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News and Notes.

The General Conference.

The fourteenth quadrennial session of the General Conference of the M. E. Church, South, assembled in the Auditorium at Dallas, Texas, May 7, 1902. The space reserved for delegates in the center of the hall and opposite the rostrum was well filled; right and left were hundreds of visitors. On the rostrum were seated Bishops A. W. Wilson, R. K. Hargrove, J. C. Granbery, Joseph S. Key, E. R. Hendrix, W. W. Duncan, C. B. Galloway, H. C. Morrison, Warren Candler. Bishop Wilson took the chair and called the body to order at 9:30 a. m. He announced hymn 221:

"Draw near, O Son of God, draw near,
Us with thy flaming eye behold;
Still in thy church vouchsafe to appear,
And let Thy candlestick be gold."

This supplication in a mighty volume of song rose to the Great Head of the church for his guidance. At the close of the hymn Bishop Hargrove led the body in a fervent prayer for the continued blessing and guidance of the Lord. Then appropriate selections from the Word of God were read by Bishops Hendrix and Candler. Bishop Morrison read hymn 191, and the assembly was led in prayer by Dr. Anson West, of the North Alabama Conference. After this Bishop Wilson called upon Dr. J. J. Tigert, secretary of the last General Conference, to call the roll of the conference assembled. When the name of H. C. Morrison, a lay delegate from the Louisville Conference, was called Dr. J. W. Boswell, editor of the New Orleans Christian Advocate, rose and challenged Brother Morrison's right to a seat in the body, upon the ground that he had not been a member of the church for six consecutive years before election, as required by law. The case was referred to the Committee on Credentials. The names of John W. Hidt and W. R. Power, of the North Georgia Conference, which had been left off of the roll, were also referred to the Committee on Credentials.

Dr. J. J. Tigert was elected secretary of the conference by a rising vote. He appointed as assistants, Rev. A. F. Watkins, of the Mississippi Conference, and J. M. Barkus, of the Northwest Texas Conference. His excellency, J. D. Sayers, governor of the State of Texas, was then introduced to the conference by Bishop Wilson, and delivered an appropriate address of welcome. He expressed the appreciation of the people of the state of the assembling of the great conference in their bounds. Among their people, he said, were 751 Methodist preachers, and 200,000 members of the Methodist church. He referred to the first conference of the church held in the state of Texas, at Rutersville, in 1840, Bishop Waugh presiding. Thos. O. Summers secretary. Then there were seventeen itinerant and twenty-five local preachers, and sixteen hundred and twenty-three members.

Hon. Ben Campbell, mayor of Dallas, then, in a few words, welcomed

the conference to the hospitalities of the city of Dallas. He was followed by E. B. Perkins, who, in earnest words, well weighed, spoke of the influence of a consecrated ministry.

Dr. G. C. Rankin, editor of the Texas Christian Advocate, made a felicitous speech; and all these welcomes were replied to by Bishop Galloway in a few words.

On motion of Dr. E. E. Hoss, a resolution of kind remembrance and Christian love was sent to Bishop J. C. Keener; also one of love and sympathy to Bishop Fitzgerald, on account of the death of his daughter, Mrs. Banks.

A resolution of sympathy with the venerable Presbyterian, Dr. B. M. Palmer, of New Orleans, whose life is in peril from a recent accident, was offered by Dr. Horace Bishop, of the Northwest Texas Conference, and unanimously adopted.

The times of meeting and adjournment were fixed at 9 a. m. and 1 p. m.

THE EPISCOPAL ADDRESS.

The Episcopal Address was read by Bishop Duncan. The reading was distinctly heard and occupied an hour and a quarter. The paper was regarded as a very able deliverance. Several questions which will be before this body were alluded to with sufficient indication in several cases of the mind of the Episcopal College.

The address, omitting introductory remarks and with some abbreviations, is here given. After reciting the early triumphs of the church it proceeds:

"A reference to the causes of the wonderful success of the early Methodists may be both helpful and suggestive. In the first decades of Methodism the ministry and laity were distinguished by their holy living and unquenchable zeal. Full of faith and the Holy Ghost the preachers were not influenced by improper motives or unworthy ambitions, but, with few friends, and receiving scanty support, they unselfishly and joyously labored in conscious fellowship with their Lord. The fundamental doctrines of the Bible; the fall of man and his recovery through the atonement of a present Savior; the forgiveness of sin; the witness of the Spirit; the adoption into the family of God and perfect love, were the themes of their preaching. They were truly itinerant, not waiting on the call of communities or the appropriations of Church Boards, but going into the highways, in sparsely settled rural districts and in the streets and commons of the towns and cities where there were no church buildings, but where there was opposition and often persecution, they preached the Word of Life to all classes and conditions of men and planted the Methodist Church. They were not hindered in their work through a seeming obligation to instruct the people in philosophy and science and all sociological problems as platform lecturers, but they were simple preachers of righteousness, who, 'by manifestation of the truth commended themselves to every man's conscience in the fear of God.' The pulpit was their throne of power, the Word of God their only message, and

the Holy Spirit their abiding witness.

We shall greatly rejoice if an analysis of the present state of our Methodism shall reveal that our ministers and people are as earnest and zealous in their work, as exemplary in their lives, as faithful in declaring and practicing the cardinal doctrines of the Bible, and as fully consecrated to our itineracy in its integrity, as were the fathers, and as our high calling demands. We would not indulge in unpleasant comparisons, for our conditions and complex civilization are very different from those of our predecessors, and yet the 38,085 net gain for our four years' service confronts us and calls for prayerful consideration. We trust we will not be misunderstood in these suggestive statements. We rejoice that multitudes of our people are truly spiritual, and live as becometh the children of God, keeping themselves unspotted from the world. They are also distinguished by their prompt and generous response to all the claims of their church. We are thankful that the fruits of the Spirit are manifest among us, and that 'The Lord of Hosts is with us and the God of Jacob is our refuge.'

PULPIT

While the general average of the pulpit is much higher than fifty years ago, it is nevertheless true that there is a growing demand for a better equipped ministry than we now have. The large city church has become a great problem, and calls for the highest order of mental equipment as well as Christian character. Our civilization is centering its forces around commerce, and sending its currents out from large cities. Churches with stable pastorates have advantage in building influential city churches, which we cannot any longer ignore. To meet this problem and be co-operative with other churches, we must bring to this work men of great strength. Your Bishops have been greatly embarrassed in their efforts to meet these difficulties, and have frequently been under the necessity of transferring preachers across the continent. It is to be regretted that these efforts, through unfriendly criticisms, have failed to bring to imperilled charges the needed relief, and at the same time have seriously impaired the effectiveness of Episcopal administration.

To better equip the young men called to the ministry of Christ, the presiding elders and pastors who first touch and influence them should persuade them to enter our colleges for the best training, and our colleges should insist on their doing graduate work in our Theological Seminary. This department of our educational work should be immediately strengthened. There is no reason why it cannot be done, and there are many reasons why it should be done. The chief difficulty is that the church at large has too little conscience in the matter of the highest training for the ministry; and while no criticism is intended in this strong statement, it is intended to directly point out an evil demanding prompt correction. The correction is with the presiding el-

ders and pastors, and any indifference among preachers and laymen to the development of a great theological school must largely remain with them.

The following recommendation of the Board of Education we trust will receive your patient consideration:

The Board of Education recommends that when an applicant for admission into our traveling connection, or an undergraduate in an Annual Conference, shall present the certificate of one of our universities or colleges approved by the board, that he has passed a satisfactory examination on any book in our course of study, it shall be accepted in lieu of examination on those books by the Conference Committee. This seems to us a just and wholesome provision.

HURTFUL CRITICISM.

During the last decade there has developed a spirit and tendency among us which has made your General Superintendents very solicitous about the peace and integrity of the church. We would remind you that in civics and theology Methodism rests upon the cardinal doctrine of human freedom, and in the development of American liberty it has been one of its strongest supports. Yet Methodism has never interpreted liberty to mean license or looseness. The tendency of political parties and individuals to deal in harsh and criminating criticisms, both on the hustings and through the newspapers, has manifested itself in the church, and has done much harm. The church paper is not the forum in which disputes are to be settled. Church contentions are of so grave a nature as to demand a sanctity and call for reverential dealings. Therefore the polity of our church has arranged for modest and Christian bodies to adjust these matters in a quiet and sincere manner. No grievance can arise for which there is no worthy provision. No good can ever come of trying a brother in the columns of a church paper, whether he is a private member of the church, or a connectional officer filling the most responsible place. Only confusion, disorganization, and hatred can come from such procedure, and the time has come when some positive action should be taken to secure the church against this unfair and ungodly method.

We devoutly pray that the great Head of the Church may lead us into that perfect love which casteth out fear and to that divine charity which "beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things."

The uniformity of public worship is a matter of importance, and the order of service prescribed by our Book of Discipline is admirably adapted to the spirit and purposes of Methodism. It preserves a due proportion of prayer, praise and the preaching of the Word. While Methodism is a preaching faith, it has always emphasized the service of song as a part of the worship of the sanctuary, a joyful means of grace, and not a musical performance. Its hymns in their sentiments and doctrinal statements have ever been a most potent teacher of Methodist doctrine. It will be an un-

fortunate day for the Methodist church when the rendition of the best musical selections by professionals or amateurs shall become the chief attraction of the house of God, rather than the Word of Life from lips touched with a live coal from the altar of the upper sanctuary.

When it was proposed in the General Conference of 1886 to modify our order of service, the Conference refused to give its approval to the proposition. But we have observed in many places that individuals have assumed to do what the General Conference refused to allow. We would not hinder spontaneity in devotion or freedom of worship, but we submit that in our order of service there is ample room for all that can be reasonably desired in this direction, and that all our people have a right to such uniformity as shall enable them to worship in any of our churches, wherever they be, without embarrassment or confusion. It is hoped that the General Conference will take such action as will preserve this right by arresting unauthorized liberties upon the part of those pastors and congregations as seem inclined to set aside our established order for one of their own creation.

SUPERANNUATES.

We refer, for your most generous consideration, the claims of our superannuated brethren and the widows and orphans of our deceased preachers. These appeal to our sympathies and liberal support as no other class in our communion. Worn out in our service through years of hardship and exacting labors, painfully conscious of their inability to respond to the call of their Lord, these noble men feel keenly their poverty and dependence, as well as their suffering from a meager support. The lonely widow who has shared with her husband the pri-

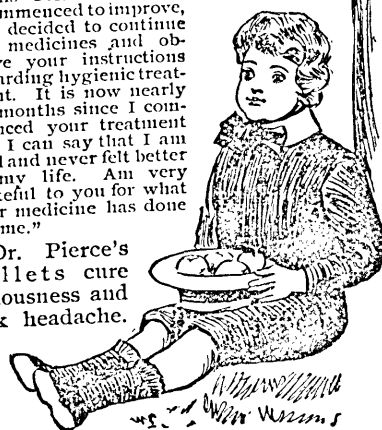
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vations of the itinerancy and helped to lay, amid tears, the foundations upon which we are building, should receive for her sustenance and comfort and for her helpless children more generously of our prosperity. We trust you will be able to inaugurate a plan whereby a fund of at least \$100,000 shall be secured during the quadrennium for the benefit of these precious and deserving ones, the elect of the church. The world pensions its faithful soldiers. Shall the church of the Son of God do less?

LOCAL PREACHERS.

The present law of the church concerning the local preacher produces very often so much friction, and therefore operates so unsatisfactorily, that we would suggest such modifications and changes in the laws as will secure the much needed relief. Especially does the law work great hardship in the small Home Missions Conferences, where the poverty of the applicants and the great distances and expense of travel are a bar to their existence at the District Conference for examination. The purpose of the legislation whereby the licensing of preachers was carried from the quarterly to the district conference was to raise the standard of ministerial qualifications, and this purpose should be maintained. Yet, ought not the conference which passes upon ministerial character be the source of ministerial authority? Again, ought not the opportunity for licensing preachers to be afforded oftener than once a year? This whole subject we recommend to your attention, expressing the hope that in your wisdom you will devise such legislation as will, while preserving a high standard of ministerial qualifications, unify the laws of the church affecting the local preacher, and guard against any depletion of the ministry by a too frequent opportunity for seeking and granting license. We would in this connection draw attention to the fact that in foreign missions the Bishops have authority to ordain men at discretion, but not license them. In fields where we have no district conference this fact, under the present law, works great inconvenience, and may do much harm.

The local preacher is in no legal or technical sense an assistant preacher. He is an official member and in his relation to the preacher in charge a helper to do such work and at such time and place as he, the pastor, may direct and according to his plan. The pastor rarely needs him in the organized work, but in the mission territory that may be in the bounds of his charge. It was never contemplated by the law of the church that the local preacher should have a roving commission for exercising the functions of his office in places of his own selection and beyond the jurisdiction of the body to which he was amenable for his character and work. He is as much under law as the itinerant preacher. We suggest that our law should provide that in whatever charge the local preacher exercise his office, whether for a day or a longer period of time, there he shall be held responsible for his character and conduct; and if he violates any church law or offends against Christian and ministerial propriety, he shall be answerable to the quarterly conference in whose bounds the offense is committed.

CHURCH EXTENSION.

The exhibit of the Church Extension Board of its operations during the quadrennium is very encouraging.

We are glad to note an increase in its receipts. Its Loan Fund, a very important feature of its work, has been

able to save many church buildings imperiled by debt and unwise administration. This fund should steadily and rapidly grow, and we invoke your influence throughout the connection in behalf of securing bequests and donations to this fund. The administration of the Board is strikingly conservative and challenges the inspection of the most critical. In 1886 our church owned 10,951 church buildings, valued at \$13,835,149. We now have 14,692 church buildings valued at \$23,153,299; 5,603 of these buildings have been aided by donations and loans from the General and Conference Boards, amounting to \$1,426,287. Amount paid on assessments during the last quadrennium, \$259,815. The amount collected of principal and interest on loans, \$158,494. Loans made during this period, \$184,245.

MISSIONS.

The missionary work of the church is the greatest of all her enterprises and movements. The church not truly missionary in her spirit, plans and purposes is radically defective and not in sympathy with her Great Head, and therefore not entitled to be called a part of the church of Christ. Where there is a living, loving union with the Son of God there will be an intelligent conviction and a missionary conscience in the church manifested in the regular annual contributions to missions. At this point there has been a decided advance during the quadrennium, the regular collections having increased from \$230,494 in 1898 to \$292,057 in 1902. The increase during the last quadrennium over the preceding one was \$113,159.

We rejoice that our China Mission has taken on new life. By a gracious providence the whole of Central China remained undisturbed during the Boxer insurrection, and our workers, both foreign and native, are at their posts and in the midst of a forward movement, which includes the establishment of a large educational enterprise in Soochow, and the widening of our evangelistic work until it includes several walled cities, and a hitherto unreached population numbering from five to ten millions.

A great revival has recently swept over Japan, quickening especially the centers of student life. In Korea the doors are opening everywhere, and there are no limitations to the possibilities for reaching the people, save the smallness of the missionary force.

Brazil stands foremost in growth of membership, in self-support, and in contributions to the Twentieth Century Thank Offering. The transfer to our Board of the Rio Grande de Sul Mission by the authorities of the Methodist Episcopal Church is suggestive of missionary comity and practical federation at other points. The addition of this territory gives increased emphasis to the necessity for building and equipping Granbery College, our only institution for training native preachers.

In Mexico the building of several churches and the adoption of a policy of self-support, together with the opening of medical work in Monterey and at San Luis Potosi, are the best indications of complete adjustment and of a hopeful and aggressive spirit.

By an understanding between the boards of the two churches, the Methodist Episcopal church entered Porto Rico, and our own was left to the complete occupation of Cuba. This field but the returns are amply justifying the outlay.

With the opening of land in the Indian Territory our western work has assumed greater importance. An entire district was added last year to



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the Indian Mission Conference.

It is significant that three out of the seven conferences paying their apportionment in full, were the Montana, the New Mexico and the Los Angeles. Two others were west of the Mississippi River, the East Texas and the Northwest Texas.

It is a very encouraging fact that our mission churches respond with notable liberality to the Twentieth Century Educational Fund, having pledged \$42,150, with some help from the missionaries as their thank-offering. That is an average of nearly \$4 per member. Nothing has so stirred our missionaries as the heroic self-denial of the native converts, giving, as they have, out of their poverty to the great cause of Christian education.

The Epworth League in this connection deserves special recognition for the splendid service rendered the missionary cause. It has enabled the board, by special contributions, while burdened with its missionary debt, to enter Korea, to maintain its own in China, and to throw its first contingent into Cuba. Since 1895 the Leagues have contributed \$29,000 in "specials." By active co-operation with our presiding elders and pastors invaluable service has been rendered in working out a plan for securing the regular collections in full. The most valuable and permanent contribution, perhaps, has been the adoption of a systematic study of missions looking to the creation of a missionary conscience among the young people.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. There should be a decided increase in the missionary apportionment, and that should be a minimum of the offerings of the church for missions, and to this our people should be urged until one-half million dollars is annually given.

2. Increased emphasis should be put

upon bequests. Other churches have a large annual income from this source which can be applied to securing property for churches and colleges, and their full equipment.

3. Generous provision for the office, that in secretarial staff, clerical force and general furnishings it may be equal to all demands that may be made upon it.

4. Closer relations between the annual conference Board of Missions and the general board, together with the holding of mid-year meetings by the conference board, which shall insure ample time for the review of the work and the discussion of conditions in domestic fields.

5. A policy for our western work which looks to specific appropriation by the general board to specific charges; preachers appointed to such charges to be accepted on a missionary basis, and such provision made as shall look to self-support at the earliest possible date.

6. The establishment of a system of city missions, under the auspices of the general board. This we submit in view of the growth of our cities and factory populations.

W. F. AND H. M. BOARDS.

The fostering care you have bestowed upon the Woman's Foreign Missionary and the Woman's Home Missionary Societies has greatly encouraged, and has been exceedingly helpful to them in carrying forward the good work in which they are engaged at home and in foreign fields. They are not in any sense rivals, save in that of provoking each other to love and good works. While in the foreign field the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has been a faithful and successful collaborator, and its administration has shown rare skill as well as marked energy in its work, the Woman's Home Missionary Society has been equally as distinguished in its devotion to its work and its wise management of the interests committed to its oversight. The work of these societies has developed a power in the church long latent; and it is impossible to estimate the beneficial results from the ever increasing activities of so large a number of consecrated Christian women. We commend them to your most kindly consideration, trusting that you will in your legislation do all you can to strengthen and increase their efficiency within their chosen scriptural limitations.

THE SCARRITT BIBLE AND TRAINING SCHOOL.

The Scarritt Bible and Training School for missionaries and other Christian workers is so well meeting the expectations of its founders and liberal benefactors that, after ten years of faithful work, its enrollment shows over 300 students as having been in attendance, and nearly 100 graduates have gone out from its halls.

Twenty-seven states have been represented in its student body. The Woman's Board of Missions now requires that all its missionaries shall have first availed themselves of its training before going to the foreign field, and the Woman's Home Missionary Board is arranging to be represented in its faculty by the capable teacher, who is equipped for giving instruction in the best methods of city missionary work. We commend this worthy institution to the wise liberality of all interested in the work of women in the Christianization of the world. A bequest of \$1,800, left to one of the College of Bishops in trust, to be used for the conversion and education of women in missionary lands, we have recommended to be added to

the endowment of the training school as best serving the design of the testator.

DEACONESS.

There will be before you memorials from the Woman's Foreign Mission and Woman's Home Mission Societies, as well as from several of the annual conferences, asking that the order or office of Deaconess be created in the church. It is not surprising that there are a goodly number of devout women among us who are ready, at the call of the church, to separate themselves from the world, and give themselves wholly to such work as the authorities may indicate, and being trained, they may be able to do their work most effectually, free from any ordination vow, and therefore ready to retire whenever the providential indications so direct.

This we regard as a very grave matter, and should receive your most careful and prayerful consideration, so that whatever action you may take it may be taken in the fear of God, whose interests you represent, and to whom you are responsible for the advancement of His church in the earth. No more delicate and difficult problem will be before you for solution. May you have that wisdom which is profitable to direct, controlled by "the spirit of love, and of power, and of a sound mind."

THE BARNES HOSPITAL.

The interest from the bequest of a million dollars by the late Mr. Robert A. Barnes, of St. Louis, for the founding and maintaining of a hospital under the auspices of our church is now nearly sufficient to secure the necessary plant without infringing on the endowment. The grounds, building and equipment, which will far exceed in cost the \$100,000 originally provided by the will of the testator for that purpose, will give great satisfaction and justify the delay of the trustees until they had sufficient funds to secure a plant that would comport with so large an endowment.

CONFERENCES.

We deem it proper to call your attention to the conferences in the northwest, the southwest and on the "Pacific Slope," which are aided by your mission and church extension boards. Amid numerous difficulties and embarrassments, unexperienced in our older and larger conferences, these small conferences have carried forward their work, building churches, parsonages and founding schools while some of them pay their full mis-

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sion assessments and a large per capita for all the claims of the church. Their heroism and fidelity are worthy of the best days of Methodism and deserve most honorable mention. There should be larger appropriations to some parts of this territory. We must strengthen ourselves in the cities and growing towns. The rural districts, save in exceptional cases, can provide support for themselves, when served by competent and consecrated men, but to maintain a growing occupancy of the cities it is imperative that large help be given by our board.

The wisdom of multiplying small conferences is very questionable. We are not unmindful of the reasons urged for such a policy, and yet after personal survey of the field and a careful study of conditions in these conferences we regard it as needful that you freely and fully consider the advisability of lessening their number. We would suggest the union of the Pacific and Los Angeles Conferences, or the transfer of the Los Angeles District of the latter conference to the Pacific, and the transfer of the Phoenix District of the Los Angeles Conference to the New Mexico Conference. The union or consolidation of some of our northwestern conferences might be very advantageous to their interest.

ECUMENICAL CONFERENCE.

The Third Methodist Ecumenical Conference met in the city of London, Septemehr 4, 1901. Our church was represented by about sixty delegates, ministers and laymen, including three of her Bishops. To our church was accorded the distinguished honor of having one of her Bishops, Bishop Charles B. Galloway, assigned to the high duty of preaching the opening sermon of the conference. As the representatives of the church, we are thankful for his wise, well chosen words, so in harmony with the utterances of the fathers of Methodism and so appropriate to the occasion and the place.

EDUCATION.

We must insist before our people that there is a clear and distinct reason for the church engaging in higher education other than may be claimed for and by state colleges. Unless our people have faith in a distinctive Christian education they will show a vexing liberty of conscience in patronizing all kinds of colleges. If the state can and will do what we think the church can only do in this work; and if the only difference between church and state education is one of buildings and grounds, libraries and laboratories, and the accidental strength of teachers, then we should retire from this work, for the odds are against us and we are fighting a losing battle. There is an issue of eternal consequence in this rivalry and the truth is on the side of the church, and that truth demands statements and enforcement.

The report of your Board of Education shows that there are one hundred and two secondary schools owned by the church, while some nine others are under the patronage of the church. Many of the schools were formerly ranked as colleges, but since the action of the Commission of Education appointed at the last General Conference, they have been classified as secondary. While a number of these schools, called and chartered as colleges, have done and are doing good and honest work within certain limitations, yet they have been unwisely multiplied. We would submit several reasons why such multiplication is not advisable. First: Secondary education does not involve those lines of study which jeopardize faith. Second:



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The number of students entering our colleges from these schools does not warrant investment in them as feeders of the church college. Third: The rapid growth of the public graded schools is crippling the individual secondary school and lessening its opportunities, thus putting in peril our investments in that kind of educational work. Fourth: A number of secondary schools in an annual conference tend to create educational friction, growing in some instances into contentions and antagonisms. Fifth: Experience has taught us that we have possibly lost more of these schools than we have saved.

It would therefore seem wiser for the church to establish preparatory, or fitting schools, and also to co-operate in the development of educational sentiment and local high schools by securing Christian teachers and directors for such schools that their influence may always make for righteousness.

COLLEGES.

There are seventeen colleges belonging to the church. Of this number five own less than a hundred thousand dollars' worth of property in grounds and buildings, while two own property valued at more than two hundred thousand dollars, and one, property valued at more than three hun-

dred thousand dollars. In scientific and library equipments the statistics show a great lack. The total endowment of these seventeen colleges amounts to one million three hundred and seventy-four thousand, eight hundred and eighty-four dollars, making an average of less than one hundred thousand dollars' endowment to each college. It is therefore very evident that the chief difficulty in our educational operations is a lack of money. Methodism has been a great economic as well as spiritual power, teaching men habits of industry and economy which have brought us great wealth, and poverty cannot explain a financial deficiency in the endowments and equipments of our institutions of learning. Methodism must learn how to control wealth, for the Gospel has a mission to wealth as well as to poverty, and an inability to influence the right use of wealth is a sign of weakness in spiritual power. With a well organized system in which there is to be no waste of means, with institutions directed toward definite aims and kept in positive relations to all problems of our civilization, trying to build that which is approved in society, in government, in industry, and in character, there is no reason why our colleges should not command large benefactions, and in due time be able to command a sufficient number of men of high order, and secure all necessary equipments for doing the best class of college training.

Aside from these institutional needs, there is a serious need of educational sentiment among our people. Too many Methodists are indifferent to the education of their sons and daughters. It is a part at least of our mission to save from the evils of ignorance as well as from the sins of drunkenness and profanity. The education of the child should be with every parent a matter of conscientious duty. We must educate all of our people in the duty of educating their children. This is certainly a supreme mission and opportunity of the church. Pastors are directly related to this problem, and the pastor's ministry that does not create a desire for knowledge can scarcely create the desires for higher things in our religion. There is an unfortunate indifference among too many of our preachers to this problem, while careless statements frequently made from the pulpit are positively in the interest of ignorance. The fact that a man may have faith in Christ without an education may be true, yet it is equally true that with an education he will have a more intelligent and therefore a stronger faith. It is not only a humiliating fact, but a dangerous one, that an apology for an uneducated ministry for itself must be largely a defense of ignorance.

VANDERBILT.

We have only one University. The Vanderbilt, which, with its buildings and grounds, valued at six hundred thousand dollars, and its scientific equipment valued at one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and an endowment of one million two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, is a worthy monument to its founder and benefactors.

It stands at the head of our educational system, and should always be the object of our profoundest concern. By the action of our last General Conference the University was brought into direct relation with the whole Church, and therefore it has the right to expect the support and friendly interest of all our people, and above all to receive from them

the means needed for future growth and usefulness.

The reports of the last quadrennium show the most satisfactory progress. The celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the University was a most notable occasion, proving the high esteem in which it is held by the educational world. To maintain its high rank and to keep in the forefront, its present endowment is manifestly insufficient. The fact should be noted that there is a considerable loss in income from the existing endowment through declining rates of interest. It should be mentioned that while gifts have come from our Church membership and friends to relieve the pressing needs during the past four years, the main help came from the family of the founder of the University.

We are thankful that we can report a healthy development of the educational work carried on jointly by our Church and the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church in America, as represented in those two excellent institutions, the Paine Institute, located at Augusta, Ga., and the Lane College, at Jackson, Tennessee. We feel assured that these two schools are doing all that could be reasonably expected of them in their financial limitations.

As the result of Bishop Lane's earnest efforts and untiring zeal, the main college building of Lane College has been completed and is now occupied. The reports furnished us of the work and discipline of this institution inspire confidence in the wisdom of its management. While our Church has no property interest in Lane College, and is not represented on its Board of Trustees, yet we provide for the salary of its President, who is one of our itinerant preachers, and give to it our sympathy, support and fostering care. It represents distinctively what the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church is doing in higher education of its people.

One hundred and fifty-eight have graduated from the Paine Institute since its formal opening in 1884. Not a few of the graduates have been called to fill some of the most responsible places in the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, and as ministers of the Gospel and school teachers have ministered savingly to the spiritual, intellectual, and social life of their people.

The present enrollment is two hundred and fifty, and the average age of the students is eighteen. Fifty young men are now preparing for the ministry. This is the only definite work we are doing for the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, organized by us a few decades ago. As this Church expands and grows there is an ever-enlarging need for educational work to be done for it by our Church. It should not be overlooked that this Church is not asking us to do this work for it, but while seeking our help, is resolutely and with much sacrifice contributing of its means to advance the education of its youth, for while the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, contributed last year to Paine Institute six thousand one hundred and eighty dollars and ninety-two cents (an amount far too small) the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church gave to Paine Institute alone four thousand one hundred and ten dollars.

We are encouraged by the fact that the Woman's Home Missionary Society is at work in behalf of the industrial education of the girls of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church. If the opportunity of doing good for

those who are of the household of faith lays upon us an obligation, this new enterprise of the women of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, demands our attention, approval and support.

PUBLISHING HOUSE.

We are thankful that our Publishing House continues to enjoy prosperity and enlargement. The sales of the House during the quadrennium have amounted to nearly one million five hundred thousand dollars, an increase in business over the preceding four years of about one hundred and eighty-six thousand dollars. The increase in the circulation of our periodicals will be about seventy-seven thousand eight hundred dollars. The report of the Book Committee and Book Agents will give you in detail what has been accomplished by this most valuable institution of the Church.

A large number of excellent books have been issued under the admirable supervision of the Book Editor, Rev. J. J. Tigert, D. D. which is a gratifying indication of the growth of authorship among our thoughtful and scholarly ministers and laymen.

In this connection we commend most cordially the Methodist Review (bi-monthly), a worthy exponent of the theological and philosophical progress of the day, which none of our preachers can afford to neglect, while its articles of general literary and scientific interest are of value and deserve the attention of our cultivated laity.

The "Christian Advocate," the organ of the General Conference and the whole Church, so ably edited by Rev. E. E. Hoss, D. D., merits a like commendation. It should be in all the homes of our people. As an intelligent advocate of Methodist doctrine and polity, and wise and conservative in its spirit and utterances, it should have a place in all the homes of our people.

Notwithstanding the great activity of the Publishing House, we regret that very little Church literature is read by many of our members and, therefore, large numbers of our youth are without the proper knowledge of the history, polity and doctrines of the Church. For this lack of Methodist publications in the homes of our people their pastors are responsible, for it is made their duty "to see that all the people within the bounds of their charges are duly supplied with our books and periodicals."

Since the last General Conference your Book Committee have opened a branch house at Dallas, Texas. The location is an admirable distributing point for our publications, and the outlook is very encouraging for a remunerative trade, helpful not only to our rapidly growing work in the Southwest, but to the whole Church through the increased business of your Publishing House.

Authorized by the action of the General Conference in 1898, the Book Committee employed Rev. R. P. Wilson, D. D., a member of the Pacific Annual Conference, to establish and conduct a Publishing House in Shanghai, China. In the autumn of 1901, Dr. Wilson, accompanied by the Junior Book Agent, Mr. D. M. Smith, went to Shanghai and employed an architect to design the buildings and to arrange other details of the enterprise. Since that time the contracts for the erection of the buildings have been let, and the contractors are pledged to finish their work by next July.

The Church has been disquieted by controversy concerning the methods employed in the collections of what is

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known as the "Publishing House War Claim." The relation of the Bishops to the question therein involved began with the meeting of the College of Bishops in the city of Nashville, Tenn., on July 4, 1898. The action then asked by Bishops was as follows: "While reaffirming the justice of our claim, payment for which has been sought for twenty-five years, we insist that the Church cannot afford to accept it as a gratuity, or on conditions that reflect on its honor. Inasmuch, therefore, as some Senators have affirmed on the floor of the Senate that they were induced to support the claim by misleading statements on the part of the representatives of the Church, statements, however, which did not affect the merits of our claim, we thereby give this assurance: that if the Senate by affirmative action declares that the passage of the bill was due to such misleading statements, we will take the proper steps to have the entire amount returned to the Government."

This action of the Bishops was formally and officially forwarded by their Secretary to the President of the Senate to be laid before that honorable body.

On May 5, 1899, your Bishops took the following action: "In considering what action should be taken by the College of Bishops following the action of the United States Senate on our communication to that body respecting our unwillingness for the Church, under conditions reflecting on our honor, to receive the payment of even so just a claim, as the claim of our Publishing House, which had been pending for over twenty-five years, we make the following statement: We find that the Senate after full investigation exonerated the Church from all censure, and we transfer to our record that official action, namely: 'Resolved, That the report of the committee made July 8, 1898, be approved, and that no censure should rest upon the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for the misstatements and concealments of the Book Agents in connection with the passage of the bill for the payment of the claim referred to in the letter of the Bishops now under consideration; that the injury resulting therefrom affected only the beneficiaries of the fund and not the United States, and the Senate should take no further action in the matter.' The Senate having then declared that the United

States sustained no injury in the passage of the bill and declined to take any further action in the matter, we have no occasion to make further communication to that body. As to the proper administration of the Book Agents and connectional officers, the law had specifically charged the Book Committee with that responsibility. We deplore any language used by the Book Agents that has been occasion of deep humiliation and action among the ministers and laymen of our beloved Church. We sympathize with their jealous concern for the good name of the Church, believing as we do, that even a just claim of the Church should be maintained only by methods perfectly candid and righteous.

"We have given much consideration to the communications sent to us under a misapprehension as to our authority. The Bishops have not had membership in the Book Committee since 1878, and that body is solely responsible to the General Conference. We recognize the distinguished courtesy of the United States Senate in its dealings with the church and its desires to protect the beneficiaries of the claim."

That your Bishops correctly interpreted the action of the United States Senate, we have the personal and authoritative assurance of a large majority of the Senators.

We call your attention to this whole matter, expressing the hope that you will take such action as will without injustice to any parties remove all cause of dissatisfaction, and all possible occasion of offense or reproach.

TWENTIETH CENTURY THANK OFFERING.

At the last General Conference it was determined to make a canvass throughout the connection under the direction of the Board of Education for the purpose of raising one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) for the support of the educational work of the Church. We are advised by the Board of Education that to date \$2,031,948 had been secured in cash and subscriptions; \$411,511 has been paid. We greatly regret that there have been very few gifts in large individual sums. We trust, and it is very important, that every subscription will be speedily paid. It is a great disappointment that the educational interests of our foreign mission field will realize very little from this thank-offering. It is very unfortunate that so large a part of the gifts were specifically directed by the givers, and generally to local institutions, and many of them secondary schools. While we would not indulge in any unkind criticism of even one of our brethren of the ministry, this fact should be stated that of the five thousand five hundred and twenty-one brethren in charge of congregations less than one thousand gave any satisfactory evidence of having made an earnest, persistent effort for a universal thank-offering in the interest of Christian education. For interesting facts and suggestive statements we refer you to the Seventh Annual Report of the Board of Education.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

You will give special attention to the needs and methods of the Sunday-school Department, which will come before you through the proper channels, for there is no interest more vital to the welfare of the Church than the literature of the young. We are thankful for the increase since the last quadrennial report to the General Conference, in teachers and scholars, and we feel assured that the

increase would appear larger if there had been a wise and careful census plan used systematically by all the schools. The increase in the circulation of literature is upwards of one hundred thousand, and this notwithstanding the fact that we entered upon the last quadrennium with a larger circulation than we had Sunday-school population.

There are two items, concerning which, in our judgment, the General Conference should take special action. 1st, A uniform system of reporting Sunday-school attendance, which will give the whole number enrolled through the year. There is no other way to secure historical accuracy in answering the question the minutes contain on this subject.

2nd. The universal adoption and use of the plan proposed by your Sunday-school Board for the qualification of teachers and advanced Bible students for doing rightly the work of Sunday-school teachers. The plan of the Board required a skillful and wisely trained hand for such work. We congratulate the Board on securing Dr. H. M. Hamill, for many years Field Secretary of the International Sunday-school Convention, to take charge of this work, and he is now employed as the General Superintendent of training work.

Methodism has always emphasized its Psalmody. The almost inspired hymns of John and Charles Wesley, their spiritual songs have won many from a life of sin, and quickened, strengthened and established many in their Methodist faith. And yet to-day in many of our Sunday-schools, and not a few of our congregations, instead of our admirable Hymn Book and our Young People's Hymnals Nos. 1 and 2, prepared by our Sunday-school Editor, and there are none better in the land, we find too often a foreign Psalmody, Hymn and Tune Books of all kinds and grades, not at all adapted to convey Christian sentiment and strengthen Christian purpose.

Must not our pastors and our leaders of the laity be held responsible for not cultivating and developing a high poetical and musical taste in the song service of the school and Church, which will minister to higher Christian character?

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

The Epworth League we regard as one of the most effective means of dealing directly with the young life of the church at the three vital points of its spiritual, social, and literary susceptibilities. How fully it has vindicated this claim it is difficult to show, for, unfortunately, there is no provision made in our general statistical tables for exhibiting the net results of League work. An increasing spirituality is noticeable among our young people whenever a serious effort has been made to introduce and realize League ideals. Thousands of young men and women have through its tutelage been led into active service and testimony. Works of charity and social ministries by our youth have been promoted and increased, and it is doubtless true that the recent remarkable activity in missionary study and liberality received its first inspiration from the intelligent and zealous efforts of the Epworth League. This deserved distinction has been recognized by the leaders in our missionary movements. Twenty-nine thousand dollars have been raised by the Leagues in "Missionary Specials," enabling the Board to enter both Korea and Cuba as missionary fields. The increase in missionary collections

during the past two years is due in part to the work of the League.

In its social ministry the League has created in the Church a fraternity which supplies its young people with those means of fellowship and diversion that their natures demand, with a guarantee against the hurtfulness of the outside world where these things must otherwise be sought. This consideration alone is a sufficient justification of the League's existence and of the expenditure of money in its maintenance.

In its literary work the League has been particularly successful. A yearly course of reading, consisting of four volumes, carefully selected with a view to covering a large and profitable field of literature, has been provided. Thus many thousands of volumes are being circulated and large numbers of our youth are kept in systematic reading.

Where it had had the faithful care of pastors, the League has doubtless grown into a school of earnest spirituality, and has given itself to the increase of the church's evangelistic power. In the hands of the pastors who know its value, its possibilities are almost boundless.

"The Epworth Era," the League organ, has gained and maintains a good circulation—now about eleven thousand copies; but the low price at which it is published returns a revenue only sufficient to meet the cost of its mechanical production. New Leagues are being constantly organized and the work is more and more becoming an appreciable force in the growth of spiritual life and activity in the church.

FEDERATION.

It will be remembered that the General Conference of 1898 ratified in full the action of the Joint Commission on Federation and provided for carrying into execution the various agreements that had been reached. When the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church met in 1900, it modified these agreements at one important point, but accepted all the rest. Here the matter of Federation stood till a few weeks ago. A meeting of the Joint Commissioners was held in Baltimore, March 21-22, 1902. After a most brotherly conference the Commissioners from the Methodist Episcopal Church expressed their sincere regret that the original plan had not been adopted without alteration by their General Conference, and agreed to report it a second time with an urgent recommendation that it be passed. The Joint Commission also, in the exercise of the authority bestowed upon it, advised that the Bishops of the two churches proceed to appoint the committees to prepare the common hymn-book, common order of worship, and common catechism for the two churches. As all the steps were authorized by our last General Conference, it is not necessary, we think, that any further action should now be taken in the premises, except that the Commission should be continued for another four years.

BISHOPS.

We, your General Superintendents, are profoundly grateful to the Great Head of the church that we have been able to meet all of the Annual Conferences during the past four years. It is our judgment that with the addition of two men, such as you may elect, we will be able to render all the Episcopal service required during the next quadrennium.

And now, brethren, we commend you to God and the word of His grace trusting that all your deliberations

may be conducted as in the immediate presence of the Holy Spirit, whose support and guidance we invoke, praying that you may be made strong for your great work, to the end that the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ may be glorified and His kingdom established in all the earth.

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The Sunday-School.

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May 18—The Early Christian Missionaries. Acts xiii. 1-12.

Golden Text—"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations." (Matt. xxviii. 19.)

Time—Probably in A. D. 45, the year following the events of the last lesson.

Places—Antioch; Seleucia, sixteen miles from Antioch, at the mouth of the river Orontes; Salamis and Paphos, situated respectively in the eastern and western parts of Paphos.

There was from the very beginning a disposition on the part of the church to stay at home and enjoy its Gospel privileges. There is little doubt that St. Paul intended at first to make Jerusalem his headquarters. It is certain that he had no thought of going to the Gentiles. Every impulse of his nature, every prejudice of his mind and heart, every tradition of his people was against such an idea. He had an intense love for his brethren according to the flesh; he thoroughly abominated the life of the Gentile world. He would have settled at Jerusalem, but persecution stirred him out from there and he was told that he should be sent "far hence unto the Gentiles." But he does not seem for quite a time to have gotten any farther than Antioch, the Syrian Antioch mentioned in our lesson. The idea of going abroad preaching the Gospel to the whole world had not yet gotten into St. Paul, nor into any one else in the Christian church. It has not yet gotten into all the members of the Christian church. The brethren at Antioch were much disposed to make themselves comfortable, and enjoy their religion. Nevertheless they were conscientious, they fasted and prayed, and sought to know the will of God. To all such God is sure to make known his will. When the revelation of his will came it was that that church at Antioch should enter upon the work of the world's salvation. They were told to set apart two of their number for "the work whereunto I have called them." This work proved to be the work of traveling over the face of the world as missionaries of the cross. They must stir out from Antioch, where they were disposed to settle, and go into the business of spreading the Gospel to all parts.

Hitherto the spread of the Gospel had come about in ways incident to the life of the people. They preached it, outside of the bounds of their own country, only as they had occasion to travel, or as they were forced to travel, by persecution. It had not become the settled policy to travel in order to preach it. This was what the Holy Ghost now called the church at Antioch to provide for.

Make a note of the fact that in making a selection for this work the Holy Spirit chose the best material in that church—Paul and Barnabas. In all the history of missions God has kept to the front some of the choicest spirits; and, on the whole, the most heroic men and women in the church, the finest characters in the world, are at the front.

It is worthy of consideration that these men went out under a double commission. They were sent forth by a divine impulsion within them, and they were duly authorized and commissioned by the church, who laid their hands on them, ordained them and sent them away. God has never recognized an irresponsible ministry. He has ever reserved the right to call such as please him, and he has ever provided that these should go out being duly accredited by their brethren.

Thus called and commissioned, Paul and Barnabas, with John Mark as their minister, set forth. It was the opening of a long chapter in the world's history. They were to meet in that first missionary journey about all the elements of missionary life. Human nature and the devil have always been about the same. Opposition, persecution, indifference, the glad reception of the word by some; the power of the Gospel, and the presence of the Holy Ghost with the preachers thereof, its signal triumphs—these are the features of this journey.

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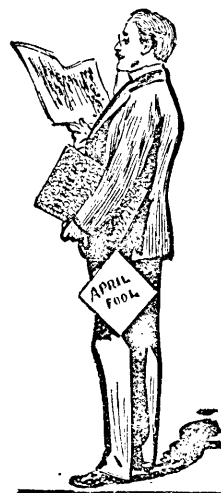
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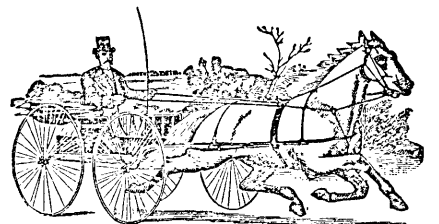
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Shall we adopt "The Evangelization of the World in this Generation" as our watchword?

Rom. 1:13-18.

This question of "the evangelization of the world in this generation" is brought back upon us again. Our lesson committee were resolved that it should be well discussed. We have considered various phases of it in previous lessons. The evident intention of all this is to increase zeal in missionary work. The aim is important for it seems to us that no better use can be made of the money of the church than to send the Gospel to all the heathen nations. When we speak of the money of the church we do not exclude any agency of Christian service or duty. The amount of money raised for the work, upon proper appeal, represents the consecration of the great body of the church membership to this cause, and the cause itself is, of all, best calculated to appeal to the Christian spirit. We expect this missionary work abroad to react upon the church at home, to strengthen its faith and deepen its spirituality.

Paul felt that the various nations of the earth had mutual claims. He himself was debtor both to Greeks and Barbarians. The spirit of Christianity would not allow him to make any distinction or preference. It is probable that the apostle also referred to personal kindness which he had realized at the hands of strangers of all classes. Call to mind what Luke says of the treatment of Paul and his company on the island of Melita: "The barbarous people showed us no little kindness, for they kindled a fire, and received us every one, because of the present rain and because of the cold" (Acts 28:2). It was not simply a conviction of duty which Paul confessed but a feeling of brotherhood.

We must not come to people as if we stooped to serve them, or served as a sense of duty. There must be a genuineness of sympathy, for those whom we teach and we must love them as brothers if we win them for Christ.

Paul saw but one path of life for men, and one way of death. He desired to preach the Gospel to all, and deliver, also, to all the one warning that "the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness."

Shall we adopt as our watchword "The evangelization of the world in this generation?" In a certain sense, already stated in our comments on this subject, the world may be evangelized in the next thirty years. The Gospel may be committed to all people and all languages, and Christian institutions planted in every land so as to be self-perpetuating. The nations may

be enlisted to accept the idea that Christianity is the true religion, and may be awakened to struggle towards it, so that missionary work from abroad may be counted as much less than the work which they shall do for themselves. But no nation on earth today is evangelized in such a sense that it does not need a higher evangelization, and this will be the case through centuries to come.

The right attitude of the church and of all individual Christians is earnest, confident labor to extend the truth, and we can not enter upon it as a task to be finished in any given measure of time. It is not to be viewed as a task at all any more than love is a task, goodness a task, helpfulness to others a task to be finished and dispensed with against a certain date. We may desire some benefit from being aroused to ask what can we do? What can the church do in our day? But those who really do, and do not talk, who do because they love to do, will go forward unaffected by such considerations only thinking to be faithful stewards whatever others may do. No especial benefit will come to the church from adopting as a watchword, "The evangelization of the world in this generation" for neither in this generation nor the next, nor the next, will the world be so evangelized that the world will need the evangelizing work of the church no longer.

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 1902.

Conference Consolidation.

I have been out of the State for some ten days, and find upon my return that the matter of consolidating the conferences of Arkansas is up. I am glad of it. I accept my full share of the responsibility for the attempted action in this direction four years ago. I regard it as very unfortunate that the consolidation notion was encountered by the prejudices of certain brethren. I am sure that no serious opposition to it can be found in the Little Rock conference, and that the idea meets with favor in the Arkansas Conference I know to be true. Some good brethren in White River Conference conceived from a single unfortunate word in the resolution passed at Baltimore a wrong notion as to the motives which controlled us there, and I really fear they closed up on the question without weighing its merits.

I believe, looking on the question from the standpoint of broad and wise statesmanship, that nothing that could happen in an administrative way would so strengthen the cause of our church in this State as consolidation. It is not a question to be pooh-poohed. It deserves to be most seriously considered. I will give here several reasons. 1. A small conference has almost no weight at all in the General Conference or in any other council of the church. In the nature of the case it cannot have much weight in the General Conference, for its work is done almost wholly through committees, and a small delegation cannot reach many of the committees to which it is distributed. And even on the floor of the General Conference a small delegation is a badge of weakness. What can a conference with a delegation of two preachers and two laymen do in competition with North Georgia or Northwest Texas?

2. A small conference can be and often is controlled by one or two men. If they get wrong, the whole thing goes wrong. I have known good men to transfer from a conference because they thought one or two men were prejudiced against them, and that it would be impossible to rise over their prejudice. We need to administer on a broader basis than this.

3. Say what you will, it is often a very serious question to take care of your men in a small conference. There comes a time in the life of an honest, faithful Methodist preacher when he is faced with the problem of educating and developing according to his best opportunity his children, and a time also when he is competent to go to a wide field. What is he to do when the places in his own conference are few where he can do so? Particularly, what is he to do when the time for him to move has come, and there is no place among these few open? We know full well what our Arkansas preachers have always done under these conditions—they have left us, had to, or compromise the opportunities of a growing family, for which every man of us is more responsible than he is for the church. We have lost enough good and strong men within the last twenty-five years to make a conference. Under our present conditions it is inevitable that we shall continue to lose them.

4. This writer is in favor of the transfer system of our Methodism. But we do not need but one sort of

transfers—the best. The best are not going to come to us under our present conditions. We have no inducements to offer. Yet we shall be getting transfers in the future as in the past. We shall be cramping the men whom we develop till we squeeze them out, and then we shall undertake to supply their places with such as we can get. What we need is to bring our own affairs to a stable basis, develop and keep our own men. Our preachers need to be rooted to our own soil, known among our own people and trusted by them.

5. And we beg to say that this is not merely in the interest of the brethren of supposed high degree. The humblest man in our ranks will be bettered by having a wider field thrown open to him. You cannot throw open wider possibilities to one without throwing them open to all. I have seen new life put into a man by changing entirely his surroundings.

6. The churches have some right to be considered in these premises. Who that has ever been a presiding elder in Arkansas does not know that we very often have to fill a charge with an unsuitable man, simply because a suitable man cannot be found among the very few in the conference? Another man may be not a whit better in a general way, but he would fit your place a great deal better.

7. More than all else, we insist that to be cramped, to do business on a small scale has a most depressing moral effect continually upon both preachers and people. Your small conference is, in its way, like your small church, where no one can feel any great heart-throb, which sends out no impulse upon the surrounding country. A small country church has a hard time to build up. Two or three of them thrown together would mean something, but separately they do not mean much.

As to accessibility, conference entertainment, etc., many conferences twice the size of either of our Arkansas conferences are finding entertainment in towns no bigger, among people with hearts no bigger than we have in Arkansas. As to the expense of getting to conference, any man can afford to pay for larger opportunity, and many hundreds of Methodist preachers are doing so every year. I am thankful to Bro. Barrett for having made the motion. I am with him.

Now will the brethren all drop the chairman of their several delegations at Dallas a card, stating their desires about this matter. Let the lay delegates attending the last fall conferences also do so. If Little Rock Conference prefers to remain as it is, let us White River and Arkansas unite, and give Little Rock such territory as is right, and let no little matter stand in the way of a change so important to the cause of Methodism in the State of Arkansas.

Jas. A. Anderson.

A Dead Tiger.

I will preach his funeral next Sunday. He starved to death, and that is the reason he will make such a good subject for a sermon.

Our friends will no doubt be amazed to know that such a thing could have been accomplished in the bounds of Ashley county, but it goes on record to the credit of our good people that after petitioning the open saloon out we then actually starved a blind tiger to death.

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been extended west from Hamburg, 12 miles, at the terminus of which we have the new and thriving town of Crossett, which is a saw mill town and bids fair to be the largest yellow pine lumber plant in the South. We can not at present come to any conclusion as to the size and capacity of this immense plant, known as the Crossett Lumber Company.

They are building their mills and their town in the center of four sections of land owned by the company. This arrangement was made in order to protect their business and to protect their people from the sale of intoxicating liquors.

It is much to the credit of this company to say that they will positively work no drinking or drunken men but discharge any man, from a flunky up to an office man, the first time he gets drunk; but with all their protection and precaution, as soon as the town began to build a saloon man built a house out in the country, just as close as he could get to it.

So we petitioned him out under the local option law and the court revoked his license, but he continued to run a blind tiger; then, after the company had discharged about forty men, we succeeded in starving him (the tiger) to death, hence the funeral sermon next Sunday.

I preach to my people how to fight saloons and tigers in various ways, but I believe that to starve them to death is in my judgment the best way I have ever known.

S. W. Rainey.

Some Questions.

REV. E. L. BEARD.

I saw in the Baptist Flag of recent date, this lament: "Instead of Pedobaptists, these defenders of the episcopal board are fighting Baptists." This started questions to racing through my mind. Why should Baptists fight Pedobaptists? Are they sinners above all others? Granting they are not in the succession, have not been legally baptized, will they be lost? If not, would it not be more Christ-like to spend your strength fighting sin that damns the soul?

Brother Baptist, which do you think would further the cause of Christ most, to convert a Pedobaptist to your way of thinking and herd him with your flock or convert a sinner from the error of his way and save a soul from death, and hide a multitude of sins? When one is changed from a Pedobaptist into an orthodox Baptist, is he possessed of more of the Spirit of Christ?

Does he become more liberal, give more for missions, and for the support of the institutions of the church? If not why fight him? Why not let him alone if you can not improve him?

How do you account for the fact

that the "sects" so-called are doing as much or more to spread Scriptural holiness over these lands, and to give the Holy Scriptures to the destitute and proclaim the Gospel of Christ to a lost world than the church which you claim Christ organized and set up for that especial purpose?

"Let us have peace, and dwell together in the unity of the Spirit."

A considerable number of ministers of other churches have offered themselves this year as candidates for the Wesleyan ministry in England. The committee appointed by the conference specially to consider such offers has declined to recommend any of them, except one, and his case is held in reserve that he may be heard to preach, be conversed with and if need be, examined. "It might save some excellent men trouble and disappointment," says the Methodist Recorder, "if clergymen of the Church of England knew that there is strong disinclination to encourage any desire of such to enter the Wesleyan ministry, arising from the fact that to meet the cases of the Wesleys, John Fletcher and others, there is a clause in the Deed Poll that gives an exceptional position to Wesleyan ministers who are also 'ordained clergymen of the Church of England.' That clause would still be operative and, of course, the conference of to-day would scarcely admit men who had a peculiar and special superiority of position. As a matter of fact, there is only one Wesleyan Methodist minister in England who has received Anglican Episcopal ordination and his whereabouts as such is known to a comparative few. He will never claim peculiar privileges because of his ordination." — Northwestern Christian Advocate.

Notices.

All officers, delegates and visitors who will attend the annual meeting W. F. M. Society, Arkansas Conference, to be held at Conway, May 21st to 25th, send names at once to Mrs. Mollie Cole, Conway, Ark.

Mrs. E. J. Witt.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Little Rock Conference will meet at Camden, June 4th to 8th. Delegates will please send their names to Mrs. C. T. Gordon, Camden, Ark. A rate of one and one-third fare will be given by the railroads on the certificate plan. Look for the programme in next week's "Methodist."

Mrs. James Thomas,
Corresponding Secretary.

The Batesville District Conference will be held at Salem July 10-13. Rev. J. S. Watson will preach the opening sermon.

Committee on license to preach—C. H. Newman, I. E. Thomas and W. W. Gibson.

Committee on Admission on Trial—Z. T. Bennett, George Wil-

kinson and C. L. Castleberry.

Committee on Deacon's and Elders' Orders—T. A. Bowen, J. S. Watson and R. H. Grissett.

J. I. Maynard.

The closing exercises of the Arkansas School for the Blind will be held Tuesday night, June 3d.

The State Musical Festival will be held in this city June 11th and 12th. Extensive preparations are being made for it.

Ex-Gov. J. P. Eagle was elected president of the Southern Baptist Association, which met in Asheville, N. C., last week. It was an honor bestowed on a man worthy of it.

The new Y. M. C. A. building will be located at the southwest corner of Fifth and Scott streets, on what is known as the Wassel property. It has been bought at a cost of fifteen thousand dollars. It is, perhaps, the best location in the city for the purpose.

On the Island of Martinique, West India, the town of St. Pierre was totally destroyed by a volcano May 7th, and forty thousand people killed. It is one of the greatest disasters which has ever occurred in the world's history.

Martinique is one of the West India islands belonging to the chain of the Lesser Antilles, lying thirty-three miles south of Dominica and twenty-two miles north of Saint Lucia. Its greatest length is forty-three miles; mean width, nineteen; surface comprising 244,090 acres, or 380 square miles. A cluster of volcanic mountains in the north, a similar group in the south and a line of lower heights between them, form the backbone of the island, which culminates in the northwest in Mont Pelee (4,430 feet). The great mass of the population consists of Creole negroes and half castes of various grades. Since the earthquake of 1849 nearly all the houses were of wood, having only one story. St. Pierre, the commercial center of the island, stands on a bay on the west coast.

Gov. Davis recently pardoned a negro convict on condition that the negro at once become a citizen of Massachusetts. The act has been severely criticised by papers and politicians North. The most sensible comment, and the one which should be shared in its spirit by Gov. Davis and every other citizen of Arkansas, is that by Mr. Myers, the speaker of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, as follows: "It is a case for the application of the motto, 'least said, soonest mended.' It is a most unusual and unheard-of proceeding. It certainly is to be desired that there should be such a courteous and friendly relation existing between all our states that the officials of one should not suggest even an

affront to another State. I can not help feeling that the governor of Arkansas will, on second thought, appreciate the situation and regret his apparently hasty act as much as we do here in Massachusetts." T.

Personal.

Rev. R. T. Davis and nephew were callers Monday.

Sister Crowley, of Mulberry, called Monday to renew her subscription.

Rev. Jas. A. Anderson spent Friday afternoon in our office on his return from Tennessee.

The Texas Advocate, of May 8th, contains a good picture of Dr. Godbey, Editor of the Arkansas Methodist.

Rev. S. C. Vinson, the supply on Redfield circuit, came in Tuesday with several new subscriptions. He is doing good work.

Revs. Thompson, Thomas, Henderson, Christie and Knickerbocker left Little Rock, Monday, for a visit to the General Conference.

Brother S. E. Anderson writes from Conway, saying: "We have 200 to 220 in our Sunday-school now. How is that?" That is good.

Sister M. M. Barnes, of Lonoke, called Saturday to pay her subscription in advance. She was accompanied by Mrs. Robinson of Argenta.

Brother M. M. Clark, one of our faithful members, fell on sleep on the 19th of April, after six months of suffering. His widow will live at Cabot.

Mrs. McDonald, of Nashville, Tenn., delivered a lecture in the chapel of First Church, Monday night, on the Woman's Home Mission work and illustrated it with a stereopticon.

Brother Pinson, of El Dorado, was in on Monday. He was accompanied by his daughter who had been attending Galloway College but was going

home on account of her eyes troubling her.

Brother Edmondson, writing from Des Arc for more Sunday-school literature, says: "Our school is improving rapidly. Come and see the best school in the State, all things considered."

A pastor writing from a good sized town in the Little Rock Conference says: "The Methodist comes to not only every Methodist house but to nearly every Christian home and some others in the town."

Rev. T. W. Hayes left last Thursday for an extended trip to Dallas, Texas, and Denver, Colorado, to be gone until October. Brother Hayes has endeared himself very much to the congregation at Winfield Church.

In addition to those named last week, Revs. J. H. Bradford, D. J. Weems, T. Y. Ramsey, J. A. Sage, A. E. Holloway, M. N. Waldrip and S. F. Goddard secured the requisite number of new subscribers to get the free trip to the General Conference.

Rev. D. J. Weems, P. C., at Paris, Ark., reports the League, Sunday-school and church all in excellent condition. Great improvement on all lines of church work. We are not surprised, for Brother Weems has sent us seventeen new subscribers recently from his charge. That indicates life and work.

Rev. S. S. Key writes from Magazine, under date of May 5:—"We laid to rest in the Ellington Cemetery this afternoon at five o'clock, the remains of father W. M. Hornberger, our oldest member of the church at Magazine. He passed peacefully away after a month's battle with seemingly a complication of ailments."

Sister R. W. Hall, of Canton, Sharp County, made us a call Wednesday. She and her husband, Brother R. W. Hall, were delegates to the Grand Lodge Knights and Ladies of Honor.

Sister Hall says she has a complete file of the Methodist for many years back. Also a file of the Telephone when it was edited by our Business Manager.

The General Conference is just getting settled to business. Considerable interest and some excitement has been stirred on the "war claim" matter. It was expected that on Monday the subject would be taken up but the Conference, instead of going into the case, adjourned for the day for meditation and prayer. The prospect now is that whatever action is taken will not be hasty.

Dr. Hunter was doing well until a few days ago in attempting to get off a street car he fell and hurt himself quite badly. He is now confined to his bed and suffers much from the pain. He is at the home of his son, Andrew, 16th and State streets. His daughter, Mrs. Field, 'phoned us yesterday that the Doctor had a restful night but they were anxious as to the effect of his injury.

Rev. D. J. Weems sends list of names and cash for free ticket to Dallas and says: "I secured all these names in about four or five hours. Only four persons declined to subscribe for the paper that I approached. I feel like I am due both you and my people an apology for not sending these subscriptions last fall. I ought to have done it." Another preacher when sending his list said: "We preachers can get more subscribers for the Methodist when we want to than we think we can."

Dr. Case of Batesville, and Brother Nesbitt of Fayetteville, called Tuesday.

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Contributed.

Two Conferences for Arkansas.

I second Brother Frank Barrett's motion. Some time ago I was requested to write to the "Methodist" in favor of Arkansas and White River Conferences consolidating. I am in favor of two conferences for Arkansas.

These are some of the advantages as I see them:

First. The inspiration of a large conference in annual session is very helpful.

Second. The preachers could be distributed to much better advantage both to the church and the preachers.

Third. Our connectional interest could be better represented. The connectional representatives could better afford to come and remain longer.

Fourth. Our educational institutions could be advanced by a closer connection. To my mind this is very important.

The difficulties:

Entertainment.—The Baptists have had but one State Convention. Each church is entitled to one delegate besides the preachers. They have been well entertained. Many of our conferences are larger than we would be united.

Long moves. Sometimes this will occur, but not often. I had rather have a long move and a good place to stop than a short move and find nothing. Too much transferring is not best for the church or the preacher.

The larger the conference the less necessity for this. Bishop Key was very much troubled at our last conference just at this point. Let us have a North Arkansas and a South Arkansas Conference.

If Little Rock will not "concur" then let White River and Arkansas consolidate, White River name the new formed conference. I am more anxious to possess the rose than the name. Most of the preachers I have talked with are for two conferences in the State. Fraternally,

D. J. Weems.

Paris, Ark.

District Conferences.

The Fort Smith District Conference met in the new church in the town of Greenwood Monday evening, April 28, 1902, at 8 o'clock, with a good attendance of both laymen and ministers. Rev. J. A. Castell, in the absence of Rev. F. M. Keen, who was detained by the affliction of his wife, delivered the opening sermon to a splendid audience. This writer reached the church just as the sermon closed but heard it well spoken of by good judges of preaching.

The conference organized by electing Rev. J. A. Castell, secretary, and Rev. J. M. Hughey, assistant secretary.

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Rev. Henry Hanesworth, the efficient and able presiding elder, occupied the chair at all the sessions presiding with acceptability and dispatch. No man has the work of his district better in hand, and certainly none have the interests of our Methodism more at heart. He is an experienced chairman of a district conference. He is a born leader of men, and under his lead-

ership we expect to make a mighty effort to pay our assessment for missions in full.

The following committees were appointed with the brethren named as chairmen: Spiritual State of the Church, Rev. J. M. Hughey; Books and Periodicals, C. P. Smith; Missions, D. J. Weems; Temperance, S. F. Goddard; Quarterly Conference Records, J. A. McAnal-

ly.

One hundred and eighty-eight accessions to the membership were reported. Central, Fort Smith, reported a gracious revival and twenty-eight professions of faith in Christ.

Finances are decidedly in advance of the corresponding period of last year. Paris and Van Buren are paid up to date on salary.

Ottumwa, Iowa, April 10, 1901.

In 1883 I broke out with Eczema on my head, legs and arms. The Doctors treated me for about two years without giving relief. I next tried various ointments, soaps and washes, but these did me no good. I finally quit taking medicine, as the physician said the disease had become chronic and incurable. Having endured this tormenting malady for about 16 years, I determined to make another effort to get rid of it and began S. S. S. in July, 1900, and continued it until November, when I discovered, to my surprise and joy, that not a spot could be found on my body, which before had been almost covered with the eruption.

It has now been nearly a year since the disease disappeared, but not a sign of it has ever returned, and I am satisfied the cure is permanent.

F. C. NORFOLK, 1017 Hackberry Street.

The Fort Smith churches report conference collections as in a fair way to be paid in full soon.

The Epworth League is languishing at many places, only three places reporting good leagues. Great advance in Sunday-school work was reported, and no more optimistic note was sounded than the cheering word from Van Buren, Central, First, Paris, and Huntington, concerning the "nursery of the church."

Walter B. Wolfe, of Paris, was licensed to preach. James R. Ennis, now supplying Belva, was recommended for admission on trial into the annual conference.

Judge Styles T. Rowe, Frank Parke, A. H. Lark, and E. R. Matlock were chosen delegates to the annual conference. A. L. Hone, J. McConnell, E. T. Fair and C. C. Woodson, alternates.

Alma after a close race with Branch was selected as the place for the next District Conference.

The committee on books and periodicals recommended that the second Sunday in May be observed as Good Literature Day by the stations, and the month of May by the circuits, the pastors to preach on the subject and take subscriptions for the "Arkansas Methodist" and Nashville Advocate. The report was adopted. We trust that our paper and our people may reap great benefit from the faithful execution of this resolution.

Rev. E. R. Steele was the only visiting preacher present. His address on missions was strong and convincing. Brother Steele feels deeply, and with clearness and logic drives home to the faithless churchman his duty to the whole world.

Sermons were preached by Revs. J. A. Russell, S. F. Goddard and C. P. Smith. The Good and Gracious Spirit helped these brethren. Amens and even hallelujahs came from the auditors, as the first mentioned brother told us of the "Rich and Fertile Hill, Christ Jesus."

The good and hospitable people, led by the faithful pastor, J. J. Galloway, entertained us with open doors and hearts, and heavy-laden tables. God bless Greenwood and give the little town a gracious revival, under the leadership of Rev. J. M. Hughey, who remains for a week's campaign against sin.

Courtland P. Smith.

The third session of the Paragould District Conference was held at Imboden, Ark., April 30 to May 3, 1902. Rev. F. A. Jeffett, P. E., present and presiding to the satisfaction of all. The conference was opened with a fair attendance of the lay delegates, and nearly all the pastors in the district present. Rev. N. E. Gardner, of Tuckerman, was elected secretary and J. F. Jernigan appointed assistant. Committees were appointed by the chair and conference at once took up its regular work which ran through three days, holding six sessions. In every

session harmony prevailed, and the business was dispatched in a business like way. The reports of the pastors rang with cheerfulness and hope, and while they were not all that the hearts of that noble, sacrificing body of men desired, yet their reports will compare favorably with any other district in this great conference of ours. We were especially glad to note that every preacher reported "a strong temperance spirit" in his charge. A resolution passed, pledging all the preachers in the district to preach a temperance sermon at every church in their charge just before the September election and to do all in their power to help carry this great State of ours "against license." We also agreed to preach to the negroes on this subject where they had churches in our reach. We hope and pray that every Methodist preacher in Arkansas will do the same, and if all will pull and pull together, by the help of other denominations we can and will free this State of the whisky traffic. Everybody fall into line and vote and pray the kingdom of God in, and the kingdom of the devil out!

The preaching during the conference was up to date and spiritual and the closing service witnessed penitents at the altar. Dr. Millar, of Hendrix College, was with us and preached for us a splendid sermon. Brother Clark, of Sixton, Mo., also gave us a good sermon. The citizens of Imboden gave us good congregations and a royal entertainment while in their midst. We left Rev. A. C. Cloyce, the pastor, well in the harness, with Brother Jernigan to help in what looked to be the starting of a great meeting. May we hear of great results. Our next conference goes to Piggot. Now if any brother wishes to ask any questions about Paragould District Conference he is at liberty. Respectfully,

N. E. Gardner.

Mr. Editor—The Missionary Institute and District Conference of the Pine Bluff District was held according to announcement in Stuttgart, Ark., from April 29 to May 4, 1902.

The presiding elder and all the preachers were on hand. There was a larger attendance of laymen than for several years past. The various questions of interest—vital to the churches' progress, were discussed more or less pointedly. The chair talked more and more to the point than usual. Every preacher occupying the pulpit during the meeting surprised us. It was better than we expected. Several of the preachers of the district are reading and growing.

Rev. James Thomas presented the claims of Galloway College. Rev. T. H. Ware represented the Orphans' Home and raised \$860, one family in Stuttgart giving over

\$500. Some \$40 or \$50 was raised for Sister R. H. Poynter. Mrs. Mills and Mrs. Thompson, of Pine Bluff, presented the claims of the woman's work. This is our seventh year in Arkansas, and this was the best District Conference we have attended. The conference made a good impression upon Stuttgart. Delegates to Annual Conference: R. H. M. Mills, J. I. Porter, T. C. Dawson and J. H. Clements; alternates, J. W. Dorster and L. C. Smith. Rev. C. L. Williams and Rev. J. A. Foster were recommended to the Annual Conference for admission on trial. J. A. Foster was recommended for deacon's orders and W. F. Lassiter for elder's orders.

President A. C. Millar came in near the close of the conference and remained a day after its close, making arrangements to establish a Hendrix Academy at Stuttgart. Everything looks now as if we will have the school.

The secretary being sick, I was asked to write of the conference.

T. O. Rorie.

AN APRIL BRACER.

Grape-Nuts Food Gives Spring in the Spring.

Teachers require nourishing food more than the average person, for their work is nerve-destroying, and unless the food taken will surely rebuild the lost gray matter nervous prostration will set in.

A lady teacher writes, "For the benefit of my fellow teachers and all brain workers who expend daily an amount of nerve energy I want to tell just what I know personally about Grape-Nuts Breakfast Food.

When I was teaching in a boarding school at P— in '98 one of the day teachers ate Grape-Nuts regularly for breakfast and supper, and appeared so well and strong in all her work.

Miss R— used to beg me to join her and give the food a trial but for some reason I never would try it until the spring of the present year. Then one day in April when I was very much in need of something bracing and was on the point of buying the usual tonic, she prevailed upon me to begin using Grape-Nuts. So we ate Grape-Nuts together from then until June.

Previous to that, every spring I had been compelled to take bottle after bottle of tonics and then go home much run down, but this year June found me well and strong after a most trying month of work, with never a thought about tonics other than the nourishment received from Grape-Nuts. Naturally I believe heartily in the merits of the food.

Since leaving that boarding school I learn that nearly every teacher in the school from the principal down uses Grape-Nuts." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

For the Young People.

Children's Letters.

Dear Brother Godbey—As I have just finished reading the children's letters I want to write one, too. My mamma and my step-papa takes the "Methodist." I like to read the children's letters very much. I go to Sunday-school nearly every Sunday. My teacher's name is Miss Lennie Hester. I go to church. Our preacher's name is Brother J. J. Galloway. We love him very much. I am a little girl only thirteen years old. If this letter misses the wastebasket I will write again. Your little friend,

Essie Garner.

Excelsior.

Dear Brother Godbey—I am a little girl twelve years old. My mamma takes the "Methodist," and I like to read it very much. We don't have any Sunday-school now. But I hope we will some time soon. Our preacher's name is Brother Hamilton. My birthday comes on the 28th of August. I am taking music lessons on the organ. My teacher is Mrs. Cal Reed, of Mansfield. I will close for this time and if this misses the wastebasket I may write again. Willie Simpson.

Abbott, Ark.

Dear Brother Godbey—Here comes a little girl 12 years old. My grandpa takes the "Arkansas Methodist" and I love to read the cousins' letters very much. My mamma is dead and I want to be a good girl and meet mamma in heaven. I am a member of the Methodist Church. I live in the country. I have four sisters and one brother. I have three pets. I have two little kittens as black as a crow and a little white dog as white as snow. Brother Castleberry is our minister. Well, as this is my first attempt I will close by asking a question. Who was the strongest man and who was the wisest man? Who was the forerunner of Christ? If this escapes the wastebasket I will try again. Viola Best.

Dota, Ark.

Dear Brother Godbey—As my papa takes the "Methodist," and I love to read the children's letters, I will write one and tell the readers of the "Methodist" where I live. I live down here in Miller county, Ark., half a mile from the Louisiana line, three miles from the Texas line. I ride the mail twice a week from Era to Ravana. My papa is the contractor. I go to Sunday-school. My papa is the superintendent. I am studying the intermediate Quarterly. I am 16 years old. Have been a member of the Methodist Church four years. We live on the Bright Star Circuit. Our preacher's name is Brother W. W. Mills. We all love him. If I see this in print I will write again. W. Henry Hunsford.

Era, Ark.

Our Church at Home.

NEWPORT, ARK.—Our annual children's day service yesterday, by far eclipsed anything of the kind we have ever had. Eleven children were received into the church as results of conversions in the Sunday-school this year. I don't think we ever felt the Holy Spirit quite so near as at that precious hour.

How happy were those teachers who were seeing the result of their labors in the Sunday-school.

Good music, recitations and a history of the Methodist school in Newport were some of the special features of the service. Our church is doing well at this place. Unity and harmony prevail, and we expect to accomplish much work before another conference. Brother Smith will preach the baccalaureate sermon of our public high school next Sunday. He will go to Dallas to attend General Conference a few days next week. L. G.

INSIDE THE GROCERY.

Some Facts Made Known.

It is often thought that grocers really have very little care regarding the food value of the articles they sell, but the real facts are that grocery keepers of the right sort are extremely particular as to what they recommend.

One of the fraternity relates a tale. "The highest priced coffee on the market I introduced to my customers and used myself. I began to have bilious attacks and after a little observation attributed them directly to coffee. Every time I left off drinking it I got better, but I felt the need of a warm drink for breakfast.

Along in '96 a wholesale grocer urged me to put in some Postum Food Coffee in my store, which I did with considerable misgiving, for, at that time, the now famous Postum was not so well known.

He urged me to try it myself, which I did and was disgusted with the flat, tasteless beverage, so was my wife. I remembered the wholesale grocer said something about following directions carefully, so I took the package and studied it. I at once discovered that we had not boiled it long enough, only three or four minutes, but it must be boiled 15 minutes at least, so we tried it again, with the result that we got a perfect cup of coffee, a delightful and healthful beverage. I have continued the use of Postum in my home ever since. We use it for breakfast, dinner and supper.

My bilious attacks quickly left and I am free from them altogether. I began to explain to my customers something of the value of Postum Coffee and now have a very large trade on it." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

MENA DISTRICT.—The Mena Hendrix Academy has recently organized a cadet company and Rev. A. M. Treschow, the Episcopal rector of this city, has been selected as captain. He drills the company every Tuesday and Thursday. Capt. Treschow, having served two years in the Danish army, and since coming to America has further studied military tactics, is well qualified for the position, and the academy is fortunate in getting his valuable services. He, with the company, look well in their cadet gray uniforms. They expect to drill in the park here at the Mena anniversary in August. Your humble servant has been selected as chaplain of the company, and we held our first service for them in the chapel last Friday afternoon. J. R. Sanders.

LANTY, ARK.—My second quarterly conference convened at Center Ridge April 27, 28. Our P. E. was with us and preached a real impressive sermon Sunday night, at the close of which he gave an invitation for penitents. Two married ladies came forward, and were converted, one of them joined the church. The conference was a real success and indeed very spiritual, and a great benediction to the church at Center Ridge. We love to have our beloved P. E. with us. He looks closely after the welfare of the church on all lines, and especially the spirituality of the church. I am glad to say the Sunday-school interest is growing in the bounds of my work. When I was at Van Buren at the institute conference, I did not have any Sunday-school. I now have four on my part of the work and my junior preacher has three, making seven in all. It makes my heart glad to see the work growing and Sunday-school work becoming so strong. My work is growing. The members are waking up to a sense of the responsibility which rests upon them. The spiritual state of the church is much better than it was three months gone. We have made progress along some lines of work, but we still need to press the battle and wake up on other lines of work. The outlook is far more hopeful. Yours for the work, T. H. Wright.

ROSWELL, N. M.—I will write for my friends in Arkansas, where I was born and raised and lived 40 years, all of which I am not ashamed of, though I will make this my future home. Everything is on a run out here, even Brother French runs to shake hands with his people every Sunday. This town and country exceeds my expectations by far. They tell you out here that water is king; if so, the town of Roswell is sure to be a whopper. Two springs in three miles of here that burst out of the ground all at once and make big lakes to begin with, full of fish and fish poles, and thousands of whitefaced cattle

and white sheep are to be seen near them to drink of the great body of artesian water that flows down the valley. Then the Hondo river comes down from the Rocky mountains and runs through the town and irrigates large tracts of alfalfa and garden stuff.

One apple orchard near here with 600 acres in one orchard, besides hundreds of others; big fruit crop here this year in everything. This seems to be the home of alfalfa and honey bees. Honey is the cheapest thing I find. You can buy it one year old at 8 cents per pound. I find cows worth from \$200 down as low as \$40, which sum I paid Saturday for one; 50 cents apiece for hens; twenty-five new buildings going up now on Main street, besides at least that many more in town. The people never speak about rain here; they turn on water every eleven days on their lands, though it looks like rain now. I pay from 12 1-2 to 17 1-2 cents for beef steak. Vegetables are cheap, but wood is very high. I paid a Mexican \$11 for one load of Juniper wood last week, and got it cheap. Tell all the preachers how I love them yet and let the "Methodist" shake hands with my friends and relatives.

J. F. Rhodes.

P. S.—We put our church letters in Sunday. Brother French is our pastor; a very fine preacher indeed. He is a nephew of Dr. Hoss, of the Advocate. J. F. R.

BEXAR CIRCUIT.—My second quarterly conference was held April 12, 13, 1902. Rev. J. I. Maynard, our efficient and very much beloved P. E., was present and besides looking well to the interest of the church he preached three good sermons which were well received by all who heard them. The financial condition of the charge is very poor. The second quarter's report for support of the ministry was \$23.75. This does not express the will or willingness of those who are in the habit of paying their pastor but their ability caused by the awful drouth of last year. Many of the most needy ones of this part of the country have received some help from various sources, all of which I am sure has been thankfully received. The pastors and the hearts of his wife and three precious little children was made to rejoice not long ago when we received from friends at Batesville, Ark., a check for \$5 and \$3 from two young merchants at Augusta, Ark., which came through the hands of Rev. Fred Little, pastor of our church at that place. May the blessings of our kind Heavenly Father ever be upon these dear friends. A portion of the amount placed in hands of Brother F. M. Daniels, of Mammoth Spring, for distribution has been wisely and worthily bestowed in the bounds of this charge.

The former pastors of this charge will regret to learn of the failing

health of Rev. J. D. Spence, L. E., who on account of age and failing health will never, I fear, be able to earn a support for himself and two daughters as he has ever done in the past. A more loyal and helpful L. P. I have never known. True to the church and true to his God. He holds an honorable discharge as a Confederate soldier and I have been told that his record as a brave and loyal Confederate was unsurpassed. Now, if any of you who chance to read these lines feel able and willing to contribute something to this humble and worthy man of God, send it direct to him, Rev. James D. Spence, Union, Fulton county, Ark., or to myself and the same will be acknowledged through "The Arkansas Methodist." I do most earnestly ask you brethren and sisters to pray for us that as we struggle on through these times of privations that we will not forget God and be steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord." The religious interest of my charge is very good and I am hopeful of a good revival at every appointment and for this I am trusting, working and praying. God bless the "Arkansas Methodist" and her many readers. Yours in Christ,

W. W. Gibson.

Bexar, Ark.

WHEATLEY CIRCUIT.—Our second quarterly conference, as announced for May 3-4, has just been held at South Plains by W. C. Davidson, our P. E.

All of Brother Davidson's sermons were highly appreciated, but his sermon Sunday morning was delivered with unusual power and force. He fully set forth man's duty to himself, his neighbor and to God and as he reached his climax he, in an impressive way, showed that no man would be owned of God who himself did not recognize or honor his brother.

The reports were somewhat encouraging. There are now Sunday-schools at all the appointments, some of which are doing very fine work—holding teachers' meetings, appropriating the collections one Sunday in each month to missions, and one conducted by Rev. Chas. Wilson at Hunter has introduced the home department.

Brother Davidson presented the claims, ordered by conference, to the people Sunday morning and the pastor followed with the same Sunday night at another appointment. From these two appointments in the country we secured subscriptions for over half of the assessment. At Wheatley we have recently reorganized an Epworth League, which is holding some very interesting meetings. Our church here, damaged last year by storm, has just undergone repairs. The ladies are now planning to continue the improvement by recovering, papering inside and staining the pews, railings and

pulpit. So when finished we will have a neat little church.

At the Annual Conference held at Batesville last year it was arranged to absorb the Oak Forrest Circuit by the La Grange and Wheatley Circuits, consolidate three of her appointments and one on the Wheatley Circuit into one and thereby strengthen the Wheatley Circuit and at the same time judiciously provide for those on the Oak Forrest Circuit, but when the question was opened for discussion at the quarterly conference it only proved that as with the White River Conference four years ago, such cannot peaceably be done. So it remains for our presiding elder to make some other provision or arrangement for next year.

There are some very clever people in the bounds of the Wheatley Circuit and at least a few whose hearts are consecrated to God. Several have expressed a desire for "a closer walk with God." My heart's desire for this people is that they may be saved.

W. P. Talkington.

ROWELL.—My second quarterly conference embraced the fourth Sunday in April. We had a pleasant and withal I think a profitable session. The people seem to be in a hopeful frame of mind. Brother Scott's sermons and talks were timely and helpful.

He magnified his office. His sermon Sunday on Rom. 6:11 was thoughtful and suggestive. At its close there were four accessions by certificate, and one applicant for membership on profession of faith. Finances are very much behind, but we are hopeful of better things.

E. L. Beard.

Rowell, Ark.

PRINCETON CIRCUIT.—Our second quarterly conference convened on the 4th Sunday in April. Brother Cason, our new presiding elder, accompanied by his wife, Master Van and Mrs. Gillman, district secretary of the "Woman's

Home Mission Society," was with us. Brother Cason not only looked carefully after the finances of the church, but preached some noble sermons while in our midst, which were greatly enjoyed by all, Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterians and non-church members. He acquired many new friends.

After the business of the quarterly conference, Sister Gillman called a meeting of the good women present, for the purpose of presenting the work of the Woman's Home Mission Society, and succeeded in organizing a society, which is progressing nicely.

Having met with much success at Macedonia, she spoke earnestly concerning the work of the "Young People's Mission Society," after Brother Cason had preached to the good people of Princeton, and as a result a "Young People's Mission Society" was formed, which has moved steadily onward since Sister Gillman's departure for her home, in Arkadelphia.

The financial report of the church was good, something over \$600 for all purposes. Fraternally,

J. R. Rushing, P. C.

Dr. J. A. Parker.

Rev. J. A. Parker, of the Louisiana Conference, writes us a pleasant letter from Allbrook, Ark. He says he is on a furlough of thirty days on account of grippe. His congregation has given him the lay off and salary to go on. His wife is with him and they are visiting their daughter, Mrs. H. W. Williams. He writes:

This trip among my sons and daughters passes me over territory over which I traveled during 1873 as "our beloved," etc.

With all the familiar names of persons and places still the country seems renewed and transformed. These twenty-nine years have been full of changes. The faces of the people, the places of worship, the modes of transportation and the centers of trade all show the effect

of time. How ruthless time is in its invasion of social and commercial conditions!

With all these changes, it is the same country. The hills and streams; the public highways and names along them; the postoffices and names of preaching places—with many new ones added—are much the same "as in the ancient days."

A Fine Revival.

Danville and Ola had a very fine revival in the church and out of it. Business houses, banks and mills closed for day preaching.

Rev. J. B. Stevenson rendered good service. We thank God and take fresh courage.

O. H. Tucker.

Married.

TANNER-STAMPS.—April 29, 1902, at Terrell, Texas, Mr. T. T. Tanner to Miss Kate Stamps, Rev. W. D. Thompson officiating.

BULLINGTON-M'CONNELL.—Baxter L. Bullington was married to Miss Ella McConnell at the bride's home near Vesta, Ark., May 7, 1902, Eugene Woodruff officiating.

BYRNES-ALLIN.—April 20, 1902, at the home of the bride's sister in Stamps, Ark., Mr. Geo. H. Byrnes, of Shreveport, La., and Miss Mattie Allin, of Columbia county, Ark., A. M. Robertson officiating. A beautiful marriage and a number of lovely bridal presents. May the blessings of the Lord attend them.

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ness College, corner Fifth and Main, Little Rock; Nashville, St. Louis, Atlanta, Montgomery, Shreveport, Galveston and Fort Worth.

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION, SALEM FEMALE ACADEMY, WINSTON-SALEM, N. C.,

May 22-29, 1902.

For above occasion the Southern Railway will sell tickets at extremely low excursion rates to Winston-Salem, N. C., and return May 20th and 21st for trains arriving Winston-Salem forenoon of May 22d. Also May 23d and 24th from points within a radius of two hundred miles of Winston-Salem, N. C.—final limit for return May 31, 1902. From points beyond a radius of two hundred miles tickets will be sold May 20th and 21st, at one fare for the round trip limited for return May 31, 1902, except by deposit of ticket with joint agent at Winston-Salem on or before May 21st, and on payment of fifty cents, an extension not exceeding June 15, 1902, may be secured.

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Grandfather's Bible Stories, style 3, \$1.50.
Grandfather's Bible Stories, style 4, \$1.75.

History of Methodism, cloth, \$1.35.
History of Methodism, half morocco, \$1.75.

History of Methodism, full morocco, \$2.35.

Scriptural Sanctification, 50 cents.

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Woman's Work.

Notice.

To members of W. F. M. S. of Arkansas Conference:

Will all delegates and visitors who expect to attend this conference, which meets at Conway, May 21, please notify Mrs. W. D. Cole, so we can have homes provided for all. Sincerely,
Mrs. James T. Murphy,
Corresponding Secretary.

Program

For the twenty-first annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Arkansas Conference, M. E. C., S., to be held at Conway, Ark., May 21-25.

Wednesday Evening, May 21, 8:30.
Preliminary meeting.

Thursday Morning.
Devotional service—Conducted by vice president.
Reports from district secretaries.
Closing devotional exercises—Mrs. O. H. Tucker.

Thursday Afternoon.
Devotional service—Mrs. Wm. Sherman, Dardanelle.
Reports from auxiliaries in Fort Smith district.

Thursday Evening.
Address of welcome—Miss Nellie Randell, Conway.
Response—Mrs. John Garner, Lamar.
Annual report of conference corresponding secretary.
Address—Vice president.

Friday Morning.
Devotional services—Mrs. Rayburn, Dardanelle.
Reports from auxiliaries in Fayetteville district.
Closing devotional services—Mrs. Frank Park, Fort Smith.

Friday Afternoon.
Devotional services—Mrs. J. T. Murphy, Conway.
Reports of auxiliaries from Morrilton and Harrison districts.
Report from committee on juvenile work.

Friday Evening.
Devotional exercises—Mrs. H. Hanesworth, Fort Smith.
Select Reading—Mrs. G. W. Hill, Clarksville.
Paper—Mrs. Daisy Duncan, Waldron.

Paper—"Our Work," Mrs. O. H. Tucker, Conway.

Saturday Morning.
Devotional services—Mrs. Raterree, Van Buren.
Report from auxiliaries in Dardanelle district.

Report from committee on extension of work.
Closing devotional exercises—Mrs. Gordon, Fort Smith.

Saturday Afternoon.
Devotional services—Mrs. Nunnely, Dardanelle.

Reports from committees on Finance, Publication, Agent for Woman's Missionary Advocate and Little Worker.

Election of officers.

Saturday Evening.

Unfinished business.

Sunday Morning.

Annual sermon—Rev. J. A. Anderson, Conway.

Sunday Afternoon.

Devotional service—Mrs. G. W. Hill, Clarksville.

Paper—Mrs. Ratterree, Van Buren.
Talk to Juveniles, Mrs. Rayburn, Dardanelle.

Sunday Evening.

Devotional services—President A. C. Millar, Conway.

Paper—"A More Liberal Giving of Self, Time and Money"—Mrs. H. Hanesworth, Fort Smith.

"Our Work in Cuba," member from Conway.

Soliciting names for Baby Roll.
The women of the conference are earnestly requested to observe Monday, May 19, as a day of fasting and prayer for the outpouring of His spirit upon us and His abiding presence during our annual meeting.

Mrs. Ori E. Jamison,
Mrs. H. Hanesworth, Vice Pres.
Conf. Cor. Sec.

A distinguished dramatist, Dumas, the French writer, whose plays are everywhere, on meeting a friend one day, who, he heard, was unwilling to allow his daughter to witness one of his plays, said: "You would not take your daughter to see my play? You are right. Let me say, one for all, that you must not take your daughter to the theater. It is not merely the work that is immoral—it is the place"—Exchange.

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ZOBER.—On the morning of December 26, 1901, we were called upon to perform the burial services of our friend and brother, R. D. Zober. It was a very sad occasion. Just seven weeks later we were called upon to bury his eldest son, Charles Edward Zober. This father and son were converted at old Salem camp ground, in Saline county, and joined the church in early life and were devoted to God and the church. They both leave families almost prostrated in grief, but full of hope of meeting again in the home above. Thank God for the resurrection and the blessed assurance of meeting our loved ones in heaven. His old pastor,

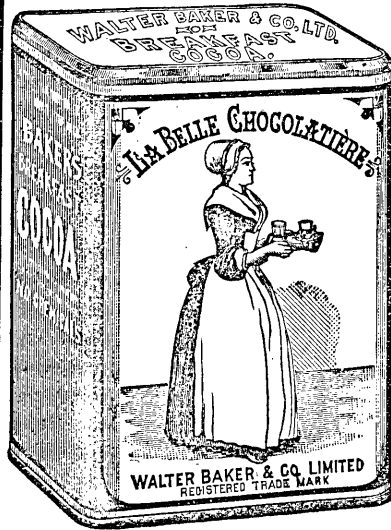
W. A. Steel.

DEVERS.—A homelife was darkened and many hearts saddened when on the 4th day of July, 1901, the lamp of this life burned out and the spirit of Grandma Mary Ann Devers, the mother of several children and a remarkably strong character, passed into the unseen land. In Northhampton county, North Carolina, June 13, 1815, she was born of a sturdy stock of patriots and until she ceased to speak she loved her home, her children, her country and her God. Through the stormy and bloody scenes of the civil war her adhesion was firm for the southland, and in common with millions of her sisters, she prayed and wrought for the success of a cause that at last was lost. Arkansas was her home after 1866. Many friends in Poinsett and Woodruff counties will remember her. She was bold in speech, expressing her mind plainly and exactly. A species of humor and badinage was characteristic of her conversation. She determined to do right and she did it. No fear was in her composition. Strong common sense guided her. Age crept on and after the accumulation of years she was laid in bed helpless in the beautiful home of her daughters in Hot Springs. For many months she lingered, knowing that time was only ebbing her nearer the eternal reward of the righteous. No more lovely sight or more impressive example of filial devotion has ever been witnessed by this writer than was displayed by the daughters of this noble old Christian woman and heroine. They stood with untiring energy day and night at her beck and call so as to leave nothing undone for her comfort and cheer. Many others noted this self-sacrificing devotion which was inspiring as well as beautiful. But the tenderest love and most devoted attention coupled with the best of medical skill could not stay the destroyer's hand or hold in check the ravages of age. And so, on the 4th of July, while the noise and hilarity of a national celebration was in progress, the cold lips of a sainted mother in Israel were kissed the last time and a long procession followed the mortal remains to the city of quiet sleep. Today the flowers bloom above her lowly resting place and soft lights fall on the sacred dust which shall be reanimated in the day of the King's coming, while her glad and redeemed spirit awaits in joy the arrival of her children and friends to be greeted in the "house not made with hands." May they and all of us find her there.

Julien C. Brown.

DUNLAP.—Helen A. Dunlap (Pate) was born in Dyer county, Tenn., October 4, 1837, and was married to James E. Dunlap April 8, 1858. To this union were born five children. All but one lives to mourn their loss. Sister Dunlap was converted in her fifteenth year, and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in which

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she lived, and her heart and life were in the work of her Lord. I have been her pastor for fifteen months, and although she was confined to her bed the most of this time, she was a great stay and blessing to me. She was a great sufferer with that dread disease consumption, but was not heard to complain, but was always cheerful, and said she wanted the will of the Lord done, and not hers. She breathed her life away March 26, 1902. The writer preached her funeral in our church at Southwest City, Mo., to a large congregation of weeping friends, a loving husband and three sweet children. I would say to the loved ones, Live the life of your wife and mother.

G. B. Griffin,
Pastor.

AUSTIN.—Richard Austin was born in Union Parish, Louisiana, March 23, 1839; converted October 4, 1866. He had joined the M. E. Church, South, some six or eight months before his conversion, and lived a consistent member till his death. Brother Austin was a good man and a good worker in the church. He talked much of being ready to go. One didn't have to question him about his hope for heaven, for he seemed eager to speak of it. The last time I visited him he seemed to be only waiting for his summons home. The night before his departure he called his wife and children and others who were present and told them he was going soon, and wanted them to meet him in glory. He lived as he lived—a lover and follower of Jesus. He died January 20, 1902. He was sanctified some twenty years before his death and daily exemplified the life in a lowly walk and holy conversation. He left a wife and three children, all grieved to mourn their loss.

Joe Speakes, P. C.

HAWKINS.—Cynthia Eliza Hawkins, daughter of Richard and Tennie Austin, was born August 19, 1876; was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South in 1897. She lived a beautiful Christian life and died in the triumphs of a living faith December 5, 1901. She was married April 5, 1899, and leaves a husband and little daughter behind. She also leaves an aged mother, two sisters and a brother, her father having died some two months later.

Joe Speakes, P. C.

KITCHEN.—Maude Bell Kitchen was born December 4, 1887; died March 11, 1902. She was sick six days; and one week she was changed from health in this world to her realities in the next. Her end was full of triumph—a grand argument for the sustaining grace of our holy religion in the day of departure. The scoffer must hush his mouth in the presence of such Christian joy that gives the lie to his foolish prattle. Maude bade all of her loved ones and neighbors present to meet her in heaven, and fell asleep in Jesus. It was beautiful the prayers of this young girl for herself and family and neighbors, and her passage was into glory. Her loved ones grieve not as they who have no hope, for "it is well with their child."

J. F. Taylor.

BLAIR.—Mrs. Eliza W. Blair was born March 28, 1867; professed religion at the age of 17; was married to Brother J. E. Blair April 14, 1896; died January 5, 1902, and was buried by Rev. F. N. Brewer. Sister Blair was a consistent member of the Redfield class, M. E. C., South. She was a devoted wife, a loving mother, a kind friend—loved by all who knew her. She loved her church, honored her pastor and feared her God. She leaves a heart-broken husband, a motherless babe, a feeble old mother, an afflicted father, and to devoted sisters and a host of friends to mourn her loss. She is gone but not forgotten. Her place is vacant in church. Her voice is silent in song. Her spirit is with God. The home is darker. Heaven is brighter. Weep not for her, she is watching and waiting just over on the bright celestial shores, where they know no sorrow and feel no fear. May the Lord help you meet her there.

S. C. Vinson.

TANNER.—Mrs. Susie Burnett Tanner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Burnett, was born at Helena, Ark., May 7, 1862; was married to T. J. Tanner May 29, 1883, and fell on sleep March 6, 1902. A noble woman, a dutiful and loving daughter, a true and devoted wife, a tender, thoughtful and painstaking mother, and a joyous, earnest and faithful Christian has gone home to receive and enjoy her reward. Mrs. Tanner, early in life, gave her heart to God and joined the Methodist Church, to which her zealous and consecrated parents already belonged. She was a most valuable member, ever ready and willing to respond to any call of the church. At the time of her death she was the organist at the prayer services and the Sunday School and a teacher in the Sunday School. Prompt and regular at each service, she was a willing worker. People of other churches loved her, for she was a good and helpful woman, of a happy nature and kind spirit towards all classes. The church and the community will miss her. She was a genuine mother, devoting her best energy in bringing up her children in the way of the Lord, with true and lofty ideals and purposes. She will still live in their lives. "Though dead, she yet speaketh."

The Father of infinite love bring com-

fort and consolation to the broken-hearted mother, husband and the three children.

Wm. B. Ricks.

A Wise Man.

On January 10, 1902, Mr. Wm. H. Graves, of Dumas, Ark., called at the office of Mr. H. L. Rimmel, general agent for the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, on a matter of business, and, when finished, Mr. Rimmel prevailed upon him to take out a policy of insurance for \$2,000 in the great company which he represents. The premium was \$65.14. Mr. Graves not having the money, executed to Mr. Rimmel a note for the premium.

He was a splendid specimen of physical manhood. He passed a most excellent examination and was accepted by the company, and a policy was issued and mailed to him. The receipt for the policy was acknowledged by his administrator, as Mr. Graves was attacked with pneumonia January 16, and died January 26. Proof of death was forwarded to the company March 18, and check for \$2,000 was forwarded to his beneficiary March 31.

Moral.

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Methodist Calendar.

Jonesboro Dist. Conf., Harrisburg, June 12-15
Camden Dist. Conf., New Lewisville June 24-29
Mena Dist. Conf., at Lockesburg, June 25-29
Searcy Dist. Conf., at Searcy, June 26-29
Harrison Dist. Conf., at Yellville, June 26-29
Prescott Dist. Conf., Center Point, June 27-July 1
Monticello Dist. Conf., at Dumas, July 2-12
Little Rock District Conf., at England, July 9
Batesville Dist. Conf., Salem, July 10-13

Rev. Frank Ritter.

In due time I received a letter from Brother Frank Ritter, dated February 4, 1900, in which he said, "I hand you herewith a paper which I hope you will preserve as it contains all the important historic data pertaining to my career. Shall such a thing be needed, I hope you will write an obituary and publish at an early day after I shake of my pains." This letter and sketch I have kept as the last written document ever received from one I loved dearly and esteemed highly. On the 18th day of March, 1902, from his home and family in Jonesboro, with no cloud between him and his eternal home the mortal coil was shaken off and the spirit, the real man, went sweeping through the gates to the home beyond.

Following is the sketch he sent me: "I was born to Lewis and Elizabeth Coltrain Ritter at Sparta, in Edgecomb county, North Carolina, May 16, 1847. My mother died when I was about two years old. My father moved to St. Francis county, Arkansas, in 1857, and from there to Sevier (now Little River) county in 1859. I was led to conversion by reading my mother's Bible in 1866, and joined the M. E. Church, South, in Taylor's Creek Circuit, in St. Francis county, Arkansas, in 1870, under the ministr y of Rev. J. W. Walkup. I was licensed to preach in 1874 and admitted on trial in the White River Conference. I passed my annual examinations on time, and was ordained deacon in 1876 and elder in 1877. I traveled (or served) Richards Mission in 1875; Laconia Circuit, '76; Prairie Circuit, '77, '78; Forrest City Circuit, '79, '80, '81. Pocahontas Station, '82; Clarendon and Brinkley, '83; Newport, '84, '85; Helena District, '86, '87, '88, '89. Clarendon and Brinkley, '90; Clarendon, '91; Newport Station, '92, '93, and Jonesboro District, '94, '95, '96, '96; asked to be superannuated at the close of '97; maintained that relation in '98, '99 and 1900. I never served a charge that I felt competent to serve, and hence I never had an easy place, or one that I sought.

I was married to Miss Willie B. Meeks, of Clarendon, Ark., February 27, 1884. Five children have resulted from that marriage and in

the following order: Frank Meeks, John Richard, William Lewis, Cora Lee and Hal Coltrain, Frank Meeks was buried at Brinkley when about 3 1-2 years old and the others are alive and vigorous at this time.

I worked for the salvation of man until labor broke me down, but I do not regret it even after two years' review of it. Had I a thousand lives to give they should go the same way, only with greater diligence and particularly in studying the Bible."

I have given this sketch just as Brother Ritter wrote, supplying only one word, which was evidently an omission. I think his early advantages were very meager, but he was a man, and a student. He had a lofty and holy purpose in life, and he made everything bend in that direction, and gave but little attention to discouragements. He loved the church as he did his own life, and the church honored and his people always loved him. His appointments show that he could go back to a former work and serve it acceptably. A little more than two years passed between the writing of the above sketch and his death. They were spent at his home, with much pain and almost continued confinement to his room. Waiting patiently and watching, and when his Lord came he found his servant—true, tried and faithful soldier—ready.

Separated but not forever,
We'll meet him beyond the river.
M. M. Smith.

Quarterly Meetings.

Prescott District—Third Round.

Genoa June 7, 8
Fulton June 8, 9
Gurdon June 14, 15
Washington June 21, 22
Center Point June 28, 29
Emmet July 5, 6
Harmony July 12, 13
Mineral Springs July 19, 20
Chidester July 26, 27
Hope August 2, 3
Antoine August 9, 10
Murfreesboro August 10, 11
Nathan August 16, 17
Nashville August 17, 18
Spring Hill August 23, 24
DeAnne August 30, 31
Prescott August 30, 31
W. F. Evans, P. E.

Dardanelle District—Third Round.

Dardanelle Station... May 31, June 1
Lamar and London... June 7, 8
Clarksville Station June 14, 15
Clarksville Circuit June 21, 22
Walnut Tree Circuit June 28, 29
Ozark Station July 5, 6
Dardanelle Circuit July 12, 13
Dever Circuit July 15, 16
Danville and Ola July 19, 20
Rover Circuit July 26, 27
Gravelly Circuit July 29, 30
Belleville Circuit August 2, 3
Prairie View Circuit August 5, 6
Ozark Circuit August 9, 10
Coal Hill and Altus August 11, 12
Wm. Sherman, P. E.

Paragould District—Third Round.

Reyno Circuit May 24, 25
Corning Station May 25, 26
Paragould Circuit... May 31, June 1
Paragould Station June 1, 2
Gainesville Circuit June 7, 8
Knobel Mission June 14, 15

Pocahontas Circuit June 20
Siloam Circuit June 21, 22
Walnut Ridge June 23, 24
Piggott Circuit June 28, 29
Boydsville Circuit June 30
Smithville Circuit July 5, 6
Black Rock and Powhatan... July 6, 7
Alicia Circuit July 12, 13
Tuckerman and Kenan... July 13, 14
Imboden and Portia July 18
Walnut Hill Circuit July 19, 20
Mammoth Spr'g and Hardy... July 20, 21
F. A. Jeffett, P. E.

Harrison District—Third Round.

Berryville at Pleasant Valley May 31, June 1
Bellefonte, at Gaither June 7, 8
Green Forest Mis., Rule... June 14, 15
Carrollton, at Piney June 21, 22
Valley Springs, at Western Grove... July 5, 6
Eureka Springs, Eureka... July 12, 13
Lead Hill, Protem July 19, 20
Yellville Cir., at Liberty... July 26, 27
Yellville Sta., at Yellville... July 30
Mountain Home Cir., at Oakland... August 2, 3
Mountain Home Sta., Mountain Home... Aug. 9, 10
Lone Rock Mis., Cold Water... Aug. 9, 10
Leslie, at Pleasant Grove... Aug. 16, 17
Kingston Aug. 23, 24
O. E. Goddard, P. E.

Batesville District—Third Round.

Jamestown Cir. June 7, 8
Cushman Circuit June 14, 15
Evening Shade Circuit... June 21, 22
Calamine Circuit June 28, 29
Melbourne Circuit July 5, 6
Salem Station July 12, 13
Newburg Circuit July 19, 20
Bexar Circuit July 26, 27
Camp Circuit August 2, 3
Ash Flat Circuit Aug. 9, 10
Mountain View Circuit... Aug. 16, 17
Cedar Grove Aug. 23, 24
Batesville Station Aug. 30, 31
Jacksonport Circuit Sept. 6, 7
Sulphur Rock Circuit Sept. 9, 10
J. I. Maynard, P. E.

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4 Trains to St. Louis

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2 Trains to Memphis

9:05 a. m., 1:40 a. m.

2 Trains to Kansas City

9:00 a. m., 8:35 p. m.

2 Trains to New Orleans

9:15 a. m., 8:38 p. m.

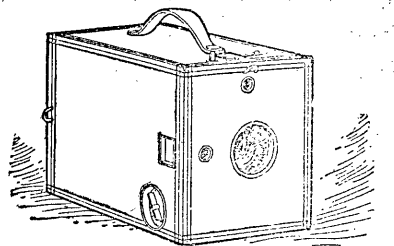
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May 2, 19 2. Chas. M. Connor, Clerk,
By F. A. Garrett, D. C.
Guy Fulk, Solicitor for plaintiff.

Warning Order.

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County of Pulaski }
In the Pulaski Chancery Court.
M. H. McMiller, plaintiff, vs. Ed McMiller, defendant.
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