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News and Notes.

IN THE RECENT PARIS-MADRID automobile race some of the vehicles reached a speed of eighty miles an hour.

A Royal Rebuke.

Neither Queen Alexandra nor the Princess of Wales attended the Epsom races on "ladies' day." It was the purpose of both to express their displeasure at the trend of society in regard to gambling. London society women were chagrined and dismayed by this royal rebuke.

The Opium Monopoly in the Philippines.

A report has come to us of a proposition of the Philippine government to sell to the highest bidder the right of producing and selling opium. We understand that the opium is to be sold only to adult Chinese. The missionaries at Manila protests against this measure, as well they may. The manufacturers of opium will spare no method of increasing its sale. The people of the United States will not consent to this prostitution of the government to a business so destructive to the welfare of the people we rule.

Sadly Bereaved.

Our dear Brother A. P. Few, pastor of Asbury Church, Little Rock, with his wife and the sweet children, were suddenly bereaved in the death of little Burnette, the seven year old daughter, who went away last Sunday. It was a sudden blow, for Burnette had not been sick. In twenty-four hours congestion did its work. The funeral was from the church at 3 p. m., Monday, Rev. T. Y. Ramsey, pastor of Winfield Church, directed the services and the pastors of the city attended. The house was filled by people whose hearts were especially drawn to the stricken

family. Burnette was a member of the Sunday-school and the procession of little girls carrying flowers was very beautiful and touching. May the peace of God be upon the hearts that ache.

Law Enforcement.

It is a shame to any city or community that the citizens should be called upon to organize law and order societies to see that officers enforce the law. It is an utter shame that any officer, sworn to enforce the law, should take the ground that unless he can do this to his own advantage politically or pecuniarily that he will not do it at all. Yet this is just the condition of things in many cities and communities, and this State of Arkansas has its share of them. Officers of the law plead, "You moral and religious people do not sustain me." It means make it to my advantage to do my duty and I will do it. It is a confession of venality, lack of conscience, lack of manliness. Not simply judges, prosecutors, marshals, mayors and police officers deal with the cases of violations of law, but juries. But juries may be packed to enforce law or tolerate its violation. No man is fit to sit on a jury who is not known to be a man who obeys the law himself and is positive in his demand for its enforcement. The officers of the law have the means of enforcing the law. We must demand that they do it. The law and order societies or leagues are forced upon us, but their work must inspire the people with such independence of party trammels and such purpose to demand uprightness in official station that personal character shall be made the supreme issue in all elections. There is not one particle of reason why party politics should be allowed any place in municipal elections. An army of independent voters is the best remedy for ring rule and venality.

Illiteracy—Special Need of Education in the South.

According to the census of 1900 there are 2,326,295 illiterate voters in the United States out of a voting population of 21,329,819, or about one-eleventh of the whole.

These illiterates are classified as, native whites 620,000; foreign born 688,750; Negroes 977,049; considerably over two-thirds being Negroes and foreigners. These illiterates are reckoned to represent a total population of 7,500,000 in round numbers, or about one-eleventh of all the population of the United States. In certain Southern States, where the Negro population is greatest, the proportion of illiterates to the whole population is more than one-fourth. This illiteracy is not wholly or chiefly due to lack of educational facilities. It is found in exactly the same conditions with fairly educated people, and often where the plea of poverty can not be urged. Illiteracy exists in the very shadow of well equipped public schools. No expenditure of money for public schools will entirely remove it. Yet the number of illiterates and the expenditure of money for education in any State have an important relation. They spring from a common cause. They reflect the public appreciation of education generally. It is lack of appreciation that makes the poor schools, the short terms, and low salaries of teachers, as well as carelessness to use such schools as are provided. The number of illiterates suggests a low standard of education among those who are not reckoned in the illiterate class.

The amount of money spent for education in the different states is a far better measure of the average intelligence of the people than any statistics of illiteracy, for it is among the nine-tenth of our population, not reckoned as illiterates, that the comparison in education must be made. If we had a proper grading of the average education of the people in various States we should have to grade from 40 up to 100, and much according to the money expended.

It is certain that a crusade of education needs to be preached in the South, and the rural sections especially awakened to combine their strength to establish better schools. If there is a majority in favor of this it may be begun in a practical way. We know of nothing which will impress the people

more with the importance of education than good provision for it. There is a gospel of education in good school buildings, and pleasant grounds, and competent teachers, and a respectable school tax.

In many sections illiteracy has too much company to be ashamed of itself, or people are content with a low standard of education because there are so few about them who stand on a higher plane. Such communities are hard to move by any sort of gospel we can preach. A restriction of the right to vote on the one hand, and compulsory education on the other, are the logical conclusions of any government control of education. If the State demands for her safety an educated citizenship, and for that reason has a right to tax the people of intelligence and means to build school houses and pay teachers, she owes it to those whom she compels to support the schools to see that their contribution to the public good accomplishes its end. If the law compels me to build the school that the children may be educated, it should compel the parents to send their children to school. This proposition is self evident, that uneducated people must be directed by the educated in all departments of business and spheres of life. The father who neglects the education of his son consents to place him with those who serve. He cuts off from him the best chances of life.

We shall never be able to equalize property, but whatever we can do toward equalizing education will prove a step in that direction. It is education that gives capacity for ownership. One who can not read certainly does not need a library. A woman who is not educated in music does not need a piano. The ability to possess is the ability to use, and it is profitable, neither to the individual nor the world at large, for one to own, nominally, what he can not use. A telescope that is worth a hundred thousand dollars to an astronomer is not worth a penny to a clown. A lamp is of no value to a blind man. Will you leave your child in a condition in which God's gifts are of no value?

Temperance.

Square and Honest.

Dr. Clarke, the founder of the Christian Endeavor Society, was in Richmond recently, touring in the South. He writes:

"The extent to which temperance sentiment and practice prevail in the South will be a surprise to many a Northern man. There are larger 'dry' areas in the South than in the North or West.

"In most parts of Mississippi it is far harder to get a drink than it is in Maine; or, at least, than it was in Maine two years ago. Did I try? Well, no, but I took the evidence of my eyes and of trusted friends. In the three towns of Mississippi which I visited—Columbus, West Point and Tupelo—I was told that a glass of liquor could not be had for love or money.

"There are only six or eight 'wet' towns in the State; the others are all taken care of by local option and strenuous sentiment. Two-thirds of the Texas towns have absolutely no saloons, and the same is true," etc.

This report and contrast is complimentary to the South. Whatever the infirmities of the citizen along the South Atlantic are, he is not a sneak nor hypocrite. If the ballot decree banishment of the saloon, he will not connive at "blind tigers." The first State school superintendent (Dr. Ruffner) suffered from toothache while passing through certain counties in Southwest Virginia for lack of a mouthful of brandy. They had voted liquor out of their confines, and it remains out.—Richmond Christian Advocate.

Why?

When Kansas City came face to face with the critical situation caused by the flood, the authorities ordered every saloon within the corporation closed. Why? To ask the question is to answer it. The open saloon makes trouble and already the city had more trouble on hand than it had police power to manage. The saloons were adding to the serious complications.

Open saloons mean drinking, drinking means drunkenness, and drunkenness means devilment.

Not a dry goods store, not a fruit store, not a grocery, not a shoe store, not a bakery, was ordered closed. And why? Because there is nothing in any of these lines of business that in any way endangers the interests of the community. They are not makers of brawls. They do not demoralize men and incite them to lawlessness and indecency. It was the immoral nature of the business that forced the city authorities to recognize the saloons as elements of danger in the most trying situation that ever came to the city. By their act of closing the saloons the authorities demonstrat-



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ed their estimate of the business. Their act calls fresh attention to the well attested fact that the saloon is a school of crime. The authorities were well aware of the fact that a large volume of the business done by the police force and the police courts is furnished by the saloons.

It will go into history that in the time of its greatest trouble and peril, Kansas City was afraid of its saloons.—Word and Way.

A Judge on Saloons.

A presiding judge in one of our Chicago courts recently made these remarkable statements which deserve publicity and should be read by every thinking Christian through the world. He said: "You ransack the pigeon-holes all over the city and country, and look over such annual reports as are made up, but they will not tell half the truth. Not only are the saloons of Chicago responsible for the cost of the police force, the fifteen justice courts, the bridewell, but also the criminal courts, the county jail, a great portion of Joliet prison, the long murder trials, the coroner's office, and the madhouse. Go anywhere you please, and you will find almost invariably that whisky is at the root of the evil. The gambling-houses of the city and the bad-houses of the city are the direct outgrowth and the boon companions of drink.

Of all the prostitutes of Chicago, the downfall of almost every one can be traced to drunkenness on the part of their parents or husbands, or drunkenness on their own part. Of all the boys in the reform school at Pontiac, and in the various reformatories, about the city, 95 per cent are the children of parents who died through drink or became criminals through the same cause. Of the insane and demented disposed of here in the court every Thursday, a moderate estimate is that 90 per cent are alcoholic and its effects.

"I saw estimated the other day there were 10,000 destitute boys in Chicago who are not confined at all, but are running at large. I think that is a small estimate. Men are sent to prison for drunkenness, and what becomes of their families? The county agent and poor-house provide for some. It is a direct expense to the community. Generally speaking, these families go to de-

struction. The boys turn thieves, and the girls and the mothers generally resort to the slums. The sand-baggers, murderers and thugs generally of today, who are prosecuted in the police courts and in the criminal courts, are the sons of men who fell victims to drink. The percentage in this case is fully 65 per cent."

Some one has said that "A saloon can no more be run without using up boys than a flouring mill without wheat, or a sawmill without logs—the only question is, whose boys, yours or mine, our boys or our neighbors?"

If we are to have drunkards in the future, they must come from our boys today. This question appeals to me as the question of the hour. How shall we treat it?—R. W. M., in Ram's Horn.

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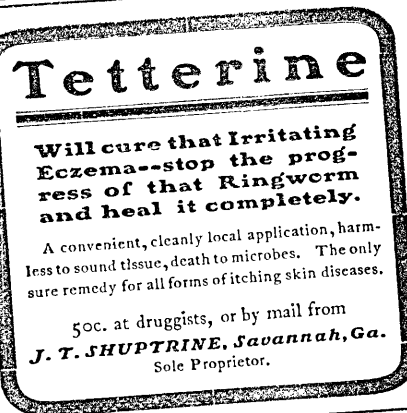
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Notes by the Way.

A few days in the growing city of Pine Bluff furnished opportunity of meeting Brothers Dickerson, Whaley, Hawley and T. D. Scott. These brethren report their respective works in good condition, with future prospects very encouraging.

Dr. Browning is moving around without an ache or a pain and his rich experience of grace and trust in the Lord was a benediction to me. Brother John Carr, though quite feeble, did everything he could to assist me in my work and to make my stay pleasant. I have never known any man so universally popular and so much beloved as he is, and why should he not be? His heart is full of love, sympathy and sunshine that he distributes everywhere he goes.

No place in our State is growing faster than the city of Warren. It is said to have doubled in population in the last two or three years. They have removed the old court house in which I preached in 1859 and '60, as junior preacher on Warren Circuit, which embraced all the territory in Bradley county, a good part of what is now Cleveland, and Dallas counties and extended from the dark corner in Bradley to Jenkins' ferry, on Saline river, and had 28 regular preaching places. The house they are erecting will be modern and up to date in all respects. I found no one to whom I preached in 1859. Some children and grandchildren keep up the names and perpetuate the memories of fathers and mothers long since gone home to rest. Brother L. B. Hawley is preaching to good congregations, and enjoys the confidence and esteem of the good people of Warren.

I enjoyed a day at the home and with the very interesting family of Brother Anderson at the town of Wilmar. The school there has more than met the expectation of its friends; the discipline of the school is mild but firm and the instruction thorough.

Monticello presented a great contrast as it appeared to me in 1870, when I was first assigned there as P. C. There was much improvement during the seven years of my residence there, and it has continued to grow. I know of no town of equal population that can boast of as many manufacturing establishments and public works. Many of the old cottages have given way to large, comfortable homes, while new palatial residences may be seen in every direction.

Brother Pope reports the spiritual condition of his district very good, and the future prospect very encouraging.

Dr. Corrigan is doing well and has his church well in hand. He has impressed his people that to live at peace with God they must keep

clear of sinful amusements. His congregations are large and appreciative and I think he has the best attendance at prayer-meeting I have found in my travels this year.

Hamburg, Ashley county, shows many signs of thrift and prosperity. In 1870 I spent one of the happiest years of my life in that town. Dear Brother and Sister Pryor of precious memory opened their home and hearts to me and contributed greatly to my happiness and success on the work. Here I find a goodly number with only such changes as time has produced. No preacher can come in contact with Hunter Pryor without feeling his heart go out to him and his prayers ascend to God for him, for the consideration and kindness which he thrusts upon you. God bless him and his.

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Lake Village.—The Methodist interests, of which is presided over and looked after by Brother Beardslee, is improving very rapidly. It is said that there are three times as many people there as two years ago. I have never had more royal entertainment and better attention than that rendered by Mr. Mathews during a day's outing on Lake Chicot. With the greatness of our county and the wonderful possibilities with which we as a State are surrounded, I am more and more impressed.

J. R. Harvey.

Notes From the Denver Conference.

Dear Dr. Godbey—The dear "Methodist" continues to visit me. It gives me great pleasure to notice the general movements of our Arkansas Methodism. In Colorado our church is moving slowly but surely with divine approbation. The Denver District Conference which met at Trinidad was the most spiritual I have ever attended. Rev. W. E. Edmonson, the presiding elder, is a fine man, a great worker and in the right place. He is a man from the heart who seeks to magnify his office to the glory of God.

Circumstances are so that I expect to return to the Little Rock Conference in September. It may be leaving room for some one else to take my place to do more for the Master than I have done, yet I am persuaded to believe it is unfortunate on my part, for me to leave the Denver Conference so soon.

takes a Southerner fully a year to begin to "catch on" to Western habits. Almost a year is necessary for him to master his situation. This is a great field for Christian work. The prospects and possibilities of our church here are encouraging. The people, as elsewhere, are desirous of hearing the "Old Story," simple and plain.

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To Richmond and Washington.

On June 6th my husband and myself boarded the Choctaw train for Richmond, Va., the seat of the Supreme Lodge of the Knights of Honor. I had looked forward to the trip with pleasant anticipations, and it was indeed an exhilarating prelude to the days that followed. Sunday morning, June 7, we awoke to find ourselves in Kentucky. After a hurried toilet we settled ourselves to enjoy the beautiful farms in the blue grass region of that fair state, until 8:40, when the familiar voice of the Pullman conductor informed us that we had reached Louisville. Here we had planned to spend the Sabbath, as we did not care to travel that day. After a few necessary preparations we started out to find a Methodist Sunday school and place of worship. The pastor of Walnut Street Church, the Rev. Dr. Lloyd, and his members, gave us a cordial welcome. They had in their Sunday school 185 present, and forty-five in the infant department. They thought it a fine school, as it had increased lately. The infant room is a small one, across-the hall from the main Sunday school room, and is seated with benches. Sunday school over, we were taken to the auditorium above, and by invitation of Dr. Whisner, secretary of the church executive board, we occupied his pew, and heard an earnest sermon on the subject of missions. Services over, and not being quite ready for dinner, we crossed over the Ohio river into New Albany, Indiana. Sunday night we took the Chesapeake & Ohio, and at 4 o'clock Monday morning suddenly awoke to find that we were indeed and in truth climbing the great Alleghanies; right under our car window came rolling and tumbling down the mountain side the tumultuous Kanawha river. The whole scene was inexpressibly wild and grand. It was indeed a continuous panorama of beautiful vistas, in which mountain stream, valley and woodland combine to form the most charming of natural effects. At every turn of the road some new and grandly beautiful scene was spread out before our enraptured gaze—3,100 feet above the sea level, at the very summit of the Alleghany Mountains we were served with a delicious breakfast on a dining car, and we really feasted our bodies and eyes at the same time. The mountains were literally covered with field daisies, ferns and Rhododendems, and so the day was spent climbing first alongside the Kanawha, then New River merged into view, which was almost a counterpart of the Kanawha. At Hinton, 147 miles from Huntington, New River was lost to view, and on the right appeared a clear bright stream, the Greenbrier. At

After the summit of the great Blue Ridge is reached, the water on the left running to the Atlantic Ocean, that on the right to the Gulf of Mexico. Descending the eastern slope the view was magnificent with towering peaks on one side and on the other the beautiful Piedmont Valley, 1,000 feet below, stretching away for miles, one vast garden, dotted with orchards and peaceful homes. Charlottesville is beautifully situated at the foot of the Blue Ridge Mountain, and is the seat of the University of Virginia. Monticello, Jefferson's home, is also situated here, and his remains repose in a tomb on the hillside.

At 4:30 p. m., June 8th, we alighted from the train in historic old Richmond. After resting a few minutes we started out to see something of the city. Naturally enough, Centenary Methodist Church was the first thing we located; it being the church in which Mr. Thornburgh sat as a delegate in the General Conference, held there in 1886. Another exceedingly great pleasure was finding my dear old friend and former pastor, Dr. W. V. Tudor, who took me in the church when a girl of 16 years. He has retained much of his former vigor and strength and still holds an active and responsible place in his conference, that of Presiding Elder of West Richmond District. June 9 found us enthusiastic to see more of the city. We went first to the Jefferson Hotel, of which Richmond people are justly proud. It is indeed a very magnificent place. The dining room is a perfect bower of luxuriant ferns and towering palms, under which the sparkling fountains leap and play, giving life and vigor to many varieties of beautiful fish. An air of Southern ease and luxury pervades the whole. We next took a car for Libby Park, overlooking the James river, and commanding one of the widest and most interesting views of the city and its surroundings. Down by the river, not far from the park, was the site of Libby prison, until the enterprise of speculators moved it to Chicago. It was originally an old tobacco factory, but was converted into a prison to be used by the Confederates during the war. The park contains an imposing statue to the soldiers and sailors of the Confederacy. By this time the hour had arrived for the convening of the Supreme Lodge of the Knights of Honor, to which Mr. Thornburgh had gone as one of the representatives of the State of Arkansas. Consequently the rest of our sight-seeing came between the business hours of the lodge. We were next attracted to the Capital Square, of which I will speak in the next installment.

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Arkadelphia District Conference.

We had time for only one day in the conference—Saturday. We found a fine attendance and learned that reports were very favorable. Rev. J. R. Cason, the presiding elder, presided the first two days. Bishop Hoss came Friday and presided to the close.

The brethren were voting for delegates to the annual conference when we arrived. They elected in order H. A. Butler, I. N. Runyan, J. A. Townsend, D. J. Mann. Rev. J. L. McKinley, R. K. Higgs, C. V. Murry, alternates.

Bishop Hoss preached a very fervent sermon at 11 a. m. There had been preaching by F. P. Doak, B. A. Few, J. J. Mellard, W. R. Harrison and Lewis Powell.

Rev. D. J. Weems, agent for Galloway Female College, and J. S. Hawkins for the Arkadelphia Methodist College, represented those schools. Both schools are heartily recommended to our people.

Rev. Luther Brouch was recommended for readmission into the conference. Revs. Moffit, Jewel Rhodes and C. C. Green were recommended for admission.

The average of salaries paid to date, as reported by J. A. Townsend for the committee on finance, was about 75 per cent of amount due. The report stated that the financial state of the church depended much on the spiritual state. Judge Curl spoke to the report and urged that ignorance was largely responsible for neglect of financial claims.

Rev. W. H. Harrison read the report on the spiritual state of the church. It was reckoned that there had been a net increase of 186 members during the year. There are in the district 71 organized churches, 21 prayer-meetings, 240 homes have family altars, 77 churches have Sunday-schools, 15 have Epworth Leagues.

The report on education represented all the schools, Hendrix, Galloway and Arkadelphia colleges as in prosperous condition and well worthy the patronage of the church.

The report on church literature urged that renewed effort be made for its circulation.

Rev. J. J. Mellard, for the committee on missions, reported good collections for missions. The district made a fine report last year. The report committed the conference to a resolution to pay out on missions. On Epworth Leagues the committee by T. O. Owen reported 261 leagues, 150 copies of the Bra are taken, 9 charges have no leagues. The report recommended definite measures to increase the efficiency of league work.

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Literature and Review

AINSLIE'S for July was at hand a week ago. It has a fine corps of contributors. The magazine is devoted to fiction. It is popular with such as like that sort of literature.

The Story of My Life.

By Helen Keller. With Her Letters (1887-1901) and a Supplementary Account of Her Education, Including Passages from the Reports and Letters of Her Teacher, Anne Mansfield Sullivan. By Albert Macy (Illustrated). New York: Doubleday, Page & Co., 1903. Price, \$1.50, net.

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July 12—Saul Chosen King. 1 Sam x 17-27.

Golden Text.—“The Lord is our King; he will save us.” (Isa. xxxiii. 22.)

Time.—Not a great while after the events of our last lesson, though the chronology of the Oxford Bible throws the date forward to 1095 B. C., or twenty-five years later.

Place.—Mizpeh, four or five miles northeast of Jerusalem.

The existence of a king in Israel was not really inconsistent with the fact that they were a theocracy, having God for their real king, provided always that this human king was to be a man whom God should choose. Moses clearly foresaw that the time would come when the people would ask for a king, and he laid down the principles that were to govern this king. It was perhaps a part of the divine design that they should pass into a regal government. Still it seems that the people ought to have awaited a time when God should direct them to select a king, thus working out for them his own purposes; and it is also to be observed that the spirit in which they proceeded to ask for a king was such a spirit as involved a practical rejection of himself as king—the people were that heady that they were taking the whole matter into their hands. However, they did regard the Lord enough and regard Samuel, the Lord's prophet, enough to go to Samuel about it, and seek to arrange it through him.

Samuel gave the people fair warning as to what they might expect under a king, how that they would be reduced to a state of vassalage, be burdened with services and with taxes; but they wanted to be like other nations, and have a king. He therefore called the tribes together at Mizpeh, in solemn assembly before the Lord, and rehearsed before them the history of their request, and proceeded by lot to select a king. This method was chosen that the Lord might name the king by controlling the lot. The lot fell first upon the tribe of Benjamin, then upon the family of Matri, and finally upon Saul.

It is greatly to the credit of Saul that he was so modest about this whole proceeding. When they had

selected him he could not be found, had hidden himself. Perhaps he shrank back for two reasons: First because of the fearful responsibilities of the position and his sense of unfitness. So had Moses shrank from the call that came to him in Horeb, so did Isaiah and so did Jeremiah afterwards shrink from their calls; so have men been accustomed to do in all times—it is only fools who rush into such duties. Saul's second reason for shrinking may well have been found in the fact that the people were entirely too heady about this whole business, he may have taken the view of Samuel about the matter, and so sought to escape from the office. But God had determined to let the people have their way, and was proceeding to give them a king in Saul.

When Saul could not be found, after his selection, the people inquired of the Lord what to do, whether they should await the coming of another man still. They were told that Saul had hidden himself amongst the luggage of the camp. They went and found him there, and pulled him out, and brought him before the congregation with shouting! How like a king he looked, standing there head and shoulders above all his brethren!

Note three other facts: The first is that Samuel gives Saul, who was now brought virtually into his room and stead, a hearty endorsement; told the people that Saul was the Lord's own choice, and that there was none like him among all the people. The second fact is that God raised up counselors and friends who rallied right around Saul at once, men whose hearts God had touched. The third is that not everybody helped Saul; certain sons of Belial said, “How shall this man save us?” They treated him with contempt. But Saul was so far equal to the occasion, and held his peace. So favorable was the beginning of Saul's reign over Israel.

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Genesis xli. 38-42.

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Another lesson, always taught in the Bible, and always verified in the experiences of life, is that God promotes men who trust him. His providences are not arbitrary and coercive conditions which have no respect to the former conduct and character of men. God is careful whom he trusts. His confidence has to be won. It was not without cause that the Lord is represented as saying of Abraham, "I know him that he will order his household and his children after him." His steadfast purpose had been proven. God does not pick up an idle, careless, conscienceless man to do a great work. While his favors are sovereign and above all human merit, it is not misleading to say that in an important sense men have to win them by making themselves fit subjects to receive them.

He who would be led of God must put himself in God's hands to trust and obey. In all the strength with which God has endowed him he must stand up and say, "Speak, Lord, for thy servant heareth."

Joseph had vigorous training for public life. His dream of greatness, in which he saw the stars and the sheaves of wheat doing homage, excited the enmity of his brethren. He might have been at fault in the telling of it to them, or in the manner of telling it. It is certain they thought him assuming to be lordly and pompous. He suffered greatly from their displeasure. It may have been needed to prepare him to bear honors with modesty, and in a manner to win rather than estrange the hearts of men.

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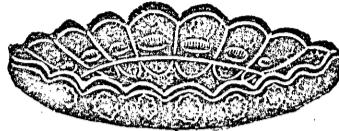
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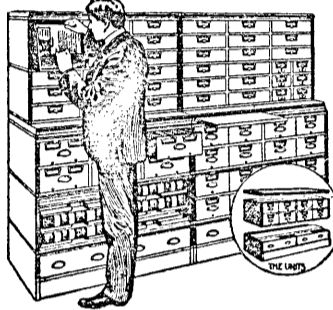
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Sketches From the Life of John Wesley. No II.

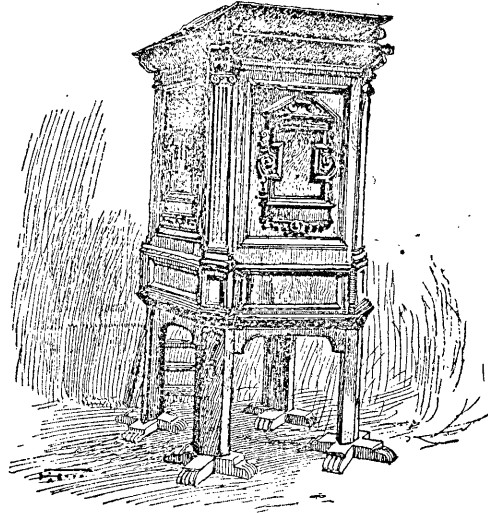
John Wesley was born in the Epworth rectory June 17, 1703, old style, which, according to the revision of the calendar made by Gregory, and about that time adopted in Great Britain, represented June 28th of our present reckoning, upon which day the two hundredth anniversary of Wesley's birth was most extensively observed.

An incident which had its effect on the minds of the parents, and on Wesley's life, to some extent, was the burning of the rectory when John was six years old and the remarkable escape the child had from perishing. Bishop McTyeire in his history of Methodism, thus relates it: "On February 9, 1709, at midnight, when all the family were in bed, Samuel Wesley was startled by the cry of fire out of doors. His wife and eldest daughters rose, quickly as possible. He then burst open the nursery door, where in two beds were sleeping five of his children and their nurse. The nurse seized Charles, the youngest, and bade the others follow. Three did as they were bidden, but John was left asleep. The wind drove the flames inward so that egress seemed impossible.

When Mr. Wesley was counting to see if all his children were safe he heard a cry issuing from the nursery and found that John was missing. He attempted to ascend the stairs, but they were all on fire, and not able to bear his weight. Finding it impossible to render help he knelt down and commended the soul of his child to God. Meanwhile the child had mounted a chest which stood near the window, and a person in the yard saw him, and proposed running to bring a ladder. Another seeing there was no time for that, proposed to fix himself against the wall, and that a lighter man should be set upon his shoulders. This was done and the child was pulled through the window and at the same instant the roof fell in. When the child was taken to an adjoining house, the devout rector said, "Come, neighbors, let us kneel down; let us give thanks to God; he has given me all my eight children; let the house go; I am rich enough."

After the burning of the rectory the children had to be scattered about among the neighbors till the house was rebuilt. There is a letter of Mrs. Wesley's which deploras the bad manners the children got from this temporary breaking up of the home.

To Susanna Wesley, it ever seem-



Drawn by Harry Fenn

WESLEY'S PULPIT AT OXFORD

John Wesley's second centenary gives added interest and value to the new short life of this great leader and preacher, which will be published in the July and August issues of *The Century*. Professor C. T. Winchester, of Wesleyan University, a lecturer and critic of

considerable reputation, and a sympathetic and scholarly student of this foremost figure in Methodist history, has written the life in popular, condensed form; and the chapters will have plenty of illustrations.

ed after this incident that God had marked John, by a special providence, and she felt called upon to devote herself anew to whatever she could do to prepare him for God's service. There is this note among her writings: "Evening May 17, 1711. Son John—What shall I render unto the Lord for all his mercies? The little unworthy praise that I can offer is so mean and contemptible that I am even ashamed to tender it. But Lord, accept it for the sake of Christ, and pardon the deficiency of the sacrifice. I would offer thee myself and all thou hast given me; and I would resolve, O give me grace to do it, that the residue of my life shall be devoted to thy service. And I do intend to become more particularly careful of the soul of this child, that thou hast so mercifully provided for, than ever I have been; that I may do my endeavor to instill into his mind the principles of thy true religion and virtue. Lord, give me grace to do it. Sincerely and prudently, and bless my attempts with good success."

When John Wesley was eleven years old he was sent to the Charter House School, London. The school had a high reputation. I have read that Wesley's father wrote to him to run round the grounds at school a certain number of times for physical exercise each day. It seems from a letter which his mother wrote him that they were in great straits for means to pay the expense of keeping him in school. His older brother, Samuel, bore part of the expense. Here is the letter of his mother:

"Dear Jack—I am uneasy because I have not heard from you. If all things fail, I hope God will not forsake us. We have still his good providence to depend on. Dear Jack, be not discouraged. Do your

duty. Keep close to your studies, and hope for better days. Perhaps after all we shall pick up a few crumbs for you before the end of the year. Dear Jack, I beseech Almighty God to bless thee.

Susanna Wesley."

Wesley was well prepared for school by his mother and was distinguished for scholarship at the Charter House. He obtained a scholarship of forty pounds, or \$200, annually for education at Oxford. The purchasing power of so much money was more in those days than now. If you have read Goldsmith's *Deserted Village* you remember the village pastor thought it a good living.

"A man he was to all the country dear,
And passing rich with forty pounds a year."

John Wesley went to Oxford University at sixteen and entered Christ College, where he graduated to the degree of A. M. after six years. He was ordained a deacon in 1725, elected fellow of Lincoln College in 1726, and ordained priest, or elder, in 1728. He returned to Epworth and served for a time as curate to his father. In 1729 he went to Oxford and entered upon his duties as a fellow.

"THE HOLY CLUB—THE METHODISTS.

When John Wesley returned to Oxford he found already begun the society which was afterward called "The Holy Club," and finally the "Methodists," in derision by the students. Charles Wesley began the meetings with Robert Kirkham and William Morgan. John Wesley united himself with them and soon became the leading spirit. The purpose of the association was the study of the Scriptures in the original languages, and the practice of works of charity. While such a

movement was an object of jest to most of the students it drew together a good number of serious and earnest men and some of the most gifted. We find in this society, after a time, besides the Wesleys, Kirkham and Morgan, Whitfield, Hery, Clayton, Broughton, Ingham, Whitelamb, Hall, Gambold, Kinchin, Smith, Salmon, Boyce, Atkinson and others.

After about five years at Oxford during which time Wesley was the acknowledged leader of the "Holy Club," he determined to become a missionary to America, and sailed with Gov. Oglethorpe to Savannah, Ga.

VALUE OF EDUCATION.

The stage of Wesley's history which we have sketched in this chapter, ought to impress upon all Christian parents the importance of educating their children. Through every vicissitude Wesley's parents held steadily to this. The father was a highly educated man. He was all his life a student. He wrote a "Life of Christ," which he dedicated to Queen Mary; a "History of the Old and New Testament," which he dedicated to Queen Anne, and an elaborate "Dissertation on the Book of Job," in Latin, which he dedicated to Queen Caroline. Six hundred folio pages in Latin on the book of Job did not contribute to the pleasure of the queen, but it is a testimony of that devotion to study and work which John Wesley inherited from his parents.

All of Wesley's sons were graduated at Oxford. The oldest brother, Samuel, was equal to either of the others as a scholar, and as a poet he had a high reputation. Several hymns in our collection testify of his gifts. Among these are the hymns beginning "The morning flowers display their sweets," "The Lord of Sabbath let us praise," "Hail, God, the Son in glory crowned," and others.

Without this devotion to the education of their children the Wesley parents would have prevented that great religious movement known as Methodism. If there is one duty more conspicuous than any other exhibited by Samuel Wesley and his wife, Susanna, it is that of educating children. If there is one labor which God especially rewarded and blessed it is this. Let all Methodist parents take this lesson.

Card of Thanks.

Dear Dr. Godbey—Please allow me space to express the gratitude of myself and family to the many friends who have written us, and expressed deep sympathy for us in the loss of our dear boy. We are grateful, we appreciate most profoundly, the tender expressions of loving regard. Our hearts are yet bleeding, our eyes are not dry, keenly do we feel this stroke. Only a

little boy, but he was our boy, our baby and last child. We loved him as parents; he loved us as a dutiful child. We still love him, and don't give him up; but he has gone from us. Continue to pray for us.
M. M. Smith.

Notices

Monticello District Conference.

Opening sermon will be preached at 8:15 p. m. on Wednesday, July 22, by Rev. O. H. Keadle. Committee to examine applications for Deacon's and Elder's orders, Revs. W. C. Hilliard, A. M. Shaw and A. Beardslee. License to preach, Revs. A. Turrentine, J. H. Bradford and A. T. Galloway.

Each pastor and delegate will please come prepared to participate actively in all the proceedings of the Conference, including Epworth League day, Thursday, July 23, and the consideration of the great missionary and Sabbath school interests of the church. We hope to have Bishop Hoss with us and any connectional or conference officer together with our church editors and educators will be cordially welcomed and greatly entertained.

Cadesman Pope, P. E.

Preachers and delegates intending to bring their wives to the District Conference at Monticello July 22, will please notify Rev. M. B. Corrigan at Monticello immediately.

Cadesman Pope, P. E.

Will the pastors of the Monticello district please send me the names of delegates and others who intend to be present at the Conference at Monticello July 22-25. Also others who intend to come as visitors. Please send names so that ample provisions may be made to entertain them. A hearty invitation to all, of course that includes the Arkansas Methodist very specially.

M. B. Corrigan, P. C.

Church Dedication.

Dr. Godbey: Our new church at Paris will be dedicated on the third Sunday, July 19th, by Dr. Henry Hanesworth, the Presiding Elder of Fort Smith District. The debt is paid in full. The former pastors are all cordially invited to be present. Brother Jeff Sherman has taken charge of the church and will fill out the conference year.

Fraternally, D. J. Weems.

Missionary Report.

Dear Brethren: Since the close of our fiscal year, March 30, I have received the following amounts:

Pine Bluff District—T. D. Scott, for New Edinburg Circuit, F. M. \$10.

Camden District—W. F. Evans, special fund, \$55; J. W. Vantrease, \$7; R. J. Raiford, \$25, D. M. \$5; J. Z. Burleson, \$25, D. M. \$12; A. D. Jenkins, \$65, D. M. \$5.50; F. R. Canfield, \$10; R. K. Rogers, \$40, D. M. \$20.

Texarkana District—S. A. Hill, \$25; J. W. White, \$60.

Prescott District—R. W. McKay, \$27.50; S. K. Burnett, \$12.50; B. A. White, \$40; C. O. Steele, for F. M. \$23; H. M. Bruce, for F. M. \$13; J. M. G. Douglass, for F. M. \$25; L. J. Ridling, for F. M. \$3.65; H. D. McKinnon, for F. M. \$13; R. L. Reese, for F. M. \$10; J. L. Johnston, for D. M. \$20.

Arkadelphia District—T. O. Owen, for F. M. \$75, D. M. \$40; S. C. Dean, for F. M. \$30, D. M. \$15.50; J. J. Mellard, for F. M. \$60, D. M. \$40; D. D. Warlick, for D. M. \$25.

Little Rock District—Hugh Revely, for D. M. \$2.50. Total for F. M. \$639.65, D. M. \$185.50.

W. F. Evans, Treasurer.

Camden, June 27, 1903.

Little Rock District Conference.

The Thirty-fifth session opened at Lonoke June 24. It was preceded the day before by a very interesting and profitable District Epworth League, which we expect some leaguer to report.

The District Conference was attended by every pastor and thirty-two laymen, including three or four local preachers.

Dr. John H. Dye presided the first day and Bishop Hoss the second. It was the shortest conference I ever attended, lasting only two days. Everything was harmonious and pleasant. Prof. H. S. Trayler was elected secretary.

It was resolved that hereafter the District Stewards assess the conference collections to the charges on the basis of the preachers' salaries, and that the Annual Conference be requested to use the same basis.

A resolution of sympathy to Bro. W. J. Cameron, a lay delegate, who was detained on account of the death of his mother, was adopted. Also a similar resolution to the family of H. K. Ritchie.

There were only three visitors, to-wit: Rev. D. J. Weems, representing Galloway College; Rev. S. Anderson, representing Hendrix College, and Rev. T. O. Rorie.

The report of the spiritual state of the church was very gratifying.

The Committee on Temperance commended the work of the Anti-Saloon League, of Little Rock and Hot Springs, and contained the following:

"Resolved, That we deprecate and disapprove the abuse of the pardoning power of the governor of the state in pardoning men who have been convicted of the illicit sale of intoxicating liquor, and in vetoing certain temperance laws passed by the recent legislature which forbade soliciting orders for liquor in prohibited territory."

The resolution was adopted by a unanimous rising vote of all present.

W. E. Glover was licensed to preach.

The following named local preach-

ers were approved and they continued as local preachers: J. P. Lowery, A. J. Snodgrass, D. P. Forsyth, C. H. Hudson, R. R. Corbett, John Roland, D. J. Pritchard, S. D. Wheat, D. J. Leake, Ben Hudson, B. F. Martin, E. A. Tabor and H. L. Reveley.

H. L. Reveley was recommended for admission into the traveling connection.

L. E. N. Hundley was recommended for Deacon's orders.

D. J. Leake was recommended for restoration of his credentials as an elder, which he had surrendered a few years ago.

The following named were elected delegates to the Annual Conference: H. S. Trayler, Geo. Rule, S. D. Wheat, W. C. Ratcliffe; Alternates, J. H. Hicks, Geo. Thornburgh.

Hunter Memorial Church, Little Rock, was chosen as the place at which to hold the session of 1904.

A deserved resolution of thanks was passed to the citizens of Lonoke for hospitable entertainment, and to the Choctaw Railway for courtesies.

Dr. Lewis preached at 11 o'clock Wednesday, and Rev. T. Y. Ramsey at night.

Bishop Hoss preached at 11 o'clock Thursday and delivered his great lecture on the Bi-Centennial of Wesley's birth at night, and dedicated the Lonoke Church. The bishop was in a railway collision Wednesday and was considerably shaken up, but not hurt.

The good people of Lonoke entertained the Conference easily and most hospitably. My own home with the happy family of Hon. Jo Robinson and Mr. Miller was a delightful place and I greatly enjoyed it.

Geo. Thornburgh.

Married.

SUDBURY-THOMPSON—J. G. Sudbury to Miss Josie Thompson, in the Methodist Church at Blytheville June 23, by Rev. S. H. Babcock.

MULLINS-BEACH—At the church in Carriola, by Rev. O. H. Keadle, April 15, Mr. W. C. Mullins, of Lake Providence, La., and Miss Percilla Beach, of Grand Lake, Ark.

HARRELL-DYKE.—June 7, 1903, at the residence of the bride's father, near Mayflower, Mr. William Harrell to Miss Louie Dyke. The groom is a prosperous young merchant and farmer of Faulkner Gap, Ark., while the bride is one of Faulkner county's fair daughters and a successful public school teacher. May long life and happiness attend them. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Amos E. Wilson, at 3:30 p. m., June 7, 1903.

We take pleasure in calling attention in this issue to the advertising in another column of the

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Personal.

Hon. and Mrs. H. L. Rimmel will leave Little Rock July 4th for a three months' visit to Europe.

Rev. Jno. P. Lowry came in last week from an eighteen days good meeting with Bro. Crews of Louisiana.

Revs. J. M. Williams, of Bryant, and J. M. Workman, of Benton, were in last week on their way to Lonoke.

Brother W. W. Jennings and wife, of Ozark, were pleasant callers Monday. They were returning from a trip to Richmond, Va., and New York.

Revs. B. F. Martin, S. Anderson, Philip Herron, J. A. Harvey, C. H. Gregory and J. A. Henderson, and Bro. J. H. Hicks were all in our office at one time Friday.

Prof. Granville Goodloe, so long and favorably known by his work at Arkadelphia Methodist College, has been engaged to teach in the Hargrove College, Ardmore, I. T.

A note from Rev. H. A. Armstrong, Bentonville, tells the sad news: "Our dear baby, Freddie, went home June 24th." We pray God's comfort on the sorrowing parents.

The Montreat Bible Conference, under the direction of Rev. Walter Holcomb, opens at Montreat, N. C., Aug. 6, and runs until the 18th. An extensive program has been arranged.

The Editor of this paper left for Ocean Grove to-day, in order to meet the joint commission on common order of worship and catechisms for the two churches. He will be away two weeks.

The Seashore Epworth League Assembly, near Biloxi, Miss., opens July 22nd, and runs till August 2nd. Write for particulars to Rev. H. W. Featherstone, D. D., Hattiesburg, Miss.

Rev. Luther Broach, who has been recommended for readmission into the Little Rock Conference, is making his home at Malvern in the interim, and will be glad to render service to the brethren as desired.

Mrs. Elizabeth McDowell, a most excellent lady and a member of Hunter Memorial Church, was buried last Friday. Bro. Hammond conducted the services. The bereaved husband and children have our sympathy.

Bishop Hoss preached at Malvern Avenue Church, Hot Springs, on Sunday last, and in the afternoon dedicated the church at Beauxite. He goes to Boston this week to meet the joint committee on the new hymn book. The hearts of our preachers have been drawn to Bishop Hoss in his visits to our district conferences.

We note the death of Hon. John B. Watson of Bradley county. In his decease the church sustained the loss of one of its foremost supporters in South Arkansas. Bro. Watson has been identified for a score of years with the spiritual and material prosperity of his section. We will expect a suitable obituary of him later.

Christian Life.

God's Chastenings.

I once saw a dark shadow resting on the bare side of a hill. Seeking its cause, I saw a little cloud, bright as the light, floating in the clear blue above. Thus it is with our sorrow. It may be dark and cheerless here on earth; yet look above and you shall see it to be but a shadow of his brightness whose name is Love.—Dean Alford.

How God Waits.

This is God's way. In the darkest hours of the night his tread draws near the billows. As the day of execution is breaking, the angel comes to Peter's cell. When the scaffold for Mordecai is complete, the royal sleeplessness leads to a reaction in favor of the threatened race.

Ah, soul, it may have come to the worst with thee ere thou art delivered; but thou wilt be. God may keep thee waiting, but he will ever be mindful of his covenant, and will appear to fulfill his inviolable word.—F. B. Meyer.

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If It Had Been a Bear.

Sometimes it is good to be in a position where you can turn around to your shelves and take down food that is a rebuild and life saver. A prominent grocer of Murrsville, Pa., had heard so many of his customers praising the food Grape-Nuts that he finally gave it a trial himself. He says: "For several years up to 16 months ago I was hardly fit for business from indigestion which also affected my head. My brain was dull and I could hardly keep my books.

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"But before I had finished that one package such a change came over me that I thought it wonderful and by the time three packages had been eaten I had changed so you would not believe it if I told you about it. My head grew clear and my mind strong and my memory was very much improved and I was well in every respect. I can only give you a faint idea of all the good the food has done me. It is all I eat for supper nowadays and the rest of my family think as much of it as I do. Truly it is a great food and if it were not a great food it would not have done me so much good and have such a tremendous sale in my store." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

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A Prayer.

O God, who knowest the weakness of my nature and the manifold temptations which I daily meet with; I humbly beseech thee to have compassion on my infirmities and to give me the constant assistance of thy Holy Spirit. Imprint upon my heart such a grateful sense of thy goodness to me, as may make me ashamed to offend thee. And above all keep in my mind a lively remembrance of that great day in which I must give a strict account of my thoughts, words and actions. And grant me perfectly to know thy son, Jesus Christ, to be the way, the truth and the life, that I may steadfastly walk in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same thy son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.—Phillips Brooks.

Keeping Company With God.

The earliest heresies put God far from the earth, and yet, to fill the gap, intruded powers of various degrees who made the world and governed or misgoverned it. This thought of God's remoteness has always been a peril of the church. It is the ground of all the saint and angel reverence which the dark ages have bequeathed to the Greek and Roman churches. Men felt themselves out of reach of God. They craved some sympathetic human mediator to bear their requests to the far distant mercy seat. Prayers became a matter of locality or nationality. So the poor Breton fisherman, far from his home, prayed: "Saints of my homeland, have pity on me, for the saints of this strange land know me not."

All this is wholly foreign to the spirit of the Hebrew and the Christian Scriptures. In the former God is always with his people. The breath of life in man was the breath of God. The fiery cloud of his presence stood over the tent of sacrifice. The sins of the people were always sins in the face of God. The prophets are continual witnesses of his presence not only with the nation, but with the individual. The high and holy place of God's dwelling is the home of the contrite and humble spirit.

With the coming of Christ this thought becomes all-pervasive. His example leads us to communion; his precept urges us to constant prayer; his promise assures us of his unflinching presence. "If a man love me he will keep my words; and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him." When God himself is a loving companion of the heart there is neither need nor room for intermediaries through whom our prayers are offered.

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A Canton (Mo.) mill will furnish free trips to the World's Fair for three ladies. A ticket is placed on each sack of flour and the three ladies collecting the largest number of tickets will be the recipient of free tickets to St. Louis and the exposition.

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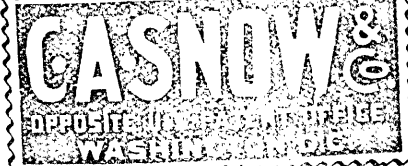
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A True Story.

Dora trotted into the kitchen where her mother was busy getting dinner, and said complainingly: "Mamma, please come out in the yard and make that thing stop looking at me."

"What does it look like, dear?"

"It doesn't look like anything. It has just a face and a tail."

Dora's mother hastened out to investigate, and there she found a large striped snake lying in the sun. Who could have given a better description of a snake?—Indian Witness.

A World's Fair Exhibit Fund Association has been formed in Alabama to raise funds to provide and maintain a worthy exhibit of the State's products and resources at the World's Fair, next year. The State legislature failed to make an appropriation for official participation.

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The Truth About Coffee.

It must be regarded as a convincing test when a family of seven has used Postum for five years, regaining health and keeping healthy and strong on this food drink.

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"I had about given up hope until 5 years ago next month I read an article about Postum Cereal Coffee that convinced me that coffee was the cause of all my troubles. I made the Postum carefully and liked it so much I drank it in preference to coffee but without much faith that it would help me.

"At the end of a month however I was surprised to find such a change in my condition. I was stronger in every way, less nervous and at the end of six months I had recovered my strength so completely that I was able to do all of my own housework. Because of the good Postum did us I knew that what you claimed for Grape-Nuts must be true and we have all used that delicious food ever since it first appeared on the market.

"We have seven in our family and I do the work for them all and I am sure that I owe my strength and health to the steady use of your fine cereal food and Postum (in place of coffee). I have such great faith in Postum that I have sent it to my relatives and I never lose a chance to speak well of it." Name furnished by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

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Send for particulars by mail of extension of time on the \$7,500.00 cooks contest for 735 money prizes.

The Deepest Ocean Point.

The greatest ocean depth ever discovered was sounded only a short time ago, during the recent cruise of the Albatross in the Pacific. Prof. Agassiz was in charge of the expedition, and near the island of Guam. There the beam trawl, attached to a steel cable, was lowered to the depth of 28,878 feet, five miles, almost as high as Mount Everest. By means of thermometers attached to the trawl it was found that the water at this depth bore the temperature of only thirty-five degrees, just a little above freezing point.—Christian Associate, N. Y.

Fast Time.

A wreck caused the eastbound Empire State Express to leave Syracuse on Monday afternoon of last week one hour and seventeen minutes late. Yet the train sped into the Grand Central Station in New York only sixteen minutes late. The run from Syracuse to Albany was made in two hours and forty minutes, the distance of ninety-six miles between Utica and Albany being covered in ninety minutes. From Albany to New York the distance of one hundred and forty-three miles was made in one hundred and thirty-nine minutes.—Christian Advocate, N. Y.

A Pathetic Prayer.

Miss Mary P. Lord, a teacher among the Sioux Indians, relates the following touching incident:

An Indian baby was dying. It lay in its father's arms, while near by stood another little daughter, a few years older, who was a Christian.

"Father," said the little girl, "little sister is going to heaven tonight. Let me pray." As she said this she knelt at her father's knee and this sweet little prayer fell from her lips:

"Father God, little sister is coming to see you tonight. Please open the door softly and let her in. Amen."—Christian Press.

Our Letter Box.

Quitman, Ark.

Dear Brother Godbey—I am a little boy nine years old, and live in Quitman, Ark. I have been going to school, but our school is out now, and I am very sorry, as I like to go to school very much. My papa is a Methodist preacher, and was sent to the Quitman Circuit at the last conference. I have three sisters and two brothers. I go to Sunday-school every Sunday. I am in the Intermediate Quarterly.

I am expecting to visit my grandparents soon, and am expecting a nice time. Your friend,

George Floyd.

Wing, Ark.

Dear Brother Godbey—My mother takes the "Methodist" and I enjoy reading it, and especially the

letters from the children. My father and mother are Methodists and my grandfather, William L. Buford, was a local Methodist preacher, well known over the Arkansas Conference as Grandpa Buford. I am eleven years old, and am going to school. Our school will soon be out. We have a fine Sunday-school. My father is the superintendent. We have prayer-meeting every Sunday night. We live out in the country and have a real nice place, and a nice church and school house, two stores and one blacksmith shop.

We have preaching once a month. Our preacher is Brother Dunaway. We all like him very much. This is his second year. Our presiding elder, Brother J. B. Stevenson, preached for us last month. I have one sister and four brothers.

Helen Compton.

Dear Brother Godbey—I am a little girl ten years old and I thought I would write to the dear old "Methodist," as I have not seen a letter from this part of Arkansas. I have two sisters and one little brother. My sisters are older than myself, and my brother is younger than myself. I have a dear, sweet papa in heaven, and I have got a good step-papa. I have got four step-sisters, and five step-brothers. I have got no own brothers, but have got a half-brother and I love him as good as if he were my own brother. Our preacher's name is Brother Ruse, and I love to hear him preach. We have got no Sunday-school yet, but are going to organize one soon. We have had three big overflows, and have had so much water that we can't get to the postoffice. I live on the St. Francis river and I went boat riding yesterday, and had a nice time. Your little friend,

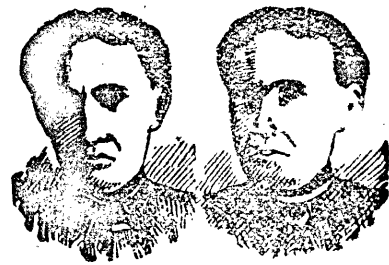
Cordie Harris.

Dear Brother Godbey—I thought I would write, too, as sister is writing. I am a little girl twelve years old, and thought I would write to the dear old "Methodist" for the first time. I do not go to Sunday-school now. School was out last Friday, and I was sorry. Our teacher's name is Mr. Erwin, and he was a nice man, and I loved him. I have a sweet papa in heaven, and I am going to meet him by the help of God. I have got two sisters, one older and one younger than myself, and I have got a sweet little half brother. Mamma is a Baptist, and sister and my step-papa and his children belong to the Methodist Church. Well, I will close for fear of making my letter too long. Your little friend,

Laura Harris.

Austin, Ark.

Dear Dr. Godbey—Here comes a little Austin girl, 13 years of age. I have never seen a letter from Austin yet, so I will write. I have been going to school. Our school is out now; was out this past Fri-



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day. My teacher's name was Miss Della Wilson. I liked her very much. She was so kind to us. My papa takes the dear old "Methodist" and I enjoy reading the children's page very much. We have no Sunday-school, but we have preaching. Our preacher's name is Brother Gregory. My papa and mamma are Methodists and I have a sweet little baby sister; her name is Mabel. Your little friend,

Viola Reveley.

Hackett, Ark.

Dear Brother Godbey—My father takes the "Methodist," and I enjoy reading it very much, especially the children's page. I am 14 years of age. I go to Sunday-school every Sunday. My teacher's name is Miss Nora Medlan. I will answer Wallis Calloway's question, who invented the telegraph? It was Prof. Morse and the first message was, "What hath God wrought?" I will ask a question, "Who invented the first steam engine?" From a true friend,

Massie J. Weaver.

Oakhurst, Ark.

Dear Cousins—I will write a letter, as I have never seen a letter from Oakhurst, Ark. My uncle takes the "Methodist." I am always glad to see the cousins' letters. Our preacher's name is Brother Berry. We liked him. My school is out and I was sorry. We all loved her so much. I go to Sunday-school every Sunday. My Sunday-school teacher is Mrs. Lina Young.

The secretary is keeping account of every perfect lesson. I have not missed any yet, and hope that I won't. As I read the cousins' letters I saw a letter from a little Indian. It was good. Flower time is here, and I am so glad. Your cousin, Virginia Walsh.

Our Church at Home.

TILLAR CIRCUIT—Our Children's Day services on the Circuit have been very successful. At Tillar the collection was \$8.55; at Selma \$10.11, and at Mt. Tabor, \$10.15, making in all \$28.81. That, I think, is a good showing from one Circuit. We hope it is only the first fruits of a large collection on all claims. Yours truly, A. Turrentine.

PRAIRIE GROVE MISSION.—Our children's day services, Zion and Prairielongue, were quite a success at Zion third Sunday in May. The programme reasonably well rendered. Some spicy speeches were delivered in the afternoon by Prof. John Peryear and Mrs. Ritchie and a conclusion by self. Collection, \$2.50.

At Prairielongue, fourth Sunday, we had the tent erected, which gave plenty of shade. Programme rendered very well. Some splendid short speeches delivered by Brother John Peryear. Brother Eddie Hicks, Miss Susan Hicks, Mrs. Rowland and a conclusion by self. Collection, \$6.47; the best collection that we ever secured from the school.

Each day we believe exercises were conducted to the glory of God.

Please do not forget to pray for us on our work that the Lord may give us a working people and many conversions.

This has been the most pleasant six months of the eight years of my ministry. We have a splendid people and we appreciate them. As such may they do their whole duty in our revival and may the preacher do the same, and we will have some sweeping revivals and gracious ingatherings of souls. Your brother in Christ,

Hugh Reveley, Pastor.

CONWAY, ARK.—I am still "sticking to my bush," or, in other words, I am yet at work on Conway Mission, and am having a nice time. We have good congregations at all appointments, with the interest increasing at all points. We have had no protracted revival efforts, but have been quietly doing the work of the Master. Last Sunday at Mt. Olive on "Round Mountain," we had an enjoyable time; we celebrated "Children's Day" with the regular programme and such other additions as were deemed advisable. Everything went on smoothly and all there expressed themselves as highly pleased with the management and execution of the programme. At the close we took up a collection, resulting in one dollar and fifteen cents.

After District Conference I am going to begin my protracted meetings; come up, Mr. Editor, and give us a lift, for (though I make it a point to do most of my preach-

ing) I will, as it is you, break my rule for once.

Brethren, pray that the Lord may pour out his Spirit in copious showers, and revive his work in these ends of the earth. Lest you weary of this and send it to the "wastebasket," I will close. Your brother in Christ,

Amos E. Wilson, P. C. Conway Mission.

BINGEN CIRCUIT—We are very sorry we are not able to send in a flattering report. The work of our church is not as successful as we would want it to be. There are many difficulties in the way. The devil seems to have led astray some of our people and has others handicapped and discouraged so that little efficient work is being done, comparatively speaking. It is true we have some solid old soldiers who are pressing the battle and pouring the "hot shot" into Satan's fort until you can almost see his lines giving away. Yes, thank God, I believe they will have victory or die at their post.

These men and women of God in spite of discouragements are carrying on Sunday schools, five or six in all, prayer meetings—five in number—besides they stand by their pastor with their prayers, sympathies and means.

We have had no revivals in general yet, no souls saved; but we are planning and praying for one all over this charge this summer.

In connection with this I want to say we are expecting to have a camp meeting at the "Old Pump Springs" camp ground, beginning July 24. All who wish to attend for the purpose of helping us we give an invitation. We expect for the meeting to be self-supporting. Of course all preachers will be supported, as well as good religious workers. But we don't mean for our good women to be working for loafers and pleasure seekers.

Bro. Moore, our P. E., will be with us a few days. He will hold our third quarterly conference here instead of Sweet Home, as announced. Fraternally,

L. J. Ridling.

FAIRVIEW, TEXARKANA.—Rev. J. C. Rhodes, our pastor at Fairview, Texarkana, has recently closed a gracious revival in his church. His work was ably sec-

onded by Rev. W. H. Woodfin, pastor of Mena Circuit. Four persons joined the church. The revival spirit prevails. Brother Rhodes is in favor with his people. There are some choice spirits in that church. B. A. Few.

Mena, Ark.

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Helena District, Third Round.

- Helena Station July 5, 6
Brinkley Station July 19, 20
Marianna Station ... July 22, 23
Wesley Circuit July 25, 26
Bledsoe Circuit August 1, 2
McCrary and DeView.. August 6, 7
Cotton Plant and Howell. Aug. 8, 9
Wheatley Circuit .. August 11, 12
Blackton and Turner.. Aug. 15, 16
Holly Grove and Marvell.....
..... August 17, 18
Clarendon Station .. August 19, 20
Wynne Station August 23, 24
Haynes Circuit August 29, 30
The district conference will be held July 8-12, at Holly Grove.

The opening sermon will be preached Wednesday, July 8th, at 8 p. m., by Rev. F. A. Jeffett.

Committee on Examinations—Fred Little, W. H. Dyer and J. K. Farris.

The local preachers in the district are urged to be present if possible, but whether present or absent, they must submit to the district conference written reports of their labors during the year.

W. C. Davidson, P. E.

FOR THE YOUTH OF ARKANSAS

Scholarship Offered by T. L. Cox, State Mgr. Northwestern Life and Savings Company.

T. L. Cox, state manager of the Northwestern Life and Savings Company, will present a scholarship in the Arkansas Military Academy to an Arkansas boy who shall be the successful competitor in a prize-essay contest, the subject of which essay is to be

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The winner in the contest will receive a scholarship in the Arkansas Military Academy, worth \$75, which will entitle him to free tuition for one session of nine months.

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The Duley-Mons Arms Company a set of Spaulding's best tennis racquets.

The conditions upon which the award will be made are as follows:

- 1. Boys participating in the contest must not be under fifteen years of age.
2. No present or former pupil of the academy will be permitted to enter the contest.
3. Every contestant must be a resident of Arkansas.
4. Essays must each contain not less than 300 nor more than 500 words.
5. Essays must be sent to Col. R. C. Hall, Arkansas Military Academy, not later than August 15, 1903.

The committee selected to pass upon the merits of the essays and award the scholarship is: Hon. J. H. Hinemon, state superintendent of public instruction; Hon. J. J. Doyne, former state superintendent of public instruction, and Prof. C. L. Sampson, principal of Centennial school and examiner for Pulaski county.

Hon. J. W. House, president of the board of directors of the Arkansas Military Academy, will issue the certificate entitling the successful competitor to the scholarship offered by Mr. T. L. Cox, state manager of the Northwestern Life and Savings Company.

For further particulars of the contest address Col. R. C. Hall, superintendent Arkansas Military Academy, Little Rock, Ark.

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Henry Bruce.

A Question Answered.

One of the Arkansas Conference preachers desires an answer to this question: "Can we count on our missionary assessments all money raised in the Sunday school?" Yes, because the Sunday school Missionary Society is auxiliary to the Board of Missions. If a charge is assessed \$150 for missions, and pays \$150, and raises \$50 in the Sunday school, it will receive credit for \$200, or \$50 over its assessment. In dividing out the assessment of a charge among the membership it is not usually best to place part of this assessment on the Sunday school, for the membership of the charge should pay the full amount assessed, leaving the Sunday school to bring in a surplus.

George McGlumphy,
Chairman Sunday School Board.

Galloway's Debt.

Dr. Godbey: I want to thank Bro. J. F. Jernigan for his article in last week's Arkansas Methodist. If our preachers will each collect \$100, the debt will soon be a thing of the past. Now, brethren, will you not help us? Almost any one will give you five or ten dollars to pay this debt. Please act on Bro. Jernigan's suggestion and see what you can do in the next thirty days. I will report in the Methodist what you do. Five brethren have promised me \$100 each, and one brother \$200. Several others smaller amounts. I will send blank notes to any who will write me a card. Draw exchange payable to Dr. L. E. Moore, but send everything to me, at Paris, Ark., so I can keep the books correctly.

Galloway, outside of Searcy, has received very little help. She has never received one dollar of the annual collection for the cause of education. She has not asked for it. All your daughter asks is a shelter. She will then care for herself.

The college is fully self sustaining, but it is not right to ask the girls to pay this debt. Who will be

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Malaria is an invisible atmospheric poison. The air becomes infected with the gases and microbes arising from the marshes and low lands, damp cellars, sewer pipes, badly ventilated houses and decaying vegetable matter, and we unconsciously inhale them into the lungs, when they are taken up by the blood and circulated throughout the system.

Malaria gives no warning of its coming; no immediate effects are seen, and no violent symptoms appear until the unfortunate sufferer is completely at the mercy of this hidden foe. This invisible enemy may be following us night and day, but often the first intimation we have of its presence is a chilly, creepy sensation running over the body, sometimes followed by a slight fever, and an always tired, drowsy and depressed feeling. The blood soon becomes deeply poisoned, thinned and weakened by the teeming millions of microbes and germs, and an irregular, slow circulation is the result. This condition of the blood gives rise to innumerable and serious troubles: torpid liver, enlargement of the spleen, loss of appetite and feeble digestion, a pallid or yellow skin, boils, carbuncles, abscesses, indolent ulcers,

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For several years I suffered with Chills and Fever, caused by Malaria in my system, and each summer for several years I would relapse. Finally my physician prescribed S. S. S. In all, I took three bottles, and they entirely cured me, and I have never been troubled since. I am sure no other medicine could have given me so complete and immediate relief, and I cannot speak too highly of S. S. S. My partner in business is now taking S. S. S. for an eruption of the skin and general run down condition of his system, and though he has taken but one bottle, already commences to feel better.

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and pustular and scabby skin eruptions of various kinds, are common symptoms of malaria. Frequently the health becomes so impaired, and such a lifeless condition ensues that the person loses interest in his surroundings and faith in all human remedies. Malaria, if allowed to remain in the system, lays the foundation for other diseases that very often prove fatal or permanently wreck the health.

Malaria can only be worked out of the system through the blood, and a remedy that can destroy the germs and microbes and neutralize the bad effects of the poison offers the only hope of a cure, and the only medicine that can accomplish this is S. S. S., which not only purges the blood of all morbid, unhealthy matter, but keeps it pure and healthy. It searches out and destroys every trace of Malarial poison, and keeps the blood in such a vigorous condition that poisonous matters of no kind are allowed to accumulate, but are promptly expelled from the system.

During the spring is an opportune time to begin the fight against this invisible enemy, for the hot, sultry summer days will cause the germs to multiply and still further impoverish the blood and weaken the constitution, and now more than ever the Malaria sufferer needs a good blood purifier and bracing tonic.

A course of S. S. S. at this particular season will relieve you of Malaria and its attendant evils, reinforce and build up the system, purify and strengthen the sluggish blood and quicken the circulation, when the appetite and digestion improve and all the vital powers rapidly recuperate under the invigorating tonic influence of this great vegetable remedy. Its freedom from all minerals makes it the ideal remedy in all Malarial troubles and perfectly adapted to the most delicate constitutions.

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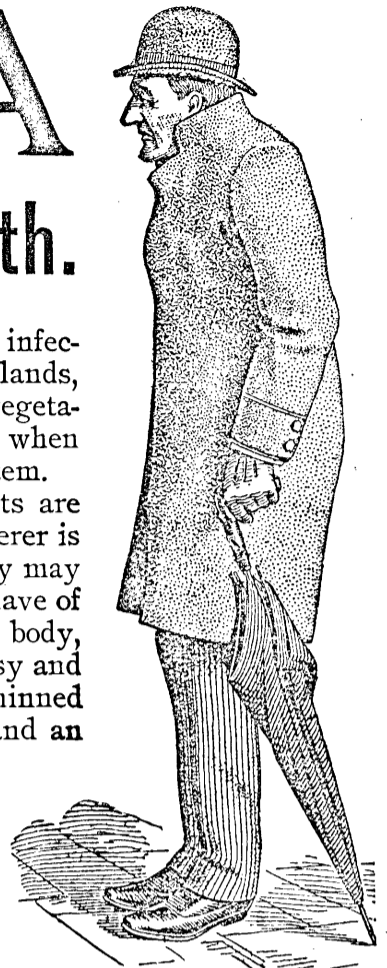
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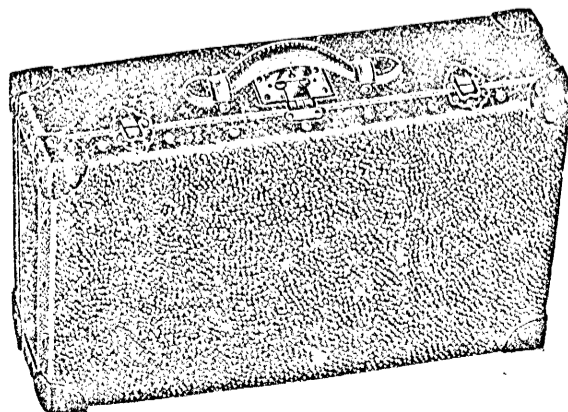
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Treasurer's report of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, Little Rock Conference, for the first quarter, ending June 1, 1903:

Arkadelphia—Dues, \$8.95; Baby Roll, 25 cents; adult mite box, 62 cents; baby mite box, \$3.31; conference expense, \$2.25; station parsonage, \$15.62; local church work, \$4.50; supplies given locally, \$4.75; relief of needy, \$19.20.
 Arkadelphia Juveniles—Dues, \$2.18.
 Amity—Dues, \$1.75; conference expense, 45 cents.
 Bradshaw—Dues, \$2.25; adult mite boxes, \$1.15; baby mite boxes, 35 cents; furnishing church, \$6.05.
 Bankhead—Dues, \$1.20; one dollar extra per member, \$6.00; Baby Roll, 75 cents; baby mite box 15 cents; conference expense, 90 cents.
 Benton—Dues, \$6.50; furnishing church, \$24.25.
 Camden—Dues, \$6.00; baby mite boxes, 6 cents; conference expense, \$1.50; expended on parsonage, \$111.00; assistance of needy, \$2.00.
 Cornerstone—Baby Roll, 75 cents.
 El Dorado—Dues, \$6.13; conference expense, \$1.54; supplies given locally, \$3.85; assistance of needy, \$9.00.
 Holly Springs Adult—Dues, \$2.20; expended on parsonage, \$1.00.
 Holly Springs Juveniles—Dues, \$2.10.
 Hot Springs, Central Church—Dues, \$5.30; conference expense, \$2.10.
 Hope Auxiliary—Dues, \$11.80; extra one dollar per member, \$17.00; baby mite boxes, 95 cents; conference expense, \$2.95.
 Hot Springs, Malvern Avenue—Dues, \$2.30; furnishing church, \$108.45.
 South Hot Springs—Dues, \$5.00; Baby Roll, \$1.50; baby mite boxes, \$2.75; thank offering, \$1.00; assistance of needy, \$13.30.
 Horatio—Dues, \$2.75; Baby Roll, 50 cents.
 Hatfield—Dues, \$1.90.
 Junction—Dues, \$6.30; Baby Roll, 25 cents; baby mite boxes, 10 cents; conference expense, \$1.57; expended on parsonage, \$15.60; assistance of needy, \$15.75.
 Lockesburg, Juveniles—Dues, \$1.25.
 Lockesburg, Adult—Dues, \$2.76; expended on parsonage, \$2.50.
 Lake Village—Dues, \$6.12; Baby Roll, 25 cents; adult mite boxes, \$5.88; expended on parsonage, \$33.20.
 Little Rock, First Church—Dues, \$26.30; adult mite boxes, \$6.08; conference expense, \$6.65; special donation, \$1.00; expended on parsonage, \$60.00; furnishing church, \$40.00; assistance of needy, \$26.00.
 Little Rock, Winfield Memorial—Dues, \$10.00; furnishing church, \$22.50; assistance of needy, \$3.00.
 Little Rock, Hunter Memorial—Dues, \$4.10; Baby Roll, 25 cents; conference expense, \$1.02; furnishing church, \$10.75.
 Little Rock, First Church, Juveniles—Dues, \$3.81.
 Little Rock, Asbury—Dues, \$6.65; conference expense, \$1.60; expended on parsonage, \$54.35.
 Monticello—Dues, \$2.50.
 Malvern—Dues, \$6.90; Baby Roll, 25 cents; baby mite boxes, \$1.54; conference expense, \$3.90; Memorial Loan Fund of Sara Isabella Jernigan, \$5.00; supplies given locally, \$5.55; furnishing church, \$9.00; assistance of needy, \$5.00.
 Malvern Juveniles—Dues, \$1.76; expended on parsonage, \$41.15.
 Mena Juveniles—Dues, \$1.10.
 Mena—Dues, \$8.85; furnishing church, \$20.00; supplies given locally, \$1.40.
 Magnet—Dues, \$1.64; furnishing church, \$2.00.

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State of Arkansas, } ss
 County of Pulaski, }
 In the Pulaski Chancery Court.
 John C. Ross, Plaintiff, vs C. A. Busch, et al.,
 Defendant.
 The defendants, C. A. Busch and Kattie Busch, are warned to appear in this court within thirty days, and answer the answer and cross complaint of Beale & Doyle Grocer Company
 June 15th, 1903. Chas. M. Connor, Clerk.
 By J. H. Shoppach, D. C.
 L. E. Hinton & W. R. Irwin, solicitors for Beale & Doyle.

Warning Order.

State of Arkansas, } ss
 County of Pulaski, }
 In the Pulaski Chancery Court
 Defendant.
 May McCaffery, Plaintiff, vs. John McCaffery,
 Defendant.
 The defendant, John McCaffery, is warned to appear in this court within thirty days, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff, May McCaffery,
 June 9, 1903. Chas. M. Connor, Clerk.
 By J. H. Shoppach, D. C.
 Shackelford Bros., solicitors for plaintiff.

Warning Order.

State of Arkansas, } ss
 County of Pulaski, }
 In the Pulaski Chancery Court.
 J. T. Trezevant and S. P. Cochran, Plaintiffs,
 vs. Manhattan Fire Insurance Co, its Unknown
 successors or representatives, Defendants.
 The defendants, The Manhattan Fire Insurance Company of New York, its unknown successors or representatives are warned to appear in this court within thirty days, and answer the complaint of the plaintiffs, J. T. Trezevant and S. P. Cochran.
 April 16, 1903 Chas. M. Connor, Clerk.
 Cantrell & Loughborough, solicitors for plaintiffs.

the harvesting time, and if we let these long, bright days go by without doing our full duty we shall be lacking in reports and the book of life?

To our district secretaries I would plead with you to do some work now that when the year is ended you can say, "I began early and have visited every auxiliary in my district." Let us plant where seeds have never been sown and lovingly persuade every Ladies' Aid to be a Home Mission Society. When possible visit the district conferences and gain the help of the pastors. To the auxiliary corresponding secretary and treasurer I beg that you be prompt in sending your quarterly reports that the conference officers may send their reports on time, collecting the contingent fund (5 cents per month) and reporting each quarter.

I hope the auxiliaries will stand by the delegates who made pledges for subscriptions to "Our Homes" and "The King's Messenger" and from \$12 to \$25 to be sent to our conference treasurer. Mrs. Ella Flickinger, of Malvern, who will forward to Mrs. Johnson. Let not the memory only of those pleasant days comfort our hearts but let each day thereafter be perfect in service for him who blessed us there. Time flies, life is short, we die soon, let us be busy while we may. Yours in love,
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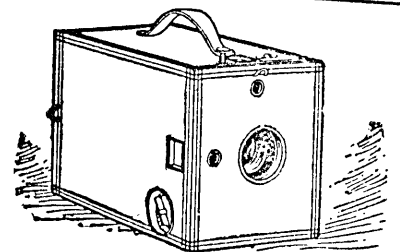
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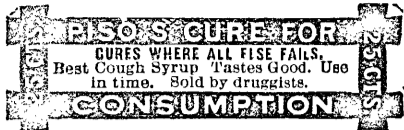
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Obituaries, if brief and correct, will be published as written. If not brief they will be condensed. Poetry and resolutions will not be published. Writers must sign their names. Memorials must reach this office in three months after death of the subject.

MITCHELL.—Mrs. Malinda Catherine Mitchell, beloved wife of T. R. Mitchell, died at her residence at 1102 Beech street, Pine Bluff. She was the daughter of Thomas A. and Sarah Yancey; was born in Pulaski, Giles county, Tenn., February 18, 1840. Her parents came to Arkansas when she was but a child, where she lived until God called her at the age of 63 years 3 months and 8 days. She was the last of her father's family. At the age of 14 years she was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, under the ministry of J. C. I. House, while he had the circuit of Dallas county, Ark. In March, 1857, she moved to Pine Bluff, Ark., where she was married to T. R. Mitchell, May 25, 1858. Her church membership was moved to Lakeside M. E. Church, South. She was a devoted Christian, a kind and indulging wife and mother. She leaves a husband and five children, four daughters and one son—Mrs. S. W. Tunis, Carlisle Ark.; Mrs. S. L. Pine, Misses Mabel and Emma Mitchell, and D. M. Mitchell, Pine Bluff, Ark. Funeral services were held at the family residence, Wednesday, May 27, 1903, at 2 o'clock, by Revs. J. F. Carr, W. P. Whaley and J. M. Hawley.

None named her but to praise.
None knew her but to love her.

W. P. Whaley.

NEWSOM.—Mrs. Diana B. Newsom was born November 29, 1835, and died at her home, Falba, Walker county Tex., Sunday evening at 4 o'clock, May 17, 1903. She was married to R. C. Newsom June 13, 1882. Most of her life she was a member of the M. E. Church, South, always found at her post of duty, ready for every good word and work. She had the work of the Lord on her heart, and her place at church was never vacant when she could possibly get there. She always stood by her pastor, ready to lend a helping hand, in every undertaking. Everyone who knew her felt the sweet influence of her Christian character. During her illness she bore her suffering with that Christian fortitude that had always characterized her life. Sometime before her death, while racked with pain, she asked us to sing, and as we sang, she joined in with us in the singing with all the strength she had, and the last song, "At Home," her strength almost exhausted and sure that "Soon she would pass through the heavenly portals," she said "Glory to God," and sank for a while into a stupor. A few more hours of pain and the Lord said, "It is enough." She left a husband and scores of relatives and friends to mourn their loss, but our loss is her eternal gain. We do not mourn as those who have no hope. She will be sadly missed by the community in which she lived. We shall see her no more in this world, but husband, relatives and friends, how sweet the thought that we will meet Sister Newsom in "that land that is fairer than day," where we will never say goodbye. Her pastor,

John M. Neal

TOWELL.—Sister Nancy P. Towell (nee Adkins), was born May 4, 1814, in Summer county, Tenn. She was married to Samuel Towell in May, 1834, and professed faith in Christ in the fall of 1835. She lived a con-

sistent Christian until her release at Lamar, Ark., June 4, 1903. She lived to a good old age, and leaves a bright example and an unwavering faith as a heritage to her offspring. Her implicit trust in God impressed me very strongly. During the latter part of her life she was very feeble, but was always trustful and cheerful. She just tarried on this side till her Lord bade her come over to the other side. It was a benediction to go to her room and read and pray, for she responded heartily to all the service, her response being freighted with spiritual life. Just before the end came she had her daughter read the Scripture to her at Psalm 150. Then she said, "Just trust it all to Jesus," and in a short time had gone into a realization of her hope on earth. Truly she knew in whom she had trusted. Her children are following her on and they'll meet over yonder.

W. T. Martin.

DUGGER.—Sister Sarah A. Dugger was born in Madison county, Ala., August 23, 1834; moved to Independence county, Ark., in 1853; married to John S. Dugger, October 16, 1856; professed religion and joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1855; and departed this life June 11, 1903. Sister Dugger was a woman of more than ordinary intelligence and piety. She loved the Savior and His cause. Her heart and hand were always ready to help every good cause. She possessed that lovable disposition that scattered sunshine everywhere she went. To know her was but to love her; and she lived that kind of a life that we all know where to find her. Her friends, with the Order of Eastern Star, placed her body in the common graveyard, but the spirit has gone home to the God she loved so well. The church and the community will miss her. She leaves a host of friends and relatives to mourn their loss. Good-by, Sister Dugger, but we hope to meet you by and by.

Z. T. Griffin.

McNALLY.—James F. McNally died at his home, Watalula, Ark., May 29, 1903. He had been a great sufferer for several years, and therefore his death was not a surprise to his family and friends. He was born near Winchester, Tenn., February 2, 1829. At the age of three years he moved with his parents to Jackson county, Ala., where he grew to manhood, and was married October 25, 1855, to Miss Prudence Pendergrass. In December, 1857, they moved to Franklin county, Ark., where he continued to reside to the close of life. August, 1862, he enlisted in the Confederate army, and served with distinction to the close of the war, returning home June 9, 1865. Made a profession of religion while on guard one night in 1863, attaching himself to the Methodist church a few years later, he lived a consistent Christian and an honored member of the church to the day of his death. He leaves a widow, four sons and two daughters to mourn the loss of a loving companion and father. The sons are Rev. J. M. McNally, Van Buren, Ark.; James A. McNally and Samuel F. McNally, attorney at law, Tacoma, Washington; A. R. McNally and Mrs. R. L. McIlroy, Watalula, Ark., and Mrs. G. W. Garrett, Stonewall, I. T. Being naturally of a retiring disposition, he never sought public favor, but was content to give all his time, talents and energies to building the home and rearing his family, to whom he was intensely devoted. He was a true man in all the walks of life. He knew he was dying, and was ready when the messenger came, breathing his life away as gently as the setting of a summer sun.

J. A. Floyd.

HOLMES.—Died at his home at Kingsland, Tuesday morning, June 2, 1903, Capt. N. D. Holmes, aged 70 years 4 months and 2 days. He was born in Virginia, but moved with his father when quite young to Dallas county, Ark., where much of his life was spent. He married Miss Lucy Gray of Princeton, Dallas county. Of this marriage there were two girls and six boys born. Two boys have preceded him to the better world. Capt. Holmes entered the Confederate army in 1861 and served throughout the war. He was an elegant gentleman, ever polite and courteous to his fellow man. He was always popular and was four times elected clerk of this county. No county ever had a better official. He joined the Methodist church in 1860 and died in the faith and went home to his reward in heaven. We, in common with his many friends, extend sympathy to the bereaved wife, sons and daughters.

S. W. Rainey.

HILL.—Little Leon Hill, the seventeen months old baby of Brother Akin and Sister Lula Hill, was born January 16, 1902; died June 7, 1903. This was the only living child of Brother and Sister Hill. They have before lost two sweet little babes. Little Leon was indeed a very bright sweet and attractive child. During its illness it bore and endured its afflictions with great patience. It was only sick a few days until death relieved it of its pains and it yielded its body to death, while its sweet little spirit returned to God and winged its way to glory. Little Leon was a favorite of mine, I having lived in the same house with it and its parents, and having played with it so much, and it being so attractive and smart for a child of its age I had become very much attached to it. Really it seemed to be a favorite with everyone who knew it well. To its parents and grandparents who loved it so dearly we would say, "Though it is greatly missed in the little home, and while you cannot hear its sweet little voice again here, or see its smiling face, you know where it is, and while you cannot call it back again, you can go to it. Be faithful and obedient to God, that in the hour of death you may be prepared to meet your darling little babe in heaven, where there will be no more parting. Its pastor,

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| Paragould Dist. Conf., Piggott | July 8 |
| Texarkana District Conf., Ashdown | July 8-12 |
| Helena Dist. Conf., Holly Grove | July 8-12 |
| Harrison Dist. Conf., Marshall | July 9-12 |
| Prescott Dist. Epworth League Conference, Columbus, 2:30 p. m. | July 15 |
| Prescott Dist. Conf., Columbus | July 15-19 |
| Monticello Dist. Conf., Monticello | July 22 |
| Jonesboro Dist. Conf., Blythesville | July 22-25 |
| Batesville Dist. Conf., Cave City | July 23-27 |

W. F. M. Society—Fordyce.

If our missionary societies were not of themselves joy and satisfaction, our annual reunion would make them so. Each returning month of June brings us together, and for the time the pastor of one of our chosen churches is host to women and young people not a few, while the homes of his congregation are at the best of hospitality, both of heart and board. Such a season of Christian fellowship we have just closed at Fordyce. Never were people and guests in sweeter accord, nor has our Little Rock Conference Society ever had meeting of more harmony and enthusiasm. Brother Dickerson, of Riverside, struck a fine chord in the opening sermon of Wednesday evening. Responsibility was his theme, and in presenting the personality of our religion he gave forth no uncertain sound. The devotional hour of Thursday morning took on a tinge of sorrow, through intelligence that dear Sister Williams, of Arkadelphia District, was so stricken as to be entirely unable to write, or even dictate a line to her sisters of long and sweet association. Sincerest prayers were offered for her recovery. Roll call showed absence of our beloved conference treasurer, Mrs. E. J. Feild, whose place was most acceptably filled by Mrs. Florence Hunter Feild. Minutes will be published giving details of the conference. Brother McKay's sermon Sunday morning was all that could have been desired. Centering upon love—"If ye love me keep my commandments," he nobly brought out the broad meaning of this pivotal statement of our Lord. All present felt the power of his words. Missionary spirit was at high tide. Mrs. W. P. Feild, of Little Rock, Mrs. Dr. Holderness and Mrs. Dr. March, of Fordyce, were quickly made life members. Then came two most pleasant surprises, by reason of an overflow from Central Church Auxiliary, Hot Springs, of which Mrs. J. L. Wadley is president. Her daughter Miss Allie Belle, came forward and presented a fine, crisp

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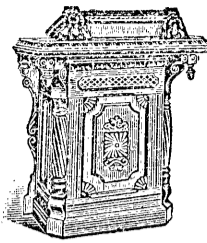
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twenty dollar bill to make Mrs. Kirk, of the same auxiliary, a life member, in acknowledgement of her efficiency and zeal. It was a compliment entirely unexpected, but lovingly appreciated. Then Mrs. Kirk presented another twenty dollar bill, sent by the same ever generous Central Auxiliary, as expressive of twenty years' service of the president. This tied my heart to dear old Central in sweetest bond. In fact all through this meeting I have been tied all around in double bow-knots of blessed Christian friendship, till I realize the poverty of words to express my thanks. Brother Greene endeared himself to the conference by unvarying courtesies, and his parting sermon at close of Sunday evening will not soon be forgotten. With resolutions of thanks for manifold kindnesses the twenty-fifth annual meeting was dismissed by Brother McKay to meet next at Malvern.

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Texarkana—Mrs. Flood, Texarkana.

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Mrs. James Thomas, Texarkana, corresponding secretary.

Mrs. Sara Vance, Malvern, treasurer.

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Miss Lizzie McKinnon, Washington, auditor.

The Northwestern Christian Advocate, Chicago, is fretting about Southern disfranchisement of colored voters. It refers, no doubt, to the educational qualifications for suffrage adopted by a number of the Southern States. We stoutly maintain that some such qualification is exactly right. It cuts off illiterate whites as well as blacks. It serves as a wonderful incentive to some sort of education. It protects the Southern people from that horde of incompetent voters which was thrust upon them by the mailed hand of war. When the blacks can read and understand, they can vote. The measures will prove benedictions to the race in time to come. This talk of injustice is a mere sentiment.—Midland Methodist.

Warning Order.

State of Arkansas, }
County of Pulaski, } ss
In the Pulaski Chancery Court.
Chas. P. Puhman, plaintiff, vs. Maud S. Puhman, defendant.
The defendant Maud S. Puhman, is warned to appear in this Court within thirty days, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff, Chas. P. Puhman.
July 1st, 1903.
Chas. M. Connor, Clerk.
John Barrow, Solicitor for Plaintiff.