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News and Notes.

WE CAME OVER THE CHOCTAW railroad from Memphis to Little Rock Monday. From Memphis back to the levee, some ten miles, the forests are standing in water from eight to twelve feet deep. Only the gables and upper stories of houses are above the flood. We saw in many places the prisoners of the flood looking out from gable windows. Horses, cattle and hogs are seen here and there upon some embankment just above the water, and the farmers, such as remain, ply from point to point in skiffs trying to take care of their stock. Most of the houses are evidently deserted and most of the stock has been driven back of the levee. The absence of any high winds has been a very fortunate circumstance while the waters are so high. The people are tolerably confident of the strength of the levees, and are still hopeful that there will be no great destruction from the floods.

Various Views.

Various views are taken by our exchanges in regard to the late convention, in Chicago, to consider the subject of moral and religious teaching. The moving spirit in the convention was President Harper of the Chicago University. Through his Council of Seventy, which directs the "Institute of Sacred Literature," this convention was chiefly constituted and controlled. Many of the members of the convention were chosen from the Seventy, and the Council made up the program, and appointed the speakers, looking well to it that their own views should prevail. There were about four hundred in the convention, representing twenty churches. They were able and earnest Christian men. The result was the organization of a "Religious Education Association." It will undertake to influence moral and religious culture in colleges and universities, theological seminaries, normal schools, public schools and Sunday-schools.

Our Presbyterian exchanges, especially, view the movement with suspicion as an effort to secure recognition of the views of the

higher critics in religious teaching generally. There were distinguished representatives of our own church in this convention, and all so far as we have observed view the movement hopefully.

As respects the course of instruction in our Sunday-schools, as prepared by the International Committee, it is not altogether satisfactory. Instead of a course of lessons for the whole school, going through the Bible three times, and requiring twenty-one years for its completion, and only classified as Primary, Intermediate and Senior, upon the effort to adapt the same lessons to these three grades of scholars, it would be better to have three separate courses run side by side. A course for primaries might be chiefly historic, for intermediates it might follow especially the development of the church and its institutions, while for seniors it should be doctrinal. Each course would take the scholars through the whole Bible, and those who completed the three courses would pass through the entire Bible three times as now.

Washington Letter.

The Senate is still in special session but an early adjournment is expected. An agreement has been effected between the Republicans and Democrats for a vote on the Panama Canal treaty on March 17, and it is generally conceded that the convention will be ratified. The Democrats will vote for two amendments, one providing for absolute ownership by the United States of the zone of land through which the canal will pass, the other eliminating that portion of the treaty which provides that the United States will at no time add to its territory at the expense of Colombia or any other South American republic. If these amendments fail a sufficient number of Democrats to insure ratification will vote for the treaty as it stands.

The fate of the Cuban treaty is regarded as extremely precarious. There are fifty-six Republicans who would vote for the treaty if it came to a vote but there would be required for ratification a total of sixty and it is claimed that the

four Democratic votes will be difficult to obtain. It is appreciated that if the Republicans who have promised to vote for the convention were sincere in its support they could accomplish its approval, but many of the high protectionists are at heart opposed to the agreement although they are unwilling to vote against it. In any event it is regarded as almost certain that the treaty will not be approved without an amendment providing that its terms shall not go into effect until after the passage of an enabling act, thus renewing the fight in the next Congress.

Secretary Shaw does not regard as warranted the report which has been circulated to the effect that the payment of the price for the Panama Canal Company's property will cause a stringency in the money market and possibly precipitate hard times. He says that in ample advance of the time for the payment to be made he will advise the banks through which the negotiations are to be conducted and as that will not be until late in the summer there will be an extensive credit due the United States in European financial centers. The banks so notified will promptly purchase European exchange and the \$10,000,000 or \$50,000,000 gold to be paid out of the treasury will be added to the circulation in this country, the actual purchase price of the canal being paid in American wheat, corn, etc.

The President is making his plans for leaving Washington on his western trip on March 26th. He will be accompanied by Secretary Root and probably by other members of the cabinet, all of whom have been invited. The party will go at once to Colorado where an extensive hunting trip will be enjoyed, Mr. Roosevelt having been promised a more successful bear hunt than the Mississippi affair. From Colorado the party will go to Wyoming and then will visit a number of Western States. Miss Roosevelt will leave soon for Porto Rico where she will be the guest of the Governor of that island and his daughter.

C. A. S.

Higher Criticism.

It is not a new movement. It takes up again questions which were prominent with the early church fathers. It deems that the authenticity of the Bible records, their inspiration, and the historic lights under which they are to be interpreted may all be taken into account by the student. The re-examination will eliminate some errors. It will temporarily introduce errors. Reckless men will employ the higher criticism to diminish the authority of the Bible. Devout men will use it profitably. The higher critics are, for the most part, honest searchers after truth. The fundamental truths of Christianity are written in the needs of the human soul, God, the fall, redemption through Christ, immortality, a good or an evil destiny beyond, will still abide in religious faith, and the Bible will be still our great guide book in the way of eternal life when the higher critics have gathered all their facts and exhausted all their speculations.

Married

At the residence of the bride, March 17th, at 10:30 a. m., Hon. George Thornburgh, of Little Rock, to Mrs. Lucy B. Green of Newport, Rev. W. P. Gibson, the bride's father, and Rev. J. M. Workman, the groom's son-in-law, officiating. A more extended notice may follow next week.

Brother Thornburgh has a partiality for Southern Methodist preachers, and he and his daughters, his only children, have shown a marked fondness for the sons and daughters of our preachers. Brother Thornburgh's first wife was the daughter of Rev. J. M. Self, a local preacher. His present wife is the daughter of Rev. W. P. Gibson, a superannuate of the St. Louis Conference. His oldest daughter married J. M. Workman, the son of a superannuate of the South Carolina Conference. (Her husband has also become a preacher and is a member of the Little Rock Conference.) His second daughter, at the time of her death, was engaged to Will Godbey, the son of the Editor of this paper, and his other daughter is soon to marry Robert Paine Ramsey, the oldest son of the pastor of Winfield Church. This record hardly has a parallel in history.

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Temperance.

As One Man Sees It.

My good friends of the W. C. T. U. of Prescott still insist that I am consorting with evil. Here is their argument: "If acquiescence to the liquor traffic in any form isn't consorting then we acknowledge that we know not the meaning of the term." (Italics mine.)

I submit that in choosing between the high-license saloon and the Huddleston dispensary bill as a method of regulating the liquor traffic cannot logically be construed to mean consorting with that traffic. If there were no saloons in our cities and I was to advocate the dispensary, then their contention would hold good, but such is not the case. I am told that there are seventy-five saloons in Little Rock. If the Huddleston bill was now the law there would only be five dispensaries, and under the law they would close at sunset, whereas these seventy-five saloons may ply their death-dealing work twenty-four hours every day. I have no idea that there is a liquor dealer in this state that believes that I am "consorting" with his trade. In standing for the Huddleston bill I am seeking to reduce the evils of the traffic to a minimum. If this bill in any way trench upon our local option laws I should oppose it, but as I understand it we may go right on and vote out the dispensary.

Again, they say that the "question is boiled down to this: 'Which system or condition or theory is best, prohibition or dispensary?'" That is as they see it. But as I see it, this is the true statement of the question, Seventy-five saloons in Little Rock operated under the most vicious conditions, or five dispensaries conducted by bonded officers under the direct control of the State. That's the naked question confronting us.

True, we have "a half loaf." The dispensary bill will give us half of the remaining half, then we will have three-quarters of the loaf. Let us have it, please, is the request of your correspondent from Sherrill, E. L. Beard.

Contributed.

South Georgia Conference.

Two months have elapsed since the close of the last session of the South Georgia Conference, and all the preachers are now under full headway with their work. Thomasville was the place of meeting, and an ideal place it was. It is situated in the extreme southern part of the State, only about ten miles from the Florida line. It is a beautiful little city, surrounded by the piney woods so famous in Georgia. There the winter snows rarely ever come, the chilling breezes from the far North being modified by the more favorable zephyrs from the tropics. Flowers bloom almost perpetually,

and garden vegetation is usually in abundance.

Thomasville is a winter resort. Immediately following the holidays people from the north come to Thomasville for the remainder of the season. Only a few had arrived when the conference was in session, and these to make preparations for those to follow. There are several large public hostels for the accommodation of the people, and any quantity of private boarding places. A few own their own homes and these are surrounded with every convenience that money can provide. Mark Hanna has a home leased, while his sister, Mrs. Jones, has a lovely and splendidly equipped home a few miles out. It was here that Mr. McKinley was so often entertained by Mr. Hanna.

The conference itself was full of interest from beginning to end. The proceedings were greatly enlivened by the timely remarks of Bishop Candler. The Bishop is a Georgian, who is very much loved by Georgians. In fact, these Georgia folk believe in any and everything that springs from Georgia soil. In point of enthusiasm and State pride they come next to the Texans. The Bishop himself is a Georgian of Georgians. In many respects he is a great man. He is what is termed in commercial circles "a combination man." He fits in anywhere, and no one ever knows where he will turn up next. As Brother W. B. Hays remarked in Atlanta three years ago: "He beats all the Bishops I ever saw."

Progress along all lines was reported. It was the comment of the elder members of the conference that they had never heard such universally good reports. The Lord blessed the people with gracious revivals, and the assessments for all purposes were approximately paid. The outlook for another good year is most encouraging.

Solon H. Bryan.

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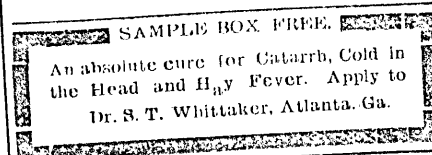
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An Epworth League Forward Day.

To the Epworth Leagues and Pastors of the White River Conference: That the Epworth League is invaluable to our pastors in their work has been clearly demonstrated. The League has been the means of bringing thousands of our young people into service and testimony, has quickened their spiritual lives, has helped them in their social and literary efforts, has contributed tens of thousands of dollars to the missionary and other causes of the church, and has stood disciplined and ready to go at the command of pastors on ministries of charity and mercy. It has also been everywhere helpful to pastors in bringing up the yearly assessments. Yet it is plain that the League has not been fully planted in our connection. Thousands of churches remain without Leagues and many Leagues remain undeveloped as to their possibilities of experience and usefulness. These facts lead us to feel that a concerted movement should be made to secure the general organization of the League, and the complete equipment of those Leagues already existing. We are glad to learn that such a movement is on foot, and heartily join in the request that the third Sunday in March, 1903, or a convenient part of it be made "Epworth League Forward Day."

We recommend that the specific object of this movement be: First, the organization, as far as possible, of the League in all of our charges and churches where it does not now exist, and the strengthening of those League chapters already organized. Second, that an effort be made to put the Epworth Era, the organ of the League, into the hands of every Epworth Leaguer in the church. To this end we suggest and ask that the pastors, presiding elders and League officers of the White River Conference endorse this plan, and, as far as possible, co-operate with it. This need not interfere with the regular church services of the day. An afternoon hour of the Sabbath or the regular League devotional hour, will meet the necessities. Let the campaign for the accomplishment of these two ends begin at once, and let the results and the completion of the work be reported to the several chapters on "Forward Day."

The following additional suggestions are made: First, where there is no League, and one is desired to be organized, write to the General Secretary, H. M. DuBose, Nashville, Tenn., for literature (free), giving directions for the organization and conduct of the League. Use this literature liberally so as to prepare for organization. Second, where Leagues exist, appoint a special "Forward Meeting" to be held on "Forward Day" with as many more as possible on previous

days. Let these meetings take the turn of inquiry as to what may be done to strengthen the League and make it more useful, how it can better help the pastor, what it can do to help on a revival, what special work it may take up in the departments, consider also the possibility of taking up the Epworth Reading Course for the year. Third, let every League make a special effort, beginning at once and going on daily until "Forward Day" to increase the circulation of the Epworth Era. If there is no Era club in the chapter, make an effort to secure one or more. If there is already a club, inquire if a wider circulation may not be secured. Write to the General Secretary for sample copies of the Era free, and sow your League down with them preparatory to a canvass. Let our motto be, "Fifty New Epworth Leagues and 500 new subscriptions to the Epworth Era" in our conference. We can do it. Yours for the work,

White River Conference Epworth League Board.

W. M. Wilson,
Chairman.
F. C. Sterling,
Secretary.

Tennessee Conference Notes.

BY RUFUS E. TRAVIS.

Dear Dr. Godbey—The temperance legislation of this State is now significant. I have strongly maintained for years that the question should go upon its merits as a question of morals and not of politics. It has seemed to me that a partisan movement would always enumber it. Beside that danger, the more delicate feature of the church or preacher in politics, was liable to bring embarrassment and issue in ruptured sentiment hard to be healed.

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spect of legislators of all parties. There is no doubt of its growth and of the coolness of men all over the State acting from strong conviction against the open saloon. Repressive measures and dilatory tactics, influences for and bribery so often reported of the struggling traffic, are less powerful and insidious than before. The legislature now in session has passed a bill by hopeless majorities—in both houses—extending the law from towns of 2,000 inhabitants to towns of 5,000 or less. This act of the four-mile law will so retrench the traffic that when the towns affected shall, under the terms of the statute, yield their charters and reincorporate only eight cities in Tennessee will lawfully sell liquor. The procedure to attain this is simply to extend under the new statute the same regulations and measures as obtained under the old statute applying to towns of 2,000 inhabitants. So the new law is simply an extension of the old, which has stood the constitutional test. The forward movement seems therefore as solid advancement. It is reported that the whisky dealers saw the handwriting on the wall and were not much in evidence about the capitol. The law at this writing only needs the signature of governor Frazier to become effective. The vote in the senate was 20 for and 12 against; in the house 81 for and 11 against—a superb record.

Labor and measures in our con-

ference are having full swing. After years of toil we may regain our losses. For our conference has not for some time been a captain in command as in years gone by. The great men who once led not only this conference, but largely the church in general are gone. When they went up, though we have some strong men left, they took their mantles with them. The Chrysostoms of fire and the Edwards of ponderous stroke fought with the raging tides of sin in their day and won, though with the chill of response that makes a martyr's dust. Our own Statesman Green and Poet Hanner—well, we shall not in our day see their like again. But of rank and file we have many, and the warwhoop is heard and the battle goes on. Hamil is seasoning some good material and Winton is riding the tripod well, for it takes a lancer to stand afield with Hoss—as we all know.

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Some Methodist Sons I Know.

REV. J. E. CALDWELL.

If the editor approve, I will address a brief letter tonight to some Methodist sons I have in mind just now.

If you wish to know why I write I will tell you. Some of your mothers have recently asked me to do so; and then, here lies before me nearly the last message I received from one of the grandest of men and noblest Christian fathers I ever knew. He says, "I wish you would write more for our paper. I think you ought to." Then one of these sons, and I am glad to say he is a bona fide Methodist, has sent me a splendid fountain pen; another some of the best of writing paper and envelopes, and still another enough postage stamps to do me twelve months. I address myself to the task just as I would to that of preparing for the pulpit, constrained thereto, I trust, by the same motive, the love of Christ and an earnest desire to do some soul good.

I am astonished, not to say grieved, at the course many of you now in mid-life are pursuing. I do not mean to charge you with overmuch wickedness; far from it. Very likely you have an instinctive repugnance to and hatred of anything low and mean. We give you full credit for all that is honorable and chivalrous in your life, and we listen attentively as we hear some of you say, "An honest man has nothing to fear at the hands of a just God." Nevertheless we have somewhat against you. That word "honest" is a very significant one, pushing its meaning into the realm, not only of natural, but moral ethics. It deals with man as a moral being, holding him amenable to the high tribunal of his Maker for all his conduct here. Do you not so believe? Now, my friend, the trouble with you right here is, you skip over the "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart," and read only the "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself," which you construe into the Golden Rule, "As ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise." That's your religion, you say, and very likely you can go on a little further and with perfect propriety say, "God, I thank Thee that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers." But, I pray you, my friend, is not your Creator party

of the first part? Does He not say first of all, "My son, give Me thy heart?" You will never be, you can never be what you ought to be and must be or forfeit every interest of thy soul for both worlds until you duly honor this draft of the Almighty upon you, and know Him in a conscious pardon of sin. You must, you surely will listen to Him who taught the way of God in truth. "Verily I say unto you, except ye be converted and become as little children ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven." You may say, I can't understand these things. Be it so, and very likely the ablest divine in Christendom fails just where you do. Yet there stand the words, "Marvel not that I said unto you, ye must be born again." Give these words the honest thought they so justly claim at your hand, then with repentant and believing heart say, "That which I see not, teach Thou me." It will not take God long to make you "understand more than the ancients," more than all philosophy and wisdom of men. That is, how God "might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus." St. Paul discredited his "own righteousness which is of the law." It seems to me some of you are trying to make it appear that God is mistaken in charging you with sin. Read this, "If we say that we have not sinned we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us." I am sure you will not take that horn of the dilemma. But, O sir, the righteousness which is by the faith of Christ will lift you up out of your sins and "set your feet upon a rock and establish your goings and put a new song in your mouth, even praise unto our God. And about the first thing you will sing, I think, will be,

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Warning Order.

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Literature and Review

Tennyson and Browning. •XI.

A. H. GODBEY, A. M.

Both Tennyson and Browning in short, know in whom they have believed; in no other poets have we such full and unequivocal emphasis upon this central article of faith. Pope's "Universal Prayer," commencing—

"Father of all, in every age

In every clime adored,

By saint, by savage and by sage,
Jehovah, Jove, or Lord!"

is after all but a hymn "to the Unknown God." Milton's God is hampered with an objectionable creed. Shakespeare is too multiform in his sympathies to allow us to classify him as a distinctively Christian poet. Spencer's religion is, for the general reader, entombed in his allegory, and its mummy will never be unswathed, delicately beautiful though it be. Many modern poets act upon the doctrine of Beaconsfield that a literary man should have no religion; but the two great English poets have demonstrated that a poet need not be chary of expressing his religious convictions, and that Christian principles may furnish the motive and substance of the highest types of poetical expression. The discovery ought to have been made long ago; as mediæval art, not to speak of the catacombs, found its impulse almost altogether in Christian sources. But the revival of learning brought in some measure a revival of paganism. This was well enough, for the rapid and effeminate treatment of Christian subjects by most of the painters of the time was not calculated to produce the best spiritual results in the spectator, the art would have been of more strength, had it maintained a judicious contact with Mother Earth.

What has been said will suggest in some measure the perfect agreement of the two life-long friends upon the fundamental religious truths, and their equal distaste for the fetters of conventional creeds and theologies. We decline to say that one had more religious purpose and feeling than the other; we cannot assert that the faith of one is stronger than that of the other. Their native refinement or otherwise, their moods, their modes of expression, vary widely, and thus in the poetic field is raised the problem that is ever before the pulpit.

Browning bubbles over with sarcasm, repeatedly, but when most sarcastic is least poetic. Is sarcasm compatible with poetry? or is it with preaching? Tennyson seems almost incapable of it, while there is a delicacy and refinement such as Browning never reaches. Can native refinement ever deal in sarcasm? or is sarcasm in the intellectual world much the same weapon that the primitive bludgeon is in the realm of physical conflict? Are vigor of imagination and vivid dramatic power associated only with abrupt and rugged expression? or is Tennyson fully equal in these respects to Browning? Again we leave the question to pulpit, with suggestions to apply his verdict to the shaping of his own style.

What manner of poet would Browning have been, if going deeper than his fellows, he had carefully refrained from bringing up the mud and slime and wreckage of humanity, and had offered us only the pearls? But this he has seldom done. The physiological investigator gains much of his most valuable knowledge from his study of diseased forms; and this has been the chief method of Browning; but it may be questioned if this is the result solely of a determination to prosecute psychological investiga-

tions. As between the two poets, we have the ever-recurring question as to the limitations of the artist's choice of subjects. Are we to have all art upon the same level, regardless of the subject chosen? Are the lake and the scum-covered frog pond to be equally appropriate and artistic? Is the unkept stableyard to rank with the grass-waving prairie? Would Homer have made the impression upon the world with a mole-hill that he has with "leaf-shaking Ida?" Can there be less realism in the portrait of the most beautiful types of womanhood than in the bald description of the slums? This question again has its pulpit applications. Shall we find our largest success attainable by presenting men with pure and lofty ideals? or shall we strive rather to present hideous pictures of vice that shall repel men from evil? Can such pictures really exert repellent force upon those on whom the lofty ideal has as yet exerted no influence?

A moment's digression here may be permissible. The issue is the issue between the stage and the pulpit. The drama had a religious origin, in Greece and England alike. But pure, uneventful, commonplace goodness is not interesting upon the stage. Nor has any one ever succeeded in making it so. Cross-purposes and heavy villains are essential to the dramatic art. But men may be roused to condemn these as portrayed upon the stage, without having a spark of incentive toward nobler things. It does not require lofty principles to enable one to condemn evil upon the stage. So mediæval miracle plays and other efforts at instructing the masses, had two paths before them. One was the development of the portrayal of evil; the other, the emphasis upon the noble ideal. Avoiding details and minor exceptions, let us say that the one has produced the modern stage, the other, the modern pulpit. Reforming the stage then is as much out of the question as is "staggy-fying" the pulpit. Let the clerical monte-bank go.

This may seem a little hard upon Browning; nevertheless, it is a chief defect of the great poet. There is no such tender reverence obtainable from his works as from Tennyson's. Taine, the great French critic, has declared Tennyson's women untranslatable. Every word is a tint, that is inseparable from its adjacent hue. We do not find such characters in Browning.

On the other hand, it is ever before us that Browning's trenchant sarcasm, terrible satire and hideous portrayals, are the result of very deep and powerful religious convictions. In terrible satire, he has no equal in the poetic field, till we reach Juvenal. But Juvenal has never such a subject for his merciless pen as Browning has found in the follies, foibles and fearful monstrosities of religious life. "The Soliloquy of the Spanish Cloister" is one illustration out of many, and almost too horrible for quotation. The logical results of the superstition that has hung aside the ordinary ties of life, the providential helps to love and virtue are clearly portrayed. No lofty saintliness is attainable. The shut-in life has found its activities wandering in a wilderness of petty spite and culminating in a diabolical hatred. Was Satan originally a monk?

Precisely similar, it may be remarked, is the effort of Hall Caine in his much-discussed book, "The Christ-lan." The title is no misnomer, nor is the book a covert attack upon Christianity, as some have believed. But it deals with the very distortion of life that was a central feature of

mediæval Christianity, and which some fear is developing again in High Church Anglicanism. There is certainly terrible irony in making the celibacy of Storm the ruin of the one most loved by him; and one is left wondering, at the close, if Glory Anayles are not, after all, better than John Storms. Other features of the book are not in place here. But whereas, Browning, with a fondness for mediæval subjects and the days of the revival of learning, has clothed his satire with the environment of that time. Caine takes the monastic impulse and puts in modern London.

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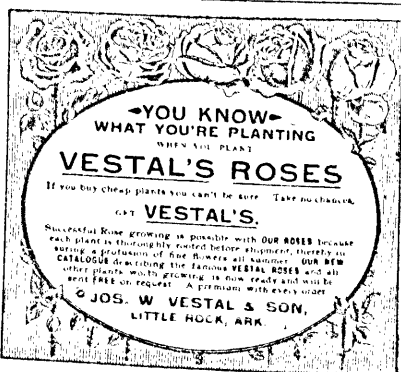
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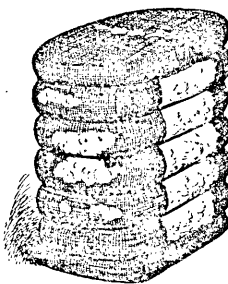
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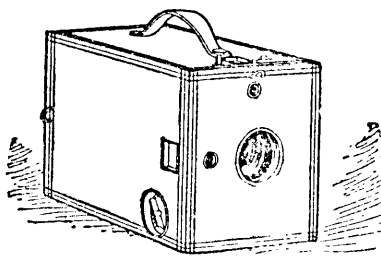
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From the Cloudy Cumberland.

Don't visit Nashville, in the month of March. Such atrocious weather as we have had here for ten days I have seldom seen. There has not been a half hour of sunshine in all this time. I and my wife have been laid up with la grippe, and, in the city generally it is prevalent. The rains have been general, but we hear they have been broken by days of sunshine at Little Rock. Dr. Hamill characterizes this climate as "beastly." One would think that a gloomy view and a growling temper would characterize our Methodism, while it directs the hosts of our Israel from these headquarters on the cloudy Cumberland.

But we remember genial days in Nashville, for from time to time, through many years, we have come here, "whither our tribes go up." Twenty-five years ago the mulberry and magnolia trees, the box and holly and the mocking birds that sang the night long so contrasted with our accustomed Northern surroundings that we were fascinated with the luxurious languor of the Southland, for May had brought its balmy airs, rich flowers and sweet perfumes.

We remember how leisurely and listless the movements of the people seemed to us then. Nobody hurried. The street cars stopped on the corners and rang the bell to let people know they were going by. The driver did not object to stopping for me to get off and mail a letter at the postoffice, but waited patiently till I came back. St. Louis, then my home, was a rushing, roaring metropolis, to which Nashville was a sleeping village. Nashville has grown very much since then, but has little appearance yet of a business mart. It has an academic rather than a commercial air. There is no bustle of business or fever haste of movement in anything. At that early visit we found

James Gaines, our old college professor, established at the capitol as comptroller of the treasury. I had lost sight of him during the war. He gave us information of another of our old teachers, Prof. Jacobs, then governor of West Virginia. We heard Bishop Paine preach in the old McKendree Church. A. H. Redford held sway at the Publishing House. Dr. Walter Lambuth was a student in the University and Dr. W. B. Palmore, now of the St. Louis Advocate. The record of the years that have passed since then is nowhere so definitely and simply written out as on the University campus. Then it was a bare common, except that Bishop McTyeire had already begun to set over the grounds the shoots of many varieties of trees. Now the visitor finds an arboretum of rare beauty—trees well grown and of every kind that can be produced in this climate. The campus here is not surpassed in beauty by any we have seen North or South.

Shut in for almost two weeks, on my own account as well as that of my wife, this visit will stand as a dreary episode in my memories of Nashville. But before this attack of la grippe had gotten full hold, and imperial sway over us, we had a delightful evening with the family of our cousin, Dr. D. C. Kelly, pastor of the Tulip Street Church. I visited also Bishop Fitzgerald and Bishop Hargrove and wife, and the family of my old-time friend, the late Dr. William Leftwich. I heard William Leftwich preach his first sermon May 10, 1853. In 1861 he was stationed at Independence, Mo., and I on the Independence Circuit. At that time, when the clouds of war were especially heavy on our Western border, and every day was one of deepening gloom and increasing peril, Dr. Leftwich and wife were friends and counselors to the boy preacher.

We found Sister Leftwich, her daughter, Mrs. Noland, and a younger daughter at home—a beautiful home opposite the University campus on the north, fronting Broad street. A rich vase of flowers, roses, carnations and ferns sent to Mrs. Godbey by Sister Hargrove has done much to relieve the gloom of the sick room. Such thoughtful and delicate attentions count for much in the on-going of life's daily cares, and especially when the skies are gloomy.

We acknowledge a call from Brother Ragsdale, pastor of our West End Church, and Dr. Green, former editor of the Midland Methodist, now engaged in city mission work. Dr. Green is a son of the late Dr. A. L. P. Green, and I recognized very clearly the countenance of the father in the face of the son.

Dr. Winton, the editor of the Advocate, and his wife have both called to see us.

I have at times prepared matter for the Methodist before leaving the office and then kept in daily communication while away, but for once all plans are balked. The editor has collapsed. This screed is all that seems possible this week. I am hopeful of seeing sunshine in Little Rock by Tuesday next. They tell me it is not expected here in the month of March.

Our Aristocracy.

A bright English lady said to us once, "Your American aristocracy is the most contemptible section of your society. In England we have an aristocracy of noble birth, an aristocracy of learning, an aristocracy of learned professions, and it is all cultivated, polite and intellectual. But here, in America, you have only the aristocracy of wealth. There was much truth in this speech. Our grasping after wealth and regard for wealth is our folly and shame as a people.

Money is to be rightly valued. A competency should be desired and sought by every one. That man can not be respected who is indifferent to the positive needs of his own family. If poverty stands as the result and testimony of indolence, prodigality, dissipation or inability to manage one's own affairs, it may well be reckoned to discount character. And, on the other hand, wealth is honorable, if acquired by industry, and if it stands as a reward for the benefits which one has contributed to the many, by agriculture, inventions, manufactures or trade. But the most insolent aristocracy is that which prides itself in the fact that it has contributed nothing to the public school—the aristocracy that disdains service, is proud of indulgence and effeminacy and that reckons itself the highest type because it has wealth as its inheritance without any experience of the service by which wealth is acquired. Corrupt, proud, selfish, luxurious and sensual, such an aristocracy is a stench to right minded people; while it holds itself to be the quintessence of quality. If there is anything more contemptible than this luxurious insolence, it is the effort of some rich people, who have grown rich honestly and honorably, to hide their past life of service, and assume the roll of the wealthy-born—thus in their wealth becoming ashamed of all that makes wealth respectable—ashamed of that honest toil which is the basis of all the nation's prosperity and the proudest claim of a noble man. We have in mind an incident which well illustrates the case.

Many years ago Mr. F., an able-bodied, energetic, intelligent man came to St. Louis and opened a small butcher shop, and his wife took in washing. They saved money, bought and sold town lots at ways advancing prices until St.

Louis grew from a village to a city. In course of time Mr. F. was reckoned a millionaire, when millionaires in the United States were few. Mrs. F. put on costly gear, wore diamonds, had a magnificent house, carriages and servants.

On one occasion Mrs. F. called to visit Mrs. J. and met there Mrs. S., whom she did not recognize. Mrs. J. introduced them with the remark, "I supposed you were acquainted." Mrs. S. answered, "O, yes, Mrs. F. knows me well. She has done me many an honest day's washing." And so it was. Mrs. S. was a kind and sympathetic and helpful neighbor to the F.'s in their early struggles.

GREAT WEALTH IS NEEDED.

There must come to us great material benefits from great accumulations of wealth. Improvements on a gigantic scale are the result. Wealth cannot lie idle though its owners may be idle. The money is always passing to the hands of labor. It commands labor, and is the measure of toil. There is no income from money buried in the ground. It must be made productive. Hence it comes that no rich man owns his wealth exclusively. Money kept from the use of others is useless to himself. It supports the rich man only upon the condition that it supports others. Hundreds of people really live off of the money which the rich man is reputed to own. It is theirs as well as his. There is much outcry about the oppression of the rich which is imaginary. The statement often made that in this country of ours the rich are growing richer and the poor poorer is not true, as statistics have often proven. The average condition of the common people has rapidly improved, and will still improve.

The development of our mineral wealth, the facilities for transportation, the value of our foreign commerce, the extent of our manufactures depend upon our rich men, and our corporations of rich men, and through these agencies good is conferred upon the entire nation.

Rev. A. C. Ray.

In the following note Brother Jenkins tells of the death of one of our superannuates of the Arkansas Conference. A good man, a faithful preacher, has gone home. We will expect an obituary soon.

"Our dear Brother A. C. Ray died this morning at 2:30. We laid his body to rest this p. m. at 4 o'clock. Brother G. W. Williams preached his funeral to a very large congregation. Brother Ray was a good man and had as many friends perhaps as any preacher in the Arkansas Conference. This writer has known him for 50 years and has never heard any man speak evil of Brother Ray. Truly a good

man has fallen. We all loved him.
J. M. Jenkins.

Mid-Year Missionary Meeting.

Dear Brother Godbey—Our mid-year missionary meeting was a success in all respects. Uplifting and inspiring to ministers and people. Out of it should come most blessed results. Every speech was worthy of the occasion. Bishop Galloway helped us mightily. Surely the missionary spirit will more and more possess us. We missed you personally and from the programme. Please publish enclosed. Yours sincerely,

H. Hanesworth.

Resolved 1. That we appreciate highly the presence among us of Bishop Chas. B. Galloway and the inspiration he has given by his addresses.

2. That in view of the pressing needs in all our fields of labor we stress the necessity of full collections for all connectional objects.

3. It is our profound conviction that our General Board of Church Extension cannot possibly further our work to better advantage than by using the "loan funds" to do away with the necessity of venting property for church and residence purposes in our Foreign Mission fields.

4. That we will more than ever make it a labor of love to press home upon the heart and conscience of the church its obligation to "go or send," that the region beyond may be occupied for Christ.

5. That we will endeavor to organize our Sunday-schools so as to bring them in touch with our missionary work and encourage them to contribute systematically to this cause.

6. We appreciate the Epworth Leagues as an indispensable arm of our work and will strive to make them strongly missionary in sentiment and effort.

7. The work of the W. F. M. S. and the H. M. Societies when organized are so fertile of good results that we resolve to do all in our power to aid these organizations.

H. Hanesworth.

G. McGlumphy.

J. S. Key.

J. A. Anderson.

J. M. Cantrell.

Missionary Campaign.

Rev. J. C. Rhodes, pastor of Fairview Church, Texarkana, has been appointed by the P. E. of the Texarkana District as field agent for the missionary campaign in that district. He will preach at Mena fifth Sunday, Janssen on Monday night afterward, Gillham Tuesday night afterward, Foreman Tuesday night after first Sunday in April, Locksburg second Sunday, Wilton Monday night after second Sunday, Ashdown Tuesday night, afterward. Write him for missionary literature.

Notices.

The Little Rock District Conference will convene in Lonoke July 1, 9 a. m. and adjourn July 3, 4 p. m. The opening sermon by Rev. Walker Lewis, D. D., July 1, 11 a. m., Bishop Hoss will preside.

Committees on Examination:

For License and Admission on Trial—J. W. Harrell, T. Y. Ramsey, L. M. Powell.

For Deacons' and Elders' Orders—W. W. Christie, J. H. McKelvey, J. A. Henderson.

The Little Rock District League Conference will convene at the same place twenty-four hours in advance of the District Conference. A large attendance at both conferences is earnestly requested and confidently expected.

John H. Dye, P. E.

The second quarterly conference for Clark Circuit, Arkadelphia District, Little Rock Conference, will be held at Mt. Zion, beginning on Thursday night before the fifth Sunday in March, 1903.

Preaching Thursday night by Rev. W. A. Fitzgerald.

Fast day services Friday at 10 a. m.; Sunday-school Institute at 7 p. m.—B. Murry.

Saturday, 9 a. m.—"The Need of Prayer-meeting," by S. Pennington.

Preaching at 11 a. m., by J. R. Cason.

Quarterly Conference 2 p. m.

Epworth League Institute at 7 p. m., led by Rev. W. Tarver.

Sunday, at 9 a. m., "The Need of Family Prayer," by J. B. Beadle and Frank Messer.

Preaching at 11 a. m. by Rev. J. R. Cason, followed by sacrament.

Woman's Missionary Work at 2 p. m., led by Mrs. E. M. Pipkin.

Dinner on the ground Saturday and Sunday. Everybody invited to come. Do not forget to fast and pray Friday. The cause of failure rest on him who does not his duty.

D. D. Warlick.

The Fort Smith District Conference will be held at Alma, beginning on Thursday, April 9, and holding over the following Sunday. Bishop E. E. Hoss will preside. It is desired that the pastors will do their utmost to secure the attendance of their delegates. Local preachers will please see Discipline, page 76, paragraph 169, and comply with requirements of last clause. This is important. Let us labor and pray for a profitable session.

Henry Hanesworth, P. E.

The "Sunday-school Institute" for the Arkadelphia, Prescott and Texarkana Districts to be conducted by Dr. Hamill and his wife will be held at Hope, April 30th and May 1st and 2d. Let all who expect to attend notify me as soon as possible, that homes may be provided. Let all who are interested in

Sunday-school work come and Hope will care for you gladly.

W. C. Watson.

Hope, Ark.

Married.

FIELDS-COX.—At the home of the bride's father, C. A. Cox, in Hope, Ark., February 25, 1903, Miss Mary Cox to Mr. S. P. Fields, of Columbus, Ark., W. C. Watson officiating. The happy pair left immediately for Columbus, their future home.

RUSHING-THOMPSON.—At the residence of the bride's step-father, Mr. P. B. Stinnet, near Chidester, Ark., March 8, 1903, Mr. W. V. Rushing to Miss Pearl Thompson, Rev. R. L. Reese officiating.

BRIDGES-BROWN.—In Mineral township, Pulaski county, Ark., on March 4, 1903, at the residence of C. H. Overton, Mr. J. M. Bridges to Miss Ella Brown, of Cato, C. H. Overton officiating.

Personal.

Dr. W. E. Edwards, professor of Randolph-Macon College, is dead.

Rev. Forney Hutchinson, at Vanderbilt University, continues in very feeble health.

Rev. J. R. Harvey was in our office Monday and Tuesday. He is doing good work for the Methodist.

The Editor and his wife returned home from Nashville on Monday. Both had suffered much from la grippe while away.

Bishop Galloway has been asked to deliver the address at the laying of the corner-stone of the new capitol of Mississippi, June 3rd.

Rev. A. G. Cason, a worthy local preacher, has been appointed to Lacy circuit since the death of Bro. Curry.

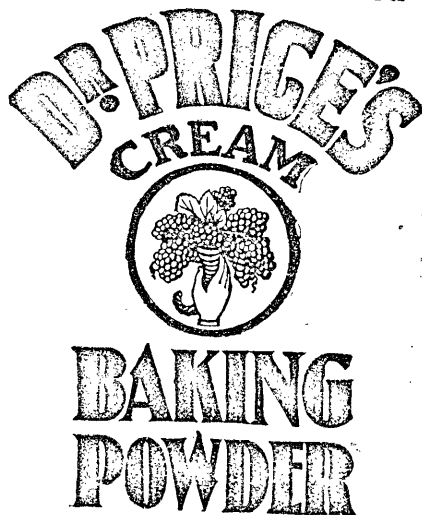
C. Pope.

Rev. P. C. Fletcher preached at First Church Sunday evening, and delivered a very entertaining lecture at Hunter Memorial Tuesday evening.

Bishop Galloway lectured on China and Japan to a good sized audience at our First Church in this city Tuesday night, March 10th. The lecture was eloquent and instructive.

We have received the following invitation, and extend congratulations: "Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Cox request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Mary to Mr. James Bryan Taylor, Wednesday evening, April 8, 1903, at 8 o'clock,

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Rev. F. A. Lark, writing from Wheatland, Cal., says: "I have had quite a severe spell of sickness this winter; could do nothing for a month, but am glad to be up and able to be about my work. I have fallen among a very kind people. God has given us a gracious revival here, one of the best here for fifteen years. I have my collections in hand."

Rev. B. A. Few, of the Mena District, was in our office Tuesday. He is quite encouraged with the progress of his work.

Rev. Ruffin T. Davis sends us a few items regarding the death of Rev. D. F. Curry, of the Lacy circuit, who entered into rest February 9th: "Bro. Curry leaves a wife and one child. This was his second year on Lacy circuit, and he was held in high esteem by his people. His wife returned to her father's, William Patterson, near Hickory Plains. One instance in the death of Brother Curry will give you an idea as to his devotion to the work and his consecration. Only a short time before he died, he said, 'Let us have prayers,' and one of the brethren visiting him gave him the Bible. Turning to the 23rd Psalm, he tried to read, but said, 'I can't see.' Then the brother took the book and read, and Bro. Curry said, 'Let us pray,' and got out of bed, knelt and prayed as he had never been known to pray before, commending his people, church, family and friends to God's gracious care. Closing his prayer, he arose from his knees, got on the bed, closed his eyes, and in a few minutes his spirit had fled to the better world."

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When we look over this roll, which might be enlarged greatly, we are astonished at the recuperative power of the church, to think that in so short a time as twelve years she could bury so many men, both of the ministry and the laity, who seemed then indispensable, and yet move on without decreasing the work, is simply wonderful, and clearly demonstrates the truth that "God buries His workmen and carries on His work." It also reminds us that we may be very easily dispensed with. When we drop out God will close up the ranks and the great militant army of our God will move as if nothing had happened. But I am persuaded that God is not destroying the men who wrought so efficiently and faithfully in His church here. No, he is but promising them to higher usefulness and richer joys, where they await the arrival of their brethren, with whom they wrought in this world, and it may be they are among those who are ministering spirits sent forth to minister to them who are heirs of salvation. Brethren, the thought of meeting our brethren beloved is an incentive to be faithful, that when we fall on sleep—which will be soon—we may walk with them in white in that victorious army that John saw bearing palms and heard singing psalms to our Christ, through whose blood they triumphed. Brethren, is it a far-fetched imagination that leads me to hope that some day on the eternal camping ground we may call the roll of the Arkansas Conference and shake hands and shout over our triumphs. Who can say our good Father will deny us that happy meeting? Then I hope some day

Asbury may call together all his spiritual descendants that we may look not only upon him to whom American Methodism owes so much, but also upon Strawbridge, Embury, Webb, Pillmore, Boordman, Robert Williams, Barbara Heck, Mrs. Hicks, Whatcoat, Jesse Lee, and all the mighty host of our God who planted Methodism here in perilous times, and then we will be ready for the greater meeting when John Wesley shall call his children from all parts of the earth and on some eminence in the skies sing as Methodists have been taught to sing:

"All hail the power of Jesus' name,
Let angels prostrate fall.
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown Him Lord of all."

Some may think these fancies are out of place, because they suppose they would create jealousies in heaven. Not so. The spirit of glory will be too large to be jealous of anything that has gained stars for the crown of the Master, but when Calvin and Toplady gather the Calvinistic too strong for any man to number, Wesley and Coke and Simpson and Pierce will point with ecstatic joy to the trophies of their Lord. And then some day Abraham will call all who are children of God by faith to one grand praise service, and Elijah and Isaiah and Peter and Paul and Polycarp and Fenelon and Luther and Wesley and Calvin and Edwards and Cary and Knox and Fox will move together in the great procession, and then will be heard, "The voice of many waters and the voice of mighty thunders saying, 'Hallelujah! the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. Let us be glad and rejoice in Him.'" What a pleasure it will be then to hear Welch and Clayton and Jer-nigan sing, and listen to the shouts of Tom Smith and Walden and Jordan Banks. So may it be.

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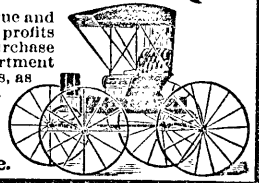
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For the Young People.

A Plucky Girl.

BY DR. SCOLAE.

As is well known by many who visit Uncle Sam's wonderland, the bears of that region have little bashfulness. They attack anything eatable, and seem, withal, to have good long-distance olfactories. They are unmitigated nuisances, specially at night, tipping boxes, ripping sacks, and stuffing their apparently insatiable maws with anything and everything movable.

Once, when camped at the Riverside geyser camp ground, the writer was busy making a fire for dinner, when he heard the shouts of the other campers that a bear was in camp. Sure enough, there was a waddling brown fellow who, having heard the noisy preparations for dinner, hastened to get "his name into the pot!"

"There was mounting in hot haste." Some mounted the wagons, some boxes or any convenient perch, personal safety at once much at a premium. One minister had a small stick in his hand, but was steadily backing toward his wagon, saying, "I think I can run him up a tree."

In the midst of the chaotic confusion appeared a pacifier. It was a young woman armed and equipped for any feat of daring. Her weapon was a kodak. As soon as she saw the murderous beast about to devour the helpless women and children and the defenseless men she gave her skirt a twitch by some

COLLEGE PROFESSORS

Talk of Foods.

The New York papers recently contained a long account of the so-called discovery of a celebrated professor in one of the leading universities. The "discovery" related to a new and successful way of treating wheat and barley to prepare the starchy part by dry baking, so it would be made more digestible and nutritious. Thereupon Prof. Livingstone commenting on the discovery of the other professor says, "A discoverer who was a business man first and a scientist afterward found that such foods could be made more digestible when cooked with dry heat instead of by boiling in water, and has already placed on the market the food which he discovered prior to Dr. ———." This refers to Grape-Nuts the most scientifically made food known. Grape-Nuts can be easily digested by babies or anyone with a weak stomach and the food contains the most powerful rebuilding element known, particularly as relates to the rebuilding of the brain and nerve centres. It is a delicious food requiring no cooking but ready for instant service just as it comes from the package. A recipe book free in each package describes many delicious dishes made from Grape-Nuts.

unseen means, and gathering that garment in her left hand started for the bear, who, erecting his head and stiffening his ears, looked, turned, and scampered away toward the woods, with her "hot on the trail."

In a few moments after disappearing she returned triumphantly waving her "weapon" in the air, saying, "I've got him in here." She had captured him with her kodak.
Pocatello, Ida.

Our Letter Box.

Charlotte, Ark.

Dear Brother Godbey—As I saw my other letter in print, I thought I would write another one. Mama has been taking the "Arkansas Methodist" sixteen years. I love to read the cousins' letters in the dear old "Methodist." I go to school every day. I sit with Ethel Byrum. I had a nice time Xmas. We had a Xmas tree. I hope all the other consins had a nice time. I have three sisters and one dead. I have no brother. My sister has a pet colt named Dolly. My little sister has a pet cat. Tell grandmother to write again. Well, I will close. I will write again if I see this in print. Your little friend,

Julia Churchill.

Columbus, Ark.

Dear Brother Godbey—My brother takes the Methodist. I like to read it very much, especially the children's page. I have three brothers and three sisters. My father is dead. I am going to school. My teacher's name is Miss Wilson. I go to Sunday School every Sunday. Our pastor's name is Brother Douglass. Brother Bruce was our pastor last year.

Cora Field.

Amity, Ark.

Dear Brother Godbey—Papa takes the Methodist and I enjoy reading it very much. I am 13 years of age. I go to school and am in the fifth grade, and also go to Sunday School every Sunday and am treasurer of Sunday School. My teacher is Brother Runyan. Our pastor is Brother Rowland. I think he is a good man and I like to hear him preach. I would like to correspond with some girl about my age. Your true friend,

Nellie Thompson.

Onalaska, Ark.

Dear Brother Godbey—I am a little girl 13 years old. My uncle takes the Methodist. I like to read the children's letters very much. I go to school every day and I will tell you who my teacher is. His name is Mr. Jordan. I am in the sixth grade. I have two brothers and one sister. We go to Sunday School every Sunday. My Sunday School teacher is Mrs. H. H. Johnson. I dearly love her for a teacher. We have church every Sunday. Rev. J. A. Parker is our preacher. I like him very much. Your loving friend,
Ella May Thomas.

Dear Brother, Godbey—I am 10 years old. I like to read the Methodist very much, especially the children's page. I am not going to school now, but hope to start soon. I like history. I will answer Lucile Gresham's question, Who invented the telephone? Mr. Bell invented the telephone, but it was not in a very perfect state until Mr. Edison invented what is known as the transmitter. I will ask a question: Who invented the telegraph, and what was the first message sent over the lines? I hope more of the cousins will ask questions.

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Our Church at Home.

TOMBERLIN CIRCUIT.—We entered our new year with the hearty co-operation of all within the church. The people here are loyal to their preachers, and also to themselves. We tried to start with the right foot foremost, and by the help of God and the people we expect to close this year thus.

Tomberlin church has almost grown to be a station. We have something near 120 enrolled now. The church is in good shape, spiritually, for lots of good work.

Our Sunday-school at this place is an exception for any country church, and is under the supervision of Brother Jessie Lemons, age 16, who has given all his time and talent to the work since his appointment. Would to God we had more such boys in our homes and country.

The stewards have raised the preacher's salary at Tomberlin from \$150 to \$200, and then an addition of \$45 at Hundley's Chapel, a church that was organized last year, and at which place we are making arrangements to build a church this summer.

We are all praying for a revival at both places and will be sadly disappointed if we should fail.

Our motto has been and is now in sympathy with Hymn No. 881, in the Standard Hymn Book, written by John Leland.

With love to all the brethren and friends, I am fraternally yours,

L. E. Hundley, P. C.

JANSSEN CIRCUIT.—We are still "alive and kicking" on Janssen Circuit, trying to meet all obstacles fearlessly and trusting God for victory. Brother Few held our first quarterly meeting February 7, and 8 and his presence with us and his sermons were a spiritual uplift to our people. He is a man of God whom the people love. We have six points on the work, most of which are weak, but we think promising. Janssen and Hatfield are the strongest points and Grannis is next in line. Here (Grannis) we spent a week visiting and preaching and reorganizing Methodists in and about town. More church letters are promised here. Here we find many isms and all except the "Latter Day Saints" worship in the Christian Church. We have sandwiched ourselves in there on Saturday night before the fourth Sunday and Sunday morning, when a full house greets us. The people are all hospitable and kind and the few Methodists here firm and loyal. The next quarterly meeting will be held here.

At Hatfield we have not yet fully tested the situation, but believe it promising. An ecclesiastical work day may be necessary here as elsewhere. The W. H. M. S. here have about \$25 raised to apply on finishing up the church house inside. At

Janssen we give two Sundays of each month; four have been received by letter. When we come on the work we had no clear title to the church and parsonage property as the deeds had been burned, but that matter is now fixed up. The lot joining parsonage property, which has been used for garden, now belongs to the parsonage property. Brother Sublet, of Hatton, donated twelve nice apple trees and I have them set out and will try to make them grow, so that the next preacher can have some apples. The church has just been treated to a coat of paint. The W. H. M. S. is prospering, but needs more members. They held an open meeting in the church last Wednesday night and presented their work; \$15 on the claims have been subscribed and partly paid; also \$15 was paid on district parsonage at Mena. Cottage prayer-meetings are being held each week, regardless of denomination, and our people are conspicuous there. Our regular weekly prayer-meeting is well attended. We can report no special victories but we are holding the fort. We have a good garden spot to help us and my predecessor left a big rooster behind, so we will not starve out for a little yet anyhow. Occasional gifts of edibles prove the people's good will toward us. One of the stewards turned me loose in his timber and so I have enough wood ahead to supply us till into the summer, if I can now borrow a team somewhere with which to haul it. We have held no revival meetings yet, as there are some things necessary to be done before a revival is possible; but our object is a revival on the whole work. We have many peculiar difficulties to encounter but with plenty of grace and grit and the help of the few brethren like minded and the prayers of ye readers we hope to win in the end. Pray for us. Fraternally,

C. E. Austin, P. C.

COAL HILL AND ALTUS.

In some respects we are advancing on Coal Hill and Altus charge. Have bought more land for the parsonage and church at Altus, at a cost of one hundred dollars. Also made arrangements to have the church at this place (Coal Hill) re-covered and re-papered, and otherwise improved. Have and are

making considerable improvement on the parsonage at this place. This charge has four preaching places, and I preach at them every two weeks. We have Sunday-schools and prayer-meetings and are expecting gracious revivals soon. Had another storm at the parsonage last night in the way of "eatables," dry goods and cash, for which the pastor and his family are very thankful. Such expressions of confidence and interest in the pastor's family are helpful. God bless the donors.

P. B. Summers.

BRIGHT STAR CIRCUIT.

Second quarterly conference embraced fourth Sunday in February. Weather was unpleasant, roads muddy and Brother S. Adecock, J. C. Gerrald were sick, and Brother McKeler was absent for the first time in fifteen years. He is 71 years old, and had broken his leg a square break, was moved eight miles and has never suffered but very little. Will soon be up again. Very few stewards have the record of Brother Mc. We preachers all know him. Brother Few looks carefully after our literature. I have a small work with three appointments, 240 members. Five miles from the parsonage to the boundary line, anyway. Only 12 Arkansas Methodists and about that many Go Forwards taken on the work. I hope to increase that number by the next quarterly conference. Had a good day last Sunday. Can't we have more minutes? Don't get enough for the stewards to all get one. If not money enough, double the assessment and it can be collected just as easy as the present amount. I hope our collections will all be paid in full. All the preachers in the district will rejoice with Brother Thomas on his great success at Texarkana. Very few preachers would succeed well as he. Our P. E. is in fine health; always on time; preaches every opportunity, and loved by everybody. Success to the "Arkansas Methodist."

W. W. Mills.

LACONIA CIRCUIT.—On coming to the Laconia Circuit we were met with a hearty welcome and the people have ever since shown every token of sincere appreciation. Before I had been here three days, some gentlemen had me measured for a nice suit of clothes and dur-

ing Christmas we were persistently and profitably pounded with cans, bottles, boxes, etc.

I have a large hearted and appreciative people. Most of the large planters are wealthy.

I travel my work on the Kate Adams, one of the finest steamers now afloat—a veritable floating palace.

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I served my circuit faithfully until about two weeks ago. Since that time my circuit has been occupied and my appointments filled by the Mississippi river.

The whole country is covered with water except Laconia circle, and the river is still rising.

The papers say there is enough in sight to put it higher than it was in 1897, which was the highest known for years before.

If this comes it will cause great suffering and loss of property. The negroes and poorer classes of white people will have to be fed by the government.

We are just on the outside of the Laconia circle levee, and as long as that holds we are safe, but if that breaks the whole country will be a solid sea.

The water today is about five feet deep under the parsonage floor, but we can stand five feet more and yet be high and dry.

I remember I am not the only "preacher of righteousness" who has had some experience with high water. Some have suggested that I go to the hills awhile, but I intend by the help of my great Father, to remain at my post till the last acre is covered. I know the God of Daniel and Paul is my God and that is enough.

Jas. H. Griffin.

CLARKSVILLE CIRCUIT.—I reached my work in due time. I came here in the rain and mud. Had the experience of walking seven miles through mud and water, driving an old lazy horse.

We were all wet as rats when we reached Clarksville. Had been on the road two days. Now next, get out, hitch up the little mules, start out somewhere to get some wood. It raining, not knowing where to go. Drove two and a half miles and found a good man who gave me a load of pole wood if I would cut the poles. I said, "All right; where is the wood." He answered, "Back of the field." I went, soon cut my load of wood, got home all right with my wood. Got wet again. The poundings I've got this year have been over the head and in the back. God only knows what will become of us before we die any way. This has been a good circuit. Some of our best men have served this charge. But time changes things. A number of our old members have died, and others moved away, and the devil has quite a number at work for him. But,

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thank God, there are some few left who are true as steel. We are expecting great things of the Lord this year. We hope to have a good report this year. With all of the odds we have many things to be thankful for, and none to complain about. Yours for a good year,

Jas. R. Ashmore, P. C.

RICHMOND CIRCUIT.—We have just closed a most excellent meeting at Ashdown, which resulted in 25 additions to the church. Notwithstanding the rain we had good congregations to the last. Brothers Warlick and Woodfin assisted in the preaching. True yoke-fellows and good preachers. Both edified and delighted the people.

During the meetings we were destined to have two treats. On February 25 Dr. Thompson, the Sunday League man, gave us his splendid lecture on "True Americanism," and secured 22 subscribers to Sunday Reform, with several life members.

On Thursday, March 5th, Sister (James) Thomas addressed the good ladies on W. F. M. work, and organized with 10.

On the closing day, Sunday, March 8, we organized an Epworth League with 37 members, with the following officers: President, Miss Lucy Foster; first vice president, Prof. J. S. Utley; second vice president, Miss Ethel Hicks; third vice president, Miss Mamie Locke; secretary, Miss Fannie Phillips; treasurer, Miss Zenobia Rudolph. A fine league, with a splendid corps of officers. We are moving on splendidly.

On first Sunday in April we will dedicate our new church at Richmond. Brother Few preaching the sermon. We are to have the next District Conference at Ashdown, an occasion to which our people are looking with great enthusiasm.

J. W. White, Pastor.

TRASKWOOD CIRCUIT.—I was assigned to this charge for this year by Bishop Hoss at our last conference at Benton. Came here immediately after conference, and was kindly received by the good people of Traskwood charge. And with the first Sunday in December commenced our new year's work. Our first quarterly conference convened at Hickory Grove February 21-22. Our P. E. being absent, owing to the severe illness of his children, the P. C. filled the chair to the best of his ability. Our stewards made very good reports for first quarter. Our congregations throughout the entire charge are large and attentive. We have in this charge four good Sunday-schools, which are doing good work. We are now planning for a revival at Traskwood in the near future, at which place a revival is greatly needed. The outlook is promising. Many have manifested a desire to live a better life. With a strong

faith we are looking forward to, and expecting a glorious year, and the salvation of many precious souls. Pray for us. Yours fraternally,

C. C. Green, P. C.

GRAVETTE, ARK.—On last December 16th I dropped my books, bid my friends and loved ones goodbye and left Maury City, Tenn., for Gravette, Ark. Two days later I reached my destination after having stopped at Bentonville to see Brother Johnston, my P. E.

My people gave me a hearty welcome, and some big red apples, the latter to remind me that I was in the Ozark apple country. I found a little parsonage, but I had no one to keep it for me, so on the 9th of February I left for Bonham, Texas, and was married February 11 to the finest girl in the world. Brother A. H. Hussey, of North Texas Conference, performed the ceremony.

I am back at Gravette. We are going to try and build a new church. I appointed a committee on building last night. We want to build a \$2,500 brick church. We want it: we need it very badly.

The Fayetteville District Conference convenes here April 14-17. Bishop Hoss will preside. Doctor, we would like very much to have you come.

Let all the preachers in the Fayetteville District send me the names of all the delegates from their respective charges, so I can have homes secured for them. Your brother in Christ,

Edgar L. Young.

EVENING SHADE. I was assigned to this charge by Bishop Hoss. We arrived December 20. Spent three days in the elegant homes of Brothers J. R. Metcalf and C. W. Shaver. Was warmly received, well entertained and provided for by them and their affectionate families, both of whom are prominent members of our church. The people generally gave us a most hearty reception. We have a very intelligent, kind and appreciative people to serve. We have a host of young people in our town who seem to be of the highest tone most refined character. Our first quarterly conference has passed. Our beloved P. E., Brother W. B. Hays, was on time, held his conference with much dispatch, looked after the interest of the church closely on all lines, and preached to the great delight of all. Our reports for P. C. and P. E. were almost in full up to date. We have spent \$16 on the parsonage and raised \$25 to improve Cave City Church. We are preparing for the District Conference. The outlook is good for a very prosperous year on all lines. I think it is a matter of a short time when this will be one of the best works in the conference. Yours J. D. Kelley.

ELM SPRINGS CIRCUIT.

The second Sunday in February, Brother G. B. Griffin, our P. C., began a protracted meeting at Elm Springs, and for thirty-one days and nights it was continued without missing a single service.

People came from the surrounding vicinities, as well as from the town and immediate vicinity, until there was a good congregation at almost every service, and in spite of rain, snow, sleet, thunder, lightning, mud and darkness, the world, the flesh and the devil, the interest grew and widened and deepened until a mighty work was wrought, there being conversions daily. There were fifty professions, and nine reclamations, and forty-seven accessions on profession of faith, and three by letter.

Of these professions and additions the greater part were young men and women. There were a few children, and one old lady, fifty-seven years old, mother of a family of children, and the wife of an irreligious man.

Among other good things that happened was the burying of some strife that had existed here for several years, and had been a great hindrance to the cause.

Rev. J. W. Griffin was here and did the greater part of the preaching during the first two weeks.

After that Brother Gilmore was present and assisted for two days—Brother Johnston one day and night, M. N. Waldrup one sermon and this writer three sermons.

Aside from this, our pastor did the preaching in his own fearless manner, and God blessed the work. To Him be all the glory.

The conversions for the most part were bright, and were announced by the converts themselves. Every one of them testified in experience meeting, and also led in public prayer at sometime during the meeting.

Brother Griffin has set a time now to organize an Epworth League and put them all to work.

We should not be surprised if some of these young men should be added to the list of preachers who have hitherto went out from this church. We perhaps do not know all of them, and may have forgotten some, but we recall B. H. Great-house, P. B. Hopkins, William and Jeff Sherman and John D. Wasson and M. N. Waldrup, as the more prominent ones of this list. So you see Elm Springs Church is a fruit-bearing church.

D. C. Summers.

Methodist Calendar.

Preachers' Meeting, Crawfordville, April 7-8
Ft. Smith Dist. Conf., Alma, April 8
Fayetteville Dist. Conf., Gravette, April 11-13
League and S. S. Conf., Horatio, April 29-May 2
Sunday-school Institute, Hope, April 30-May 2
Searcy Dist. Conf., Cabot, May 28-31
Epworth League Conf., Jonesboro, June 16-19
Camden Dist. Conf., June 23
Little Rock Dist. Conf., Lonoke, July 1-3

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Preachers Against Scalpers.

The Rev. W. A. Jarrel, in a sermon delivered at Dallas recently, scored the scalpers as follows:

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Woman's Work.

Woman's Home Mission Society.

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Mrs. O. E. Jamison,
President.

Mrs. May Thompson, Cor. Sec.

To the Brethren of the Arkansas Conference: The responsibility of the work of the Home Mission Society having been placed in our hands, we desire to ask your assistance in organizing auxiliaries in your different charges. The state of our treasury will not permit us to employ an organizer to do this work for us, so we are forced to ask your aid in this matter. The conference secretary will furnish necessary blanks for reports of organizations, also constitutions and by-laws for the same. Brethren, we earnestly solicit your help in this important work. Elect delegates and let them attend our annual meeting at La-

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Missions.

Sad Scenes.

BY REV. J. W. WOLLING, OF BRAZIL,
FROM OUR MISSION ROOMS.

Some one has said that the "neglected continent" needs the gospel, if only for its graveyards. The sacred precinct known as a cemetery, where, among the tombs, memory calls up loved faces lost for awhile and sweetly solemn thoughts occupy the soul, could not be known in this country. The graveyards here, with few exceptions, are only repulsive, as sad scenes met on every hand would soon convince you.

I will not dwell here on former times when the priests made merchandise out of the privilege to bury in the "consecrated spot" nor of the law that requires that all who die, for a distance of five or six miles around, must be brought there for burial. The cemeteries are now secularized, that is taken out of the hands of the church. But even now the dead are not allowed to rest in peace.

What does that large hole off to our side mean? Let us draw near and see. Ah, now you see; it is the *poco dos ossos*, the well for bones, and there are found the bones of many dead, who after a few years of repose were dug up to give place to another poor human body that can only be buried inside of these walls, and that after a certificate of burial has been given by the civil authorities. Look, there you see the bones of some dear little baby hand, then the gaping skull of some precious mother, laid to rest only a few years ago, and there the large strong bones of the poor son of toil, all mixed together, and exposed to the burning sun and bleaching rains and public gaze. Better hidden away in the dark caverns of the deep or resting among the shadows of the primeval forest. In that section marked off over there are buried suicides and those who die of smallpox, and formerly, in the day of priestly rule, poor heretical protestants and Masons there found a resting place. No doubt they slept well, nor knew the difference, nor grieved over the unkind sentiment that consigned them to such a resting place.

Just outside the wall, by the roadside sit the poor leprous beggars, holding out their withered and deformed and defective hands for alms thrown to them by the passers-by. In the evening time they gather up the pieces of old coffins thrown over the cemetery wall, and sometimes, shall I not rather say many times, pieces to which human hair, the long locks of some poor decayed daughter of Eve, are still clinging, and go limpingly to their miserable

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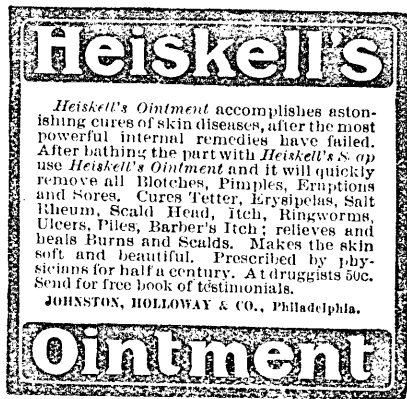
McCOY.—James Harvey McCoy was born in Green county, Tenn., January 21, 1814, and was married to Miss Sallie Billingsley, August 26, 1843. To this union was born eight children; of this number six are living. He had thirty-five grand and eighteen great-grandchildren. Brother McCoy, with his family came to Arkansas in the fall of 1867. He professed faith in Christ at the Greathouse campground in the fall of 1876. On the 17th day of May, 1887, Sister McCoy fell asleep in the arms of Christ. Brother McCoy since that time has been living with his children, making his home the most of the time with his daughter, Sallie Delazier. He had been confined to the house for the last two or three years, but was cheerful and held that hope that is an anchor to the soul. On Sunday morning, January 18, 1903, he went home to live with loved ones. May his children live the life of their father, that they may die the triumphant death.

J. B. Griffin, P. C.

CURRY.—The death of Rev. D. F. Curry, of the Little Rock Conference, at Lacy, Ark., February 7, at 8 o'clock, was a sudden and alarming blow that swept away at one fell stroke the stay of a young wife and babe and blighted the cherished hopes of great and long-continued usefulness which had gathered about this young man. He wrought well the preceding year on the Lacy circuit, and without dissenting voice, yea, rather by almost universal request he was returned to the same charge, where every one was looking for large results from his labors. At his first quarterly meeting he looked the picture of health, having greatly improved since conference, and while planning great things for God and the church seemed anxious and determined to meet all the demands of his high calling. In addition to his conference course of study—which he did not bring up the preceding year for reasons beyond his control, he had engaged to take Vanderbilt correspondence course under Prof. Cunningham. He was humble, of devout spirit, yet aspiring and anxious to be counted among the successful men of our church, because he felt that success in his high calling would glorify Him who had called him to preach the gospel. The writer could but remark the striking resemblance presented by him to the last picture of Washington Irving. He was stricken with pneumonia while preaching on Sabbath, February 1, and ere another Sabbath called the people of God to their accustomed places of worship he had joined the blood-washed and redeemed in their songs of praise "Unto Him that loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood." He heard the call, "Come up higher," and obeyed. Changing a single word of the fifth stanza of Hymn No. 655, the verse was never more applicable than to him in his dying hour:

"At sunset came the cry,
"To meet thy God prepare!"
He woke—and caught his Captain's eye,
Then strong in faith and prayer,
His spirit with a bound,
Left its encumbering clay;
His tent, at sunrise, on the ground—
A darkened ruin lay."

Being informed that his end was probably near he called for his Bible,



but being unable to see he asked his faithful steward, Brother R. E. Kimbrough, who sat by his bedside, to read for him the fourteenth chapter of John. This being done, he got out of bed and kneeling, prayed as only a man could pray who was "quite on the verge of heaven." Being assisted back to bed at the close of his prayer, in ten minutes he fell asleep in Jesus. Alas! Alas! "In the midst of life we are in death." Brother Curry was born in Prairie county, Ark., September 7, 1876; was converted under the ministry of Rev. J. R. Rushing in 1895 or 1896; was licensed to preach by the Little Rock District Conference at Des Arc in 1901, and admitted into the Little Rock Conference in the fall of that year. His single year of labor in the itineracy was crowned with success, while the outlook for the year upon which he had just entered was full of inspiration and promise. We bow with chastened hearts and with deep sympathy for the bereaved to the will of Him "who is too wise to err and too good to do wrong."

Cadesman Pope.

TEMPLE.—Leonidas Hartwell Temple was born in White county, Ark., March 8, 1874. When a boy he came with his parents to Lonoke county, where he resided until the Lord called him home January 20, 1903. He professed religion and united with the M. E. Church, South, when quite young, and a better hearted man never lived. The Lord always knows best. But, oh! how hard for us to say, "Thy will be done." He is gone, but we know where to find him. His last words were to his wife, "Mamma, don't worry; it is all right with me." What a happy reunion in heaven, with father, mother, brother and sister. May we live better lives, more consecrated to the Master's cause, and meet our dear loved ones in that world where no sorrow ever enters. His sister in sorrow.

Lena M. P.

DUNLAP.—Hattie Lillian, daughter of A. M. and Sadie Dunlap, was born at Blackton, Monroe county, Ark., August 19, 1891, and died at Wynne, Ark., January 19, 1903. Just eleven days prior to her death, Lillian was stricken with typhoid fever, and though all that medical skill and human love could do was brought in opposition to that dread disease, it proved the conqueror, and sweet little Lillian fell a victim to its ravages, and passed quietly away from us. Though her life was a very brief one, she lived long enough to share the value of early piety, and that when a child is taught the blessed truths of the Christian religion it will not of necessity depart from them. It can be truthfully said of Lillian as was said of Timothy that from a child she knew the Holy Scriptures and systematic reading of the Bible had enabled her to read it through several times. To read a portion of the scriptures every day had become a law of her life. All her life she had been faithful in attendance and devoted to the Sunday School, and every day reg-

ular in her devotion to God our Father. Thus she lived giving sunshine and gladness to all, but especially to the family which now sorrows most of all, since the daughter and sister has gone. May God's blessings unite them again in "That city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God." Her Pastor,

J. K. Farris.

KESTERSON.—Martha N. Kesterson (nee Pipkin) was born in Alabama August 8, 1831. Was converted and joined the M. E. Church South in early womanhood, and was married to Monroe Kesterson at the age of nineteen years, and died at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. T. A. Orr, in Saline county, Ark., January 8, 1903, aged seventy-one years and five months; was left a widow in 1862, her husband having given himself in defense of the "lost cause." Thus are briefly summed up the chief points in the life of a noble, pure, good woman, whose life was spent, for good, in the Salem Camp-ground community. Coming to Arkansas with her parents in 1835, she belonged to a class that were inured to the privations of that early day and which are nearly all "crossed over the river," but the impress of whose noble lives still abide. The last five years of her life were spent as a cripple, but in the home of her son, Samuel Kesterson, and daughter, Mrs. Orr, loving hearts and willing hands were ever ready to administer to her wants. Her presence at the Sunday school and church service was a benediction to us. She enjoyed all the services of the sanctuary. We all hope to meet her again.

Sam T. Scott.

JOHNSON.—Miss Nola V. Johnson was born 1881, and departed this life Sunday morning at 5 o'clock February 1, 1903. Near her home, in Marion county, at Friendship church, at the age of fifteen, she was converted and joined the M. E. Church South, in which she lived a consistent Christian life, till transferred to the Church triumphant. Last September her mother and family came with her to Springdale, hoping the change would be beneficial to her declining health, but alas! their hopes were blighted. She grew worse till death ended her sufferings. She seemed perfectly resigned, and bore her affliction with the sublimest Christian patience. The end was triumphant indeed. Her last words were, "Glory, I am so happy!" Then she fell asleep in Jesus without a struggle or even a tremor.

Mrs. J. W. House.

TAYLOR.—Joseph Henry, son of R. E. and A. B. Taylor, was born September 6, 1882, and died December 31, 1902. He was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, under the ministry of Rev. S. C. Dean in the summer of 1895. He was married to Miss Lucy Ellen Pennington February 10, 1902. He was greatly afflicted for ten years or more, but was patient in his afflictions. He was a friend to his pastor, a lover of the church. He left no dying testimony, but none was needed, for his life was a greater testimony. He was an obedient son, an affectionate husband and a faithful Christian. When the end drew near he folded his hands across his breast, looked up and smiled and quietly passed away. He left a little babe only three weeks old.

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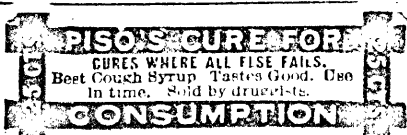
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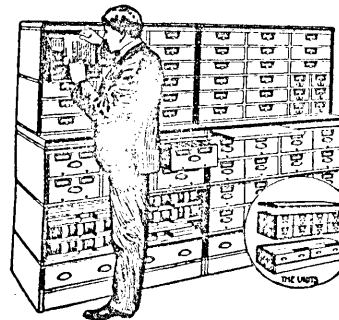
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