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News and Notes.

THEY TELL US OF THE DISCOVERY of a mineral salt, called radium, a single gram of which would blow up our whole navy, and the value of which is \$1,000,000 a pound. What next?

THERE IS GROUND FOR GRAVE fear that the Chinese are preparing for another uprising against the foreigners. Immense quantities of arms, it is said, are being purchased from the United States, England and Germany. The Chinese army is being drilled by foreign officers. It is thought that the Empress Dowager maintains friendly relations with the banished rebel leaders.

THE CZAR OF RUSSIA HAS COMMEMORATED the anniversary of his father's birthday by issuing a decree providing for religious liberty throughout the empire. The decree says: "Having confidence that all will loyally discharge their local duties, we are irrevocably decided to satisfy the needs for which the state has become ripe, and have deemed it expedient to strengthen and decree the undeviating observance of the principles of tolerance laid down by the fundamental laws of the Russian Empire, which, recognizing the Orthodox Church as the ruling one, grant to all our subjects of other religions and to all foreign persuasions freedom of creed and worship in accordance with other rites, and we are further resolved to continue the active carrying out of measures for the improvement of the material position of the Orthodox rural clergy, while enabling them to take a larger share in the intellectual and public life."

What measure of religious liberty this decree may confer, under the practical administration of Russian law, is not clear. The Greek Church is recognized as the orthodox and ruling church. The existing laws do not permit persons brought up in this church to give their adherence to any other faith. But Protestants or Roman Catholics may leave their communions for the Greek Church. The decree seems to assure the dissenters that they shall have

larger liberty and be relieved from the effects of that spirit of ostracism and oppression which the Orthodox Church has fostered and under which they suffer. The increased tolerance, insured by the Czar's decree, is a concession to the spirit of progress which is at work even in Russia.

DURING THE PAST WEEK GREAT anxiety and much actual suffering has prevailed along the Mississippi river in the northeast portion of the State. A great portion of the country lying between the river and Crowley's Ridge has been flooded by the breaking of the levees. Water deep enough to float the largest steamers has overspread most of the Mississippi and St. Francis basin. Some counties have been almost wholly submerged. There has been some loss of life, and much loss of live stock. Nearly all the people have abandoned the flooded district. The water in the river at Memphis reached the unprecedented stage of 40.1 feet, and at all points between Memphis and Cairo rose above former records. On Friday night last the waters began to subside at Memphis. They are receding at all points along our Eastern State boundary. The levees are stronger than they have ever been before, and it is thought will bear the pressure in the lower Mississippi as the vast flood finds its way to the gulf.

Moral Measures in the New Congress.

The reform measures that died with the expired Congress will be taken up anew at once, with the hope of carrying them early in the next Congress, by work in advance while Senators and Congressmen are at home among their constituents. Among these left over measures to be renewed are the interstate liquor bill, the McCumber bill to forbid liquor selling in government buildings, the anti-polygamy amendment; the Jones bill, embodying amendments to the anti-lottery law drawn by the Postoffice Department to exclude the turf investment companies, gift enterprises and guessing contests that have so heavily defrauded the people of late, from the use of the United States mail.

The Plague at Mazatland.

A letter from Rev. R. C. Elliott to the editor of the Pacific Methodist Advocate, of date February 14, gives this statement respecting the plague stricken city of Mazatland, Mexico:

"I am very sorry to say to you that things are no better here. We have less than 5 000 population now, fully 13,000 have gone, yet we had seven or eight deaths yesterday and many new cases. I saw twenty houses burned down yesterday, making between 400 and 500 destroyed. Two of my members died last week of the plague; others that were among the suspects were liberated. I found two families, members almost destitute, yesterday; fortunately I had a few dollars collections, and relieved them in their straits. Today is wet and mighty bad for the fever. Street cars are all stopped; business is at a standstill; many firms have closed up. The city looks like "A Deserted Village."

Washington Letter.

The special session of the Senate has adjourned after ratifying the Panama Canal and the Cuban treaties, the former without amendment and the latter with only the committee amendments, one providing that its provisions shall not go into effect until approved by both houses of Congress, the other that no other change shall be made in the sugar schedule of the Dingley tariff for a period of five years. The vote on the Panama canal treaty was 73 to 5, only Senators Daniel, Martin, Morgan, Pettus and Teller voting against its approval.

The President is seriously disappointed at the Cuban treaty having been so amended by the committee as to prevent its going into effect at once and when he first learned the facts he threatened to call Congress in special session immediately to pass the necessary legislation. On second thought, however, he decided not to call an extra session before the middle of November, if at all.

The President has not yet determined upon the personnel of the Canal Commission and has announced that he will not consider the matter until he returns from

his western trip next June. There are many applicants for the position including ex-Senator Jones of Arkansas, ex-Senator Harris of Kansas, ex-Governor Sayers of Texas and others. According to the terms of the bill four members of the Commission will have to be civil engineers and three civilians.

Senators Hanna, Aldrich, Hale, Lodge, Depew and other prominent Senators have expressed to your correspondent the utmost confidence that Colombia will ratify the treaty which has undergone no change since it was signed by Dr. Herran, the Colombian charge d'affairs. While there is known to be opposition to the agreement and the former minister to this country, Senor Concha, is leading a party against it, it is not believed that Colombia will refuse the price of \$10,000,000 to be paid immediately and in cash, and which is to be followed, beginning seven years hence, by an annual rental of \$250,000. It is, therefore, believed that the actual construction of an isthmian canal is now in sight.

The President has perfected the itinerary for his western trip. Leaving Washington on April 1, he will go directly to Chicago where he will spend a day. From there he goes to Milwaukee, Saint Paul and Minneapolis and, making several stops at smaller cities, will reach Livingston, Montana, April 8. Two weeks will be spent in the Yellowstone National Park with Secretary Root and Mr. John Burroughs, the naturalist and writer, and then the party will return via Omaha and Iowa points to St. Louis. There the President will participate in the dedicatory exercises of the St. Louis Exposition and will then go west via Kansas and Colorado. California will be traversed from Los Angeles to the Northern limit and a visit will be paid to the Puget Sound cities. On Decoration Day the President will make an address at Cheyenne. Salt Lake City will be visited and the return trip will go around Chicago, stopping at a number of Illinois points and at Indianapolis, from which city the run will be made to Washington without stop. The party will return to Washington on June 6.

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Educational Notes.

The Potter's Field Cheated.

An old school teacher recently died. She had devoted her life to educating the children of other women. Other girls got married, but she went on teaching. All through the school year, from morning until night, she devoted her energies, her intelligence, and her nervous system to making the generation better. She got just enough to live on, and out of what she needed to live she managed to save something to help those worse off than she.

Death came in due time, and found her ready. She had begun the world with nothing. She had worked all her life for others, and she left the world with nothing—not even enough to pay for a cheap grave and a cheap coffin.

There is a rule which makes it necessary to bury all animals that die, including teachers, and under this rule she was to be buried, at the expense of an appreciative public, in potter's field.

The department of education stepped in and the superintendent announced that this should not be. It was necessary to prove that the public school teacher enjoys the respect, gratitude, and admiration of the public. Therefore, whatever the cost, a separate burial should be arranged for this lady.

It was arranged accordingly, and the potter's field was cheated. We should all be grateful for this, of course, and we are grateful. But, while we are thankful that a life's devotion to childhood insures even now a luxurious final resting place in a cheap private grave, let us hope that even a better time will come. Let us hope that some time, or other, a woman who educates the sons of a thousand mothers will be respected as we now respect the general who kills the sons of a hundred thousand mothers. Let us hope that the time will come when the woman who uses her brains for the benefit of humanity will be as well paid as the girl who uses her legs in the ballet.

There are just two important classes in the world, and with them no other can compare: First, the mothers who suffer to add a good man or a good woman to the population; second, the teachers who educate the child, and through education make it useful.—New York Journal.

An experiment in co-education was tried two hundred years ago by the father of the great Jonathan Edwards. He educated his ten daughters in classes with the young men he was fitting for college. Mrs. H. M. Plunkett has described this successful experiment in the April Scribner's.

Temperance.

Keep Mena Without Saloons

Rev. J. E. Godbey, Editor "Methodist," Little Rock, Ark.:

Dear Brother—We see that Senator Mardis quoted our last article to the "Methodist" in the senate last week in argument against Senator Norwood's bill to regulate the sale of liquor in cities of first and second class. We appreciate this honor, but were disappointed and grieved that said bill passed the senate with all due respect to our dear friend and honorable fellow-townsmen, Senator Norwood. His admissions in support of his bill (which is virtually to bring saloons back to Mena), that there were more blind tigers than there had been saloons, and would be, meant that our officials are worthless to enforce the laws, or the laws needed to be made more stringent. Cities of the first and second class could not live without the patronage of the country people, for "the king is served by the field." Pass this bill and make it a law, and the country people will lose the benefits of the wise law now in force, giving the majority of the county the right to say whether prohibition shall reign in the entire county. In most cities of first and second class the majority would doubtless be for license, but in such a great public evil, so universally admitted, the rural population, when they vote down liquor selling, should be respected for the general good. We trust the house will not pass the bill. There is a good large minority in the cities who are begging for prohibition. Let me give you one instance of the evils of saloons here last year. At our watch-night service, the last night of saloons, a railroad man's wife said to me that she was so glad saloons were to close at midnight. She hoped to see a different state of affairs in her home. A saloonkeeper of this city had been loaning her husband \$25 per month, with which he bought liquor over his counter every month, and at the coming of the pay car said saloonkeeper would turn in a bill for borrowed money instead of for liquor, thus saving the railroad man's job and himself from collecting such a large liquor bill. The wife, finding out this, went to the saloonkeeper and asked him, as he was loaning her husband \$25 per month, with which to buy whisky, to please loan her some money with which to buy groceries and clothing for her family. He turned her off by saying he didn't know before her husband had a family, and would try and get him to drink less and save his money. When we heard her nervous recital of her trials we resolved to continue to cry out against all those evils, and specially making drunkards, which destroy so many homes and lives.

As further evidence why we want

to keep Mena without saloons, we cite the reader to facts and figures of our mayor's court: Fines for last November, \$301.50, and December, \$502, with saloons, and January, 1903, \$83.50, and February, \$155, without saloons, giving a total of \$565 greater with saloons than with prohibition.

Also Anderson & Jones give out that their collections in the grocery business were \$250 for January, and \$240 for February, greater than for December preceding. But why multiply facts? Help us to keep Mena without saloons. Yours as ever,

J. R. Sanders.

March 3, 1903.

The Battle at Ashdown.

Dear Dr. Godbey—We are in the midst of a great fight on the whisky question in Ashdown. What are considered the best people are lined up on the side of right while on the other the votaries of the liquor traffic are making a determined stand against us. We have circulated our petition which we propose to present to the legislature for a special three mile act.

This preacher has been the object of much abuse and profanity. However, we go ahead. The saloons and whisky element have so flagrantly violated every law that the citizens do not propose to tolerate it any longer.

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Letter From Oregon.

Mr. Editor—Nineteen hundred and three is upon us in full. All were glad to be alive when it came in. This great Northwest is a great country. As yet we have no snow, except upon the mountain tops and high hillsides. Rain has been abundant in this valley and mud to the full. Grass is green and high on our ranges, in our fields, along our roadsides and in our streets. In many orchards is still to be found luscious pendant apples, and in our gardens are cabbage, salads and rooted vegetables unripped by the frost. Newcomers complain of rain, mud and clouds, while the old residents shrug their shoulders and laugh and hustle as if fixing to go to a wedding. In a few days I will have been here 28 years, so you see I have jostled into my niche and so no more infringing at any point.

You know I am an Arkansan by adoption and by marriage and all of our children were born in that State. We still call Arkansas our home. For seventeen years I gave her the most impressive and impressive period of my life. I labored in her school rooms, fought upon her battlefields and preached in her churches. I know her good people well, lodged under their roofs, partook of their hospitality and mingled with them in social and spiritual relations. I knew their educational and spiritual hungerings. A great, good people. Why should I not love them? I see but few familiar names of the preachers I then knew in your goodly columns. During all those intervening years what changes have taken place there!

But pardon these digressive musings. This is a new year, a time for reviewing life and starting out afresh on a higher and broader plain.

I now turn to the main topic. The church still lives, though she has had a varied experience here since I came. Many preachers have come and gone; some we were sorry they left, some we were glad they are gone. Not from personal feelings, but from ill adaptedness to this work and people. Some came to seek health for themselves or family, some I fear for money and some for longer stake ropes. This conference is no hospital for physical disabilities, bodily maladies or moral dyspeptics. Some who left us went back, some to other conferences, some to other churches and some turned away from the cause. A happy new year to all.

This new year we start out in a better condition for growth and enlargement than for many years. There is, so far as I know, not an element of discord or friction among us, either as preachers or members. We have several new

men among us, who measure up to the ideal of this people in preaching ability and bearing among this mixed multitude. Along all the lines of woman's work, the Leagues and Sunday-schools, the work is being taken in hand as never before. Our motto this year is, No idlers in the Lord's vineyard, great or small; no buried penny, and all the claims of the church in full.

Our church here is a spiritual people. One new transfer said there was a larger per cent of his membership deeply spiritual than he had ever met before, and this I think can be said at almost every point. We expect to enter new cities this conference year. The church at home, as a body, knows almost nothing of us, geographically, climatically, topographically or our social, financial or spiritual possibilities. Hence we have but little of their sympathy or financial or moral support.

The great heartbeat of the great home church swells and rises to the summit of the Rock Mountains and from its summit spans the Pacific and falls in the Orient with all of its life-giving power, while this great empire west of the summit, reaching to the Pacific, feels but feeble pulsations. To us it appears that they act as though we of this great Northwest were a few stragglers who had wandered almost beyond the pales of moral support. My belief and I finish. I think I speak advisedly. There is not in the bounds of our church operations at home or abroad a field that will yield a richer harvest financially and spiritually and more vitalize the whole church than this great Northwest section of our beloved America, if properly manned and cared for. By the way, Oregon stands ahead of any other State in the Union as a literary State. So says government statistics.

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Texas Notes

Many things have conspired to delay my letter to the "Methodist." Feebleness and apathy, however, were the chief hindrance. And now as the conferences are all over and the preachers are all settled down for another year's work, I will try to give your readers a few items.

Bishop Hendrix came to us fully equipped for the arduous work of an annual conference. He had each day's session opened by a prayer service of a half hour's duration, which was attended with the best result. No heated debates occurred during the conference, and everything went smoothly on to the final end, when no doubt some felt a little disappointed, as is usual in every conference. Bishop Hendrix got close to all the members of the conference, and I hear nothing but praise of him from every conference in the State. In the chair as president he was patient, courteous, affable and kind alike to all. In the cabinet, he was careful and diligently sought to do the best for the preachers and people, and with the information before him he did the best he could. Favoritism has always figured more or less among the beloved, and many a preacher has suffered in consequence of it. Every one who has served as presiding elder will understand me. Men are often appointed to charges not on the ground of merit or former success but because they had a strong advocate for or against them, and all the facts were not plainly given in open cabinet. Some slates were broken in our late session, and the slate makers hardly know how it was done. Dr. Watkins came as agent for the superannuated fund, and is unhesitatingly set down as a success in that position. Our conference subscribed and paid \$7,500, while the four Texas conferences are to pay over \$39,000. The Northwest Texas paid for foreign and domestic missions the sum of \$23,427, and from all sources, including Epworth League, Sunday-school, Woman's Foreign Board and Woman Home and Parsonage Board, the grand total reached \$44,768, a per capita of 63 1-2 cents. The collection for conference claimants amounts to \$8,422, but with the large list of 65 claimants the amount falls far below the actual wants of this worthy band. After giving off to the Indian Mission and West Texas Conferences territory, containing 3,650 members, we still have a membership in the Northwest Conference of 70,338. Our territory is still immense, and not many years hence a new conference is inevitable. Our net gain in members last year was 2,450.

We now have twelve districts, two hundred and twenty-five pas-

toral charges, 244 clerical members, 36 superannuates, 27 on trial, and 17 local preachers supplying works.

The demand for pastors in our church exceeds the available supply. In 38 conferences I notice more than five hundred charges supplied by local preachers. To me this is an alarming symptom. The Indian Mission Conference alone has fifty-six supplies, while many other older conferences employ from fifteen to thirty supplies. The educational restrictions, I suspect is mainly responsible for this deficiency; yet the very men rejected are often the ones employed to fill the vacant charges. The test should be applied to those who signally fail in pastoral work and not to those who have been so unfortunate as not to have enjoyed early educational advantages.

We have many pastors who have the required literary attainments who are failures in pastoral work from year to year, while many of our best equipped and successful pastors never enjoyed collegiate training. This is true now and has always been.

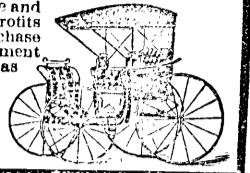
The Texas Methodists are delighted at the prospect of having Bishop Hoss located among us. With Bishop Key at Sherman and Bishop Hoss at Dallas, we will be well supplied with episcopal oversight. Both of them stand high in the estimation of we Texans. Our conference received eight transfers, six of the eight coming back from the territory given by General Conference action, while nine were transferred from us to other conferences. We are now enjoying the company of Rev. J. J. Tigert in our city. He is aiding the pastor in a series of services and is preaching with great power, and acceptability. Our new presiding elder, J. M. Barcus, pleases everybody on the district, and with the aid of a fine body of strong pastors, this district will no doubt lead the conference this year, as it already ranks second among the districts of the conference. My brother, R. C. Armstrong, was granted a superannuated relation at our last session. After thirty years of incessant work on circuits, stations and districts, he felt like a rest would prolong his usefulness, but the trustees of Polytechnic College have induced him to accept the financial agency of that institution and he is now in that field of work. Our schools are doing well, though the crop failure of the past year has cut down the patronage to some extent.

Our preachers are all earnestly striving to build up the spiritual condition of their respective charges and the outlook is very encouraging for a year of success. If every one will preach, labor and pray for present results, the end will be one of grand results. In my early ministry penitents were invited at the

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conclusion of nearly every service to come forward for prayers, and then we had revivals weekly. In my opinion it would be well to return to this old method and expect immediate results.

Brother I. L. Harris, who came to us from one of the Arkansas Conferences more than a year ago, is doing a fine work on Cotton Gin Circuit. John S. Mathis, who joined the Arkansas Conference in 1853, is still an active pastor in the East Texas Conference, while Brother Samuel Morris, who joined the same conference in 1848 is on the honor roll, yet enjoying good health and lives with his children, waiting the summons to go home to rest. It is strange to me that I yet live. Eight years and more of intense suffering and seven years a complete "shut in," seems enough to wear out the most athletic, yet here I am waiting, suffering, trusting and hoping. I find the promise made to Paul broad enough for me to rest on. "My grace is sufficient for you." Some day I will go away and find rest, ease and peace at home.

E. L. Armstrong,
Corsicana, Tex.

It is often easier to do a hard thing than an easy one. An easy thing does not call for the gathering up of one's powers as a hard one does; and the easy thing is to let slip, where the hard one would be taken hold of with energy. It is the little things requiring attention day by day at one's office desk, or in one's home-work, that are likely to be neglected, while the great demands on one's time are met manfully as they come. A good hearted servant girl, who showed herself to better advantage than ever in a home where the critical illness of its head demanded work unthought of before, illustrated this truth in her cheerful remark, "I'm never quite contented in a house until something turns up." Many a person does best in an emergency. "He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much," but it is not always true that he that is faithful in that which is much is faithful also in that which is least. —Sunday-School Times.

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The **American Monthly Review of Reviews**, for March, pays a well deserved tribute to the character of that eminent Southern statesman and educator, Dr. J. L. M. Curry.

As administrator of the Peabody fund, Dr. Curry has long been known as one of the wisest and most zealous promoters of Southern education.

Mr. Curry was an enthusiastic leader of the South during the war between the States. But at the surrender of the South gave himself to the work of education. He took the presidency of Howard College, Alabama, in 1865, and three years later the presidency of Richmond College, Virginia, which he held till 1881, when he was appointed agent of the Peabody Fund. Under President Cleveland he served three years as United States minister to Spain. Dr. Curry was wise to comprehend the needs of the South, and gave his life to the service of his people with the purest patriotic devotion.

The Review makes sketch of the life of Dr. Curry an occasion of commenting upon the late agitation of the negro question, in connection with the administration of President Roosevelt. The Review thinks the rights and interests of the negroes can be trusted and must be trusted to the Southern people. It endorses the statement of Secretary Root that negro suffrage in the South had been a failure. But it suggests that a new basis for suffrage may be laid in education, property and good citizenship, which so far from being unjust to the negro, may furnish the best stimulus to true progress and future prosperity. The Review has always maintained a wise position on this much discussed negro problem and one which commends it to Southern readers. \$2.50 a year. New York.

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book. We welcome all such books from all such men.

J. J. Galloway.

Mountain Home, Ark., Feb. 14, 1903.

What Bishop Morrison Says About It.

We have just finished reading "The Second Coming of Christ," by Rev. C. C. Cary, of the North Georgia Conference. It should go into the hands of all church people, other denominations as well as our own.

There are multitudes who have very vague and unsatisfactory ideas on that subject. Many do not know what they believe or what to believe. Others have fanciful and misleading notions of a pre-millennial reign of Christ upon earth verging nigh on to fanaticism.

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H. C. Morrison.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 31, 1903.

Among the series now running in The Cosmopolitan may be mentioned "How to Administer a Household"—the April instalment deals with the part exercise plays in the preservation of health. "Making a Choice of a Profession—Medicine" is discussed in the April number. "Captains of Industry"—the sketches in the current number deal with Jacob Henry Schiff, the great financier, and Henry Osborne Havemeyer, the sugar-king. "Mankind in the Making," by H. G. Wells; "The Young Napoleon—the Genesis of a Great Career," by Field-marshal Viscount Wolseley, K. P.; "Romances of the World's Great Mines,—The Calumet and Hecla," by S. E. Moffet, forms the subject of the April article—and Henry Seton Merriman's novel, "Barlaseh of the Guard."

Ground Rock as a Medicine.

The rich people of the cities go to the "springs" to be cured of various ailments. They take hot and cold baths in the mineral waters and drink it, gallons of it, and go home relieved, if not cured. Most people cannot afford to do this and necessarily suffer and bear it. The mineral forming such a large part of the water comes from the mineral ore at the bottom of the spring. Prof. Theo. Noel, a geologist, now living in Chicago, discovered a mine of this Ore many years ago while prospecting in the Southwest and is now grinding and selling it under the name of Vitae-Ore and as such the medicine has become well known to the readers of this paper.

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April 5—Paul's Farewell to Ephesus Acts 20: 28-38

Time—Early in A. D. 57, a few months after Paul had left Ephesus.

Place—Miletus, where Paul's ship stopped a few days, en route to Cesarea.

Golden Text—Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.—Acts 20:35.

After Paul left off his work in Ephesus he revisited the churches of his planting in Europe, spending some months among them. They were sadly in need of his presence, as may be seen from the epistles he wrote at this time. On this journey he kept his promise made some years before in the interest of the poor saints at Jerusalem, and had gathered up quite a sum of money which he was now taking to Jerusalem.

Miletus was a port city, 30 miles south of Ephesus, where Paul's vessel was to stop a few days. He could not risk going to Ephesus, probably because the stay of the vessel in that port was uncertain; but he sends to Ephesus to have the elders of that church to come to him. They arrived in time for this interview.

This whole address is one of the most touching in all history. It is solemn, with a deep undertone of sadness, and is characterized by great loftiness of sentiment and great dignity of expression. It is a cameo cut by Paul's own hand, revealing his inmost feeling about the churches which he served. It is also a manly defense against the calumnies by which he was even then being assailed throughout the world. The devil never lets a man of Paul's efficiency escape without raising up many liars and slanderers against him. Paul is charged with ambition, pride, covetousness, deceit, lying, and much more, by assiduous enemies of himself and of the Gospel, who sought to turn away from him and from Christ the Gentiles who had been converted through him. This is the reason you find in this address such an explicit statement as to the manner of his own life while at Ephesus. He declares solemnly, in the presence of men who knew the truth or falsity of his speech how that by the space of three years he had labored night and day with tears among them, warning them, teaching them, in public and from house to house. The substance of his Gospel was most simple; repentance toward God and faith toward Jesus Christ. In so doing he had not shrunk from declaring to them all that was profitable; he had no hidden, mysterious secrets; his Gospel was open to all alike and given to all alike, both Jews and

Greeks, and faith and repentance had been the substance of it. Moreover, while he was there preaching, he had coveted no man's silver or gold or apparel. "Yea, ye yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and those that were with me!" He even gave them an example of liberality, "How that so laboring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive."

The proof that Bishops and elders were not different orders in the ministry in the apostolic church is found in this lesson. Paul called the elders of the church. When they came he addressed them as overseers. The Greek word is *episcopoi*—Bishops. So we see the same persons are called elders, and also bishops.

Paul tells them that he knows well that grievous wolves will enter into their flock, after he is gone from them, and that even among themselves perverse men will arise, producing factions. It had been so everywhere he had yet preached. He warns them, therefore, most solemnly, to take heed to the flock. He commends them to "God and to the word of his grace;" he kneels down on the ground and breathes out his very soul in prayer to God for them; he tells them that they will see his face no more; and he bids them farewell! Is there anything more affecting?

"It is more blessed to give than to receive." Giving and helping is the mission of the Christian. He must bear wrong with patience, and never falter in his purpose to do good to others. Not overcome of evil, but overcoming evil with good.

QUESTIONS.

After leaving Ephesus what course did Paul take? How far was it from Ephesus to Miletus? Whom did Paul call to him from Miletus? Do you observe what influence and authority Paul always maintained? What most impresses you in the spirit of Paul in this case? Did Paul have many enemies? Have good men generally had enemies? What does Paul say to the elders of the church at Miletus? Are elders and Bishops in the same order, as ministers?



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April 5—The Good Samaritan.

Luke x. 30-37.

The teachings of our Lord invariably avoided doctrinal quibbles or technical interpretations of the letter of Scripture, and held forth clear general principles as the guides of human conduct.

There was a certain lawyer that questioned Jesus, "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus' answer indicated that a sincere seeker after eternal life had light enough in the Scriptures. "How readest thou?" The question quoted an epitome of the law in its two tables, duties toward God and men. The command was plain, but in regard to loving one's neighbor as himself the lawyer desired to find limitations, and qualifications which might justify unbrotherliness at least to some men. He asked therefore, "Who is my neighbor?"

Now, it was only in the duty of loving one's neighbor that this lawyer saw difficulty. This is because love of God has no direct tests. One may indulge the fancy that he loves God, and find little to disturb him in his delusion. He does not know God as he does his neighbor. He forms his own fancy of God. He nurtures emotions and meditations which he takes for divine influences. Jesus came among a people who thought they loved God. But it was not so, for God was manifest to them in himself and he was despised and rejected.

But as to our fellow men, we are in daily contact with them. We know them, and cannot conceal from ourselves our dispositions toward them.

The lawyer doubtless felt that there were many men whom he did not love. So he, desiring to excuse or justify himself, thought to consider as his neighbor only the man who was kind to him, or of his own family or people.

Now the parable of the good Samaritan takes up a man who was, in the Jews' estimation, an alien and a reprobate, one who had been separated from the Jews by the strongest Jewish prejudice. Yet this Samaritan, so repudiated and hated by the Jew, is represented as kind to the Jew. And Jesus says to the lawyer: "Do thou likewise." That is love and help, even those who are separated from you by nationality or creed, or social prejudice.

Do not ask who are they whom you are under obligations to love, but make yourself neighbor to all men. The lesson would teach that an alien and one's natural enemy is to be treated as a brother. Love does not ask about obligation. It does not siddle for rights. It is spontaneous and outflowing. It seeks occasion to do good. It responds to needs wherever it finds them.

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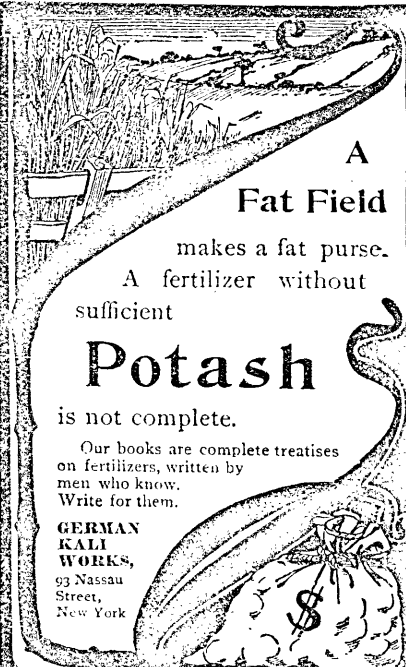
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It is a duty to guard the good name of a brother, and still more to guard the church against his bad conduct.

The loftiest worship of God is the humblest service of man. Jesus taught it when He washed His disciples' feet.

John saw no temple in the New Jerusalem. To the holy life every place is a holy place. The Lamb in the midst is the light of it.

He who reckons the church a more sacred place than his own home is devoted to a religion of form and not of fact and life.

To commend the character of a bad man is as great a departure from truth and as great a wrong to society as to condemn the character of a good man.

Some of the preachers are often saying to us, "The church is only playing at religion," but those fellows are playing quite as much as their brethren.

Do we teach that the Holy Spirit visits our earth only to attend revival meetings, or are we teaching that he must be the daily guide and supporter of every believer's life?

The more talent a preacher has the worse it is for the church, if he be not an humble and devoted Christian, who believes that the only gift which can honor his calling is power to win souls.

Our Baptist friends have had much trouble to locate or define the "invisible church." One brother thinks he has come to understand it at last. He says it is the Wednesday evening Baptist prayer-meeting.

Perfect love to God does not exist apart from perfect love to men. Entire sanctification is a doctrine to be preached, but the tests of its attainment are in superior nobleness of character and conduct. "By their fruits ye shall know them."

In our course of study for preachers we need a book on ministerial ethics to instruct preachers how they should act toward each other, guard each other from evil reports and criticisms, strengthen each other's hands in the work, and withal, reprove each other with all fidelity and brotherly love when occasion requires.

So long as only ministers seek to lead souls to Christ, and that in a professional way, religion will

seem to most people only a fashion or a profession, lacking deep convictions of truth, or lacking true concern for the salvation of men. When we get a real revival in the church it will be marked by personal effort on the part of the laity to lead others into the way of salvation.

That church has the strongest hold upon its members in which the spirit of worship is strongest in its stated services. No eloquence of preaching, no attractions of music draw and hold people to a church like the simple spirit of worship—thought of communing with God. The weary burdened heart finds relief in worship, the tired and tempted finds strength. Men may hear more eloquent orations from the rostrum than from the pulpit. They go to church for spiritual food. The preacher who helps his audience to feel that they are indeed hearing God's thoughts and feeling God's spirit will draw the people to God's house.

A Great Work.

The endowment fund for superannuates is being rapidly subscribed under the energetic and able advocacy of Dr. A. T. Watkins, our agent. It is a cause which commends itself to all our preachers and they should every one see that the matter is presented to their congregations. All intelligent laymen will respond to this call. See that they have a chance.

Miracles.

That which is above the power of man is miraculous to man; that which is above the power of angels is miraculous to angels. Each superior being is a miracle worker to the inferior, though each may operate within the sphere of his natural powers.

The Beginning of Miracles.

It must have occurred to the minds of many Bible students as to this writer that while Jesus demanded faith in Himself on the part of the people, as a ground precedent to works of personal blessing in their behalf, that some ground must first have been laid whereon such faith could be demanded. We find such ground in the first of Jesus' miracles, which stands distinguished from others in these particulars: (1) It was wrought without request of any one; (2) it was not wrought for especial benefit to any one; (3) it was the exhibition of the highest power, even creative power; (4) it was a voluntary revelation of power for the purpose of furnishing a ground of faith in Himself. Such was its purpose, and its character and conditions placed it in logical order as the beginning of miracles. "This beginning of miracles did Jesus in land of Galilee and showed forth His glory and His disciples believed on Him."

Power of Jesus of Nazareth.

The manifestation of divinity in Jesus Christ was constant in all the phases of His life. He never reasons to a conclusion, never speaks doubtfully; never recognizes any lack of knowledge of all that man should do. He is never in haste—always calm—never angered, never resentful, never timid, never presumptuous: always courteous, tender, forgiving, helpful. He seeks no earthly reward, no human honor, knows no distinctions of race or nation, no prejudices of creed, no limitations of His love or the application of His teachings. He saw the cross, but did not falter. He led ever on to deeper truths, unfolded His claims not by assertions so much as acts, held back His disciples from hasty annunciation of His divinity. He exhibited refined human affections, yet exhibited also a subconsciousness of divinity which always echoes through His teachings—always claims what man cannot claim.

There is no inconsistency in the picture drawn by the evangelists. It has nothing fictitious in its setting. The condition of the times, the Jewish life, the Jewish spirit and exclusiveness are expressed in all the conduct of those disciples. Their own relation to Christ and His truth are strikingly presented. They are learners, strongly drawn, peering into a mystery, always half bewildered, often mistaking the Master, often needing rebuke. Their style is the simplest narrative; they give nothing for effect, expatiate upon nothing, use no expletives. Their record is free from puerilities: other records there were, as we would needs suppose, full of superstitious stories. They were not capable of inventing the picture they present. They passed from contact with Jesus with faith and life and purpose sublimely set on a career wholly outside of temporal motives. The power of Jesus is judged by what He accomplished. Jesus extends His power down the centuries and by the deepest experiences of the human heart, by its highest joys, its purest laws, by the enlarging thoughts, the higher ideals of men, the overthrow of tyranny, slavery, the gospel of common brotherhood, He challenges the judgment of men to be not simply the ideal man, but the anointed Son of God.

Disturbing the Foundations.

Dr. Boswell, editor of the New Orleans Advocate, favors us with a good article under the above caption. His subject is the respect in which the ministry is held by the people at large, the moral sentiment which is reflected in it and the care which should be used by ministers to preserve it.

The minister stands in a sacred office. He belongs to an order separated from others—appointed of

God. Dignity and gravity become him as well as purity and faith in God.

The ministry is not created by the church. It is, or should be, called of God, and represents an order rather than an office.

Dr. Boswell well says: "In rejecting the pretensions and mysticism of popery, it is not necessary to go to the opposite extreme of so setting the ministry before the people as to make them believe that there is nothing peculiar or sacred about their calling."

We have a fancy that an editorial which appeared some weeks ago in the Nashville Advocate inspired this.

Certainly the calling and work of the Christian ministry can maintain respect among intelligent people only in being true to the Scriptural ideal of such a calling—equally removed on the one hand from arrogant assumption of spiritual gifts and power, or assertion of official authority, and on the other from the affectation of smartness, the posing for effect, the claim of superior knowledge of things of the world, the right to dictate respecting affairs of business or politics. There is no surer sign of weakness and egotism in a preacher than that he should get up before lawyers, physicians, teachers, statesmen, politicians and business men and speak to them as one having superior knowledge of things pertaining to their respective spheres of daily duty and work. It is the preacher's business to lay upon men's consciences the law of God and make them feel that to him they must account and trust to a quickened conscience to guide every man in his business. To leave this general presentation of Gospel principles and undertake to show every man how to run his own business is an impertinence which makes the preacher first sensational, and next ludicrous. Dr. Parkhurst lost from ministerial influence by undertaking to manage the politics of New York, and Sheldon lost greatly in his attempt to show us how to run a daily paper.

The business of the preacher is to turn the hearts of men to Christ—to lead them to accept him as Savior and guide; to place them in the Master's school, that he may teach them. With Christ enthroned in the heart and the life prayerfully committed to God, a man has wiser guidance through the varying experiences and emergencies of life than the preacher can give.

While the minister stands to the earnest proclamation of Gospel truth and concerns himself about the personal salvation of his hearers, he will have respect enough from the people.

Dr. Homer Eaton, chairman of the board of directors of the Methodist Publishing House at Shanghai,

China, will sail for Shanghai in company with Bishop Moore March 11th, to give personal attention to the opening of business in the joint publishing work of the M. E. Church and M. E. Church, South, in China.

Church Notes.

The M. E. Church reports 1,104,739 probationers for church membership in the last four years. But as probation is for six months the editor of the Northwestern Christian Advocate reckons that 500,000 applicants for church membership during the four years have not been reported in the probation column, and that as the report of conversions is at least twelve per cent more than additions to the church, that 2,000,000 is a fair estimate of the conversions during the past quadrennium, and that of these 1,500,000 have joined the church.

Bishop Galloway's visits to Arkansas are ever hailed as occasions of much interest and benefit to the church. His sermon at First Church, Little Rock, his missionary speeches at Fort Smith, his visit to Fayetteville and the raising of \$3,000 there to pay off the church debt are benefits of his last coming among us.

Bishop Hoss has given his promise to attend many district conferences in Arkansas this spring and summer.

The death of Rev. A. C. Ray, a superannuated preacher of the Arkansas Conference, which occurred last week removes from us one of the purest and most faithful men known in our itineracy in Arkansas.

Dr. C. H. Briggs, presiding elder of St. Louis district, has arranged to hold a Wesley Bi-Centenary Celebration during the meeting of the Board of Missions, at Centenary Church, Thursday evening, May 7, with Bishops Wilson, Hoss, Candler and Galloway speakers; Bishop Hendrix presiding. Other special meetings will be held, and Sunday, May 10, will be a great day in all our churches.

The Vanderbilt summer Institute will begin June 17.

The death of Dr. William B. Edwards of the Virginia Conference takes another man from our Methodist ranks, of great ability, the highest Christian character, and of exemplary fidelity in his work. We have a pleasant memory of him. He was pastor of Centenary Church, Richmond, at the time of our General Conference there in 1886.

Our church, in all the conferences, is asked to take an Easter collection for the Scarriff Bible and Training School. Miss Maria L. Gibson, principal, has sent out programmes for the service.

President Roosevelt's address on the occasion of the bi-centenary of John Wesley, at Carnegie Hall, is

mentioned by all our North Methodist exchanges with commendation and enthusiasm. Sixteen thousand applications were made for seats in a hall which accommodates but thirty-four hundred, including the platform.

It is reported that twenty thousand and native Filipinos now attend Methodist services every week.

There are some evidences that the revival spirit is being kindled in various sections of our church. Our churches in St. Louis have added near a thousand members since conference. The Central Methodist reports revivals in many of the churches of the Louisville district and states that the movement is general. Dr. Glenn, of the Rome Georgia, District, reports extensive revivals on his work.

The Sunday School of Winfield church varied its services on Sunday by receiving as a transfer Mrs. Thornburgh, the bride of the superintendent, who came from the Sunday School at Newport. The superintendent of the Newport school wrote a letter to the Winfield school and the Winfield school, through Assistant Superintendent Dickinson, received her with a speech of welcome and presented her with a beautiful bouquet of Marechal Niel, La France and Bridesmaid roses. There were 311 members present in the school.—Gazette, March 24.

Dr. Godbey—Bishop Hoss writes me that he will be with us in our District Conference at Cabot, May 28-31, for two days. Yours truly, M. M. Smith.

Personal.

Our Business Manager and wife went to Newport yesterday.

Rev. David Bolls and Rev. B. F. Martin were pleasant callers yesterday.

We thank Mrs. J. H. Thomas, of Piggott, Ark., for check of \$5 for the Orphanage.

We return thanks to Rev. Jno. W. Cline for minutes of the China Mission Conference.

Dr. St Clair Dye, son of Dr. J. H. Dye, presiding elder of the Little Rock district, is still sick at Hot Springs.

Bishop E. E. Hoss will preach the commencement sermon of Spaulding Institute, Indian Territory, June 8.

H. H. Westmoreland, of Mountain Home, Ark., an excellent man and a member of our church, died March 3.

C. A. Phillips, Esq., and son, Warren B., were pleasant visitors Monday. Warren is a page in the House of Representatives.

Brother P. H. Stubbs, of Carden's Bottom, was a caller Monday. He was on his way to visit his brother in North Carolina.

Miss Alice Roosevelt, the president's daughter, is visiting her friend, the daughter of Governor Hunt at San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Rev. S. M. Goddard, Wynnewood, I. T., says: "We are all having much better health than usual out here, and my work is prospering."

Rev. J. Marvin Nichols, of Gainesville, Texas, has undertaken to raise \$100,000 from the Epworth Leaguers, for the Superannuate Fund.

Rev. T. H. Ware, our agent for the Orphanage, is fairly on the go, again, in his work. He was much hindered by rheumatism during the winter.

Rev. W. C. Watson gave our agent for the Methodist such cordial help in his work at Hope, that he, Brother Harvey, never tires talking about it.

Mrs. J. H. Dye came from New York last week and has visited her son at Hot Springs and her daughter in the Arkadelphia Methodist College.

Rev. W. B. Hays, presiding elder of the Batesville district, is having encouraging results in his arduous labors, for his district is large and rugged.

Rev. P. C. Fletcher delivered his lecture on "Love, Courtship and Marriage" in Hunter Memorial Church Tuesday evening. The audience was well pleased.

Richmond College, Va., will add to its present buildings a school of technology in memory of the late Dr. J. M. L. Curry, who was connected with the college for thirty-five years.

It is proposed to remove the remains of James Smithson from Genoa, Italy, to the Smithsonian Institute, Washington City. The founder's grave and monument should be on those grounds.

Rev. B. A. Few is a very practical presiding elder. His quarterly circulars to all the official members of Mena district show that he has business in hand, and that he is sparing no effort to accomplish it.

The reference to our cousin, in last week's paper, gives D. C. Kelly instead of G. C. Kelly. G. C. is pastor of Tulip Street Church, Nashville. D. C. Kelly is presiding elder of one of the Nashville districts.

Rev. J. R. Campbell, M. A., of Brighton has been chosen successor of Dr. Joseph Parker at City Temple, London. The Christian Guardian speaks of him as "brilliant, popular, intense, intellectual, scholarly, and deeply spiritual."

It is just to Senator Butt that his friends should know that he voted no on the Norwood bill, to give the cities the right to control the liquor question independent of the county vote, and changed to aye only to secure a reconsideration of the vote.

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brotherly attention from Dr. A. M. Trawick. The good doctor came to see us twice a day, and would have no compensation for services. He has our gratitude and highest esteem.

Mrs. J. S. Bishop, one of the most faithful and best loved members of Winfield Memorial Church, died on the 22nd. She was buried from the church, Rev. James Thomas and Rev. T. Y. Ramsey officiating. We will expect an obituary of this good woman.

Dr. J. H. Stevenson, Professor of Hebrew in the Vanderbilt University, has declined a call to the Union Theological Seminary to fill the chair of Hebrew. He will deliver a lecture before the theological department of the Victoria University, Toronto, Canada, in September.

Mrs. Kate Stanley, widow of Rev. Julius A. Stanley, a former member of the Little Rock Conference, died suddenly at her home in Paris, Texas, and was buried at Columbus, Ark., on Friday, March 20th. An obituary will appear later.

H. D. McKinnon.

Washington, Ark.

"The honor of your presence is requested at the marriage of Miss Susie Estelle Williams to Rev. Alvin Pierson Parker, D. D., Thursday, the twelfth of February, nineteen hundred and three, at twelve o'clock, Chang Chen Hong Ladies Home, Soochow, China." We got the above invitation too late to attend. We send congratulations.

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O thou doubter! Love is pleading;
Dost thou question love?—
O'er the vales and mountains dreary,
To you heights above!

"Follow Me!"—but, O my Master,
Whither dost Thou lead?—
"Over rugged paths of sorrow
Must My tired feet bleed!"

"Follow Me!"—O blessed Master,
Whither wilt Thou go?
"Over pathways of affliction,
By the pangs of woe!"

"Follow Me!"—O gentle Master,
What is there beside?—
"I must be, by those I rescue,
Mocked and crucified."

"Follow Me!"—What then of triumph,
Shall I think to know?—
"In the silent grave, your Leader
Then must be brought low."

"Follow Me!"—What gain in dying?—
"O! past beaming skies,
In a triumph grand, eternal,
Then I shall arise!"

Higher than the heights of glory,
Than the dreams of fame,
Higher than the fondest story
Or earth's greatest name,—

"Follow Me!"—to Heaven immortal,
Heir and Heir alone
To the glory of the Kingdom,
And the Highest Throne,

Kings and priests with Him forever
Do we follow on,
Through the night, so dark and
dreary,
Till the morning dawn.
Mechanicsburg, Pa.

The Sort of Work Our Church Needs.

We want to say amen and thank you for the splendid editorial of January 21, "The Change of View." We need to take heed to ourselves. (Acts 20:28). "Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood."

The great need of the church today is consecrated and well qualified preachers, who feel the great responsibility resting on them, and who know what it means to take heed unto themselves and to all the flock. Not a part of the flock. But all. Rich and poor, great and small. We need stirring up on pastoral visiting. We need waking up. I have visited homes where no preacher has been for years. I have sung and prayed in some of these, and have witnessed hope and courage return to discouraged hearts, and they have made a new start for heaven, because we noticed them, and showed we were concerned about their souls. I find it so easy to neglect this important work. We must take heed and put ourselves to some inconvenience in order to do the work well. I want

to repeat what you said:

"The evangelist who swoops down on a sleeping church, stirs it up and sets all ablaze in a week is a fraud."

It takes hard digging. It takes a long pull, a hard pull and a pull all together. It takes a consecrated, wideawake and well organized church membership who know how to co-operate with the Lord and the preacher to do much.

I am interested in revival work, and have some experience as an evangelist and as a pastor, and know by experience that in either the work of pastor or evangelist we must take heed and plow deep. Do thorough work. We want a revival that will reform the continent, and spread Scriptural holiness over these lands.

We need to believe our own Discipline on the subject of temperance and perfect love. "Woe be unto the pastors. Ye have scattered my flock, and driven them away, and have not visited them." (Jer. 23: 2.) Let us have a revival of pastoral visiting, and a Bible reading on this subject. We are pressing the battle for God and Methodism.
J. H. Callaway.

Have You Asthma in Any Form?

Medical science at last reports a positive cure for Asthma in every form in the wonderful Kola Plant, a new botanic discovery found on the Congo river, West Africa. Its cures are really marvelous. Rev. J. L. Combs, of Martinsburg, W. Va., writes that it cured him of Asthma of fifty years' standing, and Hon. L. G. Clute, of Greeley, Iowa, testifies that for three years he had to sleep propped up in a chair, being unable to lie down night or day from Asthma. The Kola Plant cured him at once. To make the matter sure, these and hundreds of other cures are sworn to before a notary public. To prove to you beyond a doubt its wonderful curative power, the Kola Importing Co., No. 1164 Broadway, New York, will send a large case of the Kola Compound free by mail to every reader of the *Arkansas Methodist* who suffers from any form of Asthma. All they ask in return is that when cured yourself you will tell your neighbors about it. Send your name and address on a postal card, and they will send you a large case by mail free. It costs you nothing, and you should surely try it.

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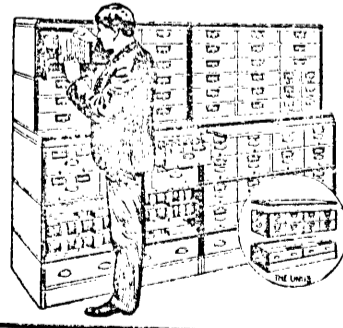
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March 2nd, 1903.

Chas. M. Connor, Clerk.

J. Menkus, Solicitor for Plaintiff.

Some were poor, but gave a penny,
Some were rich, but gave—not any,
One old chap shelled out a nickel,
Looking sour as a pickle,
Reason? Well, it made him mad
To find 'twas smallest change he had!

For the Young People.

To the Children.

Our children's department is appreciated, not only by the children, but by their parents. We have many notes from the older readers telling us that this department is bringing up a generation of little Methodists who love the church paper, and will be heard from in its columns when they are older. Just now we must say to the children that they have sent us so many letters it will take us almost to "dog-days" to get them all printed, so hold up for a while, else you will get tired waiting for your letters to appear.

When Clyde Was Brave.

Clyde was twelve years old and very "large in portion to his size," as the black cook used to say; but nevertheless he was called a coward by boys of his own age.

Clyde took great pains to please boys larger than himself, but was forever teasing and hurting little fellows and tormenting animals, to have what he called fun.

He thought it great sport to shut his little brother out in the dark and make him cry, but cried almost as loud himself when put out.

At the time of my story Clyde was spending the summer at his grandfather's, in the country. An

FOOLED THE HOSPITAL.

Was Pronounced Incurable But Got Well on Pure Food.

Sometimes in a case of disease resulting from the use of improper food the symptoms are so complex that medical science cannot find the seat of trouble, and even the most careful hospital treatment fails to benefit. A gentleman of Lee, Mass., says: "On April 1, 1900, I was sent home by one of our Massachusetts hospitals, saying nothing more could be done for me. I have been a great sufferer from nervous diseases and rheumatism and nervous prostration and had previously been treated at Sharon Springs and by a number of doctors without getting much assistance.

"One day I was feeling worse than usual when I read an article about your Grape-Nuts that impressed me so that I sent out for a package. I commenced using it at breakfast the next day.

"For fifteen months I never missed one day. If you ever saw any one grow strong and improve it was I. I gained from 125 pounds to my old weight, 165. I will always be a cripple from rheumatism but otherwise I am so much improved that I now feel as well as any man in this country." Name furnished by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

There is a recipe book in each package of Grape-Nuts that will interest the housekeeper.

uncle and three boy cousins also lived there. Though the cousins were all much younger than Clyde, they were so well acquainted with every nook and corner on the farm that they made very good playmates for him. At this same time his grandfather owned a very vicious horse that he had paid a high price for on account of his size and perfect form, but he seemed to take special pleasure in running and biting women and children. However the horse was so big and strong and could do so much more work than any of the others, that the men folks decided, after a council, not to sell him, but to warn the children about going into any lot or field, where he was to play.

This was one bit of instruction that they were careful to carry out to the letter—their own fear helping them to obey.

However, these were busy days on the farm and the horse, or old Bill, as the horse was called, was in great demand from early morn until late at night, and the children always began to play in the barn lot as soon as he was taken to the field. One bright morning the boys were all up in the barn loft, over the entry or driveway, playing on the hay, except baby Arthur. He being too small to climb, had been left to play on the ground where he could watch the larger boys tumbling in the hay, some ten or twelve feet above him. While the little fellow was most deeply interested in the boys a hired man, having finished his work with Old Bill, opened wide the gate that joined the barn lot to the pasture (into which he had just turned the horse) in order that the stock might come in and get water at pleasure. Perhaps the man was thinking of his best girl, or perhaps he did not care. At any rate, he failed to warn the boys of Old Bill's approach. The first to see the horse was Clyde, from the top of the huge pile of hay in the loft. There was no time to be lost then, for the horse was looking straight at the baby, with his ears laid back and wicked teeth showing.

Without one moment's hesitation, Clyde bounded over the other boys and down the hay and with a frightened yell, he made a jump straight at Old Bill's head.

Such an awful noise and such a huge missile coming from such an unexpected source frightened the poor old horse until he nearly knocked his head off against the barn, in his hurry to get away, and then ran clear to the back of the pasture, where he stood snorting and panting.

The noise and commotion brought all the grown people from the house out to see what the trouble could be and for once in his life Clyde was patted on the back and called "a brave boy."

May Olmstead.

Our Letter Box.

Holly Springs, Ark.

Mamma has been sick for three weeks and I had all of the cooking and housework to do, but I did it cheerfully, for I want to do all I can. I think we all ought to always do our duty, whatever it may be, with a cheerful heart and willing hands and then we will be happier. I have no sisters at all and only one half-brother. I have a sweet little brother and one half-sister in heaven, and I am going to be a good girl and meet them there. I go to Sunday School when the weather is not too bad. Miss Edith Folden is my teacher. Mr. Frank Crownover is our superintendent, and he is such a good man we all love him, and I love our preacher. He is a good man too, and a good preacher. I like to read the letters from the cousins and wish more of them would write.

Grace Sinquefield.

New Edinburg, Ark.

Dear Brother Godbey—I am so much interested in the children's letters that I want to write one too. The children ought to be thankful for your kindness in allowing them to write to the Methodist. Edinburg is a nice little town with two churches, one Baptist and one Methodist. Each has a good Sunday School and prayer-meeting. We were so sorry to give up Brother Bolls, our last year's preacher. I loved him because he was so kind to me. We like our new pastor, Brother Vinson, very much. He had an interesting Christmas meeting and preached some fine sermons. We were delighted to have Brother Scott, our presiding elder, returned to us. Papa says we are going to have a high school at this place. The people have raised \$3,500 with which to build a house. I am my mamma's baby; was 10 years old last September. With much love, your little friend,

Lizzie Gatum.

Tomberlin, Ark.

Dear Brother Godbey—I am a girl twelve years old. I am a member of the Methodist Church. Papa and mamma and two brothers belong to the Methodist Church. We have good Sunday-school at Tomberlin Church. I like to go to Sunday-school. We have preaching three Sundays in every month. Brother Hundley is our preacher. We are very glad to have him back here this year. I am going to school every day. I love my teacher. Her name is Miss Myrtle House. She is mamma's cousin. I have four brothers and two sisters living and one brother and one sister in heaven. This is the first time I have written to the "Methodist." I will close. I hope to see this in print.

Margie Lemana.

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RICHMOND CIRCUIT—"Something new under the sun." On last Thursday night at Ashdown, at the close of an interesting prayer-meeting, Brothers Sims asked that Prof. J. S. Utley be permitted to speak, which he was. He rose with dignity and proceeded to give this preacher a profound lecture and exhortation in a most happy way, then informed me that my congregation desired to take advantage of that occasion to give their preacher a "pounding," which was done right then and there in the church. An informal after-meeting was had, and a good time socially. One impressive feature was the number of children who were there with their offerings. Ashdown is rapidly coming to the front and Methodism is in the van. Out of a population of about 700 people we number 70 members—all in the town. We are delighted with our charge. None better. Much love to all.

J. W. White.

JAMESTOWN CIRCUIT.—I have nothing in the way of a "pounding" to report for this year, notwithstanding I am sure I have some worthy items which will interest those who rejoice at the success of the church. I am not trying to out-do anyone, but I am undertaking, with the assistance of the good people of this circuit, to do everything I can to advance the cause of God here. Last year was a prosperous one for this work, perhaps the best year for this circuit in its history. Our ambition is to make this a better year than last. Several members have died. Six have been received into the church. Our Oak Valley church has been completed. Here we have a large Sunday School and a splendid prayer-meeting. We are erecting a new church at Salado, and the good part is we are "paying as we go." These people deserve praise for their united effort in the building of this church. The other appointments are "pursuing the even tenor of their way." Believe all are hopeful of a successful year. Success to the Methodist.

C. H. Newman.

CONWAY MISSION.—At our last conference I transferred to the Arkansas Conference and took charge of Conway Mission. We are having a very nice time so far; interest is good in most places and we are looking for a good year. I am going to Hendrix in connection with my work and with study and with walking my circuit (for I have no horse) I find enough to keep me busy, as I preach from two to four times every Sunday. We have a good people here, and I am sure we are going to be well provided for and have a good time religiously. My heart was indeed made sad to learn of our brother, John W. Duncan, being dead. He

and I joined conference at Fordyce the conference of 1899 and were admitted into full connection by Bishop Key at Hope, 1901; we passed every examination in company and in 1900-1 we worked on adjoining circuits. He always impressed me as a man of sterling character and one of the coming preachers in our conference. He was a man chaste in his language, studious in habits, earnest in effort and deeply religious. In his death Little Rock Conference has lost a promising man, and we who knew him lost a dear friend and brother. "Our people die well," and though our Father calls the workmen to rest, the work still goes on. May he give us grace to bear our losses and carry on the work intrusted to our care, is the prayer of your brother in Christ, Amos E. Wilson.

NASHVILLE, ARK.—On the first Sunday after the adjournment of conference we began the work of the new ecclesiastical year. Our congregation has grown and is now very good. The prayer-meetings have also grown in the attendance and in interest. There have been twenty-two additions to the church. \$460 has been raised to pay a debt on our pews, and the church is now free from debt. The pastor's salary is paid in monthly installments. The presiding elder is paid in full to date. We propose to pay all claims in full. The church is harmonious and hopeful. We have both the Home and Foreign Missionary societies. The ladies are doing fine work. The Sabbath School has grown and is doing well.

C. O. Steel.

Nashville, March 20, 1903.

BLACK ROCK AND POWHATAN.—I am glad to report that we have just closed a very gracious meeting at Powhatan. We had in all about fifteen professions, and the whole church was greatly revived. Rev. W. E. Hall, of Corn- ing station, assisted in the meeting. He did some fine preaching. Our people were charmed with Brother Hall. We regard him as one of the best young preachers in the conference. Brother Frank Jernigan, of Smithville, was with us the last two days of the meeting and gave us fine service. We have entered with pleasure and hope upon our third year in this pleasant charge.

The good people of Black Rock gave us many nice presents Christmas, and then followed this later on with a liberal "pounding." Our Ladies' Aid here has just purchased a new carpet for our church, and will begin at once to put a new fence around our church and parsonage. We certainly have at Black Rock one of the best aid societies we have ever known. We are hoping and praying for a good year. Yours, A. E. Holloway.

In Southeast Arkansas.

Dear Brother Godbey—I have been thinking, for some time, that the readers of the Arkansas Methodist would like to know what we Methodists are doing down here in Southeast Arkansas, and that they might have some information I have been making some investigation, and have concluded, from what I have learned, that the M. E. Church, South, is pre-eminently the church of this country. When I came to this (Ashley) county four years ago, we had, in this and Chicot counties, five pastoral charges, paying to five pastors about \$2,500; now we have eight pastoral charges, paying to eight pastors \$4,500. The increase in other church work has been about in proportion, and the increase has not been due to a flood of immigration. In the main we have the same people here now that we had then. The Bartholomew Association of the Missionary Baptist church covers about the same country that the Monticello District does. I think it was organized about twenty years before the Monticello District was. The Baptists have in this association twenty pastors. We had last year, with the presiding elder, eighteen pastors. They had last year 2,810 members. We had 4,095. They had by baptism and otherwise 371 additions; we had on profession of faith and otherwise 481. They paid for the support of their twenty pastors, \$2,653; we paid for the support of our eighteen pastors, \$8,862, or \$1,903 more than three times as much as they paid. They paid for Home Missions, \$46.10; we paid for Domestic Missions, \$527.50, or more than nine times as much as they paid. For Sunday Schools they paid \$59; we paid for Sunday Schools, \$443.75, or more than sev-

en times as much as they paid. They paid for ministerial education \$48.50; we paid for the same purpose \$144, or more than three times as much as they paid. They paid for Foreign Missions, \$42.82; we paid for Foreign Missions, \$675, or more than twelve times as much as they paid. They have in the bounds of this association church property valued at \$13,450. The Monticello District owns churches and parsonages valued at \$48,005, or \$7,655 more than three times as much as they own. These figures are taken from the minutes of the Little Rock Conference, held at Hope, November, 1901, and the minutes of the Bartholomew Association, held with Enon church, October, 1902. The figures on Home and Foreign Missions from reports of committees, that is the figures for Bartholomew Association. I think we are doing fairly well, to say the least of it. If you thing this will be worth anything to your readers I will furnish you something more on the same line later on. W. J. Rogers.

Parkdale, Ark.

A Hard Place to Fill.

Rev. J. R. Ennis writing from Mountain View circuit, says, "What the people want is a man that can preach like a bishop, sing like a full-trained choir, make the fires, sweep the house, ring the bell; they want him to work all the time, visit all the time, preach every day and take no collections. I would be glad if I could do all this, but can't until I get more strength, more grace and more sense."

Theological Encyclopedia.

Rev. S. A. Hill, Texarkana, has a set of McClintock & Strong's Encyclopedia, which he will sell for \$30. It cost him \$52.

Married.

KAVANAUGH-BUNN.—Married at the home of the bride by Rev. T. O. Roric on the 15th of March, 1903, Mr. Edwin M. Kavanaugh, of Magnolia, Ark., and Ida Lee Bunn, of Stuttgart, Ark.

NOLEN-LEDBETTER.—Wm. E. Nolen to Mrs. Lillie B. Ledbetter, at Brother D. W. Flanagan's home near Sub Rosa, Franklin county, Ark., March 11, 1903, Eugene Woodruff officiating.

HILL-HALL.—In the road in Grand Prairie, Sunday morning, March 15, 1903, I. Fielder Hill to Anna Hall, Eugene Woodruff officiating.

EVERETT-STEEL.—March 8, 1903, at the residence of the bride's father, Judge J. S. Steel, in the town of Locksburg, Ark., Mr. John W. Everett, of Horatio, Ark., to Miss Maggie Steel, of Locksburg, Ark., Rev. W. M. Crowson officiating.

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P. B. and M. B. Wallis.

The editor and business manager of the Methodist join in expression of sympathy with Brother Wallis and family.

Notices

Little Rock Conference League Board will meet at Gurdon Ark., March 30. A full meeting is desired.

Bishop E. E. Hoss, D. D., Ill. D., will preach the Commencement sermon for Galloway College the 31st of May next. Hon. John Hinson will deliver the literary address on Wednesday, the 3d of June.
C. C. Goddon.

At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee of the Arkansas Conference Board of Church Extension, J. G. McAndrews, of Bentonville, Ark., was elected treasurer to fill the place made vacant by the death of Captain Frank Parke. The brethren will please send all church extension money to J. G. McAndrews, Bentonville, Ark.

J. M. Hughey, Pres.
O. E. Goddard, Sec.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Arkansas Conference, will be held at Clarksville, Ark., May 30, June 2.

Preliminary meeting at 2:30 p. m., Saturday, May 30. Programme will appear later.

It is earnestly desired that every society will be represented at this meeting. Please send names of delegates to Mrs. B. P. McKennon, Clarksville, at an early date.

Mrs. W. T. Thompson, Pres.
Mrs. H. Hanesworth, Cor. Sec.

Dr. Godbey:—

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vice Wednesday morning, June 17, at 9 o'clock, and assigned for that service the subject of "Consecration." We would like for you to present this subject and conduct the service. I hope you can be with us at that hour and during the entire conference.

W. M. Wilson,
Chairman of Committee.

A missionary institute and preachers' meeting for the Pine Bluff District will be held at Roe, April 8 and 9. The first service will be preaching, Tuesday night,

April 7. The last service will be Thursday night, April 9. We will discuss such questions as church membership, Sunday School, Leagues, etc., as they are related to the missionary work. We shall discuss the preacher's work for missions, as he is related to the people, which will involve the question of distribution of literature, special meetings, etc. We also desire as a body of preachers to confer with each other as to the general work of the district.

T. D. Scott, P. E.

The cookery department of the Delineator for April is brimful of practical suggestions for the kitchen. A large number of ways for preparing eggs is given, as well as a special paper on omelettes, plain and fancy. The secret of making the real Boston baked beans is imparted along with the recipe of its New England accompaniment, brown bread. The pages of illustrated cookery display at post-Easter luncheon, and the recipes for many seasonable dishes are also given.

Missions.

Mid-Year Missionary Conference.

Pursuant to the call of executive committee of the Board of Missions Arkansas Conference, a number of the preachers came together in First Church, Fort Smith, March 10-12, in a mid-year missionary meeting. The programme as published in "Arkansas Methodist" of February 25 was adhered to throughout, only two speakers failing to appear and take their places. All the papers and addresses showed painstaking care in their preparation and that the brethren are reading and thinking upon this great question.

Space will not allow me to speak of each one separately.

The purpose of the meeting as set forth by the president of the board was to intensify the missionary spirit and set the preachers on fire with missionary enthusiasm that they might go back to their charges and use every means of creating a missionary conscience amongst their people.

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took great interest and the unanimous comment was that all had been doubly repaid for the two days of conference together. The only regret was that more of the preachers did not attend.

The coming of Bishop Galloway, fresh from the Orient, was a great inspiration to the meeting. His address was first on Japan. As he talked of the picturesque beauty of the sunrise empire, of its aggressive people and what they had done, and could do our heart burned within us, and more especially as he spoke of our faithful missionaries and Rev. C. B. Moseley, our own Arkansas Conference missionary.

The second night he talked of Korea, with its mudhouses and sleepy citizenship, how much they loved sympathy. Oh, what a blessing the missionary must be who comes to them with the message of the sympathizing Jesus. Here our little band are hard at work, and then comes China, big China, with her swarms of people. He said: "The wonderful change which has come over this country since I visited it eight years ago." Then he spoke of the conditions then and now, and the prospect of the evangelization of the east. We almost fancied that we could see the gray dawn of the coming day when all nations would be saved.

As we felt encouraged in our foreign work, so in our home fields some of our mission charges are developing rapidly and will soon be self-supporting.

Also as to our conference, the fact was brought out that within the last two years we had doubled on the amount paid to missions; this in the face of the fact that we have passed through an unprecedented drouth, is cause for great rejoicing.

Now as to the collections.

The president called our attention to interesting statement which I reproduce here for the sake of those who were not present.

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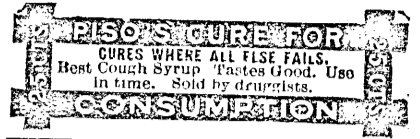
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At Rest.

Obituaries, if brief and correct, will be published as written. If not brief they will be condensed. Poetry and resolutions will not be published. Writers must sign their names. Memoirs must reach this office in three months after death of the subject.

BOWERMAN.—Mrs. Cuzzy Bowerman (nee Powers) was born September 13, 1867, and died January 27, 1903. She leaves a husband and four little children, and a host of sorrowing relatives and friends. She died of rheumatism. Her suffering was great, but she bore it with patience. She was sick two weeks and two days. Although she said nothing of her future home during her sickness, her life was enough for us to know. We can truthfully say that she lived a faithful Christian from the time of her conversion until death. She was a good wife, a tender and devoted mother and a loving sister. She leaves three brothers, the two oldest are religious and I trust her prayers will be answered in behalf of her youngest brother, for whom she has been so anxious for many years. Dear brother, sister is gone, but her life has been one that is worthy to emulate. All who knew her loved her. She was always cheerful and had a kind word for everyone. I feel that this community has had a great loss. The church has lost one of its best members, but we humbly bow in submission to God's will, and can only say let's follow in her footsteps as she followed Christ.

Adelia Denton.

ALMOND.—Samuel Eugene, son of W. N. and Luna Almond, was born February 11, 1894, and died of swamp fever December 2, 1902. He was only sick from Sunday till Tuesday. He seemed to realize from the beginning of his sickness that he would not get well. We would call his mother to him, kiss her and tell her he was going to leave her. Just before he became unconscious, when all hope of his recovery was given up, the dear little fellow prayed for the Lord not to let him die. Eugene was such an obedient child, always ready and willing to do everything his father or mother told him to do. To his brothers and sister he was loving and kind, ever ready to give up anything of his for their pleasure. But he has gone from us to that bright home above to live with a dear little sister, and Jesus the Savior, who said, "Suffer little children to come unto me and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven." May the grace of God sustain the parents and relatives in this their loss, and may heaven be nearer to them now because of the loved ones in glory who are looking and waiting for them, and may the parents so live and train the other three children that after awhile it will be an unbroken family in heaven, is the prayer of his loving Aunt.

ADAMS.—Captain James Adams was born in Sumner county, Tenn., July 26, 1826. As a true patriot he served his country in the Mexican war in 1847. He was married to Martha S. Hopper in Tipton county, Tenn., February 14, 1849. With his family he moved to Arkansas in 1854. He was the father of eleven children, five of whom still survive. He was converted and joined the Methodist church at old Red Oak in 1859. Captain Adams, as he was called, was a kind and a thoughtful husband, a devoted father and a generous neighbor. He was a consistent, smooth tempered

Christian, and of a cheerful disposition. No one was, perhaps, more universally liked than he was. He was esteemed and respected by all who knew him. He had been a very faithful teacher in the Sunday School for many years. Though the weather was cold and unfavorable he was at his post of duty the last Sabbath of his earthly life. He died of heart failure while sitting in his chair by the fire-side on Friday morning, January 2, 1903, at Cabot, Ark. It seems that he had finished the work his Master gave him to do, and peacefully passed away to join white-robed throngs in our Father's home above. He leaves a sorrowing and lonely wife, four daughters, one son, one brother and one sister to mourn their loss. The Methodist church and the community of Cabot feel that they have lost a Christian father and an honorable citizen, whose place will be hard to fill. May the devoted wife and children live the consistent life that he lived, trust the same compassionate Savior that he trusted and be prepared to meet him in that land where the flowers bloom forever and the sun never goes down.

A. F. Skinner.

GRADY.—James Harvey Grady was born in middle Tennessee May 31, 1821, and grew to young manhood in the state of his nativity, when he turned his face toward the West to seek his fortunes in the young State of Arkansas. Chief among the attractions of the new country was a Tennessee girl, who some months before had crossed the great Mississippi with her brother and other relatives and settled in Sevier county, this State. She who was then Miss Sarah J. Pickens, became Mrs. Grady a few months later. The young couple chose as their future home the new country, in the midst of their Tennessee relatives and friends. They afterwards became the parents of four sons and two daughters, the younger of these being the youngest of the six children, and was but twenty-three months old at the death of the mother that occurred November 24, 1865. Two years later he was again married to Mrs. Elizabeth Patten, to which union was born one son and two daughters, and while the younger of these was but an infant the home was again robbed of a wife and mother. A few years after he was the third time married to Mrs. Tharina A. Turner, with whom he lived happily for a number of years, but death again invaded the family and left him in the loneliness of a wifeless home. In this State he chose to live the last ten years of his earthly pilgrimage, which closed August 3, 1902. Just when he connected himself with the church is not known by the writer, but among the earliest recollections of the oldest daughter (sister to my wife) was the family altar erected and sustained by this sainted father. During the civil war and the trying period that followed it for a few years, he lapsed into a back-slidden condition, in which his life was not so consistent nor his religious concern so marked as before. But for many years before the end came he was more zealous and manifested a deeper religious concern, as also a more fervent spirit than in all his past life. He delighted in reading his Bible and other good literature. For a long time deafness deprived him of hearing the gospel in any helpful degree, and reading was his principal source of religious help. He was by birth and training a Methodist, spending more than a half century in the M. E. Church, South, from whose ranks he ascended

to join the triumphant host in our Father's house above.

W. R. Harrison.

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Methodist Calendar.

- Preachers' Meeting, Crawfordsville, April 7-8
- Ft. Smith Dist. Conf., Alma..... April 8
- Fayetteville Dist. Conf., Gravett..... April 14-16
- 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

The Newport Herald has the following report of the marriage of our Business Manager:

Married.

At the home of the bride, March 17, 1903, at 10:30 a. m., Hon. George Thornburgh, of Little Rock, and 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.

This announcement will be a surprise to many of the friends of both parties. It is not surprising, however, to those who knew them well that they should have fallen in love with each other, for a more congenial couple in tastes, talents and temperament could hardly be found. Col. Thornburgh is a prominent official in the M. E. Church, South, and the business manager of the "Arkansas Methodist," the official organ of that church in this State. He was the president of the State Sunday School Association and is now the superintendent of the largest Sunday-school in the State. He is a promoter of every charity within his reach. He was one of the main founders of the Arkansas Methodist Orphanage and is still its secretary. He is a leading Mason and editor of the Trowel, the official organ of that order in Arkansas. He is honored among newspaper men, having been president of the Arkansas Press Association. He was raised in the adjoining county of Lawrence, where he is still held in affectionate remembrance as one of their most honored in public and best loved in private life.

Mrs. Green is in every way worthy to be the wife of such a man. She is a lady of culture, rare social gifts and queenly graces. She is in the front of every good cause. Though modest, she is tireless in works of charity and missions of love to those in trouble. She is a zealous member of the M. E. Church, South, and a prominent worker in the Missionary Societies, having been for five years district secretary. She has for the past several years been organist and Sunday-school teacher. No lady is more universally admired and loved in Newport by all classes than she.

Why should not two such persons be irresistibly drawn together? The union has the favor of the relatives on both sides and we predict for them a very happy future. The only regret we have is that Newport loses Mrs. Green. It would have been so much nicer, we think, if she had induced him to come to her beautiful home in Newport rather than allow him to entice her to Little Rock. Anyway, all Newport will follow them with sincere good wishes.

The wedding was a very pretty home affair. There were no invitations, but a number of relatives and friends, including the three Newport editors, dropped in. Miss Dot, the groom's daughter, accompanied her

father and was an approving witness. In form and face they are a handsome couple—both of splendid physique and courtly bearing.

The decorations were green in honor of Mrs. Green and St. Patrick. Under the skillful hands of Mesdames Bandy and Lucas, the double parlors were made an ideal place for a happy wedding. The wedding march was played by Mrs. Lucile O'Neal, on the piano, and Miss Gene Bandy, on the violin, and was very sweet.

There were many beautiful presents, notably one from Mrs. Green's Sunday-school class of young ladies and an elegant silver tea set from the Women's Foreign Missionary Society.

Mr. and Mrs. Thornburgh were escorted to the train by Mrs. Thornburgh's Sunday-school class, and a number of older relatives and friends, and as the train moved off they were given the customary shower of rice and old shoes.

Preachers' Meeting.

The following is the program of the preachers' meeting of the Jonesboro District, to be held in Crawfordsville, April 7, 8:

April 6th, 7:30 p. m., opening sermon by J. D. Sibert.

April 7th, 9 to 9:15 a. m., devotional service, led by R. R. Rudder.

April 7th, 9:15 to 10, paper by S. H. Babcock, P. E.

April 7th, 10 to 10:30, Pulpit and Preacher, by A. M. R. Branson.

10:30 to 11, Pastoral Work, Z. D. Lindsay.

11 a. m., sermon by Elton Wilson.

2 to 2:15, devotional service, led by B. A. Philips.

2:15 to 3, Missions, by W. B. Ricks and Julian C. Brown.

3 to 3:30, Woman's Work; Home and Foreign, by N. E. Skinner and S. F. Brown.

3:30 to 4, Resolutions on Missions, discussed by W. F. Rhew and T. J. Taylor.

7:30, sermon by Julian C. Brown.

April 8, 9 to 9:15 a. m., devotional service, led by A. S. Haynes.

9:15 to 10:15, Devotional Life of the Preacher, by Elton Wilson and W. D. Ellis.

10:15 to 11, Qualifications for Ministerial Effectiveness, by Julian C. Brown.

11, sermon by A. M. R. Branson.

2 to 2:15, devotional service, led by L. F. Taylor.

2:15 to 4, Revivals and Revival Work, general discussion, by J. D. Sibert, Jas. Wilson, J. E. Buchanan and Fay C. Sterling.

7:30, sermon by J. E. Godbey.

We urge all the preachers to be present.

Quarterly Meetings

Monticello District—Part Second Round.

Mt. Pleasant Ct., at Wilmar.....

..... Mar. 21, 22

Monticello Sta. Mar. 22, 25

Tillar Ct., at Selma..... Mar. 28, 29

Palestine Ct., at Green Hill, April 4, 5

Warren Sta. April 6, 7

Lacey Ct., at Zion April 11, 12

Crossett Sta. April 12, 13

Dermott Ct., at Dermott, April 18, 19

Star City April 18, 19

Hamburg Ct., at Antioch, April 25, 26

Hamburg Sta. April 26, 27

Cadesman Pope, P. E.

Arkadelphia District—Second Round.

Holly Springs Ct. Mar. 14, 15

Social Hill Ct. Mar. 21, 22

Clark Ct. Mar. 28, 29

Lono Ct. April 4, 5

Arkadelphia Sta. April 11, 12

Amity Ct. April 18, 19

- Malvern Sta. April 25, 26
- Dalark Ct. May 2, 3
- Okolona Ct. May 9, 10
- Princeton Ct. May 16, 17
- Hot Springs Ct. May 23, 24
- South Hot Springs May 23, 24
- Traskwood Ct. May 30, 31
- Oma Ct. June 6, 7
- Central, Hot Springs June 13, 11
- Park Avenue, Hot Springs, June 13, 14
- District Conference, Malvern Avenue, Hot Springs, June 24-28.

J. R. Cason, P. E.

At Rest.

PARKE.—Brother Frank Parke, or Captain Parke, the name by which he is most generally known, was born in Ireland July 11, 1828. When about twenty years of age he came with some of the family to New York, thence to Ohio a short time afterward, where his only living sister, Mrs. John Fee, now resides. In 1853 he came to Fort Smith, Ark., in or near which place he lived until his death, December 22, 1902. During most of his life till 1884 he was engaged in the mercantile business. From that time he was mostly engaged in the real estate business. Brother Parke's father having been a Wesleyan Methodist minister, early training and influences were conducive not only to morality, but also to Christianity; consequently during youth he was converted and joined the church of his parents, but on reaching Fort Smith in 1853 he united with the M. E. Church, South, of which he ever remained a most devoted member. As a citizen Brother Parke was a man of enterprising and public spirit. No movement having for its aim the public good of the community failed to receive his influence and hearty support. His time and money were readily given for the common weal. He had reverses in business, but these did not make him despondent. He was pre-eminently optimistic. This optimism seems to have had its foundation in his faith in humanity and his abiding trust in an overruling Providence. He loved his native Ireland much, but his adopted country more. When the civil war broke out his labors were at once at the command of his state and his services during this period were praise-worthy. When he died he was captain of the post of Confederate veterans at Fort Smith. When considered in his connection with First Church, Fort Smith, his life was more closely interwoven with it than that of any other man. During nearly fifty years he was an officer or teacher in the Sunday School, and for many years its superintendent. This work gave him an opportunity for much consecutive Bible study, and his knowledge of the Bible surpassed that of many preachers I have known. He was an ardent lover of children. Never was he missed from prayer-meeting except when attendance was well-nigh impossible. Likewise he was almost invariably present at the Epworth League services. He was a strong factor in the erection of the present building of the church, contributing more largely than any other. During the past year he was at the door at almost every service acting as usher and extending a cordial welcome to strangers. Such was his devotion to the church and his life of service. How much we miss him! How much will the Arkansas Conference miss him, twenty-eight of whose sessions he attended within the past twenty-nine years, most of the time holding office on one or more of its boards! Indeed his sphere was not limited here, for he was a member

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of the General Conferences assembling in Baltimore, Nashville and St. Louis. Besides at the organization of the Woman's Missionary Board he was present, tendering his aid. He leaves a wife, two sons and four daughters to mourn his departure. Great is their earthly loss. A faithful and thoughtful husband, a tender and loving father has left for those a heritage rich in value and precious in memory. May our heavenly Father bless the bereaved home, bringing solace and comfort to the bereaved wife who patiently waits the summons to reunion in the mansions above, and cheer and consolation to each of the children. Brother Parke was called to his everlasting rest. The faithful will meet him in the heavenly home.

J. M. Hurbey.