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News and Notes.

THERE WAS NEVER A FINER prospect for a great crop of peaches in Arkansas than now.

THE PREMIUM FOR THE BEST fruit exhibit at the opening of the World's Fair was given to Arkansas.

Progress of the War.

If we may credit Admiral Togio's report, the harbor at Port Arthur is now effectually closed against the egress of the Russian warships, and the manner in which the work was done constitutes one of the most thrilling stories in the history of war.

On Tuesday of last week eight merchant ships laden with stone went out under guard of a flotilla for the purpose of reaching the entrance of the harbor at Port Arthur and closing it up. Our first report was from St. Petersburg to the effect that every one of the eight ships was either blown up by sunken mines or sunk by the shots of the Russian fortresses, and that the Japanese flotilla was driven off.

Now Admiral Togio tells us that the flotilla being scattered by a gale and unable to protect the ships signaled them to retreat.

But the merchant ships were scattered and did not catch the signals. Left to their own initiative, they pressed to the mouth of the harbor. First came the Mikawa Maru, Lieut. Sosa. He pressed into the mouth of the harbor, anchored his ship and blew it up. It sank immediately. Next came the Sakura Maru, which struck upon a projecting rock and sank at the mouth of the harbor. The Totmoia, Tehida and Otara, the Sayami Aikoku and Asayawo followed. These six steamers advanced to the mouth of the harbor. The Russian fire was now terrible. The Totmoi collided with a boom, turned half around and sank, extending half across the harbor entrance. When the Yedo reached the mouth of the harbor her commander was shot. The sub-lieutenant anchored and sank the vessel. The Olarumar and Sayami then entered the harbor and sank. The Aikoku struck a mine and sank before it reached the passage. The Asayawo had her rudder broken, and blew herself up. The officers and crews of four of these ships all perished. From the other ships a

considerable number of the men were rescued.

The fleet at Port Arthur being now shut in, the Japanese will keep a small guard about the harbor entrance and will turn their fleet to operate against the fleet at Vladivostok.

As respects the land campaign, the Japanese after crossing the Yalu river and defeating the Russians at Chin Tien Cheng, pressed after them to Feng Wang Cheng, from which the Russians retreated. A part of the Japanese forces have moved down into the rear of Port Arthur and the place is now in a state of siege.

About 100,000 Japanese soldiers are at Feng Wang-Chen, only one hundred miles from Mukden, Gen. Kuropatkin's headquarters.

From the Nation's Capital.

In the congress that has just adjourned its second session are a score who will be famous among the statesmen of the next generation. It is customary to bewail the great men of the past and imagine that they will never have successors. Like boys playing on the shore, we are fond of inverting our field-glass and belittling the objects that are near.

Not since I can remember, not since before the war—have there been so many young men of high promise in congress as there are today. Most of the youth are, of course, commonplace; but a few have attracted the attention of the country and displayed qualities certain to keep them at the front. Of the former it is not necessary to speak further, for they will vanish next March into the obscurity whence they came or linger in congress wrapped in the same twilight of lilac mist; but the latter will be heard from.

In the senate, among the very ablest men on the floor, are Beveridge, Dolliver, Carmack and Bailey, all in the early forties, and the last named, though the youngest, perhaps the most conspicuous of all.

In the house the three youngest men are Burton Lee French of Idaho, Morris Sheppard of Texas and Asbury Lever of South Carolina, all twenty-eight, and all good talkers and excellent scholars. Burton Harrison of New York is a year older. He acquired his first fame by being the son of his mother, one of the best known of our women novelists. She set up an

establishment here which became quite a social rendezvous, before her husband's recent death. Burton has made a good impression on the floor of the house. There are several men who are two or three years older, born in '72—Bell (Cal.), Robinson (Ark.), Hardwick (Ga.), Frederick Landis, (Ind.), Hughes (N. J.), Fitzgerald (N. Y.) and Webb (N. C.). Among these, Landis, Fitzgerald and Hardwick have made a reputation for themselves this session by their efficiency in committee, and their readiness on the floor. Of the men who are a little older, Claude Kitchin of North Carolina, at thirty-five (in his first session), has made a national sensation by his fearless satirical attack on the president, and Clarence Van Duzer of Nevada has made himself solid with millions of people by an eloquent eulogy of the West. No less than thirty-five members of the house were born since the civil war closed. Of these, Cushman of Washington has made a great hit.

In the senate Alabama has the oldest couple—Morgan, eighty, and Pettus, eighty-three. Have wig-makers gone out of business? There is not a wig in the bald-headed senate. Sixty years ago at least a dozen men in the senate and three times as many in the house wore wigs, covering their entire craniums. Perhaps the most celebrated was Barksdale's sandy thatch, for in a fist fight on the floor of the house it was torn off by John P. Hale, and flung into a sawdust receptacle. Thad Stevens wore a wig after that—the last wig, I believe, that was worn in either house. Senators Clapp and Fairbanks compromise in this matter, as they do in a good many others, by carefully drawing about six hairs from each side of the head and crossing them upon the crown, apparently under the delusion that the absurd device gives them a very hirsute and shaggy appearance. Theodore Thomas wears a wig to keep from catching cold in the orchestra. Byron looked forward with terror to the time when he would have to wear a wig. He says, in a footnote, "Suetonius informs us that Julius Caesar was particularly gratified by that decree of the senate which enabled him to wear a wreath of laurel on all occasions. He was anxious not to show that he was the conqueror of the world, but to hide that he

was bald." The thought recurs to him when he speaks, in Childe Harold, of "the bald first Caesar's head."

Alexander Graham Bell, inventor of the telephone, seems likely to be also distinguished as the inventor of the flying machine, or, at any rate, a flying machine. His machine for the attainment of levity is not constructed on the lines of the "buzzard," but is really a flock of kites of the tetrahedral form—that is, it consists of hollow bodies each of which is composed of four equilateral triangles fastened together at the corners. Dr. Bell sent his light prism-shaped kites into the air across the Potomac the other day and they showed great lifting ability. He now proposes to equip the outfit with a motor and propellers and perhaps take the practical flying machine to St. Louis.

Columbian University of Washington is to have a renaissance. In the first place, it is going to change its name to the George Washington University. This will have two results, it will abolish the ambiguity which has hitherto resulted from the similarity between the Columbian and the Columbia of New York City, and it will to some extent realize the expressed wish of the father of his country that a great national university should be established here. Synchronously with this the university will change its site, occupying one on the borders of the white house lot, and will sell its present property in the very busiest part of the city for enough money to build for itself a sumptuous and spacious home with eight great buildings around a rectangle. Meetings of the trustees and alumni have vigorously launched the new enterprise.

Thirty or forty congressmen still linger here, men of both parties, laying the wires and setting up the pins for the campaign. The democratic congressional headquarters are located here and are preparing for a formidable output. Republicans rendezvous at the white house and the president vigorously bosses his ranch, allowing no hooking and no kicking, as Claude Kitchin remarked. However, Mr. Roosevelt strongly seconded the motion to kick Speaker Cannon upstairs. The only kicking he permits in his vicinity Uncle Joe recalcitrates vigorously.

C. A. S.

Contributed.

A Mistaken Conception of Faith.

A. H. GODBEY.

I have been reading some familiar church news; familiar in that it is repeated from year to year, from various charges, in the Christian press. The jubilant rhetorician, after boasting of recent victories over the world of sin, indulges in a well-known vein of criticism because the recreant church is not everywhere doing likewise.

Now I have personally known a few critics of this type who conceived very highly of their own activities and usefulness in the kingdom. But I have observed that not all people were so vividly impressed, and that there was room to recall the aphorism of Josh Billings: "Sum fokes iz like hornets—eternally bizzzy, but about what the Lord only knoze."

As a matter of fact, boasts and criticisms of this kind ignore entirely the free agency of man. No environment, no prayer, no example, no warning of any sort, is sufficient to secure the salvation of any person.

"Oh, mother, praying God will save
Thy sailor, while thy head is
bowed,
His heavy shotted hammock shroud
Drops in his vast and wandering
grave."

And the statement stands equally true in the spiritual realm. Millions have gone out into darkness, over the prayers of those who would willingly have died to save them, and millions more will do so to the end of time. Men cannot take the kingdom of heaven by violence, nor can it violently be thrust upon a man. I have known people to band themselves together to pray for the conversion of Ingersoll. I have known others to petition his immediate removal; both claimed to have faith, and to have received assurance that their requests would be granted. I have no doubt as to there being a good deal of assurance in the matter; but such things discredit faith in the minds of the masses of men.

No one has any real warrant for such miscellaneous assertions of preponderant faith. Back of it all there often lies an enormous egotism. I remember years ago a young woman at a protracted meeting worked herself to the verge of hysterics over a fellow student, one of the proverbial "hard cases" of the school. A dozen were gathered round him praying. After this woman had raved out her petitions for some ten minutes, my mother went to her quietly and said: O, —, I think the Lord will hear you without that noise." "Well! I should think he ought to hear us!" was the reply. However, the result indicated that the Almighty was not taking orders from anybody that evening.

We know of no difference in the environment and associations of Judas and John, save such small differences in close companionship as they deliberately chose. We are not warranted in saying there was negligence upon the part of Christ in the case of Judas; or that a more persistent effort or more judicious dealing would have saved him. After all is said, one was Judas and the other John, because either so willed to be; and we have no warrant for saying that more prayerfulness upon the part of his fellow-apostles would have saved Judas.

The Master himself says things that savor of personal experiences. After a period of extreme popularity comes the falling away from him, and then results the parable of the Sower. The good ground was limited in area and varied in quality. Experience again warranted his caution against casting pearls before swine; the secret growth of the kingdom, like leaven in meal; the aphorism about a genuine lamp, that might after all be under a bushel. The materials, the cases to which his parables would apply, were about him everywhere, and there will never be an age when the material to illustrate the "speech-pictures" he has left us will not be accessible.

We have no warrant then for asserting that all we say or do shall bear fruit, or that we must gather harvests at all seasons. I have known men who openly declared that their ideal in the pastorate was to have conversions at every service. With much fervor and piety they betook themselves to their mistaken task. In the few cases I have known there have been only two results. The commoner one is that the minister, perhaps unconsciously, lets down the standard till the average goat does not object to jumping over among the sheep. And in the conference I have noticed that the "continuous revival" man was a terror to his brethren. No one liked to follow him and clean up the rolls. The other result referred to is that the preacher comes at length to think he has mistaken his calling, or to think that the church is hopelessly corrupt and that he should withdraw from it, or more rarely, he concludes that all he has been taught about religion is false, and he abandons it altogether. I repeat, that I have known precisely such result from such mistaken ideal, a single misconception resulting in the loss of the whole. But I know other men who say they have no assurance that any conversion will result from anything they may say in any particular discourse; who do not claim such assurance of answer to prayers as that alluded to, yet they are universally ac-

counted among the most useful of our preachers.

Such are nearer the true ideal. Ezekiel was told he was sent to a rebellious house; "they will not hear thee; nevertheless, thou shalt speak unto them, whether they will hear or whether they will forbear." His responsibility was limited to the giving of proper warning; and there was no assurance of any success. Yet in this his position did not differ from that of the other prophets. They were men whose appeals fell largely upon deaf ears; and they were continually conscious that it would be so. And a chief distinction between them and faithless preachers of their own age lay in their willingness to be accounted failures, to know that the crowd was against them, and inclined to more popular preachers. And this was lacking in the men described above as making a practical failure of their work, because unwilling to be thought failures by the masses. Men are often ready to die for their convictions; less ready to live for them in obscurity and neglect. The highest courage in the world is the courage it takes to fail. And the faith that his message is true, his mission true, that he has found his place and is doing his work, whether the visible results secure the public commendation or no, is a faith that is needed by every earnest workman.

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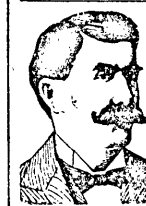
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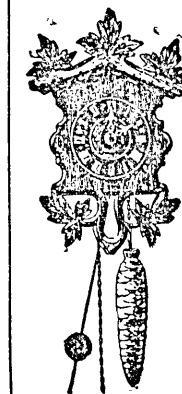
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Papers From Distant Lands.

BY REV. J. W. CUNNINGHAM.

I live in the St. Louis Christian Advocate building, and am frequently in the editorial department. Today I picked up two papers belonging thereto. Both were strange to me. In the absence of the editorial force, I appropriated them for the time being. After scanning their pages I concluded to write some things about them for the readers of the "Arkansas Methodist."

One paper is "The Levant Herald and Eastern Express," of Constantinople, Turkey, of "March 23, 1904 (Mercredi 23 Mars), Monharem 5, 1329. Presumably the day, month and year of Mohamed, or Mahomet. It is a daily issue, No. 64, Vol. 33. It is a large, four-page issue, equal 16 pages of the "Arkansas Methodist." Three pages are printed in what I suppose to be the French language. For illustration: One paragraph of twenty lines begins: "Une vermede contoe le rumatisme." That looks very like an American "remedy for rheumatism." Here is a long advertising line:

"Compagnie Auglaise D'Assurances contre L'incendie." That is suggestive of an English insurance company."

One page is printed in the English type. One item equal to a third of a column of the "Arkansas Methodist," tells of "the funeral of the wife and daughter of Fehim Bey, chief accountant of the ministry for foreign affairs, who perished in Sunday's fire at Bay-zid." The service took place on Tuesday following the fatal fire. "The ceremony was attended with much pomp and solemnity." His majesty commissioned a distinguished general to attend the funeral. A list of Turkish dignitaries is printed who were among the mourners. Pagans, Turks, Jews and Christians are alike in honoring the burial of their dead.

Immediately preceding the funeral narrative an Englishman devotes nearly twice as much space to a sympathetic article about the "Homeless Dogs" of Constantinople, which had excited his pity for them. It seems that the Turks have no scruples about "killing sheep" and that "thousands of them" are slain daily and sold in the markets of the sheep-eating inhabitants, but they will not kill a dog. Consequently the streets are thronged with homeless curs and other canines, living as best they can, many of them exciting the compassion of the "humane" Britton, by their lean appearance and hungry demeanor, when a bit of bread is thrown to them.

There are now on the World's Fair grounds at St. Louis some of our fellow citizens from the Philippine islands. They brought all the

way from their native isles a lot of well fed dogs. It has leaked out that they are going to kill, cook, and eat the dogs at a coming religious festival. The indignation of the St. Louis "Humane Society" is reported to be excited and that they are interposing to save the sacred dogs from death and the table of pagan feasters. But no society has interposed in behalf of the lambs, veals, beeves, pigs, hogs, chickens, ducks, geese and turkeys that find their way to the markets and the tables of St. Louis citizens and visitors. Truly some "society" people are fearfully and wonderfully made.

Here is an item that the far-away Constantinople editor prints at the beginning of his English page. It is to the effect that he will return to any contributor or correspondent anything sent to him for print or consideration. That he will not enter into any controversy with any person about anything sent to him "All letters and enclosures not inserted are destroyed."

If the "Arkansas Methodist" editor shall determine to adopt the policy of the "unspeakable Turk," and will not print this article, and will not enter into a "correspondence with me, and shall "destroy" this, then I will not tell him what I may know about the paper I have from Australia.

St. Louis, Mo.

Notes From St. Louis.

Dr. Godbey—In a conversation with Mr. J. B. C. Lucus, the president of the St. Charles electric car line, a few days ago, he referred to an old letter which was written to his father from the Arkansas Post in 1845 by a young attorney and that he had brought it out for me to read. In this interesting document I notice a few names that will, I have no doubt, interest many of your readers.

Dr. Lee, who was doing a large practice in Pine Bluff and in Jefferson county, at that time, Col. Wait, Albert Pike and others, also he describes a great revival of religion, conducted by the Methodists, in which nearly all the population of the old Post and of the surrounding country joined the Methodist Church.

I could not help but wish, while reading over the names of prominent persons that were converted at that meeting, that he had given the name of the preacher in charge, but he did not.

Mr. Lucus takes much interest in Arkansas, not only because his father began his business life in that State, teaching school and reading law but because he found his better-half in the City of Roses.

The World's Fair will open on

and private families who are looking for cousins and other friends are making great preparation to handle and accommodate in the very best way possible the people of all classes and from all lands, which has been discovered by those in charge to be no small task.

The nearer we come to the opening the larger the thing grows. I have been passing the ground once and twice per week for nearly two years. Steady has been the development until the last few months things have gone forward and upward by leaps and bounds, so that now the old ground begins to look like a city representing the world and the architecture of all climes. This exposition, one of the largest the world has ever had, should be of great educational advantage to all the young people who can attend. But they must come protected, having some friends with them, or their education and experience may cost very much more than necessary. For the pitfalls and dark places will be open to lead astray any that may be persuaded to pass that way.

The pastors of the Southern Methodist Church are very busy men at this time. However they will take pleasure in giving a word of counsel or advice when called upon to do so.

Dr. T. E. Sharp, our manly and working presiding elder, you will find at 2030 Lafayette avenue.

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I would be glad to give the address of the other pastors, but this pen must stop, at least for the present. More anon.

Z. T. McCann.

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The Troubles of an Old Man.

Dear "Methodist"—I have just taken a peep into the looking glass. My beard is unmistakably gray. There are certain wrinkles in my face that to the best of my knowledge were not there at birth. Yes, there is no dodging the fact—I'm growing old. I couldn't see my back to decide whether it is moss-grown or not, but guess it must be. Well, most anything's better than being bare backed.

But an old man, especially if he's got moss on his back, is not supposed to see things as they are, and therefore he ought to say nothing about what he does see. Of course he sees backwards, else the moss wouldn't be in the way. Ugh! This is a beastly world to live in, anyway. It's only a few years since the old men wanted me to "shet" my mouth till I was old enough to know what I was talkin' about, and now the young ones want me to keep it "shot" till I'm dead. In other words, they would have me to "refrain from senile loquacity and cultivate a taciturnity more becoming in a fossil of a defunct era." Which I take to mean: "Don't make a fool of yourself, or let it get out how big a fool you are." Well, if the editor says hush I'll hush (on paper), otherwise I will just chatter away. I've been seeing and hearing things of late that seem somewhat strange, and I'm wondering what next? Our Methodist folks of McKendree Church, Nashville, have recently been observing Passion Week. Last year in San Antonio we joined in with our Episcopal friends in observing Lent—abstinence excepted, and a few weeks ago one of the city dailies contained the announcement that the pastor of Travis Park Church was preparing a class of young people for reception into the church at Easter, and the new order of worship talks about the Gloria Patri, an anthem and an offertory. Well, what of it all? I don't know. I do know that for a long time we have observed with regret that the Episcopal Church was aping Rome. I wonder if somebody isn't looking on and saying that we are aping the Episcopalians, and if they are not pretty nearly right. "Oh, no, no! Brother S. You see this is an age of progress." Yes, I think I've heard that before. The expression can be traced back, no doubt, to the first valedictorian. I suppose there never was an age of the world that didn't consider itself progressive. Now, if all this progress through all the ages had been straight forward, surely we should have been there by this time. Certainly, the age is progressive and Methodists are a progressive people, but is there not danger of becoming so intoxicated

with this idea as to mistake even a retrograde movement for progress? As I see it this everlasting restlessness that demands perpetual change—change in church government, change of policy, change in methods of work and forms of worship, betokens a decline in spirituality, rather than progress.

We want to be very good forty days in the year because we just can't stand it any longer. We want to do our work and worship by means of machinery, as nearly automatic as possible, because we are a leetle under the weather and personal effort is so fatiguing, don't you know. We want a choir to writhe and screech and squawk at a "hanthem" in a way that nobody in heaven or earth can understand a word of it, as the most fitting vehicle for conveying our sentiments and feelings up to the throne.

In itself the Gloria is sublime, and I have no personal ill will towards the anthem. Indeed, like a rosy infant, when lying quiet in its cradle, or smiling and cooing softly, it's a thing of beauty, etc., but screaming like a concert of furies, it's something else. However, if the powers that be say, "'Ave a hanthem," we'll take it, served up in whatever style the choir listeth. But I wish to record my protest against Methodist Churches observing Lent, Passion Week, etc. At least let us stop short of burning incense, wearing the surplice and crossing ourselves. One of the characteristics of Methodism wherein has lain much of her strength and efficiency has been that, while not ignoring system and order, she has at the same time maintained a beautiful simplicity in her public worship. She has aimed at making every part of the service, even to the singing, helpful to the worshiper. But I fear we are progressing out of all this. As I sat in one of our fashionable churches a few evenings ago and listened to the alternate thundering of the pipe organ (which reminded me of a huge engine letting off steam) and the agonizing wails of the choir, while the congregation sat mute, helpless and suffering, I could not help thinking, if such is and is to be the portion of the living, then verily, blessed are the dead from henceforth. I have always stood for the organ and the choir and shall continue to do so, but I want the tune, too.

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Literature and Review

Mid-way.

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In a book I recently read, "Mr. World and Miss Church Member," a "mid-way" was suggested by Mr. World—territory between "The Broad High Way" and "The King's High Way." Of course there is no such place in the moral world. A person is either in the kingdom of God or the empire of the devil—a follower of Jesus Christ or led captive by the devil at his will. But the mixing and promiscuous mingling of professors and non-professors suggests such a place—a mid-way into which a professing Christian will enter who is not willing to leave the "strait" way with a view of going into the "broad" way, and a place which a sinner will enter but would not think of going, over entirely to the right way, and when this company comes together there is such a mixing, mingling, jumbling and juggling that an angel could scarcely tell "which from the other," and what is worse, they don't know themselves. Like the boy, a surviving twin, when asked his name said, "I don't know." Then being pressed for an explanation, said: "I am a twin, our names were John and Bill; one of us died; father didn't know which; mother didn't know which, and I don't know which. I am either John or Bill one." About the only difference is, one of these boys was alive while both parties in this mid-way are spiritually dead. We can't tell one from the other. They look alike, act alike and so far as the most acute can discern they are alike.

This imaginary mid-way territory is a wonderful country. What do you find here? The dance from the spacious parlor to the "mid-night masquerade." The saloon, from the guilded, magnificently furnished to the lowest dive, and a thousand other things, with an occasional fastidious, superficial show of religious worship, having much form and no power. From such "turn away." But in this territory you will find "Mr. World and Miss Church Member perambulating around together. Enchanting ground, this. The devil's play ground."

His majesty couldn't get that rather modest but indifferent non-prayer meeting going young woman to attend a masque ball, but possibly she will go to a nice parlor dance—first step. Others can be taken with less compunction of conscience. Once started, who can tell what the last step will be?

She would not go to the low play of a disreputable troupe, but she may be induced to go to a first grade theater, where are to be found the elite, the fashionable and

first class. The ball is now rolling. It will stop when it reaches the bottom.

The young man would not think of entering a low doggery, but he goes in the front door of a finely furnished saloon. Glittering lights, enchanting music, shining glass and sparkling drinks are all inviting; but when he goes out at the back door he is a fit subject for the lowest dive.

If one would obey the divine injunction, "Shun the appearance of evil," let him keep out of this territory, pitfalls and snares of the devil are here of the most attractive character and in the most unsuspected places.

Those who leave the "broad high-way" usually find their way back, but at a station further on the way.

Those who leave the "king's high-way" usually have poor discernment and are unsuspecting and finally mistake one of the devil's most respectable stations, where the first step is made easy for a station on the other and proper route, and take the first through train; no more stops. On they go; dark tunnels are passed through, sickening, stifling atmosphere. Train rushes on at an awful speed; on, on; gone, gone. Oh, horrors! Lost, lost! Overboard!

"What I say unto one, I say unto all," watch!"


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Japan's Progress of Half a Century.

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When the American squadron was cutting the virgin wake in the waters of Yedo Bay, our foreign commerce was limited to dealings with the Dutch. It was an entertaining joke. No serious-minded person seems to have taken the trouble of chronicling the amount of business done. That joke, however, developed into a rather serious affair in 1902. In that year, our foreign trade amounted to the modest sum of 530,034,321 yen. In the same year, no less than 6,211 steamers, with a tonnage of 11,399,415, entered our ports from foreign countries.

It has been a remarkable commercial and industrial development, that of Nippon, within the past fifty years. Something even more

marvelous than this, however, can be seen in the flowering of the intellectual life of the New Nippon. —From "Fifty Years of Japan," by Adachi Kinnosuke, in the American Monthly Review of Reviews for May.

Dr. Samuel McConnell, the author of "The Evolution of Immortality," and the rector of All Souls' Church, New York City, has written a new book which The Macmillan Company have published under the title of "Christ." Dr. McConnell's thesis is that the idea of Christ in the modern mind is very confused; and he has sought to bring order out of this confusion and to present the real Christ in contrast with the unreal Christs of theological fiction as the simple and sufficient foundation of religious faith.

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May 15--The Prodigal Son.

Luke xv. 11-24.

Golden Text—"Come, and let us return unto the Lord." (Hosea vi. 1.)

Time—A. D. 29.

Place—Probably in Peraea.

One of the most frequent occasions of offense to the scribes and Pharisees in the life of our Lord was his attitude toward the poor and the lost. Jesus was the only teacher of his time who had any message for these classes. The rabbis considered the masses as outcasts from God. The poor, the blind, the lepers, the diseased and the ignorant were all alike unworthy of any notice from a teacher of the law, had no part nor lot in the kingdom of God. Their poverty, their misfortunes, their diseases, were all so many sorts of brands of infamy which the providence of God had put upon them by way of signifying his displeasure against them—"Master, who did sin, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" The priest and the Levite in the parable of the good Samaritan were true types, they did not overdraw the picture at all.

Now Jesus held an altogether different attitude toward these classes; he was ever their friend, and as his ministry progressed, it became more and more understood that such was the fact. Two results followed, the common people heard him gladly, and the ruling classes hated him the more cordially. Blind beggars would sit by the way, and being told that Jesus of Nazareth was passing, would cry after him. Lepers would run to him and beg to be healed. Publicans and sinners found out that he was their friend—he called Matthew from the receipt of custom to be an apostle; he went to be the guest of Zaccheus at Jericho. Publicans and sinners were accustomed to draw near him to hear his messages. All of this was most offensive to the haughty scribes and Pharisees. The fifteenth chapter of Luke's Gospel is a defense which our Lord sets up for his course. The parable of the Prodigal Son is one of his answers. It is spoken to show us the heart of our Heavenly Father toward the lost of this world, and to illustrate, by the example of the elder brother, the attitude of these Pharisees. It is one of the most beautiful lessons in all literature, and has been pronounced the pearl of parables. Its meaning is that God, our gracious Heavenly Father, so far from holding the attitude which the Pharisees held, is infinitely solicitous toward the lost; is even infinitely gracious toward the meanest of men who turn with penitence to him. It

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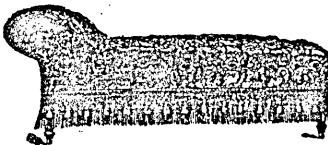
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The sinner pays in advance the price of worldly pleasures, and then learns what he has obtained. He puts aside the crown of life for a worldly lure.

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 1904.

Mixing Statistics—Confusing Facts.

We should like to see an estimate of the average yearly cost of intoxicating liquors to those who use them. We have reported to us, year by year, the cost of liquors sold in the United States. \$1,200,000 is about the amount. This, reckoning 80,000,000 inhabitants, is about \$15.50 per capita. But who buys these intoxicants? Two-thirds of our population are women and children who are not supposed to drink liquors, and of the men we have never supposed that more than one in three is accustomed to drink. Now we think it quite unfair to tell how many Christian people there are in the United States, and how much they give to convert the world, and how much the so-called Christian nation gives for drink. We want statistics to show what Christians are doing and what people who are not Christians are doing. The Christians are not buying the whiskey and the non-Christians are not supporting the missions. The Christian people of this nation are not chargeable with these vices which Christianity condemns. They represent that portion of our people who are rescued and safeguarded against these vices. They represent the force that opposes them and is abating them.

An array of the vices and evils which afflict the nation is a mighty call for home mission work. But it should not be used to disparage Christian teaching or the work which Christianity has accomplished in this land, which is by virtue of Christian influences the best and brightest under heaven, giving to all true Christians in the fruit which Christianity has already produced the highest inspirations of hope and faith.

Circulating the Conference Organ.

The last General Conference, seeing the need of greater attention on the part of the preachers to the circulation of their church papers, placed in the Discipline this question:

"Question 18. How many copies of the Conference organ and of the general organ are taken, and what has been done to increase their circulation?"

This question is not only called by the presiding elders every quarter, but it is deemed of such importance as to deserve especial notice by our Bishops in their inquiries at the conferences regarding the work of the pastors. No church is in a good state where the church papers are not read and valued.

If it is because the people do not read that the church paper is not taken, the case reveals a state of ignorance that must be removed before any secure foundation can be laid for the development of Christian character. The religion of a people who do not read cannot be either intelligent or practical. If the absence of church papers in the homes of the people is from the preference to secular reading the case is no better. It exhibits indifference to religious matters and especially to the most sacred duty of providing the best religious influences in the home.

The importance of circulating the church papers has come to be a question for district conferences especially to consider. Several of the Annual Conferences have appointed a day for the especial presentation of this interest. We do not think that the better way. The great work of the preacher in the pulpit is to call sinners to repentance. We have already put too many other matters in the way of that work. Cards may be circulated and subscriptions taken at the close of a service. This is far better than to neglect the work. Indeed it can be done in every congregation without interfering with other work. But the work is not for a day nor an occasion, but for the whole year. The preacher, by examining the list he has, can ascertain what families have not the paper and can present the matter in his pastoral rounds. The pastors who give steady attention to the circulation of the church paper as they do other church interests accomplish the best results in the long run.

Morrilton District Conference.

We attended the Morrilton District Conference two days, going out from Conway to Quitman, the place of the conference, thirty-two miles, in a buggy with Brother Cantrell, the presiding elder. Home was assigned us with the family of S. D. Jenkins.

Rev. O. E. Goddard preached on Wednesday evening, the 4th; James A. Anderson on Thursday morning; this writer on Thursday night; J. M. Williams Friday. The preaching was all good, not excepting even the sermon by the editor, and the people heard it gladly whatever good they may have gotten out of it.

Both the preaching and the discussions of the conference showed a desire upon the part of all for a higher sense of obligation in the ministry and a larger endowment of power for the service. There has not been many conversions on the district this year. The neglect of family worship is the old, sad story that tells that the religion we have is not as sincere and vital as it ought to be. We need to guard against sham revivals, turn the

thoughts of our people to prayer and seek the guidance of God's spirit. The preachers want revivals and covenanted to labor and pray for them.

The Sunday-school work is very encouraging. There are fifty Sunday-schools in the district. The work is more earnest than it has been. The most religious people in the congregations are finding work in the Sunday-school.

The financial condition of the work is comparatively good. The preachers are better provided for than they used to be. The Quitman Circuit is to be commended especially for the delightful parsonage recently bought for its preacher, Rev. Floyd. The place is in the town of Quitman and is one of its best homes. The purchase of this property speaks well for the preacher as well as his people.

The circulation of religious literature was earnestly discussed. The great need of the church paper in the homes of the people was confessed and a strong resolution endorsing the "Arkansas Methodist" and resolving to circulate it was adopted. The average of ten new subscribers from each pastoral charge was promised.

Rev. O. E. Goddard led and directed the discussion on missions, and Mrs. Witt, of Conway, represented the woman's work. The missionary spirit is strengthening. The organization of the Sunday-schools into missionary societies, the better circulation of missionary literature were matters especially stressed.

Having an engagement to fill the pulpit at Winfield Church on Sunday, this writer left the conference in "medias res" Saturday morning, taking the hack for Conway. It was raining and rained most of the way. The hack was poorly curtained, poorly seated and drawn by poorly fed horses, driven by a poorly paid driver. "Rattle his bones over the stones." We reached Conway in eight hours.

One disappointment at the conference was the absence of that loyal Methodist and our genial friend, Capt. J. W. Jenkins. His home is at Quitman, but he was at Conway sick. We met him and his son, Mack, now a preacher in the Tennessee or Memphis Conference. They were coming home in a buggy as we came home in the hack.

The Missionary Meeting at Waco.

Dear "Methodist"—I left Prescott Monday at 4 a. m., May 2, for Waco, Texas. At Texarkana I had a few hours to wait, and I spent them very pleasantly with Brothers B. A. Few, James Thomas and T. W. Hayes. Brother Few reports his district in fine shape, and much good work being done. Brother Thomas is our master workman. His new church is nearly com-

plete. Everything about it is first-class, and it will not only be a great addition to Texarkana, but to our whole church. Brother W. F. Evans joined me at Texarkana and we moved down into Texas over the Cotton Belt railroad.

Preachers and delegates began to pour in at every station and long before we reached Waco we had more than could be seated and a very jolly company they were. Our train was late and we missed Dr. Monk's sermon. However, his praises we heard everywhere the next morning. I am sure it was a great sermon, and gave the key to a very fine programme. The gentlemen who fixed the bill of fare made no mistake. It seemed to me that a better selection could hardly have been made. The services opened Tuesday morning on time just adjoining Austin Avenue Church, under a large shed, very well seated and large enough to hold some four or five thousand. There were present at this my first service, some twenty-five hundred or more.

Dr. Seth Ward delivered the opening address on "Southern Methodism and Missions." His speech was well received and was a very fine deliverance. Dr. Packard followed, and discussed "Our Resources," showing that in money, intelligence, men and women we were well supplied, and that grace, faith and the spirit of God would be given according to the capacity of the church to use them.

Dr. G. B. Winton grows on us every time we see him. His theme was "On the Borders of a Neighbor Republic." Who among us is better qualified to talk to us about Mexico? I wish our people could read that address. "The Foreigners Within Our Borders" was discussed by Rev. A. E. Rector, a German, who works among the Germans. He caught the crowd and was cheered so much and was so pathetic that I thought they would not allow him to stop on time. He is a great worker, a great thinker, but above all, has a big heart, full of sympathy for his people. Dr. Atkins closed the programme for the morning session with a strong paper, and a warm exhortation on "Young Life and Missions." He is popular in Texas.

At noon rain began to fall, and we had to move into the church. Hon. R. W. Hall spoke on "Current Objections to Foreign Missions, Stated and Answered." No one who heard this address will ever forget him or the address. His wit and humor seemed to be boundless. One minute everybody was wild with laughter and the next in tears. Dr. O. T. Hotchkiss, of Texas, read a very fine paper on "Missions to Our Rural Population." The afternoon closed with a speech from Rev. J. L. Hendry,

one of our missionaries to China. If the church at home had such faith as these missionaries we would soon be proclaiming the Gospel everywhere.

Bishop Hendrix was at his best at the evening hour—"Our Aim and Our Authority." The rain was pouring yet the church could not hold the congregation. For an hour I was almost afraid to breathe.

Wednesday was a great day. Dr. Horace Bishop, Rev. J. T. Smith, Bishop Duncan and Dr. Lambuth all spoke. There was not a dull moment. They seemed to be inspired by the occasion. Especially would I mention Dr. Lambuth's speech on "Problems in the Home Land." Never before have I so fully realized the dangers confronting us and the needs at home. Oh, that God could show us our duty and that we could be persuaded to do it. In the afternoon the good women presented their part of the work. Though they could not be heard by so many as were the men, yet those who could hear were thrilled and stirred by them. The influence of Miss Belle Bennett though great is growing, and her influence is stirring up not a few of our women. Dr. J. M. Moore made a great speech on "Texas Methodism and Missions." I did not hear him for I had slipped away to take a peep at Baylor University, and watch a ball game by the Baylor and Southwestern University boys. The Baptists have a fine plant here and a very large attendance. Oh, that Methodism in Arkansas could find some family to do for us what the Carroll family have done for the Baptists of Texas.

At the evening service Bishop Hoss spoke on "Money and Missions." The tide had been rising all the time, and when he had finished I felt the climax had been reached.

Thursday morning the board of Missions met and I was with them, gathering all the information I could fresh from the fields. There were several returned missionaries who gave reports from their various fields. Everywhere we have made progress. From every field were notes of victory. Men, women and money is the cry. At every place we need to enlarge provision was made for sending out a few more, but we need to double the force everywhere. Today is our day of opportunity. How can we get the church to see it? When will the church realize it?

Dr. Hyer, regent of Southwestern University, delivered the welcome address, which was all that could be expected, and Bishop Candler responded. It was more than could have been expected.

At night Bishop Candler spoke on "Latin America and Protestant

Christianity." A storm was gathering and the congregation began to melt away before he was half through, yet he went on and delivered one of the most masterly addresses I ever heard. At every turn you could hear, "Ain't he immense?"

I was sorry to leave before the programme was completed for Bishops Wilson, Key and Gallo-way were yet to be heard from, with others.

At many of the services some four thousand people attended, and the results will be gathered through the years to come. The Epworth League Board held its sessions here also. But I must stop.

R. W. McKay.

Bishop J. S. Key.

Bishop Joseph S. Key will hold our conferences in Arkansas this fall. He is now the oldest man in the Episcopal College, though not the oldest Bishop. Wilson is the senior Bishop. Key was elected to the episcopacy in Richmond, 1886. His home has been at Sherman, Texas, for eleven or twelve years. Bishop Key is genial, gentle in spirit, and especially considerate of the poorer and more dependent preachers. He has known the life of a Methodist itinerant through all its phases. He loves the church and all the brethren. The preachers of Arkansas will greet him in brotherly love and confidence and with prayers that his administration may be under the guidance of the Chief Shepherd.

Arkadelphia Methodist College.

Editor "Arkansas Methodist"—Prior to the formal announcement of the Arkadelphia Methodist College, we wish through your columns, to make the following statement relative to the future policy of this institution.

The course of study will be identical with that prescribed by our General Board of Education for schools which are ranked as colleges. We expect to have the full quota of professors and instructors required for such schools. We shall engage as teachers only men and women of high scholastic attainments and who have been educated in the best colleges and universities of the country.

The number of girls boarding in the college will be limited and not a student will be admitted beyond the limit. This will prevent the possibility of crowded classes and crowded accommodations.

The number of members in the faculty insure not only full and thorough class instruction but will also enable us to know the needs and attainments of each individual student and hence we can give the personal attention so much needed by many students.

The entire building, laboratories, halls and class rooms, already so

well equipped, will be refitted and put in the best possible condition. The school will strive to develop high scholarship, Christian character and physical vigor. There will be regular exercises in gymnasium, for the physical training of the girls and military drills and exercises for the boys.

Already we are glad to state engagements are being made for the next term, full announcement of which will be made soon.

J. H. Hinemon,

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Notices.

W. F. M. SOCIETY.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Little Rock Conference will hold its annual meeting in Malvern June 8 to 12. All auxiliaries sending delegates will please send their names to me by June 1. Delegates must not fail to secure receipts from their agents when buying tickets, in order to obtain the one-third fare on return trip. Mrs. F. H. McCormach.

Malvern, Ark.

HENDRIX COMMENCEMENT.

The commencement exercises of Hendrix College, Conway, will be from June 12 to 15. The commencement sermon will be preached by Dr. Walker Lewis Sunday, June 12, at 11 a. m. The Y. M. C. A. sermon will be preached by Rev. E. R. Steel at 8 p. m. the same day.

Stonewall Anderson,

President.

The twenty-third annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, White River Conference, will be held in Jonesboro June 18-22, 1904.

All delegates and visitors will please send their names to Mrs. Della Rodgers, Jonesboro, Ark.

Efforts will be made to secure the usual reduction on the certificate plan.

Mrs. S. H. Babcock, Pres.

Mrs. A. L. Malone, Rec. Sec.

COMMENCEMENT ARKADELPHIA METHODIST COLLEGE.

Please announce that commencement sermon will be preached Sunday, 11 a. m., May 22, by Rev. T. Y. Ramsey, Little Rock Conference.

Alumni address by Leslie Goodloe, Hoxie, Ark., on Tuesday, May 24.

Graduating address by Hon. J. H. Hinemon, Wednesday, May 25.

Commencement exercises May 21 to 25. All invited. Respectfully,

G. C. Jones.

Death Notice.

Hope, Ark., May 7, 1904.

Brother "Nick" Slack died here today at the home of his brother-in-law, Dr. Garrett. He was

brought here from Atlanta, La., where his business had located him two years past. He had been sick six weeks before coming here. He lingered four weeks after coming. His end was peace.

T. D. Scott.

A Good Example.

West Point, May 3, 1904.

Dear Brother Godbey—The little children of our Sunday-school organized an Orphans' Home Missionary Society about three weeks ago, and on the first of May gave an entertainment consisting of recitations and songs by which they were able to raise \$16.50. This amount I am sending you here enclosed, which kindly place to credit of the Orphans' Home. The names of the children belonging to our little missionary society are as follows: Lanora Garretson, Bettie Sue Foster, Nomie Pryor, Annie Smith, Kathaline Swann, Nathalie Garretson, Oren Peterson, Hall Swann, Parlen Peterson, Lillie Purney, Mary Johnson, Mary Smith, Thos. Garretson, Willie Lankford, Maud Pryor, Wm. Douthal Winburn, Charlie V. Tapscott.

Those little children deserve lots of credit. They are regular at Sunday-school and quick to respond when called on to help in a charitable way. Yours, etc.,

W. W. Winburn.

Personal.

Rev. W. C. Toombs, Gillette, was in Thursday.

Rev. Frank Barrett was a caller Tuesday. He reported all going well at Searcy.

Rev. James Campbell of Fort Worth and Rev. Sidney Bass of Terrell, Texas, were callers Friday.

Rev. W. M. Hays, P. E. of the Monticello District, made us a pleasant call Tuesday. He is in fine spirits and full of work.

Rev. John P. Lowery was in Friday. He goes to Arcadia, La., to hold a meeting. He had a very successful meeting at Newport.

Brother Mat Taylor of McCrory was a helpful caller Friday. He gave a good report of the work of Rev. F. E. Taylor, his pastor.

Rev. J. D. Sibert, presiding elder of Searcy District, held his quarterly meeting at Cabot last Sunday. There was a genuine revival spirit in the meeting. He is conducting a revival at Argenta this week.

Miss Dora Davis of Mabelvale organized a Junior League for and at Henderson's Chapel last Sunday. It began with eighteen members, with Miss Minnie Pritchett, superintendent; Earnest McCord, president; Earl Wilson, first vice-president; Maggie Paty, second vice-president; Della Mitchell, third vice-president; Birta Beadle, secretary; Charley Pritchett, treasurer.

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Christian Life.

"And Enoch Walked With God."

By Mary A. Miller.
Mamma, I heard the loveliest thing
At Sabbath school today;
And oh, I was so sorry
You had to stay away.

'Twas all about a good old man
Who lived long years ago,
His name was Enoch, but may be
You've heard of him before.

He lived so very near to God,
I guess it was next door,
That every day they took a walk
And loved each other more.

And this they did for many years,
He as happy as could be,
Until the dear Lord said one day,
"Come in and stay with me."

And he went in, and teacher said
He'd never come away,
For there all things were lovely,
Just like a summer day.

And where the flowers never fade
He'd walk with God all day,
And hear the sweetest music
As only angels play.

Oh, mamma, don't you wish that we
With God could take a walk;
That He would love to have us near,
And we could hear Him talk?

And then, some day when we are tired,
From home we're far away,
Like Enoch, we could hear Him say,
"Come in, come in, and stay."
—Herald and Presbyterian.

"I Have Finished the Work."

Was the work of the Master indeed done? Was not its heaviest task yet to come? He had not yet met the dread hour of death. Why did he say that his work was done? It was because that he knew that when the will is given, the battle is ended. He was only in the shadows of the garden; but to conquer these shadows was already to conquer all. He who has willed to die has already triumphed over death. All that remains to him is but the outer husk, the shell.

The cup which our Father giveth us to drink is a cup for the will. It is easy for the lips to drain it when once the heart has accepted it. Not on the heights of Calvary, but in the shadows of Gethsemane is the cup presented, the act is easy after the choice. The real battlefield is in the silence of the spirit. Conquer there, and thou art crowned.—George Matheson.

The Heavenly Home.

What a home that will be! I suppose none of us has ever had a home that just exactly suited. I have never seen one that I would not change if it could be done without any expense or annoyance. I have had the privilege in Europe of looking over many of the famous old palaces, some of which have played a great part in history; the homes where kings were born, and lived, and feasted and died. But I never saw a palace so splendid but if I were to move into it, I should want to change it a great deal. We are hard to suit in the way of homes. We know that by the way people move about in the city. Every week we see people moving from one house to another. They stop awhile and then move on, leaving the ills they know for those they know not of. But Christ knows exactly what you need. He is the only one who understands all of your peculiarities, and he will fit

your individualities in your heavenly home. How tender these words of promise, that, as one whom his mother comforteth, God will comfort those who trust him. Your fondest dreams shall be more than met in your heavenly home.—Louis Albert Banks.

A precious thing is all the more precious to us if it has been won by work or economy.—John Ruskin.

The constant duty of every man to his fellows is to ascertain his own powers and special gifts and to strengthen them for the help of others.—Ruskin.

To get ready for heaven we must attend first to earth. "How shall we live today," may seem a small question when one asks, "Where shall we live forever?" But to the smaller question God gives us a clear answer; for the other he bids us wait. Is not the right use of today the best and only preparation for tomorrow and for all the tomorrows?—Rev. Charles G. Ames in "Living Largely."

NECESSARY

People May Go Without Food for Days But Not Without Sleep.

Fasters have gone without food for many days at a time but no one can go without sleep. "For a long time I have not been sleeping well often lying awake for two or three hours during the night up to three weeks ago, but now I sleep sound every night and wake up refreshed and vigorous," says a California woman.

"Do you know why? It's because I used to drink coffee but three weeks ago I cut off the coffee and began using Postum. Twice since then I have drank coffee and both times I passed a sleepless night, and so I am doubly convinced coffee caused the trouble and Postum removed it."

"My brother has been in the habit of drinking coffee three times a day. He has been troubled with sour stomach and I often would notice him getting soda from the can to relieve the distress in his stomach; lately hardly a day passed without a dose of soda for relief."

"About two weeks ago he asked me for a cup of Postum—said he liked it well enough to give up coffee and since then has been drinking Postum three times a day and says he has not once been troubled with sour stomach." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Even after this lady's experience with coffee her brother did not suspect coffee was causing his sour stomach, but easily proved it.

Coffee is not suspected in thousands of cases just like this but it's easily proved. A ten days' trial works wonders, and of course "there's a reason."

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Clear Shining After Rain.

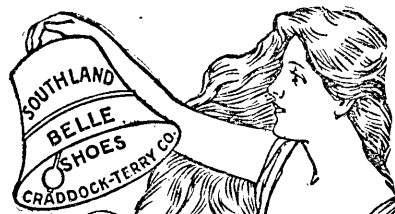
All ye children of God who are under the peltings of poverty or the downpour of disappointments, or the blizzards of adversity, "think it not strange, as though some strange thing had happened unto you." Millions have had the same experiences before you. No storm ever drowned a true believer, or washed out the foundations of hope. The trial of your faith will be found unto praise and honor and glory at the appearing of your Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Two things ought to give you courage. One is that our Lord loves to honor and reward unwavering faith. He permits the storm to test you, and then sends the smile of his sunshine to reward you. Another thought is that the skies are never so brilliantly blue as when they have been washed by a storm. The countenance of Jesus is never so welcome and lovable as when he breaks forth upon us—a sun of consolation and joy after trials.

Long years ago, on a day of thick fog and pouring rain, I ascended a mountain by an old bridle path over the slippery rocks. A weary, disappointed company we were when we reached the cabin on the summit. But toward evening a mighty wind swept away the banks of mist, the body of the blue heavens stood out in its clearness, and before us was revealed the magnificent landscape stretching away to the sea. That scene was at the time, and has often been since, a sermon to my soul. It taught me that faith's stairways are over steep and slippery rocks often through blinding snowstorms; but God never loses his hold on us, and if we endure to the end he will yet bring us out into the clearer and shining after rain.—T. L. Cuyler, D. D.

Philosophy of the Anxious Seat.

"The anxious seat" was a "new measure" introduced by Finney, which provoked a great deal of controversy, but which he used with great effectiveness. It consisted merely of a row of seats or benches reserved in front, which persons concerned about their spiritual condition were asked to come forward and occupy. In defending this method against the criticism of his opponents he says:

"The design of the anxious seat is undoubtedly philosophical, and according to the laws of mind. It has two bearings. When a person is seriously troubled in mind everybody knows that there is a powerful tendency to try to keep it private that he is so, and it is a great thing to get the individual willing to have the fact known to others. And as soon as you can get him willing to make known his feelings you have accomplished a great deal. When a person is borne down with a sense of his condition, if you can get him will-



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ing to have it known, if you can get him to break away from the chains of pride, you have gained an important point toward his conversion. In the second place it uncovers delusions as to one's spiritual condition. If the sinner is not willing to do so small a thing as come out to the anxious seat, then he is not willing to do anything."—Prinsula Methodist.

As daylight can be seen through very small holes, so little things will illustrate a person's character. Indeed character consists in little acts well and honorably performed, daily life being the quarry from which we build it up and rough hew the habits which form it.—Samuel Smiles.

The foundation of pride is the wish to respect one's self, whatever others may think; the main-spring of vanity is the craving for admiration of others no matter at what cost to one's self-respect.—F. Marion Crawford in The Heart of Rome.

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Have high ideals, and constantly seek to attain them.—Religious Intelligencer.

All Boys Should Learn

To run; to swim and to carve.

To be neat; to make a fire and to be punctual.

To do any errand; to cut kindling and to sing if they can.

To help their mother; to hang up their hats and to respect their teachers.

To hold their heads erect; to sew on their own buttons and to read aloud when requested.

To wipe their shoes on the mat; to cultivate a cheerful temper, and to speak pleasantly to an old person.

To put every garment in its proper place; to remove their hats upon entering a house, and to laugh. A good laugh is better than medicine.

To attend strictly to their own business. A very important point. And finally to be as kind and as helpful to their sisters as to other boys' sisters.—Exchange.

Which Was Rich?

"If I were only as rich as he is!" muttered a boy that had just found a crust of stale bread in a garbage barrel, as he eyed a poorly dressed boy leaving a baker's shop with a basket of whole, fresh loaves.

"If I were only as rich as he is!" said the boy with the fresh loaves, as he saw another boy on a bicycle, munching candy.

"If I were only as rich as he is!" sighed the boy on the bicycle, as another boy rolled past in a pony cart.

"If I were only as rich as he is!" grumbled the boy in the pony cart, as he caught sight of a lad on the deck of a beautiful private yacht.

"If I were only as rich as he is!" this lucky young fellow wished, as his father's yacht cruised in foreign waters, and he spied one day a young prince attended by a retinue of liveried servants.

"If I were as free as that boy is!" impatiently growled the prince, thinking of the boy in the yacht.

"If I could drive out alone with a pony, and nobody to take care of me but myself!" thought the pampered boy on the yacht.

"If only I could have a good time like that boy on the bicycle!" longed the driver of the pony.

"How happy that boy with the basket looks!" said the boy on the bike.

"If I could only relish my dinner as that boy does his crust!" said the baker's boy. "I'm sick and tired of bread."

Which one was rich?—Sunday-school Advocate.

Gardening.

Our young people had a garden in which they sowed certain vegetable and flower seeds. They watched for the appearance of the baby plants with impatience, and, of course, the time of waiting seemed long to them. There came some warm, sunny days soon after the seeds were put into the ground, then a long period of cold, cloudy weather. In due time tiny threads of green appeared along the line of the sowing; but how slowly the little lives developed!

"They will never come to anything," said one of the young gardeners.

Another with a discouraged look counted the days since the seeds were sowed.

The third ran out, and pulled up a speck of a plant.

"Why, see what long roots it has!" she said, bringing it into the house to show to the others.

There was indeed a wonderfully enterprising tap-root with a fringe of rootlets attached.

"It was a little lettuce plant, and the mother said:

"They are wise little plants to make their roots first and afterwards their leaves. They will be successful plants, you may be sure, and furnish rich supplies for our table."

"Mother means," said Grace, "that we should make roots of character."

"Yes, that is the only way to bear fruit," was the reply. "And see; all this root making has been done in cloudy, forbidding weather. No sun rays to carry cheery warmth to the little workers in the chill ground. And this was all the better for them. If the sun had shone bright they might have been stimulated too much, and the leaves might have grown at the expense of the roots."

"Mother thinks that character roots grow in troublous days," said Grace.

"Yes, when the sun of happiness is clouded it is often the case that the roots of beautiful traits develop—faith which looks through the clouds, hope which triumphs over fear, and charity which endureth all things."

When the leaves of the lettuce plants finally grew to be broad and richly green, with delicate curled edges, the finest crop for many years, the young people remembered mother's simple lesson.—Mary F. Butts, Young People's Weekly.

Our Letter Box.

Dermott, Ark.

Dear Brother Godbey—I will write again to the old "Methodist." Our pastor's name is Brother Cannon. I like him very much. My Sunday-school teacher's name is Vinnie Hunsucker. I like her very much. We have forty members in roll in the Methodist Sunday-school. I go to Sunday-school every Sunday. My sister and her husband have gone out to Parnell's Springs. Our cousin, Dr. Willie Crenshaw, died last Sunday. I will close by asking the consins a question. Who was called the friend of God? I am ten years old.

Adele Anderson.

Dear Brother Godbey—I am a little girl eight years old. My papa takes the dear old "Methodist." I love to read the children's letters. I hope I will see this in print. I have two dolls. My mamma is dead. She died when I was eight months old.

I go to Sunday-school every Sunday. I am in the second grade.

Lee Echols.

Morrilton, Ark.

Editor "Methodist"—Kind Friend: We are reading the Bible through and have reached the "Acts" and are desirous to know who wrote the book. Please answer in "Methodist" and oblige yours,

J. H. Wright.

Luke, who was with Paul at the close of his life, wrote the "Acts of the Apostles."

Gassville, Ark.

Dear Brother Godbey—I am a little girl, ten years old. My birthday is the fourth of March. I am in the fifth grade. I have four brothers and two sisters. I am the youngest one in the family. I have no pets except five dolls and a cat and a little lamb and two little goats. Brother Seawell is our pastor and Prof. S. A. Galloway is our teacher. I will close. If this misses the wastebasket I will come again. Good-bye.

Ethel Hogan.

Jacinto, Ark.

Dear Brother Godbey—I see so many nice little pieces in the "Methodist" I thought I would write one, too.

My papa takes the "Methodist." I have two brothers and two sisters. I milk for mamma in the evening and help her do the cooking. I go to Sunday-school every Sunday.

Brother Turrentine is our preacher. If I see this in print I will write again. Your little friend,

Mattie Taylor.

Farmington, Ark.

Dear Dr. Godbey—I am a little girl eight years old. I weigh 56 pounds. I go to school. J. R. Holcomb is my teacher. He is a good teacher. I am in the third grade.

I go to Sunday-school every Sunday. Mrs. Cravens is my teacher.

I have two sisters and three brothers.

The only pet I have is a kitten.

Mamma takes the "Methodist." How we do enjoy reading the children's page. We enjoy reading Brother Lark's letters, too. Brother Griffin is our preacher.

We like him very much: I read a letter in the "Methodist" that George Hatfield wrote. He used to be our closest neighbor. Good-bye.

May Smith.

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ESTRAY NOTICE.

State of Arkansas, County of Pulaski.—ss.

We, H. C. Boshears, E. F. Wilson and J. R. Williams, three citizens of the county of Pulaski and householders therein, having thereto been appointed by A. McNeeley, a justice of the peace of said county, have this day viewed a certain mare shown to us by G. H. Boshears as an estray. Said mare is about nine years old, color dark bay, white spot in forehead, scar on point of left shoulder, setfast on the back bone. We do value said mare to be worth thirty dollars.

H. C. Boshears,

J. R. Williams,

E. F. Wilson.

Sworn to before me this April 23d, 1904.

A. McNeeley, J. P.

WARNING ORDER.

Union Trust Co. Agts. Plaintiff, vs. T. W. Wilson, J. P. Court. A. H. McDonald, Defendant. The defendant, A. H. McDonald, is warned to appear in this court within thirty days, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff, Union Trust Co. Agts. April 23, 1904.

T. W. WILSON, J. P.

WARNING ORDER.

State of Arkansas, County of Pulaski.—ss. Annie Middlebrook, Plaintiff, vs. In the Pulaski Chancery Court. John H. Middlebrook, Defendant. The defendant, John H. Middlebrook, is warned to appear in this court within thirty days, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff, Annie Middlebrook. April 22, 1904.

CHAS. M. CONNOR, Clerk.

By J. H. SHOPPACH, D. C.

John Barrow, Solicitor for Plaintiff.

WARNING ORDER.

State of Arkansas, County of Pulaski.—ss. Sue Anderson, Plaintiff, vs. In the Pulaski Chancery Court. Chas. Anderson, Defendant. The defendant, Chas. Anderson, is warned to appear in this court within thirty days, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff, Sue Anderson. April 22, 1904.

CHAS. M. CONNOR, Clerk.

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Our Church at Home.

GILHAM, ARK.—We received a bright young doctor into our church at Grannis last Sunday, and he started out right by subscribing for the "Methodist." We want to begin our protracted meeting at Grannis about the fourth Sunday in May or June. We have already secured good help. W. A. Steel and W. W. Mills have promised to help me. We are praying and planning for a glorious revival. Brethren, pray for us. Yours,

J. H. Callaway.

OAK HILL CIRCUIT.—We have nine appointments and some school houses thrown in to make things even, plenty of corn and fodder, plenty to eat, plenty of good church members, some sorry ones, plenty of sinners, plenty to do and doing it with all my might.

Our second quarterly conference has come and gone. Our P. E. preached a good sermon.

Our people have done some nice things for us.

Our stewards did not attend the conference as they might and ought, but I am praying that they may do better in the very near future. They seem to be as the Master said, lukewarm, or as the Baptists call it, backslid, and as the Presbyterians call it, got cold, and I call it got in a fix.

God is very anxious that we have a revival and the devil cannot help himself if we can but get anxious as pastor and people; pray for us to that end.

We are buying a new organ for Walnut Grove Church. April 30th Brother James Bland will make the purchase.

We see some signs of wilcatism. I don't know what we will do with the wild-cats. It is a grave question, but we have had a large experience with them, and have withstood them on less cash than any man in Arkansas, and I am not boasting.

Please do not consider me presumptuous, but I wish to pray your majesty as well as the Nashville Advocate, and the powers that be, to turn the date of our Sabbath-school literature one month back, beginning with December, grouping the three winter months together, thereby giving us March in the spring quarter. Now it will not disarrange the schools that run all the year, and it will give one month the advantage and that means a great deal for a long, strong pull in the revival season for the salvation of precious souls. Help me in your clemency to effect this change. Ever live the "Arkansas Methodist" and her coadjutors. I admire her wardrobe. I am proud that we have at her head one who knows how to work off most of the trash, so I had better desist.

But some one cries "Too many

ads." But remember, brother, that consistency is a jewel. There are afflicted, decrepit ones that are just as elated to find a cure for their maladies as you or I to read an editorial or a field note from one of our Bishops. It must adapt itself to all parties interested. Friend, get an idea, please.

Hugh Reveley, P. C.

CATO, ARK.—Our second quarterly conference was held at this place May 1-2. A very large congregation attended all the services. Our P. E., Brother Sibert, preached with great power. On Sunday night we had a Pentecostal shower; after preaching and making a strong appeal to the sinner, Brother Sibert made a proposition to all that wanted to be saved to come to the altar. Several responded to the proposition and five of them rose to their feet and said that God had blessed them. They went to church the servants of Satan, but went home the servants of God.

On Sunday at 3:30 p. m. Brother Sibert preached at Antioch, three miles west of Cato to a large congregation. God was there in convicting power. About twenty-five came forward and gave their hands to be prayed for and some kneeling at their seats. May God bless them. Brother Sibert made many friends while here.

The outlook is good for a great revival on this circuit. The work came up with good reports.

May God give us a great revival all over the circuit.

J. M. Talkington, Jr., P. C.

HELENA.—Last Sunday was a red-letter day at the Methodist Church at Helena. The pastor, Dr. H. G. Henderson, announced the Sunday before that on the following Sabbath he would present the matter of the conference collection and asked that every member of the church be present at one or both of the services.

The pastor preached in the morning on "Christian Giving;" at night on "One Thing Thou Lackest" and at each service subscription cards were passed through the congregation by the stewards with the result that more than the entire amount assessed on the Helena Station for the benevolent collections, was promptly pledged.

BEARDEN.—On the fourth Saturday and Sunday in April this writer enjoyed a rare treat. The trip had been planned for weeks. I was to dismiss school a little earlier than usual so that we might get an early start. The fourth Sunday is the regular day for preaching at New Hope, the most distant point from headquarters on the Bearden and Thornton charge. I had been wanting to make the trip for a long while, but Brother Harrell, my pastor, would consent to take me along on one condition

only, that was that I should preach at 11 o'clock Sunday. Well, as I am only a local preacher and believe pretty strongly in a local preacher's working under the direction of his pastor, I finally consented to do so.

We left Bearden at 3:15 p. m. and drove steadily until 7:30, when we arrived at the home of Brother M. K. Rogers, a staunch Methodist and a steward. Before we reached the house Brother Harrell remarked that we would arrive at just about the hour of their evening devotions. Sure enough, when we drove up, the family were kneeling in their evening prayers and the voice of this devout man of God, as he lifted his soul to God and commended himself, his family and his all into the keeping of our Heavenly Father, was borne to our ears by the evening breezes which seemed to be whispering soft words of praise among the leaves of the trees.

As I listened to the voice of this humble yet princely man of God as he wrestled, Jacob-like, at a throne of grace, I said in my heart Oh, God, give us more praying homes. Our beloved Methodism will continue to be a power for good in the land just so long as our people continue the duty of family worship. I think many of our pastors do not talk about this and insist upon the observance of the duty as much as they should.

The congregation Sunday morning was good, the entire membership of our church at that place being present except two or three and they were away out of the community. This is as it should be. Whenever the membership of the church attends church, other people are going to attend. After the sermon, a collection of \$2.10 was taken by the pastor for the American Bible Society. New Hope Church, although the weakest in point of numbers and financial ability, of all the appointments on the work, is leading them all in paying up the assessments, being about two-thirds out now.

Sunday evening we drove back to Little Bay, where the second quarterly conference was to be held. Dr. Riggin was already there. He was to preach Sunday night and hold quarterly conference Monday morning. The service Sunday night was rained out entirely.

Quarterly conference the next morning was not very well attended on account of unfavorable weather conditions and other causes. Hence the report on preacher's salary was somewhat behind.

Brother Harrell is an energetic, wike-awake preacher and pastor and his people all love him. Unless some great disaster overtakes him or his people, he will come up with full reports at conference.

We are praying for and expect-

ing a gracious revival throughout the entire charge this year.

R. H. Cannon.

ALTHEIMER.—We are moving along all right at Altheimer; have had our second quarterly conference with good interest and fair financial reports.

Have had our protracted meeting here with a general revival in the church and three accessions.

Brother W. C. Watson was with us in the meeting about three days and did some good preaching. I had heard that the bottom people were not religious but this folk is surely an exception to the rule. They are intelligent, and many of them wealthy people, earnest listeners, deeply pious and some of them the sweetest Christian characters that I have ever served.

They are not so many in number or quantity, but make it up in quality, and want their preaching pretty much on the same order.

We have a missionary Sunday-school, and had the best children's day last Sunday that I ever saw, with also a good collection.

Our Episcopal, Presbyterian and Methodist folk like the new order of service. There are some others whom I think do not.

The young men of Altheimer lately decided that I needed watching, and made me a present of a beautiful gold watch and chain.

A party of eight of us are going to Lake Village tomorrow to spend a week fishing.

We are entertained on this trip by Major Wm. H. Davis.

S. W. Rainey.

A Tribute.

The "Arkansas Methodist," 4th inst., just received, and the familiar face of my youthful friend, Rev. Geo. W. Hill, brings up many sweet, sad memories of the past. When quite a little boy, as memory serves me, my own precious father, as his pastor, received him into our church. Later he developed into young manhood and settled with his father and family near Camden, Ark. Hence it was my privilege and pleasure to hear some of his first efforts as a preacher and while not more gifted by nature than many of us boys, yet with him a call to preach meant a call to get ready to preach." Hence the "saint and scholar," also the great preacher. While I was pastor at Austin, Ark., he became the principal of our school. So altogether relatively I've known "George" almost from his youth. In fact, our fathers were both Methodist preachers and labored much together in many glorious meetings, while we were yet boys. What a glorious meeting awaited him on the other shore, with our sainted parents and his own precious brother, "Moses, Jr.," who himself fell on the walls of Zion. Heaven bless his precious wife,

"Miss Alice," and dear children, and finally bring them to the "haven of rest," where "We'll live and reign and rest and be with God forever blest," is the sincere prayer of his youthful friend and brother,

"Finch" M. Winburne.
Thornton, Tex.

From Bro. Stone.

Houston, Ark., May 7, 1904.

Dear Dr. Godbey—Please allow space for expressing our deep, heart-felt gratitude to and high appreciation of my good Brother Ware for his very kind and brotherly appeal in the "Methodist" for financial aid in securing me a little home here at Houston, having already evidenced his sincerity by sending me a five dollar check and a two dollar check from a good brother, Dr. J. B. Custer, of Bismark. Having spent the prime of my days and the strength of my manhood in the service of the church of my choice, at last in common with others, I had to submit to the inevitable (superannuation) without anything like an adequate provision for my present support. Hence the force of circumstances seemed to necessitate my location here. Wishing to be

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While the mother was unpacking an old trunk a little 18 months old baby got hold of a bottle of carbolie acid while playing on the floor and his stomach was so badly burned it was feared he would not live for he could not eat ordinary foods. The mother says in telling of the case:

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"I took him to Matamoras on a visit and every place we went to stay to eat he called for Grape-Nuts and I would have to explain how he came to call for it as it was his main food.

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as light a burden to the conference as possible, and having an opportunity of buying a good little home on time, the yearly payments on which would amount to but very little more than the yearly rents, my wife and I resolved that by the most rigid economy and self-denial in the disposition of things we badly needed, we bought and made one full payment on the place. Should a kind Providence smile on us and enable us to pay it out we will have a very good, comfortable home.

There may be worthier and more needy cases, it is true, but I am sure no one will appreciate more highly or be more thankful than will we, for any and all favors thus bestowed upon us. The names and amounts of all will be duly acknowledged in the "Arkansas Methodist" by the courtesies of Brothers Godbey and Thornburgh. As indicated by Brother Ware, send either to him at Prescott or Rev. J. A. Anderson, Conway, or directly to me at Houston, Ark.

W. J. Stone.

Francis Toems.

Francis Toems, the German, who so long and so faithfully attended upon the Y. M. C. A. rooms, died last week at the County Hospital and was buried on Sunday. Rev. J. M. Workman, who was for several years general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., and under whom "Francis" worked, conducted the funeral at the Y. M. C. A. rooms Sunday afternoon. A large number of people who had known and admired Francis for his noble and generous principles, attended. Prof. Toems, a brother of Francis, came from Canada and was with his brother when he died and attended the funeral.

What we have long been waiting for has at last come in old North Carolina—the laying of the strong hand of the law upon men and women who, in the name of the drama, flaunt their lecherous obscenity in the face of public audiences. It happened in Wilmington when Duncan Clark and his troupe of female minstrels were arrested on the charge of presenting an indecent and immoral play at the Academy of Music. Wilmington has for mayor a man with a moral backbone, and that man is William E. Springer. He is doing much for the city of Wilmington, we learn, through an official administration which is a terror to evil doers.—Raleigh Christian Advocate.

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Shame to the Church.

We read with an increasing sense of weariness of dances and card parties and wine suppers given by Methodists and in honor of Methodists. The thing is shocking and indefensible. For the names that appear in our church papers in connection with stewards' meetings, missionary societies, and the like also to be bandied in the "society column" among those giving or receiving attentions such as are described above is an offense and a scandal. The church has enough to carry without being loaded down by the careless infidelity of its own members.—Nashville Christian Advocate.

TEXARKANA DISTRICT, THIRD ROUND.

Foreman Circuit at Arkinda....

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.....July 8

Wilton Circuit at Brownstown..

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during this round by pastors and

officials to the answers to questions

13, 17, 20 and 22 under para-

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at Mena June 22 to 26. The con-

ference will meet for organization

on the evening of 22d, after a ser-

mon by Rev. W. W. Mills. Open-

ing sermon will be preached by

Rev. J. R. Sanders Thursday, 23d,

at 11 a. m. Following are the com-

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P. Doak and S. C. Dean.

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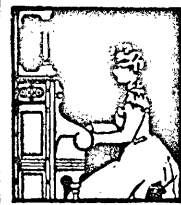
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ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

1. The annual meeting at Dyer is fast approaching. Have you sent the name of your delegate to Miss Edith East, Van Buren? If not do so at once.

Pastors in every charge are nestly requested to send a delegate from his church, whether or not there is a Home Mission Society in his charge.

These following suggestions came from one of our interested auxiliaries and so I pass them on with the hope that they will prove helpful to every reader:

OUR RELATION TO THE PARSONAGE.

In considering the work of the Woman's Home Mission Society let us not lose sight of the purpose that first called us into existence. We were first organized as an adjunct to the Board of Church Extension, for the purpose of looking after the parsonages of our church, while the general board looked after the church edifices. A great work was doing in building churches, more churches and better churches, but we had no organized effort to build homes for our pastors, and much inconvenience and loss was the consequence.

Why should we concern ourselves about the homes of our preachers? Why may not the preacher and his family be left to look after their own dwelling places, just as we look after ours? If our pastors were permanently settled, so that each of them could build a permanent home, then we might leave the matter of dwellings for them and their families largely in their own hands. But an itinerant Methodist preacher can have no home—there is even a pathos in the very fact—he must go, go! And even after we have built a parsonage for our preacher, there are very many things needed at the parsonage which we ought not to expect them to provide, for the simple reason that it would involve an outlay of means which can be ill afforded for a very brief use of those things. There are scores of conveniences which we place around ourselves and which we can afford to place about our homes because they are needed and because they will be permanently useful to us, for they suit the particular circumstances of each particular family. But the pastor's family you now have may be very different to the one you had last year, different in size, ages and other conditions, making it really necessary to change many things about the parsonage in or-

der to have even ordinary convenience. The living room and the dining room and the parlor all may have to be different. Now a pastor, if he were going to permanently occupy the parsonage, might make all such changes, but he is not going to occupy it permanently. Then, too, the rooms may be of odd size, new carpets are to be bought, and if the pastor must buy them, what is he to do with them the next time he moves and finds that they will fit nowhere? The windows are odd size, and his curtains and shades do not fit, and he must patch up again as best he can. It were far better if the society would furnish these things. If our pastors and their families give up the privilege of a settled home, in order to serve us, is it not as little as we can do if we make up in some measure this loss—a great loss—by seeing to it that they have such conveniences as these?

We ought to remember another thing. Our pastor's wife has very many calls upon her time and patience which we do not have. We expect her to take an interest in the work of our societies, to take an interest, in short, in all the work of the church, while she keeps up her own domestic matters, just as other women must do. Her position brings with it many extra burdens. Withal, she has severed relations with her old girlhood friends, and is again and again thrown among strangers throughout life. She has given up much and taken on much in becoming the wife of a pastor, and to do her part in our service. It is the business, and ought to be the gratifying pleasure of the Home Mission Society, to be her organized friend. It were thoughtlessness, and not much short of meanness, in us to permit her to be continually burdened on our account. They do not ask to be relieved of responsibilities connected with our work; but why should not the Home Mission Society help her to bear her burdens? Why not every now and then ask her if they cannot meet for an afternoon at the parsonage and help her to get up the children's sewing? It would relieve many a strain to do so. When Thanksgiving Day is coming, or Christmas is coming, why not send word to the busy woman at the parsonage, all the more busy because she must often at such times look after something connected with the church, why not send her word that a dressed turkey, with the et ceteras, will be sent to the parsonage. It would be a token of thoughtful love that would help her heart. Many are the ways of love to help.

WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE, W. F. M. S.

My Dear Sisters—The W. B. F. M. meets in Jacksonville, Fla., May

18th. Our vice president, Mrs. R. C. Moorehead, of Paragould, will represent us.

Our report for the year is excellent. We have adult, juvenile and young people's auxiliaries, 30, with a total membership of 779. Have paid dues in full and the \$750 for the missionary's salary, as we resolved to do at Marianna last year. Some of the societies did not send in the full conference expense fund, and there is a balance due on the students' loan fund for the Bible and Training School, but altogether it is the best year of our existence, having raised in all over \$1,800.

According to our resolution of last year our representative will pledge the salary of the missionary (\$750) this year and we must begin at once to raise it. May is the last month of the first quarter; let us try and pay a fourth each quarter so our board will not have to borrow during the fall months, as it did last year.

Our president, Mrs. S. H. Babcock, is attending the session of the W. H. M. Board at Kansas City. On her return the time of our annual meeting will be fixed; the place is Jonesboro and every society must be represented.

Send your most capable women. Let every juvenile delegate be prepared to take part in the interesting entertainment the Rosebuds of Jonesboro are to give. Elect your delegate at the May meeting (if you have not already done so) and send her name to Mrs. Babcock at Forrest City, that she may arrange the programme. Further particulars of the meeting will be published later. If possible we will have one of our returned missionaries with us.

Pray for the woman's board meeting. Yours fraternally,

Mrs. Mary A. Neill,
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Batesville, Ark., April 26, 1904.

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WOODS—Mrs. Anna Woods, formerly Miss Anna Ives was born in Illinois, June 26, 1862. She united with the church in 1878. She was married to A. M. Woods, January 29, 1886, and died April 18, 1904. She was a good consecrated Christian woman, her faith in the Lord was strong and her prospects for heaven were bright, so much so that she rejoiced in the hope of the glory of God even till the last. She leaves a husband, six children, and a great many relatives and friends to mourn their loss, but our loss is her gain, for all that knew her are confident that she is gone to the home of the good.

M. O. Barnett.

BOWEN—May Bowen was born in Missouri, November 11, 1888, and died in Baring Cross, Ark., March 28, 1904. Little May was a flower chosen of God to decorate the courts of heaven. Her minister and friends heartily sympathize with her parents in their sad bereavement, the only darling child they had. Little May was a child of a precocious mind, and at the age of seven could read in advanced readers, and was a general favorite with playmates, and often called in by teachers to declaim on account of her special endowment, it seemed, for same. At the age of nine she represented her school in Buchanan county, Mo., in the county rhetorical contest, won and wore the medal for five consecutive weeks in the Catholic school at Topeka, Kan., over eighty competitors much her senior in years. May God bless and save her parents.

D. H. Conyers, P. C.

Baring Cross, Ark.

LLOYD—Milton W. Lloyd was born in Van Buren county, April 20, 1861, departed this life December 13, 1903. Brother Lloyd was twice married; first to Miss Celia Harrison, 1883. This union was blessed with one son, who is still living. He was again married to Miss Julia Bradley in 1891. This union was blessed with three children, all of whom are still living. Brother Lloyd professed faith in Christ in 1890, and united with the church and lived a faithful devoted Christian until death. It was not my privilege to know Brother Lloyd very long, but I was in his home several times during his last illness. Brother Lloyd told me a number of times that he was ready for death. He expressed solicitation for his family. He was concerned for them, but God's will be done. His way was clear. He was in perfect peace. By Brother Lloyd's death the church sustains the loss of a true, devoted worker, his wife an affectionate, kind-hearted husband, his children a loving tender father; but their loss is his gain. May God bless the bereaved family. We extend our sympathy.

T. H. Wright, P. C.

HARRISON—Minerva Ann Harrison was born November 1, 1827, and departed this life April 8, 1904, aged 75 years, 5 months and 8 days. On the 28th day of January, 1902, she had the misfortune to fall and dislocate her hip, which made her a permanent cripple and invalid to the end of her days. She was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal church, South, when she was 16 years old, and ever lived a consistent Christian life, and

died a very peaceful death. She was married to Dr. John W. Harrison, June 18, 1846, and they were blessed with a family of twelve children, eight of whom still live to mourn the death of a precious mother. Her husband preceded her to the better land in 1880. She was a member of the Eastern Star of the Masonic fraternity. She spent her last days with her son, Dr. Mark W. Harrison, Cameron, I. T., who gave her all the attention that a son or physician could give. She was fortunate in having a single daughter, Miss Mattie, who was as faithful and true to her mother in her affliction as was possible to be, and the good Lord only knows how great her reward will be. Grandma, as we all called her, was a great favorite with all of us, and we all sadly miss her. The funeral services were held by the writer at Dr. Harrison's residence just before they started with her to Arkansas for burial. Now, may the blessings of God rest on all the children and grand-children of Grandma Harrison, is my prayer.

James A. Smith.

Cameron, I. T.

BUFORD—Rebecca Buford (nee Talbot) was born April 6, 1839; was married to Wm. H. Buford, February 3, 1869; died at Whitely, Ark., March 16, 1904. "Aunt Becca," as she was universally known, was a good woman. She was converted at an early age and joined the M. E. Church, South. She was always faithful to her church and Lord. The preacher had no better friend. She loved the church devotedly, and endeavored to serve her Lord daily. She was a great help to her friends, faithful in sickness and distress, sympathetic and tender, a friend in the time of need. She never talked much in public, but was one of God's quiet saints. The peace of God flowed through her heart as a gentle river. The church suffers a loss. She will be very much missed in the community. She leaves children and grand-children behind, while she goes to meet loved ones in the skies. We laid her to rest in the presence of a large company of friends and relatives. The writer preached her funeral. We feel a sad loss when these old Methodist types pass from us. May her children strive to be as good as she was. Her pastor,

J. F. E. Bates.

PITTMAN—Jewel Catherine Pittman, little daughter of Maude and Ed Pittman, was born September 1, 1900; died February 25, 1904. When she was first taken ill we thought the attack was very light, but the doctor was called in and pronounced it to be of an unthreatening nature, but she grew worse and her lungs became affected, and pneumonia was inevitable, and she became a great sufferer. I never saw anyone bear affliction with more fortitude. She said to her sorrowing mamma as she talked about it to her, "Oh, I am suffering; I have got to suffer," and she did without a murmur. I would often go to see her and ask her how she felt. Her answer would invariably be, "I am no better," and thus she battled with the enemy death for ten days, and then went home to God. We followed her to the brink of the Jordan, and saw her enter the stream, but could go no farther, and we bid her good-by. Sweet little Jewel, you were grand-pa's pet, and I expect soon to feel your sweet little arms around my neck, and I think you will take me by the hand and show me the mansion that our Father has prepared for me. Doubtless little Jewel has heard the angels' golden harps, which I had told her they praised God with. She had heard an old negro sing, "Happy little children in the band," and it was her fa-

vorite song. She asked her mamma while sick to sing it twice for her. The second day of her illness, being sick, her prayers were neglected, and she spoke of it, saying, "Mamma, I forgot to pray last night." She has left us all in sorrow, but we sorrow not as those who have no hope. Dear mamma and papa, you have one sweet child in glory. Gird on your armor afresh and take little Dickson into the fight with you, and say the battle shall be won. Her grand-father,

John Dickson.

SOUTHARD—Rev. Leland Erin Southard, son of Wilbur F. and Martha A. Southard, was born in Franklin county, Ark., February 15, 1873, and died of pneumonia fever at Spring Hill, February 16, 1904. He was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, at 11 years of age under the ministry of the sainted Benton Williams; was licensed to exhort in 1893 by D. J. Weems, and to preach by George W. Hill, P. E., J. M. McAnnally being pastor in 1894. He joined the Arkansas Conference in 1899; was ordained deacon by Bishop Galloway and elder by Bishop Key. His appointments were Sugar Grove Circuit, two years; Mulberry Circuit, one, and Fort Smith Circuit, one year and three months. Brother Southard was happily married to Miss Ida Wilson, June 28, 1894, by Rev. J. L. Hayes. This union was blessed with three sweet children, Free Ella, Herbert Cline and Leland E. This last preceded his father by a few months to the heavenly home. These few figures and facts give us but a faint idea of the true worth of our dear brother. Having been trained in a Christian home, he had a definite idea of the Christian life. He had an experience. His convictions of right and wrong were clear and strong. As a preacher he did not daub with untempered mortar. His trumpet gave no uncertain sound. For five years he struggled with the conviction that he should cut loose from the world and join the conference. When it was decided he was firm to his convictions. He received much help and encouragement from his brother-in-law, Rev. J. H. O'Bryant. The Lord greatly blessed his labors. He was developing into a strong and efficient preacher. He gave promise of being one of our most useful ministers. Physically he was stout and well proportioned. We would naturally have expected him to live to a good old age. But death is no respecter of persons. In nine short days the silver cord was loosed and the golden bowl was broken. "Be ye also ready, for in such an hour as ye think not, the Son of Man cometh." Thank God, Brother Southard had anticipated that hour and was ready. May God bless and keep the sorrowing widow and fatherless children, comfort the aged father and mother and many loved ones and friends, who deeply feel the loss of our brother. Fraternally,

D. J. Weems.

CLIFTON—W. M. Clifton was born in LaGrange, Ga., February 11, 1850. In his early manhood he came to Arkansas. Beginning with nothing but a strong body, an industrious nature and an invincible will, he acquired a sufficiency of this world's goods to provide bountifully for those dependent upon him and he was always a generous contributor to the great interests of the church. He was one time sheriff of his adopted county—Conway. As sheriff he was faithful and courageous, and retired from politics without a stain upon his name. More than fifty years ago he professed faith in Christ and joined the Methodist church. Of his faithfulness, devotion and generosity know all the preachers of the Arkansas



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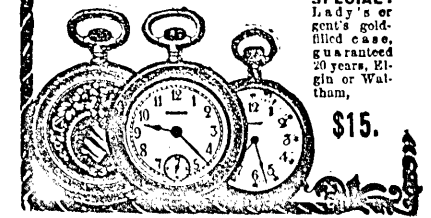
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Harrison District Conference, Green ForestMay 5-8
Board of Missions, L. R. Conference, at GurdonMay 10-13
Monticello District Conference, at Hamburg.....June 1-9
Pine Bluff District Conference, De WittMay 26
Helena District Conference, at ClarendonJune 22-26
Arkadelphia District Conference, at ArkadelphiaJune 23-26
Jonesboro District Conference, North JonesboroJune 23-26
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Little Rock District Conference, Hunter Memorial, L. R.....July 25

Plan of Episcopal Visitation

Of the bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for the year 1904-05:

FIRST DISTRICT—BISHOP WILSON.
Brazil Conference, Petropolis, August 11, 1904.
Virginia Conference, Lynchburg, November 9, 1904.
North Alabama Conference, Talladega, November 23, 1904.
Alabama Conference, Selma, December 7, 1904.
South Carolina Conference, Darlington, December 14, 1904.
Baltimore Conference, Winchester, March 22, 1905.
SECOND DISTRICT—BISHOP DUNCAN.
Tennessee Conference, Gallatin, October 5, 1904.
Western North Carolina Conference, Charlotte, November 9, 1904.
North Georgia Conference, Marietta, November 23, 1904.
South Georgia Conference, McRae, November 30, 1904.
Mississippi Conference, Gulfport, December 7, 1904.
THIRD DISTRICT—BISHOP GALLOWAY.
Japan Mission Conference, Kobe, August 25, 1904.
Korean Mission, Seoul, September 15, 1904.
China Mission Conference, Shanghai, October 6, 1904.
North Mississippi Conference, Kosciusko, December 14, 1904.
FOURTH DISTRICT—BISHOP HENDRIX.
Denver Conference, Rye, Colo., August 18, 1904.
Western Conference, Rosedale, Kan., August 25, 1904.
Missouri Conference, Columbia, August 31, 1904.
S. W. Missouri Conference, Springfield, September 14, 1904.
St. Louis Conference, DeSoto, September 21, 1904.
FIFTH DISTRICT—BISHOP KEY.
German Mission Conference, Castell, Texas, October 27, 1904.
Memphis Conference, Jackson, Tenn., November 16, 1904.
Arkansas Conference, Prairie Grove, November 23, 1904.
White River Conference, Augusta, November 30, 1904.
Little Rock Conference, Texarkana, December 7, 1904.
SIXTH DISTRICT—BISHOP CANDLER.
North Carolina Conference, Henderson, November 30, 1904.
Florida Conference, Orlando, December 7, 1904.

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N. W. Mexican Mission Conference, Nogales, Mexico, January 12, 1905.
Central Mexico Mission Conference, Mexico City, January 19, 1905.
Mexican Border Mission Conference, Allende, January 26, 1905.
Cuban Mission, February 16, 1905.
SEVENTH DISTRICT—BISHOP MORRISON.
Montana Conference, Stevensville, August 25, 1904.
East Columbia Conference, Oakesdale, Wash., September 1, 1904.
Columbia Conference, Harrisburg, Ore., September 22, 1904.
Pacific Conference, Sacramento, Cal., September 28, 1904.
Los Angeles Conference, Phoenix, Ariz., October 13, 1904.
Louisiana Conference, St. Charles, La., December 14, 1904.
EIGHTH DISTRICT—BISHOP HOSS.
New Mexico Conference, Albuquerque, N. M., September 15, 1904.
Indian Mission Conference, South McAlester, I. T., October 26, 1904.
West Texas Conference, Cuero, November 9, 1904.
N. W. Texas Conference, Mineral Wells, November 16, 1904.
North Texas Conference, Bonham, November 23, 1904.
Texas Conference, Marshall, November 30, 1904.

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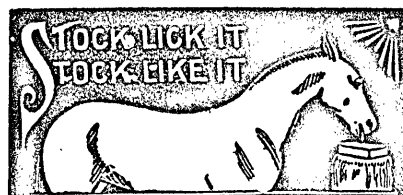
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Kentucky Conference, Lexington, August 31, 1904.
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Illinois Conference, Patoka, September 15, 1904.
Louisville Conference, Franklin, September 28, 1904.
Holston Conference, Abingdon, Va., October 12, 1904.

Married.

IRWIN-GRIGGS.—Married, on evening of third Sabbath in April, Rev. S. R. Irwin and Miss. Pearl Griggs, both of Rockport, pastor officiating.

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COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That in pursuance of the authority and directions contained in the decretal order of the Pulaski Chancery Court, made and entered on the 27th day of July, A. D. 1903, in a certain cause (No. 8166), then pending therein between The Peoples Building and Loan Association of Little Rock, Ark., complainant, and W. P. Funston, and A. B. Funston, his wife, and W. L. Funston, defendants, the undersigned, as Commissioner of said court, will offer for sale at public outcry to the highest bidder, at the east door or entrance of the Pulaski County Court House, in which said court is held, in the city of Little Rock, within the hours prescribed by law for judicial sales, on Wednesday, the 18th day of May, A. D. 1904, the following described real estate and personal property, to-wit: Lot Three (3) in the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section Two (2) in Township One (1) North, Range Twelve (12) West, the same being particularly described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit: Beginning on East Ninth street in the city of Little Rock, Arkansas, at a point where the east edge of the right of way of the Choctaw and Memphis Railroad intersects the north side of Ninth street in said city, and run thence south 84 1-4 degrees east, parallel to the street car track, forty-five (45) feet, thence north 196.10 feet; thence west 196.30 feet to the edge of the right of way of the Choctaw and Memphis Railroad; thence along the edge of said right of way in a southeasterly direction to the point of beginning, the same containing about one-half acre, more or less, and being the ground upon which the marble, stone and granite business of W. L. Funston is now being conducted, and all buildings and improvements of every sort situate on said ground, and all machinery, tools and implements now on said ground and in use in connection with the above mentioned business of the said W. L. Funston, including one 15-horse power engine, one 15-horse power boiler, one steam polisher for marble and stone, one eighty-ton derrick, one hoist, one hand polisher, for marble and stone, in Pulaski county, Arkansas.

TERMS OF SALE: On a credit of three months, the purchaser being required to execute bond with approved security, bearing interest at the rate of 10 per cent per annum from date of sale until paid, and a lien being retained on the premises sold to secure the payment of the purchase money. Given under my hand this 25th day of April, A. D. 1904.

CHAS. M. CONNOR,
Commissioner in Chancery.
CARROLL & PEMBERTON,
Solicitors for Plaintiff.