough interested to get on your knees, and I suppose you are not interested in the matter." He said, "I am more interested than you think I am." He went down on his knees and wept during the prayer. In a few days he came to the parsonage for the first time. He said: "I came to talk with you. There must be something done for me. I am in a bad fix." "What, are you sick?" "No, no, but I am the meanest man in the world. I came to get you to help me." "Brother, the Lord must help you." "I have been praying to Him, but he won't help me." "No, and he will not, until you go to the men in this town whom you have wronged and right your wrongs." This was early in the morning. He went out in town and took men as he came to them, wept, begged pardon, asked all to pray for him, and went home late in the evening. Many said he was deranged. He sent for me next day. I went and took others with me. He met us at the gate, weeping and begging us to pray for him. Next Sunday he was at church, for the first time in years. At the close of the sermon he arose with tears flowing freely, and said: "I want a prayer from everybody. Something must be done for me." With one accord the people arose and pressed towards him. For about one-half hour the people were shaking hands with him, praying and weeping with him, but he got no relief. For two months he prayed and wept daily, but found peace finally and was happy. In less than six months after his conversion he passed away in great peace.

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## Literary Table.

### How Ruskin Gave His Best to the World.

There is something very noble in the failure of the man who fails because he will give the people nothing less than the best. Yet we may assent altogether too readily to the idea that the best is bound to fail. The death of John Ruskin is an event which will call up to many minds the whole matter of standards of service, since he was a man who had a life-long passion for the best and for making it prevail. He knew that in the best and the most beautiful, men would be happier than in the poor and cheap and mediocre; and his soul rose up in him against the mere demagoguery which finds what people seem to want, gives them that, makes them distrust anything better, keeps them where they are, and claims to be supremely at their service! His life-long and noble dispute for the title of the people's friend—though it may be doubted if he ever used that phrase, or ever set it before himself as an aim—is brought into new prominence by his death, coming, as it does, at a time when as never before, (and largely owing to his influence) men are stirring out of their excessive individualism and feeling the claims of social service.

It would be interesting to know how many men there have been who thoroughly wanted to do for the people just what Ruskin did, who had thought of it before he did, and yet who never did their dream the honor of believing it possible of achievement. There must have been plenty who were jealous of the false ideals that prevailed, who sincerely wished that the poorest people might have the best, and who never doubted of their greater happiness could they but obtain it. But there was the rub; they doubted if the people really wanted it, and that, of course, is fatal. They felt, no doubt, that the best things, the best thoughts, would only be impaired by risking them with those who might only turn and rend them.

It is well for us, when we are letting the breach between the ideal and the possible grow too wide, to recall a word of one of our most brilliant writers: "I have noticed that people who talk much about casting pearls before swine usually have mighty few pearls to cast."

What shall we do, how shall we feel about it, when the best has laid its claims upon us, and we have recognized them? Some men feel that others can never understand their ideals, that they will only reject them, that no relationship between them is possible on this basis, and that they will not even risk the attempt to so establish it. They nourish the ideals in their hearts, and they deliberately give the public something else. This can only mean that the best is no passion with them.

With Ruskin, ideals must be risked out and exposed. He be-

lieved in a propaganda for them, and is to us the best example of courage in behalf of beauty and the ideal which our century has had. What it cost him to bring his visions to the test of practice, to institutionize them, to make them prevail; how often he must have been tempted to keep them fair in his own heart, and so avoid the pain of imperfection which always comes when we try to realize any dream,—we do not know, for of that part of his sacrifice he has told us little.

It is dangerous ground for fine natures to take, this conviction that people do not want the best. Too often the real trouble is a personal one. We have some peculiarities, mere personal whims in our way of presenting or conceiving it which are offensive, and these accidentals we insist on as a part of the ideal itself. The very people who have the best to offer, fail many a time to realize that the best will always require the best arts in order to get it accepted. Men must not expect to do anything less than "beat their music out." No man ever tried more splendidly than John Ruskin. Of a mind not of the sort to make people sympathize with it the first time trying, with a message for which an immediate listening could not be expected, it was not enough for him to realize that his mind and his message were higher and nobler than other men's, but he steadily put at the service of what he had to utter every possible energy, argument, organization, description, and persuasion, in order to bring his ideal to bear upon the world. Practically he never lowered his standards, even in dealing with the lowest of mankind; but he did accept some additional standards to which men of his quality are ordinarily averse—the standards of publicity and persuasion and invention in behalf of his ideals.

Another might have said, "I have the best to offer; let that be enough, and let men reject it at their own cost." This was not Ruskin. If they rejected it, it was his loss. He saw that such an end as he was working for demanded, not less, but more, laborious effort than went to other and poorer aims. The excellence of it in itself was only a demand for finer arts wherewith to serve it, not an excuse for idleness and retreat. There are too many fine natures who have a sincere desire to serve their kind and better the world, and yet, who do not in the least realize the necessity of this. When we know that we have the best to offer, we ought to know at once that we shall have to make greater efforts than other men in order to prove it.

It is true that Ruskin continued to speak in despairing terms about the progress of the world. Years ago Emerson went to see him, and Emerson's optimistic disposition could not stand what he called Ruskin's "solid gloom." But the point is not the way he spoke of men, but the way he acted toward them; and no man ever could have acted with the variety and the richness and the in-

tensity and the devotion that he did, had he not been persuaded somewhere within him, that men wanted the best. With many despondent tones in it, it was, after all, one of the most intensely social voices of our time. His acts were hopeful acts, and his very despondencies wrung out of him an activity more full of blessings to others than the easy-going optimism of other men can ever hope to achieve.

When we grow indignant, then, over an age filled with charlatanism, over a time when so many people seem to prefer the cheap and to run after the unsatisfying, let us question our indignation, and know whether it has in it any of that creativeness which belonged to the wrath of Ruskin. He earned the right to complain of his times; most of us do not. Let us compare the poor complaints which we repeat so easily, with the endless variety and richness which he put into his, and then let us not wonder if the world does not want our best. The world will never cease to be grateful to this great teacher, that he never could quite take the world at its word, and that through a long and beautiful life he kept on giving his best and keeping nothing back. — Sunday-school Times.

## Contributed.

### Conference Engraving, Again.

The engraving of the Arkansas Conference is an assured success. The pictures will go into the hands of the engravers in a few days. I want to thank those brethren who so kindly responded to my request for their photos. Some sent, saying, "I cheerfully comply with your request, and wish you abundant success in your enterprise." Two or three wrote unkind replies. Some have remained silent. The engraving will be a gem and already many have written me to know about the price, etc. It was my hope that every member of the conference might be in it. In the process of working it up I have written over 150 letters and postal cards. I believe that there are yet a number of the brethren who would be glad to send their pictures, and to this end I will wait ten days from the appearance of this notice, before sending photographs to the engravers. If you have no cabinet photo, we can use the card size, or a group picture. But if you send the group picture it cannot be returned, as the engravers will have to cut same. All the others I will return to the owner in good condition.

P. C. FLETCHER.

Eureka Springs, Ark.

EDITOR METHODIST:—We wish to exonerate Dr. Godden and Miss Steele from all blame, in regard to the girls leaving Galloway on account of smallpox. We hear that several towns are thinking hard of our President and Lady Principal. We have heard several people say that they did not see why the girls should be sent home after having been exposed to the disease. We were not sent home.

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We can never forget Dr. Godden and Miss Steele for their kindness to us when we were so alarmed. They have told us repeatedly that if there was ever a disease in school and they knew of it that we would be informed immediately. No one else could have done better than they did, and there are many Galloway girls all over Arkansas who will always remember them in their prayers.

TWO GALLOWAY GIRLS.

Hope, Feb. 13.

## The Sunday School.

PREPARED BY REV. J. A. ANDERSON.

MARCH 4, 1900.

Jesus Healing in Capernaum.

MARK I 21-34.

Golden Text—"And he healed many that were sick." Mark i. 34.

Time—April, A. D., 28, when Jesus was between 31 and 32 years old.

Place—Capernaum, on the northwest shore of the Sea of Galilee.

After his rejection by his own acquaintances at Nazareth, as detailed in the last lesson, Jesus went to Capernaum. It was about this time that he called Peter and Andrew, James and John away from their fishers' nets and attached them to himself as constant followers. Since they had met him, something over a year before this, they had been with him occasionally; they were now to leave all and follow him. They were, therefore, with him in Capernaum, where Peter, at least, lived at this time. Capernaum becomes thence, for a number of months, the center of operations for our Lord.

When the Sabbath day came, they went into the synagogue, doubtless the one that the centurion had built, and Jesus was asked to lead the service. They were accustomed to hear such dry-as-dust comments on the Scriptures as were supplied by the rabbis. There was no living message from God to souls of dying men in such teaching. It was not so on this memorable day. One stood in their midst who brought a living gospel, who spoke it with authority, as knowing the truth of what he said, without quoting any scribe or doctor of the law. The people were astonished at the freshness and power of his words. We suggest that Jesus here gave the real secret of all true preaching. The truth had become first incorporated in himself, and so he could utter it with power.

In conjunction with this teaching, so wonderful in itself, there were on that day signal displays of divine power. While he was speaking, a man in the audience, possessed of an unclean spirit, cried out in recognition of his divinity and in an agonizing protest against his work. Preaching that does not stir up some opposition is preaching that the devil can afford to ignore. But as to the testimony which this evil spirit gave, Jesus would none of it. He has never needed the testimony of devils or of bad men. Rather his witness to himself should be the fact that he had power to enter that mysterious borderland of death and lay hands upon the foul spirit, and hurl him back to his native abyss; and so he silenced him, and cast him out.

The whole method of this Sabbath is well worthy of note. At worship in the morning, and the remainder of the day spent in

works of mercy. Going from the synagogue to the house of Simon Peter, they found his mother-in-law sick with one of those fevers common in Capernaum, on account of the nearness of the Jordan bottom, as we would say, for there are marshes where the river flows into the lake. Luke says that the fever was a great fever—a malignant sickness. Jesus healed her immediately and completely; no slow process of convalescence, for she arose and went at once about her household duties.

All this, of course, was noised about through the whole city, and at the setting of the sun, the Sabbath being now ended and the evening being cool, the multitudes thronged the Master with their curiosity and also with their sick. He dispensed his healing grace to all. It was a day such as Capernaum had never known. The report of that day's proceedings went into all the country round about.

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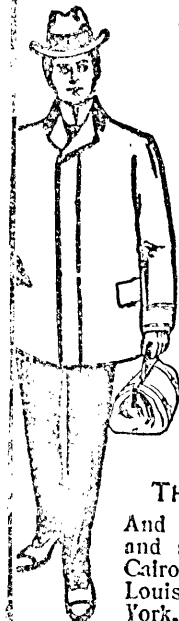
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The Strength of Humility.

LUKE XVIII. 9-14.

Nothing separates a man from God so much as pride. He who is self-sufficient is neither trustful nor teachable.

The child in school who has such a spirit is separated from the teacher, and is as intractable and headstrong as a mule.

The man or woman in society who is proud is always the object of ridicule. They disdain instruction and guidance, and people are inwardly glad when they blunder and fall. "Good enough for them," they say. "Maybe they'll get the bumpiness knocked out of them."

A spirit which is contemptible among common sinners is all the more contemptible when exhibited by a professing Christian and set in contrast with that spirit and life which the great Exemplar of Christianity exhibited. Nothing can be more absurd than a man who, by his air and conduct, says: "Look at me! What do you think of me?" One who even comes before the Almighty to boast how good he is.

We have the picture in the lesson. Jesus pictured the Pharisees in many ludicrous lights. Standing on top of the house to say their prayers; trying to cover up meanness by their long prayers; loving to be called of men, Rabbi. But here he gives the substance of a Pharisee's pretended prayer. Read it over. There is not a word of prayer in it. The fellow don't know that he needs anything of God or heaven. He claims to be thankful that he is so good: Ah, he "is not as other men are." There is a great gulf between him and them. There is nothing good left for him to seek, and the only way now in which he can show his zeal for goodness is to despise others." Thus it was that Jesus described them.

When a man's goodness makes him a critic to tell of the shortcomings and faults of other people, it is a sort of goodness he needs to get rid of.

The picture of real piety Jesus gave us in the publican. The temple was, in his thought, very sacred. He would not stand where the Pharisee stood, but afar off. He thought only of his own unworthiness. He thought that only divine mercy could save him. He prays. His prayer is intense. It is for his own poor

soul. When a man feels his true character before God, it is very hard for him to believe that anybody is worse than himself. "God be merciful to me, a sinner," cried the publican, not daring to enter the sacred place, nor even to lift up his eyes to heaven. "God be merciful to me, a sinner," he cries, smiting upon his breast.

"This man went down to his house justified rather than the other." Certainly he did. Even our hearts are moved toward the poor man. We feel glad to think that such prayers are precious to God.

He that humbleth himself shall be exalted. We feel that there is purity, truth and merit in humility. We feel that the humble man loves us, and would not trample us down. A man who thinks much of himself has not much love for other people. He thinks he ought to be above them, and is superior to them. He is not the sort of man we help, for he is not the sort who helps other people. One who truly loves mankind helps to put in power those who are true helpers of others. No man is good in God's sight who thinks himself superior to others in goodness. High attainments in purity are never coupled with high claims.

### Beebe League Notes.

DR. GODBEY:—We are pleased that your good paper gives space to church news, and that you are kind enough to assist, by your valuable columns, the work of the Epworth League.

The Beebe Epworth League is now about three years old.

Now officers were elected at a recent meeting and the several committees appointed.

The program suggested in the Epworth Era was rendered here at a Sunday evening meeting and the "Cline Fund" was cheerfully contributed to by the very attentive congregation.

Mr. J. R. Harshaw, long a merchant at Hickory Plains, but now of Beebe, gave us \$5.

It took us quite by surprise to witness so large a contribution at an Epworth League meeting.

Our President, Mrs. Colvin, was delighted to send the "fund" in full by the very next mail. We are hoping though to be of assistance in the plans to improve our house of worship, and since we have taken one collection and gotten along so well, it may be that we will be one experts in financial management.

We have "devotional meetings," also a very little in the "social realm" on occasions, but we want our league to be a factor for good in the real work of the church, and that some feature of the monument shall be stronger by reason of our existence.

Who knows? We might be, if true to our mission as a league, the honored instrument in God's hands, of bringing some souls to Christ. We can at least aid each other to be better and to advance in grace and fitness for the Master's cause, and do as much work in the church as the conditions may allow.

NANNIE JORDAN, Secretary.

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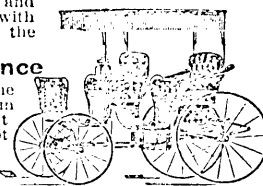
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## THE ARKANSAS METHODIST

J. E. GODBEY, D. D., EDITOR.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 21, 1900.

Our House will not publish any Easter Service Program this year.

It is quite useless to report people converted who do not join the church. They are never known afterwards as Christians, and are not found among the militant host of the great head of the church. Converted people seek the church instinctively.

One of the most remarkable aberrations of the human mind is exhibited in the man who denounces the common convictions of Christian scholars as man-made opinions, telling us to go for our doctrines directly to the word of God. Meantime he denounces you as rejecting God's word unless you accept his interpretation of it, and that, too, an interpretation which the common sense of the Christian world rejects. You will meet the man who is always telling you of his Christian ideal. He is no Christian. He has been so disgusted with what he has seen and known of professing Christians it has kept him out of the church. He wouldn't disgrace Christianity with such conduct as theirs. So he prefers to be an outright sinner and an accuser of men, who, whatever their foibles, are better than himself.

## A Great Question and How to Deal With It.

There is never a more important cause before the people, in the matter of their elections, than that which relates to the sale of intoxicating liquors. It is quite needless to repeat, for the thousandth time, the catalogue of evils rightly laid to the charge of intemperance. It is needless even to reason about that of which all men are convinced; nor will anything be gained by harsh epithets respecting the saloon keeper or the drunkard. Harsh epithets are the speech of intemperate men, and wild ravings are a confession of impotence. Yet we may not look upon this maelstrom of death in dumb despair. We have proof that this evil, as others, may be overcome with good.

Every man, who would be a man in the true sense, must constantly oppose evil of every sort, and he is no man's enemy in doing so. Only in condemning and resisting that which does injury to men is he the true friend of all. The common good of mankind rests upon certain great principles, and no personal relations can withhold wise

and good men from standing by those principles with their possessions and lives. One can not compromise in any degree with any form of vice or wrong; the moment he does so he falls from the dignity of true manliness, and from the pedestal of moral integrity.

The influence which our lives and actions may have upon other men is a secondary question. Men who determine moral struggles by the probabilities of success are not, in their own character, moral men. One may make sure of success in maintaining his own character and principles, but as respects influencing others, success is always relative and partial. If the nurses are not sure of saving one-half of the sick and wounded in the hospital, they must save whom they can, and if the nurses be few where many are needed, there must still be no despairing and no faltering. Do what we may, multitudes will perish before our eyes, yet we must be doing, all the same.

But the cause of temperance makes progress. At the beginning of this century even the General Conference of the M. E. Church declined, on motion, to pass a law prohibiting Methodist preachers from selling liquor. The use of whiskey and wine did not affect the standing of a preacher fifty years ago, if he did not get drunk, and even an occasional drunk was no serious matter. The old men among us may well remember that intoxication was far more common in their boyhood than it is to-day. The man who is known to drink is not generally refused employment in all ordinary business. Liquor is driven from the side-board, from the home, from festive occasions, and is entrenched behind the screen. And now the cry is, "The saloon must go!"—no one says where. But the conditions which perpetuate intemperance are all focused in the saloon. Before the howlings of public sentiment, the game is run to earth, and if, by the simple voice of public sentiment, once for all, the land could be forever cleared of the liquor traffic, that sentiment would speak "like the voice of mighty thunderings." But a single fox will sometimes exhaust a whole pack of hounds. A long struggle there must be to make the public sentiment effective in legislation and the administration of law. He who is not ready for a life-long struggle can be no leader in this warfare.

When we cease to parley and begin to draw toward actual fight, we find many who can see nothing genteel in fighting the devil. They are always loud in denunciation of

the old chap, but when it comes to battle they don't just see the way to proceed. There is something wrong in the method. Some other way would certainly be better.

Two questions are sure to be asked the preachers: Isn't this temperance crusade a political question? and should we preachers mix up with politics? No! temperance is not a political question, any more than any other Christian virtue is a political question. But when it is proposed to license the sale of intoxicants by vote of the people, then the authorizing of such sale is made a political question. In just the same sense a legal Sabbath is a political question. It has even been proposed to vote a license to houses of ill-fame, and it was so done in San Antonio, Tex., some years ago. So the brothel was made a political question. If it comes to a contest and vote whether we shall have a Sabbath day, or whether we shall have legalized bawdy houses, will preachers and Christian people say "That now is politics. I can have nothing to do with that," and so let the devil's crew have it to their liking. The devil has already learned that the best way to success in any big scheme of devilment is to get it first into our American politics, and the scheme will work admirably so long as he can scare Christians from the fight with the admonition "Don't mix religion and politics."

But preachers ought not to turn their pulpits into political hustings. Let them be unfaltering in the presentation of moral principles from the pulpit. But in regard to political methods let them not fall into the folly of speaking ex cathedra on such subjects. The more common error, however, is to forget that, as citizens, they have their rights and duties, which can only be rightly maintained and performed by making their counsel heard and their influence felt from the citizen's platform, as occasion serves. We know ministers of the gospel, so-called, who would preach on the race problem, expansion, the Panama Canal, or free silver. We recognize the right of any preacher of the gospel to discuss these questions in the public prints, or from the platform, but it is not every question, involving public interests which may be discussed from the pulpit. The pulpit must confine its themes to the spiritual welfare of man or cease, in the public thought, to represent the cause of God.

But one asks, "May not great moral questions be discussed from the pulpit?" We answer "They may

and ought to be discussed in their moral bearings." The preacher may well insist that the law should be enforced against crime; for the duty of rulers to rule in righteousness and of the people to obey are, by apostolic example, themes for the preacher of the gospel. But measures and methods are matters to be developed in common counsel with all citizens. Times and conditions will suggest that they be varied. We have, in regard to such things, no "Thus saith the Lord." No man can speak in regard to such issues by divine authority, and, therefore, they are not themes for the pulpit.

The preachers of Arkansas have made a noble record in their fight against the saloons, and they will continue to do so. There are principles which, as ministers, they will faithfully voice from the pulpit. There are political questions which, as good citizens, they are ready to discuss and meet in the arena of citizenship.

If the saloon question is in politics it is our eternal shame that it has been put there and we must get it out. It is a national disgrace that the saloon has anything to do with our politics. But the devil shall not hold us back from the fight if it has to be waged upon a political theatre. The whisky power would gladly put the Sabbath into politics, and allow the people to vote by states, municipalities, wards, counties and townships, whether a Sabbath should be observed. Every question upon which men make laws by voting, becomes political when the fight is on whether we shall have laws in regard to it, and of what sort they shall be. We know not, in such a government as ours, when any moral issue may be made also a political issue. There is nothing threatening in this state of affairs. It is even encouraging that the great political battles of our time are turning to moral issues. If Christian men are wise to do their part in politics the teachings of Christ may yet become the laws of this nation.

## Notice.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Church Extension for the Little Rock Conference will meet at the office of the ARKANSAS METHODIST Tuesday, March 6th, at 10 a. m. All applications for aid from the Parent Board must be in the hands of Rev. W. R. Harrison, New Lewisville, Ark., in time for them to be considered at this meeting.

T. D. SCOTT.

Rev. W. A. Steel, of Hamburg, was in the city today, looking after plans for a new church.



Note Mr. Remmel's advertisement on another page.

### Correction.

Dear Dr. Godbey:—In my letter containing conference appointments I am made to speak of myself as chairman. It ought to say secretary. That is all. Dr. A. P. Parker was president of the conference. Truly, J. W. OLIN.

The popular view of the relation of the blood to human character and conduct is marked in many a familiar expression. We speak of there being "bad blood" between people at enmity, of "blue blood" as indicating ancestry, of "black blood" as describing a treacherous nature, and in many another phrase mark our belief that in the mental, moral, and physical man, "the blood is the life." The one basis of a healthful, happy and useful life is pure blood. With the blood pure disease has no permanent lodging place in the system. For this reason Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery rids the body of diseases which have their origin in the impurity of the blood. It absolutely purifies the blood, carrying off the waste and poisonous matter, increasing the action of the blood-making glands and building up the body by supplying the blood in quantity and quality, such as is essential to a condition of health. It cures ninety-eight people out of every hundred who give it a fair trial.

### Personal.

Profs. Clary, of Fordyce, and Reynolds and Paisly, of Conway, were pleasant callers Saturday.

We received the following from Rev. J. E. Dunaway, dated February 16th: "Bro. J. B. Maddox, a local preacher of the Mt. Vernon circuit, died yesterday morning, with pneumonia."

Rev. O. H. Keadle has sent us a chart containing the general history of the United States in condensed statements, also leading facts in the history of Arkansas. It is the cheapest and most valuable easy reference chart we have seen.

The following preachers have sent in new subscribers during the week: J. H. McKelvy, J. H. Bradford, J. J. Gallo-way, J. J. Menefee, T. J. Taylor, D. D. Warlick, G. B. Mitchell, W. E. Hall, I. F. Harris, J. J. Holland, T. W. Fitzackerly.

Rev. K. W. Dodson was married Feb. 14th to Miss Christine Geilester at Hope, Ark. Bro. Dodson is pastor of Algiers Church, New Orleans. He did wisely to come back to Arkansas for a wife. We trust the worthy couple will have long and useful lives.

The Home Mission Society of the Little Rock District will meet at Asbury Church, Sunday, Feb. 25th, at 3 p.m. We expect to hear from our conference president and corresponding secretary and representatives of all the societies in this district. We hope all auxiliaries will be represented.

MRS. J. M. WORKMAN,  
District Sect'y.

### The Law On Stewards.

Bro. Thornburgh, being the Chairman of the Board of Stewards of our First Church in this city, compiled and caused to be printed for the convenience of the members of the Board the laws pertaining to the election, duties and rights of Stewards, Recording Stewards and District Stewards. We conclude that it will be valuable to all stewards, so we will offer a limited number for sale at 5 copies for 10 cents, postpaid. Stamps may be sent.

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While the management of the Mutual has always been progressive, its greatest development has come since 1885, when Richard A. McCurdy became its president. At the close of that year there were 120,882 policies in force, carrying insurance to the amount of \$368,952,337, and the assets of the company amounted to \$108,431,779. This was then regarded as a wonderful exhibit, and the company had taken its place as a leader in the world of life insurance. The growth since then, however, has been such as to excite the wonder and admiration of all who have watched it. The annual statement of the company for the year ending December 31 last has just been issued, showing that the insured it has now in force amounts to the enormous sum of \$1,052,665,212, and the assets amount to \$301,844,538. These sums are so enormous that it is almost impossible to grasp what they mean. Over three hundred millions of dollars invested in actual, tangible, interest-bearing securities, all held by this great corporation in trust for the policyholders, who have sought the protection it offers, is the best evidence that could be presented to the ability and watchfulness of the management. The investment of this vast sum in such manner as to make it productive, is a task that might well frighten the best financiers to contemplate, yet the annual statement shows that the officers of the Mutual have so fostered and cared for it as to bring in revenue to the company last year amounting to \$14,365,558. The total income last year, including premiums, interest, etc., was \$58,890,077.

The business of a life insurance company is, of course, to pay the losses that may occur under its various forms of contract, whether for death claims, annuities, endowments, or other benefits accruing to policyholders upon the maturity of their policies. Last year, as shown by its annual statement, the Mutual Life paid for death claims \$15,629,979, for endowments, dividends, etc., \$10,739,057, making a total of \$26,369,037. This immense sum was distributed among thousands of policyholders, and went to the support of widows and orphans, and to relieving families that would otherwise have suffered from poverty and distress. The amount of good done to the community by the annual distribution by a single great company, of such vast sums of ready cash, is too great to be estimated, and can only be surmised. The aggregate amount paid out by the Mutual Life in this manner since its organization is an abundant demonstration of the value of life insurance, and is the best testimony that can be adduced of the faithfulness of the men in charge of the company and of the company being deserving of that confidence the public has so long reposed in it.

Richard A. McCurdy, president of the Mutual Life, is so well known that it is almost superfluous to say anything regarding him. A lawyer of high standing, he became identified with the Mutual under its former president, and was vice-president for a number of years. In that position he was a recognized power in the management of the company, and naturally succeeded to the presidency. It was then that the opportunity came to him for the full display of his knowledge of life insurance and of the spirit of enterprise that possessed him. The following compilation of statistics shows the results of his efforts since taking charge of the company in 1885, in some of the more material points:

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## Christian Life.

### Rest.

BY REV. ALBERT C. SALLS.

**Rest?** 'Tis not to cease from toil;  
Ah, no! For toil itself may ease  
The heart of pain, dispel turmoil  
Of brain and passion's rage ap-  
pease.

**What is the weary body's quest**  
Besides the spirit's cry for rest?

**Rest?** 'Tis not release from toil.  
Why seek and ask for idleness,  
And from the tasks of life recoil?  
Let sweet content thy labor bless,  
And hope; let trust thy care divest  
Of bitterness, and thou shalt rest.

Herald and Presbyter.

### How to Know God.

A good life is the best way to understand religion and wisdom, because by the experiences and relishes of religion there is conveyed to them such a sweetness to which all wicked men are strangers. There is, in the things of God, to them that practice them, a deliciousness that makes us love them and that love admits us into God's cabinet, and strangely clarifies the understanding by the purification of the heart. For when our reason is raised up by the Spirit of Christ it is turned quickly into experience; when our faith relies upon the principles of Christ it is changed into vision, and so long as we know God only in the ways of man—by contentious learning, by arguing and dispute—we see nothing but the shadow of him; and in that shadow we meet with many dark appearances, little certainty and much conjecture. But when we know him with the eyes of holiness and the intuition of gracious experiences, with a quiet spirit and the peace of enjoyment, then we shall hear what we never heard, and see what our eyes never saw.—Jeremy Taylor.

### Paying the Fare.

When Jonah took it into his foolish head to run away to Tarshish "from the presence of the Lord," he went on board an outward bound vessel, and "paid the fare thereof." This was an expensive excursion. He lost his money. He lost his time. He lost the approval of his conscience and the smile of God. He would have lost his life but for a miraculous rescue, and he returned to Joppa a sadder and wiser man. When any one attempts to run away from God, he is sure to be overtaken, and when any one chooses a seductive path of sin he pays dearly for the folly.

I see it announced in the daily journals that a certain heart-broken young wife has been divorced from a worthless husband for "cruelty and desertion." It was all in vain that her parents besought her not to intrust her heart and happiness to one who hid a rotten character behind a handsome face and polished manners; she took the reckless risk and has paid the fare thereof. In all my life-long observation I have

almost never known a marriage contracted in opposition to the wishes of loving parents that has not turned out badly. The wages of filial disobedience are apt to be death to happiness.

Not long ago I met a man whom I had known in his better days; he was rolling along under the escort of a policeman toward the station-house. Poor creature! he was paying toll on the devil's turnpike. The heartless saloon keeper who sold him the poison will be required to pay his when he reaches the judgment bar of a righteous God.—Theodore L. Cuyler.

### The Power of Prayer.

God has put it in our power to help each other in many ways; sometimes by deeds that lift away burdens, sometimes by words that inspire courage and strength, sometimes by sympathy that halves sorrow. But there is no other way in which we can serve others so wisely, so effectively, so divinely, as by intercession. Our hands are clumsy and awkward, and oftentimes hurt the life we would heal with our touch or strengthen or uphold with our strength; but in prayer we can reach our friend through God, and his hand is infinitely gentle and never hurts a life. We lack wisdom and oftentimes the help we give is untimely and unwise. We lift burdens that God wants our friends to carry. We make the way easy for him when God has made it hard for his own good, for the development of his powers. We save our friend from hardship or self-denial, or hold him back from perilous duty or exhausting service, when these are the very paths in which God would lead him—the paths to honor, to larger usefulness, to nobler life. Ofttimes our love is shortsighted. We think we are helping our friend when really we are hindering him in the things that most deeply concern his life. But we can pray and ask God to help him, not in our way, but in his own way, and his help is never unwise nor untimely. He never lifts a load which our friend will be the better for carrying. He never does things for him which he had better be left to do for himself, nor spares him hardness or suffering which will make him more a man.—J. R. Miller.

### CONSUMPTION CURED.

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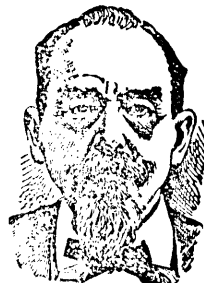
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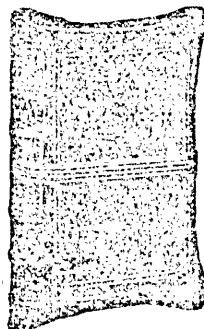
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### Children's Letters.

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SAM SKINNER.

Cabot, Feb. 2.

Dr. Godbey:—As I have not seen any letters from any little girls on Holly Springs circuit, I thought I would write. I am a little girl twelve years old. I am going to school. I also go to Sunday-school every Sunday. My Sunday-school teacher is Mrs. Wozencraft. She is a good teacher. Bro. G. W. Logan is our preacher. We all love him so much. My papa has been a subscriber to the METHODIST 18 years. If I see this in print, I will write again. Your little friend,

FRANKIE CROWNOVER.

Holly Springs, Feb. 2.

### To Be Useful.

Do the duty that lies next to you.

Live in the sunlight and help others out of the shadows.

Have a great deal of hope in the heart and wear a radiant face.

Reach out a hand of helpfulness to the stumbling ones, and speak a word of cheer to the discouraged.

Spend much time in secret fellowship with the Master, then the time spent in trying to better the world will be wiser and better spent.

Find out where the lame ones are and help them over the rough places. Their gratitude will well repay you, and the Master will say: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of these ye have done it unto me."—Selected.

### Dawson City's Fire Dogs.

There is here in Dawson City one of the most remarkable fire brigades in the world. The engine is drawn by a team of dogs, and the sight of this team driving through the streets of Dawson City, with the fire engine trailing behind, is one of the most unique scenes in Alaska. The way the horses jump into their places when the alarm sounds in an Ameri-



son City brigade, the dogs are alert, and when the number of strokes has been given which announces the calling out of the brigade, the clever animals immediately spring into the place where their collars are ready to be snapped into position.

A few seconds later they are dashing through the streets of Dawson City at full tilt, dragging the fire apparatus at their heel and tearing along in response to the cracking of the whips of the drivers as though they fully realized the importance of their duties.

When the brigade turns out the streets of Dawson City are sure to be lined with spectators, for the people never tire of watching their dog team dash through the town. It is about the first thing to which a new arrival is introduced when Dawson's attractions are on exhibition.—Correspondence Washington Post.

### Who Said It?

To Milton we owe "The paradise of fools," "A wilderness of sweets," and "Moping melancholy and moonstruck madness."

The poet Campbell found that "Coming events cast their shadows before," and " 'Tis distance lends enchantment to the view."

Christopher Marlowe gave forth the invitation so often repeated by his brothers in a less public way, "Love me little, love me long."

To Dr. Johnson belongs "A good hater," and to MacIntosh, in 1701, the phrase often attributed to John Randolph, "Wise and masterly inactivity."

Thomas Tasser, a writer of the sixteenth century said, "It's an ill will turns no good," "Better late than never," "Look ere thou leap," and "a rolling stone gathers no moss."

"First in war, first in peace, first in the hearts of his fellow-citizens," (not his countrymen) appeared in the resolutions to the House of Representatives, in December, 1799 by Gen. Henry Lee.—Southern Christian Advocate.

### In His Steps.

This is a very justly popular religious book. We have arranged to sell it at reduced prices, to-wit: 15 cents in paper binding, or cloth, 40 cents. Order at once.

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What is the use of complaining to the pastor, or anybody else, when a postal card to the business manager will correct all mistakes.

And when you write, be kind. Don't imagine that there is carelessness, or an effort to wrong you.

What would you do if you had 11000 names to keep up with Now and then a man writes and sometimes a preacher, as if his was the only name on the list.

When you examine the date on your label, if you find you are behind with your subscription, pay up, or write about it if you cannot pay.

Some owe more than a year—please pay, or write when you will. We need, more than anything else money—must have money! We have to pay cash for paper, type-setting, postage, and everything else. We cannot do this unless the subscribers pay promptly.

## SONG BOOKS.

In ordering song books, always state whether round or shaped notes are wanted. The following prices are for books by mail, post-paid.

Triumphant songs, 3 and 4 combined; round only, 35c; \$4 per dozen.

Tears and Triumphs, No. 2, round or shaped, boards, 25c each; \$2.80 per dozen; muslin, 20c each; \$2.25 per dozen.

Young People's Hymnal, latest and best, round or shaped, 30c each; \$3.60 per dozen; words only, \$1.25 per dozen.

Hymn Books of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, 24mo (size 3 1-2 x 5 1-4 inches). Brevier type. Cloth, 25c; sheep, 40c; roan (black leather), embossed, gilt edges, \$1; morocco, extra gilt, gilt edges, \$1.75.

12mo (size 5x7 1-2 inches). Pulpit edition, pica type. Sheep, \$1; roan (black leather), embossed, gilt edges, \$1.50; morocco, extra gilt, gilt edges, \$3.00.

Hymn Book, Annotated Edition, cloth, \$2; turkey morocco, round corners, gilt edges, \$3.

Hymn and tune book, 8vo (size 6x8 1-2 inches). Brevier type. In either round or character notes. Board sides 40c; cloth sides and leather back, \$1; morocco, gilt edges, \$2.50.

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## Our Church at Home

### Arkansas Conference.

**HARRISON DISTRICT**—The Harrison district is moving up well. It shows considerable advancement over last year at this time. All of the preachers have started off well and are doing a good work. In most of the charges there has been an increase in the pastor's salary. A good sign. We have three new men in our district this year, viz., Bro. I. L. Bronson, late of the Louisiana Conference, Bro. P. C. Fletcher and Bro. A. J. Culum.

The Eureka Springs station has taken on new life under the pastorate of Bro. Fletcher. He preaches to large congregations, and the outlook for our church is very bright. At his first quarterly conference the salaries were reported as paid very near in full. He is also having some great improvements made in the church in the way of additions, repairs, etc.

Bro. Bronson was warmly welcomed by his people, and is showing himself a master of the situation.

Leo Bearden, of Mountain Home, has been quite ill for some time, but we hope for his speedy recovery.

The district is large and very difficult to travel, but we are pushing forward and reposing all our trust in God as we advance.

PIERCE MERRILL, P. E.

**BLOOMFIELD MISSION**—Rev. W. F. Wilson, P. E. of the Fayetteville District, has placed me in charge of the Bloomfield mission, in lieu of Rev. J. Sherman.

I took charge January 10; have preached fifteen times and made over sixty pastoral visits.

The smallpox scare interferes with my plans for revival work.

### ALASKA WORKER

Gained 44 lbs. by Leaving off Coffee and Taking Postum Food Coffee.

Some people in Alaska have work to do. A widow woman, Mrs. Adda Crossley, of Juneau, says she has been doing the cooking for eight men during the winter, and during the summer for fifteen more. She went to Alaska an invalid, and had been in poor health for some years before going. It seems that her sickness was caused and kept up by the use of coffee. When she finally discovered the real cause, she abandoned coffee, and finding Postum Cereal Coffee in the stores, took up its use.

She says: "I commenced using it once a day for two months, then twice a day. I only weighed 80 pounds when I started, and could hardly get up and down the stairway. After leaving off coffee and beginning the use of Postum, I took up the work for eight men. I improved steadily and in December last weighed 124 pounds, which is more than I have weighed for 20 years. My face is round and ruddy. Friends say that if it were not for my gray hair I would pass for thirty very easily. There is no doubt that the words of the famous trademark, 'It makes red blood,' are true."

We need a great revival and God will give it.

JOHN M. CLAYTON.

**LONDON AND KNOXVILLE**—The last conference put London and Knoxville together. The two points make one charge. So the change causes new relations, but pleasant ones. We live in the parsonage at London. This is certainly a pleasant field in which to labor. The people help us with open hands and willing hearts. They know how to treat a pastor. We have learned already to love them, and they have loved us from the beginning. I do believe we have some of the best people in all Arkansas here in London. The church is growing in interest. We have organized an Epworth League of twenty-eight members; have a junior league, both starting off well.

I am just in receipt of \$10 for Foreign Missions. This is three times more than this church paid to Foreign Missions last year, but she will do great things this year and pay all the assessments in full.

The Nashville church is no dead letter. Here we have some of the fruits of the faithful work done by our predecessors.

We have organized a hopeful Epworth League here, and expect efficient work from them. They will help the pastor in the conference collections. This, I think, is a wise step. Our president, H. H. Barger, is an A. B. of Hendrix, and a worthy representative, too.

Our congregations are very good. We are in need of a larger church at London. It does not afford accommodation for our people.

We are expecting an extra good year, but the "good year" will be measured by the number of men drawn to Christ.

J. F. E. BATES.

**MARTINVILLE, ARK.**—The great Methodist wheel has made its last revolution in 1800 and lands us on the Martinville charge, and we are snugly housed in the new parsonage, with plenty of room, plenty of water, plenty to eat, plenty of friends, and near association with the devil and plenty of red liquor, eighteen miles from Plummerville, with two saloons, twenty-five to Morrilton, with three; Bee Branch, fourteen miles, one, and wildcats, blind tigers. The Christadelphians who dishonor God and Christ, repudiate the Holy Ghost, and annihilate the race, counting infants no more than hogs, grasshoppers, tadpoles.

In spite of all this, we have appreciative, hospitable people on the Martinville circuit, although at a low ebb, spiritually, but it is owing to the fact that there was but one protracted meeting held on the work last year.

Thank God for a shouting religion. Give God the acceptable sacrifice, even the fruit of your lips. Some may object, but shouts are like the angels' "Glory to God in the highest, peace on earth, good will to men."

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## WINE OF CARDUI

us, more than to say he got his heart in Ky., and Ky. in his heart.

We have been trying to warm up to the work somewhat, but some of our churches are so open that we cannot have preaching, but we have service.

Our new P. E. came on time with our first quarterly conference. He said that we had the best attendance that he had met with on his round. Each appointment paid something, the whole amounting to nearly \$50, but mostly in supplies.

I believe we are going to have a good year. But the friction will come, and the brother or sister that will not stand it had better stand aside and let someone to the front that will.

I believe we are going to build, remodel and finish some churches this year. Lord, help us.

I believe, as yet, that we are going to a higher plain, spiritually, this year as well as last, without any of the foolishness. We expect to retain our Adamic nature until death. Yet, we expect, while living, to bridle the tongue and bring our bodies into subjection, and bear our cross daily, and love God with all our ransomed powers, and our neighbors as ourselves. All praise to God and his Son for what we are. But let others praise us and not our own lips.

Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirits. Amen.

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### Announcement.

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1899	\$44,524,519	\$1,052,665,212	\$301,844,538	\$26,369,037
1898	42,318,748	970,496,975	277,517,325	24,751,659
1897	42,036,202	935,602,381	253,786,438	25,992,055
1896	39,593,414	917,930,911	234,744,148	25,437,569
1895	38,524,867	898,458,857	219,704,053	23,126,728
1894	36,123,164	854,710,761	202,280,423	21,089,257
1893	33,591,338	802,867,478	184,935,691	20,885,472
1892	32,047,765	745,780,083	173,193,263	19,386,533
1891	30,092,318	695,484,158	158,124,245	18,755,712
1890	27,063,083	638,041,180	146,494,180	16,973,200
1889	23,727,859	565,839,387	135,638,539	15,200,698
1888	19,414,308	482,050,579	125,494,719	14,727,550
1887	17,110,302	427,583,359	118,274,967	14,128,423
1886	15,634,721	393,776,174	113,679,962	13,129,403
1885	14,768,902	368,952,337	108,131,779	14,402,050

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Bank of England.....	\$86,047,935
Bank of France.....	26,050,000
Imperial Bank of Germany.....	28,500,000
Bank of Russia.....	25,714,020
TOTAL.....	\$176,312,855

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Our Church at Home.

Little Rock Conference.

HOLLY SPRINGS CIRCUIT—I was returned to this work for the second year.

I was on the work and preached the first Sunday after conference. I have received a hearty welcome. First quarterly conference passed; good attendance of officials; stewards' report lacked 50c of being full.

May God bless the people on this circuit, and their servant,  
GEO. W. LOGAN.

Holly Springs, Ark.

BRYANT CIRCUIT.—Nineteen hundred finds us on the Bryant circuit, and I feel that we are among good and kind people. We have made one full round, and started on the second. I have been very favorably impressed with the people and the work. We have had some bad weather, but notwithstanding all this, we have had good congregations. We have had some good spiritual services, which were a real uplift to me. I love a re-

sponsive people, a religious people. I do pray this may be the best year of my life as a preacher so far. Our motto: A hundred conversions and every claim in full this year. Our first quarterly conference is a thing of the past. Bro. Thomas was with us in great power. His preaching did us all good. The meeting was a benediction to all. This circuit for several years has been manned by ex-P. E.'s, so it may make it a little hard on us for awhile at least, until the people get weened from the preaching of these great and good men.

Our folks know how to make a preacher and his family feel good. Yes, we know what it is to be pounded; we have been along there.

Come down, Doctor, some time and I will have you preach to some as good people as there are in Arkansas.

I will look after the METHODIST as I go the rounds over my work. More of our people ought to take their church paper than do. I wish every Methodist in Arkansas

would take our church paper. Yours fraternally,  
JOHN W. HARRELL.

ATLANTA CIRCUIT—This is our third year on this charge. We started on the first Sunday in December with good prospects, although we had measles all over the work; then came the great small-pox excitement, and as we thought one of our daughters had been exposed, we know something of how to sympathize with Bro. Anderson, but ours passed through without having them.

The good people of Atlanta gave us a pounding, consisting of many good things, from a barrel of flour down.

Our first quarterly conference is over. Bro. Moore was on hand in due time and preached to the satisfaction of the audience, and looked after the interests of the church.

The stewards raised the assessment over that of last year. Collections good. And now we have la-grippe, but I think I will be able to fill my appointment Sunday.

J. W. VANTREASE.

Atlanta.

Other Conferences.

ADAIR CIRCUIT.—We are having a fine meeting in this town—two conversions and six accessions. Rev. I. B. Hickman, one of our superannuates, is conducting the services, and doing some fine preaching. God is at the helm and the good work sweeps on. Rev. J. H. Myer, of Vinita, was with us two services and gave us two good sermons. We have completed arrangements for the erection of a fine new church in Adair, to be known as Morton Chapel. We want to make this church a beautiful tribute to Dr. Morton—the very embodiment of Church Extension movement.

Dr. Brewer, of the Willie Hall-sell College, is putting life and push into that institution of learning.

Our new presiding elder is taking hold of the work of the district with a vigor seldom equaled. This district will come to the front.

Our Arkansas preachers out here are doing good work, so far as we have been able to learn.

J. M. RUSSELL.

Adair, I. T.

Notice.

The Morrilton District Conference, M E. Church, South, will be held in Atkins, Ark., April 25 29, 1900. Opening sermon by J. M. Williams of Plummerville, at 8 p.m. Wednesday. First business session at 8:30 a.m. 26th. Let every member, clerical and lay, make his arrangements to come and stay through the session. Committees:

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W. J. Poe, Appellee.

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#### Kobe District Report.

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Finding myself appointed presiding elder of the district, and also preacher in charge of the Kobe circuit, I immediately set to work, and after preparations for living in Kobe had been completed, the work of putting into execution the plans already carefully matured by Brother Waters, for new buildings for the Lambuth Training School, was taken in hand. A fuller account is given hereafter. The report of the year's work on Kobe circuit is given elsewhere. The usual work of traveling and preaching, holding quarterly conferences, and looking after the finances and other temporal interests of the district has filled up the time. Special mention may be made of the following:

1. Gain in membership: The gain in membership of the district this year has been gratifying, aggregating 64. The whole number of infant baptisms for the year is 15.

The District Conference: The District Conference met at Mikage, May 12-15, and was a pleasant occasion. The special features of the conference were, (1) the public preaching services, which were well attended by the people, most of whom heard for the first time the gospel message. (2) The visit of Rev. Miyama, who made an address on the temperance movement in Japan. (3) A special collection for missions, which amounted to more than yen 27.

3. East Osaka Church: Repairs—Repairs and improvements on the church building in East Osaka

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5. Lambuth Training School Equipment: Through the enterprising efforts of Brothers Towson and Waters, a good lot had already been secured by lease in the city of Kobe, on which there were two serviceable buildings. These they had placed at the service of the mission for the use of the Lambuth Training School, and by a very satisfactory arrangement the property becomes, after a few years, the property of the mission.

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6. The schools: The work of the schools in the district will be reported by others and need no special mention by me, except, perhaps, that a year of fair success has been had in this department of work.

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### A Missionary Exhibit.

One of the special features of the Ecumenical Conference on Foreign Missions, to be held in New York in April, will be a Missionary exhibit. Material is being gathered from every mission land in order to vividly present, through the eye, the social and moral conditions of the peoples among whom our missionaries are laboring. It will be the endeavor also to make it, as far as possible, a progressive exhibit, showing the result of a hundred years of missionary effort. It will combine a library and a museum, and will comprise publications of all kinds—books, bibles, and magazines from the field in English and many other languages; maps and charts, pictures, models, curios in dress and workmanship, and objects of religious worship, such as idols and fetiches,—all intended to illustrate the actual surroundings of a missionary in his work.

Germany and England already have very complete missionary museums, but America is, as yet, deficient in this respect. In England these exhibits have proven not only helpful in arousing intelligent interest in missionary fields and work, but popular as well. Thus the Church Missionary Society has fine collections which are sent about from city to city, where they are publicly displayed for a number of days, attracting, in some cases, as many as fifty thousand visitors.

In order to secure the continuance of the exhibit of the coming conference as a permanent illustration of missionary endeavor, and also to furnish an opportunity for additions in time to come, a corporation has been formed, including Alexander Maitland, Esq., a member of the board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church, and manager of the New York Library; the Rev. Edwin M. Bliss, D. D., of the New York Independent; Harlem Page Beach, Esq., of the Student Volunteer Movement; the Rev. W. I. Haven, D. D., of the American Bible Society; Luther D. Wishard, Esq., representing the Forward Movement in the American Board; and Rev. H. Allen Tupper, D. D.

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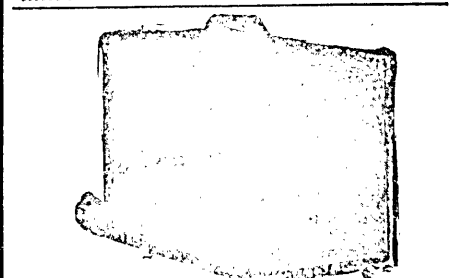
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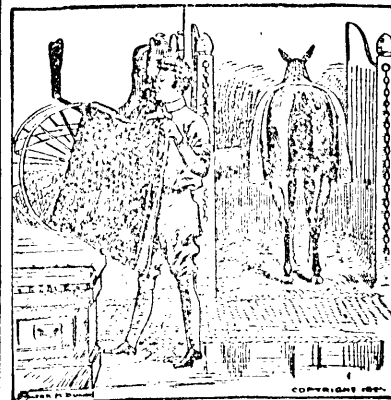
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