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## News and Notes

WE HAVE ENGAGED A WEEKLY letter for the METHODIST, from the Paris Exposition, from June to September.

THE "SAPHO" PLAY, WHOSE chief attraction is its exhibition of nudity, has been suppressed in various places. It should not be spared anywhere.

THE FUTURE POLICY OF THE government, in regard to military affairs in the Philippines, will be to withdraw the United States regulars as fast as possible, organizing a native soldiery to garrison the towns.

MAFEKING STILL HOLDS OUT against the Boers, but its relief is almost despaired of. Kruger has issued a proclamation annexing the Orange Free State to the Transvaal. This has displeased the Free Staters and alienated many from his cause. General Lord Roberts is still halting at Bloemfontain. Many foreigners are enlisting with the Boers.

THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF Statistics estimates the population of the United States at 77,116,000—The number of United States soldiers lost in the Philippines by disease and violence from their occupation, June 1, 1899 to February 17, 1900, is reported officially to be 65 officers and 1460 men—At last report but one case of bubonic plague had occurred at Hon-

lulu in nine days. The plague has appeared at Sidney, the capital of New South Wales, and Adeladie, the capital of South Australia.

ALTHOUGH NEWSPAPER MEN ARE in the hands of the paper trust and prices of paper are raised from 60 to 100 per cent, yet, as times are improving in many ways, we are encouraged to attempt even better work on the METHODIST. We will go forward if our friends will pay up their subscriptions. The money will not rest in our pockets, but be returned to our patrons in an improved paper. Our duty is to make the best paper possible with the money we get. Improvement is a question of money. Send us what is due us, and see.

IT IS BELIEVED THAT TWO NEGROES were the direct perpetrators of the murder of Senator Goebel, but these two men could only have been tools in the hands of political enemies who planned the terrible deed. At present Caleb Powers, Secretary of State, and two associates, Captain Davis and Mr. Culton, are under arrest as suspected principals. The testimony elicited in the preliminary examination, will, it is believed, justify holding these men for trial. They are now in prison at Frankfort. The whole country, irrespective of political creed, must desire the discovery and punishment of men whose act has disgraced the whole nation.

The contest over the governorship of Kentucky is already appealed to the supreme court.

### CHEAP PAPERS.

A cheap paper can only be made by cheap filling. The competition of papers to gain circulation on the score of cheapness, is like the competition of so-called colleges to gain patronage on the same ground. A school which is run on the plan of a cheap boarding house, with instruction thrown in, is not a school which sensible people will patronize. The effort to extend the circulation of a paper by cheapening it

fails, because, while it gains from the class who demand cheapness it loses from those who demand excellence; the more intelligent subscribers drop it and take a paper of higher tone and merit. We have heard of a subscriber who, when he saw on his paper "Entered in the post-office as second class matter" ordered it stopped at once, for he said no second class matter should come into his house. That man might have been wiser, but his principle was right. Your religious paper should be first class.

### EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

At Magnolia we visited the academy under the presidency of Prof. J. W. Cantrell. We had visited it four years ago. Everything we saw made a good impression. The school building is an excellent brick structure. Five or six teachers assist the principal. The discipline seemed to be excellent, and there was evident a sentiment of dignity and self-respect among the pupils.

We went by hack to Waldo, seven miles away, Tuesday morning, and lodged with an old friend W. A. Deavenport. The Preacher's Institute for Camden District met here. The opening service at night was well attended. We left the next morning, but learned afterward that the meeting was very satisfactory. Rev. F. S. H. Johnston was there the last day.

Our next stop was El Dorado. O. A. Miles was our kind host. Bro. Hawley gave us the kindest attention although quite unwell. This is his fourth year on this charge and the people are sad at the thought of his going. We went to see the new parsonage, a house good enough for any preacher. It is commodious and well finished. A new church is much needed. Our people will build on soon. They are able and seem to be willing. The town is prosperous. There are here many cultivated people. We had a fine congregation Wednesday evening. It was a pleasure to dine with the family of H. W. Miles before taking the train.

Bro. Rhodes met us at Junction and took us to the pleasant home

of J. M. Brown. This house is over the Louisiana line. The Protestant Methodists are holding a protracted meeting here. There is a good manifestation of interest. Bro. Rhodes is doing well. The church strengthens under his hand. The town is largely sustained by the lumber interest and is quite prosperous at present. The agricultural resources of this section are being developed.

Miss Jodio Custer, and her mother who keeps the hotel at McNeil, were very kind to us. Bro. Raiford, who has the circuit, is in high esteem among his people. We returned to Little Rock Saturday.

### Little Rock District Preachers' Meeting.

Present, Thomas, Trawick, Branson, Hunter, Watson, Godbey.

The day was fine and there was generally good attendance.

Bro. Thompson reported that his prayer-meeting was fluctuating and unsatisfactory. He proposes to begin daily service next Monday, from 4 to 5 p. m. The Sunday congregations fill the house. A more fervent spirit is greatly desired.

Brother Branson said that the church at Argenta had paid off all its debts. The membership is 180. He thinks the situation encouraging.

Brother Workman had good services at Asbury, but was sick in bed at the time of the preachers' meeting.

Brother Thomas was at Alexander Sunday. Brother White is doing fine work.

There was considerable discussion of the needs of the church in the city, and the means of reaching the poor.

Dr. Hunter said he felt like he ought to be doing some mission work, and that Dr. Dye felt the same way. They would like to have something to do. Brother Thomas thought he could find work for them.

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## Educational Notes.

### TWENTIETH CENTURY NOTES.

Charles Francis Adams, second treasurer of Harvard University, has just announced in detail the gifts to the university from August 1, 1898, to August 1, 1899. It is a long list of gifts, ranging in amount from \$140 to \$425,000. The grand total of gifts for the year was \$1,544,828.67—more than Southern Methodism has called for in its Twentieth Century movement.

The Holston Conference, which was asked by the General Board of Education to subscribe \$43,000 towards the Twentieth Century Fund, has gone beyond \$50,000. It is said that it will not stop short of \$100,000. Dr. Neighbors is giving his entire time to the matter and is ably assisted.

Twentieth Century mass meeting was held recently at the Broadway Methodist Church in Louisville. Bishop Morrison spoke. An appeal was made and \$10,180.90 was subscribed. Every church in the city made a subscription. Broadway church contributed \$4,980. Personal canvass is to follow and more is expected.

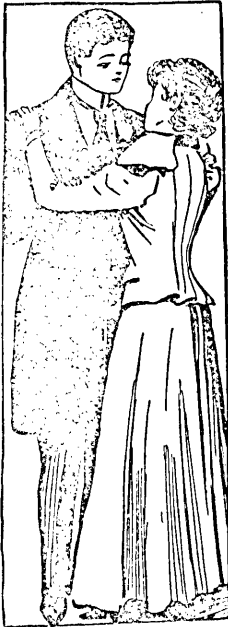
Steps are being taken to correlate our schools in China. The plan calls for the establishment at Soochow of the central university and the correlation of other schools with it. The Anglo-Chinese College at Shanghai under Dr. Parker is to be consolidated with the Anglo-Chinese College at Soochow under Dr. Alexander, an academy being maintained at Shanghai. Dr. Lambuth

## DREAMERS.

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appeals to the church for \$50,000 within ninety days and \$100,000 by December 31.

Dr. Hammond, in the March issue of the New Century Education, makes some wise and timely suggestions. He says that if the movement is a success, it must be vital, not mechanical; that external pressure is not sufficient, that the people must come to see and to be moved deeply; that cold indifference must give place to a deep religious spirit; that merely raising this century fund is only a small part of the work; that our church needs a baptism of holy zeal for the Master's cause so as to be prepared to meet the larger missionary, educational and other demands of the new century; that the many missionary fields now opening up and the weak response constitute an eloquent plea for a great spiritual awakening; that the educational movement should be a religious revival so that the church will be prepared to respond cheerfully to these future calls.

After suggesting the question as to whether the church really intends to raise the fund and after pointing out that while less than half the amount had been raised only ten months remained for work Dr. Hammond asks if pastors have faithfully presented the matter to their congregations, have appointed and organized soliciting committees, and have pressed the circulation of literature; if presiding elders have taken the movement up and are vigorously pushing it; whether conference secretaries have "scanned and studied conference territories, noted the weak places, visited them, done what they could to fortify them, strengthened and encouraged the strong and assiduously worked the plan of the General Board."

Mrs. Eliza Melharry Jeffers, of Richmond, has given to the Ohio Wesleyan University (M. E. C.) \$60,000 to endow two chairs, one of which is the English Bible.

Rockefeller has given Chicago University more than \$7,000,000, and is about to give \$2,000,000 more, an equal amount having been subscribed by others. This makes the fund \$11,000,000.

The treasurer of the Moody memorial fund has received a single contribution of \$50,000, besides many small gifts. New Century Education.

Brown University will probably secure \$750,000 by June, thereby obtaining \$250,000 additional from Mr. J. D. Rockefeller. New Century Education.

Rockefeller helps conditionally so as to stimulate others to give.

## The Nation's Curse.

### INGERSOLL'S EULOGY ON WHISKEY.

"I send you some of the most wonderful whisky that ever drove the skeleton from the feast or painted landscapes in the brain of man. It is mingled souls of wheat and corn. In it you will find sunshine and shadows that chased each other over the billowy fields, the breath of June, the carol of the lark, the

dew of the night, the wealth of the summer, and autumn's rich content, all golden with imprisoned light. Drink it, and you will hear the voices of men and maidens singing "Harvest Home," mingled with the laughter of children. Drink it, and you will feel within your blood the starred dawn, dreamy, tawny dusks of perfect days. For forty years this liquid joy has been within the staves of oak, longing to touch the lips of man."

### DR. BUCKLEY'S REPLY.

"I send you some of the most wonderful whisky that ever brought a skeleton into the closet or painted scenes of lust and bloodshed in the brain of man. It is the ghost of wheat and corn crazed by the loss of their natural bodies. In it you will find a transient sunshine chased by a shadow as cold as an arctic midnight in which the breath of June grows icy and the carol of the lark gives place to the foreboding cry of the raven. Drink it, and you will have woe, sorrow, babbling, and wounds without cause. Your eyes will behold strange women, and your heart shall utter perverse things. Drink it deep, and you shall hear the voices of demons shrieking, women wailing, worse than orphan children mourning for the loss of their father who still lives. Drink it deep and long, and serpents will hiss in your ears, coil themselves about your neck, and seize you with their fangs; at last it 'biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder.' Forty years this liquid death has been kept within staves of oak, as harmless there as pure water. I send it to you, that you may 'put an enemy in your mouth to steal away your brains;' and yet I call myself your friend."

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Charcoal effectually clears and improves the complexion. It whitens the teeth and further acts as a natural and eminently safe cathartic.

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## Contributed.

## EDUCATIONAL NOTES.

A. H. GODBEY.

I have said in some previous notes that the most prominent educational problem before America today is the future relation of secular to denominational schools. There is unmistakably a paternalistic tendency in the air, begotten of recent political agitations. But in spite of the confident manner in which the extinction of the church school is predicted by Eastern pedagogues, I adhere to my belief that their predictions are not well founded.

First and foremost, large aggregations of pupils prove to be in many respects a disadvantage. It is in the small school that there becomes possible the sympathetic contact of teacher and pupil that is such an invaluable factor in the making of a man. It is a mere fiction to suppose that an officer of a school which has a thousand or more pupils can have any real acquaintance with the pupils of the institution.

Secondly, thoughtful alumni of state schools assert that the smaller denominational schools are the real conservators of classical and literary culture. The large schools tend more and more to special technical training. Their emphasis is peculiarly upon the materialistic side of life.

Thirdly, this tendency is peculiarly marked in recent years, and there are already tokens of the passing of the four-year-course, so far as certain large schools are concerned. Yielding to the demands of a class of students who would like to have a literary diploma, and also in a hurry to begin their special or professional training, the fourth year of the regular course is in many places made coincident to a considerable extent with the first year required at the technical school; and the thin edge of the wedge being introduced, it is not at all improbable that other non-professional students will eventually be accorded a similar shortening of the required curriculum. It is the fashion for large schools to sneer at the capacity of small schools to produce a high type of scholarship, yet here are great schools deliberately weakening their work at the very point that is the peculiar province of the smaller ones, and, by the by, a good deal of buncombe is indulged in by them upon the subject of the insufficient equipment of their smaller competitors. Great libraries numbering thousands of volumes are certain to have the bulk of those seldom touched and almost never read. For purposes of consultation I have drawn from libraries books that had been

idle upon the shelf for years. And no diligent student in the ordinary course of a college curriculum can possibly read more than two or three score books with any profit; most cannot read so much. It is the purely technical education that involves expensive plants and apparatus. While it will appear heretical to many, I am firmly convinced that \$500,000 worth of equipments, distributed among ten schools, will exert larger influence for good upon the general intelligence of the public than the same amount concentrated in one. It is a maxim among military men that one ton of metal can be fired with greater practical effect from 100 differently located small guns than from one large one. Cervera and Montojo were beaten by the small guns of the American navy.

Fourthly, I observe that whatever attempts at education have been made in other years and among other people have been generally under the supervision of a priesthood. Account as you will for the fact, the fact remains; true alike of Egypt, Palestine, Cairo, Persia, the Brahmin or Greek. It is man's universal confession that the fear of the Lord whatever be the name by which he is known, is the beginning of wisdom. And if the past is any criterion by which we may judge the future, we may rest assured that history will continue to repeat itself. If so improbable a thing as the extinction of the denominational school should occur, the next step would be that the people will rise up and demand that the state schools be put under religious supervision.

Fifth, it is commonplace fact that the religious element in all lands has been the conservative element, eying innovations doubtfully, and absorbing new opinions slowly. We find it ever indisposed to cast aside or break traditional bruised seeds, and we are likely to find this

cautious conservatism of religion operating with the other factors enumerated to maintain and strengthen church schools. We shall tell the state Socialist plainly, that he will not succeed in giving all schooling over to the secular arm.

## ST. LOUIS LETTER.

J. W. C.

Rev. B. M. Messick, D. D., pastor of Cabane congregation in this city, spent a few weeks in Mulanply Hospital, where he underwent a surgical operation for an internal ailment. His condition is so much improved that he has been able to preach again. His place of worship is a hall in a fine section of the West End, where he hopes to see a church building erected within a year or so. Presiding Elder J. W. Lee has been soliciting funds with encouraging success.

Our Immanuel Church in an extreme western section of the city, called "Benton," has given place to a new and finer church some squares distant. The pastor is Rev. LaPrade, formerly from the state of Louisiana. He was with the congregation last year, was reappointed, but found it necessary to go to Colorado for his health. He returned after a few months, able to do his work in St. Louis.

Rev. J. M. O'Brian, of the Missouri Conference, spent nearly two weeks with Brother Webdill in Tyler Place Church. The weather was too stormy most of the time for a successful meeting.

Rev. Thomas Harrison, of Boston, preached for Dr. Young more than four weeks in our Centenary Church. His way was prepared by a Sunday morning sermon by Bishop Fitzgerald, of the Methodist Episcopal Church. When the weather was favorable, attended. Four hundred professed conversion, and more than a hundred joined the church.

Rev. Dr. Pattillo has announced that he will hold a meeting in La Fayette Park Church during the "Lenten season"—the first Lenten Methodist meeting I have read about. Several preachers have promised to assist.

Rev. J. B. Culpepper is holding a revival meeting, or a meeting with a view to a revival in First First M. E. Church, South, of which Rev. J. H. Early is pastor.

Sister Smith, wife of Rev. C. L. Smith, pastor of our church at Kirkwood, recently died after a protracted illness.

Last Sunday was a silver jubilee in our St. Paul's Church. Rev. M. Haw, pastor St. Paul's, is descended from the old "Mound Church," first

named in the conference minutes in 1842. The organization is older than that of Centenary Church by nine months or more. The present church was erected under the ministry of W. M. Leftwich, D. D., in 1875-6. Bishop Hendrix preached at 11 and made a call for money to build a new church on the present lot, on whose rear portion the present house is standing.

In the afternoon Dr. Lee led the services, which were participated in by several ministers. More money was secured. The same after a sermon by J. D. Vincil at night.

## A FEW FACTS

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## MY FIRST CIRCUIT.

The Rev. B. H. Greathouse's letter in a late issue of the Arkansas Methodist, touched up my memory in lively style, especially when he mentioned my first circuit. In the fall of 1853 the Arkansas Conference was held at this place, Bishop J. O. Andrew presiding. I remember distinctly, as I took my seat in the conference room and looked over that body of veteran itinerants, two questions fairly fused in both my head and heart: Would they receive me? Where my first appointment? Both were soon solved, and I was read out to the Louisburg circuit. It is useless to try to describe the feelings of this then beardless youth, as next morning he left the residence of Major Alexander Butler, with the hands and blessing of Rev. Wm. P. Ratcliff upon his head, and started for his first circuit. By Friday night I reached the southern boundary of my work, five miles north of the Palarm, about twenty-five miles north of Little Rock. Here I met a cordial welcome from Bros. George and Henry Benedict. Twenty-five miles yet to Louisburg. On the way I learned that the whole town was in an uproar of excitement, occasioned by a murder recently committed there, and I was advised not to go there that night, but making "never disappoint a congregation" my motto, I moved on, and about sundown reached the place, and as directed on the plan of my circuit, enquired for John Quinley, an official member. He was also sheriff, and just at that time had his hands full. From him I learned that the appointment for preaching was a mile east of Louisburg, and near his residence. Spending the night with Brother Quinley's family, next morning I met a good congregation at Sardis camp ground. How I did want to see some old preacher come in and preach the first sermon for me. None appearing, I did the best I could with the text: "And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ." Evidences were not wanting that there were religious men and women in that congregation. There, as everywhere on the circuit, I was received in genuine Methodist fashion, and more, I doubt not I had the earnest prayers and hearty co-operation of as noble a band of Christian men and women as it was ever the privilege of any young preacher to serve. While life lasts I will cherish tenderly the memory of the Stocktons, the Farishes, the Owens, the Kings, the Bartletts, and others, who, next to God, were my helpers in the gospel. That year I witnessed more bright, happy conversions than I ever have in any other one of my humble ministry.

Mine, too, was the privilege and honor of building the first house of worship in Louisburg, and also, with the assistance of Rev. W. C. Young, then stationed in Little Rock, of organizing the first temperance society there.

I closed my work for the year in a gracious meeting in our new

church. There was great excitement in that town, but gloriously different from the first I looked upon as I rode into Louisburg that Saturday evening. All the glory be to Him who alone can save.

Yes, I well remember the little boy I captured on the bridge and took back to his teacher, Miss Alma Vann, a noble Christian young lady.

A greater hand, I rejoice to know, in subsequent years, led that youth to Christ, and to the office and work of the Christian ministry. My heart warms toward you, my dear brother, while I write these humble lines, and say, God bless you in and out of the pulpit, and when heaven shall sing, "Harvest Home," may you have many souls to shine in your crown of rejoicing.

You, too, had your first circuit, I dare say you often think of it now, and the older you get the dearer the memories thereof. I expect the editor had his first circuit, too.

J. E. Caldwell.

Tulip, Ark.

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From the Nation's Capital.

Washington, March 21.

Representative Grout of Vermont, president of the society, presided over the sixty-eighth annual meeting of the Congressional Temperance Society, which was held in the Luther Place Memorial church, and which also commemorated the 96th birthday anniversary of Neal Dow, the father of statutory prohibition in the United States. Representative Littlefield of Maine, the gentleman who has made a reputation in a single session of congress, as one of the ablest constitutional lawyers in public life, followed Rev.

F. D. Power, the secretary, who spoke on Neal Dow and his lifelong fight for temperance, with a manly address in favor of prohibition, in which he said: "I believe in total abstinence, and practice what I preach. I believe in prohibition, and I am always willing to enlist in its cause. There is no good American citizen but believes the liquor traffic must in some way be regulated or prohibited, but there is a wide difference in opinion as to the best methods to be pursued. Some believe in moral suasion and some believe in legal suasion. I am a believer in legal suasion. I have seen its operation in my native state, and I know it succeeds. It is not sufficient for those who oppose the Maine method to point out that liquor is yet sold in Maine. We admit it is. But because the laws against murder and theft do not absolutely prevent the commission of these crimes, would you set aside the laws? The laws are good; they reduce crime to the minimum and punish the criminals. That is just what the Maine prohibition laws do, and whenever they are honestly administered they are unqualifiedly a success."

Representative Lloyd of Missouri said: "If every man who believes in temperance will abstain from the use of liquor and will prevail upon his friends and neighbors to do like, the question will eventually solve itself."

Representative Talbert of South Carolina declared that the dispensary law of his state had proven to be a healthful regulation of the liquor traffic and crime and drunkenness had wonderfully decreased under its operation.

Representative Green of Massachusetts said stringent license laws and their rigid enforcement had decreased the number of saloons in his state.

Representative Dahle of Wisconsin said there had been a most remarkable decrease in drunkenness among the Norwegians of his state during the present generation; that there was not one drunkard today among them, where there were ten a few years ago.

Mr. Grout was unanimously elected president of the society for the coming year, and Rev. F. D. Power secretary, and a number of senators and representatives and Secretary Long were elected vice presidents.

Misleading statements have been published during the week as to the reason the Navy Department ordered a warship to be sent from Manila to a Chinese port. The action was taken at the request of the United States minister to China, not because there had been any

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attack upon American missionaries, but because the United States minister thought the presence of the American war vessel would have a good effect upon the "Boxers," one of the most numerous and most turbulent of the anti-foreigner secret societies, and would be likely to prevent any attack upon the persons or property of American missionaries.

An attempt to secure legislation from congress, giving the commissioner of Indian affairs authority to compel the Indian children on the reservation in Iowa occupied by the remnants of the once powerful Sacs and Foxes, has drawn public attention to a state of affairs on that reservation that is a disgrace to civilization. These Indians own their land and live in the most primitive fashion; they have refused to allow either school or church to be built upon the reservation, and have given scant courtesy to missionaries sent to them by various churches. Miss Estelle Reel, superintendent of Indian schools, who has just returned from a visit to them, says in her report: "The Iowa Sac and Fox school was erected upon land purchased by act of congress, and was primarily intended for the benefit of Indians of this reservation. The school is located about five miles from the reservation proper. It is an excellently well equipped plant for from 75 to 100 pupils, and was opened last year, the average attendance for the past year being 30 pupils. The Indians of this reservation have been and are still bitterly opposed to the education of their children, and although this reservation is situated in sight, practically, of two of the most thriving towns in the state of Iowa, they are said to be in as primitive a condition as when Columbus landed in the Western world. The agent and superintendent have made most vigorous efforts for the past year and a half or two years to overcome this bitter prejudice, and had at one time as many as 50 pupils enrolled. A recent decision of a federal judge says that this school is not on an Indian reservation, and therefore under the law as at present existing, the commissioner of Indian affairs cannot force these children into school. The legislation proposed authorizes the commissioner of Indian affairs to place every healthy child on the Sac and Fox reservation of Iowa in the school established for their benefit. The principal objection the Indians have raised is that their children will be taught to work if they send them to school.

S. A. S.

## Literary Table.

## TOMORROW.

Tomorrow? Fear not, let it come;  
'Twill be as good a day as this  
Or yesterday. They're all God's days  
And good alike. They ne'er do miss  
The needs of man. I know there was  
A yesterday; now is today;  
Tomorrow there may be, as one  
Author of all the days shall say.  
But there are not so many Gods  
As days. One only do we claim,  
Who yesterday was good, and who  
Tomorrow must remain the same—  
'Tis not today that blesses us;  
'Tis not tomorrow that we trust;  
But 'tis Today's, Tomorrow's God.  
To him we cling and ever must.  
The bridegroom of the skies can ne'er  
Be weary in his race; our time  
Cannot grow old; the last earth-day  
Shall seem of earth-life the prime.  
Aye, let tomorrow come; not that  
We guess its bounty or its praise,  
Or tire of this; but just because  
We trust our God and love his days.

—W. P. Whaley.

Stuttgart, Ark.

## The Nicaragua Canal Under the Hay-Pauncefote Treaty.

This plan puts the United States simply in the position of a private capitalist going abroad to invest money in a purely commercial undertaking. There may, indeed, be some good reason why our government should build the canal, even on this basis. We are not prepared to say that the project ought to be abandoned or turned over to that great modern power, International Capital, which—whether localized in New York, London, Paris, Frankfurt, or Berlin—knows absolutely no allegiance to any government. But the more ordinary dictates of prudence would seem to favor the comparatively conservative idea that the United States should buy up the railroad and telegraph lines which lie within its own sovereign dominions, rather than embark perhaps \$200,000,000 of our public money in an enterprise which we carefully invite Europe in advance to guarantee that we shall never in the dire emergency of war be permitted to use for our own benefit. This is the only practical meaning that the so-called "neutralization" of the canal can have. Mr. Hay's treaty proposes that it shall be the absolute property of the United States, but that if in war-time we should choose to fortify our own government's property or to exclude our enemy's ships from its use, we should have made it both the right and the duty of all the world to take up arms against us. This is why, in our opinion, the Hay-Pauncefote treaty will, if ratified, tend to war rather than peace. It gives Europe a control that America should keep. It would compel us to build a navy at least twice as large as we should otherwise need. If we were to become a party to the international compact that controls the Suez Canal, Europe would still control in fact, for this country would be in a minority of one. In like manner, if the Hay-Pauncefote plan is adopted, we shall have put ourselves in exactly that same minority of one in the control of a Nicaragua canal built for Europe at

our expense and risk.—From "The Progress of the World," in the American Monthly Review of Reviews for March.

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## MAGAZINES.

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Werner's Magazine is published in New York, subscription price \$2 a year. It gives especial attention to art, literature and aesthetics. The March number opens with an article on reading aloud as a literary study. Upon this subject some very profitable suggestions are given. The second article discusses attitude, gesture and tone in speaking. Then follows an article on the oratory of Dr. Storrs. There is a literary study of John Ruskin, and other valuable articles.

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The prohibitory law does not prescribe what people shall eat or drink. A man may distill and brew and consume his own manufacture or he may buy it in other States. But were it otherwise still the word sumptuary is as inapplicable as any term could be. This term does not say: "Let the people drink no whisky, in order that they may pay more taxes," but "Let no liquor be sold as a beverage in order that the State may have fewer paupers to support, in order that the State may have fewer criminals to pursue, to convict, to house up and hang, in order that poli-



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## The Sunday school.

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Lesson for April 8—Precepts and Promises.—Matt. 7:1-14.

Golden Text.—Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them.—Matt. 7:12.

Time.—Same as last lesson, summer of second year of Christ's ministry.

Place.—A mountain near the Sea of Galilee, probably Horns of Hattin.

This lesson opens with a warning against rash and uncharitable judgment. The precept "Judge not" does not mean that you are not permitted to form an opinion as to the character of people with whom you deal, it means that you are not to be rash or unkind or censorious in your judgment of others. For instance, we often make up a judgment of a man from having seen a single act of his, and without knowing all his surroundings even then; we often make up an estimate of a man from a single characteristic which he evidently has, condemn the whole man on account of a single fault in him. We must judge men by the main tenor and aim of their lives, and be as charitable toward them even then as the facts will permit, looking for anything good that is in them. If a man be on the right road, and if he be trying honestly to walk in that road, that is the great matter. We may be sorry that he is now and then stumbling, but he is on the right way—that is the main fact.

Your own life will be at this point largely what you make it. If you are generous and kind in your judgment, you will be judged generously and kindly; if you are harsh and censorious, you will be paid back in your own coin. The world will usually send back a true echo of the noise which you throw into it.

Withal, how inconsistent you will be if you take any other course, as though you have no faults of your own. "And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, and considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye?"—a splinter in his eye, a log in your own!

Yet, as we said above, all this does not mean that you are not to form any judgment of men with whom you deal. You will have this to do, else you will not know how to deal with anybody at all. In preaching the doctrine of charity, Jesus did not mean to rub out the distinction between good and bad. He had no patience with that maudlin sentiment that pronounced everything and everybody "just lovely." There are some things too holy to be given to dogs, and you are expected to know a dog when you see him, lest you be found giving holy things to him, only be sure that you have found out for a certainty that he is a dog. There are some people who are like swine; throw them no pearls; they will not appreciate them, and,

moreover, they will damage you while you are trying to help them.

If you are tempted to say, Lord how can a man live up to all these principles, the answer is, "Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you." And we are told that God is nearer to us surely than our earthly parents, and He will fill us with the strength and wisdom to do these things.

The conclusion is, therefore, that you will not blunder into the right way; you must strive to enter into it. It is not like the great open gate of the city, it is like the narrow gate in the folds of the great gate, to be found often in the dark, after the big gate has been shut, found with pains, but you must find it or lodge without the city, amid robbers and whatever perils come.

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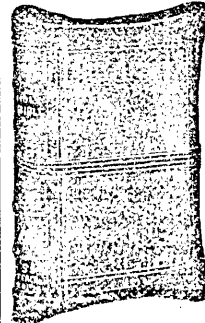
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We see Jesus alone at this well, weary, and waiting the return of his disciples from the town, whither they had gone for bread. A Samaritan woman came to the well. We should not, among the lessons taught us in this chapter, fail to note that Jesus was always ready to instruct a single individual as well as a great audience. This fact will still mark the true and sincere preacher. He does not neglect one soul who is willing to be taught. He does not wait for the assembling of a multitude. No occasion or opportunity is unimportant to the true preacher. He will do the best he can always.

Jesus took the best method to prepare this woman's heart for instruction. He first asked a favor of her. You have gained much when you have condescended to receive, and from one who expected to find you proud and disdainful. The prejudice common to the Jew was utterly unknown in Jesus' conduct. The "holier-than-thou" sentiment had no place or suggestion with him. He surprised the woman, for she saw that he was not only a Jew but a rabbi. Her surprise was to be increased, presently,

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The sequel of this story is the conversion of the woman and of many people of the town.

Jesus taught his disciples after they had seen his example, that there were harvests waiting to be reaped, ripe and ready, where people were not orthodox according to their creed. People were ready to enter the kingdom of heaven who had not been taught as Jews. The very thing stated by Joshua here at Shechem—Josh. xxiv. 13—in a temporal sense, was now being fulfilled in a spiritual sense. It was permitted the disciples to reap the fruit of other men's labors.

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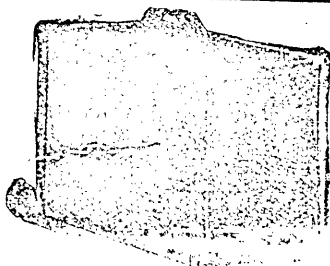
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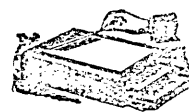
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## INDIA'S AWFUL SCOURGE.

There are 70,000,000 in the famine district of India. 4,000,000 of these are engaged on government relief work. The Famine Commission estimates that the income per capita, of all these people, including even those regarded as rich, is \$9, which is less than the amount found necessary to sustain native prisoners in the jails. The commission records that at least 100,000,000 of these people have an average income of only four dollars.

G. H. Simonson gives this account in the Herald and Presbyterian of the manner in which the people of India live:

The people of India live in villages, for two-thirds of them are dependent upon their fields for their living. These villages are a few mud huts and a temple; a hundred or more homes surrounded by an ancient wall; or a town of three thousand people gathered on the bank of a river surrounded by many acres of fertile land. The village house is, as a rule, built of sun-dried brick, or white clay baked hard by the hot sun. Its roof is tile or thatch, and lets the smoke find its own chimney through cracks and crevices. It is innocent of windows, unless a hole a foot square be so called. Before the door, or on a veranda, the patient oxen or buffaloes, that draw the heavy wooden plow, trample out the grain, and cart it to the bazaar, are stalled, and the visitor frequently has to find his way between these animals to enter the low door of the house. Within the house, when one's eyes are accustomed to darkness, he looks in vain for furniture. True, there is a small brick or mud furnace or two, that answers for a stove; there are pots and pans and plates of shining brass; here is a roll of bedding in the corner; there is a padlocked box of clothes and ornaments, the wealth of the family; and in a niche in the wall you will find a god. But the mud floor, on which the little naked children play, answers for bed, table and chair.

The life of the villager is as simple as his surroundings. He dresses very simply in coarse, cotton cloth; his wife is arrayed in bright colored cotton, and his children do not need clothing the first few years of their existence. He works in his field, as did his forefathers; plows with the huge wooden plow, and reaps with short sickle; threshes with tramping oxen and winnows with the wind. The wife grinds the grain in the mill of two flat stones, and prepares the two meals of the

day (cakes made of millet flour or boiled rice and curry). There is no sewing for her to do, for buttons she does not need, and her husband can manage the few he has. In the field she can weed and harvest with the rest. She, and the children, too, are needed when the grain is formed, to frighten away the birds. My ideas of Bedlam now are formed from Hindu women and their children yelling, clashing pans together, and wielding slings to protect the grain from the birds.

It is a careless life for all; at least its ills and cares are faced without grumbling, as long as their field brings forth enough for all—food for the home, fodder for the cattle and money for clothing. True, there are daughters to be married, and that is expensive, but mortgage and money lender are a man's only refuge under such ills and they are cheerfully faced. There are jealousy, greed, cruelty and sin to mar the picture, but enough now to realize the simple life in these dark homes. Peopled with demons their world may be, in bondage to ignorance and superstition they may be; cruel and unclean their lives may be; but let us now look only to their human loves and fears, their lives that show that they are our brothers. See them as they gather the little dirty, brown children in their arms, as the husband watches by and cares for the sick wife, as they all reverence the old gray-haired parents.

Early in June a telegram comes from Columbo the monsoon has burst. The villagers watch the clouds as they gather; will the rain be too little, enough, or too much? When, after the first rains, the fields are sown, they still watch the sky; and to meet a farmer without referring to the rains would be strange indeed. If the rains are timely and plentiful, the little field will yield two crops; if not, the stalk withers, and the hot wind blowing over the plain, parches it and the ground cracks open. The Brahmans are feasted, the priests are fed and offerings are made, while all cry for rain. The missionaries are often asked to test their God, "Will he send rain?" Still the rains do not come. The little stock of grain is soon finished; credit is exhausted; jewels and ornaments are sold; prices are increasing. The wife and children must be fed. Work is not to be found. Then the famine and all its horrors settle down upon the land."

Respecting the famine and the efforts of the British Government to relieve it, Mr. Simonson says:

"The famine this year promises to exceed the worst suffering known this century—even the terrible famine of '76 and '77. The people had not yet recovered from the last visitation, three years ago, and now their crops have failed, their wells are drying up, and water as well as food has failed. The cattle are dying for

food and water. The people—living skeletons, are wandering here and there for food and drink. Many die by the roadside before they find relief. A child is sold for a song; love and humanity are crushed out of hearts that once were tender, and men and women fight with their loved ones for what will keep body and soul together. In camp and in home cholera and disease finish the work famine wrought in its weakened, emaciated victims.

The British Government in India is doing all that Christian rulers can do. Wise from past experience, organized and prepared for such a crisis, the machinery of the government is working day and night to save the lives of its people. Public works, new roads, canals, etc., are opened to give employment to the poor. Hospitals are prepared for the sick, orphanages for the children. There are now four million employed on relief work. Think of it, the deserted homes, the emaciated workers, the helpless, toiling women, the widows, the children, and the old men and women in the hospital. The government of India is manfully bearing its burden, but confesses that the task before it is an appalling one, and one which, unaided, they cannot manage. England has before in such a crisis, answered the appeal; but England is deeply engaged in South Africa, and the widows and orphans of her soldiers demand her charity. America is, in all parts of India, represented by her missionaries. In hospitals, in schools, in churches, they have been making known the spirit of Christ. They know the people; the people turn to them in their need. The helpless, hungry, sick and dying are at their doors. They have called upon the Christian people of the home land to make it possible for them to feed the starving, minister to the sick and save the orphans. They say: "A dollar will feed twenty people for a day and will save a child's life for a month. Five dollars will keep a large family from starving for more than a month. Ten dollars will feed more than two hundred emaciated persons, and twenty-five dollars will clothe seventy-five women, whose only garments are now turning into useless rags, and \$100 will dig a well—give employment to one hundred people for a month or more."

## Church Notes.

The Cumberland Presbyterian Church falls in with the Twentieth Century movement and will undertake to raise \$1,000,000 for her colleges.

The Woman's Board of Home Missions of the M. E. Church, South, will hold its annual meeting in New Orleans, April 11-19.

A correspondent of the Michigan Advocate states that an Episcopal lady in California offered \$200,000 to her rector to build a

church. The rector declined the gift because, under the laws of California, the property would be taxed at the rate of \$300 a month and the society would not be able to carry it. He says many churches perish every year under the burden of State tax.

The pastors of the churches of Memphis passed strong resolutions against the indecent and immoral Mardi Gras exhibitions.

The Wesleyan Christian Advocate states that there has been a net gain of 6,000 members in the M. E. Church, South, this year, with one of the largest conferences—Baltimore—yet to hear from.

The General Conference of the M. E. Church will convene in the Auditorium, Chicago, May 2. The seats in the pit, parquet and galleries, not occupied by members, will be sold for the session at prices from \$5 to \$26 a setting during the session, not including the privilege of four pay lectures.

Bishop Tuttle, of the Diocese of Missouri—Episcopal Church—has a salary of \$4,200 a year. This he has received in quarterly payments for sixteen years. But March 1 the quarter's pay was short, whereupon the Bishop published, in the Church News, the official organ of the Diocese, a letter of complaint, which has greatly moved the parishes. The quarterly dues will be forthcoming and also a good many harsh criticisms of the Bishop. Wonder if all the rectors of the diocese have had their salaries in full and on time during the last sixteen years.

The gains of all the religious denominations of this country for the past nine years, are 5,353,626.

According to Dr. Carroll's figures, 12 denominations of Presbyterians gained last year 42,866 members, 21 branches of Lutherans 74,462, 14 kinds of Baptists 78,643, the 2 Episcopal bodies 13,875, 7 organizations of Catholics 46,173. The aggregate of all the gains in all the churches of the country for the year was 348,230.

Dr. Carroll states that the seventeen denominations of Methodists in this country increased in ministers last year 381, in churches, 891; and in members, 1,015. The greatest increase in members was made by the African Methodist Episcopal church, 8,858, and the next by the Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, 8,780.

Rev. J. L. Jenkins, pastor of our St. Paul's church, Springfield, Missouri, reports that there



have been at least 2,000 conversions in that city during the last four months. Major Cole has been preaching there for ten weeks.

The property of the Main St. M. E. Church, Little Rock, was sold last week, to Mr. L. W. Cherry, for \$45,000. After paying the debts the M. E. people will have \$30,000 for a new building.

It is reported that Dr. Mc. Giffort, about whose heretical views the Presbyterians are having so much trouble, will end the strife by withdrawing from the Presbyterian and uniting with the Congregational Church. Other reports say that he will stand his trial before the general assembly in June.

News comes from India that Bishop Thoburn of the M. E. Church is badly broken in health.

#### NASHVILLE NOTES.

The governor of Tennessee is candidate for governor and U. S. Senator.

The graduating class of the University of Tennessee observed Arbor Day with appropriate public exercises.

Sam Jones and Sam Small both delivered earnest and thoughtful addresses to the students at Wesley Hall last week.

Dr. G. C. Kelley was called to Kentucky by the death of his mother, and Dr. Gross Alexander occupied his pulpit at Tulip Street Church yesterday morning and evening.

Special services were held yesterday at the First Lutheran Church, to dedicate the interior of the church and a new pipe organ.

Dr. W. R. Pettiford, president of the largest negro bank in this country, located at Birmingham, Ala., lectured to his people here Thursday, on "Economy and Thrift."

The annual meeting of the State Sunday-school Convention will be held here, April 10-12. Prominent Sunday-school workers from abroad will be present. The meetings will be held in McKendree and First Presbyterian Churches.

The Red Cross Society has collected and sent a box of books to our sick soldiers in the hospitals around Manila, and a box of delicacies will be sent this week.

After having undergone \$1,800 worth of improvements, the auditorium of the Elm Street Methodist Church was reopened yesterday. The auditorium is now one of the prettiest in the city. Sam Jones conducted the opening service.

The revival services are still in progress, and will continue till Wednesday night. Rev. George Stuart had to leave last week, to meet an engagement in San Antonio, Tex., and Rev. Sam Small took his place as helper in the meetings. At the close of the

service last night, an effort was made to raise money to meet the \$2,000 debt on the Tabernacle. After an appeal by Sam Jones, Gov. McMillin and E. B. Stahlman spoke. About \$1,200 was raised, and a committee appointed to prosecute the collections. March 19. C. J. G.

#### KANSAS CITY NOTES

Dr. S. H. Werlein, of Central Church, is at Richmond, Mo., assisting in a revival. April 1st he expects to begin a protracted meeting at Central.

Dr. Chapman is doing well at Troost. He expects to begin a meeting soon to be conducted by the evangelist, Rev. Conoley, of St. Louis.

S. H. C. Burgin, pastor of Campbell Street Church, expects to begin a meeting April 15.

All our churches in this city are doing well, most of them having made good progress since conference.

The Mercington Avenue Mission, under the wise management of Rev. L. R. Downing, is growing and has a fine outlook.

D. C. H. Briggs delivered a most excellent address at Campbell Street Church, Friday night. Subject, "Dark Africa."

Bishop Hendrix delivered a most admirable lecture recently to the Epworth League of the Campbell Street church. Subject, "Under the Southern Cross, or Fort Days in Brazil."

Rev. G. L. Taylor, pastor, is rehabilitating our church in Kansas City, Kansas, and making encouraging progress along all lines.

Rev. C. C. Berry is considering the erection of a new church at Mt. Washington as the present building will not accommodate the congregation.

Rev. J. W. Coontz is repairing the Washington Street Church and agitating the removal of its indebtedness.

Dr. C. H. Briggs, the wise and energetic presiding elder of the Kansas City District, is ever wide awake to the interests of Southern Methodism in this city, his latest move being the organization of a City Church Extension Board, which is now in process of formation.

Great preparations are under way for the entertainment of the Democratic convention visitors in July, and the city will be prepared to accommodate 150,000 visitors, having the best hotel facilities, size considered, of any city in the Union.

Rev. C. M. Bishop, of Nevada, Missouri, is in the city, visiting at the home of E. H. Jones, Esq. Revs. Frank Burton, of Oak Grove, S. J. Brown, of Harrisonville, and Roder, of Odessa, were visitors at the M. E. Conference this week.

The St. Louis Conference, of the M. E. Church, is now in session at the Independence Avenue Church, this city. A large number of preachers and laymen are in attendance. Bishop Fitzgerald in the chair. The subject of the removal of the book depos-

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itory from St. Louis to this city received much attention and it is very probable that the Chicago General Conference will decide in favor of Kansas City, in which event a five story church and office building combined will be built upon the site of the present Grand Avenue Church.

The Kansas Conference of the M. E. Church is also now in session at the Washington Avenue Church in Kansas City, Kansas, Bishop Warren presiding. Many notables are in attendance upon both sessions.

S. H. C. BURGIN,  
K. C., Mo., March 23.

#### Personal.

Rev. J. R. Sherwood died near Pine Bluff, March 23rd.

Gov. Jones has withdrawn from the senatorial race.

Rev. S. O. Vinson has moved his family to Little Rock.

Bishop Morrison is convalescent after an attack of pneumonia.

Evangelist Andrews will begin a meeting at Clarksville, April 1st.

Mrs. Eliza M. Jeffers, of Richmond, has given the Ohio Wesleyan University, \$60,000.

Mrs. Smart, wife of Dr. R. D. Smart, of St. Louis, visited in this city the past two weeks.

Rev. F. S. H. Johnston says the Twentieth Century Movement in Arkansas is strengthening.

Judge T. F. Sorrells, a prominent citizen of Pine Bluff, a member of the M. E. Church, South, died Sunday morning last.

It is said that Booth Tucker of the Salvation Army will be in Little Rock April 13th and will speak at the Cap-

tal Theatre.

"Lula May Clower, to Mr. F. E. Wright, Wednesday, March 28th, 1900, at halfpast eight o'clock, p.m., M. E. Church South, Gurdon, Ark."

Hon. J. M. Stone, President of the Starkville Agricultural and Mechanical College and who had been for ten years Governor of Mississippi, died on the 26 inst.

Rabbi Isaac M. Wise of Cincinnati, known throughout the United States for his learning, liberality of faith and high character, is paralyzed and apparently at the point of death.

Revs. Jas. Thomas and W. E. Thompson have been appointed, by Bishop Galloway, delegates to the Ecumenical Conference of Foreign Missions, to be held in New York, April 21st.

The latest concerning Prof. McGiffert states that he has concluded not to withdraw from the Presbyterian Church, and that he will stand his trial before the general assembly in June.

Prof. A. G. Murphy has resigned the presidency of Logan Female College, Russellville, Ky. The Central Methodist says of him: "This State never had a purer man nor a more faithful and competent educator."

Rev. J. W. Faubion of the Western Conference, M. E. Church, South, died at Arkansas City, Kansas, March 19th. The funeral was conducted by D. C. Downes, P. E. Brother Faubion was an able and faithful minister. He was 53 years old.

The following preachers have sent in new subscribers during the past week: C. A. Bayless, Amos E. Wilson, J. H. McKelvy, J. M. Cantrell, H. M. Bruce, J. J. Galloway, E. Crook, J. H. Br. Ford, W. C. Toombs, R. J. Raloff, J. Z. Barkson, A. P. Few.

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So full of pain and woe;  
I long to live in summer climes,  
To quit this world below.

The past is but a dream to me,  
No worthy work I've done;  
To mark the path that leads to Thee,  
And Thy eternal home.

Earth's cares are light when Thou art  
near,  
To soothe my fainting soul;  
Make me to know I need not fear,  
That Thou canst make me whole.

Thou art the source of life and light,  
Without Thee life would end;  
I'd only grope in endless night,  
Without Thee as my friend.

The bread of life is in Thy hands,  
Let me of it partake;  
Help me to live by Thy commands,  
Live nobly for Thy sake.

Make me submissive, lowly, meek,  
Whatever may betide;  
And may I ever love to keep  
Close by Thy precious side.

Now, Lord, I give my life to Thee;  
Then take the offering small;  
For with Thy guiding hand to see,  
I cannot fail or fall.

—N. E. Cannon.

### "OUR FATHER."

The name we use for God in prayer is very important. It is not the same whether we call him King, Creator, Judge, or Father. If we think of him as our King, royalty is suggested to us—majesty, splendor and power—but no tenderness, nor ease of access, nor love. If we call him Creator, the name carries us back to the beginning, when all things came from the divine hand, and we think of power, wisdom, goodness, beauty; but he is not brought near us. Some people begin their prayers by invoking God as the Incomprehensible One, a God of majesty and holiness, the Lord of hosts. All these names or titles have their suggestions of attributes or qualities of the divine character. But none of them present to us thoughts of God which make approach to him easy. When we speak to God as our Father, the vision which arises before us assures us of a welcome when we come to him.

In the midst of the splendors of royalty, when men of highest rank are admitted to the king's presence only at the king's pleasure, the children of the king's household always have free access. No court rules shut them away or prescribe any ceremonious manner in which they must approach the throne. The king is their father. To be a child of God is to have assurance of access to him at all times. This golden gate of prayer, "Our Father," leads into the innermost sanctuary, into the very secret place of the Most High; and it is shut neither night nor day to any child of God.—Rev. Dr. J. R. Miller.

God is a Sovereign. His purpose extends to earth and heaven, time and eternity. It cannot be frustrated. It may seem to be slow in the unfolding, but year by year there are ripening manifestations. His will in regard to his church and people is no varying determination, but a fixed counsel. Back of it are almightiness, wisdom, justice and love. Whatever the processes pertaining to the execution, all may rest assured that it will unfold just how and when he has arranged for. He cannot err in judgment, or fail in accomplishment. He who studies it as far as it is revealed, and who watches its sudden as well as its gradual developments, has reason for cheerfulness and hopefulness.—The Presbyterian.

The people who win their way into the inmost recesses of others' hearts are not usually the most brilliant and gifted, but those who have sympathy, patience, self-forgetfulness, and that indefinable faculty of eliciting the better natures of others. Most of us know persons who have appealed to us in this way. We have many friends who are more beautiful and gifted, but there is not one of them whose companionship we enjoy better than that of the plain-faced man or woman who never makes a witty or profound remark, but whose simple quality of human goodness makes up for every other deficiency. And if it came to a time of real stress, when we felt that we needed the support of real friendship, we should choose above all to go to this plain-faced man or woman, certain that we should find intelligent sympathy, a charitable construction of our position and difficulties, and a readiness to assist us beyond what we ought to take. If you could look into human hearts, you would be surprised at the faces they enshrine there, because beauty of spirit is more than beauty of face or form, and remarkable intellectual qualities are not to be compared with unaffected human goodness and sympathy.—The Watchman.

A hearty appetite does not always indicate a healthy condition. It is not the quantity of food which is eaten but the quantity which is assimilated, which determines the actual value of the food consumed. If the stomach and organs of digestion and nutrition cannot convert the food into nourishment, and into blood, then the food is an injury instead of a benefit. For all disorders of the stomach and its allied organs of digestion and nutrition, there is a certain remedy in Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It removes clogging obstructions. It strengthens the stomach, nourishes the nerves, enriches the blood and builds up the body. It is a flesh-forming, muscle making preparation, making firm flesh instead of flabby fat. "Golden Medical Discovery" contains no alcohol, whisky or intoxicant of any kind, and is equally free from opium, cocaine and all narcotics.

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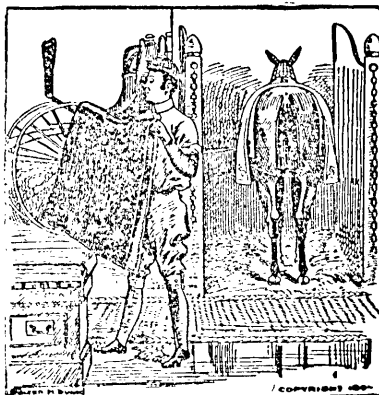
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LISTENING FOR NOISES.

There had been a noisy bedtime romp, and the Homekeeper was just wondering how to quiet her little Lodgers for sleep, when Four-Years solved the problem for her by suddenly suggesting: "Let's listen for noises."

The windows were opened to let in the sweet air of the summer evening, and the Lodgers all settled themselves into comfortable positions to prevent any rustling. The Transient also settled herself with an air of expectancy to see what was coming. When all were ready, the Homekeeper gave the word "Now!" and the mystified Transient sat for three or four long minutes in what seemed to her total silence, wondering if some spell had been cast over the Lodgers and put them all to sleep.

The silence was broken at last by the Homekeeper asking, "How many?" and the quick answers showed that something else than sleep had kept the Lodgers quiet. "Seven!" "Four!" "Nine!" "Six!" were the various answers given, and the Transient was astonished at the list of sounds heard when she had heard nothing. The ticking of the clock, the night call of a bird, the chirp of a cricket, the distant barking of a dog, the far-away rumble of an electric car, a long breath from Four-Years, who had found it had to keep quite still so long; the far-away rattle of a wagon, the shutting of a door in the next house, and the rustle of Transient's dress were all noted.

The advantages of this simple game are obvious. Will not other Homekeepers give similar expedients that they have found useful for quieting or entertaining their little Lodgers?—Ex.

MOTHER'S PRIZE.

The late Dr. John Hall once told of a poor woman who had struggled to send her son to college. When graduation day came, he wrote to his mother to come and witness the exercises, but she declined because of her shabby clothes, thinking he would be ashamed of her. Finally, in response to his entreaties, she came. On the day of his graduation, he accompanied his shabbily-dressed mother down the aisle and placed her in one of the best seats in the house. He was the valedictorian of his class, and had won a prize. As soon as it was given to him, he went down to his poor mother, and before the whole audience kissed her and said: "Mother, here is the prize. It is yours. I would not have it if it had not been for you."

That young man possessed the element of true greatness, for he owed much to the love and sacrifice of his mother. Thousands of young men and women are away from home at our schools and colleges. They are the constant objects of a mother's prayers and thoughtful remembrance. Their parents are toiling and sacrificing for the purpose of furnishing them an education that shall equip them for life's work. Every day, from their entrance to the hour of graduation, students should gratefully think of what they owe to their parents who cheerfully sacrificed to make it possible for them to secure a good education.—Christian Observer.

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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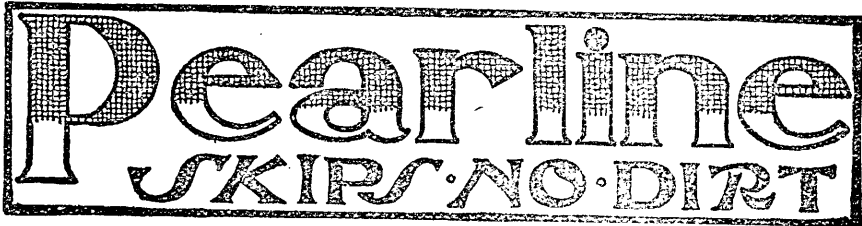
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### Arkansas Conference.

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**VAN BUREN**—J. B. Stevenson: "Will commence a protracted meeting April 1."

**CARROLTON**—The Carrolton circuit is moving up spiritually and financially. The congregations are increasing each round I make on the work. My people are becoming very much encouraged. They are hopeful of a successful year. They have been very much discouraged, but the despondency is giving away.

We have two prayer meetings. I think that I will be able to get some more organized soon. The two we have are doing fine work. I have some noble young people on the Carrolton circuit, who are fine workers for the cause of Christ. We have no regular class meetings which are held as the old Methodist class meetings used to be conducted, but we have had some good spiritual meetings at some of my appointments. After preaching I have conducted some experience meetings, which have been very good. I have one fine Methodist Sunday school, which is in a good condition. I have nine appointments. I have preached thirty-one times since the second Sunday in December, which was my first appointment on the charge.

The financial interest of the circuit is moving up slowly. The charge has paid about fifty-five dollars for the support of the ministry up to date. I have collected and sent off \$4.30 for Domestic Missions. There has been some paid on the other collections ordered by the Annual Conference. On Monday night after the fourth Sunday in last month, the young people and some of the married people gathered near the school building in the south part of town, and marched up to the parsonage and into the dining room, bearing canned fruit, dried fruit, rolled oats, coffee, soda, ginger snaps, matches and other things too tedious to mention. After spending awhile in social conversation, we had prayers and they all went home, leaving the preacher and his family feeling like they were in the midst of many friends.

My second quarterly conference was held at Black Jack the second Sunday and Saturday in this month. Rev. Pierce Merrill, our much loved presiding elder, was present, but he was not well. He did some fine preaching. He is "a good man," full of faith and the Holy Ghost. If we had more of this kind of men and women we could take this world for Christ. Pray for us. Your brother in Christ,

James H. Cummins, P. C.

### Little Rock Conference.

**DE VALL'S BLUFF AND DES ARC**—Rev. Hayse, a local preacher, is filling this charge until Brother Hutchison, who is now in Nashville, recovers health.

**HOPE STATION**—This is the second week Rev. Jno. B. Andrews has been helping us in a revival here in a large cotton warehouse. His singer, Bro. Phillips of Texas, has also been with us. We are glad to say the large, attentive audiences each night show Hope people are stirred as they have not been for years. We have had a good opportunity to study these brethren and their work, and feel it is a providential combination of the preaching of Bro. Andrews and singing of Bro. Phillips, making the saving of souls a methodical, successful business. Bro. Andrews preaches the gospel of Christ in such an earnest and practical way, peculiar to himself, that the Lord makes it attractive to the hearers, and carries conviction home to the hearts of both lukewarm saints and hardened sinners. It has been a hard battle here against indifference and unbelief, and if we could have had a host of consecrated workers the results would have been wonderful. The meeting has been a great blessing anyway, but not what we hoped for. Some twenty souls have been reclaimed and converted. Yours as ever,

J. R. Sanders.

### White River Conference.

**AUSTIN CIRCUIT**—Our second quarterly conference has come and gone. It was one of the most spiritual I have attended in several years. All the churches in the circuit were well represented, and I think all returned feeling that they had been more than paid for their trip. Rev. Thomas seemed to have been in the very best of trim, and I think he must have done some of the best preaching he ever did. We were all stimulated to more earnest and persistent effort. Our finances, as a whole, did not reach what they were at the Second District Conference of last year, but considering the earliness of the Second Quarterly Conference this year, and the losses we have sustained in membership by death, etc., there was really an advance. Prospects for a good year are flattering.

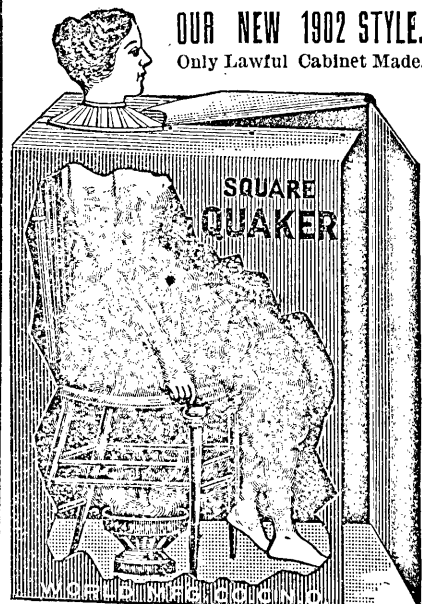
W. M. Crowson, P. C.  
Cabot, March 15.

### A Tramp Preacher.

Dear Methodist—In justice to Brother J. H. McKelvy, I ask for a little space to tell the readers of the "Methodist" of a scheme of a tramp preacher to overthrow a regular traveling minister.

There has been, for some weeks past, one Frank Fleener, who claims to have received "the second blessing," conducting a revival (?) meeting at an adjacent church. Some time ago this preacher announced publicly that Brother McKelvy was guilty of something that would do him much harm, if known, and intimated that his pastorate on Oak Hill circuit would not amount to much. When Brother McKelvy came into the community again he

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was told of this effort to impeach his character. He went to the meeting in company with several brethren, and after services were over asked the preacher who had made the assertion what he knew about him. The preacher said his previous mention of him grew out of a publication in the "Methodist," written by him (McKelvy) as a field note. Brother McKelvy, thinking as perhaps fifty thousand people had already read the publication it could not be a very great secret, he dismissed the matter. But on his next round he was confronted by a constable who held a warrant for his arrest for disturbing religious worship. The trial was set for March 19th, which resulted in a verdict by the jury of not guilty. Brother McKelvy's manly defense of our church and our community has won for him the admiration of all who are in this great moral fight, and the Methodist church may congratulate itself and rest assured that the cause of the Lord is in safe hands when such men as Brother McKelvy is at the helm. May the Lord bless him and his never-tiring companion. Yours, Wm. M. Tatum.

Frank, Ark., March 20.

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### DEATH OF REV. JOHN EIDSON.

Rev. John Eidson, for ten years a member of the White River Annual Conference, passed to his reward from Jonesboro, Ark., March 16, 1900. Born in Kentucky December 1850, he had passed, by a few months, the half century period; but seemed to be in the prime of his powers and to have years of usefulness before him.

From the time he was admitted on trial in 1888 to his death he had served only four different appointments, viz., Shiloh circuit, Jonesboro circuit, Harrisburg circuit and Cotton Belt mission, having made only one quarter on the last named work. He was a fearless and faithful preacher and had fine gifts as a pastor. It was his mission and his delight to be a circuit preacher.

He was a man of the people. He loved them, trusted them and worked for their good. Without even academic training he had fine natural ability with rare courage and common sense. He laid upon the altar of the church a loving heart and put into his ministry the power of a redeemed and valorous manhood. He defended Methodist doctrine and polity; preached with evangelical fervor; visited the homes of his people and looked after all the details of a preacher's work. The people loved him and the Lord's work prospered in his hands.

He was planning great things for his new charge; but the meeting appointed to begin an aggressive campaign proved to be the end of his earthly labors. He went from that meeting to minister to his family stricken with smallpox, and, after their recovery, to be himself prostrated with the same disease and then translated to his Father's house.

He desired to live to finish his work in the church and to help his wife rear their children for God; but he felt no fear as "he walked through the valley of the shadow of death." He "fell on sleep" as quietly as the stars fade from view when the king of day waves the golden banners of the morning. He sent messages of love to the brethren of the conference, and asked us to meet him "when the roll is called up yonder."

Sidney H. Babcock.

### REMINISCENCES.

Mr. Editor—This is a sad day for me, and my poor heart aches and bleeds because of the sad reminiscences that it brings to my mind. Thirteen years ago tonight my precious Mollie—the wife of my youth and young manhood and the mother of eight of my children, two of whom (Adolphus and Ruth) are in heaven—triumphantly fell asleep in Jesus, and went up to swell the innumerable company of the saints in heaven that have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Her last words were, "If this is death, it is glorious to die," and after bidding us all good-bye, and exhorting us all to meet her in heaven, in perfect consciousness she sweetly fell on sleep,

like an infant falling to sleep in its mother's arms. Death to her was gain, but our loss was great, and our grief almost intolerable. Nothing but a reunion in heaven will fully heal the wound that was then made in our souls. "Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal." But one sorrow follows another. Seven years ago today the pale horse, and his rider came again to our home, and claimed as his victim my dear second wife, Mrs. Sophie Jeffries Cochran, who also triumphed over death, and in her last moments said, "Let me go—let me go," and in less than a minute her happy spirit winged its way to paradise to live with Jesus forever. She also left me with two little children, one an infant two months and nine days old, and another drop was added to our cup of sorrow; but thank God, we weep not as those who have no hope. We know that they cannot come back to us, but blessed be God, we can and we will, by his grace, go to them. But it seems to please God to carry us to heaven through great tribulations. So eighteen months ago tonight, death came again to our home and took a sweet and lovely daughter—Ruth Dye—from us, in her sixteenth year, to her sainted mother and step-mother in glory. Thus, another deep and pungent grief was added to our bitter cup of sorrows, for heaven to heal. Thank God, these afflictions and sorrows, terrible as they are to endure, will work out for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory. There God will wipe away all tears from our eyes, and sorrow, sickness, pain and death will never enter that happy home.

O, what a blessed thing it is, when the overwhelming waves of sorrow and trouble come over us in this world, to be able, like our blessed Jesus in the garden of Gethsemane, to say, thy will be done!

Glory to God, the sore trials of earth, if borne patiently, will make heaven sweeter, and the crown brighter.

S. L. Cochran.

### Twentieth Century Offering.

When our Lord, through his disciples, had fed the multitude in the desert, the five loaves and two fishes had so magnified under His blessing that twelve baskets full were taken up after all were filled. So may His grace enlarge the liberality of His children today, that after the munificent gifts of the Little Rock Conference to the church of our love—after the rally of our Home Mission Society—the pledges of our Leaguers and other calls to which response has been generously given, there may still be gathered in on Easter, a sum for our Woman's Missionary Societies somewhat commensurate with our joy in a risen and ascended Lord. This conference society cannot bring less than five hundred dollars to lay before the Master as his two thousandth year of grace shall dawn. This seems so inadequate to what our gratitude should be, that we stand abashed to give it as a thank offering. I trust that our societies generally will present the fine program prepared for our Easter rally. This

year is stressing the Christ-like grace of giving. We must yield to its demands or lose large blessing. Let us deny ourselves more than ever before, for the Master stands expectantly to see what we will do for and with Him, in his desire to save the nations. The Woman's Board based the 75,000 dollars assumed as our part of the great thank offering of our Methodism upon the ground that each member of the societies give one dollar, and many more than one. Remember, beloved, that we are the favored ones who can give, and not among those who have to be given to. That we have the broad Christian light of the nineteenth century, and as we rejoice in its fullness, we can well afford to send it on to those who still sit in darkness. Well indeed hath our Lord spoken, that "it is more blessed to give than to receive." Who, in view of the approaching century of wonderful hopes and possibilities, would exchange places with those upon whose hearts God's truth is just beginning to open, instead of standing as we do today with life filled with Gospel teaching and resplendent with the glory that awaits us in our Father's house by and bye. The opportunity for special giving is but for this year, which will never come to us again. The passing century has brought us our life, with all its joys and responsibilities. It will soon have closed the book against us. Let us put a gilt edge upon it by laying upon its folding pages every dollar that we possibly can, and then at its close clasp it in God's hand with spirit glowing in love, fervent in praise, triumphant in faith and full of adoration to Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Oh, my sisters, do your best for Christ, who hath done so much for us. Don't forget to canvass before Easter, that there may be preparation for a loving collection. I bespeak for our societies the hearty co-operation of every pastor in the conference.

Lo! the promise of a shower  
Drops already from above.

Make Easter a jubilate, and may our God smile upon the work of your hearts and hands.

Lou A. Hotchkiss.

### EASTER.

Dear Sisters of the White River Conference—As Easter approaches, we realize more forcibly the gladness and joy of our Christian religion. The swelling buds, the singing birds, the spirit of renewed life manifested throughout all nature, bring to our minds that happy event that is the promise of the resurrection of those that sleep in Christ.

This Easter we are called upon to make large offerings to the foreign missionary cause that our less fortunate sisters may know of this life everlasting.

For several years our Easter services have been for the endowment of the Belle Bennett chair in our training school. That has been provided for now, and our schools in China, Korea, Mexico, Brazil and Indian Territory appeal to us for enlargement and better facilities. The \$75,000 asked for by our Woman's Board and approved by our Ed-

ucational Board will be a part of our Twentieth Century thank offerings. Are our gifts to be proportioned to our gratitude? Is our gratitude to be proportioned to the blessings bestowed by our Father? If so, we will not fall short of the amount asked.

Let the most active, the most thoroughly informed member of each auxiliary be appointed to see the members and get as much as possible pledged before Easter. Then ask your pastor to preach on our work, and present the needs of the cause, or carry out the programme found in our Advocate, and give the congregation the opportunity to invest in this great business of educating those ignorant of the wonderful teachings of our Christ.

Let us talk and pray about this till every man, woman and child is thoroughly interested, and let our contributions be real, full, free thank offerings to God for his wonderful mercies to us.

Mrs. S. H. Babcock.

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### A Suggestion.

At the last session of the White River Conference, Bishop Gallo-way and Dr. Tillett admonished the preachers who had not finished the course of study to attend the Preachers' Institute, to be held in Nashville, Tenn., sometime in June. I, therefore, suggest:

1. That we read the books that are in our respective classes, now, soon, and make arrangements to go to Nashville in June.

2. That Bro. J. M. Workman write to the railroad authorities, in reference to reduced rates, and it might be well for him to write to the managers of the Institute in reference to board and other expenses. All who expect to attend the Institute should drop Bro. Workman a card. What do you say, brethren?

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Report of conference corresponding secretary of Little Rock Conference, for quarter ending March 1, 1900:

Total number of adult auxiliaries .....	30
Total number of adult members .....	594
Total number of young people and juvenile auxiliaries .....	10
Total number of young people and juvenile members .....	221
Total number of members in the conference .....	815
Total number added during quarter .....	165
Number of meetings held during quarter .....	139
Number of auxiliaries that held every meeting during quarter .....	23
Average attendance during quarter .....	255
Names of life members made during quarter .....	1
Mrs. S. H. Thompson .....	9
Total number of life members .....	39
Total number on Baby Roll .....	289
Number of subscribers to "Our Homes" .....	44
Number of subscribers added during quarter .....	43
Number taking Home Mission Reading Course .....	152
Number of adult mite boxes in use .....	58
Number of baby mite boxes in use .....	193
Number pledged to proportionate and systematic giving for local work .....	1
Number of boxes of supplies sent off and reported to Supt. of Supply Dept. .....	1,200
Number of papers and leaflets distributed .....	100
Number of annual reports distributed .....	20
Number of auxiliaries contributing to connectional enterprises .....	3
Number of annual district meetings held .....	1,220
Number of visits made to sick and strangers .....	13
Number of visits made to corrective or benevolent institutions .....	62
Number of cottage prayer meetings or Bible readings held .....	548
Number of garments in good order distributed .....	173
Number of needy relieved .....	

A few friends in conference society united in making the beloved conference treasurer, Mrs. S. H. Thompson, a life member of the society. The juveniles of First Church, Little Rock, paid her a tribute of love by furnishing the S. H. Thompson room in the L. B. Helm dormitory in our mission school, London, Ky.

New auxiliaries at Lakeside, Pine Bluff, adult and juvenile, and at White Sulphur Springs, and juveniles at DeQueen and Gurdon start well, and are cordially welcomed.

Mrs. W. H. Pemberton, Cor. Sec. L. R. Conf. W. H. M. S. Report of Conference Treasurer for fourth quarter of fiscal year:

Arkadelphia Adult—\$6.40, dues; \$8.85, Twentieth Century; \$1.14, adult mite boxes; \$3.04, contingent. By voucher: \$25, expended on district parsonage; \$1.30, expended on local church work; \$5, relief of needy, \$3.04, contingent retained.

Arkadelphia Juveniles—\$2.44, dues; \$5, educational, Rev. G. C. Jones, patron; 90c., connectional work; \$1.27, mite boxes. Voucher: \$15, contingent; \$5, station parsonage.

Asbury—\$4.90, dues; 45c., contingent; \$1.50, Cuban; \$1.35, systematic giving. Local work not reported.

Altheimer—\$1.50, dues; \$1, contingent; \$2, Twentieth Century fund.

Voucher: \$78, station parsonage; \$15, district parsonage.

Bankhead (E. F. Wilson)—\$2 dues. Benton—\$2.20, dues. By voucher: Baby roll, 25c.; station parsonage, \$20; local church work, \$8.50.

Camden—\$3, dues; \$1, contingent. Voucher: Station parsonage, \$45; local church work, \$150; supplies to needy, \$10.50.

Central, Hot Springs—\$4.20, dues. Voucher: Station parsonage, \$30; local church, \$40; new garments to needy, 160.

Dalark—\$1.65, dues. Voucher: District parsonage, \$5.

De Queen—\$6.35, dues; 73c., mite boxes. Vouchers: Local church work, \$20.53; supplies to needy, \$6.75.

Des Arc—\$5.80, dues for three quarters.

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De Witt Juvenile—45c., dues. Voucher: Circuit parsonage, \$6.60.

First Church, Little Rock—\$25.50, dues; \$25, life members, dues, Mrs. Sallie H. Thompson; \$6.20, contingent fund; \$1.29, mite boxes, adults; \$3.75, baby roll; \$5, systematic giving; local church, \$254.55.

First Church, Juveniles—\$2.15, dues; \$25, furnishing room in London school.

Fordyce—\$4.90, dues. By voucher: Station parsonage, \$13; local church work, \$234.25; local supplies to needy, \$10.

Hunter Memorial—\$5.80, dues; 43c., mite boxes; local church work, \$18.60. Junction City—65c., dues.

Lakeside Juveniles—\$1.30, dues. Lonoke—First, second and third quarters, \$9.25, dues. Voucher: Station parsonage, \$21.70; local church work, \$29.75; circuit parsonage, \$11.35.

Lockesburg—\$4.85, dues.

Lakeside, Pine Bluff—Adults, \$5.40, dues; 54c., mite boxes; \$1.75, baby roll; \$6.25, rally day; \$1.35, contingent.

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Malvern Hill—\$9.45, dues; \$4, Twentieth Century; station parsonage, \$11; supplies to needy, 65c.

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Mena—\$6.85; station parsonage, \$13.40.

Monticello Juveniles—\$1.40, dues; \$5, educational fund, in honor of Rev. H. H. Watson.

Monticello—Adult, \$6.90, dues.

Nashville—\$1.30, dues; station parsonage, \$4.

Pine Bluff—\$8.20, dues.

South Hot Springs—\$3.15, dues; local church work, \$2; local mission, \$1.

Sherrill—\$2.95, dues; 75c., contingent; 25c., baby roll; station parsonage, \$5.25; district, \$2.25.

Stephens—\$3.75, dues; circuit parsonage, \$1; garments distributed, \$5.50.

Winfield Memorial—\$3, dues; local mission, \$37.15; local church, \$10.40.

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#### DISBURSEMENTS

To Policyholders for Claims by Death	\$15,629,979 43
To Policyholders for Endowments, Dividends, etc.	10,739,057 12
For all other accounts	12,228,444 13
	\$38,597,480 68

#### ASSETS

United States Bonds and other Securities	\$173,185,461 71
First Lien Loans on Bond and Mortgage	74,794,821 63
Loans on Bonds and other Securities	6,330,000 00
Loans on Company's Policies	4,374,636 66
Real Estate: Company's Office Buildings, and other Properties	23,186,525 06
Cash in Banks and Trust Companies	13,012,455 02
Accrued interest, Net Deferred Premiums, etc.	6,960,637 41
	\$301,844,537 52

#### LIABILITIES

Policy Reserves, etc.	\$251,711,988 61
Contingent Guarantee Fund	47,952,648 91
Available for Authorized Dividends	2,180,000 00
	\$301,844,537 52

Insurance and Annuities in force \$1,052,663,211 64

I have carefully examined the foregoing Statement and find the same to be correct; liabilities calculated by the Insurance Department.  
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## At Rest.

**CROSS**—Marvin Hays, youngest child of Hiram and Sarah M. Cross, was born January 12th, 1894, and died February 1, 1900, after a short illness from measles. Being notably affectionate and unusually bright, he was dear to his little friends and very fondly loved by all the members of his family. They are deeply bereaved by his sudden death, but "it is well with the child." They know where to find him.  
Z. T. Bennett.

**KING**—Mrs. Georgia A. King, daughter of Nathan F. and Jane W. Trotter, was born August 20th, 1851, in Alabama. In infancy she moved with her parents to what is now Pulaski county, Arkansas. At the age of sixteen years, she professed religion, and joined the M. E. Church, South, under the ministry of Dr. Andrew Hunter. She was married to J. T. King December 14th, 1870, and died in the Cherokee Nation February 7th, 1900. Sister King was a bright Christian, a meek follower of Jesus, a loving wife, and a kind and tender mother. It was my privilege to know the family many years ago, and just as we had located each other in this new country, and before we had arranged a meeting I was summoned to preach the funeral of our sister and assist in the last sad rites in the burial service. We laid her to rest in the cemetery at Martha Russell Memorial Church, in the Cherokee Nation, where she sweetly rests until the trump of God shall sound, and call her home to God and heaven. God bless the sorrowing husband and children.  
N. E. Bragg.

Checotah, I. T.

**LESIEUR**—Sister Dixie Lesieur (nee Fisher) was born November 16th, 1861; was married to F. A. Lesieur November, 1878. She was the mother of four children; one, the oldest, preceded her to heaven. She died in her home, Pocahontas, Ark., February 19th, 1900, leaving a beloved husband, three children, one brother, two sisters, and a host of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. But their loss is her eternal gain, for she was ready. She gave her heart and life to Christ in youth, and joined the M. E. Church, South, 14 years ago. She was a faithful, pure, consecrated Christian until death. She was a great sufferer for twelve months before the end came, but bore it with great patience and Christian fortitude; was never heard to murmur nor complain. Death was not a surprise to her; she was expecting it and was watching and waiting. She had requested her husband to tell her when he realized death was near. On Sunday morning last, the family physician told him to prepare for the worst, for she could only last a few hours. So he, faithful to his promise, though the greatest trial of his life, told her the end was near. She said to him, "Not yet, dear. God has not called me yet, and He will call me before I go. I will let you know when he calls me." And just one hour before she breathed her last she called her husband to her and said: "Kiss me good-by, darling. God is calling me and I must go; meet me in heaven," and died in great peace. The funeral service was held by the writer at the Methodist Church, Pocahontas, Ark., in the presence of a large congregation of relatives and friends, and loving hands laid the body to rest in the Masonic Cemetery, to await the resurrection morn. Brother Lesieur was not a Christian man, but God has blessed the suffering and death of his dear companion to his salvation, and he came into the church, determined to live a Christian life, and train his children for God, that they may meet their sainted one in the sweet by and by, where parting is no more.  
T. A. Bowen, P. C.

**CROSS**—Francis M. Cross was born December 31, 1809, in Green county, Tenn., and departed this life February 20, 1900, at the home of his son, M. F. Cross, at Buena Vista, Ark. June 5, 1834, he was married to Miss Susan Amanda Parr. Immediately after his marriage they removed to Western Tennessee. In 1844 they came to Arkansas, lived one year in Hempstead county, then removed to Ouachita county, where he lived till death called him home to rest from his long journey of more than 90 years. There remain on this side four sons and two daughters to mourn his death.

("His wife, three sons and two daughters preceded him to the glory world. What a meeting this must have been! Thank God for such a reunion! Oh, I long to be there; but will wait submissively for the call. I want to be like him, ready." His daughter, Fannie.)

In 1862 Father Cross was stricken with paralysis, and remained an invalid 38 years, when death set him free. His continued affliction was all borne with cheerfulness. He never murmured nor complained. This writer had the pleasure of visiting him only twice, and at the time of his decease, owing to sickness in our own family we were unable to attend his burial.

In the presence of many relatives and friends his remains were laid to rest in the cemetery at Buena Vista, under Masonic honors. He was a faithful member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He lived religious, and therefore his work on earth being finished, he died in the triumphs of a living faith in Jesus. We believe he is at rest.

Weep not for him, you broken-hearted; but put on your sandals, gird up your loins, and with staff in hand, ready for the signal. May his manly, Christian life shed a holy influence upon us. "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for as much as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

His pastor, F. F. Harrell.  
Buena Vista, Ark.

(Christian Advocate, Nashville, please copy.)

**EATHERLY**—Calvin Lewis Eatherly, of Little Rock, Ark., member of Hunter Memorial Church, died January 27th, 1900. The subject of this sketch was both a unique and remarkable character. He was converted and joined the church at the age of 26, dying at the age of 28 of consumption. Scarcely two years intervening between his conversion and death, but such a life as was crowded into that short space! He loved his church with a passion, and God with all his mind, soul and strength, and truly his neighbor as himself. Most of the time of his church membership he was trustee, steward, League president, Sunday-school teacher and Sunday-school treasurer at the same time. He held all these offices, save League president, which office he resigned, when he was taken sick, to die. He seemed to have a passion to do good, and, like one of old, felt "it is not by might nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord." He magnified the Holy Spirit in his every undertaking. Like the child, Samuel, he ever said, "Speak, Lord, for thy servant heareth." Would to God the churches had more such men. He was buried from Hunter Memorial Church, the services being conducted by the writer and Rev. J. M. Workman, his former pastor, who received him into the church. The great love of his fellow man was evidenced by the crowd that filled the church at his funeral, and followed the casket to the cemetery, and lingered about the silent mound to make it a bower of fragrant flowers. As we laid Cal away in Oakland, to await the resurrection morn, our hearts were saddened, but forget him? never! His image shall continue among us and his life, like a precious ointment poured forth, shall be sweet to us. His example shall stand out before us in bright letters that glow. He leaves a devoted wife, mother and three sisters to mourn his loss. May our Heavenly Father send forth His ministering angels to protect and lead them safely through this life, that after awhile they may all be sweetly united upon the golden shores of sweet deliverance, is the prayer of their pastor.  
W. C. Watson.

Little Rock, Ark.

**CASON**—Ethel, daughter of Rev. A. G. and Callie Cason, was born March 4th, 1881, and died at her home in Ashley county, Ark., December 22d, 1899. Ethel was a sweet Christian girl, cherished by a fond father and mother, and loved by all who came in contact with her. Her young womanhood was rich in its promise of usefulness and in the beauty of its example; the memory of her life will abide with us always. Her illness extended over several weeks, and tender hands and loving hearts had watched and tended her, still the messenger came; but he did not find her unprepared. There was not a spot or blemish on her, and higher praise need no one crave. Of such a daughter might any parent be proud. She united with the church when eight years old. From that time she was a faithful member. In her home, gentleness and thoughtful kindness characterized her every movement. Her life here was a beautiful illustration of what an intelligent, noble-hearted girl can do. By hard study she had worked her way through the primary schools and had entered college with bright prospects.

A letter from the president of the Arkadelphia College, written just after her death, pays a high tribute to her as a student, a bright young girl, and a true woman. Her father says: "Though I say it of my own child, I believe I have never known a purer

character. We feel sure that our loss is eternal gain to her." The writer of this sketch was intimately associated with her for over three years, she often being in our home, and, as her pastor one year, we learned to love her very dearly. A faithful child of God has ceased to labor, an exemplary and consistent member of the church on earth has transferred to the church in heaven. She leaves a father, mother, grandmother and four brothers and five sisters to mourn her death.

To the bereaved ones who are walking now in the shadow of a great loneliness and sorrow our hearts go out in tenderest sympathy. Yet, while we mourn, we rejoice, for we know the "Judge of all the earth will do right."  
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Dardanelle District Conference, at Dardanelle.....April 5  
 Fort Smith District Conference, at Booneville.....April 17  
 Fort Smith District Epworth League Conf., at Booneville.....April 17  
 Paragould District Epworth League Conf., at Walnut Ridge, .....April 24 27  
 Morrilton District Conf., at Atkins.....April 25  
 Pine Bluff District Preachers' Meeting, at Dumas.....April 26  
 Pine Bluff District S. S. and League meeting, at Dumas.....April 27, 28  
 W. F. M. Society. Arkansas Conf., at Dardanelle.....May 10-13  
 Little Rock District Conf., at Hazen.....May 22

## THE ARKANSAS METHODIST

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28, 1900.

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## Notice.

The Morrilton District Conference will convene at Atkins, Ark. April 25, 1900. The conference roll is before me. A good home has been provided for every member. No one else can take your place in that home or in the conference. All others will please notify me, if they want me to care for them.

O. H. TUCKER.

Ft. Smith Dist. Conference will be held at Booneville, Ark., April 17-20. The following are the committees: (1) For Elders' Orders: J. B. Stevenson, J. M. McAnally, J. C. Weaver. (2) Deacons' Orders: L. F. Harris, J. J. Galloway, J. A. Castell. (3) Admission on Trial: O. E. Goddard, J. G. O'Bryant, D. N. Weaver. (4) For License to Preach: Geo. McGlumphy, M. N. Waldrip, J. C. Hippi.

S. ANDERSON.

## Notice.

There will be a "District Missionary Meeting" of the Fayetteville District, Arkansas Conference, at Rogers, April 4-5.

Rev. W. F. Wilson, P. E., will preach on Wednesday night April 4.

I wish each Auxiliary and Juvenile society in the district to send a delegate or a written report. This is important and I trust there will be a full attendance.

Send names of those who will attend to Mrs. John Huffman, Rogers, Ark.

MRS. H. HANESWORTH,  
District Secretary.

## A Statement.

At our late annual conference—White River—Rev. J. B. McDonald, pastor of St. Francis charge, sent me his report, and I handed it to some one, a member of the Joint Board, I think, with instruction to distribute to the proper Boards, etc. The Conference Minutes show assessments, but no receipts on general collections from that work. Two or three have written me about it, hence this statement. I am sure

I received it, and equally sure I handed it to some responsible person. I was too busy to do more.

M. M. SMITH.

## A GOOD MOVE.

I see that Bro. Parker Ewan of Clarendon has given \$5,000 to endow a chair in Hendrix College, provided so many others can be found who will give an equal amount. I'm so glad to see that move. I felt sure it would come. Let others respond. Now let us have another movement started, and surely it is much needed. Let some one give \$5,000 for the payment of the debt on Galloway College. I believe the debt will be paid this year, or the larger part of it, but the people seem to have forgotten that there is a special pressure on us at Galloway. We ought to pay the debt on Galloway at once. Let us have a rally on this question. I don't mean to stop the movement of any others, but I urge this movement. Let some one give \$5,000 for the immediate payment of the debt if you desire. If you can't give that much then give less, but give, and give at once.

R. R. MOORE.

## Married.

TOM-ALLEN: March 11, 1900, in Monticello, Ark., by Rev. T. O. Rorie, Mr. H. E. Tom and Mrs. Grace Allen.

CROOK-TUCKER: Feb. 14, 1900, in Monticello, Ark. by Revs. J. R. Cason and T. O. Rorie, Rev. Erastus Crook and Mrs. Cora Tucker.

RIDLING-STEELE: At the residence of the bride's father, B. F. Steele, Prof. L. J. Ridling to Miss Jewel Steele, Rev. J. A. Parker officiating.

MCCUTLEY-MANN: At Mt. Carmel Church, March 4, 1900, Mr. Arthur McCutley to Miss Lizzie Mann, both of Jacinto, Ark., Rev. Geo. Logan officiating.

MCLANE MCGILL: In the Methodist Church at Caddo Gap, Feb. 21, 1900, by Rev. W. W. Mills, Mr. John McLane and Miss Katie McGill, all of Caddo Gap, Ark.

LUDLOW-SWEENEY: At the residence of the bride, near Jacksonville, Jan. 11, 1900, Mr. Luther Ludlow to Miss Lanora Sweeney, J. H. Douglass, J. P., officiating.

JAMISON-ANDERSON: March 21, 1900, at the residence of the bride's parents in Hope, Ark., Mr. J. L. Jamison and Miss Cora Anderson, Rev. J. R. Sanders officiating.

CRAIN-MCCULLER: March 4, 1900, at the residence of the bride's step-mother, in Clark county, Ark., by Rev. J. M. G. Douglass, Mr. L. L. Crain and Miss Pearl McCuller.

CARTER OWENS: March 20, 1900, at the residence of the bride's parents, near Hope, Ark., Mr. W. R. Carter, of Okolona, and Miss Lizzie Owens, Rev. J. R. Sanders officiating.

ARMSTRONG-SWEPSTON: At the residence of the bride, in Crawfordville, Ark., March 8, 1900, by Rev. W. F. Walker, Prof. C. Blatchford Armstrong to Mrs. Daisy L. Swebston.

RICE-HESTER: March 4, 1900, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. W. L. Hester, Mr. C. C. Rice to Miss Lula Hester, Rev. W. M. Crowson officiating, all of Lonoke county, Ark.

KENNEDY-BLAND: At the residence of the bride's father, Bro. Thomas Bland, Dec. 24, 1899,



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PIERCE-MCFADDEN: March 15, 1900, at the residence of Mr. J. W. McFadden, near Texarkana, Mr. J. A. Pierce to Miss Maud McFadden, both of Miller county, Ark., Rev. J. L. Johnston officiating.

OGLESBY-GOODSON: At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Nathan Goodson, March 4, 1900, Mr. Thomas Oglesby to Miss Josie Goodson, both of Pulaski county, Ark., Rev. J. H. McKelvy officiating.

WOOD PUTMAN: At the residence of the bride, on Capital Hill, Little Rock, March 20, 1900, Mr. H. D. Wood, of Warsaw, Ark., to Mrs. Sarah Putman, of Little Rock, J. H. Douglass J. P., officiating.

MARTINEAU SPEARS: March 7, 1900, at the residence of the bride's grandfather, Mr. John Hicks, Mr. J. A. Martineau to Miss Ella Spears, Rev. W. M. Crowson officiating, all of Lonoke county, Ark.

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