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News and Notes.

OUR GOVERNMENT HAS PURCHASED the Danish West Indies for the sum of \$1,288,000.

OUR COLORADO POTATO BUG has found its way to England. It is a fair exchange for the English sparrow.

THE ALABAMA CONSTITUTIONAL convention, by a vote of sixty-five to forty-five, provided that women property holders, who own so much as \$500, shall be allowed to vote in municipal elections, where the issue of bonds is involved.

FIVE OR SIX MEN HELD UP THE Cotton Belt train on the night of Sept. 3, four miles south of Texarkana, detached express car and engine, and leaving the passengers a mile behind, robbed the express car, securing a large amount of money, about \$5,000. They were supposed to be railroad men, and probably living in Texarkana.

NO PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE toward a settlement of the steel strike. The only terms which president Schwab has offered is that the mills which were non-union before the strike and those which have been set to run with non-union labor since the strike, shall go on as now. This would weaken the union near fifty per cent.

THE SITUATION IN COLOMBIA IS in nowise improved. Ecuador has intervened against Colombia. Colombia has accepted the United States' offer of mediation. A question has arisen regarding the rights or rather duties of American vessels on the coast, whether they are simply to guard traffic across the Isthmus, or protect the sovereignty of Colombia.

THE DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR Koche of Berlin, the tuberculosis expert, has reached the conclusion that tuberculosis in cattle and in human beings is totally different, and that the idea that the disease can be imparted by eating the meat, or drinking the milk even of tuberculosis-infected cattle, is absolutely refuted by his experi-

ments. His views were put before the international congress on tuberculosis assembled in London. He said: "I am now prepared to show that far reaching precautions as to infected cattle may once for all be abandoned."

Reception of Prince Chun.

The manner in which Prince Chun was received at the German Court is thus described:

Emperor William's reception of the Chinese mission of expiation headed by Prince Chun, which took place today at Potsdam, was marked with all the severity consistent with an audience nominally friendly. The Chinese imperial envoy, on entering the palace was not accorded a salute by the Garde du Corps. The emperor received him seated. The buttons and epaulettes of his majesty's white uniform were enveloped in crepe.

Prince Chun bowed thrice on entering and leaving. Emperor William remained seated during the reading of the Chinese address. Afterward, however, he relaxed his stern demeanor and welcomed the envoy courteously and subsequently, accompanied by his adjutant, he called upon Prince Chun at the Orangery. Later in the evening, the emperor, Prince Chun and a dozen members of the expiatory mission, took tea on an island in the Havel.

The emperor had evidently arranged the entire ceremony with a view of impressing Prince Chun with the feeling that the ceremony meant expiation for a foul crime and that only through expiation had Prince Chun acquired the right to be treated with princely honors. Not until after the ceremony did the atmosphere change. Then the troops outside having saluted and the band having played, hussars escorted Prince Chun back to the Orangery. The imperial envoy seemed deeply impressed with the solemnity of the occasion; and when summoned to the throne room, he showed visible embarrassment. He bowed repeatedly while approaching the throne, and his voice was agitated while he was reading the imperial address.

The entire manner of Emperor William was calculated to impress

Prince Chun with the solemnity of the ceremonial. He spoke emphatically and seriously, emphasizing particularly the word "civilized."

The ceremony lasted only ten minutes. In the meantime six Chinese dignitaries of the highest rank who were halted in the ante-room remained there perfectly motionless and speechless, awaiting Prince Chun's return with evident anxiety. Prince Chun retired backwards from the throne room, bowing profusely.

Opening of Arkadelphia Methodist College.

The Arkadelphia Methodist College had a most gratifying opening. Last Sunday the Editor of this paper preached the opening sermon in the College Chapel. All the circumstances conspired to make a pleasant occasion. Brother Pipkin met us at the depot Saturday evening, and took us to the hospitable home of Bro. Trice for entertainment. On Sunday morning a large congregation of citizens and students greeted us. One hundred and thirty girls have already taken boarding in the College building. About forty boys are also in the school. The local patronage is good. We had the pleasure of preaching to a full house at the evening service in the church. Brother Rhodes assisted in both services. Brother Pipkin has the heart of his church at Arkadelphia, and is doing excellent work.

Some Noted Women of Washington.

Whatever individual opinions are held as to Vice-President Roosevelt, Washington people are agreed that Mrs. Roosevelt is one of the most charming women, and on every side are heard expressions of sympathy for her in the illness of her two children. The little ones are in Roosevelt Hospital in New York and the general impression is that they have been operated upon for abscesses. This is not true however. The operations were for the removal of adenoid growths in the nasal passages, a condition common among children and the cause frequently of catarrh and deafness. The Vice President and his wife

have maintained the same reserve about their children that Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland practiced with regard to their little ones. Their pictures have never been given out and reporters on all the dailies have been requested not to mention them in the papers except in case of their illness. People of refinement can appreciate this sentiment of public men to protect their families from newspaper tattle and notoriety.

Mrs. Theodore Bingham of the Engineer Corps, U. S. A., will return to Washington next week, and open her home for the winter. Through her husband's position as Superintendent of Public Buildings and grounds and of the social duties at the White House, Mrs. Bingham has become one of the busiest of society women. She is also one of the most popular for she combines grace and tact with gravity and lack of affectation that the most frivolous is compelled to admire. She has done a great deal to relieve Mrs. McKinley of the arduousness of White House entertaining but so unostentatiously as to give no cause for envy or offense.

Writing of Washington society women who find time, or make it, for serious, lofty work, one cannot omit the name of Mrs. MacFarland, wife of Hon. H. B. F. MacFarland, President of the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia. Mrs. MacFarland like Mrs. Bingham, on account of her husband's position is compelled to take an active part in official society and the time and exertion required for it are incalculable. Mrs. MacFarland nevertheless finds opportunity and energy to assist in promoting nearly every worthy charity in the District. She is one of the most active members of the Associated Charities Organization and a large part of the successful work of the Humane Society has been due to her active co operation. She gives liberally of money but not less so of sympathy, earnestness and hard work. Mr. and Mrs. MacFarland are in Buffalo this week where they assisted in the celebration of District of Columbia Day, Sept. 3rd.

Educational Notes.

They are raising \$15,000 to build a new Science Hall at Emory College, Oxford, Ga.

Galloway College at Searey, Ark., opens to-morrow, September 12. A large number of girls are already there.

The best schools are those in which the students are brought into closest relations with exemplary men as their teachers.

Not the mere accomplishment of a certain curriculum but the formation of a manly character is the aim of boy at college.

Our colleges in Arkansas will be set on a firm basis by our twentieth century offering. Our people have accepted our educational policy and supported it heartily.

We have not yet one thoroughly equipped college in the state. We have erected scores of cotton factories, and we have set up hundreds of other institutions to make money, but we have done comparatively little for Emory College, where we propose the making of manhood. It does seem to me that while expending so much for industrial plants we ought to have invested more in this noble old educational establishment from which the church has drawn such rich dividends in the



If the woman at work should make answer to the other woman, she might, perhaps, say: "You never had to scrub and clean when your back ached so that it seemed that every movement would break it in two." It's bad enough for a woman to suffer. But when she must suffer and slave at the same time she reaches the limit of her endurance.

Weak women who have been made strong by the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, recommend it to others as a godsend. It establishes regularity, dries weakening drains, heals inflammation and ulceration and cures female weakness.

"I have been ailing some time now, being troubled with female weakness," writes Mrs. Wm. H. Johnson, of Avondale, Chester Co., Pa. "Every month I would have to lie on my back. I tried many different medicines and nothing gave me relief until I began Dr. Pierce's medicine, using two bottles of 'Favorite Prescription' and two of 'Golden Medical Discovery.' These medicines have cured me. When I began your treatment I was not able to do very much, but now I do the work for my family of nine, and feel better to-day than I have for a year."

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure biliousness and regulate the bowels. They do not create the pain.

past, and upon which so much of the church's prosperity in the future is dependent. It is dangerous for us to allow our enterprises for making money to outrun so far our institutions for making men. We can and must have one strong, well equipped college for the education of our young men in Georgia.—Wesleyan Christian Advocate.

Mr. D. K. Pearson, the Chicago millionaire, who assisted in the endowment of more than twenty colleges, almost invariably chooses the reliable small college as the object of his benefaction. He says, "Should a delegation of wealthy men wait upon me and ask me to boil down in a few sentences the results of my experience in helping to endow more than twenty colleges, I should frame an answer something after this fashion: "Make your gifts to a poor college with a good foundation."—Pentecostal Herald.

Contributed.

Texas Notes.

REV. E. L. ARMSTRONG.

We are suffering in Texas for want of rain. Forty-eight days have not seen any rain since our streets; some partial showers have fallen in different sections but not sufficient to benefit crops. Late corn is a failure; early corn will yield a half crop. Cotton will be cut short unless rain comes in a few days. The drought will seriously interfere with church finances. The pastors who made early collections are happy now.

District conferences with only one exception have all been held, and were well attended, and profitable to all who were privileged to attend them. Each one was represented as being the best.

The schools have closed out a successful year. The commencement exercises were well attended and the number of graduates about as usual in our colleges. Two of our Texas preachers were honored with the title of D. D., Brothers Ward and Nelms. Ward is a native Texan, and one of our strongest men, fully capable of filling any position in the church from class leader to Bishop. Nelms came from Georgia many years ago, and is prominent in the Northwest Texas Conference. Rev. J. Sam Barcus, one of our most talented and successful young pastors, has been elected president of Clarendon College. His loss from the pastoral work will be felt, but the college will no doubt gain much from his wise and energetic administration.

So far not one of our preachers have died during the year. They are all able to attend to their fields of labor and some of them are succeeding in building up the waste places in Zion, though no general revival has prevailed in the conference. Quite a number are now on

excursions, and resting expeditions while their charges are suffering for want of pastoral oversight. It is strange that our preachers with from four to eight monthly services to hold should become so depleted in health as to require a month or two of rest, when forty years ago our itinerates had from eight to 25 appointed a month and never thought of an outing. The many conferences or convocations during the year together with recreations our pastors take consumes about one-third of their time in many instances. Your editorial in the "Methodist" a week ago on this subject was pointed and true, and has my unqualified endorsement.

The newspapers state that from fifteen to twenty thousand people attended the league conference just closed in San Francisco, and the Pacific Methodist Advocate estimates the entire cost of the conference from \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000. At the very lowest rates it no doubt cost \$1,250,000. All this outlay and the church at home and in foreign lands suffering for the want of the gospel. Who was benefited by this great gathering? The railroads and hotels reaped the prize, while the church at large will never feel its pulse quickened in the least. The fact is, if you will allow me to say it, we are having too many church gatherings—from eight to twelve in eleven months rather crowds things. But some one will say fogysim gone to seed. Be it so. But men who are burdened for the salvation of souls will agree with me, while those who are in the ministry for a good easy time will disagree with the above stated views.

Rev. Andrew Davis, an old veteran of our conference, received a hurt this week from a fall that may cripple him for life. He is a native of Texas. The first graduate of McKinzie College. Has been a traveling preacher fifty-six years and one of best and most intellectual men. Deafness caused his superannuation, otherwise he is strong and active, though nearing his seventy-fifth year.

Bishop Candler comes to preside again over the Texas Conference. I hear that his return to us meets the approval of all. He will do what he believes to be right, and such men have my heartiest endorsement. He understands the wants of this field of church work, and a proper adjustment of men will redound to the good of all concerned.

Brother Evans, of Georgetown, conducted a very successful meeting in his charge some time ago, while other Arkansans in this conference are at their post of duty. I see Dr. Hunter is still able to preach. What a wonderful man! In October, 1844, when I was only eight years of age, he was a presiding elder and conducted a camp-meeting eight miles south of Camden at Judge Smith's. I remember Stephen Farwell and Brother Estabrook being

present. I suppose Dr. Hunter and Daniel Pipkin are about the only survivors who were in attendance at that meeting who were then settled men in age. In my close confinement to my room and bed I call up past scenes and friends of my childhood days, and derive a kind of melancholy pleasure from such recollections.

"Former friends, how oft I sought them, just to cheer a troubled mind. Now they are gone like leaves of autumn, driven before a dreary wind."

Only a few more days and I will go to join the congregation on the other side of the last river.

With gratitude I notice the steady growth of our church and the educational developments in your state. May your increase be tenfold. This letter is sufficiently long and here I close it. Come over, Doctor, to Corsicana November 13th.

Bro. Armstrong's letters are always welcome, though the publication of this was delayed some weeks. Ed.

The professor—Yes the caterpillar is the most voracious living thing. In a month it will eat about six hundred times its own weight. Deaf Mrs. Ernot—Whose boy did you say he was?—Harper's Bazar.

MUSCULAR PASTOR.

Muscles Built up by Common Sense Habit.

"For years I have not been able to drink coffee, as it made me very nervous and gave me a headache. No one loved coffee more than I and it was a severe trial to abandon its use. Nearly three years ago I saw Postum Cereal Coffee advertised and concluded to try it.

I have been so well pleased with it and its healthful effects that I have used it ever since. I carry packages with me when I visit other places.

When I began to drink Postum, my muscles were flabby, as my habits are sedentary, but for the past two years my muscles have been hard and I never felt stronger in my life than I do now at sixty years of age, and I attribute my strength of muscle to constant use of Postum. I drink it three times a day. I feel so enthusiastic about Postum that I cannot recommend it too highly wherever I go. Wishing you great success, yours truly," Rev. A. P. Moore, 474 Rhode Island St., Buffalo, N. Y.

The reason Postum builds up the human body to a prime condition of health, is that when coffee is left off the drug effects of the poison disappear and the elements of Postum unite with albumen of the food to make gray matter and refill the delicate nerve centers all over the body and in the brain. This sets up a perfect condition of nerve health, and the result is that the entire body feels the effect of it.

The Amende Honorable.

Prince Chun, brother of the emperor of China, has performed his mission in visiting the emperor of Germany and carrying in person the emperor's letter confessing his deep shame that such an offense against the laws of nations should have occurred in his dominions as the murder of the German Minister Baron Von Ketteler, in the streets of Peking.

EMPEROR OF CHINA'S LETTER.

"Ever since the empires have been mutually represented by permanent legations, we have stood uninterrupted in friendly relationship with one another, especially since the visit of Prince Henry, whom I had the privilege of receiving frequently and treating with on intimate terms. Unfortunately in the fifth month of last year the boxers rebelliously penetrated into Peking and the soldiers joined them. The result was the murder of your majesty's minister, Baron Von Ketteler, a man who, as long as he occupied his post at Peking, paid careful attention to the interests of our country and to whom we are bound to pay our special acknowledgements. We regret most deeply that Baron Von Ketteler met so terrible an end among us. The fact that we were not in a position to take due protective measures was painful to our sense of responsibility. It was this feeling of responsibility which prompted us to erect a monument on the spot as a sign that the crime should not remain unexpiated. Further, we have sent to Germany, with this letter, the Imperial Prince Chun Tsai-Fong, heading a special mission. Prince Chun, our own brother, will assure your majesty how deeply the events of the past year have grieved us and how deeply feelings of shame and penitence still animate us. Your majesty sent your troops from a far distance, put down the Boxer rebellion and restored peace, for the welfare of our nation. We have therefore commanded Prince Chun to express personally to your majesty our thanks for your efforts in promoting peace. We cherish the hope that your majesty's indignation will be replaced by the old friendship; that the relations between our empires will be even more extensive and of a more intimate and beneficent character than hitherto, is our firm assurance."

EMPEROR WILLIAM'S REPLY.

Emperor William, in reply, said: "It is no joyous or festive occasion, nor the fulfillment of a simple act of courtesy which brings your imperial highness to me, but a deeply melancholy and very serious event. My minister to the court of the emperor of China has been slain in the capital of China by the murderous weapons of the Chinese soldiers, acting under superior command, on unheard of a case which is branded a crime by the inter-

national law and the usage of all civilized nations. From the mouth of your imperial highness I have just received an expression of the deep regret of the emperor of China. I really believe your imperial brother personally stood aloof from this crime and the subsequent acts of violence against the inviolable legations and peaceful foreigners, all the greater the guilt resting on his advisers and government. The latter must not delude themselves with the belief that they are able to obtain atonement and pardon for their guilt by the expiatory mission alone. They will be judged by their future conduct in accordance with the laws of nations. If the emperor of China conducts the government of his great empire henceforth strictly in the spirit of these prescriptions, then will his hopes be fulfilled and the results of the complications of the past year will be overcome, and between Germany and China, as formerly, peaceful and friendly relations will again prevail. In the sincere wish that this may be so, I bid your imperial highness welcome."

Indian Territory Letter.

REV. J. B. McDONALD.

Dear Doctor—When I wrote you last I expected to be a regular contributor, and now I begin again, thinking I shall write you several short letters about things out here that are of interest to your readers. This, the Creek nation, is now attracting many people. They come from everywhere on tours of inspection. They come by private and by public conveyance. Business men, professional men, tradesmen and farmers—all seeking a location. All seem to go away satisfied and promise to return. Many of them will do so. The opportunity to get in here on the "ground floor" is now on. We expect to get our titles this fall and winter some time. All treaty regulations are ended and signed by both the Government and the Creek Council. The Cherokees rejected their treaty and are much hurt thereby. It will give the Creek nation much advantage over them. As I see it, this is the finest section of the country that I have ever seen. I have been over the Territory some and have seen a place so well adapted to agriculture as this immediate section. Everything grows and prospers. We have had most excellent health ever since we came here, and have not lost a church member by death in the two years—not even a member of any family of the church. The water is splendid, but a trifle scarce in this town, yet we have never suffered not even this very dry year.

The drought has not hurt us like it has the people of Missouri and many parts of Arkansas. We will have almost corn enough to meet the demands and our hay and cotton crop very fine. Of course the hay has been cut, but hay for the

second crop is almost ready to cut since the rains. The cotton has not suffered at all. This town expects to market 15,000 bales this season.

This has been a pleasant and profitable year with the churches here. We now have four beautiful, well built churches, all nicely furnished and paid for. Our church is in pretty fair condition and growing. We are the strongest denomination here and will likely keep in the lead. We are constantly robbing Arkansas. Dr. J. B. Vance, of Harrison, who is treasurer of the Sunday School Board of the Arkansas Conference, and who once represented that conference in the General Conference, has recently located here. He has not arrived yet, but is expected to come to-day or to-morrow. He has a son practicing medicine here now. We expect to make a similar draw on White River in a few months, but I will not now name the prominent layman who will be a member of my official board next year. We can use all such and they are needed. Our membership here is small yet. We have received twenty-six this year and have several more to come in. From present indications our reports will show the greatest increase in the history of the conference. We have in this conference a noble, hard-working set of men, who could do less work and get more money elsewhere if they cared to run away from hard work. I think the men here will compare favorably with many of the older conferences. This year and a year or two to follow are the hard years on us. The continued excitement about land grabbing, business investments, various public and private improvements, new lodges, etc., crowds out the care of the churches. It makes it so hard to get the attention of the people long enough to enlist them in the cause of the Lord.

We might use a few good conference men in the fall if you have any to spare, but let them know it is a hard field, but white unto the harvest, and the one cry is for the Lord of the harvest to send more laborers.

We are always glad to get the Arkansas Methodist. We read it. Checotah, I. T.

Joekins was not elected, but he was a candidate and made speeches. Here is one of his passages:

"I warn the slumbering, deluded men who are marching in the ranks of the enemy, that there are snags and sunken rocks ahead of them! If they will put their ears to the ground they will hear the still, small voice of the people, whose rising wrath will presently scorch them as with an avalanche, and hurl them from their seats of power."



WHOLESOME ADVICE

For People Whose Stomachs Are Weak and Digestion Poor.

Dr. Harlandson, whose opinion in disease is worthy of attention, says when a man or woman comes to me complaining of indigestion, loss of appetite, sour stomach, belching, sour watery rising, headaches, sleeplessness, lack of ambition and a general run down nervous condition, I advise them to take after each meal one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, allowing the tablet to dissolve in the mouth, and thus mingle with the food eaten. The result is that the food is speedily digested before it has time to sour and ferment. These tablets will digest the food anyway whether the stomach wants to or not, because they contain harmless digestive principles, vegetable essences, pepsin and Golden Seal, which supply just what the weak stomach lacks.

I have advised the tablets with great success, both in curing indigestion and to build up the tissues, increasing flesh in thin nervous patients, whose real trouble was dyspepsia and as soon as the stomach was put to rights they did not know what sickness was.

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Going and Going.

BY A. M. SILAW.

Dear Dr. Godbey—I have taken the longest vacation I ever had—not to rest, but to let the people rest. I went to East Prairie, Mo., August 8, to visit relatives and to assist Rev. J. C. Croft in a meeting. We had a fine meeting. About twenty conversions and reclamations.

From here I went to Cairo, Ill., and spent one day in a tent meeting, under the direction of the P. E. and preachers of Charleston, Mo., district. The meeting was a great victory.

Thence I went on a crowded excursion train to Chicago. And such a train as it was too! It was in two sections, each section carrying 12 passenger coaches, not including sleepers.

We reached Chicago at 7 a. m., Wednesday, August 21, and registered at the Saratoga Hotel, where we got breakfast. After breakfast we went to Lincoln Park, one of the finest parks in the world. Here we saw the finest collection of animals I ever saw. Elephants, zebras, lions, tigers, leopards, apes, polar, Russian and grizzly bears, buffaloes and score of others, besides birds, snakes, etc.

We then rambled over the walks and pleasure grounds, where lakes, fountains, trees, flowers and elegant statuary prevailed in luxurious abundance. And such statues! Shakespeare, ten feet tall, sat lazily, dreamily, with book and pencil in hand, and seemed to be straining his poet vision in an effort to measure and weigh the glories of the groves and flower gardens before him. Grant, mounted some thirty feet high on a peerless cavalry horse, sat gazing on a mighty army of blue coated billows that came dashing in and throwing all their mighty force against the solid phalanx of gray stone that stood like Virginia volunteers along the shore of Lake Michigan. Lincoln stood erect, about four times life size, in front of a stone chair, on a high block of granite in the midst of a stone pavilion facing the city, and seemed to be telling Chicago that he meant to "hold, occupy and possess" that park till the "crack of doom."

From here we went to the Ferris Wheel Park and took a ride on the eighth wonder of the world. I cannot begin to describe this prodigious wheel with its axis weighing fifty tons, its massive rim and bolts and braces, and its thirty-six commodious and well seated coaches.

As I sat there and gazed upon "wicked Chicago," three hundred feet below me and reaching for miles around, my eyes grew moist and my heart faint as I thought of the misery and vice and woe that dwells within and lies buried beneath this wilderness of brick and stone.

But a thrill of joy shot through

my soul as I saw a hundred church spires pointing heavenward, and proclaiming that Christ is not without a witness even in Chicago.

(Continued.)

Opening of Our Training School.

Dear Methodist—It may prove interesting to some readers to learn of the opening of our Training School. We began work last Tuesday morning with an enrollement that day of 96. This is the largest attendance in the history of the school for the first day. But numbers do not make a successful school. A good school is one where good work is done and the students are diligent and well behaved. Our new students have impressed the town with the idea that they are manly and have high purposes. At the opening services Brother McKay made an impressive talk on the moral and religious life. Brother B. E. Wallace, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, spoke wisely on the needs of discipline in the development of character, while Brother Forney Hutchison, who had come down with a Little Rock boy, gave some excellent advice to boys who are away from home. Our boarding patronage is about one half of the entire enrollment. A few more will come in later. The new teachers are thoroughly devoted to their work and we expect a pleasant and profitable year. Now let our people give us the remainder of the \$6,000 for the new building and all will be well. We have room for a few more manly, high-toned boys, but none for the idle or vicious.

J. D. Clary.

Fordyce, Ark.

Crossing the Ocean.

BY REV. JAS. THOMAS.

In mid-ocean on twin screw steamship Pottsdam, August 22, 1901.

I am 1,800 miles from Sandy Hook. The old ocean has a new meaning for me now. I had no correct idea of it. We are in one of the ocean's greatest ships, and she moves grandly and majestically against all kinds of commotions. I have seen the waves jump to the upper deck, which must be at least fifty feet from the level of the ocean. She is 560 feet long and 62 feet wide with every modern comfort and convenience to be found in the greatest hotels. She has a tonnage of 12,500. Some have been sick, but none of our party. You have no idea how strangely one feels in mid-ocean. Even this great steamer seems like a mere speck. Truly great is the ocean! We had preaching last Sunday in the dining hall at 11 a. m., by Bishop Cotrell, of the Colored M. E. Church, and at night by Dr. Rankin, of the M. E. Church, South, editor of the Texas Advocate. We have twelve first-class negro preachers going to the Ecumenical. They are modest, well

behaved negroes. The Northern

preachers seem amazed that the colored preachers cling to us Southern whites for advice and counsel. The passengers are all elegant people and socially we are in an atmosphere of intelligence. I shall mail this at Bolougne.

A Teacher Wanted.

Professor A. J. Denton, principal of the Mt. Ida Normal Academy, Mt. Ida, wants a young lady teacher to assist him. The salary will be \$30 a month. The term nine months. Board about \$8.

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To the H. M. Societies.

In response to many queries as to what the contingent fund is, and for what purpose it is used, I will endeavor to enlighten the members of the Home Missionary Society. Our society dues are ten cents a month, this money is sent quarterly to the conference treasurer, to be used for the building of parsonages and so forth. Thus you see we are left without any means in our society. The contingent fund is paid every month, any amount you wish to give, the lowest limit being five cents; half of this goes with the society dues every quarter to the conference treasurer. The remaining half being used in the society for any purpose the members desire.

Treasurer H. M. S.

A Lady for President.

Bro. T. J. Daniel, of Jonesboro, wrote several of the bishops to know if a lady was eligible to the presidency of a League. Each Bishop said that a lady might be elected president of a League, but that such action would not constitute her a member of the quarterly conference.

Notices.

The camp meeting on the Little Prairie, Gillett circuit, will be held, to commence on Friday night before the fifth Sunday in September. We have a new church building, which will be completed inside and out by that time. Brethren are invited to come and help us. It is a pleasant place, good shade, fine water and good people to be with. Write me at Gillett, Brother, if you expect to come, and conveyance will be furnished to the camp ground. I hope the preachers who can will come. The camp ground is seven miles from Gillett. Rufin T. Davis.

Our minutes last year were almost perfect, only two mistakes having

been pointed out. Now, it will save the secretaries and printers much work if every preacher will make his financial report in even dollars instead of making it read, "For Foreign Missions \$51.47, and for Domestic Missions \$48.53." Why not make it read "For F. M. \$51," and "For D. M. \$49," and so on. Let every minister get his wife to help make out his report before he leaves home, and I am sure it will be perfect.

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PERSONAL.

Rev. J. M. Workman was a visitor to the family of Bro. Thornburgh last week. He reports everything prosperous in the Church at Benton.

Rev. R. J. Bigham, presiding elder of Atlanta district, had a tender from his people, of expense to the Ecumenical, but felt that he could not leave his work.

Rev. W. C. Lovett, Editor of the Wesleyan Christian Advocate, was not able to go to the Ecumenical Conference, although the trustees of the paper offered to pay the expense.

Rev. R. P. Wilson, editor of the Pacific Methodist, resigns the editorship to Rev. W. E. Vaughan, his elected successor, and in company with D. M. Smith, Jr., of our Nashville Publishing House, sails for China, September 12th, on board the "China," to establish our publishing house at Shanghai.

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Among My Books.

BY REV. J. MARVIN NICHOLS.

As Sir Launfal made morn through the darksome gate,
He was aware of a leper, crouched by the same,
Who begged with his hand and moaned as he sate;
And a loathing over Sir Launfal came,
The sunshine went out of his soul with a thrill,
The flesh 'neath his armor did shrink and crawl,
And midway its leap his heart stood still
Like a frozen waterfall;
For this man, so foul and bent of stature,
Rasped harshly against his dainty nature,
And seemed the one blot on the summer morn,
So he tossed him a piece of gold in scorn.
—Part First, V., Vision of Sir Launfal.

Sir Launfal has his following until this day. Many of the princely gifts shall fade into nothingness. The philanthropy that immortalizes in this life may be worse than a millstone about the neck in the life beyond. The mere fact of building vast cathedrals, the erection of imposing libraries, the founding of magnificent scholastic and charitable institutions, does not necessarily arrest divine attention. Public philanthropy may become a stupendous farce. Sir Launfal "tossed him a piece of gold in scorn," tossed it to him who "seemed the one blot." We need a restatement of the grace of giving. The presentation of any sort of gift, in itself, possesses no moral quality. Born of scorn, or any kindred state of heart, it retaliates on ruin—it becomes a tremendous harm. Born of pity, God recognizes it—it returns a hundred fold to the giver. He who gives must do so either from absolute duty or positive pity. All else is an agency that transforms the gift itself into an instrumentality of death. Nor has this motive any respect to the condition of that object which appeals to our philanthropy. The more deplorable the condition the deeper and more genuine are the demands for giving. They, who stifle these promptings, can never wear a crown.

The Pacific Methodist, in a late issue, contained the following exhibit, clipped from the Courier Journal. Comment would be superfluous.

These figures, presented by the secular press, signify the world's appreciation of the church. Surely the world is growing better.

In the United States:

Maintenance of all churches	\$131,563,200
Education and literature	32,728,000
Hospitals and orphanages	28,300,000
Improvements, missions	43,000,000
Miscellaneous	51,466,000

In England:

Church of England offerings	\$31,222,179
Church of England revenues	28,772,785
Free churches	25,832,500
Catholic churches	11,411,282
Education and literature	43,445,682
Hospitals and orphanages	29,121,200
Improvements, missions	18,850,765
Total	\$194,656,381

A tabulated statement of the expenditures of the churches in all other countries brings the grand total up to \$1,009,369,194. This colossal sum represents the direct contributions of the church for the promulgation of Christianity. It takes no account of the vast benevolences that are the outgrowth of Christian teaching and impulse.

"Over a billion dollars a year for Christianity," is the answer of the church to the skeptic and the pessimist.

As the heavy prison bolts turned on the minister he looked sadly on the prisoners in their strange garments, and thought with more and more anxiety of his errand. He had come to see a young man of his congregation, convicted of forgery. The heartbroken parents had begged him to visit the prison, hoping the peace of the gospel might reach the son's gloomy cell.

As the minister kindly greeted him the youth scarcely replied, but gazed with a sort of defiance. He began giving the mother's tender message, with the interest all the church felt in his welfare.

At last the prisoner broke out: "Do you know that you were what did it?"

"What have I done?" asked the pastor, striving to understand his strange language.

"I began the business," returned the youth, speaking very loudly, in your Sunday school. Don't you remember the Sunday school fair, when they hid a gold ring in a cake? For twenty-five cents, too, I got a whole box of little books. I was pleased with my luck and went in afterwards for chances. Sometimes I gained and sometimes I lost. Money I must have for lotteries. I was half-mad with excitement; so I used other folks' names, and here I am. Don't let the church come blubbering around me. Their rattling ruined me!"—Epworth Herald.

Never in the history of the world was there greater need for a closer walk with God. The above may be overdrawn in its universal application, yet what the young man related is, too often, painfully true. There is a fad, raging especially in the smaller towns, that is intensely pernicious. An enterprising newspaper, the publisher of which has strictly "an eye to business," will put up a piano to be won by the party who can gain, or buy the largest number of votes. A church needs that very piano. They enter the contest. They ransack the population in search of the "winning card"—the largest number of votes. The day of final counting comes. The church takes its chances on the game—though it is now a business proposition, so-called. The church is the winner. On Sunday morning the preacher "bores for oil but strikes none." He bewails the dearth of Zion. The organist thrums on the piano and the choir sings, "Return, O Holy Dove, Return!" The core of the gambler's art consists in the lucky card which comes to his hand by chance. Whether it be in the gambling hell, or under the guise of a business proposition, gambling is gambling. And that's the end of it. You can't refine the art, in any sense, and thereby make it right. A piano thus won is a standing monument of departed grace. We need a crusade along this line. Nor is this a note of warning from a pessimist, but from one who fails to see any difference between an act that's wrong in one place and an act that's wrong in another place.

The great effort seems to have been not to make better lives but to make more Methodists, more Presbyterians, more Congregationalists, and doing this alas, too often only through the breaking down of other denominations.—The Twentieth Century From Another Viewpoint.—Brewer.

There is no question but what the religious world has been given to an undue ambition. A godless rivalry has figured too much in the history of our past. It is a happy fact that this disposition to boast of numbers is fast declining. May the day never come in our great Zion when such unhallowed zeal shall inspire us. This earth-born spirit finds a good illustration in a civil war incident. I give it; you make your own application. "Two regiments, one of Indiana and the other of Ohio, were camped together. The chaplain of the former was an earnest man, through whose efforts many conversions took place among the soldiers of that regiment. When this was reported to the Ohio colonel and that forty Indiana soldiers had been baptized, he promptly issued an order to detail sixty men for baptism, saying that he would be blankety-blanked if any Hoosier regiment should have more Christians than the Fourth Ohio."

The Sunday-School.

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September 15—Jacob a Prince With God.—Gen. xxxii. 24-30.

Golden Text—"Men ought always to pray and not to faint." (Luke xviii, 1.)

Time—B. C., 1739.

Place—Peniel, on the way from Haran to Canaan.

We have said that the trouble with Jacob was that he could not trust God to work out what he had promised him ancestor of the chosen people, but must be assisting the works of providence by tricks of his own. And so he cheated Esau in a moment of weakness with the latter, out of his birthright; and he sought to confirm the same to himself by a gross deception of Isaac. Jacob believed in God, but his faith was of a very defective sort; he did not so believe in Him as to go along doing his own duty faithfully, and then leaving everything else to God. We do not forget that he was a far better man than Esau, who was wild, sensuous and even sensual, a man in whom the spiritual element was almost wholly wanting, a piece of material of the sort that God can never do much with. Jacob did have the spiritual element, had spiritual insight, a capability of appreciating spiritual things; he knew the meaning of the covenant which had been made with Abraham, and was anxious to secure its blessings to himself, as God had promised he should have them. But it very seriously marred his character that he must be ever practicing his chicaneries to bring about results. And dearly did he pay for it! It sent him from home; from the face of his mother, whom he never saw again in this world; it subjected him to the avarice and selfishness of Laban, who was a trickster equal to Jacob, and who held the advantage over him.

It is most interesting to watch the course of matters after Jacob entered the service of Laban. Two rascals had gotten together, only they were neither of them wholly without fear of God; they were rascally in the methods with one another, and with men generally. What a man sows he shall reap. Jacob had sown deceit and overreaching with Esau and with Isaac, he reaped it in abundance with Laban. He bargained for the beautiful and sparkling eyed Rachel, served seven years for her, and found that he had the bear-eyed Leah. Laban changed the contract on his ten times he says, that is every time he could. He was a-catching it down there in the school of experience! But when he left Laban, after twenty years, he had not yet seen the point; he would have made his way in the world yet by tricks in part. The lessons of providence needed to be enforced by a great lesson that would strike in on him. This great lesson he got at the ford of Jabbok, on his return to Canaan. For the

good that was in him, and for the hope there was for him, God had been very gracious to him ever since he had left Canaan, twenty years before; had protected him and given him large property, had shielded him from the wrath of Laban, who pursued him after he left him.

But a great trial awaited him in the meeting again with his brother Esau. He was now getting on the borders of Esau's country. Conscience awakened memories of the deep and outrageous wrong he had perpetrated upon Esau. He sent messengers ahead to propitiate him; he sent a royal present of 550 head of cattle; but the report reached him that Esau was coming to meet him with four hundred armed men. Against such a force, led on by a wild and reckless man in whose breast had rankled for twenty years the memory of an irreparable wrong Jacob could not hope to stand. He and his whole family were doomed! The trickster had reached the end of his row.

He turned to God. All the long night he wrestled with God, who came to meet him in the form of a man. There were strong cries and tears, anguish of spirit. His thigh was dislocated—to show him the powerlessness of flesh. Poor fellow! he "shelled down the corn" the last grain of it; he was utterly emptied of reliance on anything or anybody but God. That was the point to which God had been seeking to bring him all the while. When he got him there, he gave him relief and assurance. Jacob was a different man henceforth, and God gave him another name, Israel. He had been simply Jacob, the overreacher, he was henceforth Prince with God, for by his prayer he had overcome God.

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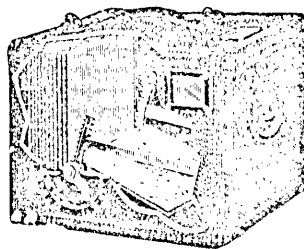
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September 15—True Honor. John v 41-44.

The Jews were offended because Jesus had cured an impotent man on the Sabbath, and especially because the man who was cured was found carrying his bed according to the command of Jesus. There followed a discussion of the matter between Jesus and the people. Jesus' first answer was, "My Father worketh hitherto, and I work." It meant God is always at work. His care of His creatures does not cease, and it ever calls for acts of love and mercy. So Jesus seemed at once to set himself upon a plane altogether above human opinions and judgments. This offended the Jews still more, for so speaking they said, "He made himself equal with God."

Jesus went on to say that the Son could only receive authority of the Father, but declared that authority was given the Son, full and supreme, even to the raising of the dead and judging of the world, and that, therefore, men should honor the Son as they honored God.

Then he spoke of the authority of his word as unequivocal and unlimited. To receive his word was to obtain everlasting life. Then Jesus reminded the people of the testimony of John to the effect that he was the Christ, and also to the scriptures, the prophets, as bearing testimony to him.

But he says, "I receive not honor from men." It is by the works of God and by the word of God he will be judged; and to do the will of God is his only aim. Human views are nothing to him.

On the other hand He will judge men. Speaking the words of the Father, doing the will of the Father, the only reason that any did not love Him must be that they did not love God either.

He goes on to point out that they are ambitious of human honor and human praise. In such a spirit as that they are not disposed to seek divine things and can not therefore, accept such lofty teaching as his.

The lesson is a very simple one. The seeking after worldly honor yields one up to human opinions and praises, and his regard for the favor of men cuts him off from seeking the favor of God.

The discourse of Jesus is, "I receive not honor of men neither should you." Paul said, "It is a small thing that I am judged of you, or of man's judgment. He that judgeth is God."

One says, "The desire to be a leader is not wrong." We hardly agree. The statement in that form is likely to be only an apology for a wrong ambition. One should desire to be in honor and influence for good, all that is possible for him. But for the sake of the cause he should desire that whatever he may



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"Quick Lunch" is one of the commonest of city signs. The sign does not say "a healthy lunch of good food—the character of the food is not considered. It is just a quick lunch—eat and get away. Is it any wonder that the stomach breaks down? Food is thrown at it, sloppy, indigestible and innutritious food, very often and the stomach has to do the best it can. Normally there should be no need for medical assistance for the stomach. But the average method of life is abnormal and while this continues there will always be a demand for Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It is the one medicine which can be relied on to cure diseases of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition. It is not a cure-all. It is a medicine designed for the stomach, and to cure through the stomach remote diseases which have their cause in the derangement of the stomach and digestive and nutritive system. It cures when all else fails.

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THE ARKANSAS METHODIST.

J. E. GODBEY, D. D. EDITOR

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1901

Two hundred anarchists met in a saloon in Chicago to celebrate the attempt of Czolgosz to kill the President. There was applause at every mention of the name of the would-be assassin. Well, this is a free country and the paradise of fools.

The Federal Government has allotted to Arkansas \$16,993 out of the funds appropriated by congress to state militia purposes. Governor Davis has issued a proclamation for the reorganization of the State Guard and has appointed W. H. Haynes, of Little Rock, as major general.

The "Gideons," says the Presbyterian Record, is the name of the organization of traveling men, 1,600 in number, who neither play cards, drink nor smoke. The number of commercial travelers who are gentlemen is largely increasing.

That is well, but we should like to know if the "Gideons" go a fishing on Sunday. It is the habit of some traveling men to plan their trips with the view of meeting at good fishing places on Sunday, that they may spend the day fishing. We know one merchant, at least, who refuses to purchase goods through such traveling agents. It is a good example for others to follow.

ASSASSINATION.

A thrill of astonishment and horror passed over this country on Friday last at 1 o'clock p. m., when the news was flashed along the wires that Wm. McKinley, President of the United States had been shot by an assassin while receiving the people in the great music hall at Buffalo. But the feeling of surprise was only for a moment. Expressions were soon heard from all sides that the thing was not to be wondered at. Not that any bitter partisan strife or sectional rancor lingers to-day in any American bosom, not that Mr. McKinley has any known personal enemies, not that his personal character was stained by any act, either wrong or dishonorable, not that his administration had kindled any feelings of resentment or revenge in the adherents of any party. There has not been, altogether, a more popular President over this country in the past fifty years than McKinley. Yet we have no cause to wonder. In less than forty years we have witnessed the taking off of two Presidents by the assassin's hand. Lincoln fell by the hand of Booth, Garfield by the hand of Guiteau. Was there any cause? Was it necessary to ask the cause? What character possible in man is not to be found among our

seventy millions of people, gathered to our shores from all lands? While Booth and Guiteau passed into history for their terrible work of assassination, did not sensible men know that there were hundreds like them, who envied their fame, and who would willingly have died on the gallows to have their pictures and the story of their deeds published in the daily papers? Of course, to pose as martyrs for liberty and the rights of man, secures for such criminals, from sentimental folks, the credit of being a brave and sincere fanatic.

When hundreds of people assemble in an American city, as confessed anarchists, to celebrate the killing of a wise and generous king, and to honor the murderer, as was recently done in Patterson, N. J., when King Humbert was taken off; when anarchists, chosen by lot and sworn to murder all the great rulers of the world are known to be at large, need we wonder that the President of the United States, traveling across the continent without a guard, mingling with millions of people, his lodging and engagements daily advertised to all, should meet somewhere among the thousands who honor him, the desperate assassin?

The papers represent that McKinley is doing well. The hope for his recovery is strong. Should he recover the highest penalty under the law, for this would-be assassin, is imprisonment for a few years, then he will be turned loose again. The attempt to kill the President is no more under our law than the attempt to kill any other man. Absurd! We make treason punishable with death. What higher act of treason than this assault, with intent to kill the President of the United States, for no personal grievance, but simply because he is the President?

Our people will grow familiar with the thought of assassination, and assassinations will become more frequent with us in the future, unless the government take measures to check this madness. We allow men to preach anarchy and assassination without let or hindrance. The wretch who shot McKinley says Emma Goldman's speech, delivered in Cleveland, settled his views. She said "all rulers should be killed." We allow avowed anarchist leaders to send out over all the land sheets that smell of blood. Do we need to wonder that an avowed anarchist attempted to take the life of William McKinley, President of the United States of America, in the city of Buffalo, N. Y., on Friday, September 6, A. D., 1901?

There is in this sad and shameful record of our history, one comfort, the name of the assassin was Leon Czolgosz. As long as the English language lives no one will take him to have been of American descent.

THE ECUMENICAL CONFERENCE.

The third Ecumenical Conference of the Methodists of all the world convened in City Road Chapel, London, September 4, 1901, exactly 20 years after the first Ecumenical convened at the same place. The second was held in Washington City, in October, 1891. City Road Chapel was built by John Wesley in 1760. In this church the great founder of Methodism preached some of his greatest sermons, and here, behind the church, is his grave. The building has required some repairs and changes but the pulpit remains as of old.

The conference is composed of 500 members, and is divided into two sections called the eastern and western sections representing the Methodism of the two hemispheres. There are two hundred in the eastern and three hundred in the western section. They represent about ten millions of Methodists. The largest representation is from the M. E. Church of America which sends 129 members. The M. E. Church, South, has 70, the colored churches send 56.

Notwithstanding Bishop Gallo-way wrote from Brazil that he would not be able to reach the conference at the opening, the telegraph reports that he preached the opening sermon.

As respects the program of the conference, it was published in this paper more than a month ago. The reports which come to us daily by telegraph indicate that some discordant notes were struck at the beginning of the discussions.

The negro seems to have caused the first ripple of unpleasantness. Bishop Walters, from Jersey City, encouraged by the sympathy or prejudice of the English members severely arraigned the conduct of the Southern white population of this country toward the negro. He was loudly cheered by the English members, while some of the members from the South rose and left the house. An objection which some of the delegates had made to being entertained with negroes at the hotel had already aroused some feeling.

On the second day the difference of sentiment of the members respecting the British-Boer war came prominently forward, and again on the third day, some of the American members endorsed the action of the British government very strongly. The suggestion made by Dr. Hoss, that it did not become Americans to criticize the government in regard to this matter was well timed. The chairman at length ruled the discussion out of order.

SALVATION OF INFANTS.

"In the Western Christian Advocate (Methodist) appeared this statement:

"And the general conviction of most right minded people is that infants need neither election nor

"the unconditional benefits of the atonement" nor any other theological contrivance which assumes that they are sinners either on their own account or by imputation; but that they belong to Christ and heaven by virtue of their unsullied innocence." The Christian Observer quotes this and adds:

"Such an error as this is found frequently among those who have not thought carefully on the subject. Its self contradictory character is obvious in the closing sentence. It declares that infants are innocent and also that they 'belong to Christ.' But Christ came 'to call not the righteous, but sinners.' If they are innocent, they are not saved by the Redeemer."

This comment from the Christian Observer misconceives the Arminian view in reference to the relation of infants to the work of Christ. Calvinists generally speak as if all men would have been born for destruction had Jesus not died. But Arminians believe that, but for the purpose of redemption, fixed in the divine mind, from the hour of man's fall, the sentence of death would have been executed on the guilty pair, and so men would not have been born at all. We believe that representatively, all died in Adam, and that divine justice would not have suffered a fallen and helpless race to be propagated on the earth for whom there was no help nor hope. In view of the atonement, the race was spared. Thus "In Adam all die." Thus "In Christ are all made alive," without condition in either case as the scripture indicates. And so in the resurrection also, all shall be raised, both them who are Christ's and them who are not. This, when referred to natural life, is very comprehensible. Our natural life is the gift of the redemption scheme. It is never legitimate to inquire what would have been the state of our race without any provision for salvation. It is impossible that any such state should have arisen in the purpose of the holy God. All men are born redeemed. They are born as the first gift of purposed redemption. Sin is individual and personal. No man is born a sinner. The redemption scheme has brought him into the world free from any condemnation because of Adam's sin. Infant children are thus in a justified state, until, by knowing and willful sin, they fall into condemnation. Thus it is plain that infants, dying before personal sin, are saved without personal faith or repentance. Yet they are saved through the atonement of Christ, because, by virtue of that, they have their being.

On to London.

Dear Methodist—We are now on board of one of the Holland-American line of mail steamers—the

Pottdam. Her capacity is 12,500 tons.

The bell rings, the cables are loosened, the gang planks are lifting, friends are saying to friends, Good-by, many are weeping, hundreds of handkerchiefs were waving. The prow is cutting the silent sea. We hear the throb of the engines from below, and thanks to our heavenly Father we feel him throbbing life into our spirit from above. Though we have a strong ship and well drilled crew, yet, we are trusting in the Infinite and Eternal as our pilot. We are now passing Coney Island, of which I wrote before. Our ship is moving as though conscious of the fact that more than three thousand miles must be made before she can rest. The government pilot has guided us beyond Sandy Hook and is now descending the ladder. He has dropped into a life boat which has come from a steamer that is waiting for him to carry him back to the city. He seemed to say as he looked up from the little life boat, "You are now cut loose from all the world." The high sea into which our gallant ship has clef her way is as unwrinkled as the brow of childhood. But how soon the storm king may walk her decks, intent upon her destruction we do not know. Come though it may, we will not fear, we expect to endure, "as seeing Him who is invisible." He once said, when the wing of the tempest had lashed the little sea of Gallilee into froth and fury, and when the vessel on which his disciples were borne seemed destined to founder at sea, or be dashed in pieces against the rocks—"Peace, be still"—and lo! there was a calm as of death. Thank God, he can say it again. The fears and sad apprehensions of Christians are but like the land winds which tear sails and make a great noise but are coming from the right point to drive us faster to the harbor. If we as children of God do not leave the ship and jump into the sea; quit the interest of religion and run to the securities of the world; if we do not cut our cables and dissolve our hopes; grow impatient, hug a wave and die in its embrace, we are safe at sea, safer in the storms which God sends, than in a calm when we are only befriended by the world. The land is now lost to sight only an occasional ship is seen in the distance, and as we look out upon this great ocean we realize as I never have before, that He is the sustainer of all organic life. He feeds our streams, fills our lakes, bubbles in our springs and rushes along in the mountain torrent. Should His eternal fountains be dried up, our blooming fields and waving forests would be converted into a parched and naked waste; but like our Creator, God, he is giving life to all the world.

Prominent among the delegates on board, are Drs. Whitehead, Ti-

gert, Nelms and Rankin. The negro bishops and six of the connectional men from the Colored Methodist Church, South, are also on their way to London. Sunday morning finds us three hundred and fifty miles from New York City.

At 10:30 a. m., Bishop Cottrell, colored, preached for us. The sermon was plain, strong and modestly delivered. All who heard him were pleased, and many of us were strengthened. At night we had an exceptionally strong and helpful sermon of Dr. Rankin.

Captain Potjar is in control of our ship. He is kind and thoughtful of his passengers. His command is absolute law. At his bidding a crew of two hundred men hurry to their posts, anxious to do his will. I have not heard one harsh command, nor have I seen a single sailor away from his place of duty. The discipline on this great ocean palace to me is simply amazing. I would commend this ship to all who contemplate a trip across the sea. They feed us all day and until 11 o'clock at night and the fare is unsurpassed by any American hotel. From the way some of our passengers eat there will soon be a storm at stomach if not at sea.

Wednesday—For two days our ship has been contending against a troubled sea. Breaking waves often leap across the upper decks, but she moves right on and on, not yielding an inch to the strongest waves. Her length is 560 feet, and her width is 60. She has double decks, twin screws and two sets of boilers and engines, and has a crew of 225 men. My information, received from men who often travel the sea is, that she is one of the strongest and most magnificent ships that has ever crossed the deep. There has not been a moment since her gang planks lifted in New York harbor that her engines have ceased to throb, or when she has failed to make her accustomed time. She holds right on bidding defiance to wind and waves, and nothing but the providence of God can prevent her safe and steady movement on to the desired harbor. We are now 1,300 miles from the land we so much love, and yet we are 2,000 miles from our place of disembarking. For two days we have seen nothing but frothing waves and the upper deck of the steamer in the distance. With Montgomery we can sing—"Between rough seas and stormy skies."

The passengers are largely Jews and Germans, but they are people of culture and character. There is not a single fool or narrow minded bigot on board our ship, for which we are profoundly thankful. We realize more fully every day that we are related to all the world. That all men are our brothers, that our blood flows in their veins and that many whom we, like the elder son with his prodigal brother, put far and forever outside the kingdom will be

there, pure as the purest, happy as the happiest, safe as the safest. O! that we could heed the earnest admonition of that disciple whom Jesus loved, when he said "Love one another."

Dr. Rankin, who was looking out from the deck a moment ago, says, "I saw a fish jump out of the water as big as a skinned mule." I would not give my authority but for the size of the fish. Don't you know it was a whopper! Of course I mean the fish.

Thursday—About 3 o'clock this morning our ship encountered a dense fog. Every few moments the fog horn blew, and the sound was like the awful wail of the lost. One of our companions being aroused by the awful signal, and fearing we were like Jonah, asleep, cried out, "Wake up boys! how can you sleep, do you not hear that wail of distress, what does it mean? Awake thou that sleepeth." From the tone of his voice he had repented and was ready to go to Ninevah. Brother Johnston and myself assured him that it was only the fog horn blowing to prevent our ship from colliding with other ships. Leaning on his elbow and drawing a long breath, he said, "May the Lord lead us out of the fog and deliver us from such a wail of distress." Many of the passengers were really alarmed. We heard one colored brother say to another, "I am afraid she has struck a sand bar." However, his apprehensions were groundless, for I am informed that the ocean here must be at least three miles deep.

Friday—This is a beautiful morning. The golden feet of the rising sun are skipping o'er the face of the deep. Our hearts rejoice and our souls are singing—"Glory to His name." I was much impressed while reading a few moments ago, with the language of John in the 21st chapter and the 1st verse of Revelations. "And there was no more sea." How boundless the sea must have seemed to John as he looked out from Patmos Isle. It rolled between him and Ephesus, his kindred and country. How awful is shipwreck. He had made shipwreck, shipwreck of liberty, earthly hopes and family ties, but looking heavenward, he said, there will be "no more sea." O! the men who have made shipwreck! Shipwreck in name, character and family ties, and yet, see no hope beyond the river of death, which must soon be passed. When I think of loved ones on the other side of this frothing ocean, and then of those who are safe on the eternal shore, I too, am constrained to cry out, there will soon be no more sea, no more separation. We expect to reach Boulogne on Monday night.

MONDAY, AUGUST 26.

In the providence of God our eyes are permitted to look upon land once again. Like Noah's dove we have seen no spot where a weary

wing or foot could rest for eight long days, save in this great ark. We long to touch the shore. A man who was going to a hospital in Paris died on board the vessel Saturday night, and was buried at sea on Sunday morning. Though we do not know the place where his body sleeps, yet God has marked the spot, and when Christ shall come to wake the dead, it surely will be found, for no child of God can ever die beyond the vision of Christ. We are now passing the south coast of England. It is rock bound and glorious. Our Uncle John's fields are waving with yellow grain, and his orchards bend with the weight of ripening fruit, which we hope to sample soon. No spot of land can be more lovely than that we now behold. The English Channel is rough, yet thank God we are protected and our ship is making good progress. Now we are nearing port, passengers are crowding the decks, anxious eyes are eagerly watching for familiar faces. Wives and children will soon be in a husband and father's embrace. A father is watching for a son and will soon press him to a loving heart. "But when the kiss of love goes 'round, Alas! there is no kiss for me." Thank God, the time is coming, we confidently await it, when the old ship Zion will enter heaven's harbor, when friends will meet us and with smiles will greet us, and our Father welcome us to his own sweet home. With gratitude to God for his unspeakable love, we bid you good-bye.

F. A. Jeffett.

Personal.

The postoffice address of Rev. W. P. Talkington is now Knobel, Ark.

Dr. Dye has been assisting in a protracted meeting at Dumas the past week.

Bros. Jno. Ford of Toltec, and J. H. Hicks of England, were helpful callers Monday.

Bishop O. P. Fitzgerald continues quite feeble. He and his wife are at Cambridge, Mass.

Rev. J. R. Cason and W. F. Evans called at our office Thursday. Regret we did not see them.

Rev. Frank Barrett of Jonesboro, and Dr. Taylor of Holly Grove, were pleasant callers Tuesday.

Rev. F. E. Taylor will shortly transfer back to the White River Conference, at the meeting of his Conference.

Rev. T. D. Scott, presiding elder of Pine Bluff District, was married to Miss May Wilson, of Camden, September 4th.

Bishop Galloway, contrary to expectations, arrived in London in time for the opening of the Ecumenical Conference.

The latest report (Tuesday evening) was that President McKinley was better and hopes are entertained for his recovery.

Christian Life.


The Imitation of Christ.

The highest ambition that can enter a human soul is the ambition to become like Christ. Of course no mere human being can become entirely like Christ, for Christ was superhuman, but he may try to imitate his virtues and his life. The higher the model the loftier will be the striving. The loftiest and noblest efforts to be pure and good will be made so by those who, accepting Jesus Christ as their Savior and example, make it the purpose of their lives to be like him so far as they can become by the grace of God.

Hawthorne, in his story, "The Great Stone Face," illustrates how a great ideal purifies, molds and elevates a life. The boy of whom the story was told had been accustomed to see on the side of the mountain the clear-cut face, with dignity and benignity on the features, and was told that some day there would come to the valley a man resembling this great stone face, and that he would prove to be the greatest friend and benefactor of the people. The boy studied the face of each stranger who came to the valley to see if he might not be the coming benefactor. Time and again he was disappointed. The rich man did not resemble the stone face. The great scholar did not have the features he knew so well. One after another for successive years, came short of the resemblance, but the boy still held on to the faith that the great friend and benefactor, looking like this stone face, would come to bless them.

As the thought brooded in the boy's mind he was led to idealize the character of the man who should come. He conceived that he must be lofty in his thought, serene in his faith, pure in his character, gentle and kind and tender to the people, and as he thought of all these desirable qualities he began to take them on himself. He grew more and more gentle to all, thoughtful and considerate and helpful, manly and full of a sweet-heartedness which took the form of unmistakable dignity and kindness. The years went by and as his hair whitened and his face took on more and more of the internal thought and character of the man, the people of the valley came to realize that he who was the friend and counsellor to them all was the very image of the stone face, and the benefactor and friend who had already come to them.

The one who takes Christ as his ideal, and who tries to be like him, will very largely realize what it is to lead a Christian life. Others will see in him a beauty and purity and goodness and kindness that will remind them of the Master. He will not be able to perform miracles of healing the sick, but he can visit the sick and comfort them in their suffering. He will not be able to make the blind see and the deaf to hear



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and the dumb to speak, but he can do something to alleviate their lot and to make their lives brighter by his friendly words and deeds. He can go about his business in a loving spirit, dealing justly with all, and showing mercy and speaking the truth. He can live with a heart full of love and faith and prayer, and can help draw those around him within the influences of God's grace and life. As he lives and after he is gone men will in some way be reminded of Christ.

We are not driven to imagine the excellencies of Christ. They are delineated in the Gospels, and so beautifully is his character presented that thoughtful men everywhere, have agreed that he was the best and purest being who ever lived. To be like him we do not have to suppose or imagine or dream what he was. We are to study the record of his life; pray in the Holy Ghost; give ourselves to him in true devotion; seek in obedience and spirituality and faith to reproduce his likeness. However we may come short, we will find it better to strive to be like him. Some time we shall be better satisfied when we awake in his likeness.—Herald and Presbyterian.

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Our Church at Home.

OLA.—Last Sunday we held our first service in the new church. It is not yet finished, but we hope to have it ready for our revival meeting in October. We had thirty children in the infant class room at Sunday school.

O. H. Tucker.

SHILOH CIRCUIT.—I closed my third meeting on this circuit at Shiloh last Sunday, the 1st. Eight professions of faith and seven added to the church. The church greatly revived. Am now in a meeting at Pleasant Grove. Yours for the truth,

L. F. Taylor, P. C.

BENTON CIRCUIT.—Bro. White, assisted by Bros. Hutchison and Baldrige, held a meeting at Mt. Carmel. They preached the law and the judgment, and then turned on the sunlight of God's Son. How sweet was the message and how the people did rejoice. Everybody seemed to be made better by Bro. White's persistent efforts. Bro. White, what a grand little man he is. We have had him on Benton circuit two years and would like to have him two more. He has the entire machinery of this circuit well oiled and moving on with a holy vim.

Jas. M. Russell.

BEXAR CIRCUIT.—The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad." On yesterday, September 3, I closed my fifth revival, and the results have been seventy-nine conversions and reclamations, and fifty-five additions to the church. Where all Christians worked in harmony together God wonderfully blessed their efforts and made many of them rejoice as never before. My fourth quarterly conference will license three of our young converts to exhort. Glory to God who hath given us the victory through our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Brethren, pray for us. Yours in Christ.

W. W. Gibson.

AT HOME.—I am at home again, after having been away for six weeks. I feel somewhat lonely in this sad hour, my family being absent from home, and perhaps will be until October. Yet I feel assured that the good Lord is with me in His great mercy. The good people of my work have met me very kindly in this time of need. Everyone seems to be my friend. We had good services, well attended last Sabbath, both morning and evening. We are hopeful of a good closing for Conference. We have received many letters of sympathy from the preachers of the Little Rock Conference, which have been a great source of comfort to our hearts. Yours truly in Christ.

J. A. Parker.

PRESCOTT.—Closed meeting at Harmony third Sunday. Had several conversions and sixteen accessions, fifteen by profession and one by letter. Good spiritual meeting all round. From here we went to Cane. Held a week's meeting with quite a number converted and reclaimed, and three accessions. The church was greatly revived. Closed Sunday night and on to Carolina Monday, where we had the able assistance of Bro. O. H. Keadle, P. C., of Chidester circuit. He preached some very able sermons to large and appreciative crowds. Six conversions and as many accessions. The church was revived and fired up greatly. The social feature of the meeting among both preachers and people was grand. God bless the Methodist and fill the editor with the Holy Spirit.

Joe Speakes, P. C.

BERRYVILLE CIRCUIT.—Our meeting at Pleasant Valley closed last night. There were twenty or more

conversions and reclamations. The Lord was with us in great power. The church is, I trust thoroughly revived. A Sunday school will be organized the fourth Sunday in this month. I never saw young men labor more earnestly in a meeting than the young men of this community. They were all, or nearly all, converted this summer in our meeting and a meeting held by the Baptists just previous to ours. In the two meetings there were about forty-five or fifty conversions, and both churches greatly revived and strengthened in numbers. We labored together and knew no difference in the work of saving souls. There will be somewhere between ten and fifteen accessions to the church next Sunday. Praise the Lord.

Geo. E. Patchell.

GURDON CIRCUIT.—My last protracted meeting was held at Freeman's Chapel, embracing the fourth Saturday and Sunday in August. Rev. W. H. Tarver, L. P. on the Clark circuit, preached us three good sermons. The meeting continued six days and nights. The Holy Spirit was with us. The church was revived. Had three accessions and five children were baptized. I have been resting this week, after five weeks of hard work in protracted meetings. My third year on the Gurdon circuit will soon close. I think the collections will be in advance of last year. The support of the ministry up to the first of last month was about equal with last year. Gurdon circuit is a good circuit, and we could pay up in full if we would. How strange that men and women, after solemnly promising that by the help of God they would support the institutions of the church, and yet we have them on circuits with ability that have not paid a cent to the support of the ministry this year.

J. M. G. Douglass.

IEBER MISSION.—I commenced a meeting at Hiram the third Sunday in August, closed first Sunday in September. The Lord was with us in power and demonstration of the Spirit all the time. Had sixty-four conversions, several backsliders reclaimed, and Christians powerfully revived. In some respects it was the best meeting it has ever been my privilege to hold. Old enmities were buried and friends who had long been estranged praised God together. The blessed influence of the saving power was wide-reaching in its sweep. People came a distance of twelve miles to night service. The people say it was the best meeting they have ever had at this place. Had twenty accessions. Several more will join our church here. Some will join on Bro. Gregory's charge while others will join the Baptist and C. P. Churches. Bro. Hall of the M. E. Church was with us several days and did good work in the pulpit. We had the old-time mourners bench. Sinners were convicted and mourners converted by the power of the Holy Ghost, and the shout of a King was heard in the camp of Israel. To God be all the glory.

E. M. Davis.

MOUNTAIN HOME CIRCUIT.—I closed my third protracted meeting with good results in the church. My first meeting was on the Trimble Flat, resulting in seven professions, and some of the brethren said that about every sinner that lived on the flat was brought in during the meeting. I then went to Coldwater, on the Lone Rock charge, and assisted Bro. Gossett in a meeting resulting in about eight conversions. The church at this place is divided on the second blessing theory of sanctification. A man came to this place some time in the past who does not belong to any church and held a meeting, and has divided

the church and is giving Bro. Gossett some trouble. I listened at some of the people testify on the second blessing theory, and according to some of their statements I received in conversation what they received in the second blessing. I then went to Oakland and engaged in a ten days meeting, resulting in six professions and one of the greatest moves on the part of the church I ever saw. I closed my third meeting Sunday at Fairview with two professions and two accessions, one that joined the two accessions. One that joined the church was a hard case, and was, before his conversion, a persecutor of Christians. The church at this place was graciously revived. We are still having dry hot weather in Baxter county. There was nothing raised close to Mountain Home except a little wheat. There will not even be any turnips raised in this country unless it rains in a few days. May God bless the Methodist. Your brother in Christ.

J. S. Haackler.

CARROLLTON CIRCUIT.—We closed our third protracted meeting last Monday night. Our first meeting was held near Henry Reaves' on Dry creek. Bro. John Jones and I held a meeting together there. We had a good revival and four conversions at that meeting. Our second meeting was at Black Jack. I was assisted in this meeting by Bros. Morris and Seba Kirkpatrick, one of our local preachers. He is a very promising young minister. We had a good revival in the church and thirteen conversions and one application for church membership. I think there will be some more applications for membership at this place. Our third meeting was at Live Water on Osage. I was assisted in this meeting by Bros. Bear-den (a Baptist), Horn from Logan county, and Sehorn. We had a very fine revival in the church and eighteen very bright conversions. I never saw young converts work as faithfully as they did. As soon as one was converted that one went right to work to get some one else saved. We had eight additions to the church and I think that there will be some more join at this place. They agreed to commence a weekly prayer meeting at this place. To God be all the glory for these good meetings.

J. H. Cummins P. C.

MINERAL SPRINGS.—We closed our ninth protracted meeting last night. We have had a good spiritual time this summer. About sixty-five professions and fifty accessions—a considerable advance over last year. The crops are not so good this year, hence the spiritual state of the church is much better. Bro. Johnson and the Lord have been with us all the while. Several of our brightest boys and girls have left for college, and there seems to be a general forward movement among our people. We have sent in about sixty cash subscriptions to the Arkansas Methodist, and are making no other arrangements than to go to conference with all claims paid in full.

Henry M. Bruce.

VANNDALE STATION.—Last Sunday night we closed out our revival work for the year and now turn our attention to getting things in shape for Conference. All that we had planned and hoped for has not been accomplished. Our series of meetings during the year has resulted in 76 conversions and about 50 accessions to our church. This sounds loud on paper, but when we consider that those living almost under the shadow of the church spire have not been reached, it leaves an "aching void" in our cup of satisfaction. Thirty-two names are still on my prayer list, twelve of

whom are fathers, who ought to be leading their families to Christ, and the other bright young men and promising boys who are held bound to satan's chariot by their influence. Our town is free from the usual vices that infest most places, such as dances, cards, blind tigers, etc., but yet we lack vital Godliness as much as those that have all the open forms of vices to contend with. A more hospitable, liberal, kind and loyal people can not be found than the people of Vann-dale. No call of distress ever is heard in vain. A poor man living near us had his hands burned badly, barely did the family escape with their lives, and that not without injury. Before two days they were better furnished and clothed than they were before. Many are their deeds of charity, yet with all we "lack one thing needful," and the 13th chapter of Corinthians sends a shudder through our souls. We are indebted to Revs. F. Barrett, W. Rhew, G. G. Davidson and W. E. Bishop for valuable aid during the year. We thank God for what has been accomplished, and leave the rest for our successor. You may place Vann-dale on the paid-up role. We had our receipts in full for both Foreign and Domestic Mission assessment before the 1st of April. Everything will be in full by our Fourth Quarterly Conference. Our people have been so good to us that the only regret is that we are unable to be better to them. But we could only do our best and leave the results with the Lord.

F. C. Sterling.

HOLLY SPRINGS.—Just closed a good meeting at Holly Springs. Two accessions. I was assisted by Prof. McEwin, principal of the Judson Association High School located at this place. Yours in the work.

Geo. W. Logan.

SUNNYSIDE.—We have just closed a ten days meeting at Sunnyside, two miles south of Russellville, where we have an afternoon appointment since the close of the winter. Large crowds attended the meeting, manifesting a great interest. There were perhaps twenty-five conversions, and much good came to all who attended. To God be all the glory.

W. H. Dyer.

WEST POINT CIRCUIT.—H. Young, exhorter, has just closed a good meeting at Ridout. Twenty-seven professed faith in Christ, fifteen joined the church, more will join later and three backsliders reclaimed. The church gloriously revived. Ridout is an appointment on West Point circuit, a little difficult to reach from the rest of the work. Bro. Young agreed to go there once a month. He and the good people there, assisted by the Lord, held the meeting.

M. M. Smith.

MT. VERNON CIRCUIT.—We have finished our rounds of protracted meetings. Had about ninety-five professed conversions and the church greatly revived. The church people worked well at every appointment, and seemed greatly in earnest for the salvation of souls. The Lord abundantly blessed their labors of love, and I believe we are as happy a people as can be found in Arkansas today. We are now on the home stretch, and expect a good round up by conference.

D. C. Ross.

HOT SPRINGS.

We have had some sickness in our end of the town, and some in our own home, but all better now. It was our privilege to attend the funeral exercises of Dr. Taylor of this place. He had been sick for some time, and his death was not unexpected. He died suddenly, as it was his wish. A good man, an excellent physician, a kind

husband and father has gone home to God. Quite a number of his friends were at the funeral and followed the remains to the last resting place. May the good God bless and keep his dear wife and children in this hour of bereavement.

It was the happy privilege of the writer to be present at the opening of Arkadelphia Methodist College on the 4th inst. One hundred and twenty-five (125) girl boarders were enrolled on the first day and about forty boys. This was the best opening the college has ever had. The outlook is encouraging for a full school.

The writer assisted Bro. Harvy in a revival at Rockdale, some seven miles from this place. There were some eight or ten conversions, and about that many accessions to the church.

The camp meeting began at McLenon's Springs on last Friday evening. A number of people are camping on the grounds, and the prospects are good for a fine meeting.

Dr. Brown began a series of meetings at Central church yesterday. He expects Dr. Copeland, of Alabama, to assist him in these services.

Bro. Owen conducted the services, both morning and evening, at Malvern avenue yesterday. He expects to hold a revival service some time in October.

Preaching by the pastor in South Hot Springs church yesterday. Two accessions to the church, Bro. and Sister Judd, who left Hot Springs several years ago and went to St. Louis. They will make this their future home.

In the afternoon on last Sunday the Epworth League of South Hot Springs had an Old People's meeting, to which a number of invitations were sent out to all the old people to meet with us. A number came. Bro. Hotchkiss conducted the services. The Holy Spirit was present and many were made to rejoice in a Savior's love.

A. M. R.

DARDANELLE DISTRICT

We closed the third round of quarterly meetings in this district with Dardanelle Circuit at Stubbs' Chapel in Cardens Bottom. The pastor, R. N. Davis was in a revival at Field's Chapel and was with us on Saturday only. The people took such interest as made it the best quarterly meeting this district has had during my four years. On Sunday morning there were nine conversions and \$175 given for the Conference collections. J. H. Stubbs, who is a member of our church and one of our most successful business men, gave \$100 of this amount. His father and mother, P. H. Stubbs and wife, gave \$25, John Turner gave \$10; others gave \$5 and \$2, etc, till the collection rose from an assessment of \$30 to a subscription of \$175, the excess was given to aid the church to survive the drought. If all who are able, would do likewise the wheels in the machinery of our church would be quickened and God would give us great prosperity.

We have had conversions in a majority of quarterly meetings and I hope many others will be converted before the year closes. The preachers are busy in their work and the Lord is giving them glorious revivals.

I desire to make this one more appeal to the people of this district: Give God the first fruits of your

service and substance and it will be well with the church and with you. Much remains to be done in the next two months. "Whatever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might."

J. M. Cantrell.

September 5, 1901.

Eureka Springs Items.

BY REV. P. C. FLETCHER.

Northwest Arkansas is enjoying a substantial boom. The rich mineral fields are attracting millions of dollars in the way of capital. The new railroad, extending from this city to Harrison, traverses one of the most beautiful and fertile portions of the state. It will soon be extended into the zinc fields of Marion county.

The Harrison district is now one of the most important fields for our Methodism in Arkansas. It embraces a rich section of country and has, within its bounds, an excellent citizenship. For four years it has been presided over by that tenacious, untiring and progressive man, Rev. Pierce Merrill. His interests have advanced along all lines. The outlook for our church is very bright. It behooves us to fully command the situation.

This beautiful and rapidly growing "Gem City of the Ozarks," is enjoying one of the best seasons in its history. Thousands of guests have been here all summer, from far and near. Thousands have come and gone during the season. The city is taking on a substantial growth. Not less than 125 handsome new business houses and dwellings have gone up in the last six months. Much wealth is being attracted.

The outlook for our church in this city is very encouraging. This year we have built a new church and parsonage, which virtually solves the situation. A large number of new members have been added to the membership, and the services are largely attended. This is certainly a very important point for our church. Here the minister has the opportunity of preaching to some of the best brain and culture of the Union. The people flock to this resort from nearly every state. He has a fertile and varied soil in which to drop the seed of divine truth.

This year some of the leading laymen of our church in the great Southland have been visitors to this city, among them: Dr. Henry Hoeker, of Clarksville, Texas, J. H. Thomas, Piggott, Ark., W. A. Palmer, Dallas, Texas, J. B. Williams, Fort Smith Ark., D. N. Clark and J. H. Basham, Clarksville, Ark., B. E. Hines, Farmersville, Texas, J. T. Apperson, Mt. Vernon, Mo., Horace Rogers, Huntington, Ark., W. P. Willis, Atlanta, Tex., J. T. W. Tillar, Little Rock, Ark., J. C. Griffith, Paulsboro, Tex., A. E. Starr, Palestine, Tex. Brother Starr is one of the most active and consecrated

laymen in our Texas Methodism. He is one of the official members of our church at Palestine, where Rev. B. H. Greathouse is pastor. He speaks in highest terms of Brother Greathouse and his work. Brother Griffith is now here for his health. He is a native Georgian; is a first cousin of the late Bishop Haygood and an uncle of Dr. W. W. Wadsworth, of the North Georgia Conference.

Eureka Springs is a very popular resort with the ministerial brethren, who seek rest and recreation. No less than a hundred preachers have been here this summer; a number of them Southern Methodist. Among the number were: Rev. George McGlumphy, pastor of the Central Church of Fort Smith, Rev. S. R. Hay, of Houston, Texas, Rev. Perry Long, Sarcoxie, Mo., Rev. W. R. Peckham, Darien, Mo., Rev. C. O. Kimball, Edwardsville, Ill. Brother McGlumphy feels at home in this city, where he is justly popular and where he was pastor for one year. Brother Hay is one of the many vigorous young men of Texas Methodism. He is a fine specimen of manhood both mentally and physically. He presides over the Shearn Church, of which the great Dr. T. O. Summers was the first pastor.

Rev. M. N. Waldrip, the talented and progressive pastor of our church at Huntington, Ark., was here this summer and delivered his lecture, "Puss Wants a Corner." He spoke to a large audience and made a decided hit. Many declared that it was one of the richest treats they ever received from the lecture platform. Waldrip is every inch a man, and he measures nearly six feet, too. He is not only a genius, but what is not often the case with that class of men, he possesses perfect poise; he is not queer and eccentric, but well balanced and duly conservative. He ranks among the most promising young men of our Methodism.

Rev. George E. Patchell, pastor of our church at Berryville, twelve miles from this city, has captured the hearts of his people and is doing a splendid work. It was upon him that the mantle of Rev. W. H. Metheny fell, and most worthily is he wearing it. Berryville is the county seat of Carroll county and is one of the most stirring and up-to-date towns in Arkansas. It is surrounded by a fine country and is on the line of the new railroad, which has so revolutionized this section of the state. Our church at that point embraces some splendid material and the outlook is very encouraging.

We are forty miles from Harrison, by rail, not too far to hear of the excellent progress Rev. James M. Hughey is making. He is in the highest favor with his people and the church is prospering. Harrison is one of the best towns in the country. Before the new railroad reached it, it ranked as the best inland town in America. The rail-

road has greatly improved it. The interests of our church there are indeed great. Much wealth and culture are pouring into that section. It is the part of wisdom that our church keep one of its best and most progressive men at that point.

In answer to a letter from Brother Thornburgh, Prof. Hammill writes that he will try to help the Sunday School interests in Arkansas the coming year. This is good news. We should begin early to plan for a rousing State Convention of the Sunday School workers of the M. E. Church, South, or for a number of District Institutes. Prof. Hammill will be a help and a blessing to any set of workers who will meet him. T.

Hendrix College Opening.

Prospective students should remember that the fall term opens Friday, September 20. On that day and the following examinations will be held, if necessary, and classes organized so that regular work may begin the next week. Students are urged to arrive on the 19th, and to avoid Sunday travel. Dr. J. E. Godbey will preach for the special benefit of the students on the 21st, and the opening sermon will be preached by the president on the 29th.

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The True Use of Wealth.

There is a saying which is in all good men's mouths, namely, that they are stewards or ministers of whatever talents are entrusted to them. Only, is it not a strange thing that, while we more or less accept the meaning of that saying, so long as it is considered metaphorical, we never accept its meaning in its own terms. We say that, of course, money doesn't mean money; it means wit, it means intellect, it means influence in high quarters; it means everything in the world except itself.

I believe that, if you will think seriously of this matter, you will feel that the first and most literal application is just as necessary a one as any other—that the story does very specially mean what it says—plain money, and that the reason we don't at once believe it does so is a sort of tacit idea that, while thought, wit and intellect and all power of birth and position are indeed given to us, and, therefore, to be laid out for the Giver, our wealth has not been given to us; but we have worked for it, and have a right to spend it as we choose. I think you will find that that is the real substance of our understanding in this matter. Beauty, we say, is given by God; it is a talent; strength is given by God; it is a talent; but money is proper wages for our day's work—it is not a talent, it is a due. We may justly spend it on ourselves, if we have worked for it. There would be some shadow of excuse for this, were it not that the very power of making the money is itself only one of the applications of that intel-

lect and strength which we confess to be talents. Why is one man richer than another? Because he is more industrious, more persevering and more sagacious. Well, who made him more persevering and more sagacious than others? That power of endurance, that quickness of apprehension, that calmness of judgment, which enabled him to seize opportunities that others lose, and persist in the lines of conduct in which others fail—are those not talents? Are they not, in the present state of the world, among the most distinguished and influential of mental gifts? Is it not wonderful that, while we should be utterly ashamed to use a superiority of body in order to thrust our weaker companions aside from some place of advantage, we unhesitatingly use our superiority of mind to thrust them back from whatever good that strength of mind can attain. You would be indignant if you should see a strong man walk into a theater or a lecture room, and, calmly choosing the best place, take his feeble neighbor by the shoulder, and turn him out of it into the back seats or the street. You would be equally indignant if you should see a stout fellow thrust himself up to a table where some hungry children were being fed, and reach his arm over their heads and take their bread from them.

But you are not the least indignant if, when a man has stoutness of thought and swiftness of capacity, and, instead of being long-armed only, has the much greater gift of being long-headed, you think it perfectly just that he should use his intellect to take the bread out of the mouths of all the other men in the town who are in the same trade with

him; or use his breadth and sweep of sight to gather some branch of the commerce of the country into one great cobweb, of which he is himself the central spider, making every thread vibrate with the points of his claws, and commanding every avenue with the faces of his eyes. You see no injustice in this.

But there is injustice; and, let us trust, one of which honorable men will, at no very distant period, disdain to be guilty. In some degree, however, it is indeed not unjust; in some degree it is necessary and intended. It is assuredly just that idleness should be surpassed by energy; that the widest influence should be possessed by those who are best able to wield it, and that a wise man, at the end of his career, should be better off than a fool. But for that reason, is the fool to be wretched, utterly crushed down, and left in all the suffering which his conduct and capacity naturally inflict? Not so.

What do you suppose fools were made for, that you might tread upon them, and starve them, and get the better of them in every possible way? By no means. They were made that wise people might guide them and uplift them.

It is nothing to give a pension and a cottage to the widow who has lost her son; it is nothing to give food and medicine to the workman who has broken his arm, or the decrepit woman wasting in sickness. But it is something to use your time and strength in war with the waywardness and thoughtlessness of mankind; to keep the erring workman in your service till you have made him an unerring one, and to direct your fellow-merchant to the opportunity which his dullness would have lost.

For you, who have wealth in your hands, are in reality the pilots of the power and effort of the State. It is entrusted to you as an authority to be used for good or evil, just as completely as kingly authority was ever given to a prince, or military command to a captain. And, according to the quantity of it you have in your hands, you are arbiters of the will and work of the nation, and the whole issue, whether the work of the State shall suffice for the State or not, depends upon you. You may even stretch out your scepter over the heads of the laborers, and say to them, as they stoop to its swaying: "Subdue this obstacle that has baffled our fathers; put away this plague that consumes our children; water these dry places; plow these desert ones; carry this food to those who are in hunger; carry this light to those who are in darkness; carry this life to those who are in death." I trust that, in a little while, there will be few of our rich men who, through carelessness or covetousness, will forfeit the glorious office which is intended for their hands. Wealth well used is as the net of the sacred Fisher, who gathers souls

of men out of the deep. A time will come, I do not think it is far from us, when this golden net of the world's wealth will be spread abroad as the flaming meshes of the morning cloud over the sky; bearing with them the joy of light and the dew of the morning, as well as the summons to honorable and peaceful toil.—From Success, September, 1900, pages 354-55.

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The Skin AN INDEX TO THE BLOOD

Millions of little glands or tubes connect the blood with the skin, and through these small drain pipes perspiration passes out, carrying with it the impurities that are thrown off by the blood. Should the pores of the skin be entirely closed for even a brief space of time, and the poisonous matter forced back into the circulation, instant death would result. In addition to the sweat glands, the skin is provided with certain others which pour out upon it an oily substance, keeping the skin pliable and soft and protecting it from heat and cold. The blood and skin are so closely related that whatever affects one seriously interferes with the functions of the other. Not only health, but life itself, depends upon perfect harmony between the blood and skin. When, therefore, the blood becomes poisoned from any cause, it quickly **Internal and External Poisons** manifests itself upon the skin in the form of sores and ulcers, pimples and various eruptive diseases. By the character of the sore we are enabled to determine the nature of the poison or humor in the blood, as every disease originating in the blood has its own peculiar sore or pimple. The skin is not only affected by the poisons generated in the system, but poisons from without enter through the open glands or pores and quickly infect the blood. Mercury rubbed upon the skin will produce Rheumatism, and Poison Oak and Ivy and other wild plants gain easy access to the blood through the skin. As so-called skin diseases originate in the blood, the application of powders, soaps and washes can do no permanent good, but often do immense damage by closing up the outlet to these little tubes and interfering with the natural action of the skin. The treatment must begin with the blood, and the acid or other poisons antiodated or neutralized. S. S. S. does this and purifies the circulation, builds up the blood and flushes the little glands or pores with pure, new blood, and restores healthy action to the skin. The use of cosmetics never yet brought health and beauty to a rough, red, pimply skin or sallow complexion. What is needed is rich, pure blood, such as S. S. S. makes. It not only relieves you of all disfiguring blackheads, blotches and irritating, itching eruptions, but improves your general health. S. S. S. contains no mercury, potash, arsenic or other mineral, but is a purely vegetable remedy and the safest and best in all blood and skin troubles. Write our physicians for advice or information; they have made a study of blood and skin diseases, and you can have the best medical advice without cost. Book on Blood and Skin Diseases free.

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HOLIMAN.—Rosa L., daughter of Stephen and Minnie Holiman, born January 9, 1884, and after a long illness passed from this life to her reward on July 24, 1901.

Rosa was a good girl, though she never made any public profession of religion.

We have all reason to believe that Rosa is in heaven, for in her last illness she prayed most earnestly. We have a Savior that can reach down in the last moments of life and save those that call upon him, as he did the thief on the cross.

The subject of this sketch is a sister to the wife of this writer. The Lord works in a mysterious way his wonders to perform, and this stroke of Divine Providence will draw us all nearer to our heavenly home.

As I sat and held the hand of Rosa and saw her quietly away, I was more impressed to go and tell the story of Jesus and his love to dying men. So I will say to the bereaved father and mother, brothers and sisters, look to him who doeth all things well and trust in Him, and He will bring you safely to your home in the skies where Rosa now is. Her pastor,

T. H. Crowder.

JACOBS.—Mrs. Emma A. Jacobs was born June 15, 1860, in Ettawamba county, Mississippi, professed religion about the age of 15 years; was married to J. L. Jacobs August 11, 1881; died April 5, 1901, of that dreadful disease, consumption. It was not my privilege to know Sister Jacobs except for four months. She was never permitted to attend church services after I took charge of the church of which she was a member, but I would visit her every time I preached at the appointment, and would always find her bearing her afflictions with Christian patience and resignation. What a comfort and joy Christian people get out of religion in times of affliction and sorrow. I have learned from her neighbors that she was a good woman. That is the best thing that can be said of man or woman. Yea, the Bible says "A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches." And now having fought the good fight, and having finished her course she has gone up to possess her inheritance, which includes glory, immortality and eternal life. Since the death of Sister Jacobs her little babe has died and been carried into the "blissful regions of immortality." I would say to Bro. Jacobs, "weep not but look up, for if you are faithful to God in this life, you will meet wife and babe in the sweet bye and bye." May God bless Bro. Jacobs, the four boys and little girl, and bring them at last into the saints' everlasting rest. The funeral services were held in the room where the good woman died. Then her body was carried to the cemetery at Dobyville and laid to rest in the presence of a large congregation.

J. M. G. Douglas.

EVANS.—Mrs. Mary J. (nee Holloway), was born in Tennessee July 30, 1829, was married to Mr. Sewell Evans November 9, 1847, and died at her home in Dalark, Ark., July 7, 1901.

The death of this most estimable Christian woman brings up memories of my very first days in the ministry, when, in 1853, I preached in a little log

school house, then called New Hope, but now Rock Spring, in the western part of Dallas county, where there lived a few families, whose names deserve to go down in history as pioneers of Methodism in this state—the Holloways, the Adamases, the Hudsons and the Evanses. The subject of this sketch I believe was the last charter member of the church, originally organized in that community, and the last one of dear Mother Judith Holloway's children. That they have all gathered together on that beautiful shore, happy beyond all conception, and forever to be so, no one who knew them as this writer did will question for a moment. In years subsequent to 1853, I was pastor, and was a frequent visitor to the home of Bro. and Sister Evans. I always found a pleasant home there, and their children emulated their parents' example in this regard.

Sister Evans, while not particularly demonstrative in her religious life was nevertheless, a true disciple of her Lord, she enjoyed the witness of the Spirit that she was a child of God, and his love was shed abroad in her heart, and I have often seen her very happy in a Savior's love. She was firm in faith, consistent in life. She did what she could while she lived—a blessing to her husband and children, and loved and revered by all who knew her. Her last illness was brief, and she was not permitted to leave a dying testimony. But this, in view of her fifty years and more of godly living, was not needed. She leaves to her children the heritage of a Christian mother's example. You will not, surely you cannot forget her life, her prayers, and all that she did for you to teach and draw you on the way to heaven. The dear family is much divided now; part have crossed the flood, and over there, where there is no death, they await the coming of surviving kindred.

That the parents may have the joy of saying, at the great rising day, "Here Lord are we and all the children thou gavest us," sincerely prays their former pastor.

James E. Caldwell.

Tulip, Ark.

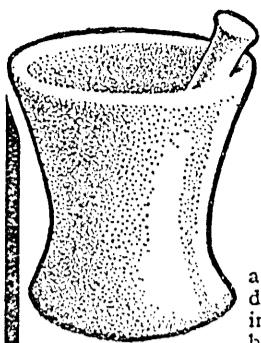
DETHERAGE—William Detherage was born in Madison county, Tenn., August 12, 1833, and died at the home of his brother in Dallas county, Ark., June the 18th, 1901.

The writer had been acquainted with him about twenty years. During all these years he was a wicked man. When he sent for me to visit and counsel him regarding the interests of his soul I was much surprised, for I had supposed he would ask counsel of anyone else rather than a preacher.

On reaching his bedside he was found to be very humble and penitent. He said he had done all he could and hoped the Lord had forgiven the wickedness of his long life, and desired to be received into the church. His desire was granted. He took the vow of membership with apparent delight. At that time he seemed hopeful that he might live to reinforce his profession with a consistent Christian life. But the next day he died.

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Robt. C. Atchley.

KEITH.—Sister Mary A. Keith was born in Edinburg, Bradley County, Ark., (now Cleveland County); was baptized in infancy by A. R. Winfield. Joined the church at the age of six years. She lived in Cleveland County until the year 1895. Moved with her father and family to Beakiss, Texas. Departed this life July 27, 1901. Her parents being old-fashioned Methodists she imbibed the doctrine of Christianity in its fullness. Her life as a consecrated Christian was felt by all with whom she was associated.

Sunday school work was her delight. Love and kindness to all was her motto, doing good her purpose, pleasing and praising God her highest aspiration.

Dear Alice! with us no more, God has called her home. She "being dead yet speaketh." Sweet memories cluster

round our hearts today. Her voice is heard no more on earth, but swells the choir in heaven. She handles no more the church organ, but has a golden harp and crown. The vacant chair at home only calls our anxious hearts upward and onward to meet her in glory. She has left father and mother, four sisters and one brother, all members of the Methodist church. Her body sleeps in the cemetery and will rest until God shall call the nations of the dead to immortal glory. Hallelujah and amen.

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Quarterly Meetings.

Prescott District, Fourth Round, W. F. Evans, P. E.

October: Richmond, 5, 6; Saline, 12, 13; De Anne, 19, 20; Prescott, 20, 21; Mineral Springs, 26, 27; Washington, 27, 28.

Let all the pastors see that the trustees make reports on church property.

Arkadelphia District, fourth round, T. H. Ware, P. E.

October—Dalark, 5 and 6; Lono, 12 and 13; Princeton, 19 and 20; Traskwood, 26 and 27.

Harrison, District, fourth round, Pierce Merrill, P. E.

October—Lone Rock Mission at Lone Rock, 2 and 3; Mountain Home Circuit, at Shiloh, 5 and 6; Mountain Home Station 6 and 7; Yellville Circuit at Pleasant Ridge, 12 and 13; Yellville Station, 13 and 14; Carrollton Circuit, at Carrollton, 19 and 20; Green Forest Mission at Green Forest, 26 and 27.

We shall expect if possible a full attendance of all the officials with their reports at these meetings. Come, brethren, do not be content with anything short of paying your pastor's salaries in full. We want you to do your whole duty. "It is ordained of God they that preach the gospel, must live of the gospel."

Fort Smith District, fourth round, H. Hanesworth, P. E.

Sugar Grove Circuit, October 5 and 6; Booneville Station, 6 and 7; Mansfield Circuit 12 and 13; Huntington Station, 13 and 14; Magazine Circuit, 19 and 20; Paris Station, 20 and 21; Waldron Circuit, 26 and 27; Fouche Circuit, 27 and 28; Cauthron Circuit, November 2 and 3.

Searcy District, fourth round, M. M. Smith, P. E.

October—Beebe and Bald Knob, 5 and 6; West Searcy, 12 and 13; Mineral, 19 and 20; Argenta, 26 and 27.

Will the pastors see that the trustees have their written reports ready at this quarter.

Morrilton District, fourth round, William Sherman, P. E.

October—Plummerville Circuit, at Plummerville, 5 and 6; Morrilton Station, 6 and 7; Morganton Circuit, at Goodloe Chapel, 12 and 13; Quitman Station, 13 and 14; Adona Mission, 19 and 20; Perryville Mission, 20 and 21; Conway Station, 22; Martinville Circuit, at Batesville Church, 26 and 27; Springfield Circuit, 27 and 28.

Camden District, fourth round, R. R. Moore, P. E.

October—El Dorado Circuit, at Bethel, 5, 6; El Dorado Station, 6, 7; Lapile Circuit, 10; Junction City, 12, 13; Magnolia Circuit, 19, 20; Magnolia Station, 20, 21; Atlanta Circuit, 26, 27.

Batesville District, fourth round, J. K. Farris, P. E.

October—Calamine, 5, 6; Cushman, 5, 6; Ash Flat, 12, 13; Evening Shade, 12, 13; Batesville, 20, 21; Jamestown, 24; Cedar Grove, 26, 27.

Fayetteville District, fourth round, S. Anderson, P. E.

September—Bentonville Station, 1, 2; Farmington Circuit at Farmington, 7, 8; Fayetteville Station, 8, 9; Gravette Circuit at Decatur, 14, 15; Gentry Circuit, Siloam Springs, 21, 22; Elm Springs Circuit at Thornsbury, 22, 23; Cincinnati Circuit at Amity,

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28, 29; Boonsboro Circuit at Boonsboro, 29, 30.

Little Rock District, fourth round, J. H. Rigglin, P. E.

October—Mabelvale, 5, 6; Austin, 12, 13; Hickory Plains, 19, 20; Bryant at Bethel, 26, 27; Maumell, 30.

Dardanelle District, fourth round, J. M. Cantrell, P. E.

October—Gravelly Circuit, at Ion's Creek, 5, 6; Rover Circuit, at Rover, 12, 13; Danville and Ola, at Ola, 13, 14; Spring Hill and Bethlehem, 18, 19; Clarksville Circuit, 19, 20; Coal Hill and Altus, at Coal Hill, 24; Ozark Circuit, 25, 26; Ozark Station, 27, 28.

Pine Bluff District, fourth round: September—Swan Lake, 21-22; Altheimer, 23, 24; Gillett at Camp Shed, 28, 29.

October—Redfield, 5, 6; Rison at Moor's church, 12, 13; Kingsland at Cross Roads, 19, 20; Rowell at Center, 21, 22; Sheridan, 26, 27.

Stuttgart and Pine Bluff churches announced.

Paragould District, fourth round, J. I. Maynard, P. E.

October—Boydsville circuit, 5, 6; Piggott circuit, 7; Reyno circuit, 12, 13; Corning station, 14; Knoble mission, 15; Gainville circuit, 16; Poca-bontas circuit, 19, 20; Siloam circuit,

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