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## News and Notes.

OUR LEGISLATURE HAS PASSED a bill for completing the Capitol building on the site where it is begun, and at a cost not exceeding \$1,000,000.

THE ADAMS INJUNCTION TO RESTRAIN the strike of the Wabash railroad employes, which we noticed recently as destined to go to the Supreme Court, has been dissolved by Judge Adams.

FOR FIFTY-TWO YEARS THE UNITED States has held the silver cup which is the award for the swiftest sailing yacht in the world. Sir Thomas Lipton, who has twice contested for this prize in vain, has issued a third which has been accepted. The yacht, Columbia, has twice saved the cup. The builders of the Columbia, the Herreshoffs, have a new yacht, the Reliance, which is built for the proposed contest.

THE NIGHT OF APRIL 7TH brought destructive storms to various parts of the country. In Alabama the little town of Hopewell, forty miles north of Birmingham, was swept away. Ten persons were instantly killed, twenty more were injured, some fatally. The same night a storm swept through parts of White and Cleburne counties, this State. The scene of destruction was east of Heber and northwest of Searcy from fifteen to eighteen miles, and included Pangburn, Little Red and Albion, small hamlets. The first report gave the names of nine persons killed and many injured. At other points in the State winds developed with sufficient violence to do considerable injury to property.

### Women on a Strike.

Kansas is a great State. The spirit of Carrie Nation seems to be abroad. The Legislature refused to submit a proposition for universal woman suffrage, and some of the women propose to force the lethargic men into a fight for their cause. They will make a strike against the churches and see what the men will do without them in church work. An

association of women issues the following appeal:

"As our State Legislature failed to allow a vote of the people on a constitutional amendment granting universal suffrage, and as women are those affected and should get redress, therefore would it not be well for them to withdraw their presence and support from the churches until the male members would be brought to advocate their cause? Think you the kingdom of heaven will come with the best half of the people slaves? The old adage that those who would be free must first make the effort, is particularly applicable to the case in point. Then strike, sisters; you have the world and heaven to gain and nothing to lose but the fetters that bind you to man-made laws."

### The Northern Securities Merger.

Two years ago the Northern Pacific and Great Northern Railway Companies, competing and parallel lines from Duluth, St. Paul and Minneapolis to Puget Sound, purchased the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad, in order to secure common terminal facilities and connect their lines at the eastern extremities. After this a majority of the stockholders of these roads organized, under the laws of the State of New Jersey, a corporation known as the Northern Securities Company, with a capital of \$400,000,000, the object of which, as expressed in its charter, was to buy all, or at least the greater part, of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern Railroads. It only needed that the stockholders of the two roads exchange their stock for shares in this Securities Company. This placed the control of the roads in the hands of the Securities Company by virtue of its ownership of a majority of the stock. It was expected to evade the operation of the anti-trust law by operating the roads as independent entities under their old charters, the Securities Company acting as an arbitration committee to harmonize all their operations. Under this arrangement unity of interests was created, and all motive to competition removed. It was really a pooling of the stock

of the two roads for the mutual benefit of the stock-holders. This was the real effect of the merger, although it claimed no purpose of controlling the roads save to prevent injurious rate cutting, etc.

The court, holding that the result which was the logical fruit of the merger was the real end at which it aimed, pronounced it an illegal combination organized for the purpose of destroying competition between those railroad lines. Judge Thayer's decision, in effect, demonstrates the inaccuracy of the phrase, 'holding company,' and also shows that the 'community of interest' plan through stock ownership when it suppresses competition and promotes monopoly is unlawful. It holds in substance that whenever the control of competing interstate carriers is secured, either by a combination of natural persons or by a corporation which they create, and the motive for competition has thus been destroyed by the consequent unity of interest, the anti-trust law is violated.

This decision is clear as respects the combination of stock-holders to control the business of competing corporations, but if the Northern Securities Company had been an independent corporation which truly bought out and consolidated the competing lines would the anti-trust law have applied in such a case? And if independent individuals or corporations may not thus destroy competition what will be the effect of such limitations upon business? As to controlling trusts, we are still uncertain where we are.

### Fort Smith District Conference.

The Editor was at the Fort Smith District Conference, Friday and Saturday. The weather was delightful, the attendance small, both as respects members of the Conference and citizens of the place. Besides this writer Rev. T. H. Ware and President Stonewall Anderson were the only visitors. Bishop Hoss came at noon Friday and remained over Sunday morning. The reports of the preachers were quite as good as the average, both as respects finances and spiritual state. Excellent progress is being made in

clearing the church of debts. There is an increase in ministerial support. The circulation of the church paper is creditable, but a general canvass ought to be made. As respects protracted meetings the brethren are disposed to help one another, and are not relying upon outside help. Family prayers needs to be especially urged. There is still a good deal of missionary territory in the district. The Bishop says: "A day's work which puts the church paper in three or four families is a revival." He says: "The devil has to be driven out by steady work not by a 'hip, hip, hurrah!'" Right education must fortify and sustain all good plans and works. A preacher must not be afraid to press the collections as a duty and Christian privilege. Nobody who has any sense will believe a Methodist preacher is in the ministry for money. He could make more money cutting cordwood.

### At Ola.

We spent last Sunday at Ola. Rev. C. A. Lewis, the pastor, had gotten things in order for an Easter service, so he said. We found on arrival that the work he had done was the rallying of the church to an effort to pay off their debt. This was done Sunday morning, something over \$200 being secured. After this the trustees agreed that the house should be dedicated at the evening service. It was so done. The house which our people have built here is commodious and on a good plan; an excellent building for the place, the best we have on the Choctaw road from Little Rock to the State line. It was projected and built chiefly under the pastorate of O. H. Tucker last year. Brother Lewis found a considerable debt to contend with. His work has been just such as the situation needed—securing harmony of feeling and effort in lifting from the church this burden.

Sunday was a lovely day, and it was, for Ola, one of gladness and rejoicing. Great progress has been made by the intelligent and energetic people of the town in organizing good moral conditions, the best security for future prosperity.

## Educational Notes.

### The Rural Schools.

BY PROF. LUNDY H. HARRIS.  
(Office of the Board of Education,  
Nashville, Tenn.)

Between eight-ninths and eight-tenths of the Southern people live in the country and a majority of our children receive their elementary education in rural schools. From this it will be seen that the improvement of these schools is a matter of vital importance to the people of the South. There is a movement being organized throughout the South to improve them. This movement the General Conference at Dallas recognized and through resolution urged our people to give it their endorsement and co-operation. The action of the Dallas Conference was brought to the attention of the Hon. Wm. T. Harris, commissioner of education of the United States, and elicited the letter printed below. The Boston Leader of January 15th says: "Dr. Harris easily ranks with the schoolmen of our land, and in point of services, as well as in the possession of great powers, may be styled the dean of the ministers of education of all civilized lands. Were he an English educator he would rank in statesmanship with Lord Salisbury; in France with Waldeck-Rousseau, and in Germany with Count von Bulow."

His letter is printed with the hope that it may quicken interest in so important a matter.  
Department of the Interior, Bureau of Education,

Washington, D. C., Mar. 11, 1903.

Rev. J. D. Hammond, D. D., Secretary Board of Education, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Nashville, Tenn.:

My Dear Sir—I read your letter and leaflets attached with peculiar pleasure. I saw that your General Conference recognized the general movement organized for the improvement of the common schools in the rural districts of the South and for the better preparation of teachers and had solemnly resolved "that our educators, presiding elders, preachers and members generally are urged to give this much needed movement hearty endorsement and active co-operation." I felt that nothing so promising of speedy help, and so opportune in point of time could have happened to give vigor, permanence and power to the movement which the South is making for better schools and better teachers. The great Methodist Church pervading every section, touching every village and neighborhood, will be a powerful agency in broadening and strengthening existing institutions and impregnating the public school system with high ideals founded in Christian truth. I greet the action of the church with high anticipation

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(Signed) Wm. T. Harris,  
Commissioner.

## Temperance.

### How I Secured Prohibition.

Lake Charles, La., Mar. 2, 1903.  
Editor "Arkansas Methodist," Little Rock, Ark.:

Dear Sir—In 1890 I built the St. Louis, Watkins and Gulf railway from Lake Charles to Alexandria, La., one hundred miles. I bought and incorporated all the townsites along the line. The deeds for all lots sold contain the anti-liquor clause set out in the enclosed marked article, which clause you will see has just been upheld by the appellate court. This is the only violation of the anti-liquor clause in the thirteen years and there will not be another. This is real prohibition and the only railway in the world along which liquor cannot be sold. Yours truly,

J. B. Watkins.

Here is an example of what may be done by many a business man, under the existing laws to guard communities from the curse of liquor selling. One of the most encouraging things in connection with the war now being waged against the saloon is the extent to which business corporations are finding it expedient to guard their interests against men who drink.

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### Union (?) Churches and Tramp Preachers.

REV. C. E. AUSTIN.

This is an evil which confronts, not only Methodists, but other denominations alike. This is the time when false and incompetent teachers abound, and it devolves upon the well organized orthodox churches to protect their pulpits, their own people and other truth-seeking souls against such imposters. Our people must be warned of the impending evils of such movements. For instance, when a town has one or two churches in nice working order—all such a town can support—churches which have the true spirit of Christian unity, whose doors are open to all classes, though wisely prohibiting incompetent teachers, some crank, who has been "crankified," gets it into his head that the churches are "sectarian" and there is need for a "union church where everybody is welcome and the door open to every preacher." Accordingly he goes about raising money for a union (?) church. People give to it because it appeals to the depraved leanings of their nature. When completed, it has no responsible ownership. It cannot be properly dedicated as a union church. There is no such thing as union without proper organization. We know of one such movement as this that turned out to be a Christian or Campbellite church at the last. The deceitful method is shameful. But this same man will organize a Sunday-school in the new church, draw from other Sunday-schools as many as possible, run down other churches and thus prove himself to have a spirit of antagonism rather than a spirit of "Christian unity." He seems to be sincere in his desire to advance God's kingdom, yet does the very thing that will tear down and scatter, but is so blind that he can't see it. He always thinks himself a well posted Bible student, ready to challenge any opposition, but, in fact, not well informed, conceited and very narrow. He gathers to his union (?) church usually the ignorant, unread, uninformed, emotional, unsubstantial classes; many who are earnest seekers for truth but easily misled, some weak members from the churches always shirking duty, and some who can not live in peace with their brethren anywhere. They have no pastor; no organization to call on for one, and couldn't keep one if they had him. They must depend upon the scum of the earth for their preaching or sponge on other churches, which they usually do, and the latter are always charitable enough to welcome them and try to help them if possible. They are a fungus growth on society. But they must have preaching. Some respectable denominational preacher

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ministers to them a few times; then a Mormon elder comes along and airs his doctrine; then some Hard-shell Baptist; then a Universalist; then a Holiness (?) Comeouter, and in fact anybody, till they get a conglomerated mess of ideas; don't know what they believe, and sooner or later become disgusting to the better class of citizens if not even to themselves. The Holiness (?) Comeouter comes unrecommended and responsible to no one or nothing for his acts, or his teachings—comes as a Bible teacher and a preacher of righteousness when he could not pass an examination for license to preach in the Methodist Church, or if he could, his fault-finding spirit would soon deprive him of his license. He poses as a teacher of sanctification and holiness while he does not understand it himself; he makes the people believe that the Methodists are opposed to such doctrines. If they knew anything about us at all they would know that we are a holiness church, and every preacher that does his whole duty preaches his grand doctrine, though perhaps not in just the extreme way these incompetent fellows do. They have great imaginations, special gifts of healing, and often ignore human counsel, as they presume to have divine revelations. They foster disloyalty to organization, forgetting that there is no such thing as unrestrained liberty. This is nothing short of the spirit of anarchy and should not be encouraged.

Those need no prepared sermons, they just open the mouth and "the Lord fills it," so they say, but with wind. If the Lord really did direct them he would doubtless give the people more intelligent discourses. They rail against the "worldly salaried Methodist preacher" whose meagre salary hardly supports his family, and at the same time they will get more money at one series of meetings than half the "salaried preachers" do in a year. What else can we call them but ecclesiastical tramps and sponges on society? The very people who will not tolerate a quack doctor are ready to be bulldozed by a quack preacher who cannot properly diagnose a case of spiritual disease, but always throws the spiritual system of society into disorder, then leaves it to the ravages of Sa-

tan. We do not fear for the loyalty of really true Methodists, who know her doctrines, and government, nor for the staunch members of those other churches who are our helpers, but for those who are weak, yet honest-hearted and need wise and careful direction. They who know anything about Methodism know that she maintains the greatest liberality of any church, without compromising with the world in the least. No denomination is more free from narrow "sectarianism."

There are hundreds of people within our borders who do not read for themselves and yet are a good, well-meaning people with at least ordinary intelligence, dependent upon the clergy for their light and who are the prey of these zealous disorganizers and false teachers. This is the class for which we are anxious—a people who hunger for the truth, but need to be fed on milk at first instead of meat.

Shall we allow these irresponsible, crack-brained, self-called and self-ordained, ecclesiastical prognosticators to delude the people, build union(?) churches and confuse the unwary and disrupt society? No! To our knees and then to the front. The only preventive is an aggressive revival movement out into the "highways and hedges." We have been too timid about disseminating our doctrines, which are Bible doctrines. Let these people know that we teach wholesome doctrines in their purity and in a common sense way. Let us circulate helpful literature. Let every Methodist take the church papers. We are not pleading for fear of our own organization. Methodism is too big for an insignificant upstart of a union(?) counter movement to hurt much, and when these side issues shall have killed themselves off the Methodists will still be doing business at the old stand. Let Methodists be awake to this evil and seek to save some from being confused, made skeptical and lost by means of these delusions. True, these cannot last but for a while, but how many souls may be misguided meantime! Let us be loyal, bold yet humble, prayerful, and work while it is day. Feed the flocks. Let us "put on the whole armor of God, that we may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil."

#### An Open Letter to W. B. Hayes, P. E. of the Batesville District.

My Dear Brother—I want to say publicly that I consider yours the most important appointment in the White River Conference, and I do not have to go far to find a foundation for my opinion. Here it is: The Batesville District is the mother of preachers in the White River Conference, and the value of motherhood can never be fully estimated in any sense. We, as a church, are

beginning to learn a dear lesson of the value of motherhood by the evident fact of an alarming barrenness in the last decade. The old mother of late has not been so fruitful in giving birth to sons for the ministry as in the days gone by. Your predecessors have been vigilant committees of one by one to look up this and report year by year to our conferences. As I hold the thought in mind and write it down here, J. H. Dye and H. T. Gregory lead all in taking up applications for admission on trial into the traveling connection. It will take you six months to get even a casual acquaintance with your territory. Then the well-to-do or most important homes will have only been touched by your personal life, and not all of them by considerable odds. Yours is a laborious field as to physical effort, equally so as to official labor. Your people don't want a railroad quarterly conference as to time. Still equal as to pulpit work. But all of these combined are not as essential as the looking up of the bright, healthful and hopeful boys who feel called to preach and are not found (in the popular sense) in the most important homes of your territory. Some of them may be in even not-well-to-do homes. Out of the forty-seven itinerant preachers who have gone out from this district since 1866, 24 of whom are now in our conference, some of them have come from humble, poor, obscure homes. So the duty of getting in touch with these homes is upon you. A P. E.'s crown of rejoicing is not to be set with stars of silver and gold, representing the collections "all in full," but is to be beautified and adorned by the brighter stars of the sons of women who come up as workers in our itinerant ranks. I say "sons of women," and I mean just what I say. Perhaps the mothers of late have not made an offering of their sons to God, as mothers of olden times. In the mother the human and the divine birthright to the ministry inheres. As this territory is the feeder, and the ministerial demand today far exceeds the supply, you will see it is no small item. The ministerial famine is in the land from end to end of our Southern Methodism. And it is a fact that from the cities and towns and rich bottom countries there comes but few into the itinerant ministry. I was told not long ago that Nashville, Tenn., had not sent out an itinerant Methodist preacher in 50 years. I mentioned the matter to Bishop Hoss while at Newport, not long ago, and he said, "Oh, not so long as that, surely; but none have gone in 25 years that I can remember." Oh, Nashville! Nashville! Thou that educatest them that are sent unto thee, but giveth not of the fruit of thy loins to the Lord! What do you do with your sons and

whom do they serve? But nearer home come the footfalls of this letter, the town that has the honor of heading the district over which you preside has never sent out an itinerant minister into the Methodist Church. And Batesville is about 80 years old. You are the educational secretary of our conference. The educational standard for the ministry is not too high (I reckon, this is my notion, however), but it is so high that some young men who feel called of God to preach feel they are not able to begin to reach it, much less begin and go through. Our present system is defective and does not meet the issues. I call attention to this now that wiser heads than mine may begin to formulate something better, for on this hangs the future of our church. Our young men will not undertake the work of the itinerant ministry in ignorance, and the standard is such that they would not pass the committees without better preparation. Ye rich cities, towns and fertile bottom countries, who call for the best talent in the church and yet give nothing as to sons, roll out your dollars by hundreds and thousands to educate these boys and make it sure for you to get what you demand in the pulpit. The hills will furnish the boys and the brains if you will only develop them. Now that this may all appear in the proper light, I will say, I do this on my own motion and earnest solicitation. May it be helpful to you and ease the pain of all the preachers who live in mortal dread that the Batesville district may hit them at conference. May you come up next fall with your arms full of good sheaves. Amen.

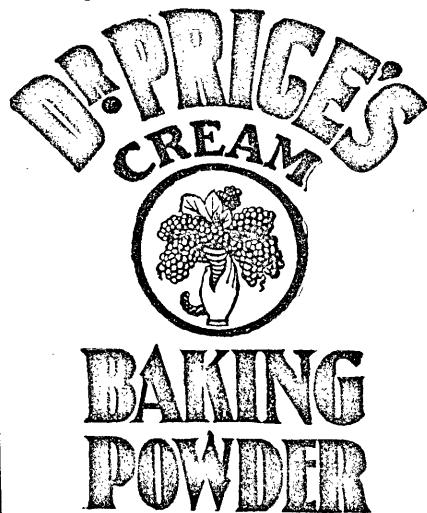
Jas. F. Jernigan.

#### Letter From Rev. A. O. Evans.

My Dear Dr. Godbey—Of course you all know where I am. I bowed out at Georgetown last November to my outgoing presiding elder, Rev. W. L. Nelms, D. D., whose time limit had been reached and pulled my freight for this place, leaving behind me two years of most active service. During those two years we added to the church nearly four hundred members, and built an excellent modern parsonage, at a cost of \$3,300, leaving a debt, however, of about \$600 on it. The last year we supported a single missionary in China, gave \$100 to Mexican mission Conference and \$25 to Cuban work, besides meeting other claims ordered by the conference. This field of action will always be vivid to memory.

We shall never cease to love Georgetown, and old Southwestern University people. If I had had the choosing of my appointment this year, I certainly could not have been better pleased than I am, though I had not the slightest hint as to where I would light down until Bishop Hendrix read me out at

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Our church building is a commodious stone structure. The parsonage is a two-story building, large and comfortable. The outlook for the year is good. We love the people and they love us. Texas has afforded me a great field for action and a great climate in which to labor. My weight now is about 15 pounds more than in Arkansas, and I hope I have grown at that ratio mentally and spiritually. My family is in good health and all in fine spirits. How I would love to see you all. The "Arkansas Methodist" is like a letter from home. I send loving greetings to all the brethren of the conference and the old friends of my former pastorates. May God's blessing abide upon you all. Yours, A. O. Evans.

Skeletons of famous horses mounted on frames will be included in the extensive exhibit of Kentucky at the World's Fair. In the exhibit will be the bones of Hanover, the peerless sire of thoroughbreds, George Wilkes, the great trotting sire, Black Squirrel, once the saddle champion of all Kentucky, and Hinyar, a champion of the old days. The skeletons are being mounted under the direction of Prof. David W. May by students of the Kentucky State College at Lexington.



## Contributed.

### Letter From China.

A. P. PARKER.

Some facts gathered during a recent trip to Hankow will be of interest to the friends of missions throughout the church. The two provinces of Hupeh and Hunan, in the former of which are located the three great cities of Hankow, Hanyang and Wuchang, on the opposite banks of the great Yangtze river, form now one of the great centers of missionary interest and activity in this empire. Missionary work in all its forms—evangelistic, educational, medical and literary, is extending throughout those regions in a most gratifying manner. Dr. Griffith John, the veteran leader of the London Mission, who for 47 years has preached the Gospel all over that great field, told me that he expected that in their mission there would this year be between 1,500 and 2,000 baptisms. They had baptized over 900 candidates last year and he expected that number to be doubled this year. In fact if the examination of candidates for baptism was relaxed even a little, the number of members received into the church would instantly be very greatly increased. I met a number of the missionaries of the Wesleyan Methodist Mission, the London Mission and the American Church Mission in these three great cities, and the reports from them are all uniform, indicating a most hopeful state of affairs throughout the whole region. Their chapels are filled with hearers, their schools are overflowing with students, their hospitals are attended by large numbers of patients, while Christian books and tracts and Bible-positions are scattered in thousands far and wide. Dr. John is most optimistic in his hopefulness for the future. He is confident that the unrest caused by the cholera scare last summer throughout the province of Hunan has almost wholly passed away and that there is no immediate prospect of another reactionary uprising against foreign missionaries located in various parts of that province.

I had the good fortune to attend a meeting in the American Church Mission Cathedral in Hankow, conducted by Bishop Ingle, on the anniversary of his consecration to the episcopacy. He spoke in Chinese to the congregation assembled and gave a resume of the progress of the work of his mission during the year. The following are some of the figures that he gave at that time, which I reproduce here for the information of all who may be interested in the progress of missions in China:

### AMERICAN CHURCH MISSION.

#### Hankow District.

	Dec., 1901.	Dec., 1902.
Catechumens . . . . .	552	623
No. baptized during six months . . . . .	63	120
Total baptized members . . . . .	2,536	2,768
Total communicants . . . . .	786	871
Day scholars . . . . .	208	275
Boarding scholars . . . . .	181	215
Chinese clergy . . . . .	12	13
New stations opened . . . . .		
... (1) Changsha, (2) Hanyang		
Newly trained catechists sent . . . . .	11	
Newly trained teachers sent out . . . . .	9	
New foreign workers . . . . .	6	

#### New day schools opened:

1. Chiao wei.
2. Sha yang.
3. Chang sha.
4. Chu ho.
5. Kiukiang.

#### Intermediate schools:

1. Hankow.
2. Wuchang.
3. Ichang.
4. Wuhu.
5. Nganking.

#### Enlargement of work:

Shasi—Land secured and large church built.

Wuchang—Land secured for school extension.

Nganking—Land secured for school extension.

Boone school begins the spring term with about 150 boys.

St. Hilda's school begins the spring term with about 50 girls.

### Making Progress.

Dear Dr. Godbey: As another fiscal year has closed in our missionary work, and the Little Rock Conference is so far in advance of any year of its history, I feel that it is but right that I let the brethren know of this record breaker. The following charges have reported full. I give them in order as they have reported with the amounts paid:

Murfreesboro Circuit, \$45; Camden Station, \$190, and \$40 special fund; total, \$230. Hope Station, \$120; Spring Hill Circuit, \$35; Prescott, \$100; Center Point, \$70; Caroline, \$50; South Hot Springs, \$75. This gives eight appointments in full, six of which are in the bounds of the Prescott District.

The following have reported, some of which only lack a few dollars being full. Bingen, \$46.35; Emmet, \$25; Garland City, \$5.50; Mineral Springs, \$13; Chidester, \$12; Washington, \$57; Pike City, \$12.50; DeAnne, \$25, and El Dorado Circuit, \$16. By giving the above reports a little notice, you will see that Prescott District has paid to date \$620.85, Camden District, \$246; Arkadelphia District, \$125, and Texarkana District, \$5.50. Eight years' study of men and works as treasurer of the board has proved beyond doubt that those

who take their collections early make the best reports and with greatest ease.

Come, brethren, let's have an early report from every pastor, with a full determination to make a full report at our next annual conference. Very truly,

W. F. Evans.

### Married.

BULL-DUNCAN.—At the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. D. H. Reynolds, of Lake Village, April 1, Mr. F. D. Bull, of Kentucky, to Mrs. Ruth R. Duncan, Rev. O. J. Beardslee officiating. A quiet though pretty wedding, none but resident members of the family being present. May their lives be long and happy.

HORN-GRAGGE.—J. I. Horn, of Beech Grove, to Mrs. Mattie Gragge, of Camp Ground, all of Greene county, Ark., H. E. May officiating.

WILSON-PATY.—At the residence of the bride's mother, April 8, Mr. J. T. Wilson to Miss Mamie Paty, all of West Little Rock, F. E. Dodson officiating.

PATTERSON-HARDY.—At the home of the bride, on February 1, Mr. F. S. Patterson to Mrs. Della Hardy, both of Pike City, Ark., S. K. Burnett officiating.

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## Literature and Review

## Tennyson and Browning. XV.

A. R. GODBEY, A. M.

I suppose it is long ago apparent that the above title is less a text than a pretext, in many cases, and that many things have been said not necessarily related to the title. After the digression of last week, perhaps it is proper "to return to the subject," even though to immediately leave it for comparative purpose. But as notice has been made of the agreement of the two great poets in finding a certain order of progress in the tangled web of the Universe, it seems imperative to point out how immense is the gain in this respect over earlier theistic, cosmological or poetical conceptions. It will help us to comprehend more perfectly our own age and its tendencies.

Returning to Browning's vigorous rugged optimism, his cheerful undaunted view of change unceasing, we might stop to compare with his epilogue to the "Dramatis Personae" an expression of Tennyson upon the same theme. We quote again Browning, as he contemplates the shifting of creeds, the crumbling of temples, and the vanishing of the ephemera of ecclesiasticism, the Levite choir, the robed priest, the skeptic, each filling his tiny moment on the stags:

"Why, where's the need of Temple,  
when the walls  
O' the world are that? what use of  
swells and falls,  
From Levite's choir, priests' cries and  
trumpet calls?  
That one Face, far from vanish, rather  
grows,  
Or decomposes but to recompose,  
Become my universe, that feels and  
knows."  
Compare the following from Tennyson's "Sea Dreams":  
"Round the North, a light,  
A belt, it seemed, of luminous vapour,  
lay,  
And ever in it a low musical note  
Swelled up and died; and as it swell'd,  
a ridge  
Of breaker issued from the belt, and  
still  
Grew with the growing note, and when  
the note  
Had reached a thunderous fullness, on  
those cliffs  
Broke, mixed with awful light (the  
same as that  
Living within the belt) whereby she  
saw  
That all those lines of cliffs were cliffs  
no more,  
But huge cathedral front of every age,  
Grave, florid, stern, as far as eye  
could see  
One after one; and then the great  
ridge drew  
Lessening to the lessening music, back  
And passed into the belt and swelled  
again  
Slowly to music; ever when it broke  
The statues, king or saint, or founder,  
fell;  
Then from the gaps and chasms of  
ruin left  
Came men and women in dark clusters  
round  
Some crying, "Set them up! they shall  
not fall!"  
And others, "Let them lie, for they  
have fallen!"  
And still they strove and wrangled;  
and she grieved  
In her strange dream, she knew not  
why, to find  
Their wildest wailings never out of  
tune  
With that sweet note; and ever as  
their shrieks  
Ran highest up the gamut, that great  
wave

Returning, while none marked it, on  
the crowd  
Broke, mixt with awful light, and  
showed their eyes  
Glaring, and passionate looks, and  
swept away  
The men of flesh and blood, and men  
of stone,  
To the waste deeps together."

The same sense of discord in the  
clash of creeds and institutions, is  
beautifully put by a Michigan poet,  
Benj. Hathaway:

"We are the lights on Time's celestial  
dial,  
The radiant stops on Love's melodious  
horn,  
High heaven's orchestra, on untutored  
trial,  
With harps discordant, dolorous, or  
forlorn,  
Or, waiting hushed, like Egypt's story  
viol,  
The flush of morn."

Midway between the conception of  
the two great poets, and the older  
views of change, we may find the  
much-abused and misunderstood Mat-  
thew Arnold, illustrating in himself  
that lament over the passing of all  
things, and for a time not believing in  
the advent of the new. Arnold is too  
often represented as lacking in faith  
or as being an opponent of it; when  
he is persistently lamenting the lack  
of it, and asserting that any faith were  
better than none—that gives hu-  
manity a little light. Take the follow-  
ing dialogue:

"Man is blind because of sin,  
Revelation makes him sure;  
Without that, who looks within  
Looks in vain, for all's obscure."

Nay, look closer into man,  
Tell me, can you find, indeed,  
Nothing sure, no moral plan,  
Clear prescribed, without your  
creed?

"No, I nothing can perceive!  
Without that, all's dark for men,  
That, or nothing, I believe—  
For God's sake, believe it then!"

The wave of doubt and apathy that  
followed the theories of Strauss  
brought no joy to Arnold. The open  
skepticism deeply pained and dis-  
tressed one who was too sensitive to  
grapple with the rough world, and en-  
deavor to set it aright. In the "Stan-  
zas from Grand Chartreuse" is mani-  
fest his open impatience with the  
cloistered life, to which he felt him-  
self too near akin.

"For vigorous teachers seized my  
youth,  
And purged its faith, and trimmed  
its fire,  
Showed me the high white star of  
Truth,  
There bade me gaze, and there  
aspire,  
Even now their whispers pierce the  
gloom—  
What dost thou in this living tomb?"

Forgive me, masters of the mind!  
At whose behest I long ago  
So much unlearned, so much resigned—  
I come not here to be your foe!  
I seek these anchorites, not in ruth,  
To curse and to deny your truth.

Not as their friend or child, I speak,  
But as on some far northern strand  
Thinking of his own gods, a Greek  
In pity and mournful awe might  
stand  
Before some fallen Runic stone,—  
For both were faiths, and both are  
gone!

Wandering between two worlds, one  
dead.

The other powerless to be born,

With nowhere yet to rest my head,  
Like these, on earth I wait forlorn,  
Their faith, my tears, the world de-  
ride—  
I come to shed them at your side.

Oh, hide me in your gloom profound,  
Ye solemn seats of holy pain!  
Take me, cowed forms, and fence me  
round

'Till I possess my soul again!  
'Till free my thoughts before me roll,  
Not chafed by hourly false control!

For the world cries, your faith is now  
But a dead time's exploded dream,  
My melancholy, sciolists say,  
Is a passed mode, an outworn  
theme—  
As if the world had ever had  
A faith, or sciolists been sad!

Ah, if it be past, take away  
At least the restlessness, the pain;  
Be man henceforth no more a prey  
To these outdated strings again!  
The nobleness of grief is gone,  
Ah, leave us not the fret alone!

But—if you cannot give us ease—  
Last of the race of them who  
grieve—

Here leave us to die out with these  
Last of the people who believe!  
Silent, while years engrave the brow;  
Silent—the best are silent now.

This somewhat lengthy quotation  
serves to show the sensitive Arnold's  
position, and his disposition to assert  
his faith when a cold world was de-  
claring it gone. We have some weeks  
since quoted Browning on that point.  
There is fine irony in the closing lines  
of the sixth stanza above, and a tre-  
mendous lesson in the next two, that  
looks in vain, for all's obscure."  
only faith can give a nobleness to  
grief, and without a definite reason-  
able faith, what remains is mere peev-  
ish fretfulness, and again is there  
irony in the question, "You would take  
away our faith, can you take away  
our pain and fret, too?" What was  
Arnold's attitude, on the other hand,  
toward the ardent prophets of a newer  
day, must be left for the next time.

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April 25—Paul's Journey to Jerusalem. Acts xxi 3-12.

Golden Text—"The will of the Lord be done." (Acts xxi. 14.)  
Time—A. D. 59 or 60.

When we turned aside from following the course of St. Paul two weeks ago we left him taking leave of the elders of Ephesus while his ship tarried at Miletus, on his way to Jerusalem. We now take up the thread of that narrative.

Leaving Miletus, the ship sailed southward, stopping no doubt at several ports, till they were off the west coast of the Island of Cyprus, which island Paul had traversed, with some unusual experiences ten years before, when he first set out on his missionary journeys. Running past Cyprus, they rounded into the mainland at Tyre, capital city of ancient Phœnicia, one of the famous cities of the world, famous in commerce and in Hebrew prophecy and in war. When Paul and his company arrived at Tyre they hunted up the disciples, whom they knew to be there—some modern preachers would have gone to a hotel, and paid no attention to the Tyrian saints; though we apprehend that Paul and his company did not hunt them up for the purpose of saving a hotel bill by any means—they believed in fellowship. They tarry with these saints seven days, are greatly loved by them, apparently. Some of them warn Paul not to go to Jerusalem, having a prophetic knowledge that it meant bonds and imprisonment for him to do so. They had correctly interpreted the revelation of the Spirit so far as bonds and such like were concerned; they had drawn the unwarranted inference, however, that Paul ought by such matters to be turned aside from his purpose. On this point Paul himself was a better judge than they. He was much bent upon making this journey to Jerusalem. No doubt he was impelled by a deeper purpose of providence than he himself understood for this journey was a "seed of time" in which God had hidden much that was to bless the future ages, though the journey seemed to be the beginning of Paul's real troubles, which were to end only with his death. We shall see in the course of these lessons.

Paul had at least two reasons, no doubt, for greatly desiring to go to Jerusalem. The first was that he might conciliate the Jerusalem Christians—bring them to a better mind concerning their brethren of the Gentile world, who had been converted under his labors, heal a deep breach which he saw existing in the church of Christ, which was indeed notorious. For this purpose, in part, he was carrying up then from these Gentile churches a large

sum of money, to be distributed among the poor of the Palestinian Christians, oppressed there among the Jews at that time. He could also tell the Jerusalem brethren out of his own mouth what wonderful things God was doing among the Gentiles, and so reconcile them to the Gentiles. This was precisely the way he had won the confidence of the apostles themselves in the Gentile Missions, many years before. Paul's second reason was that he desired intensely to make one more effort to preach Christ to his "kindred according to the flesh." Just before he set out on this journey, at Corinth, he had written the Epistle to the Romans. That epistle contains a passage in which he gives utterance to his unspeakable concern for his own people. He declares that he could wish himself accursed from Christ for their sakes! So intense was this desire that no dangers could appall him; nothing but a divine command would have turned him aside from this purpose to go once again to Jerusalem. He saw the dangers clearly enough; he was not rash; but he had a lofty courage that nothing could daunt.

When he got to Cesarea, and as he tarried there, a certain prophet by the name Agabus, recently from Judea, who knew well the feeling of the Jews toward Paul, most solemnly and dramatically warned him that to proceed meant bonds and imprisonment. Whereupon the disciples at that place, together with those of his own company, fell to weeping and begging him not to go to Jerusalem. There is a majestic pathos in his reply: "What mean ye to weep and to break my heart? for I am ready, not to be bound only but also to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus."

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Luke xix. 4-11; Matt. xi. 23, 24.  
In ancient times, for purposes of defense, people lived chiefly in cities. Under the influence of Christianity and of modern civilization, the husbandman and artisan and merchant have come to be more honored and influential than the soldier, and the great majority of the people of every Christian country live in rural districts. But the development of art and trade and manufactures increases with increasing wealth and these interests center in the cities, and in our time there is an ever increasing tendency of the population to mass in the cities. A century ago the proportion of our population in the cities was about 3 per cent. Now it is about 35 per cent.

Under these conditions the right government of cities is the great problem of statesmen, and the Christianizing of the cities is the great problem of the church. There is no place of solitude equal to a great city. One never feels so lonely and lost to the world as in a great metropolis where men of every nationality, every trade and employment, every phase of character pass by in a living stream while not one face is recognized. Vice finds hiding in cities, people do not inquire where men and women go or how they live. There are undercurrents which seize and drag down men and women in their times of weakness, moods of despondency, or when the eye of the world is not feared.

In a great city there are good and evil currents flowing side by side, scarcely mingling, association and custom build up barriers that separate men and women. There is a class of people in our cities who may well say to the churches, "Between us and you there is a great gulf fixed." There is a great mass of people in the cities who are brought up quite separated from any church influence. To reach these many plans and methods are tried by the churches. Christian workers must go after them, and establish missions of various sorts. The people who seek the spiritual welfare of these neglected ones must regard their temporal interests also. A true friend to the poor and the vicious can alone reach the hearts of such. The late deaconess movement on the part of some of the churches, and the Woman's Home Mission work seeks to rescue the vicious and Christless people of the cities. The institutional church which provides schools, recreations, reading-rooms and aids in securing employment is an effort also to solve this problem. The problem becomes more serious and important as the cities grow. Our interest in it should lead us to sustain the hand of the church in its mission and rescue work.

## The Devotional Department.

How to Manage Successfully.

The League has no more important work than the successful handling of the devotional services for young people.

A threefold culture is proposed by this organization—social, intellectual and spiritual. But the most important is spiritual. This must be held in view as the supreme end. To this all else must be tributary. In the devotional meetings all the forces trained elsewhere are to find their highest activity. The widened acquaintance and strengthened friendship, the deeper knowledge of human nature and the methods of approach to it derived from the social meetings, the better self-command, the more ready power of public speech derived from the literary meetings, these with all else of growing energy are in the devotional services to be laid humbly and reverently upon God's altar, and upon every power is to be written, "Sacred for Jesus." Here those members of the League who are members of Christ's body must unite loyally and lovingly in a service whose aim is the edification of Christian character and conversion of sinners.

The meeting must enkindle devotion, help to a bright religious experience, score deeper impressions for the truths of God's Holy Word, train young people to participate in active services of the church and to awaken sinners to repentance and lead to conversion. With this brief statement before you of the object of the devotional meetings, we will now consider the more practical questions.

How to get the members to attend. In the first place I would insist that the meeting be made helpful and attractive. The meeting must be made magnetic, that of itself will draw. The meeting ought not to depend for its support merely upon fidelity. "The shady side of an iceberg" is preferable to a meeting where every member comes and performs their part from a determination simply to do their duty. Let there be warmth, cheer, brightness. Let the songs be bright and the music gladsome.

Put zeal into the meeting until every heart becomes enthused. Make the meeting helpful, edifying. Put thought into the meetings. Pray and plan for them. Study to pack them with good things from God's wonderful store house. Make the services a spiritual banquet, and they who come will not only come again, but will bring others with them.

It is a good plan to issue invitations. Our League did so, and found it very profitable. We sent one of our members to the hotels and boarding houses every Sunday morning, and wrote them a personal invitation to attend our services, that had registered upon their books during the last twelve hours.

Have the strangers and young people to feel that you want them; avoid making prominent the thought that you are trying to do them good. Rather make them feel their presence is greatly desired, and that their help is wanted in the meeting.

Ushers should welcome everybody and give them seats and song books. At the close of the meetings strangers should be introduced and urged to come again. Most of them will come again if this is done.

### Programme.

How to make the meetings interesting and profitable. How to get the members to take part. Bear in mind the purpose of the devotional meetings as previously set forth. I may insist upon two things, viz., that the programme may be varied, and so de-

vised as to induce many to participate. "I have noticed that we have a good meeting when I take part," says some one. The meeting is quite sure to be both interesting and profitable to those who participate. Sometimes, though rarely, the first twenty minutes may be given to a song service. Let the music be bright, ordinarily the hymns should be carefully selected with regard to the topic. At times a solo or duet may be rendered.

In devotional meetings there should be much praying, but not much of any one prayer. Let the prayers be fervent and brief and held to the central thought of the meeting. In this the leader does wisely to set the example. Voluntary prayers are perhaps best when they can be secured promptly. Sentence prayers condensed into a sentence and presenting but one desire may be secured from many in succession, and in this the young and timid ones usually take part.

The leader and topics should be announced a week previous. Let the leader arrange the meetings as they think best. Sometimes the topics are given in sub-topics; when they occur they should be given out to the members with request that they comment on some or give a short paper of three or four minutes. Scripture references can also be given on slips of paper. Hand them to the members who do not usually take part. But while all these are special arrangements by which members may be induced to take part, the regular and usual means must be the narration of experience. There is great power in testimony. "Ye are My witnesses." In the early days of Methodism this was one of the chief sources of power. That word experience was the shibboleth of the Wesleyan movement, and we as Epworth Leaguers should be true to our history in this respect. A voiceless Christian is a puny Christian. Profession and testimony as well as fruit are required of the Christian disciple. But whatever the plan of the meeting, it must never be forgotten for a moment that the service is devotional. A meeting for worship and its supreme and spiritual results.

Finally: Whatever the programme or the plan adopted, let everybody be thoroughly in earnest to make the meeting successful. "If all do with their might what their hands find to do" God will bless the efforts and give victory to the cause.

Charles E. Diehl.

February 9, 1903.

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REV. J. R. HARVEY, FIELD EDITOR.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 1903.

The church may prosper while religion declines.

Our people in Atlanta are building a new house of worship for their First church congregation.

So long as the preacher is in fellowship with God he knows that his labor has a sufficient reward.

The preacher who never resorts to discipline for the purifying of his church will not accomplish that end by preaching alone. Men who are entrenched behind secure breastworks do not flee at the roaring of cannon.

While you are drawing the lines so satisfactorily between the stages of divine operations from regeneration to full sanctification the world at large is simply looking to see in you a good life, as proof that you have been with Jesus and learned of him.

Dr. Rankin, editor of the Texas Christian Advocate, pays compliments when they are in order, but he also knows how to utter words of condemnation. He has no compliments for the city of Galveston. He represents it as the den of all vice and corruption, and defiant not only of the state laws of Texas, but of common decency and morality.

We think it is well that higher standards of education are applied to candidates for the Methodist itineracy. But if our young men come from the university feeling that their superior education entitles them to easy places and good salaries, then we shall find that the school has disqualified the preacher at the most vital point and that we have not a stronger but a weaker ministry, for spiritual results, than we had in former days. The moral tests of young men who claim to be called to preach are found in our hard circuits and poor stations. Education must not exempt our young men from these tests.

## Exit William Henry Milburn.

The venerable chaplain Milburn is dead. On the 10th inst., at Santa Barbara, Cal., he passed from earth. He was eighty years old.

Mr. Milburn's life is worthy of note. Receiving an injury at five years of age which almost deprived him of sight and which resulted in total blindness in his young manhood, he began his career with a struggle against adverse circumstances, which would have conquered any ordinary man, but which he even made a source of strength as his

brave struggle drew to him the highest respect of good and influential men. He succeeded in obtaining a good education. At the age of twenty he entered the ministry in the Methodist Episcopal Church, and was from the first a preacher of note. At the age of 22 he was chosen chaplain to congress. This was in 1845. He was again chaplain of the House from 1853 to 1855, and once more in 1883, and continued chaplain of the House for ten years. In 1893 he was elected chaplain of the Senate, which place he held till he resigned last year because of failing health. Mr. Milburn traveled extensively in England, France and Germany. He lectured in the principal cities of this country, and was the author of a number of popular books.

Few men had more extensive acquaintance with the leading authors, clergymen and statesmen, both of England and America. As a thinker, author and orator Milburn occupied high rank. This editor entertained Milburn at his home and heard him lecture in his prime. His colloquial powers made him a delightful guest. We recognized in him a man whose gifts and talents were of a very high order.

Mr. Milburn was always regarded as a brave, true man, who could not be swayed by fear or favor to countenance evil. His noble aim, almost unparalleled industry, and superiority to obstacles which would have conquered an ordinary man, make William Henry Milburn a name to be enrolled with the great and good of this nation.

## An Awkward Blunder.

The foreman got some of our church notes misplaced last week, so that they appeared at the head of the editorial "A New Peril to our Civilization," quite an irrelevant introduction. Half of the edition was run off before the error was corrected.

## Vanderbilt Notes.

We could hardly imagine a more beautiful place than the Vanderbilt campus. The weather, too, since April came has been superb. We frequently find ourselves wishing, Doctor, that yours and Sister Godbey's visit to Nashville had been a month later. But if such had been the case your interesting editorial on la grippe might never have appeared. Maybe it's best as it is.

Dr. H. M. Dubose, Epworth League secretary, addressed the Wesley Hall boys Tuesday evening April 7th. He spoke to us of the League and the young people generally. In our own judgment this question cannot be too much stressed. The preacher of the future must be able to reach the children. Sometimes I have thought that "baby talk" would be the language of the "kingdom."

Brother A. W. Wasson, a North Arkansas production and one of our most promising theological students, will spend his vacation as pastor of a charge in the Fayetteville District. Though he has had but little experience as preacher and pastor, we can easily predict for him abundant success, since in all his work he is earnest and thorough.

Prof. McKeever, of North Carolina, a representative of the Southern Board of Education, addressed the student body of the regular chapel hour Thursday morning. Prof. McKeever is a vigorous, forceful speaker and made a strong appeal for the improvement of our public schools. We wish he could be heard all over the South.

Hutchinson.

## A Note From St. Louis

Dr. Godbey—At the preacher's meeting last Monday morning we had with us Bishop Hendrix who gave us a general talk, in which he took occasion to say some nice things about St. Louis Methodism and our forward movement. He said that our work has been an inspiration to the whole church, and especially west of the Mississippi river. The St. Louis District Conference closed a very interesting session yesterday, April 8th, at Lafayette Park Church, Dr. C. H. Briggs, P. E., in the chair. Bishop Hendrix was with us much of the time, but did not preside, as his time was taken up by the very fine lectures he has been giving us on the religion of the incarnation.

The reports of the pastors show that we have received this conference year, since October 1, over fourteen hundred members, more than half of whom came in on profession of faith and about three hundred and fifty have been dismissed by certificate and otherwise, leaving a net gain of more than a thousand.

We are making preparation for the coming of our distinguished guests the first of May. The college of Bishops and the Board of Missions, which will meet in St. John's Church. We are also hoping to receive new inspiration from these illustrious leaders of our Zion, during their stay in St. Louis.

I wish to say to my friends in Arkansas, when you are in the city and want to remain over Sabbath come out to Bridgeton and worship with us; we will be glad to see you.

I will tell you how to come: Take an Olive street or Eastern avenue car, come out to Wellston, change to St. Charles electric car line and ask the conductor to let you off at Bridgeton; walk west two blocks and you will find the church.

Z. T. McCann.

## An Error Corrected.

Dear Brother Godbey—I see from different newspapers that steps are being taken to divide the Ark-

adelphia Methodist College, by moving the male part of the school to Texarkana and establishing a military school, and continue the female department at Arkadelphia. This may be true, but if so, it is without the counsel or knowledge of the board of trustees. I therefore take this step to defend the pledge of the board to our educational interest in Arkansas, and feel safe in my own mind in stating the board of trustees has no such plans before them.

We think a co-educational school is needed in our State, and we think Arkadelphia is the place to locate it and so far as I know there is not one thought in the mind of the board only to make the Arkadelphia Methodist College at Arkadelphia a co-educational school with all the departments at Arkadelphia.

Very truly, W. F. Evans,  
Pres. Board Trustees.

## Death of Rev. J. O. Walsh.

We have just received notice of the death of one of our young preachers upon whose future labors the church was trusting for great good. We extend our sympathies to the bereaved wife. Here is the sad announcement:

Monticello, April 4, 1903.

Dear Brethren—Rev. J. O. Walsh, our pastor on Mount Pleasant Circuit, died at Wilmar on yesterday at 1:15 p. m., after about ten days of severe illness. His end was peace. Obituary later. Fraternally, C. Pope.

## Scarritt Bible and Training School, Kansas City, Mo

Commencement sermon will be preached by Rev. Charles W. Scarritt in Melrose M. E. Church, South, Sunday, May 10th, at 11 a. m.

The commencement exercises will be held in Melrose Church Tuesday, May 12th, at 8 o'clock, on which occasion, Mrs. M. D. Wightman, Charleston, S. C., president of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, will deliver the annual address to the graduating class. Thirteen young women will graduate; six from the Bible department and seven nurses. Of the former, three have been accepted as foreign missionary candidates, and one as deaconess by the Woman's Board of Home Missions.

The annual meeting of the Alumnae will be held Monday, May 11th, at 2 o'clock.

The year has been fruitful with service and crowned with blessings. M. L. Gibson, Principal.

## Storm at Weldon.

Dear Dr.—Did you ever turn a jack-screw? I donned my overalls yesterday and went at it with both hands. Our church was lifted from the foundation and set about four feet away, and considerably wrenched, but we will get it all right today and hold our Easter service Sunday.



A Masonic hall, belonging to the colored folk, was twisted off its foundation, and the colored Baptist church was a total wreck. Some other buildings were blown down, but no lives lost at Weldon. It is reported that a fisherman called "Stumpy Toji," wife and child are lost, supposed to be drowned and their boat wrecked. They were in White river, west of here. The storm was alarming. Wind, hail and rain, all combined, and the lightning looked like balls of fire as it played on the ground, round and swayed back and forth a few times. It came up at 9:30 and was near a half hour in passing. I am grieved to hear of such destruction in White and Cleburne counties.

Jas. F. Jernigan.

April 10, 1903.

#### Meeting of Board of Missions.

Dear Dr. Godbey—Some time ago I wrote Rev. Pipkin to call the Board of Missions to meet May 19, 20, 21, at Texarkana. I have just received a card from Brother Evans saying the call was made for May 27, also that he (Evans) had changed the time to May 12, 13, 14. Now the W. H. M. S. meets here in Prescott May 12, 13, 14, 15, and Brother Thomas has been invited and accepted the invitation to preach the annual sermon, so I could not be away very well then, neither could Thomas be away if we were there. So please make the call for May 19, 20, 21. This is the date, Brother Evans and I agreed on, and nothing will be in the way at that time. I am sorry things got so mixed but it can be corrected. Your brother,

R. W. McKay.

#### Rev. J. C. Rhodes' Visit to Mena.

My Dear Brother Godbey—Our people had a great treat the fifth Sunday in March in the visit and preaching of Rev. J. C. Rhodes, of Texarkana. He was well prepared with instructive charts, facts and figures on missions and the Spirit of Christ to impress his all important subject. We are hopeful of great results from his labors, and the helpful literature he gave out to our people. We were only sorry congregations were not larger. We feel that Brother Rhodes shows such fitness and talent for this work he ought to be sent through the bounds of our conference at least to arouse and quicken church life on missions. Brother Few has appointed Brother Rhodes to help him do this work on Texarkana District, and we believe it will bear good fruit.

J. R. Sanders.

#### Notices

The annual meeting of the Little Rock Conference Woman's Home Mission Society will be held in Prescott May 12-15. All ministers are cordially invited. Delegates and visitors will please send names to Mrs. Hugh Moncrief as soon as

possible. Transportation one and one-third fare on the certificate plan. Delegates must remember the absolute necessity of obtaining certificate receipts.

Mrs. A. Guthrie, Sec.

The date of the Little Rock Conference mid-year missionary meeting is changed to May 19-21, so as not to conflict with the woman's meeting at Prescott. Take due notice.

#### Second Annual Meeting.

##### Program

For the second annual meeting of the Woman's Home Mission Society of the Arkansas Conference, M. E. C. S., Lamar, April 25-28, 1903:

Saturday Evening, April 25, 8 o'clock—Primary meeting.

Sunday Morning—Annual sermon, Rev. W. T. Martin, Lamar.

Sunday Afternoon—Devotional exercises, Mrs. J. B. Stevenson, Dardanelle.

Chart Talk—Mrs. Stella Tolleson, Siloam Springs.

Music—Choir.

Select Reading—Mrs. J. A. Croom, Dardanelle.

Paper—"The Connectional Work," Mrs. O. E. Goddard, Morrilton.

##### SUNDAY EVENING.

Devotional Exercises—Pastor.

Address of Welcome—Miss Edna Cazort, Lamar.

Response—Miss Edith East, Van Buren.

Annual Report—Corresponding Secretary.

Annual Report—Treasurer.

Address—President.

##### MONDAY MORNING.

Devotional exercises conducted by officers.

Reports from District Secretaries.

Closing Exercises—Mrs. W. T. Thompson, Russellville.

##### MONDAY AFTERNOON.

Devotional Exercises—Mrs. J. C. Holcombe, Morrilton.

Reports of Auxiliaries—From Harrison and Fayetteville Districts.

Committee meetings.

Closing Exercises—Mrs. John Garner, Lamar.

##### MONDAY EVENING.

Devotional Exercises—Miss Edith East, Van Buren.

Paper—Mrs. W. M. Riddick, Morrilton.

Lecture—Rev. J. A. Anderson, Conway.

##### TUESDAY MORNING.

Devotional Exercises—Mrs. W. L. Moose, Morrilton.

Reports of Auxiliaries from Fort Smith, Dardanelle and Morrilton Districts.

Closing Exercises—Mrs. Lucy Faust, Dyer.

##### TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

Devotional Exercises—Mrs. J. A. Croom, Dardanelle.

Reports from committees.

Election of officers.

Closing Exercises—Mrs. O. E. Goddard, Morrilton.

##### TUESDAY EVENING.

Devotional Exercises—Mrs. Stella Tolleson, Siloam Springs.

Select Reading—Miss Foster, Clarksville.

Address—Rev. O. E. Goddard, Morrilton.

Let Tuesday, April 21st, be observed throughout the conference as a day of fasting and prayer for the blessing of God upon the work of the Home Mission Society.

Mrs. O. E. Jamison, Pres.

#### Personal.

Rev. T. O. Rorie, of Stuttgart, called Monday.

Rev. J. W. Smith, of Newport, called Wednesday.

The Bishops of our church will hold their annual meeting in St. Louis, May 6.

The Methodist Orphanage acknowledges with thanks the gift of a nice quilt from Sister Stovall, of Roe, Ark.

Dr. Hammill not being able to attend, the Sunday-school Institute, announced to be held at Hope, Ark., is called off.

President Castro will continue in office. The Venezuelan congress persistently refused to accept his resignation.

Revs. A. Turrentine and J. B. Williams were callers Saturday. They both report good prospects on their charges.

Rev. J. F. Armstrong, of Kingsville, Ark., reports much suffering from grippe, but with ability to preach now and then.

The postoffice address of Rev. J. F. Jernigan is Weldon, Ark. His mail is sometimes erroneously addressed to Auvergne.

Dr. Harvey, our Field Agent, came in Saturday with a fine report from Eastern Arkansas. He will be at Hot Springs this week.

Rev. James Thomas is engaged to deliver the address to the Knights of Pythias at Concordia Hall, this city, on the evening of April 16th.

Bishop Hoss reached the Fort Smith District Conference at noon Friday. He preached Friday evening and Sunday morning, and at night at Van Buren.

Rev. F. M. Keen was kept from the district conference by the sickness of his wife. He is doing a good work at Booneville, and the people are sustaining him.

Bishop Wilson has called in his engagement to preach the baccalaureate sermon for the Washington and Lee University. He is expecting to go to Brazil in May.

Rev. O. H. Tucker was not at the district conference at Alma. He has received thirty-one members since conference. He has his work at Magazine well organized.

Bishop Hoss spent the first days of this month in Chicago. He addressed the preachers' meeting of the M. E. Church, and assisted Dr. Corben in special services at St. James.

Rev. Jas. Thomas came to the city Tuesday, looking after some matters pertaining to the building of his church at Texarkana, and to perform the marriage ceremony for some friends.

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Rev. B. A. Few, presiding elder of Mena District, is assisting his brother, A. P. Few, pastor of Asbury church, this city, in a protracted meeting. Bro. Phillips, of Neosho, Mo., directs the singing.

On March 25th, at San Antonio, Texas, Chas. R. Peyton was married to Miss Katherine L. Shaw. Miss Shaw is a daughter of Rev. S. G. Shaw, formerly of the White River Conference. We extend congratulations.

Rev. W. P. Gibson, a superannuate of the St. Louis Conference, has come to Little Rock to make his home with Brother and Sister Thornburgh. Sister Thornburgh is his daughter. He will connect himself with the quarterly conference of Winfield church.

A very pleasant occasion was the marriage of Miss Margaret Lucile Arbuckle to Mr. Dempsy Newton Jones, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. M. E. Arbuckle, No. 1108 Welch street, this city, on Thursday evening, April 9th, J. D. Hammons officiating. The Arbuckles are our near neighbors.

The Management of the Methodist Orphanage thanks the Mt. Tabor Sunday-school of Austin Circuit for an easter gift of 5 jars fruit, 2 of preserves, 4 lbs butter, 28 eggs, one sack pop corn and \$3.50 in cash. Sent by W. W. Christie, Pastor, W. H. Smith, Sunday school Superintendent, J. E. Deihl, Mrs. Sallie Mann, Mrs. Fanny Perry, Mrs. M. E. Betzner, Committee.

Easter Sunday was a record breaker for Winfield Memorial Sunday-school. There were 385 present, of whom 119 were in the infant room. A very pretty Easter service was had, including an address by the pastor. The large choir of this school has been turned over to Mrs. Thoraburgh by Miss Maude Hays, who has so faithfully led it in the past. The church service at Winfield was so largely attended as to require extra chairs in the aisles. The floral decorations under the skillful hand of Miss Weidemeyer were very beautiful. The sermon by Pastor Ramsey was on the resurrection. It was eloquent and convincing. His sermon at night was on "Heavenly Recognition."—Gazette.

Dr. Boswell, editor of the New Orleans Advocate, writes to Rev. J. F. Jernigan of the White River Conference: "Dear Jim:—Your letters in Arkansas Methodist always call up old times. Your last is good. I always read everything you write. You mention names, but omit one, Brother J. T. Henderson; also Bro. Bob Laird. Where are they? The last year I served on Searcy District, Dr. Clements had not been in the church many years. He said he was a Methodist 'about three feet high.' How high is he now? It was more than twenty-five years ago. I suppose he is full grown by this time. How time flies my brother! We are getting old—I am at least, but my heart feels young and warm, and I love my Arkansas brethren as well as I ever did; some of them better. Some of them I always loved a heart full—you among them. God bless you, my old boy! Love to the brethren."

## Christian Life.

### A Withered Flower.

Lines Suggested by Seeing in the  
Church Yard, a Bouquet That  
Had Been Cast Away  
From the Pulpit.

Beauty once so richly flamed,  
On these withered petals here,  
Odors sweet, then gently rained,  
On the waving atmosphere.

How could conscience let them slip  
Such a frail and tender bloom,  
Just to see it fade and slip,  
Friendless, down into the tomb?

Human hearts, I fear, are broken,  
Often by a cruel fate.  
When the word of love is spoken  
It awakens only hate.

Hate is mean, its dreadful ire  
Likes to drown the flame of love,  
Bind the heart with cords of fire  
Till the spirit flies above.

Thoughts go wrong—the lesson's lost  
Hands that rudely brought this down  
Kindly saved it from the frost,  
Cold and biting on the ground.

Growing sweetly by a path  
People seldom ever crossed,  
Radiant beauty, fragrance, both,  
Surely would have been but lost.

Sabbath came, thy blushing head,  
Meekly bowed on chancel rail;  
Many people smiling said,  
"Sweet to seek as holy grail."

Preacher stood with heart inspired,  
Bravely spoke of sin and strife;  
Hearers all that day desired  
Holy love and Christlike life.  
Preacher's heart inspired by thee,  
Congregation breathed thy breath,  
One and all thus learn to see  
Blessings crown vicarious death.

—W. S. Bristow.

Quitman, Ark.

### COOKING CONTEST

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### The Lessons of Affliction.

Mr. Editor—The writer having been confined to his house with affliction for twenty years, never permitted to go out to church or mix and mingle with the outside world, and being poor and having a family has passed through some very hard experiences. Sickness is helpful to us sometimes. In the hurry of the world, we haven't time or don't take time to think enough, and while lying in bed sick we have time to meditate upon the goodness and mercy of God, that have followed us all through life and upon our past life, and see to what purpose we have spent our time and talent. The fact is, sometimes the good Lord places his children in a very dark place and shuts off his smiling face from them, to show them something that is of real help to them, that he couldn't possibly show at any other time, or under any other circumstances of life. If we never had any sickness we wouldn't know how to appreciate health. If we never had any deaths among our loved ones, we wouldn't know how to enjoy life. If we never had to pass through deep water or the fiery furnace, or experience some real painful headaches and heartaches as well, we wouldn't know how to cast our burden upon the Lord as he has taught us to do. The fact is, every human being finds a garden of Gethsemane somewhere, in some sore trial, some place and some time where and when the human will surrenders to God and bows submissively to his holy will. That is the time and the place where one is made perfect, sanctified throughout mind, body and spirit. It may come in the death of a child, of a wife, a husband, a father or mother, in a critical sickness, in the loss of property or some other sore bereavement. We need not wait for these to pass into this sweet experience, but most of us do wait. We will not learn submission to the will of God till we are forced to do it. Such submission is generally born of hard and bitter experience. What we ought to learn first we learn last. Yes, God knows. God pities, God feels. He knows how it is, how it hurts; he gave up his only Son to die for us. This is comfort, consolation, real divine support. I don't know what we would do without it, and if he wills that we suffer affliction and privation in this life, what is that to us? We would be ungrateful wretches to murmur or complain at a kind providence who always has our best interest in view. If we trust him, but, brother, sister, I speak from experience. It is much easier to do the Lord's will than suffer his will. I have tried both, but it takes a very high order of faith for us to say "Thank the Lord for sickness, poverty and want, as for health, prosperity and plenty," and

nothing but loving resignation will enable us to say as Job did, "Though he slay me, yet will I trust in him."

I write this from my sick bed. The Lord bless, comfort and keep his children. A. A. McMillan.

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Dear Brother Godbey—I will write you a letter for the first time. I love to read the cousins' letters. I am going to school. My teacher's names are Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Clements. I like them mighty well. My deskmate is Alice Anders. I like her much. We have two good Sunday-schools, Methodist and Baptist. I love to go to Sunday-school. I belong to the Baptist Church. Our Baptist preacher's name is Brother Talbot and our Methodist preacher's name is Brother Taylor. I think both are good preachers. I live with a Methodist family. They are no connection to me, but I love them as well. My father and mother died when I was very small. I have two sisters and one brother. Yours sincerely, Eula Atwell.

Sulphur Rock, Ark.

Dear Brother Godbey—I am a little girl eight years old. I have never seen any letters from Sulphur Rock, so I thought I would write one. My grandmother takes the "Arkansas Methodist," and I like to hear my Aunt Nettie read the children's letters.

I go to Sunday-school nearly every Sunday. I like to go. Mrs. Hattie Murphy is my Sunday-school teacher. I love her. I think she is such a sweet woman. We have a large Sunday-school. Rev. C. L. Castleberry is our pastor. He is certainly a good man. Bye-bye. Rena Cunningham.

El Dorado, Ark.

Dear "Methodist"—As I have seen so many nice letters in the "Methodist," I thought I would write one. My home is in the country, but I am going to school in El Dorado. Miss Retta Brown is my teacher. I attend Sunday-school and preaching every Sunday. Brother Craig is my teacher and Brother J. A. Sage is our pastor. They are all so nice. I like them very much. I have two brothers and one sister, living. My mother was taken away from us by the death angel and my brother and one sister were taken the year following. It is so lonesome without them. Your little friend, Emma Mellard.

Dear Brother Godbey—I am a little girl 10 years old. Papa takes the dear old "Methodist," and I enjoy reading the children's letters. This is the first time I have written to the "Methodist." I go to

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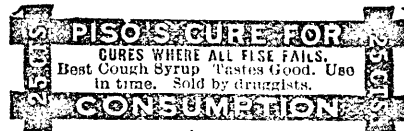
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**Woman's Home Mission Society.**

Our reports for the last quarter ending March 1 were very encouraging.

The adult auxiliary of Arkadelphia reported a life member, Mrs. M. A. Locke.

Lakeside, Pine Bluff, reported a patron to the Educational fund, Rev. W. P. Whaley, and enrolled Mrs. W. P. Whaley as patron to the Preachers' wives' loan fund.

Several new auxiliaries were reported and we are glad to welcome our co-workers in First Church and Fairview, Texarkana, Horatio, Grady, Parkdale, Lake Village and the Young People at Hope. A few of these have not given the number of members enrolled, but we hope soon to hear from them.

Much to our disappointment, Mrs. R. W. MacDonell, secretary Woman's Board of Home Missions, will be unable to come to our annual meeting in Prescott, May 12-15, on account of ill health.

However, we have good hope of having with us Mrs. L. A. Hotchkiss, a host within herself; also Mrs. F. E. Rudolph and Mrs. Emma Gillman, our faithful and beloved co-workers who recently moved from Arkansas. With these women to help us the annual meeting must prove a blessing and a benediction. Every delegate is expected to bring a written report for the year ending March 1, and to be ready and willing to take part in the discussions.

Not having heard from some friends who are to take part in the exercises, I am advised to publish the programme omitting names, and it is as follows:

Program Ninth Annual Meeting of the Little Rock Conference Woman's Home Mission Society, Prescott, May 12-15:

**Tuesday, 8:00 P. M.**

Devotional Services.

Hymn, "Come Thou Almighty King."

Addresses of Welcome.

Response.

Anthem by Choir.

Map Talk.

Benediction.

**Wednesday, 8:30 A. M.**

Devotional Service.

Organization of Body.

Greetings.

Hymn, "Blest Be the Tie that Binds."

President's Address.

Appointment of Committees.

Consecration Service.

**Wednesday, 2:30 P. M.**

Devotional Service.

Minutes.

Reports of Secretary and Delegates of Arkadelphia District.

Paper, "Children in the Factory."

Reports of Secretary and Delegates of Camden District.

Paper, "The Deaconess and Her Work."

Question Box.

**Wednesday, 8:00 P. M.**

Children's Service.

Report of Conference Treasurer.

Hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

Report of Conference Corresponding Secretary.

Anthem by Choir.

Echoes from Meeting of Woman's Board in Atlanta.

Benediction.

**Thursday, 8:30 A. M.**

Devotional Service.

Minutes.

Reports of Secretary and Delegates of Little Rock District.

Reports of Secretary and Delegates of Mena District.

Report of Second Vice President.

Discussion on Tithing.

Paper, "Our Literature and the Press."

Consecration Service.

**Thursday, 2:30 P. M.**

Devotional Service.

Minutes.

Reports of Secretary and Delegates of Pine Bluff District.

Reports of Secretary and Delegates of Monticello District.

Report of Superintendent Supplies.

Report Superintendent Baby Roll.

Discussion:

"Supplies."

"Mite Boxes."

"Baby Roll."

"Our Young People."

**Thursday, 8:00 P. M.**

Annual Sermon.

**Friday, 8:30 A. M.**

Devotional Service.

Minutes.

Reports of Secretary and Delegates of Prescott District.

Paper, "The Social Settlement."

Reports of Committees.

Consecration Service.

**Friday, 2:30 P. M.**

Devotional Service.

Place of Meeting.

Election of Officers.

Miscellany.

Minutes.

Adjournment.

The Woman's Board of Home Missions meets in Atlanta, April 17, and Mrs. F. M. Williams, our Conference President, will ably represent us there.

Mrs. W. H. Pemberton.

Cor. Sec. L. R. Conf. W. H. M. S.

**Our Church at Home.**

**GILLETT CIRCUIT.**—Notwithstanding the bad roads and high waters, Gillett Circuit is progressing nicely along all lines. We were glad to be returned to this circuit this year, as we learned to love this people, and are anxious to see each church become a strong, living church. We also feel personally interested in the salvation of a great number of our young people and hope we may be instrumental in leading them to Christ during this year. Prospects for a good year are in sight. We are having good services at our regular appointments. The Spirit's presence is felt. Since conference we have received four on confession of faith, and two by certificate. We have three Sunday-schools in operation, and will have three more as soon as the literature comes. It has been some years since our church had a Sunday-school at Gillett. The M. E. Church has had one all the while. Our church has been very weak, but has taken on new life, so now we have good attendance at preaching services and

have a good Sunday-school.

We have painted the church at Gillett on inside and expect to repaint outside in near future. The Ladies' Aid is having about forty dollars worth of work done on Haller's Chapel. This is a strong country church, only 3 1-2 miles distant from Gillett. Do not think it will be far distant in the future until Gillett and Haller's Chapel can support a pastor alone.

Bad roads and high water have prevented many from attending church on Little Prairie, but I had fine attendance Sunday. Will set the time for Little Prairie camp-meeting in the near future, so I can make arrangements for five or six good, strong preachers to help in it.

As the minutes show, all claims were paid in full last year and of course we expect to do as well this year. Gillett gave us a nice pound- ing and we are continually receiving good things from our people all over the circuit. J. D. May.

**RICHMOND CIRCUIT.**—Second quarterly meeting is past; was held Saturday and Sunday last. Reports were good and showed much interest in church work generally. Conference collections almost provided for.

On Sunday our beautiful new church was dedicated, Brother Few preaching the sermon and dedicating the church. A splendid sermon it was, measuring fully up to the occasion, which was honored by an overflow house.

The report would not be complete without mention being made of the decoration which was conducted by Miss Rhoberta Jordan. A pyramid of flowers furnished the background. There being no debt to collect, a collection was taken for district parsonage and Richmond's prorata, \$25, was paid in cash.

The occasion is being followed up with a revival. Congregations so far are good, and the outlook is fine. Love to all.

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**PRESCOTT DISTRICT.**—The Prescott District is moving on well. J. L. Johnston of the Murfreesboro Circuit was the first of this district to send in his Foreign Mission money in full to the treasurer of the board. Since then, George W. Logan of the Caroline Circuit, L. W. Evans of the Spring Hill, W. C. Watson of Hope Station, have all sent in their Foreign Mission assessment in full to Brother Evans. B. A. White of the De Ann Circuit has his Foreign Mission money in full, and will send it in at once. Others are practically out. All the preachers are busy. It is common to find anxious ones in the congregation inquiring the way of salvation.

At the quarterly conference of the Antoine Circuit held at Pike City, April 4th, four young men were recommended to the District Conference for license to preach. All are promising young men. Brother Burnett has just finished and moved into a new parsonage at Pike City. His Epworth League is first-class.

Brother C. O. Steele has just paid out the church debt at Nashville. His congregations are large. Nashville is soon going to be one of our best stations. Brother Steele is in great favor with his people.

Brother McKay began a protracted meeting yesterday. We hope for a great work to be done. His official board presented him with a beautiful gold-headed cane last Wednesday evening. Brother McKay's health seems to be fully restored, for which we are all thankful.

Many people are being added to the church throughout the district, some on profession of faith, others by letter. We are praying for a glorious revival of religion, and are working and preaching to that end.

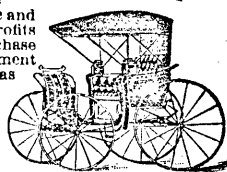
Our district conference will be held at Columbus July 15-19, Rev. C. O. Steele will preach the opening sermon at 11 a. m. of the 15th. R. R. Moore, P. E.

**WALNUT TREE.**—We have just closed our second quarterly conference, said to have been the best and most spiritual in the history of the circuit. Our P. E. was on hand, full of the Holy Spirit. Brother Stevenson seems to be the right man in the right place. He has the district work well in hand. While we have not received any soundings yet we are serving a people that know how to take care of a preacher. Walnut Tree Circuit is moving to the front, on all lines. We will pay all of our conference claims this year. The sisters of the circuit are getting up those claims for us and they say that they intend to pay out, and I believe they will. We are praying for and expecting a glorious revival all over the work. We are looking after the paper. Pray for us. R. N. Davis.

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Work on Mexico's pavilion at the World's Fair, St. Louis, was begun recently. The structure will be 50 by 72 feet. Mexico will spend half a million dollars on the national exhibit.

The United States Military Academy at West Point will have an exhibit at the World's Fair, St. Louis, in 1904. A building, 58 feet long, 29 feet wide and 31 feet high, will be erected to contain the exhibit and the architecture will be such as to suggest at a glance the academy at West Point.

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##### Some Coffee Tales.

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### Woman's Work.

#### W. F. M. S. Arkadelphia District.

The beloved, consecrated and always efficient secretary of this district has been suffering for weeks under extreme prostration, requiring for her comfort and recovery absolute rest and relief from all responsibility. So long our faithful associate and trusted leader, in every good word and work, our hearts turn now to Sister Williams with a great longing. Not only in this, her district, but throughout the conference, many godly women will intercede the Father to be exceedingly merciful, and give ear to the voice of our supplication, that our sister may be restored to her devoted family, to us who so love and need her, and to the church to which she is loyal and true in all things.

The executive board of our Conference Society have lifted all duties as secretary of the district from Sister Williams and have elected in her place Mrs. Knott, of Arkadelphia. She is a most worthy successor and is known too well throughout the conference to need a word of eulogy. Sister Williams knows and loves her well, and so will all the dear sisters whom we now transfer from one loving hand to another. Officers of the different auxiliaries of Arkadelphia District will please remember to address all reports to Mrs. L. E. Knott, at Arkadelphia.

With promise of notice later on of our annual meeting, and trusting us every one personally and with the work committed us to the tender care and guidance of our Heavenly Father. Lou A. Hotchkiss.

L. R. Conf. Society.

#### Program

For the Little Rock Conference Missionary Mass Meeting to be held at First Church, Texarkana, May 12-14:

Tuesday, 7:45 p. m.—Scriptural Idea of Missions, Rev. R. W. McKay.

Wednesday, 8:30 a. m.—One hour will be given for organization and special prayer for the presence and power of the Holy Ghost to lead the services. R. W. McKay.

9:30—"The Home Missions in the Little Rock Conference and Their Needs," Rev. B. A. Few.

11 a. m.—"The World-Wide Missions," Rev. Lewis Powell.

2 p. m.—Devotional service, Rev. T. O. Owen.

2:15—"How to Develop Our Home Missions," Rev. James Thomas.

3 p. m.—"The Demand for Better Informed Pastors on Our Mission Works," Rev. T. D. Scott.

4 p. m.—"An Appeal for a Deeper Missionary Conscience in Pastor and People," Rev. W. M. Hayes.

7:45 p. m.—"The Missionary

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Thursday, 8:45—Devotional exercises, H. D. McKinnon.

9 a. m.—"The Sunday-School a Missionary Society," Rev. W. C. Watson.

10 a. m.—"The Circuit and Missionary Mass Meeting—Do They Pay?" Rev. J. H. Cummins.

10:30—An open question hour.

11 a. m.—"An Appeal for Full Collections," Rev. J. E. Godbey, D. D.

1:45 p. m.—Devotional exercises, Rev. F. P. Doak.

2 p. m.—"The Christian's Relation to the Heathen," Rev. Chas. J. Greene.

2:30 p. m.—"The Leading Hindrances to Mission Work," Rev. T. Y. Ramsey.

3 p. m.—The discussion of the open questions.

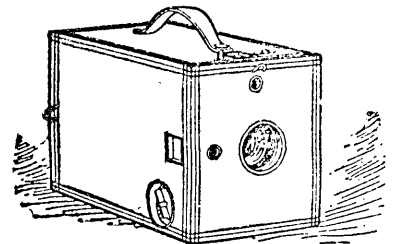
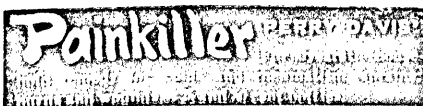
7:45 p. m.—An address by Rev. Dr. J. W. Lambuth.

Open discussions will follow each question embracing more than 30 minutes. Let all our preachers attend. Come praying and expecting God's presence.

R. W. McKay, Pres.

W. F. Evans, Conf. Miss. Sec.

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**PERRY.**—Little Rezza, daughter of William and Sister Fava Perry, was born April 16, 1901; departed this life February 25, 1903. She was seized with intermittent pneumonia fever. She was not a healthy child, but a sweet little one, and was so dearly loved by her parents. The more so from the fact that three others had preceded her to glory from their home, all going in infancy. Dear father and mother, remember that the little group is waiting to greet you happy home. You cannot bring them back, but you can go to them, praise the Lord. You should exclaim, as Job of old, "The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord."

May the good Lord bless the parents in their loneliness, may the father decide to join in with wife and mother to fight the battles of the Lord and meet their dear little ones in heaven. Their pastor,

Hugh Reveley.

**POTTER.**—Ardela J. Potter, nee Reed, was born in Hardeman county, Tennessee, April 3, 1834, and died at the old Potter home, near Buck Range in Howard county, August 18, 1902.

Some mention of this good woman's death should have been made earlier, and would have been but for some unintentional oversight, and having been her pastor at one time, it affords me great pleasure, at the request of her son, to pay this brief tribute to her memory. She professed religion and joined the Methodist Church in early life, and the God whom she learned to trust in young womanhood, was the joy and comfort of her widowhood in old age.

Fidelity in every relation of life was her watchword. From a dutiful loving child, she grew into beautiful womanhood, and even down to old age, she exemplified the beauty of a life "hidden with Christ in God." She loved the church and was a regular attendant upon its services. I recall many times, when the presence of this good woman was an inspiration to me.

She is survived by a noble son and a devoted daughter, who reflect credit on her sacred teachings and holy life.

May God bless the bereaved ones. Her former pastor,

F. N. Brewer.

**FROST.**—At about midnight, March 5, 1903, Mrs. Elizabeth J. Frost (nee Paulk), wife of Brother E. W. Frost, of Texarkana, Ark., was called to her eternal reward. She professed faith in Christ and connected herself with the church when a young woman. She was married to E. W. Frost in October, 1868. Five children, three grandchildren and the husband survive her. As a wife she was a help-meet in the highest sense. Like Mary, "she had chosen that better part," which was never taken from her; like Martha, she was all her life busy—intelligently, religiously busy—about many things. In her home, in her church, and in her social relations, she consciously assumed and faithfully performed her part. A woman of recognized piety and sound judgment, she was to her husband a safe counsellor, to her children a patient and painstaking and trusted mother, to her church a burning and shining light. To her neighbors a willing and unself-

ish source of helpfulness. She loved her church. She was kind and considerate of the poor. For years her home was the home and resting place of the preachers. Sister Frost had been sick a long time—for at least a year a great sufferer. Yet, she bore it with such sweet patience and resignation. She is the first contribution made by the new First Church of Texarkana to God's family in heaven. How this writer will miss her; she was so interested in our new church and parsonage. I have lost a strong support. She has left a rich heritage to us all. May heaven's richest blessings rest upon the children and husband, who cared so tenderly for mother and wife, and may the Holy Spirit guide them safely to an eternal reunion in the Celestial City, is the prayer of her pastor, James Thomas.

**HORNER.**—Mrs. Sarah Alice Horner (nee Cantrell) was born in Missouri March 18, 1866, and died at her home in Yellville, Ark., February 24, 1903. She was married to Mr. Jesse Horner October 7, 1880. To them were born ten children, eight of whom are living. She died in childbirth, leaving an infant of only a few minutes. She leaves her husband, eight children, an aged mother and many friends to mourn for her. Sister Horner professed faith in Christ and joined the M. E. Church, South, in childhood and lived a devoted and earnest Christian life until the end. Her last words were, "All is well with me." She's gone to her home above. May her Lord and Master guide her sorrowing husband, motherless children and friends until they shall meet her again. We laid her body to rest beside her sleeping friends in the Pleasant Ridge cemetery. May God's grace sustain her friends in this dark hour.

Sister Horner is a sister to J. M. Cantrell, of the Arkansas Conference. Lee Bearden, Pastor.

**BARROW.**—Mrs. Elmyra Barrow (nee Lemaster) was born November 22, 1880; professed faith in Christ and joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1891; married to Mr. Walter Barrow, September, 1900. After a lingering illness she fell on sleep January 19, 1903. She leaves many relatives and friends weeping on the shore. May God bless the sorrowing ones.

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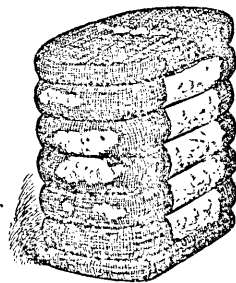
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**DIXON.**—John Dixon was born at Middleton, Henderson county, Tenn., March 28, 1847. He moved to Arkansas and settled in Howard county. He was married in 1891. In 1892 he was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, under the ministry of Rev. A. D. Jenkins. He was a good man and loyal to his church. He was a friend to his neighbors and a good father to his children. He was sick some four or five weeks before the end came. He was looking for his reward. He leaves a wife and five children. We earnestly pray that God may give to this widowed mother cheer for her loneliness and joy for her grief, and wisdom that she may successfully bear the mantle of the father, which has fallen upon her shoulders. Look upward and onward, dear sister, and God will come to gather home his own by and by.

J. F. Lawlis.

**WILSON.**—Mrs. Callie Wilson, wife of G. R. Wilson, was born in Georgia, March 2, 1849, and died at her home near Magazine, Ark., March 2, 1903. She professed religion and joined the church while young. Her home was always a place of rest and welcome for the preachers. Coming to church one cold, stormy night, she said, "I'm hungry for the gospel." A few days before her death she said to a neighbor, "I'll not be here much longer." That was a happy day when all of the family promised to meet mother in heaven. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."

O. H. Tucker.

**HORN.**—William Horn was born at Van Buren, Ark., July 14, 1875, and died at his home near Magazine, Ark., March 1, 1903. He professed religion under the ministry of Rev. D. N. Weaver and joined the Methodist church at Wesley Chapel. William Horn was a devout Christian. Three weeks before he died I preached for him at his home. He suffered long, but was always happy and patient. His last words to his brother were, "good-by." May the family and friends meet him in heaven.

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### Methodist Calendar.

League and S. S. Conf., Horatio, April 29-May 2  
Woman's Home Mission Society, White River  
Conference, Batesville, May 7-10  
Annual Meeting W. H. M. S., Pre cott,  
May 12-15  
Mid-Year Missionary Meeting, Texarkana, May 19-21.  
Searcy Dist. Conf., Cabot, May 28-31  
Woman's Foreign Mission Society, Arkansas Conference, Clarksville, May 30-June 2  
Galloway College Commencement Sermon, Bishop E. E. Hoss, June 3  
Epworth League Conf., Jonesboro, June 16-19  
Camden Dist. Conf., June 23  
Little Rock Dist. Conf., Lonoke, July 1-3

### Quarterly Meetings.

Harrison District—Third Round.  
Berryville Ct., at Rule, May 2, 3  
Eureka Springs, May 4  
Lead Hill Ct., at Lead Hill, May 9, 10  
Green Forest and Berryville, at Berryville, May 16, 17  
Bellefonte Ct., at Cross Roads, May 23, 24  
Mountain Home Ct., at Shiloh, May 30, 31  
Mountain Home Sta., June 6, 7  
Yellville Ct., at Liberty, June 13, 14  
Yellville Sta., June 15  
Lone Rock, at Buffalo City, June 20, 21  
Valley Springs Ct., at Valley Springs, June 20, 21  
Carrollton Ct., at Coin, June 27, 28  
Jasper Mission, at Basin, July 4, 5  
Marshall Mission, at Marshall, July 9  
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Leslie Ct., at Pleasant Grove, July 11, 12  
Harrison Sta., July 15  
Kingston Ct., at Shiloh, July 18, 19  
J. H. O'Bryant, P. E.

Monticello District—Second Round.  
Carriola and Current, May 2, 3  
Lake Village, May 5, 6  
Portland and Wilmot, at Wilmot, May 2, 3  
Jersey Ct., at Smith's Chapel, May 9, 10  
Parkdale Ct., at Beech Creek, May 16, 17  
Snyder Ct., at Snyder, May 23, 24  
Watson Ct., at Watson, May 30, 31  
Douglass and Grady, at Bethel, June 6, 7  
Cadesman Pope, P. E.

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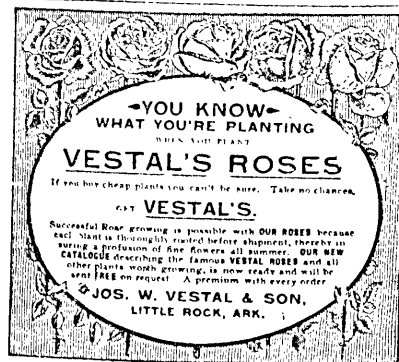
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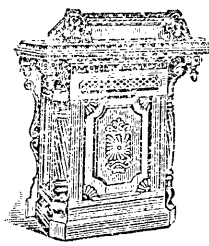
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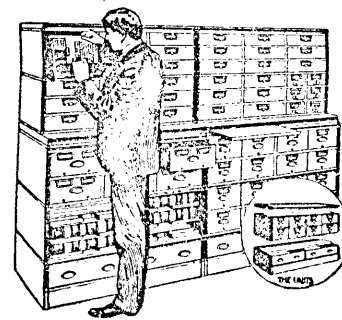
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