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News and Notes.

IT IS NOW EXPECTED THAT CONGRESS will not adjourn without providing for the building of the trans-isthmian canal, and that the Panama route will be chosen.

ALTHOUGH CONGRESS FAILED TO pass a bill for laying a telegraph cable to Hawaii and thence to the Philippines, it is said that the line will be put down by a private corporation.

THE ANTHRACITE MINER'S STRIKE continues, and efforts are being made to call out the bituminous coal workers. A movement which so disturbs the business of the country and entails such loss upon non-participants in the strife, and that for the adjustment of issues so trifling, can only increase the public disapproval of such a method of settling differences.

THE CROP NEWS IS VERY FAVORABLE from most sections, but there is complaint of severe drought over a large portion of Texas. The vegetable crop is greatly injured and much harm has been done to corn, and even cotton is being cut short. In our own State crops of all sorts are promising.

THE TRADE CONDITIONS OF THE country are very favorably reported. But the short crop of last year has greatly diminished our export trade, which has fallen off \$92,000,000 in the last twelve months, and now our trade balance is \$167,800,000 less than a year ago. It suits us better to export wheat and beef to Europe than to export gold. Our hope that the reign of prosperity may still continue is in the crops of the present year.

NOW THAT THE BOER WAR IS ended the mining of gold in the Transvaal will soon be resumed, and, as 25 per cent of the world's product was gotten from this source before the war, the resumption of this work is a matter of importance to the commercial world.

THE BOER WAR HAS COST ENGLAND \$1,200,000,000 and the with-

drawal of 250,000 men from productive employments. The United States has profited considerably in furnishing the supplies which England has required in this struggle. We must now, when the resources of that country are directed to the arts of peace, look for sharper competition in manufactures and trade.

THE PHILIPPINE CIVIL SERVICE Commission is making good progress in establishing natives in the various civil offices. It is said that out of 6,000 positions, 4,000 are now filled by natives with salaries ranging from \$13 a month to \$7,500 a year, and that so great is the eagerness of the Filipinos to qualify, that 10,000 are now in Manila studying the English language and business courses to prepare themselves for service.

THE CORONATION OF KING EDWARD VII, which was to take place June 26th, has been indefinitely postponed because of the sickness of the King. All preparation for the great ceremony had been made.

THE CUBAN FLAG HAS A TRIANGULAR field of red, in the center of which is a silver star. It has five stripes, three of blue and two of white. Thos. Estrada Palma, the Cuban president, has entered upon his administration with purpose to make the moral and intellectual advancement of his people his chief aim. He is a man of statesmanlike qualities. The pay of the Cuban president is \$25,000 a year.

Prof. Edwin Mims.

We are in receipt of the Morning Post, Raleigh, N. C., June 12, containing the annual address of the president of the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly, Prof. Edwin Mims of Trinity College. The address presents a broad and judicious view of the educational needs and the educational work of the South. It commends the work of the American Board of Education, having its seat in New York, which has entered into co-operation with the lately organized Southern Board in plans to aid the work of education in the most destitute Southern districts. This practical expression of a national spirit, superior to partisan feeling,

is promise of good to our common country in many ways. There is, taking place, says Prof. Mims, a change from aristocratic to democratic ideas of education. He says: "The book most clearly stating the significance of this revolution is that recently published by Mr. Walter Page, entitled "The Rebuilding of Old Commonwealths."

The address is vigorous in thought, comprehensive and logical in view, and its diction is pure and classic. Prof. Mims is a Little Rock man, and many acquaintances in Arkansas look with pride upon the distinction which he is attaining as a scholar and an educator.

TWO GOVERNMENTAL ACTS HAVE more than a local interest, the first being the receipt, by Secretary Shaw, of the Treasury Department, of the contract signed by the directors of the St. Louis Fair, pledging themselves not to "operate the Fair on any Sunday at any time." The bill providing for this was framed by the Reform Bureau of this city, and the \$5,000,000 government appropriation for the exposition was available only on condition that this contract was signed. The other matter was connected with local city government and is a signal victory for the temperance forces of Washington. The District of Columbia bill just passed by the Senate increases annual liquor licenses from \$400 to \$800, and temperance advocates are rejoicing over a measure which puts more difficulties in the way of retail liquor traffic.—Washington Correspondent.

The Protection of the Cross.

Emperor William in a recent speech at Aix la Chapelle, speaking of religion as represented in the Catholic and Protestant people of his empire, said:

"Our two great creeds must, while living side by side, keep in view their one great aim—to uphold and strengthen the fear of God and reverence for religion. Whether we are moderns or whether we labor in this or that field does not matter at all. He who does not found his life on religion

is a lost man. I rejoice that I have placed my whole empire, my people and my army as well as myself and my house beneath the cross and under the protection of Him who said: "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my word shall not pass away."

Old Men Who Work.

Chauncey M. Depew says: "When a man from fifty upward retires, as he says, for rest, his intellectual powers become turbid, his circulation sluggish, his stomach a burden. Bismarck, at seventy-five, ruling Germany; Thiers, at eighty, ruling France; Gladstone, at eighty-two, a power in Great Britain; Simon Cameron, at ninety, taking his first outing abroad and enjoying all the fatigues as well as the delights of a London season, illustrated the recuperative powers of hard work. Such men as these never ceased to exercise to the full extent of their abilities their faculties in their chosen lines."

To the above we might add Oliver Wendell Holmes at eighty-four, Neal Dow (as full of fight as ever) at ninety, our ex-Gov. Boutwell at eighty-five, Joseph A. Willard, Clerk of our Superior Court, in his eighty-sixth year, John W. McKim, our Judge of Probate, about eighty, Mary A. Livermore in her eighty-second year, Archbishop John J. Williams in his eighty-first year, and Pope Leo XIII, now in his ninety-third year.

In addition to the above we find on our table this morning an interesting article in the Salem Evening Observer of May 3d, from the Rev. Samuel C. Beane, in which he describes his call upon three of his former Salem parishioners, Mrs. James Fairfield, in her ninety-first year; Mrs. Daniel C. Merriam, in her ninety-sixth year; and Miss Elizabeth Archer, in her one hundred and first year—all, he says, as animated and optimistic as though only one-half their present ages.

We believe that nothing helps more to promote long life than constant, pleasant occupation of the mind, and a determination that you will live as long as you can.

Under the head of "The Power of Hope" our friends will find on page 16 of our "Autobiographical Sketches" two cases in which life was greatly prolonged by "the power of hope."—Our Dumb Animals.

Educational Notes.

State University Notes.

The board of trustees of the University of Arkansas, of which Gov. Davis is ex-officio president, elected Harrison Randolph, of Virginia, to succeed Dr. John L. Buchanan, resigned. The new president is an educator of high standing in Virginia, where he has held several prominent positions in institutions of learning. He was selected from among half a dozen distinguished men, and those who know him predict that he will prove a worthy successor at the head of the university.

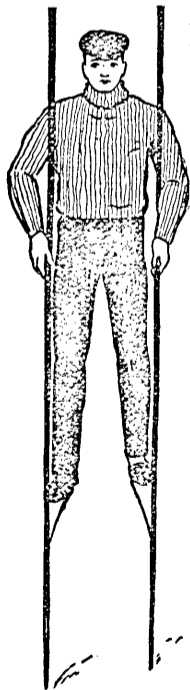
J. H. Reynolds, late of Hendrix college, Conway, was elected to the chair of history. W. S. Johnson succeeds Dr. Junius Jordan, resigned, in the chair of pedagogy. As professor of economics H. M. Willis succeeds Dr. S. J. McLean, who goes to Cleveland, O. J. W. Carr is made professor of English and modern languages, in lieu of Dr. W. A. Read, who has accepted the same chair in the University of Louisiana.

The complete faculty as selected by the board today is:

Harrison Randolph, of Virginia, president; A. E. Menke, chemistry; J. C. Futrall, ancient languages; G. W. Droke, mathematics; J. J. Knoch, civil engineering; W. N. Gladson, electrical engineering; A. H. Perdue, geology; H. M. Willis, economics; W. S. Johnson, peda-

Stomachs on Stilts.

The man who puts on stilts does not increase his actual stature by the breadth of a hair. He feels taller while he's on the stilts, and when he's off them he feels shorter than he ever felt. Stimulants are the stilts of the stomach. They make a man feel better for the time being, but he feels a great deal worse for them afterward.



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gogics; F. W. Pickle, biology; J. H. Reynolds, history; J. W. Kuykendall, preparatory department; Mrs. Neil Carothers, librarian; J. W. Carr, English and modern languages; Mrs. Jennie Bowman, elocution.

The university commencement exercises will close tomorrow, when the graduating class of twenty-two members will receive their diplomas from Gov. Davis. Hon. Jos. W. House, of Little Rock, will deliver the baccalaureate address. Tonight Hon. W. H. Langford, of Pine Bluff, delivered the address to the alumni.—Arkansas Gazette.

Temperance.

President's Opinion.

President Roosevelt has fully measured the saloon business, and has not hesitated to utter his condemnation of it. At the time he was president of the police board of New York City he wrote these words to McClure's Magazine: "The saloon business is certainly not a business which stands well in comparison with other occupations. It tends to produce criminality in the population at large, and law-breaking among the saloon keepers themselves. In every civilized community saloon keepers are hampered by more or less rigid restrictions. They do harm enough as it is; but without these restrictions they would do indefinitely more. In some localities it is possible not merely to restrict, but to stop the traffic altogether. In large cities this is not possible; but it is entirely possible to hedge the trade so as to minimize its attendant evils. When the liquor men are allowed to do as they wish, they are sure to debauch not only the body social, but the body political also."—Ram's Horn.

Immigrants Invited to Books, but Not to Beer.

The House of Representatives on May 27 passed an immigration bill which contains an educational test and forbids the sale of beer and other intoxicants in United States immigrant stations. If it passes the Senate and becomes a law, it will probably reduce our excessive immigration one-third in quantity and improve it more than one-third in quality; but such a bill has been defeated by the threefold alliance of steamship companies, beer brewers, and priests, repeatedly, all of whom would lose the patronage of that one-third, by whose exclusion labor and morality would both be benefited. The churches and labor unions can carry the bill against such an alliance only by a national broadside to all senators; but especially should the States be active that are represented on the immigration committee, which consists of Senators Boise Penrose (Pa.), C. W. Fairbanks (Ind.), H. C. Lodge (Mass.), W. B. Mason,

(Ill.), J. F. Dryden (N. J.), J. L. Rawlins (Utah), Geo. Turner (Wash.), A. S. Clay (Ga.), A. J. McLaurin (Miss.), T. M. Patterson (Col.)

Let no one wait for printed petitions, but every church and society friendly to the measure or any part of it should authorize its officers to send such a petition as follows, which may also be used, with change indicated for individual names:

"To the United States Senate—Undersigned society (or citizens) petitions for the restriction of immigration by an educational test, and for suppression of liquor selling in immigrant stations."

More effective still will be a great volley of one page letters to senators. Best of all, like sharpshooters' fire, are ten-word telegrams, each signed by ten voters, whose cooperation at once reduces the expense and increases the influence of the telegram, which should be some variation of the following appeal:

"Educational test for immigrants favored; government liquor selling opposed."

Those who wish fuller information on beer selling at immigrant stations should apply to senators for a hearing on this subject. It discusses also the government liquor selling in old soldiers' homes and other public buildings, which the McCumber bill will suppress.

The International Reform Bureau (103 Md. Ave., N. E., Washington, D. C.), which drew the amendment forbidding liquor selling at immigrant stations, and the McCumber bill needs funds for wide circulation of literature on both subjects in this country, and for circulation of literature in other countries on the yet more important treaty Secretary Hay has initiated to protect uncivilized races of the world against intoxicants and opium. C. A. S.

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How are all at home? Buy a bottle of Painkiller today and you will be insured against cholera morbus, diarrhoea and kindred troubles. The old reliable Perry Davis' Painkiller is sold by all dealers. 25c and 50c bottles.

Postmaster Palmer

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L. D. Palmer.

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"A More Excellent Way."

Dr. Lafferty has won the right of saying what he pleases and saying it in his own way. The need of arranging for our General Conferences to be held steadily at a central point where everything will favor quiet, order and dispatch of business was suggested by many members at Dallas. But hear Lafferty talk:

It is known to the church that the recent General Conference, the majority, found daily disturbance in the alimentary canal by reason of the alkaline water of Dallas. It was a pitiful condition. This writer met in New York Dr. Wiseman, the British fraternal messenger, who declared he was made miserable by the uncertainty of his system for he could not trust to be fit to deliver his address at the time set.

If Texas did not merit a visit of the chief synod of Southern Methodism no State did. It claims rightly to be a Methodist commonwealth. Beside, it is a superb specimen of an American sovereign State. In size, fertility, thrilling history, it ranks high. The type of Methodism is robust, aggressive, victorious.

PUCK OUGHT TO CARTOON IT.

An itinerating General Conference is a ludicrous blunder. It swings from Baltimore to distant Texas, to the upper end, touching the periphery of the church at two distant points. The delegates are drawn across a continent to get to the head of the Chesapeake Bay. Then the Eastern men must needs journey two days' travel beyond the Mississippi.

WHAT THEY MEET FOR.

The reason for this movable Sanhedrin is that a session "blesses" the city where it sits and "makes a lasting impression for good." Maybe so. And maybe not. Remember, that a General Conference is not a camp-meeting nor a protracted meeting. It is a business meeting. It is a law-making body. The keynote and duty are to attend to the machinery of the church. What is needed is a most accessible place, with ample means of entertainment, a healthy climate, purest water, and the room for the daily sessions in easy reach of the hotels.

Has Dallas gained in spirituality by the three weeks of delegates and their "claim?" Was Baltimore blessed?

Consider. There is a central city, with every element needed to make a perfect and perpetual seat of our General Conference. It is Asheville.

Railways center there. The South Atlantic members come by the Spartanburg railway; the trans-Mississippi delegates by Knoxville; the Eastern brethren by the Southern and Norfolk and western. It

is accessible. And the roads are the best. None are shabby concerns—a franchise and a streak of rust.

THE MODERN EDEN.

In May Asheville gives a hint of frost at sunrise and a mild July warmth at midday. How tonic! It is 2,500 feet above the sea level. Malaria and mosquitoes? The insect would be a curiosity to a native. To enjoy this picturesque environment and to spend the summers amid these matchless peaks—the Roan, Pisgah, Mount Mitchell, which is the highest crest east of Pike's Peak—millionaires travel far. By the bye, Mount Washington, in New England, so boasted of, would be a dwarf by the "Grandfather" overlooking the Yadkin. What weird scenery around Asheville, this eagle's nest in the wild cliffs! Wealth has poured out its millions to embellish what nature has so lavishly favored.

SQUEEZE AND SWEAT.

"What of the entertainment?" It is a city of royal inns. It is seldom that even a great commercial mart can equal these hotels in size, finish, equipments. One of them could house and feed the conference. In May they are scant of guests, for it is a "between season." Each member could have a room. Recall the "four in a room" at Dallas the first few nights! The water! Who has tasted the sweet, soft, free-stone springs bubbling at every turn in the roads can ever desire a more refreshing draught? Asheville is an ideal seat for such sessions. Men who must prepare papers, study questions, compare views, need each a best, cool, comfortable room, freedom from teasing insects, nauseating water, miasma, debilitating heat.

PERMANENT SEAT.

Why not select Asheville as the permanent seat of the General Conference? And thereupon have conveniences for daily sessions prepared (if there is not a fit auditorium, it is likely enough there are ample arrangements), then erect the best type.

RIDING THE CIRCUIT OF A CONTINENT.

Think of Congress or a State legislature itinerating! The former from New York to San Francisco; the other to take the cities in the commonwealths "in turn!" The mere mention of such folly excites derisive laughter.

Let us quit the foolishness of a traveling legislature or perambulating parliament. It is ridiculous, needless, costly, torturing, crippling by its bad location and unhealthy environments the members from sanest work. What worth is a lot of men crowded together, unused to such conditions, vexed day and night by physical disorders, enervated by sudden rise in temperature, traveling two miles to "the

place of meeting," and beginning business fagged by a long journey across the continent?

DAD DONE IT.

It is the old story: "Dad done it this way." He saw the farmer and two negro men twisting plow-lines on "turning boxes," home made. The old people know what a turning box was. He said: "My friend, the merchant near by will sell you three plow-lines for a quarter. Why do you prefer to grow the cotton, card it by hand, spin it on a wheel, twist it in these turning boxes, taking you and your two field hands half a day to make three lines, rather than buy the lines for 25 cents? You are losing money and time." The man running in a rut only replied: "Dad done it this way. I ain't going to throw these turning boxes away. Dad made 'em." Well, it may have been that when "Dad made 'em" that was the best way to get plow-lines.

A custom will continue long years after the reason for it has ceased. The birth of a new thought is an anguish to minds long barren. Let us add to our offspring of progressive ideas even if there is a scream from unfruitful mental inertia.

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A Birthday Donation.

Yesterday afternoon at 6 o'clock Rev. J. R. Sanders and family were happily surprised with the presence of quite a company of the ladies and children of South Mena Chapel, and presently a delivery wagon followed to the parsonage filled with good things, flour, sugar, coffee, hams, lard, etc., and \$1.50 in cash, a donation in honor of the pastor's birthday anniversary. Not only were the gifts highly appreciated but honor and kind remembrances also. Mr. Sanders by his kindly, gentlemanly manners is winning many warm hearted friends in Mena.—Mena Star.

Notice.

I need a preacher for the Fort Smith Circuit. Brother Russell, owing to family affliction, has had to give up the work. A man of good ability, consecrated and willing to spend and be spent in saving souls, is needed.

With best wishes,
Henry Hanesworth, P. E.

HAMPERS BUSINESS

Coffee Drinking Incapacitates Some People for Business at Times.

A gentleman from McBain, Michigan, says: "Coffee drinking has cost me much, for during my life I have been many times so thoroughly put out of condition that I have been compelled to abandon business for a day or two at a time. The attacks of headache would commence on the right side behind the ear and become so severe as to totally incapacitate me for any exercise, even mental. I have frequently had to take morphine to relieve the suffering. Sour stomach troubled me and I had a nervous heart that gave me a great deal of trouble.

Four years ago I saw an advertisement for Postum Food Coffee which recited the ill effects of coffee on the nerves. I at once decided to make the change and leave off coffee and take on Postum. The result has been all that one could expect.

I am never constipated any more, the bilious attacks never come on except from some indiscretion such as drinking coffee, which I am foolish enough to indulge in now and then. I have no more headaches, no more sour stomach and no bilious spells. I have not been sick to my stomach or had a nervous vomiting spell in three years. Am now 56 years old, and have better health and do a better business and more comfortable than ever before in my life. I certainly attribute the change to leaving off coffee and using Postum for I have taken no medicine to aid in making the change.

The experiment as stated is absolutely true. I am willing, if necessary, to attach my affidavit to it." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Letter From China.

REV. A. P. PARKER, D. D.

It will be interesting to all friends of missionary work in China to know that the missionaries who are especially engaged in educational work, which also includes the preparation and publication of school and text books, have associated themselves together in a society called The Educational Association of China. This association was organized at the General Missionary Conference in 1890. Previous to that time there had been in existence, since 1877, a committee called The School and Text Book Series Committee, whose sole work was the preparation and publication of school and text books in Chinese. When the educational association was organized the work of the school and text book series committee, together with all their property consisting of books, plates, maps, charts, etc., was turned over to the educational association, which has been carrying on the work of preparing, publishing and selling school books ever since. The association numbers now some 250 members. According to the constitution all Protestant missionaries in China, who are or have been engaged in school work or in the preparation of school books, are eligible to membership. The constitution provides for an educational convention to meet in Shanghai every three years. At these meetings papers are read on the many subjects that grow out of the educational situation in China, which are followed by discussions and often by action in the way of appointment of committees, or otherwise, in order to put into operation the purposes of the convention along the lines indicated in the discussions. Much stimulus has been given to educational work by means of these meetings during the past twelve years. The papers that have been prepared and published in the records of the association have been valuable contributions to educational work in China. Quite a number of school books on mathematics, science, history, geography, etc., have been prepared by members of the association and others, and published by the association, and the work in this department is extending rapidly. Newer and better books are being made to take the place of those which, by reason of limitations necessarily surrounding first attempts, have been found more or less defective. The sales of the association's publications have, during the last few years especially increased very rapidly, amounting to some \$14,000 Mexican, during the three years ended December 31, 1901.

The fourth triennial meeting of the association is now in session in Shanghai, having formally opened Wednesday morning, May 21. More than 100 delegates are in attendance from various parts of China, includ-

ing Peking on the north, and Hainan on the south, and a number of places up the Yangtze river. As an indication of the scope of such a meeting the following are some of the subjects placed on the programme for treatment at this time: "How can we help officials to secure such a knowledge of Western subjects as will fit them for the new regime?" "What can be done to reach the great scholar class in China?" "Christian education in relation to educational reform." "Kindergarten," "Day schools," "How to teach the Chinese to sing," "A lesson on voice production," "Romanisation," "The great need of competent native teachers," "New methods of teaching Chinese," "Teaching English in Mission schools," "How to teach useful trades and professions," "Training schools for Christian workers," "Training schools for women and others."

Several problems now confront us which require some action on the part of the educational association. Among others is the question of religious toleration in government schools, to which I have referred in previous letters. It is thought by many that a strong representation from this association, presented through the diplomatic body in Peking to the Chinese government, would have a very material influence in securing religious toleration for Christian students in all the government institutions that have been or will be established in China. The relation of missionaries to educational work, and especially government schools, is another question that is perplexing the missionary educators in China. Along with the effort at forcing the worship of Confucius on Christian students in government schools there comes also a manifest purpose, on the part of the conservative leaders in the government, to dismiss the missionaries that have hitherto been employed by them in the management of their schools. There is also becoming apparent a feeling that the missionary is looked down upon as incompetent to do the special work that is required in government schools. The source of this feeling is chiefly in a young man named Tseng, son of the former Marquis Tseng, who has been educated in England. He is now the chief adviser of the chancellor of the Peking University, and his influence over the chancellor is said to be almost absolute. This young man affects to look down upon missionary educators as not being up to date in educational methods, etc., and it is said that the tendency in the direction of refusing the assistance of missionaries in government educational work is the result of this young upstart's advice.

Another problem before the association is the introduction of a system for writing the Chinese language in Roman letters. The feel-

ing among the missionaries is growing that in order to extend the benefits of common school education among the poorer classes a simpler way of writing the spoken language of the country than by means of the character is absolutely necessary, and an effort is being made to devise a system of spelling all the sounds in the various dialects according to a uniform method. This form has been in use in Swatow, Amoy, Ningpo, and other places, and has been found to be of great value in teaching children and women and the poorer classes of adults, generally, to read, this giving them access to the Bible, the hymn book, and such simple school books on geography, arithmetic, etc., as have been published in the Romanised. The object of the association now is to define a system that will be of universal application so as to simplify and unify, as far as possible, the writing of the sounds of the various dialects in Roman letters.

Another question before the association is as to what can be done to influence the great scholar class in China, in the first place, to obtain a general knowledge of Christianity, and in the second place, to help those among the scholar class who are looking forward to becoming officials to obtain a knowledge of those subjects which it is necessary for them to know in order that they may be able to adapt themselves to the new regime that is now coming on in China. This great scholar class and these expectant officials, are the real rulers of China. They form public opinion; they lead the masses; they are stronger than the officials and the central government; and to influence them in the right way is to accomplish a mighty work for Christian education in China.

A further account of the educational convention will be given in a future letter.

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Literature and Review

THE METHODIST REVIEW for May and June contains some articles of especial interest. Among these is Mrs. J. D. Hammond's paper entitled "Some Southern Factory Problems." The need, for the public welfare, to make every member of society or the State the best possible is clearly set forth, as well as the duty of doing so from the philanthropic or Christian standpoint. This is no longer a matter about which any can be sceptical, and the Christian teacher, the legislator, the political economist all agree that the improvement of the condition of the masses is a work to which they are called, and its solution is one of the problems of the times.

Mrs. Hammond considers this problem especially as related to the operatives and employes of factories. She shows that even where the will to do the best thing directs operatives and legislators the way to accomplish the work may still be difficult to find. There is no difficulty in seeing the injury inflicted when little children, who should be in the school, or exercising in the fresh air are driven to work through long hours in the factory, but for parents thus driven to turn the children upon the street without their control until fourteen years old, offers no better results. To forbid the children to work when families are suffering even for the pittance which they might earn seems unwise.

Mrs. Hammond is fully in sympathy with the plan of improving the condition of the laborer by abridging the hours of service to a reasonable limit. She thinks the temptation to dissipation should be removed by providing facilities for rest and social intercourse and recreation. The institutional church is endorsed. The writer thinks the purpose of the divine Master is best served when sanctity is made one with utility for the people's good.

Melton S. Terry, D. D., LL. D., professor in Garrett Biblical Institute, discusses the question of "Biblical Inspiration," applying the inductive method. The result is the

conclusion that much of the Bible is not inspired in the sense of supernatural enlightenment or prompting of the writers by the divine spirit, that much of it is such matter as men were competent, as historians, or uninspired writers, to record—matter, indeed, which does not call for inspiration, or suggest it, and for which no claims of inspiration are made by the writers themselves. The paper will interest the Biblical student, stimulating thought.

Robert T. Kerlin, A. M., professor in the Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas, furnishes a very interesting paper on "The Classic Age of Christian Art," showing how the early Christians turned not only heathen art but heathen mythology to the use of embellishing Christian doctrine and illustrating Christian teachings.

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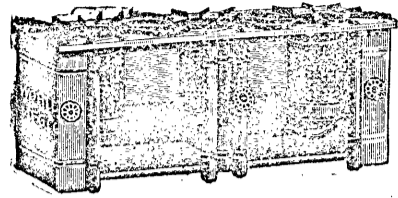
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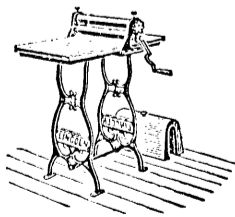
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Now, Brother Godbey, I want to say that this correspondent believes in its inspiration. An inspiration that forces accident and evil purpose, and plants it invulnerably in mystery maybe, but still subject to revelation. If that chapter was left out, the chain of prophecy and history would have been irretrievably broken. Matt. 1-3 would have been inexplicable. Why the two names, Phares and Zara, mentioned there, and in no other case? "Moses and the prophets" and "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews," would have been separated, their connection severed. The endorsement or testimony of the one to the other would have been void of strength or established truth. The chapter in question gives us the origin of two lines of kings, the one in genealogical succession, the other marked by the scarlet thread. "The sceptre shall not depart from Judah nor a

wards of the prophet Jeremiah, only were left.

Jeremiah was the prophet of the nations. His commission (see chapter, 1, v. 6) was to pull down, destroy, to build and to plant. He had pulled down and destroyed all the nations around him, even to Egypt and Babylon. The destruction of the Jewish nation involved the promise of the sceptre to Judah. With the destruction of the nations the first part of his commission was fulfilled. To plant and to build was to save the sceptre to Judah. Baruch, Jeremiah with his wards, with the armies of the Jews and their Egyptian allies, fled before Nebuchadnezzar to Egypt. At Tahpanhes Jeremiah abruptly drops out of Bible story, but history and tradition take them to the "Isles of the Sea" where he gives Tea-tephi, the daughter of Zedekiah, in marriage to King Eoachid Heremon, of the scarlet thread line. Thus the two or twin lines from Judah were united. It was only a question of "the first shall be last and the last shall be first." From that union the sceptre has continued without break through Scotia's and Britain's kings to the present day. Neither will it depart from Judah, nor David lack a man to sit on his throne until Shiloh—Jesus, the king of the Jews, come to reign in righteousness over all the world. Verily the third verse of first chapter of Matthew has some significance and the 38th chapter of Genesis a wonderful inspiration. Isolated though it be, condemned, ridiculed, undefended, yet there it stands, there, a strong tower of defense for the inspiration of the Holy Scriptures. Verily the Bible is true. The Bible is true as written. The Bible is true for the purpose written. H.

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July 6—The Father's Care. Matt. vi. 25-34. Ps. ciii. 13, 14.

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Jesus was teaching his disciples to stand to that which is right and good, to seek righteousness as the supreme good, and to accept, without murmur, and without fear the result. Yet, in the result were to come hatred of men, persecution, pain and death. The tender care which should be over them, and make sure their true good, was not pledged to keep them from any form of temporal affliction. In another place he speaks to them most tenderly, assuring them that the very hairs of their heads are numbered, while, at the same time he tells them that they shall be hated of all men and shall be counted for enemies of righteousness and put to death.

It is, therefore, clear that Jesus' teaching does not justify the belief, which some cherish that God will relieve them of the burdens and pains common to men. The Father's care is ever over us. But a human father does not deem it well to protect his child against all pains and burdens. There are mental and moral qualities more precious than ease or worldly treasure which are cultivated through tribulation; so there is appointed to human beings in the original purpose of the Creator, an experience of discipline for the attainment of the highest good. While man consents to this, and seeks through it the kingdom of God and his righteousness, he is blessed above any blessing of worldly ease.

There is an order of nature, under which trial and suffering and death come to all. To deem it a blessing to escape trial is to judge

that tribulation is an evil. But such is not the teaching of God's Word. To come before God with prayers to be delivered from temporal affliction is to enter a protest before God against his own laws, and the order which he has ordained.

The highest faith in God is that which accepts, without murmuring, the experiences which his laws secure to us, and to stand in the way of righteousness counting all loss beside. While we live thus by faith in God, we are placed under spiritual influences which turn to good in the spiritual world every vicissitude of this temporal state, so that "all things work together for good to them that love God."

What a splendid type of tireless activity is the sun as the psalmist describes it issuing like "a bridegroom from his chamber and rejoicing like a strong man to run a race." Every man ought to rise in the morning refreshed by slumber and renewed by rest, eager for the struggle of the day. But how rarely this is so. Most people rise still unrefreshed, and dreading the strain of the day's labors. The cause of this is deficient vitality and behind this lies a deficient supply of pure, rich blood, and an inadequate nourishment of the body. There is nothing that will give a man strength and energy, as will Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It does this by increasing the quantity and quality of the blood supply. This nourishes the nerves, feeds the brain, builds up enfeebled organs, and gives that sense of strength and power which makes the struggle of life a joy. The "good feeling" which follows the use of "Golden Medical Discovery" is not due to stimulation as it contains no alcohol, whisky or other intoxicant. It does not brace up the body, but builds it up into a condition of sound health.

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THE ARKANSAS METHODIST.

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

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25, 1902.

If the preacher finds that his preaching is not bringing any to Christ he can with good conscience take a vacation.

Beware of the man who often asks advice. His purposes may be good but his course will be hesitating and fickle. A strong, consistent life is self-regulating.

As to spiritual preaching its measure is in the amount of saving truth which it earnestly presents. It will be in near proportion to the spirituality presented in the daily life of the preacher. But the complaint that the preaching is not spiritual often comes from lack of spirituality in the hearer.

A Permanent Place for the General Conference.

We republish in the "Methodist" this week Dr. Lafferty's deliverance regarding the General Conference. Not disparaging the entertainment which we had at Dallas, nor favoring a permanent seat for the conferences so far from the centre of our field as Asheville, N. C., we still believe that a permanent place, well located, should be chosen. It is scarcely less than a crime against the church to put its great legislative body to any disadvantage for doing its work in order to accommodate the public. But disadvantages injuring the spirit and work of the body, and so injuring the whole church, will be experienced if the people of any city or section are to be gratified in the location of its quadrennial sessions. A commodious building, favorable to quiet and orderly work, without respect to the number of spectators who may be accommodated, good entertainment for the body, facilities for prompt work, the greatest comfort for the workers, and the least consumption of time and money in their business are points to look to. These can best be secured by locating permanently the seat of the conference.

Closing Exercises of Hendrix College.

The closing exercises were had on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. After the commencement sermon by Dr. A. C. Millar, the president, on Sunday morning and a sermon by T. D. Scott at night. The exercises consisted of contests in essays Monday morning, a debate at night, contest in oratory for the "Arkansas Methodist" Medal Tuesday morning, alumni address at night, graduating exercises Wednesday morning.

The medals and prizes were awarded as follows: The "Arkansas Methodist" medal to B. L. Furguson, of Conway; preparatory

prize, to H. R. Skinner; collegiate essay prize to A. S. Irby; preparatory scholarship prize to J. A. Youngblood; collegiate scholarship prize to C. W. Lester; the debater's prize to F. E. Robins, of Conway; the Mirror literary prize to A. T. Reynolds; the T. H. Ware mathematical prize to S. S. Jeffries.

GRADUATES.

A. C. Curtis, Pulaski county. Thesis—"Civil Service."

S. R. Twitty, Drew county.

W. Townsend, Pulaski county. Thesis—"Contribution of the United States to Political Science."

E. A. Townsend, Saline county. Thesis—"The Development of Parliament."

E. E. Lafferty, Clark county. Thesis—"The Imperial Idea in History."

T. O. Summers, Faulkner county. Thesis—"The Unification of Germany."

C. W. Lester, Sebastian county. Thesis—"The Christian Ideal."

R. D. Wynne, Bradley county. Thesis—"Parliamentary vs. Presidential Government."

S. J. T. Wynne, Drew county. Thesis—"Freedom of Discussion."

We were kindly invited to attend the alumni banquet and we make a few notes on the address and the post-prandial speeches.

THE ADDRESS.

Rev. J. M. Hawley delivered the alumni address. The subject was "Methodism and Education." He showed how the invention of gun powder as well as the invention of the art of printing had armed the masses with weapons against tyrants. He said that Voltaire and Rousseau, while apparently denying the divine origin of the Bible, did much to incorporate its teachings in popular literature. Thus events and influences which, at first view, seemed unfavorable to Christianity, prepared the way for its larger triumphs. The tyranny of dogmatism and the tyranny of power were being broken, and the progressive nations of the world were moving toward a true democracy.

The Wesleys and Whitfield found a field prepared for their labors. They started an evangelistic movement which, in the spirit of true Christianity, asserted the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man, and gave these doctrines practical expression in seeking, like the Master, to save the common people. Mr. Hawley thought the evangelistic revival needed the educational work to secure to it the best fruits both as respects the individual and the world at large. Zeal calls for knowledge, that it may be rightly guided. The doctrine that men are equal born respects not heredity, or wealth, but mind and heart. The right development, then, of mind and heart is the supreme matter. Democracy bases itself on

this principle and can prove successful only in regarding it practically.

When the tyrant and autocrat cease to hold sway, reason must take the throne. If force no longer rules, men must be self-governing. The best intellectual development is the means whereby we attain the best fruits of religion and the best results of government.

Mr. Hawley thought that compulsory education was the logical conclusion of our government system. If education is needed for the best citizenship then the State, while compiling her citizens to provide the means of education, should compel the people to use the means provided. If the citizens are taxed to build school houses and pay teachers to instruct the children, then the children should be compelled to go to school. The speaker thought that the leaders of Christian education should heartily endorse and support education by the State also.

There was, Mr. Hawley thought, reason for gratulation in the progress which the Methodist Church in Arkansas has made in the establishment and development of her schools. Such were the leading thoughts of the alumni address, which was rendered in that modest style and pure diction which are characteristic of the speaker.

THE BANQUET.

About thirty of the alumni, the trustees and a few invited guests attended. Several toasts were called. Prof. Hogan answered to the subject of "Bugs." The chief heads of his speech were "Big Bugs," "Imaginary Big Bugs," and "Humbugs." It was an able deliverance. If this writer may be permitted to differ at any point with the eloquent gentleman, he would express his doubt of the correctness of the speaker's statement when he said, "The humbug is a very annoying thing." Mr. Barnum thought differently. He said that "the American people love to be humbugged," and made a fortune in practical demonstration of the correctness of his views. There are some ecclesiastical Barnums we wot of, who are doing successful business financially on the same theory. We think Barnum saw things as they are, and knew that the great desire of most people is to see things as they are not.

Rev. W. B. Hays spoke to "Father and Son." It was a speech to the outgoing and to the incoming president of the college—Dr. Millar, father of the institution, and its president for fifteen years, and Stonewall Anderson, an alumnus of the school, now promoted to headship over it. His remarks were very pertinent. Still, preserving our character as a critic, without disparaging the speech or the claims of the two gentlemen to whom it was addressed, we call to mind when we first visited the institution, under care of Rev. I. L. Burrow.

Truly Hendrix College is another school, yet not wholly so. I. L. Burrow's plans and personal labors to secure to Arkansas Methodism a good college deserve to be remembered as important factors in the attainment of this end.

Dr. Millar responded to the toast, "Good-bye." He spoke modestly and wisely. He was glad that one who had been educated in Hendrix College was deemed worthy to take charge of its future interests and lead it to larger success. He was not jealous regarding his own plans, ideals or the precedents he had set. Every man must have his own plans. He was sure he left the institution under wise and conscientious leadership.

"Howdy" was the subject assigned to the new president. He did not know what it meant—whether he was to say "Howdy" to the Alumni Association or the Association was saying "Howdy" to him. He was deeply moved by the kind words and expressions of confidence which had been spoken respecting himself. He came to this new station because the church had called him to it. He had no plans. The principle of honest dealing with every situation, which had always guided him, and must guide always, would lead him to study everything carefully, the order and organization of the school, its constituency; what the church in Arkansas needs to do, and is able to do; to study also the general subject of Christian education and Christian schools, to rely upon the Board of Trustees, and the preachers of the conferences, and the loyal people of the church. This is their institution. He was there to learn and to act as might serve them best.

After these speeches some others were called upon to speak, until one invited guest, when courteously called on to speak, rather rudely suggested that the time was passing wearily, and that the meeting ought to be, as the old preachers would say, "wound to a close." Now this was a little rude and seemed to be a reflection upon the eloquent speeches which had preceded. The real explanation, as the critic supposes is, that the party called on was a "big-bug," such as Prof. Hogan had spoken of. It is characteristic of a big-bug that when struck suddenly he falls on his back and claws the air, just as many a man must do when called on to make a speech without notification.

Rev. Mr. Hawley, toastmaster, saved the situation by a few appropriate remarks and closed the meeting at 12:30 a. m.

At the close of the graduating exercises on Wednesday, Rev. J. M. Hawley presented to President Millar a \$100 gold watch from the Alumni Association and Rev. J. A. Anderson a purse of \$500 from the trustees of the college and citizens

of Conway, as a farewell token of esteem.

Rev. C. W. Lester, class representative for the graduating class, delivered an oration on the subject of "The Christian Ideal," which was a strong and eloquent speech. Brother Lester will take charge of the Cotton Plant and Howell Station, White River Conference, till the end of the year.

In Loving Remembrance.

A few days after Dr. Hunter's death we received this and filed for publication. By some oversight it has been delayed.—Editor.

Dr. Godbey—Our hearts were pained to hear of the death of dear Dr. Hunter. I scarcely remember the time when I did not know him and to know him was to love him. We feel that one of the purest and best men that ever lived has gone from us. Mr. Steele was sick in bed at the time of his death, and greatly regretted not being able to attend his funeral. He held memorial service for him Sunday evening. A large congregation was present. Besides the pastor's discourse there were several talks by our citizens who loved and respected Dr. Hunter. The service was highly appreciated. Respectfully,

Mrs. C. O. Steele.

Lonoke, Ark.

Dr. Andrew Hunter.

It will hardly be considered an exaggeration to say that he was the best known and best loved man in Arkansas. If any should doubt the former they will not question the latter statement. Should those who have been the recipients of his kindness and counsel write each but a sentence your columns would be crowded for weeks. Some of us have shared so largely his wisdom and piety that silence would be guilt. The law of vent is regnant. I have had good reason for honoring and loving many men but have never felt exactly the same kind and degree of attachment as for him. The Spirit used Dr. H. R. Withers in leading me to the Saviour but my after-life was mainly shaped and directed by Dr. Hunter. He had most to do in forming my ministerial character. We have been associated in all the relations of ministerial service and in private life and yet I can't recall an improper word or indiscreet act. For years I have prayed and hoped for an opportunity to visit him and say to his face what I am now writing, and much more. As the higher and sweeter service has been denied me I use this last opportunity to place a flower at his honored grave. If God permit I shall kneel on that sacred dust some day and offer a prayer of praise and consecration.

M. H. Wells.

Birmingham, Ala.

In Memory of Rev. Andrew Hunter.

Dear Brother Godbey—As one of the spiritual children of the efficient labors of Rev. Andrew Hunter, our ascended father in Israel, I wish to bear some tribute to his beloved memory. In Arkadelphia, Ark., in 1857 and 1858, we first saw and learned to love Dr. Hunter. He was then P. E. of Arkadelphia District. We believe he lived then in old historic Tulip, in Dallas county, and every quarter he would come with Sister Hunter and generally preached about two weeks following each quarterly meeting. A revolving every quarter was his watchword, and as a consequence, class meetings, prayer-meetings and old-fashioning congregational worship flourished. He was P. E. there again, I believe, about 1860 and 1861. It was at one of his meetings there in 1861 when my stepfather, E. T. Rayburn, with many others, was so happily converted, and made our humble home so happy. Dr. Hunter had the glorious faculty of loving sinners to the altar and to Christ, and my stepfather said time and again he could not resist the holy influence of such a good man. His wonderful conversion through Dr. Hunter's influence impressed us as never before what the grace of God could do for a sinner, and ever caused us to dearly love Brother Hunter for the great blessing he was to us. This stepfather died in Rock Island, Ill., prison in 1863, and entered upon his reward. In December, 1865, I went to Little Rock with Rev. James E. Cobb and Mr. John Messenger, who were moving the old Washington hand press and several cases of old type to begin the publication of the Arkansas Christian Advocate. The Advocate was to take the place of the Ouachita Conference Journal, formerly published in Arkadelphia. I was the "printer's devil" for them in Little Rock in 1866. There I found Dr. Hunter, P. E. of the Little Rock District, and Rev. W. P. Ratcliffe, P. C. of the old Second Street Church. In the month of March, that year, under his spiritual preaching, I was converted and received into the church. I love to live to honor the memory of the man who, through God, did so much for us. I am only speaking the sentiments of thousands of others in Arkansas. We have other items in his history we will take pleasure in adding later.

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WEEMS-ASKEW.—In Magnolia, Ark., June 11, 1902, by Rev. D. J. Weems, assisted by Rev. W. M. Hayes, Mr. Clarence N. Weems to Miss Nana E. Askew, daughter of Judge B. F. and Mrs. N. E. Askew. The contracting parties are both graduates of Arkansas University. They will make their home in Little Rock, as Mr. Weems is one of the professors in the Arkansas Military Training Academy.

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Fourth of July at Fordyce.

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At night, an address will be given by E. Benjamin Andrews, LL. D., former president of Brown University, on Robert E. Lee.

There are great gatherings at these contests, and we commend the managers of these contests as contributors to the public good.

Personal.

Brother Martin Henry called Tuesday.

E. A. Townsend, graduate of Hendrix, called on his way home.

Rev. S. R. Twitty has been appointed to Tracy City, Tennessee, to fill a vacancy.

Rev. O. H. Tucker made us a call Friday, on his way from Conway to Danville.

Brother Workman, P. C. at Benton, is assisting Brother Duncan in a meeting at Alexander.

Rev. S. M. Godbey, A. M., has been elected assistant editor of the Nashville Christian Advocate.

Brother W. D. Vance, Jr., of Pope college, who is attending a business college in this city, called Monday.

Dr. Hillis, pastor of the Plymouth Church, New York, has been charged by his physician to take complete rest for a season.

Rev. T. H. Ware preached at Salem, Saline County, Sunday. A brother reports that he is doing the Orphanage good work.

Rev. Keener Durham has surrendered his charge of the church at Haynes and has taken up the work of a commercial traveler.

Rev. W. C. Johnson, D. D., of the Memphis Conference, is dead. His funeral service was conducted by Bishop Galloway, Sunday, 15th.

Rev. J. F. Carr, of Pine Bluff, has been very feeble for several weeks. He has not been able to preach. His wife also has been more than usually unwell.

Rev. R. E. Dickenson, former pastor of Hobson Chapel, Nashville, has been appointed to San Luis Potosi, Mexico, and Rev. A. M. Trawick, of the Little Rock Conference, to fill Hobson Chapel.

Bishop Galloway preached before the Ohio Wesleyan University, June 19th. He is engaged to preach a series of sermons before the Chicago University the last week in June. July 15, he will start for the Orient, sailing from Vancouver on the 28th.

Our old friend, J. T. Murphy of Conway, made us a call Friday. He was a boy under our care in our days of pedagoguing. We asked him about the family. His parents are both living, and he said parents and eight children had passed through fifty-four years without a break of the circle by the death of a member.

Rev. J. D. Clary, for many years the efficient principal of the Little Rock Conference Training School at Fordyce, will go to Terrell, Texas, where he will be associated with Prof. W. B. Toon in the Terrell University School. We regard the removal of Prof. Clary a great loss to our Methodist educational work in Arkansas.

Cline Fund.

I am in receipt of \$32.12 from Hendrix College Y. M. C. A., through A. P. Reynolds, Secretary, for support of Rev. J. M. Cline in China.

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A home so fair we'll seek to find,
Though now beset by sorrow;
For well we know when life is o'er,
There'll come a grand to-morrow.

In regions fair, without a care,
No night, but day eternal;
With angels there our bliss we share,
In seasons ever vernal.

—Obscura.

The Passing Years.

REV. P. C. FLETCHER.

The passing years—what changes by them are wrought. The flight of time leaves sadness in its wake. The memory we all have of by-gone days is full of pathos. The march of the centuries is more invincible than the armies of Caesar, Hannibal and Napoleon. And what deep furrows only a few years can make. How shifting are life's scenes and conditions. After all, human life is not to be measured by the revolutions of the earth, but by what we feel, and think, and suffer, and accomplish.

This morning after grappling for several hours with the problems of my study, I became possessed by a pensive mood, which led me along a narrow path amid changing scenes and within the sound of voices no longer heard here, except by the ear of memory or imagination.

Eight years ago this writer came to the Arkansas Conference. Many of those who then marched in the front ranks of that divinely equipped army have laid aside the habiliments of warfare and are now enjoying the peace of God in that realm where conflict is unknown—V. V. Harlan, J. A. Walden, W. H. W. Burns, J. H. Wade, G. W. Boyls, J. E. Martin, B. C. Matthews, P. B. Hopkins, W. H. Metheny, W. H. Corley, J. L. Hayes, B. W. Aston, Pierce Merrill, F. A. Taff, Sr., F. A. Taff, Jr., Burton Williams, Josephus Loving—seventeen as brave and devoted men as ever wielded the "sword of the Spirit" in defense of eternal right. Eight years ago many of the young men who are now on the firing line had not entered the conference—J. M. Hughey, M. N. Waldrip, L. E. Southard, J. F. E. Bates, W. H. Cloninger, J. F. Etchison, W. T. Martin, F. M. Tolleson, W. U. Witt, F. A. Lark, W. T. Thompson, J. T. Gossett, W. W. Noble, G. L. Horton, J. J. Galloway, J. E. Woodruff, J. L. Bryant, R. E. L. Bearden—worthy successors of the noble men whose places they fill.

Eight years ago many of the men who were prominent in the ranks of the Arkansas Conference are now members of other bodies—J. T. Bagwell, J. B. Winsett, J. H. Meyers, D. D. Warlick, J. W. Head, A. H. Williams, W. B. Hayes, Arthur

Marston, I. F. Harris, W. H. Dyer, W. P. Hamilton, E. L. Massey, T. M. Jackson, H. A. Matney, D. H. Groover, J. S. Simmons, H. R. Shinn—men who are doing a great work in their respective fields of operation.

Eight years ago many of the men who are foremost in our conference today, were laboring in other conferences and have since come to us by transfer—O. E. Goddard, Geo. McGlumphy, J. H. Glass, J. A. Castell, J. L. Keener, E. R. Steele, Henry Hanesworth, J. B. Stevenson, N. B. Fizer, C. P. Smith, F. M. Keen, C. A. Lewis, T. B. Clifford—each a valuable acquisition and at present making full proof of their ministry.

Eight years ago a number of those who were standing upon the walls of Zion, and with flaming hearts and unctuous lips were bidding all men look to Calvary, are now on the "honor roll" and are, with serene faith in God awaiting the summons which will make them members of the conference of the glorified redeemed—W. B. Johnsey, C. H. Gregory, Bascom Monk, A. C. Ray, W. J. Stone, R. M. Traylor—men with the scars of many a battle upon them. With what tender love and holy reverence should we all regard these veterans of the cross.

Eight years ago the seven districts of the conference were ably presided over by V. V. Harlan, D. J. Weems, S. S. Key, P. B. Summers, R. M. Traylor, Y. A. Gilmore, O. H. Tucker. Now the mantles which they wore with so much honor to the church rest with dignity upon Henry Hanesworth, Stonewall Anderson, J. M. Cantrell, O. E. Goddard, William Sherman—men who are full of vigor and spiritual optimism.

Eight years ago J. H. O'Bryant was walking the Hartman Circuit, with the heroism of a pioneer. Those who knew him intimately then said he was "every inch a man." Today he fills the pulpit of Rogers Station, where he has done a monumental work.

Eight years ago Pierce Merrill was on the Booneville Circuit. Last year he died while serving his fourth year as a presiding elder of the Harrison District—a man loved and trusted by all his brethren.

Eight years ago F. S. H. Johnston was serving his second year at First Church, Fort Smith. Today he is the Asbury of Arkansas Methodism—preaching more sermons, raising more money, looking after more details than any man in the three conferences.

Eight years ago J. M. Hughey was a student in Vanderbilt University. Today he is pastor of First Church, Fort Smith—one of our strong, scholarly, safe young men.

Eight years ago M. N. Waldrip was teaching a little country school near Siloam Springs. Today he is

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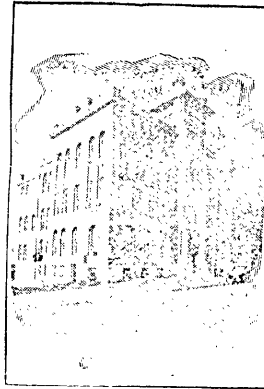
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These are a few of the most striking changes that have occurred in the last eight years. How shifting, how fleeting are all things earthly! Constantly are we reminded of the apostle's words: "Here we have no continuing city." Life is so short, its interest so momentous we have no time for trifling; no time for hatred; no time for self aggrandizement. It behooves us to fill the hours with love, labor, study and prayer. Soon we young men will be on the retired list or the ascension roll.

For the Young People.

The Step-mother

Ten little chickens,
Black and white,
That have no mother at all,
How in the world
From morn' till night
Am I to tend to you all?

I've turned up boards,
Dug in the ground,
'Till I'm tired as I can be.
I feed you meal
Most by the pound,
And still you're crying at me.

I'm tired of bein'
A mother hen,
And you're not hungry at all,
I'll shut you up,
And see if then
You can hush your noisy call.

Children are lots
Of trouble sure;
Wonder if when I was small,
I stood with mouth
Wide open—so—
And did nothing else but squall.
—May Olmstead.

Children's Letters.

Dear Brother Godbey—I am a little girl, ten years old, and mamma said I could write to the "Methodist." We live away out in Texas, but we enjoy reading the "Methodist" very much. We would be lonesome without it. I love to read the children's letters so well. I wish some of the children from about Rudy Station, Ark., would write to the "Methodist." That is where we used to live. We have lived in Texas eight years next November. We like to live here. My school was out last Friday. Had a good teacher. He is a Baptist preacher. He will be our teacher next year. We have a good Sunday-school here, and I go every Sunday. I have a good teacher. His name is Mr. Dock Caldwell, and we have a good preacher. His name is Brother Bonds. I have three brothers and two sisters. My oldest sister, Eliza,

married and moved way out on the plains. My oldest brother went on a visit to see her last summer and liked out there so well he stayed out there. I have a baby brother. He is two and a half years old. His name is Sammie. He has a cat for a pet.

Well, I am glad Freddie Lark writes to the paper. Papa and mamma and the older children knew him when we lived in Arkansas. Mamma said she wished his papa would write a long letter to the "Methodist," so she could read it. If I see this in print I will try and write again. Good-bye. Your niece,
Ella Lee Martin.

Agnes, Texas.
Dear Brother Godbey—I am a little girl seven years old. My mamma takes the "Arkansas Methodist," and I like it very much. I am going to school. My teacher's name is Rev. James Wilson and I like him very much. It is so lonesome today; it is raining. I have one brother and two sisters that I love very dearly, and one sister is dead. I will write again some time.
Virgie Webber.

Deckerville.
Dear Brother Godbey—I am a little girl ten years old. I have two sisters and one brother living, and one sister dead. I have been going to school. My teacher is our preacher. His name is Brother James Wilson. We have Sunday-school every Sunday and church every first and third Sunday.

If this misses the waste-basket, I will write again. Your little friend,
Lillie Webber.

Dear Brother Godbey—As I have never seen any letters from this part of the State I will try to write one. My papa takes the "Methodist" and I enjoy reading the children's letters. I go to Sunday-school every Sunday. My teacher's name is Miss Grace McLaugh. As I was reading the letters I saw the question, "Who slew the Philistines and what with?" It was Samson and with the jawbone of an ass. I will ask a question. "Why did Saul want to kill David?" I like to go to Sunday-school. I have one sister and two brothers. I am ten years old and I weigh 95 pounds. We live about a hundred yards from town; on one side of our house is a large hole of water. It is called "the sink hole," and on the other side is a "big spring," in "the sink hole" there is a place where the water boils up and it looks like it is hot. I will close, and if I see this in print I will write again some time.
Bessie Dodgen.

Spring Town, Ark.
Dear Brother Godbey—Here comes a little girl eleven years of age. My brother takes the "Methodist" and I like to read the cousins' letters very much. I have two brothers and one sister living, three brothers and one sister dead. I have

no pets except two dolls and a cat. My doll's names are Verlia, May and Sallie Estella. I live in the country. I think I like it much better than the city. Well, as this is my first attempt I will close. If this escapes the watebasket I will write again. Love to all the cousins.
Ethel Byrum.

Charlotte, Ark.
Dear Brother Godbey—Here comes a little twelve year old girl. Papa takes the dear old "Methodist." I like to read it so much. I go to a union Sunday-school. Papa is my teacher in the Sunday-school class.

I joined the South Methodist Church last summer.
I live on a farm. I like farm life so much. How many of the cousins like horse-back riding. I do for one. I would like to correspond with some girl. I will close for this time. Love to all the cousins. If I see this in print I will write again.
Clara Holmes.
Nathan, Ark.

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Our Church at Home.

JANSSEN.—Brother J. W. White has been with me a week in a meeting at Janssen, preaching with power. Many precious souls have been saved, nearly all adults, several persons of advanced years. Twenty accessions, making 32 received at this place since conference, and 55 on my charge. Brother Few was with us yesterday, and preached for us and exhorted and prayed, and raised \$50 for me on my collections. I only lack few dollars having the decks cleared. The meeting is deepening and widening, and the end is not yet. Will write again at the close. I. H. Bradford.
Janssen, Ark.

MENA.—Last Wednesday evening quite a company of ladies and children came to the parsonage from South Mena Chapel with a donation of several good things. We have been doing what we could there every Sunday afternoon in our mission Sunday-school, and preaching every Tuesday night, with a good sermon occasionally from Brother Few, and the people are thus trying to show their appreciation of our labors. We all appreciate very much any access to the hearts of the people we enjoy, and will continue to try and use it to the glory of the Lord and the good of the church. J. R. Sanders.

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JANSSEN.—Our meeting at Janssen resulted in 21 accessions to our church. Several other professions we will count converts if they join some church. I have ceased to count converts that don't join some church. We have had 56 accessions this year to date, about two-thirds of them new converts. We will pay the collections in full. Have the amount necessary almost secured in cash and subscriptions. This is a novel field, but there are great possibilities for the man that can meet successfully the many issues and isms. Yours in the work,
J. H. Bradford.

ROCKY COMFORT.—We had a good quarterly conference at Arkinda June 11, made so by the excellent service of Brother Few, our industrious and efficient P. E. He preached us three No. 1 sermons.

We have revived the organization of our church at Cerro Gordo with 12 members, and have organized at Arkinda with 14 members, and at least six more to come in.

We are taking our periodicals, as follows: "Arkansas Methodist," 39; Children's Visitors, 33; Go Forward, 25; Review of Missions, 4; Christian Advocate, 8; others, 10; total, 119.

There are four prayer-meetings and six Sunday-schools on the work, and without urging on my part.

A. C. Benson, P. C.

Foreman, Ark.

Helena District Epworth League Conference.

BY SIDNEY H. BABCOCK, JR.

The Helena District Epworth League Conference was held at Brinkley June 18-20. Rev. A. M. Hughlett, vice president, Galloway College, preached the opening sermon. It was appropriate, instructive and helpful.

After the service an informal reception was given to delegates and friends at the home of Mrs. V. E. Sumpter. Over one hundred were present. Mrs. Sumpter and her assistants knew well how to entertain a large crowd and no one failed to enjoy the evening.

The Thursday morning devotional half hour was conducted by the president, after which he made his address urging more organizations of leagues, a larger circulation of our church literature and a higher spiritual life.

The papers of W. G. Dennig, Mrs. Marvin Wood, Miss Ella Kloene of the Helena League and J. W. Pope, of the Brinkley League, were all well prepared and lent interest and profit to the occasion. The address of Prof. A. M. Hughlett on "The Relation of Literature to Character" was a very fine production. None of our leaguers failed to catch the inspiration of his weighty utterance. His presence with us was a distinct blessing. He showed himself to be a thinker and teacher of high order. Galloway College is to

be congratulated that such a man is in her faculty.

Rev. W. B. Ricks led the devotional service in the afternoon giving a good talk on the "Work of the Holy Spirit." The reports from the league showed that good work had been done and real progress made since last conference. The following officers were elected for the next year:

S. H. Babcock, Jr., president.

W. G. Denning, first vice president.

Miss Bessie Hooper, second vice president.

Rev. C. N. Lester, third vice president.

R. M. Henderson, secretary and treasurer.

The sermon of the occasion was preached by Rev. Stonewall Anderson, president of Hendrix College, Thursday evening. The church was taxed to its full seating capacity with expectant hearers. Nor were they disappointed. "What think ye of Christ? Whose Son is He?" was the Scripture question the speaker asks and with inspiring thought and eloquence showed how Christ himself had answered it. Brother Davidson followed with a fervent prayer. The whole audience joined heartily in singing "We praise thee O God for the Son of thy Love." It was really a great service.

Friday's session was crowded with good things.

"True Motives to Christian Work," by W. B. Hays; "America the Land of Opportunity," by W. C. Davidson; "How to Reach Young Men," by W. H. Dyer; "Relation of the League to Amusements," by R. M. Henderson; "How to Raise and Use Money," by Mrs. V. E. Sumpter." All these subjects were thoroughly and satisfactorily discussed. On motion of Rev. W. C. Davidson the body requested the publication of Mrs. Sumpter's papers in the "Arkansas Methodist."

The conference accomplished much good. That it was a delightful and profitable occasion is the universal testimony of those who attended. It specially left its impress upon our community and Brinkley is glad that it was held within her bounds. The influence of the conference will be felt throughout the district.

Sidney H. Babcock, Jr.

Brinkley, Ark.

Jonesboro District Conference.

The Jonesboro District Conference convened in Harrisburg June 12th, adjourning on the 14th. Rev. S. H. Babcock, P. E., presided to the satisfaction of every one.

A. L. Malone was chosen secretary and Rev. J. T. Self assistant.

Nearly all the P. C.'s were present, but many lay delegates and local preachers were not in attendance. The reports of the preachers showed a fairly good spiritual condition of the church and finances

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are in advance of last year. There have been some revivals and many others are anticipated.

A number of local preachers' licenses were renewed. N. W. Womack, J. E. Wimpey and R. R. Rudder were recommended to the annual conference for deacons' orders.

J. H. Snyder, J. J. Mardis, T. W. Davis and J. E. Wimpey, L. P., were elected delegates to the annual conference with R. R. Rudder, L. P. and A. L. Malone as alternates.

The preaching during the session was on the Holy Ghost order and highly enjoyed by every one.

Visitors present were Dr. J. E. Godbey, editor "Arkansas Methodist"; Rev. Stonewall Anderson, president-elect of Hendrix College; Rev. T. H. Ware, agent "Arkansas Methodist Orphanage"; Rev. W. B. Ricks, missionary secretary, White River Conference; Rev. A. C. Griffin, of Paragould; Rev. W. C. Tombs, of Auvergne; Mrs. S. H. Babcock, president Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, of the White River Conference, and Mrs. G. G. Davidson, recording secretary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the White River Conference. The next session of the conference will be held at Blytheville, Ark.

Rev. J. D. Sibert, pastor of Harrisburg, and his noble Christian people, dispensed a most royal hospitality. No conference was ever better cared for. The only regret was that there were not more to entertain.

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Woman's Work.

The Board Meeting in Richmond.

It is with regret this report of the Woman's Board of Home Missions could not have been sent to the "Methodist" earlier, but on my return home other duties demanded my immediate attention, and our conference meeting, coming so soon after the board meeting, I found no time until today, and I hasten to give some of the important actions taken at that meeting, and give a few facts and figures showing the growth of the society since its organization.

The board meeting convened in Centenary Church, Richmond, Va., Friday morning, April 18th, with the president, Miss Bennett, in the chair, who conducted the devotional exercises. In tender, earnest words she breathed upon us this message of our Lord, "I will pray the Father that he will send the Comforter," that we may have the assurance of the Christ in our hearts, and to be able to live without stumbling, and again, "Obedience is the organ of spiritual knowledge. Let us go forth and bear fruit, bringing our alabaster box to Jesus, who is waiting to receive and reward his handmaidens.

It was in this church sixteen years ago that a few women gathered to organize what was then known as the "Woman's Department of Church Extension," and on the 18th of April they met once more to thank God for the blessings and prosperity of the past and to ask guidance and wisdom to plan wisely and well for the future.

There was rejoicing over the fact that in these few years the membership had grown from a half dozen to 29,034. This includes the young children.

This meeting was the fourth annual meeting of the Woman's Board of Home Missions and is the law-making body of the organization.

There are 41 conferences in the society and each conference is entitled to one delegate, the conference corresponding secretary.

Mrs. MacDonell, general secretary, submitted a very instructive report on the work of the board during the past year.

Mrs. Kirkland, general treasurer, showed a grand total of all money collected and expended through the H. M. S., 1901 to 1902, \$109,452.41.

Miss Helm, editor of "Our Homes," presented her report, the best in the history of the paper, having 6,587 subscribers.

Mrs. Yarbrough, superintendent of supplies, gave a very encouraging report, boxes of goods valued at \$8,136, have been forwarded to our needy ministers and schools.

Donations to the amount of \$5,000 (including an appropriation last year of \$325) for the benefit

of 34 parsonages, and loans of \$2,800 to 15 parsonages.

The following amendment to constitution of conference societies was adopted: "The conference society shall consist of a president, three vice-presidents, corresponding secretary, recording secretary, treasurer and a district secretary from each presiding elder's district."

The officers of the society shall constitute the executive committee.

Two schools are to be established on the Choctaw reservation in Mississippi; \$400 was appropriated for this work.

Two thousand dollars of the undirected Twentieth Century Fund was appropriated to secure the \$500 offered conditionally for the creation of a student's home mission loan fund in the Scarritt Bible and Training School at Kansas City; also two thousand dollars for the building of an annex to the Paine institute, known as the "Industrial Hall" for the education of negro girls.

The Angel Band Loan Fund was changed to Memorial Loan Fund.

The W. B. was memorialized to confer with the W. B. of Foreign Missions to change the time for week of prayer.

Hereafter the board meeting will be held within the last two weeks in April and the president requests the conferences to hold their meetings after the board meeting.

Through 50 per cent of conference dues parsonages have been helped to the amount of \$6,400, while the board has granted \$3,400 to aid parsonages, making a total of \$9,800 for parsonages.

Total receipts of society since its organization in 1886, \$725,000.

Money donated to parsonages, \$117,200.

Money loaned to parsonages, \$37,000.

Value of supplies distributed, \$44,900.

Value of property owned by society, \$69,000.

We have 47 teachers and missionaries in the field. Number of pupils enrolled, 1,080. There are about 1,100 charges in Southern Methodism without parsonages, and this last year the society built two parsonages a week, but at this rate it will take ten years to build the 1,100 parsonages.

The following is what Little Rock Conference has contributed in money and by voucher toward the H. M. work for year ending March 1, 1902.

Total cash sent to general treasurer, including specials, \$1,096; supplies sent off and reported to superintendent, \$662.69; amount expended on station, district and circuit parsonages, \$714.12; amount expended on local church work, local mission work, supplies given locally, rescue

work and relief of needy, \$1,820.15. Total for year, \$4,292.96.

This does not include \$500 Mrs. Ratcliffe, general superintendent of tithing department, has paid to the general treasurer.

Donations to four parsonages, \$225.

Little Rock First Church sent the most valuable box in the 41 conferences valued at \$218. This same church sent by far the largest amount of money to the conference treasurer, including their juvenile society, they sent \$203.72, making a total of money and supplies for last year of \$421.92.

Dear reader, this is a mere outline of what the H. M. S. is doing from year to year. Patient, persistent, this society is silently working its way to the front as one of the great organizations of Methodism.

What we need is the earnest, consecrated efforts of the women of our church, and we can never hope to secure this until we are saturated with facts and figures and baptized with a holy zeal for this week.

During these past years God has wonderfully blessed and crowned our efforts with success and for this our women give thanks to God for the opportunity given of doing something to save this country from the perils which threaten its overthrow.

It seems to us that in the great struggle between light and darkness when forces are so nearly balanced, women may do something to turn the thoughts of the godless toward right living and right thinking.

Our prayer is, that the pastors of Little Rock Conference will set aside ten minutes each week to the study of H. M. W. and wherever there is a doubt or fear that these handmaidens of God are not doing just the work God intended for them, we believe that a careful investigation will dispel all doubt and prove that the Hand that sustained the martyr defenders of truth in the early church has guided and prospered this society from its beginning and our greatest desire is that we may say or do nothing that will hinder the success of this God-given opportunity, for it is not the great things we have done but the little things we are trying to do that shall give us an abundant entrance into our Father's house.

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Our First Meeting.

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Mrs. Ora Jamison, of Clarksville, president, planned wisely before the meeting for great success in this our first session, and all present were pleased with the results.

A spirit of humility and prayer prevailed throughout the meeting.

No interest of the entire field of work was neglected, but excellent papers and free discussions brought us face to face with our privilege in aiding in this great work for the Master.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

President—Mrs. Ora Jamison, Clarksville.

First Vice President—Mrs. J. A. Croom, Dardanelle.

Second Vice President—Mrs. J. B. Stevenson, Morrilton.

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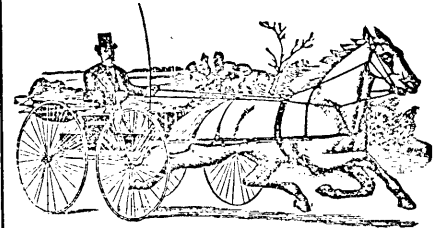
Treasurer—Miss Newell Foster, Clarksville.

District Secretaries—Fayetteville, to be supplied; Fort Smith, Miss Edith East, Van Buren; Harrison, Mrs. A. J. Vance, Harrison; Dardanelle, Mrs. T. B. Clifford, Dardanelle; Morrilton, Miss Anna Hartwick, Atkins.

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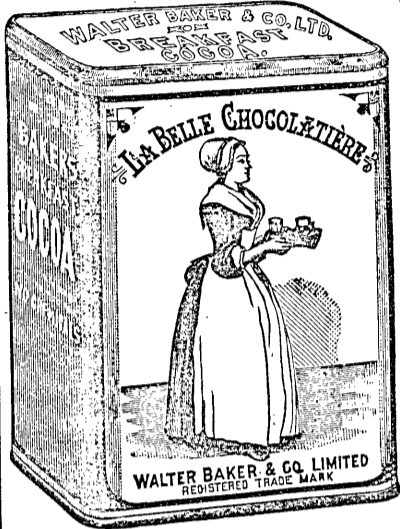
At Rest.

BURKE.—Rufus Barringer Burke was born in Tennessee, May 16, 1866, and died near Gillett, Ark., April 19, 1902. The greater part of his life was spent in Arkansas. He was a hard laboring man, and went about his work with very quick step. No doubt his rush at his work hastened death. He was for several years a member of the M. E. Church, South. He was a helpful member as he engaged in active church work. He was willing and ready to do anything he could for the church. He did not fear death, as he was ready to depart this life. His last illness was a long, trying one. He suffered untold misery, but endured his afflictions patiently. He had no hope of getting well for sometime before death came. He realized that his stay on earth was short; that he must soon try the realities of an unknown world, but his faith did not falter. He was conscious to the last moment of life, and met death as a brave Christian soldier, ready to lay down his earthly armor and take up the heavenly. He was twice married. His first wife died a few years ago, leaving him with two children. He was married to his surviving wife December 23, 1901. In his death the children lost a kind father, the wife an affectionate husband, and the country a good citizen. May God's blessings rest upon his wife and children, and lead them all home to that land "where there shall be no more sad partings."

J. D. May.

TAYLOR.—This is written in memory of a good man, Dr. D. T. Taylor, who left earth for his reward above on the evening of August 29, 1901. Dr. Taylor was born in Georgia, February 17, 1835, and removed with his parents to Texas when he was 12 years old. In 1859 he was graduated from the New Orleans school of medicine and began his life-long work of practice immediately after. In 1881 he first came to Hot Springs, where he finally died. In early manhood he married Miss Mary L. Fall, and joined the Methodist church. His noble, consecrated Christian wife, the mother of seven children, six of whom are still living, survives and mourns today the passing away of her life companion. One son, Rev. J. F. Taylor, is an humble, earnest, noble-hearted and self-sacrificing minister of the Little Rock Conference. We have no better man than "Jack" Taylor, as we call him. His father, of whom we write, lived and died a Christian gentleman and physician. He was genial, pleasant, fond of his friends and untiring in his ministries to the poor and needy no less than to those in affluent circumstances. Day and night his heart, hand and home were open to all who had need. He loved the church and her ministry. He succeeded as a practitioner and enjoyed the companionship of kindred spirits in his hospitable home. The last few months of his life were saddened with suffering. Only in a partially upright position of body would the heart and lungs perform their normal work. But through all—his sleeplessness, his physical pain and the certainty that death was near by—he remained cheerful, and delighted to have his friends call in and speak with him. His faith in God never faltered. He knew "in whom he had believed." The way was clear. The Christ of his young manhood was the stay of his declining age. In sorrowful silence a numerous throng knelt by his open grave and heard the prayer of his preacher boy, pleading that all the family might meet in heaven at last. May the dear good mother, the noble daughter and the boys all

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Hot Springs.

SELLERS.—Little Neut Sellers, son of M. B. and Cora Sellers, was born in Oklahoma near Cloudchief, October 8, 1898; departed this life April 24, 1902. His death was caused by the bite of a snake. Little Neut lived about twenty hours after he was bitten. It is so hard to part with our little ones, but we are taught that all things work together for good to them that love the Lord. Little Neut lived here just long enough to entwine himself about our hearts; so we are sad since he is gone. Little Neut is at rest with Jesus. Dear parents, while you weep over him remember that our loss is his gain. Live for God and you will meet little Neut in the "sweet bye and bye," where parting will be no more. God bless you, parents. Trust in Jesus and he will help you to bear your burdens. Written by his grandpa.

G. E. Fisher, L. D.

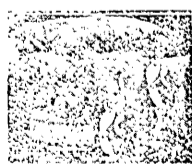
THOMPSON.—Rev. James Thomas Thompson was born in Madison county, Tenn., January 27, 1833; professed religion in 1859, at Denmark, Madison county, Tenn., and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South; was married to Mary Jane Warrell, February 5, 1852; moved to Greene county, Ark., December, 1870; was licensed to preach by the fourth quarterly conference, J. M. Steel, P. E. of Gainesville circuit, Harrisburg district, White River Annual Conference, at Hurricane church, October 5, 1872; was ordained deacon by Bishop Daggett, December 8, 1878; married the second time to Mrs. Martha A. Brond, May

24, 1877, and died March 13, 1895. Brother Thompson was a local preacher of good standing and fair qualifications, which he delighted to demonstrate when preaching the everlasting gospel of Christ. He was a man of extensive influence, and only to become acquainted with him was to admire and love him. He leaves a bereaved wife and several children to mourn their great loss. But, thank God, they do not weep as those who have no hope, but with bright anticipation they look forward to the great resurrection morn when they shall all meet him never to part again, but to join to sing the song of Moses and the Lamb forever in the Great Beyond, where trials and tears shall forever flee away. We tender our sympathy to the bereaved wife and children, and bid them to make full preparation for the reunion in the sweet bye and bye. It is needless to say I preached his funeral at old Hurricane, where he held his membership, to a large and appreciative congregation.

J. T. Phillips.

POPE.—Mary Cordelia Pope was born October 26, 1884; was baptized in infancy and joined the Methodist church at Bethlehem in Prairie county, Ark., in July, 1896, under the ministry of Rev. B. F. Scott, in which she lived a consistent and devoted young Christian till her death. After many weeks of severe suffering, caused by inflammatory rheumatism, she sweetly passed away on the 26th of May, 1902, at her mother's home near Cabot, Ark. While in health Cordelia was a sweet spirited Christian girl. She was usually cheerful and happy, and helped to fill the hours with sunshine and joy by her presence and amiable disposition. Cordelia was an obedient and an affectionate daughter. She loved her devoted Christian mother, her brothers and sisters, and did all she could to lighten the pathway and cheer the hearts of those about her. During those many long days of intense suffering she was never heard to utter a word of complaint. She bore it all patiently and was perfectly resigned to the Lord's will. She seemed to fully appreciate every token of sympathy and act of kindness shown to her during her last illness. In her last hours she talked of dying and asked her mother, brothers and sisters to meet her in heaven. She seemed to get a glimpse of the heavenly world and of loved ones gone before. Thus she passed away, and is gone to her Father's house above, where loved ones were waiting at the beautiful gate to welcome her home. She leaves a sorrowing mother, three brothers, four sisters and a host of friends to mourn their loss. May those left behind be faithful in the Lord's service as she was faithful, so that when the afflictions, sorrows and separations of this life are over they may meet their dear one in that happy place where troubles never come.

A. F. Skinner.



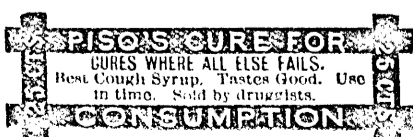
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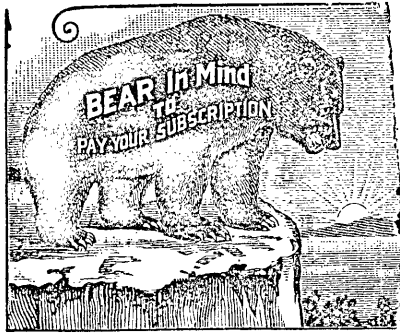
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