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## EDITORIAL.

### The South.

The "New South" is fast becoming a practical reality. By the words "New South" we mean the "Old South" with new life taken on. Some phases of that "Old South" have passed away, some are passing. Some of them ought to have passed—let them go. Nothing is surer than that a people can never achieve their highest until they come to know the worth and dignity of labor; the energies of the people themselves wisely directed along all the lines of civilized life must eventually make that people. We suppose that every thinking man and woman in the South has long ago realized that the slave system of the South must have proved its ultimate undoing had that system been permitted by Providence to continue. As to the manner of its taking away, let that go. The great fact is that slavery is gone, and with its going we witness a coming of new energies, new thrift, new people, new industries, new enterprises, a new sense of the dignity of labor.

The coming has been slow, yet it is sure, and sure also to increase more and more. We think it practically certain that the region of Birmingham will not many years hence dictate the price of iron for the world! What a fact is here! How vast is the influence of iron upon the commerce of the world! Destined to be greater in coming years also! Nothing is surer than that the textile industry of the nation, particularly cotton textiles, is to be almost confined to the South within a few years. The whirl of millions of spindles will make music for hundreds of thousands of our people. The immense coal fields of the South and the Southwest are also to be taken into consideration. Tennessee, Alabama, Arkansas, Missouri and Indian Territory can supply the world with coal for many decades to come; and their fields are being rapidly developed. Coal, iron, manufactures—these are words pregnant with immeasurable meaning. Along with this, it is sure that the agriculture of the South is destined to be rehabilitated. The slave system of agriculture sought for immediate returns from the land. How fearful was the butchery of the soil! The method followed by new settlers in regions of the Southwest since the war has not been much better. The rule has been to get out of the land all that was in it as quickly as possible, and then move on to more land. It is certain that as the country fills up, and as the demand for the products of the soil grows greater and as the value of mere surface increases, all this

will change. Where on the whole face of the earth is to be found a great body of land more capable of improvement than the lands of the South? And where will Nature do more for the intelligent tiller of the soil? Agriculture will be rehabilitated. If the negro cannot do his part of it, nothing is surer than that he must give place to somebody who will. It will be done. Crops will be diversified as fast as there is a demand for other products.

Remember also that the Panama Canal is to be. Remember that this means seaports of the first order and a number of them. Remember that it means that the commerce of the East is to flow through the South. Men now living will see ocean liners loading at the wharves of Memphis, perhaps much higher up the Mississippi River. A general drift of trade will move toward the Mississippi Valley and along the transportation lines connected with it, and toward our southern coasts.

Consider all these things;—they presage the tramp of coming millions! What does this signify for the church? It means that we must be up and at it. It means that we are to have a far mightier church in the South within the next generation or we are to be submerged by an on-coming tide of mammonism and general worldliness. Great material prosperity is a fearful thing when it beastializes the people. Beastialize them it will, unless we evangelize them as they become prosperous. We welcome the coming of material improvement—the Gospel does not teach pauperism or shiftlessness, and God must make a world, with all its varied and vast resources before he could make a church. The thing is for the church to lay the hands of a mighty spiritual life upon all that is to come, bringing all into subjection to the true interests of the human race. If the devil is left to manage the mighty forces that are to be poured into our southern life within the next twenty-five years, then the dial of time may be turned backward for the whole world.

No Church has such a responsibility here as does the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. We gladly recognize the value of other Christian bodies, the Baptists, the Presbyterians and others. They are our allies in the kingdom of God; we give them an honest and a hearty fellowship and hail them as beloved in the Lord. But there is no section in all the earth where so great a proportion of the people are Methodists, and therefore no section where the responsibility of Methodist people is so great. Ours is a mighty mission.

All this means that we must equip our

schools and endow our colleges. We must do it or perish. It means that we must build hospitals and orphanages, caring for the bodies of men. It means this in such degree as we have never known before. It means that we must make mighty our Christian literature. We need religious papers of commanding influence. The time is here when we must have them. It means, above all things, that a mighty spirit of evangelism must rule us. We must preach the old gospel of salvation with an earnestness born of tremendous necessity. It means the building of thousands of better churches.

And these things mean that we must get ready to pour millions of consecrated money into the work of God. We have the money and we are going to have it, money in abundance for all our needs. Shall the Lord have it, or shall our money prove a canker that will eat out the vitals of spiritual life. Christian money, Christian brains, and Christian brawn—these will solve all things. Hail to a glorious tomorrow! Heaven grant us fidelity.

We do not need to tell our readers that there is no region in the bounds of Southern Methodism that has more to hope for than the region covered by the four conferences which this paper serves. Arkansas is bounding now into a mighty future. She will witness a growth within the next few years that will be astonishing. As to Indian Territory and Oklahoma, just now about to enter the Union, all men are coming to know that this new State will become almost from the very first one of the fairest in America. A beautiful, fertile and splendid region, no man can measure its possibilities. A laggard Methodist preacher or a laggard Methodist laymen among us, with such opportunities ahead, is a living shame. We would blow a trumpet call to every one among us, a call, if we could make it so, that would wake the very dead and stir into action all the latent energies of our people.

You think you are man enough to fight if any one insults you; it is a more pertinent question whether you are man enough to endure insult for Christ's sake, or whether you are man enough to apologize for a wrong of which you have been guilty, a far truer test of courage.

There is absolutely no justification for the low in Art. To every true nature the beauty of holiness and the holiness of beauty are one. Any pretended art that appeals to the baser side of human nature is false as art. Perfect purity is the highest quality for both life and Art.

Many a life-failure is the result not of a lack of ability, but of a lack of sympathy, a lack of heart. A true loving heart will enable the man of ordinary ability to succeed.

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**NOTES AND PERSONALS.**

**Methodist Calendar.**

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- W. F. M. S. White River Conf., Batesville..... June 21-25
- Texarkana District Conf., Ashdown..... June 26
- Harrison District Conf., Valley Springs..... June 26
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- Morrilton District Conf., Lewisburg..... July 4
- Little Rock District Conf., Des Arc..... July 5
- S. S. Institute, Ft. Smith..... July 9-11
- Searcy District Conf., Tuckerman..... July 12
- Paragould District Conf., Mammoth Spring..... July 12
- Jonesboro District Conf., Luxora..... July 12-14
- Beaver District Conf., Hooker..... July 12-15
- Batesville District Conf., Evening Shade..... July 18
- S. McAlester District Conf., Kiowa..... July 18-22
- Prescott District Conf., Nashville..... July 24
- Muskogee District Conf., Stigler..... July 24
- Choctaw District Conf., Sealey's Chapel..... July 25
- Camden District Conf., Fordyce..... July 25
- Holdenville District Conf., Newton..... July 25
- Pine Bluff District Conf., Hawley Memorial..... July 26

Rev. J. C. Rhodes, who will represent Henderson College in the field this summer, spent Tuesday in Little Rock and called at our office.

The Arkansas State University has just closed a very successful year, with an enrollment of more than 1000 and 51 graduates. Pres. Tillman is to be congratulated upon the splendid showing for his first year.

Our friend and former student, Mr. C. B. Riggin, son of Dr. J. H. Riggin, is now at Fort Smith, Ark., editing the sprightly Southwestern Magazine. The May number is handsomely illustrated, contains valuable literary matter, and is highly creditable to the editor and publisher. It deserves a wide circulation.

The Prohibition party will hold its state convention and rally at Beebe, Ark., July 3-4. In addition to the ordinary work of a political convention there will be at night temperance recitations and songs and on the Fourth patriotic exercises irrespective of partisan politics. All patriotic citizens are invited to attend and plan for the suppression of the liquor traffic.

The untimely death of Gov. J. M. Pattison, of Ohio, is greatly to be regretted. He was a strong, honest character, elected as a Democrat by the help of Republican and Prohibition votes, to rebuke immorality and unscrupulous partisanship in high places. In poor health when inaugurated, he has

scarcely been able to discharge the duties of his office. Nevertheless righteousness triumphed in his election and good people learned that united they could overthrow a corrupt political machine. May he have many successors.

At the recent commencement of Kentucky Wesleyan College the fine new building, to replace the one destroyed by fire, was received and dedicated by Bishop Wilson. The cost of the building was met by the Commercial Club and the insurance. President J. L. Weber, after long and successful service, retires, and is succeeded by Prof. H. K. Taylor, who will begin work on a special \$50,000 endowment.

The Vanderbilt Biblical Institute meets at Wesley Hall, Nashville, Tenn., June 20-27. A fine program is offered. Strong men will discuss vital subjects. No fees are charged. Room and board cost 50 cents a day. A special rate of one fare plus 25 cents for the round trip will be made by the railroads in the S. E. Passenger Ass'n., June 18-20. For further information address Prof. J. L. Cunningham, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.

In the graduating class of the U. S. Military Academy at West Point for this year is Lieut. James J. Loving, of Pine Bluff, Ark. He is a son of Dr. A. B. Loving whose father was a pioneer Methodist preacher and many years a member of the Arkansas Conference. James is a graduate of Pine Bluff High School and a student of Hendrix College. He graduated last week third in his class of seventy-eight, and in view of his high standing has been assigned to the engineering corps of the U. S. army with rank of lieutenant. We congratulate our old student and predict an honorable and successful career.

A delegate to the Good Roads Convention made in substance the following statement. Ten years ago we had no roads in my county. The so-called roads were mere trails. There were few schools and churches, and illicit stills were found in almost every hollow. Now we have good roads, good schools and churches, and "moonshine whisky" is gone. Asked which was cause and which effect, he could not say but expressed his conviction that these good things naturally went together, and drove out the evil.

After adjournment of the Good Roads Convention the junior editor remained in Fort Smith to work for the paper. With the assistance of Bros. Wright and Waldrip last Saturday and Monday were spent profitably, and many more Advocates will go to Fort Smith. On Sunday the editor attended Children's Day services at both churches in the morning and preached at Central at night. Our churches are flourishing under the care of their faithful pastors. Bro. Wright, assisted by Dr. Walker Lewis, had closed a good meeting with many additions and membership much revived. The courtesies of these brethren and many others, some of them well known in days of yore, are fully appreciated.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of Hendrix College met last week and elected Rev. James Thomas to be Commissioner of Education and Financial Agent of Hendrix and Galloway Colleges. They

ask the Galloway Board to concur in this action. It is a movement looking to the endowment of Hendrix and the enlargement of Galloway. The Galloway Board has not yet passed upon the matter. Brother Thomas is expected to remain in Texarkana till Conference. We are not positively advised as to whether Brother Thomas will undertake the work. Something in the direction indicated ought to be done, and the time to do it is now. As to Brother Thomas he can come as near doing it as any man among us.

We congratulate our people in Oklahoma and Indian Territory that the question of statehood is at last settled. The solution may not please everyone, but it is better that continued agitation and suspense should cease. It will require almost a year to hold elections, frame and submit a Constitution, and start the machinery of State. There is opportunity for real statesmanship or chicanery and big blunders. We sincerely trust that patriots and statesmen may lead and a model constitution be adopted. Some things in old constitutions are outworn and should be discarded. Innovations should be carefully considered and adopted cautiously. Let the new State of Oklahoma provide for government of the pure and the patriotic, by the intelligent and the capable, for the weak and the strong. May God guide the new Ship of State.

**Temperance Catechism.**

At the request of the Arkansas Inter-Church Temperance Federation, Hon. Geo. Thornburgh, who is the honored president of that body, has written for free distribution a Temperance Catechism. It is brief, pointed and sufficiently comprehensive. Rev. Frank Barrett, Secretary of the Federation, writes the preface, in which he expresses the hope that every Sunday School in the State of Arkansas will order enough of the catechisms to place one in every home represented in the school. Address orders to Inter-Church Temperance Federation, 922 1-2 Main St., Little Rock.

**U. S. Commissioner of Education.**

Dr. W. T. Harris, for seventeen years U. S. Commissioner of Education has resigned. He is one of the most distinguished educators and philosophers that America has ever produced. His writings have given him world-wide reputation, and his administration of the Department of Education has won encomiums from all lands. Though prevented from graduating at Yale by failing health, he so distinguished himself that he received honorary degrees from the great universities in this country and Europe. His retirement is greatly to be regretted.

The president has appointed as his successor Dr. Elmer E. Brown, professor of education in the University of California since 1898. Dr. Brown was born in N. Y., Aug. 28, 1861, graduated at Illinois State Normal in 1881, University of Mich. in 1889, and later studied in German universities. He has been principal of public schools in Belvidere, Ill., and Jackson, Mich., assistant State Secretary of Y. M. C. A. of Ill., and professor of education in Universities of Michigan and California. He is the author of "The Making of Our Middle Schools," and Origin of American State Universities." He is well equipped for his new work.

### The Good Roads Convention.

The regular annual session of this body met in Ft. Smith, June 13-15. The junior editor attended and greatly enjoyed association with old friends and the prophets of progress and prosperity. About 200 delegates attended—not as many as were expected, but by farmers could not now leave their crocks. Judge Falconer, of Sebastian County, presided. His zeal and well directed interests have rightly given him a pre-eminence as a road-builder and leader in the movement. Experiences were exchanged, stirring addresses delivered, and the improvements in and around Ft. Smith were inspected. Judge Little, Democratic nominee for governor, was present and expressed himself strongly in favor of good roads and of using State convicts on the highways. The most practical address was delivered by Mr. D. Ward King, of Missouri, in explaining the wonderful results obtained by using the "split-log drag." An article on this subject may be given later, as "Good Dirt Roads Without Cost" is his popular theme. The Convention endorsed State aid for roads, road building by convicts, wide tires, the Falconer road bill, and a constitutional amendment permitting counties to vote bonds for road construction.

The citizens of Fort Smith threw wide their doors and gave absolutely free entertainment. There was sadness because of the death, during the session, of Mrs. Beck, the mother of Hon. H. M. Beck, the indefatigable good roads legislator from Sebastian County, who was so enthusiastically doing yeoman service in the Convention. Dr. Henry Hartzog felicitously welcomed the guests, charmed with anecdote, and instructed with information. He is a versatile man and a prince of good fellows. The sessions were always opened with prayer. Our pastors, Bros. Wright and Waldrip, were present and assisted in taking care of the Convention.

Judge Jas. Gould, of Pine Bluff, will preside over the next Convention, to be held next January in Little Rock.

### In Camden District.

The senior editor recently spent a few days within the bounds of the Camden district. We ran to Fordyce over the newly opened Rock Island road, which runs from Haskell to Fordyce over a country hitherto without a railroad, a finely timbered country, with good agricultural resources withal.

Our versatile friend, Rev. A. P. Few, who can do more things well than almost any man we know, is in charge at Fordyce. He seems to be getting on well in that good town. Our church there has grown under his ministry. It has many good and earnest people. The citizens are very proud of the acquisition of a new road, the town is building and is destined to do well. We found no great amount of work to do there, for the simple reason that the work had been done ahead of us. Bro. Few last year appointed a standing committee on Church Literature, of which Bro. Mellard is chairman, and Bro. Mellard looks diligently after his business.

We found Prof. J. D. Clary on the ground looking after school interests. It was a

happy arrangement when the people of Fordyce secured his return, and they know it. There is no better school man among us than J. D. Clary.

We ran down the Cotton Belt to Camden, where we spent two delightful days with Rev. W. F. Evans, his family and his people. Camden is one of the best towns in the State and our congregation there makes one of the best charges any preacher can have. How we did enjoy sitting on the front porch of the good and ample parsonage, looking out upon the stately white oaks, swayed by a delightful breeze! And what a good fellowship is in Evans' family! The people heard the editor twice on Sunday and made him believe they enjoyed the sermons. The editor certainly enjoyed worshipping with them. The church is well organized and has grown steadily. It is Bro. Evans' fourth year. Everybody respects him, as everybody should. He proved a good helper as we went around on the business of the paper. We did business and enjoyed the work. We were indebted to our old boyhood friend, Mr. John B. McCaughey and to Bro. S. B. Proctor for special courtesies.

With all the good things in Camden, there is one thing the people of that town ought to wipe out of it—saloons. It is the only town of its class in Arkansas that has them. We know that some of our Methodist people there do all they can, whenever they can against them. But somehow we have a feeling that if God's people do their duty that county can be cleared of this shame.

We had a day at Stephens. The pastor, Bro. Rushing, lives at Waldo, and we did not meet him. Bro. A. T. Blount is as good, however, as a preacher. He showed us every kindness, entertained us royally and drove us about behind one of the best horses in Arkansas. We had a pleasant hour also with Mr. Douglass Wynne, cashier of the bank at Stephens. The day's business was successful, and the Stephens list was left about straight. If our readers were always as willing to look after the interests of the paper as they are when the editor gets among them, he could stay in the office and put much more time on the paper. We never have any trouble to do business where we go. The people are always kind.

### Indian Mission Correspondence.

Sister Woodward, the wife of Rev. I. M. Woodward, of our Conference, after a long and painful illness, passed to her heavenly home on June 16. For many years she has gone up and down these lands with her husband in preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ. She leaves, to mourn with her husband, several children. May the God of their mother be their God, and may her heavenly home be theirs! She was laid to rest on Sunday, the 17th, at Oak Grove Cemetery. Rev. C. P. Cox, pastor at Asher, conducted the funeral services.

The Wynnewood District Conference convenes this week. A splendid program was arranged by the Presiding Elder. Bishop Tigert is expected to preside. You may expect good reports from that District.

The schools have all held their closing exercises. The presidents have already begun their summer campaigns. The school

interests of this Conference are well to the front. Dr. Gross will enlarge the dormitory facilities of Hargrove College. The Board of Trustees of Epworth is planning for five dormitories for young men, and a large dormitory for young ladies. Willie Halsell College, under its new management, is repairing, repainting, and otherwise improving the property, and the Board of Managers will spare neither pains nor money to put this plant in first class condition. Spaulding Female College is perhaps the best equipped of any of our Conference Schools. The work done last year was of high grade. Dr. Brewer is the oldest school man among us and is loved and respected by the people at large.

The Oklahoma City District Conference closed a most delightful and profitable session, at the little city of Asher, on the night of the 17th. This is a large district, twenty-six pastoral charges. Many of the larger towns of the new state are within its bounds. We have had five or six hundred conversions up to date, with perhaps four hundred and fifty accessions to the church. Two new churches have been built, others are in course of erection and several new classes organized. Salaries well up to date, with fair prospects of full collections in the end.

The third quarterly conference for Earlsboro and Wewoka was held on the 9th and 10th. Rev. E. A. Rippey, the young pastor, is one of the best equipped young men of the Conference. He is loved by his people and with such men as R. R. Mitchell, T. S. Cobb, E. P. Northern, together with a number of good women, we expect Wewoka to take her place among the good appointments of the Conference.

Dr. Gross, of Ardmore, was present at the Oklahoma City District Conference and preached a splendid sermon. Dr. Anderson, the senior editor of the Advocate, was also on hand and preached on Sunday at eleven o'clock a sermon great in thought, in delivery, and in power.

Chancellor Bradford, of Epworth University, preached to us Saturday evening one of his own characteristic sermons. The financial agent was also present and addressed the Conference.

Rev. H. K. Monroe, of the Stroud and Davenport charge, is completing a splendid church at Stroud. He preached us a strong and most helpful sermon.

Rev. J. B. McCance, of Sparks and Prague, has succeeded in paying off most of the long standing debt against our church. Our people are becoming encouraged, the church will be finished inside, and under the godly leadership of Bro. McCance we expect this charge to make a splendid report at the Annual Conference.

Rev. C. A. Gossett, who has just finished his third year in Vanderbilt, has been placed in charge of Perry Station. He is a young man, well equipped, and we expect of him and Perry a forward movement.

W. J. S.

As we were leaving Fort Smith last Monday night we met Rev. H. B. Scruggs, of Muskogee, just coming in to attend the funeral of his mother who died that day at the home of a daughter. We deeply sympathize with our brother and other members of the bereaved family.

### Our Bishops.

The writer served on the Committee on Episcopacy in our late General Conference. This Committee received many complaints respecting the actions of our Bishops during the last four years. It was agreed by all that our episcopacy was never before under such heavy fire of criticism. Without entering into particulars the general nature of the complaints afford suggestions to safeguard the influence of our Chief pastors.

Our Bishops should refuse to assume responsibilities outside of episcopal spheres. Their patronage is often sought in favor of schools or to promote local church enterprises, and zeal for a good work and desire to bear their full part in promoting the church's interests incline them to yield to such solicitations. But always there develops more or less division of sentiment or policy in conducting local enterprises, and the Bishop, when he comes to deal officially with men who have opposed his individual views is accused of personal resentments and partisan spirit. It seems best that the Bishops should carefully avoid such entanglements. One advantage which we have from the itinerancy is that it often comes to the rescue of a man who has become involved in local conditions which trammel his ministry. He is set free from these by being sent to another field. The plan of locating episcopal residences at the best points and assigning the Bishops quadrennially to their homes has many obvious advantages. It is something the church is sure to demand very soon.

The rights of Conferences are very clearly defined by our discipline. The Bishop who presides is as strictly under law as any member of the body. If he, at any point, infringes the rights of the body or of any brother he can be called to record and his ruling or action sent up for review of the episcopal college and the spirit of his ruling, his temper, harshness or unbrotherliness will be taken account of by the Committee on Episcopacy. It is needful therefore that in presiding the Bishops have careful regard for the rights of Conferences. That a Bishop who comes to the Conference a comparative stranger should assume to know more about its men and affairs than brethren who have labored in the field for years is a thing no conference will endure with patience.

The character and standing of the preachers are not in the hands of the Bishops, but of the conferences. No Bishop should so far forget himself as to speak disparagingly of a preacher whose character has been passed by his own conference. To characterize such an act as unbrotherly is not enough, it is the grossest injustice, a violation of all ministerial obligation, an injury to the church which is great in proportion as he who inflicts it is high in the offices of the church.

The church will not well endure it, if our Bishops collectively or individually interfere in matters of legislation or in the election of connectional officers. Bishop Galloway spoke wisely in our conference at Birmingham, when he said, he "trusted the time was far distant when the Bishops of the church would speak from the platform in debates of the General Conference."

Considering the matter abstractly one may say, What men among us shall assume to

be wiser in matters of church polity than our Bishops? Who among us are better prepared to give counsel as to what Israel ought to do? But when we consider the work to which a Bishop is called by the church we see in the nature of that work his limitations. The appointments of all the preachers are in the hands of the Bishops. A mighty instrument is this appointing power to put down opponents and promote favorites, advancing men of certain views to spheres of influence. Not only the appointments of the preachers, but by means of the appointments the legislative body of the church can be largely controlled by the Bishops. If our Bishops become champions in debate for certain measures, they can not hope to be regarded as incapable of using their official influence to accomplish their purposes.

Still more will the church resent any effort upon the part of the incumbents of the episcopacy to choose their successors. Our church will not tolerate anything which tends to make the episcopal college a power apart from the General Conference. Scheming for the direction of its work, or in one iota controlling it by any sort of manipulation. So jealous will the church be at this point that it will be to the disadvantage of any man, though worthy and well qualified, to be mentioned as a Bishop's candidate.

It is the sole business of our Bishops to direct the machinery of the church which is placed in their hands; to do this without partiality as respects men, and with a single eye to the advancement of the cause of Christ.

While the order of the church requires officers to whom the preachers and laity officially subordinate, yet we believe in the communion of saints and the priesthood of believers. In the congregations of the church, and among its humblest ministers are men and women who have as clear a spiritual vision, and are as consecrated in life, and as truly devoted to the church as are any whom we have placed in high official stations. They who occupy such stations will be best guided while they duly respect the church itself in all its membership, as the body of Christ.

Not simply respect for our Bishops, but love of them as devout men, true brethren in Christ, and leaders of the people guided by the Holy Ghost, is essential to the solidarity and loyalty of the people called Methodists.

J. E. Godbey.

### That Mid-Year Missionary Rally—Aftermath.

That great Missionary Rally, held in Holdenville, is now in the past. What are we going to do about it? Let it stay in the past?

Shall we not, rather, speak it, act it, live it forth into the future? True, as an occasion, it is now forever behind us, but as a generative, history-making force, as a deposit of power, our persistent appropriation of its resources ought to place it forever, also, out before us.

Its Enthusiasm.—As it is still called to mind, it comes up as an occasion stirred and impelled by much enthusiasm, of intelligent and deliberate enthusiasm. So be it. "Great sermons," "Great addresses," "Great time." Such expressions were heard on every hand. The loud, earnest, Methodist "Amen" was often heard. Sometimes

the tide rose high, swelling out into a shout. Then again, it ran over all the banks and found expression in a collection, leaving a sediment of cash spread out over the poverty of our mission needs. We sometimes felt that the hour of apostolic flame and speech had returned.

But What of It?—Was all of this but a fine voice that is to perish before it crosses the dead-level of a few months? Or is not out of time to ask, "What of all this?" Has that splendid heat of enthusiasm evaporated? Was that gust a mere effervescence? Was all that noise a mere thundering, minus the lightning-power by which the whole atmosphere is purged and healed? What of it all? The flaring colors, the flamboyant lights, the hurrah, if uncorroborated by events succeeding, remain only as an impertinence. What shall we do? Don Quixote once had his mission in the world. May-be. But not longer. If it is now too late to remark that great occasion, then was its first coming a travesty and sham. Now, not then, is the hour to question the abiding effect. We have had the promise. What, now, of the fact? Co-ordinating with the many, complex forces already at work, we ought to see, among others, at least the following, stable, fixed results of the Holdenville Rally.

1. When due, the payment, in good, hard cash, of every dime pledged for Missions during that meeting. The money can not be paid too soon.

2. That Rally ought to help change our conference name. That would be some history. Now I am not the man to say when our name should be changed. I do not know. And then, there are good men who have laid the foundations of our cause in this land, whose virtues and wisdom ought to have voice in settling such matters. What I wish here to say is, our name ought not always to keep the modifying word "Mission," attached. Taking the cue from the recent Birmingham Conference, we ought not to allow the forces of the Holdenville occasion to run waste without our being lifted, thereby, out of the dependent class. Our Methodism has no nobler set of men than the rank of our men in this conference. The time can not be far off when they will arise and say, "We are able to take care of ourselves." If our meeting in Holdenville was not the sheerest pretense, then it can not fail to help in bringing on this change of name.

3. But, better than any change of name, change in conditions. If the enthusiasm of that occasion is not to ebb uselessly out, then too, that thing of self-support, now of a long time in the hopes of many, must at least, be, in part, the issuance of it. Surley this is not the time to plead retrenchment of contributions to mission work in order to self-support. But, while we must enlarge our missionary benefactions, the beauty, the glory, the usefulness of spiritual independence must not be denied our people. Our largest usefulness to the heathen can never be compassed this side the power to take care of ourselves. As long as we draw money from our Mission Boards that long will we limit our possibilities in foreign fields. Those springs that were tapped in the Holdenville meeting must flow on across

the desert of the years, quickening many an oasis, in whose cooling shade the wearied multitudes shall find fruit and refreshment.

Who Shall Mature Those Prophecies?—Our godly, consecrated laymen, here, there, in every pastoral charge, these shall help to do it. Our holy women, with their tender, systematic labors shall help. All over the conference, turning every charge, year, every single heart into a new center of power, we ourselves shall engage to bring these prophecies true. Our toiling and stinting preachers, chiefly. With all humility let this be said—in Methodism, the preacher stands at the center of things. The Bible does not say, "Like priest, like people", however true it may be. But the preacher's vision, his zeal, his optimism, his courage of faith, his ability to read the writing of God against our times, his investment of himself for the spread of his Master's kingdom, all of these are to be repeated, in sort and degree, in the lives of his parishioners. A broadened understanding of missionary ideas, a deeper love for men, a wider sweep of faith in the sure work of our message, full collections all around, clearer, stronger, more resistless preaching of the everlasting Word, a more magnanimous consecration to the whole of our work both here and yonder, let all of these, O Lord, and more, come amongst us.

W. K. Piner.

#### The Alumnae of Galloway.

The many friends of Galloway throughout the state will doubtless be glad to know of the united effort that is being made by the Alumnae Association to build, in the near future an Alumnae Hall. Surely, in such a work as this, every daughter, and many friends of the school will gladly aid.

This year an interesting and enthusiastic business meeting was held in the organization room, Tuesday, June 6. The following officers were elected: Mrs. Margaret Smith Yarnell was unanimously re-elected President, Miss Annie Maurice Cooper 1st V. P.; Mrs. Corinne Murrell Davis, 2nd V. P.; Miss Hinda Hill, 3rd V. P.; Miss Norma O'Neil, Rec. Sec'y.; Miss Corinne Robertson, Cor. Sec'y.; Miss Fannie Harder, Treas.

But the Alumnae are interested not only in their work for the College—they believe in cultivating the social side of life as well.

This year a delightful reception was held in the college parlors the evening of June 2. The Alumnae reception has come to be one of the most interesting and important features of commencement week. The guests of honor this year were Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Godden, Miss Mamie Mills and the twelve charming young ladies who compose this year's class.

During the evening punch was served by Miss Miriam Thompson and Dorothy Yarnell, two lovely little granddaughters of Galloway.

At a late hour refreshments were served and then fond, lingering goodbyes were said, and every heart was filled with a deeper love for the alma mater, and a greater determination to interest others in her future.

Now the Alumnae reception of 1906, which strengthened old ties of friendship and formed new ones, is only a happy memory to the fifty "old girls" who were so fortunate as to be present.

#### After the Conference.

REV. M. H. WELLS.

Our town did its utmost to make a good impression on the delegates and visitors. If the "vote of thanks" can be accepted at its face value, we succeeded. One leading hotel was undergoing repairs thus reducing the room capacity by one hundred and yet up to the very close men and women were provided for near "headquarters." Those I heard mention the matter were surprised and delighted with the cheapness and comfort afforded. At no time could the demand for guests be met. The town had literally opened its doors for delegates and visitors. (Great is Birmingham as a "Convention City.") The most fastidious could not have asked for better weather for such an occasion. In turn the Conference made a most favorable impression on all classes of our citizens. After hearing Geo. Stuart for three Sunday afternoons even the so-called tough element confessed that the Conference was a great occasion. For the time, at least, George made them sorry for all the mean things they had said or done. This they witnessed by responding to all his propositions. It is hoped that many of them will abandon their bad ways permanently.

No one will question the ruling type of our citizenship who witnessed the rush and jam on the day for "elections." We are Americans to the core. Heads of departments gave their employees a day off.

So far as I can hear our people and the outside world will make the vote for new Bishops unanimous. Herewith I announce my admiration for all our Bishops and for some of them special devotion, hence none can feel slighted if special mention is made of one. Being fond of Texas and having known Bishop Ward from "his youth up," and having voted to receive him on trial in the traveling connection, and having had ample opportunity to know the value of service rendered the Church during all these years I must be allowed to pronounce my great delight at his promotion to so honorable a place among his brethren. If the Lord continues his health and grants him the grace for which he prays he will make a popular and useful Bishop.

While on this subject I wish to say that there is a growing demand for Bishops who have had actual service on every part of the ground. Better for them and the Church if they have served Missions, Circuits, Stations and Districts. Of course, they will need literary and theological equipment to meet varied and extraordinary demands, and yet their most vital work is in the adjustment of the preachers to the needs of the Church. There the Bishop does his most delicate and far reaching work. There he is disposing of men, women and children. It may seem an easy matter to place a certain class of preachers and supply a number of appointments but beyond that will be found the majority and most important of both classes. Fortunate the Conference that has in its president a man in sympathy with the majority—the bone and sinew of our Hierarchy.

The treatment our Bishops received from the committee on Episcopacy pleased me. Their action in refusing to superannuate certain of their number is to be applauded. It is true they were four years older than in 1902, and from hard service and much care for all the churches looked a little tired, but they have much vital force left to expend in forwarding the Kingdom of God. In a number of our church papers I have urged similar treatment for other aged and tired brethren. It is about time to call a halt on this hasty and cruel work of relegating men to the supernumerary and superannuated relation. Hundreds of these men could care for small charges with ease and acceptability. No

one can know, but the actual sufferer, the utter blankness and desolation of being deprived of a chance to keep rank with the toilers in the suspension of one's commission to preach the Gospel.

The other connectional officers elected meets very hearty approval. It was the hope of many that a certain Texan might have found any of two or three places for which he is so well fitted. But we need great men in other departments. Let the omitted ones take comfort. Nashville was highly honored in that the three new Bishops and four of the connectional officers have their residence in that city. Now that Birmingham has had the honor and pleasure of entertaining the General Conference I move that Nashville be made permanent headquarters. After all the fear expressed because of the presence of so many new men and young ones among the delegates the gray heads were in large evidence and the legislation conservative. It is proof that the Conferences are caring for and honoring their aged brethren. All honor to them. We will recognize the new Discipline.

Personally the Conference was a great joy and blessing. I am a wiser and better man. A natural curiosity was gratified in seeing and talking with men of whom the Church papers have had much to say and who have said much of other some. But the special pleasure was in meeting among the preachers and laymen attached friends from whom I had been parted from five to forty years. Having been a member of five Annual Conferences providence had favored me with a large acquaintanceship. Our good Bishops made of me a giraffe before that innocent brother had a name and without my realizing what was done. In meeting these old friends I had peculiar sensations. I called up that blessed hour when Jesus took all my sins away; when appointed Class Leader; Exhorter; Licensed to preach and received on trial in the traveling connection. Memory went back over the years of toils and triumphs in serving Missions, Circuits, Stations and Districts. The only check on my joy was the absence of the dear one who was by my side all these years and did so much to intensify and steady my devotion to the Master. Now, I think if the pleasure of this earthly fellowship be so sweet what rapture shall we feel when we meet in "The Sweet Bye and Bye." Will the reader kindly pardon the personal phase of this article. It could not be avoided.

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## THE EPWORTH LEAGUE.

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June 24. The Gospel for the Foreigner in Our Home Land, Luke 10:25-35.

This topic leads to a study of the question of immigration. Discussions of this question may be found in our missionary periodicals and should be read at this time. "At a meeting of the western section of the Alliance of Reformed Churches, holding the Presbyterian system, lately held at Philadelphia, Dr. F. C. Beattie stated that up to 1880, or in sixty years, ten million immigrants came to this country, largely English speaking and Protestant; while in the 25 years from 1880 to 1901, 3,000,000 arrived, largely of foreign speech, Roman Catholic, Greek Catholics or Jews. In 1905, 1,026,000 arrived, nearly 800,000 at New York, a large proportion of whom settled in cities, and one-fourth of whom were illiterates. They came from 19 countries, from Italy, 221,500; Russia, 184,900; Austria-Hungary, Germany and Great Britain furnishing large contingents in the order named. Hence the magnitude of the problem confronting us."

Mrs. Florence Kelley, in an address at the Missionary Conference in New Orleans, said: "These people have come to this country, from Russia, in search of a free country and to escape from the forms of Christianity as they have known Christianity in Russia, where it has never taught to them. In their experience of the national life, that Christianity means to love thy neighbor as thyself. Jews who pour week after week and month after month into the port of New York from Russia, come to us to escape from the Christians they have left behind them, because they believe that in this country there is freedom and a different spirit and manifestation of Christianity. If working people come to us from Italy, they come because they have suffered, under the oppression of the Roman Catholic Church and under the taxation of the modern government of that country, to a point beyond which they can suffer no more; and they come here believing that they come to a country not only of wealth and of promise of material prosperity for them and their children, but to a Christian land, different in spirit from the land they have left behind them. Wherever the immigrants come from, they come driven by suffering at home and impelled by hope within."

"And what is the welcome that meets them when they come to our Northern ports? The worst homes on Manhattan Island are the homes of the more recent immigrants. The welcome we prepare for them is manifest in the pestiferous quarters of the worst tenement houses on the lower east side of Manhattan, and thither they drift, and there they settle, and there a large proportion of them stay. What welcome do they find? The welcome that the landlords prepare for them, the welcome of the worst homes, in which, in certain streets, and certain tenement houses the deaths of children under one year of age have in recent years averaged fifty per cent during the months of July and August and the first half of September. There are three bodies organized

in New York to welcome the immigrants, and they welcome them very cordially. If you go into the quarters of the city that are populated by the immigrants, you find the finest churches of the Catholic faith, and there you find, waiting to give them religious instruction in the language which the immigrants have left at home—not young candidates from the theological schools, earning a better field. O, no; far from it! There you find the ablest, the most learned, the most polished and the most tactful men that the Catholic Church can place at the disposal of the immigrants. And this is true not only in New York, it is just as true in Philadelphia, in Pittsburg, in Chicago, as it is on Manhattan Island."

Mrs. Kelley gives an account of the magnificent churches and of their services provided with special reference to the immigrants and of the efforts they are making to reach and hold them. Then she speaks of the other two forces, the political organization of Tammany Hall and the Saloon, and shows how they welcome and ensnare the newcomers. In contrast with the equipment and efforts of these organizations she sets the feeble efforts and the inadequate equipment of Protestantism. She also shows some of the great dangers in which every part of our country shares because of the condition of the immigrant class from which we receive many articles manufactured in disease breeding tenements.

All of these suggestions indicate that we are under obligations to study this question and give ourselves with greater wisdom and zeal to the evangelization and christianization of the foreign population in our midst.

### The Epworth League as a Spiritual Agency in the Congregation. Its Place in a Revival.

Young people are always and everywhere the hope of Church and State. The choice young spirits of our Church will gravitate by a natural law into the Sunday School and Epworth League. The League has a mission distinct from the Sunday School. It ought to be and is a sort of Academy for the study of the history, doctrines and policies of our Church. Every young Methodist before reaching his majority ought to get a fairly comprehensive idea of the above named subjects. One can not be a good Methodist, if ignorant of her history and doctrines.

I believe this to be the first great work of the League. Its importance is self evident. Our very life as a Church depends upon it. A high order of piety is impossible where ignorance predominates. Intellectual training and culture are prime requisites to a well rounded Christian character.

In this age of schools and of books, ignorance is almost a crime. It is a confession of weakness, a lack of mental, moral and physical stamina. Let the Epworth League of the Wynnewood District declare war against ignorance and vice. These fertile valleys and broad prairies are calling for a race of men, strong in body, trained in intellect and sound in morals. No weakling need enter the arena and cry out for mercy at the first charge. But education is not so much an end in itself as a means to an end. True education is such a harmonious development of one's powers as to fit us for a higher order of work, prepare us to appreciate and enjoy "the true, the beautiful and the good" in art and nature and aid and lead the enquiring soul in its search for God and the right.

It is unsound if it does not enlarge our concep-

tion of our complex relationship to our Creator and to each other. And it is abnormal if it does not quicken our sympathies for our race and our love and devotion to our God.

But the true Educator seeks to develop alike both mind and heart.

The second great work of the League is to extend the Kingdom of God among men. I have always believed that young people are more religious than they get credit for. In many communities a long, solemn face and deep sepulchral tones are conclusive evidence of deep piety. During my short life I have observed instances where chronic malaria or a torpid liver were mistaken for high spiritual attainments. We must remember that youth is youth. The blood runs warm in the veins. The earth is the veritable Garden of Eden and the future is rosy with hope. An exuberance of animal spirits and superlative optimism are the natural and inevitable possession of a healthy body and a sound mind. To repress the spirits and dispell optimism with gloom is to sin grievously and almost unpardonably. Let us insist upon pure hearts and clean lives but let youth be youth.

The League ought to be the most potent factor among all the forces of the Church,—the very Legion of the Church militant.

The League can do a work that can be done by no one else. A young man or woman, educated and cultured, thoroughly consecrated to God, is an unanswerable argument for righteousness. A company of such young people under wise and discreet leadership, can take any community for Christ. As a rule the young will do more faithful work than older ones. As time furrows our cheeks and whitens our hair, we too often become eccentric, suspicious and irritable. We want every move and every plan to coincide with our notions of things and we are too ready to quit and discourage others, if we ourselves can not have the active management of the affair. Great leaders are needed in all enterprises and due credit should always be given capable, intelligent leadership but after all the success of the enterprise depends upon the prompt and thorough execution of the plans. That pastor is fortunate indeed who has a company of young people, intelligent, alert and devoted to the Church. They will not waste the golden hours arguing the wisdom of their marching orders but conserve their energies for the conflict with Satan and his hosts. These young people are better workers than older ones because defeat and failure are unknown terms in the vocabulary of youth.

Men of maturer years are wont to apply scientific or mathematical tests to an enterprise before undertaking it and if after these tests are applied, the enterprise does not promise rich results, the undertaking is abandoned. Youth with strong faith in himself and perfect trust in God, applies himself with might and main to his work and succeeds oft-times where matured reason can see nothing but failure.

Youth is superior again in that he has not learned the hard, bitter lesson of deceit and duplicity. The saddest hour in the life of a young man is when he for the first time has been deceived by a supposed friend, when for the first time he meets hypocrisy face to face. "The only sin that walks invisible except to God himself."

From the very fact that he can place confidence and trust in his fellows, he can reach a class of men and inspire in them noble purposes and a hunger and thirst for better lives, a class that matured reason would pass by as hopeless.

My friends, this is no delusion of the fancy nor dream of the imagination. The hardened sinner does not need any logical argument to convince him that sin is destructive and that purity of life is to be desired. He can probably argue

the negative side of this proposition to his entire satisfaction. But he needs some body to trust him, some body to love him into the Kingdom of God. He has no argument that can prevail against loving entreaty and unselfish devotion to his welfare. Have you not seen a hardened sinner resist every appeal for years and years? No argument could shake his position; no influence touch his hard, cold heart. And you have seen that same sinner brought a captive to the mercy seat by a lad or lass armed with naught save innocence and purity.

In discussing the second part of my subject, I am driven at once to a definition of revival. I am not a theologian and will discuss the question solely from the standpoint of a layman.

There are revivals and revivals. Much that masquerades under the name of revival is folly gone mad. A professional evangelist is employed, who descends upon the community with the noise and whirl of a cyclone. Under floating banners and amidst the blasts of trumpets he calls the faithful to battle. He is nothing if not spectacular. For his choir he corrals every singer in the community regardless of character or "previous condition of servitude." He impounds every musical instrument that will make a noise, from a hand organ to a bass violin. And the music ground out by this heterogeneous mass is enough to make angels weep. But it creates a stir. It draws the rabble.

What of the preaching, if we should use so sacred a term for so strange a medley? He usually begins with a severe arraignment of the church members. In language that would not be regarded as decent in a variety theater, he thunders out his denunciations against the members of God's holy Church. Much to the amusement of the rabble he dissects the cold, lukewarm church member and in choice billingsgate pictures his moral degeneracy. In popularity, the services rival any circus or medicine show. When the enthusiasm has reached a ripe stage, for the Evangelist is an artist in his line, he begins casting out his nets for the unsaved. How easy to become a Christian under the spell of his magic wand.

Our fathers taught that repentance, faith in God and love to man, were essentials unto salvation. But in this serio-comic drama, a nod of the head, and uplifted hand or the signing of a pledge card, secures redemption from sin and a promise of eternal life.

On such occasions I have seen the candidates for church membership lined up in formidable array. It would seem that the hour had come for Satan to be chained in his dark dungeon for soon he would be without followers. Under flaming headlines the newspapers report a mighty work of grace, and the Evangelist is heralded as a veritable John the Baptist, preaching in the Wilderness, calling upon men everywhere to "repent for the Kingdom of God is at hand." The new converts have all been faithfully counted and gathered into the fold. The supreme hour of the revival has come, the hour for which all other hours of the meeting were made, the hour for the collection. Every coarse joke or fertile device that is known or recommended to facilitate the separation of a man from his money, is resorted to. With full pockets and with the applause of the multitude ringing in his ears, he goes his way, seeking other green pastures.

And what does he leave behind? A community stirred from center to circumference with cheap emotion; a church freighted with unconverted members and a church that has fed on stale condiments until it has mental and moral dyspepsia. Ere long the new converts are either in the hospital or deserted to the enemy. What a waste of time, of energy and of treasure!

It is said in regard to family household goods that two moves are equivalent to a fire. Two such revivals as I have described in the same church in one generation, will kill any church in Christendom.

A revival that hasn't for its fundamental principle, repentance toward God, faith in Jesus Christ, is a delusion and a snare. A revival can not be manufactured for the occasion, or worked up or sung up. It must be prayed down from the Throne of God himself.

The very atmosphere must be charged with prayer and God's people fully consecrated and thoroughly devoted to his service. It is a season of great rejoicing, yet a season of great solemnity. God has promised when these conditions are complied with, to send the Holy Spirit and that He will do His office work. Then, as in the old times, we will hear the cry, "Men and brethren, what must I do to be saved?" Conviction will seize hold upon the unsaved, not a passing desire for a sham reform, but deep and pungent conviction; a burning desire to be cleansed from all sin, and sinners will be converted unto God.

The wholesome influences from such a revival will permeate the entire community and its effects will be felt for years and years.

In such a revival as this the Epworth League has a place. First and always the Leaguer wants to be within himself a strong moral force. His life ought to be a daily benediction to all with whom he comes in contact. Unless he "walks with God," his public ministrations will be as sounding brass and a tinkling cymbal. We can not teach more than we live.

The League can go out among the highways and hedges and bring in the wanderers to the gospel feast. A bright, cheery face and a kindly word will bring many a hungry soul to the feast. The League can perform a work of inestimable value in helping to make the house of God attractive and welcoming to its services the stranger and the casual attendant. Has it ever been your experience to attend church in a strange city? What a feeling of loneliness comes over one if upon entering the church, nobody welcomes you, no usher invites you to a friendly pew, nobody greets you, or seems aware of your presence. You perhaps started to church in a devotional spirit, but in this arctic atmosphere worship is a farce and devotion a mockery. By the law of contrast you think of your own church, your home, your loved ones, where you are known, appreciated and loved. How different are your feelings when you are given a glad welcome, when hearty handshakes, kind words, pleasant faces, all assure you that you are indeed and in truth among the people of God. Brethren, the church ought to learn a lesson from the children of this world. The stranger in a strange city has no trouble in finding the saloons, the beer gardens, the pool halls and other dens of infamy. Their agents are everywhere and no pains or expense is spared to lure thither the lonely stranger. But nobody invites him to church. Frequently nobody can give him any information as to where he may find divine services. If he succeeds in locating a church where services are to be held, he does so only after much perseverance.

My brethren, this ought not so to be. Let the League solve this problem and they can.

In this brief paper I can only indicate the work of the League. If I have been able to add but a single new suggestion to your stock of information or throw a ray of light upon some hitherto dark problem, or give you any new inspiration to take up your work again with lighter hearts and brighter hopes, I shall feel amply repaid for the preparation and delivery of this address.

W. N. Lewis.

To Our Temperance Constituency.

On Tuesday the House in Committee of the Whole adopted our amendment, offered by Congressman Bowersock of Kansas, and championed on the floor by Congressmen Tirrell of Massachusetts, Gardner of Michigan, Littlefield of Maine, Sims, of Tennessee, Bennett of New York and Keifer of Ohio, by a vote of 109 to 63. We have every reason to believe, that, if the opponents of the measure decide to call for the yeas and nays in the House proper when the Sundry Civil bill is reported back from the Committee, we shall be able to hold the amendment by a still greater majority. We are, therefore, specially concerned about the retention of the amendment in the bill in the Senate. We shall be glad to have our friends living in states represented on the Appropriations Committee of the Senate to telegraph such Senator at once urging his influence and vote for the retention of the Bowersock Soldiers' Home amendment by the Committee. The Committee is as follows: W. B. Allison, of Iowa; Eugene Hale, of Maine; Shelby H. Cullom, of Illinois; Geo. C. Perkins, of California; F. E. Warren, of Wyoming; Geo. P. Wetmore, of R. I.; J. H. Gallinger, of N. H.; S. B. Elkins, of W. Va.; H. M. Teller, of Colo.; Jas. H. Berry, of Ark.; B. R. Tillman, of S. C.; J. W. Daniel, of Va.

We shall be glad to have our friends throughout the country write to both of the Senators for their state and urge the acceptance of the amendment by the Senate. There is no time for delay. Unexpectedly within the last several days there is quite a movement for adjournment before the end of June. Please give this matter first consideration and write courteously, briefly, but earnestly as above suggested. Do it now!

Edwin C. Dinwiddie,  
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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

PREPARED BY REV. GEO. M. GLUMPIY, PH. D.

July 1. Jesus and the Children.

Matt. 18:1-14. (Read Mark 9:14-5; 1:13-16.) Commit vs. 2,3.

Golden Text "It is not the will of your Father which is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish."—Matt. 18:14.

Locating the Lesson.

Time. Autumn, A. D. 29. Place, Capernaum. Persons, Jesus, the disciples, the little child. Connecting Links. The conversation concerning Elijah, Matt. 17:9-13; The Healing of the Demoniac Boy, Matt. 17:14-20; Christ Again Foretelling His Death and Resurrection, Matt. 17: 22, 23; The Shekel in the Fish's Mouth, Matt 17:24-27.

Introduction.

This lesson should be studied and taught from the view-point of "The Teaching and Example of Jesus Concerning Children." Drop out of the lesson everything else. Use freely all other scripture bearing on this vitally important subject. We should so far as possible divest ourselves of all preconceptions however venerable with antiquity and hear Him, the great teacher.

I know of no better way to present this lesson than by giving extracts from a chapter in Bishop Atkins' "The Kingdom in The Cradle." I refer the student to the book itself for a full exposition.

"Concerning childlikeness, and the relation of children to himself and to his kingdom, Jesus made but nine short statements. But these, when fully examined, are found to cover the whole ground."

I. Whosoever would enter the Kingdom must Become Childlike in Order Thereto. Matt. 18:3.

1. "In this utterance Jesus was in reality announcing the great general law of entrance into the kingdom of truth. It is because of the difficulty which the adult experiences in becoming childlike that the large majority of these who do not enter the kingdom of God in childhood never enter it at all."

2. "Which is easier, for one to act the child while he is a child, or having grown to manhood with its fixed conditions, to turn about and become a child again?" We must conclude that childhood is the surest and best time for entering the Kingdom of God.

II. Whoever, having Entered the Kingdom, would Become Great in it, Must Continue Childlike. Mat. 1:8.

1. "The law of entrance and the law of growth are identical. The very qualities which fit a child for receiving the kingdom prepare a man for progress in it. Humility, reverence, docility, frankness, faith, the unsuspecting and forgiving disposition, are the childlike qualities, and they are alike the qualities of even the greatest of men."

2. Childhood is preeminently the period of growth mental and physical. Would we continually grow spiritually let us see to it that ours is a perennial childhood, 1 Pet. 2: 1,2.

III. To Receive the Child is to Receive Christ, Matt. 18:5.

"There is enough in this statement about

receiving children, even if it stood alone, to furnish the grounds for the most elaborate and painstaking system of shepherding the most obscure and neglected children of earth."

IV. The Little Ones Shall Not be Despised," Matt. 18:10.

"The fault of the disciples then is the fault of the Church now, that of undervaluing children and the childlike. The provision in the household and the Church fold for the care of children and their development marks accurately the value in which the child is held."

V. Woe Upon the Offender of Childhood," Matt. 18:6.

Jesus here is, I believe, speaking not so much of the infant as he is of the child beginning to realize selfhood, when the little one is entering that stage "so sacred, so sensitive, at once so hopeful and so dangerous." He is, like Samuel of old, hearing the voice of God for himself.

VI. The Christ-ward Impulse of Childhood, Matt. 19:14.

"The impulse (to come to Jesus) is within them (the children), and the demand is that it shall not be obstructed. "Thank God that this one thing escaped the Fall! "All the elements in Jesus are such as appeal supremely to the childlike heart." There is that within the child's soul that opens in the presence of Jesus as the flower in the kiss of the sun.

No greater change has occurred in these later days in the Church than its connection of Childhood and the child's relation to Jesus and his kingdom.

VII. The Child and the Kingdom, Matt. 19:14.

"The fittest of all for membership in the kingdom are the children themselves, and when Christ's ideal Church is realized it will be a Church of children—that is, whose membership shall consist in the main of those whose entrance into it was under the natural and easy conditions furnished by childhood, and whose spiritual growth has kept pace with the physical and intellectual development until a well-rounded manhood has been attained under the laws of growth which belong to all the kingdoms of life."

VIII. Heaven's Guardianship of Childhood, Matt. 18:10.

"This gives heaven's estimate of the value of childhood, and this vista is opened earthward that men may see their dependent offspring in the light which falls out of the eternal and invisible world. This guardianship, no doubt, extends in a peculiar sense to the mothers of the children." Little wonder then that our Lord rebuked the chief priests and scribes who would hush the glad-voiced children in the temple as they shouted "Hosanna to the Son of David, Matt. 12: 15,16.

Church Extension Notes.

The ladies of the St. John's Church entertained the St. Louis Church Extension Society at luncheon, at the May meeting. This Society has been doing good work for several years. It has on hand at this time the building of a \$30,000.00 church for the Shaw Avenue congregation. Only \$2,500.00 remains to be raised. Next in order is a \$50,000.00 church building for the newly organized congregation on South Grand Avenue.

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The General Conference in response to a memorial from the Cherokee District of the Indian Mission Conference authorized the organization of District Boards of Church Extension. Such an organization is needed in many places. The size, arrangement, cost and location of church buildings are all important. Too many mistakes have already been made. In this day of easy and quick transportation and communication, there is no excuse for not having the best in the way of counsel, conference and co-operation. District Boards could relieve the General Board of many of the smaller calls upon it. An intelligent District Board would find many a neglected spot and established there permanent recruiting stations for the Kingdom. Organize! The Central office eagerly awaits the tidings.

The members of the Mt. Vernon Church, Washington, D. C., have already taken hold of their end of the proposition for the new representative building, which was so strongly urged by the General Conference.

The records of the Board of Church Extension show that the Alabama Conference paid last year on the assessment for Church Extension 113 per cent. This places this historic Conference at the head of the list. The Denver Conference follows closely with 110 per cent paid on assessment. Montana paid an even 100 per cent. Ten Conferences paid between 90 and 98 per cent; ten Conferences paid between 73 and 79 per cent; five Conferences between 60 and 69 per cent, and others less. A large increase is needed and expected. Our Lord hath need of his own.

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PLAN OF EPISCOPAL VISITATION.

Table listing Episcopal visitation dates for various districts and locations, including First District (Bishop A. W. Wilson), Second District (Bishop W. W. Duncan), Third District (Bishop C. B. Galloway), Fourth District (Bishop E. R. Hondrix), Fifth District (Bishop J. S. Key), Sixth District (Bishop W. A. Candler), Seventh District (Bishop H. C. Morrison), Eighth District (Bishop E. E. Hoss), and Ninth District (Bishop J. J. Tigert).



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**Pleasant Plains, Ark.**

Our second quarterly meeting for the Pleasant Plains circuit was held at Oak Grove Saturday and Sunday last, and it was indeed gratifying to note the deep and earnest interest manifested by both the official board and the laity. Every appointment on the circuit was represented and each had a good report. This quarterly conference was the most largely attended and the most deeply spiritual of any held on this work for years. Bro. Jernigan was with us in much power, preaching deep spiritual sermons Saturday, Saturday night and Sunday. Some twelve presented themselves for prayer Saturday night and about 20 young ladies Sunday at 11 a. m. services.

We have six appointments and a live Sunday School at each appointment. There is evidently a great awakening of spiritual interest among all our people and we are expecting a great revival on the work during the year. Pray for us and if you can come our way preach for us.

The Sunday School at Pleasant Plains had its Children's Day Services Sunday night, which was one of the prettiest and most impressive events of the kind ever held here. Pleasant Plains has recently established a high school for which we bespeak good results as it is in the hands of good men.

W. L. McMullin, P. C.

**Rufe, I. T.**

Our quarterly conference was held at High Hill, May 26, 27. The presiding elder, W. P. Pipkin failed to come, but Bro. McKinney and Bro. L. N. Ishcomer were with us during the meeting. Bro. McKinney preached some good sermons. The following persons were elected to the District conference which is to be held at Sealey's Chapel: Simon Jacobs, James Williams, Joel Batiste, Williamson James. Edward Frazier was elected alternate. I thank the Lord every day that He has kept us for this hour. Our Sunday School is going on nicely. Bro. Throw is our superintendent. We have preaching every Sunday. The people seem to worship God. Bro. Holton preached to us recently and he people love to hear him.

Mrs. Lemmet Williams.

**Durant Circuit, I. T.**

I entered upon my work here one month ago yesterday, have filled all the appointments on the work, held one quarterly conference and added 16 to the church roll on the charge. Owing to the fact that this charge has had no pastor the first half of the year I find things badly scattered and the people discouraged: but I think they will now take a little hope. We had our worthy presiding elder with us the second and third at Cox's Chapel. Though it rained considerably he held the quarterly conference on Saturday and on Sunday at 11 o'clock to a small congregation, preached us a fine sermon. The rain kept many away. But all who came were pleased for Bro. Thompson knows just how to make people feel good. Have a Sunday School started off with good prospects at the Chapel.

Bro. Editor send us a man or tell us where to find one to help us in two or three meetings. We want to hold four meetings during July and August and need help. Please put us in communication with some one who can help us. Durant circuit is not rich but needy. My address is Durant, I. T. J. H. Miller.

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Epworth League with a membership of about seventy. Our camp meeting will begin July 19 at Camargo. We expect this to be a great meeting. Rev. W. F. P. Munsey of Mutual will preach the opening sermon. Everything being considered we are doing well in this charge.

Pray for us.  
W. P. Meador.

**Muskogee District Conference.**

The Muskogee District Conference is to meet in Stigler, I. T., July 24th at 8:30 p. m. The M. V. Ry. arrives from Muskogee at 11:45 a. m.; from Ft. Smith at 1:20 p. m. The preachers of the District will please let me know how many of their lay delegates are coming. I must know. All others, who are not members of the Conference, expecting to come, must write me. Some of our people are going away for a summer outing, but we will take good care of the Conference. I want us to have the best in the history of the District. We have a strong membership here, but we need a revival. We want the meeting to be a time of spiritual refreshing from the presence of the Lord. I want to know how many are coming at least ten days before hand.

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### Corner Stone Laying at Hot Springs.

Monday the cornerstone of the new chapel, of the Central Methodist church was laid with impressive ceremonies. It is in course of erection at the corner of Central avenue and Olive street. The chapel, exclusive of the main auditorium which is to be built later, is to cost in the neighborhood of \$22,000 and the remainder of the church building \$35,000 or \$40,00 additional.

Most of the money for the new chapel has already been raised or subscribed and \$1,250 was placed to the credit of the building fund at the big rally held at the Auditorium Sunday. At both the services Rev. W. F. McMurry addressed the assemblage and was instrumental in raising the subscriptions. Bishop Tigert did not arrive till Monday.

Presiding Elder B. A. Few, of the Arkadelphia district, in which Hot Springs is located, inaugurated the services by reading the hymn, "Behold the Sure Foundation Stone which God in Zion Lays," which was sung by the assemblage led by the choir.

The ritualistic prayer service was read by Bishop Tigert, the audience joining in the Lord's Prayer at the close. The stirring and appropriate old hymn, "How Firm a Foundation," was then enthusiastically sung by the people assembled, led by Rev. W. F. Andrews, pastor of the First Methodist Church at Little Rock.

Dr. W. F. McMurry, recently elected Secretary of the Church Extension Board, read the ritual, after which Bishop Tigert placed the following articles in the corner stone, one by one, calling them off as they were deposited:

Book of Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church,

Standard Hymn Book,

Roll of officers, teachers and pupils of Sunday School,

Copy of Sunday School Magazine,

Intermediate Sunday School Quarterly,

Children's Day Service for the current year,

"Our Little People" and Sunday School picture cards,

Children's Visitor,

Official minutes of the last conference held at Camden,

Official roll of Epworth League and constitution and by-laws,

Woman's Home Mission Society conference minutes,

Epworth League's Mission Study Class Book,

Names of 413 contributors to building fund and amounts,

Specimen of pottery from Ouachita Pottery Company,

Official rules of church,

Roll of church officers and members,

Names of the workmen employed on the building, names of architects and contractor.

Bishop Tigert then in a happy, pointed and encouraging discourse addressed the people paying a glowing tribute to Hot Springs and urging liberal support to the completion of the magnificent church edifice started. At the close of his address he called for additional donations. Mr. W. W. Waters who on Sunday subscribed \$100 raised that to \$500. Many others responded in sums from \$100 down and in a few minutes \$880 in cash and subscriptions were handed in.

The donations made yesterday and today aggregate \$2130.

Among the visiting ministers at the cornerstone laying were: Dr. Andrews of First Church Little Rock; Dr. Z. T. Bennett of Paragould; Rev. B. A. Few of Arkadelphia; Rev. W. H. Harrison of Benton; Rev. W. T. Thompson of Ozark; Rev. W. A. Swift of Little Rock; Rev. J. H. Cummins, Rev. M. W. Manville, Rev. W. H. Duncan, Rev. J. L. Leonard, all of Hot Springs; and laymen J. S. McCain and A. Brewster of Pine Bluff.

### The Summer Training School.

For Sunday School Workers of the Seventh International District comprising the states of Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas, Oklahoma and Indian Territories, will be held at Searcy, Ark., July 1 to 7, 1906. Dr. H. M. Hamill, Dean of the School, will be assisted by a strong faculty of specialists in Sunday School training work, selected from different churches. Fine Springs, shaded park, and reduced railroad rates. For board, from \$4 to \$7 per week, address Dr. J. S. Stillwell, Searcy, Ark. For official program address Rev. W. Fred Long, Secretary and Business Manager, 809 West 5th street, Little Rock, Ark.

### Notice.

All who expect to bring their wives with them to the Paragould District Conference at Mammoth Spring, will please drop me a card not later than July first. This is not written to keep any one away but to aid us in entertaining you.

Frank P. Jernigan, P. C.

The railroads of Japan have established newspaper reading cars on some of the trains. Stacks of newspapers are kept in the service of travelers so they may read as they ride.

### Notice.

To preachers of Indian Mission Conference.

Let all who have not held Children's Day do so as soon as possible and send the money to the Conference Teller, D. R. Rankin, Lawton, O. T.

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### Statement Hunter Memorial Fund.

April 29, total reported	\$273.00
" " balance collection Princeton	2.00
" " Prof. J. H. Reynolds, Fayetteville	1.00
May 12, collection Gardon	5.00
" 15, collection Washington	9.50
" " collection Ozan	5.50
" 23, collection Nashville	6.50
" 27, collection Hope	9.55
" 28, Rev. H. Jewell	1.00
" " J. E. Young, Malvern	1.00
" " N. P. Richmond, Malvern	1.00
" " W. T. Bowers, Lono	1.00
June 5, Mrs. Geo. P. Murrell, Cabot	2.00
" 9, J. B. Littlejohn, Mena	1.00
	\$319.05
Less traveling expenses	3.82
June 11, 1906, total to date	\$315.23

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### WAR ON LIQUOR AND TOBACCO.

The Kansas Anti-Liquor Society has adopted a new plan to fight the liquor traffic. It is distributing tree to all who write and enclose a stamp, a receipt for the cure of the liquor habit. It can be given secretly in coffee or food. Also one for the tobacco habit that can be given secretly. The only request they make is that you do not sell the receipt, but give free copies to your friends. Their address is Room 68 Gray Bldg., Kansas City, Mo.

### Canadian Advancement.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier's happy phrase, "The nineteenth century belonged to the United States, the twentieth century will belong to Canada," appears to be rapidly spreading from the oratory of Canadian political leaders into the convictions of the Canadian people. The economic and industrial development of the Dominion during the fiscal year 1905 has been truly wonderful, and Canadians themselves are beginning to realize it. With the creation of the new provinces in the Northwest—Alberta and Saskatchewan—rich beyond description in agricultural and mineral possibilities, and the launching of several new trans-continental railroad enterprises, the economic life of our neighbors to the north has been enriched and broadened. Politically, they have recently made several important advances in the direction of national independence. By the departure (on May 1) of the last British soldier from Esquimault, British Columbia, the Dominion assumes absolute, undivided control of all the military posts within her borders. The strong attitude maintained by the government of Newfoundland—the other British American colony—in the matter of the alleged violation of fishing regulations by Americans also indicates the dawning national consciousness. Canadian-American trade, it is gratifying to note, is increasing by leaps and bounds. Our trade with the Dominion in 1895 aggregated—according to the official figures—\$89,429,096. Last year, the total was only a shade below \$203,000,000. The Canadian Northwest is making giant strides in production, trade, and population. When James J. Hill has built his projected railroad line from Winnipeg to the Pacific (he prom-

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### A Good Beginning.

If a minister, during his first ten minutes, can convince the people that he is only trying to save their souls, he kills all the critics in the house.

I found that a half hour of earnest prayer was more than two or three hours of study. It some times let a flash from the Throne flame over the page I was writing.—Dr. Cuyler.

A well-known oculist says that only one pair of eyes in every fifteen is perfect.

**An Open Letter to the Pastors of the Batesville District.**

Dear Brethren: Perhaps you may be curious to know where I am, and under what conditions this letter is written. I am at Melbourne, June 14. I am here at the instance of the pastor and just beginning a revival. What will be the result is not yet known. A good interest, indicates a great meeting. This leads right into what I want to talk to you about. Are you praying and planning for the summer campaign? It takes a certain preparation for a certain work. There inhere in you as a pastor and your people as the representatives of our Lord in speech and life, all the human conditions of success in revival work. Do you believe it? Do you feel it? Does not your call to the ministry, and the sending out by the church of such men as you are all indicate it, and signify it? Most of you have local preachers, many of them good and efficient men. Get them in line with you, use them and be the most active figure yourselves in the whole movement. Enlist your best laymen, and laywomen, and lay siege to any place in your work and God will give the power, and the victory will be yours through Christ Jesus our Lord. Pardon me for bringing myself or service into notice, but I do it to stir you up to personal effort. In 1882, while on the Jamestown charge as pastor, I began my meetings the third Sunday in July at Alderbrook and closed out on Saturday night before the third Sunday in October at Fair View, a period of three months, not a day missed, nor a meal, nor a service, and God blessed the effort with 248 converts. Such a thing now would be with me a physical impossibility, and so it would be with some of you. Yet there are some of you who are strong and young, therefore, Brother, go to, and do not spare, for when a man fails in souls he has failed in the most important part of church work. Some of you, like myself, have passed a little beyond the best vigor of physical life, but you have not got a heavy work for an old man even. Put your best thought on it, and your heart, and most fervent prayer under it, and the best energies of your life into it, and our old district will come up to judgment on Dec. 5, ready for a "well done, thou good and faithful servant." I can not be with all of you. I wish I could. But where I can I am willing to work in the altar, pulpit, or anywhere there is work to be done. If you have not planned, begin

now. Those of you who have small works of three and four appointments, hear, please this suggestion. Do not jam your meetings. Give yourself time to get all there is in it out of it, if it takes you till frost. Many a meeting has been lost by closing too soon. Hold on, stay with the mourners in sin, you were all just where they will be under like conditions. Now, may the God of all grace lead us to victory, and keep our hearts humble to the end. Pray for me. Remember the Annual mile-stone is in sight, Dec. 5, at Wynne. May we all meet there and make the best reports in our individual history. Jas. F. Jernigan.

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**Program of Searcy District Epworth League Conference.**

- Searcy, Ark., June 27-29, 1906.
- Introductory sermon June 27.  
8 p. m. by Rev. J. A. Roberts.
- Thursday morning session,  
Dr. J. D. Sibert, presiding.
- 9:00 Devotional service.  
9:30 Organization.  
9:45 Report of District Secretary  
10:00 Report from Leagues.  
11:00 Sermon.
- Afternoon Session,  
B. R. Johnson, presiding.
- 2:30 Devotional service, Rev. D. W. Pope.  
3:00 The Young man and the League, W. S. Moore.  
3:30 How to make the League go in the country, Rev. W. H. Woodfin.
- Departmental Work:  
4:00 The devotional meeting, Mr. O. H. Davis.  
Discussion.
- Evening Session,  
W. H. Woodfin, presiding.
- 8:00 Devotional service.  
8:30 Some League problems and how to solve them, Rev. W. M. Wilson.  
General discussion.
- Friday morning session,  
Rev. S. F. Brown, presiding.
- 9:00 Devotional service, Rev. J. G. Parker.  
9:30 Why the Literary Department in the Epworth League? Prof. C. N. Weems.  
10:00 How to conduct a literary meeting, Miss Annie Sue Rogers.  
10:30 What the Charity and Help Department can do, Rev. Frank Barrett.  
11:00 Sermon.
- Afternoon session,  
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- Evening Session.  
Epworth League Rally,  
O. H. Davis, presiding.
- 8:00 Devotional service, Rev. F. R. Noe.
- 8:00 Addresses by Dr. J. D. Sibert and Rev. M. B. Umsted.  
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**Notice.**

To the Preachers and delegates of Searcy District Conference: All who expect to bring their wives with them to this District Conference please notify me by July 5, 1906. Come praying that God will be with us. We are expecting a good time. Would be glad if every preacher and delegate would be present at the opening of the Conference, and stay till after Sunday.

T. J. Taylor, P. C.  
Tuckerman, Ark.

**From Bro. Scivally.**

Please say to the brethren that my time is all filled. I will be out with my tent till conference. I am now in a meeting at Carter Avenue Church. We are having a good meeting, 25 conversions up to date. J. C. Scivally.  
Ardmore, I. T.

CHOCTAW LETTER.

Rufe, I. T

Ome etibapishili uhleha ma Anompa Lama kiyo kia holisso chilishke. Yohmi ka May 26-27. Aiena ka hu hi tochina itanaha yat High Hill ako asha tok oke. Uhtih Pihli chi at iklo tok oke. Yohmi kia hushi tochina itanaha nan isht asha yat fina tok oke. Conference ai achafa yat lawa achukma fihna tok oke.

Simeon Jacob, H. W. Thompson, James Williams, Joel Battistie elappakosh ultih itanaha yat July 25, a Sealey's Chapel. Ai tanaha chiya delegates osh aya chi hosh ulhtoka tok oke. Ulhtoba yat Willimpson James. Robart Tims akosh ulhtoka tok oke. Mikma John Ben akosh Local Preachers ulhtoka chi ho ultih itanaha ima silhha tok oke. Anonti aitanaha yat achafa kat himona tobat ibafoka tok oke. Mikma, preacher in charge at Report Bohli matiksa yat tochina hosh illi, ikxa yosh holisso ishshi cha ula kat tochina ikxa yosh kochi ka tuklo achi tok oke. Okla hat itanaha kat achukma hakinli hoke achi tok Domestic Missions at Ulhtoba, Foreign Missions at Alota, conference claimants iklama hosh Ulhtoba. Mikma elbasha aieyimena apila chi ka \$29.95 ilakpak O. P. C. at Report bohli tok oke. Himak Pilla hano Frazier Chapel ako Aug. 25 ako hoshi tochina aiyatafama he oke achi tok oke. Iitibapishi W. H. McKinney at ant ahantat ubanompa hachokma filma ho okla isht ima nompahali tok oke. Itanaha lama achukma ehna hosh aiasha Monday yako tishili tok oke elitibapishi L. N. Ishoomer at ant ahanta tok oke. Uba nompachukma ho isht anompaholi tok oke. Foholi hoke.

Hachilibapishi, H. B. Jacobs.

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Use the Local Press.

I feel sure our pastors are not using the local papers as much as they should. If successful business men find printer's ink essential, why not the Church? Let us put every item of church work before the public. The editors will be glad to publish it. Certainly the pastor can well afford to write it. Here is a sample of two quarterly confer-

ence notices that occurred in last week's papers in Cherokee District—one after the conference had been held, the other before:

"The third quarterly conference, Bluejacket circuit, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will be held at Pleasant Valley about seven miles west of Bluejacket, June 2 and 3. Presiding Elder, Rev. J. B. McDonald, will be there and preach Saturday night and Sunday. Everybody is invited to come and attend those services. All the official members of the church are expected to be there with reports of work under their care. This includes stewards, both town and country, trustees, Sunday School superintendents and Epworth League presidents. If you cannot be there in person, send written report. Let us make this the best conference of the year, and let us pray much and expect much.

Half the year is gone, but more than half the work remains to be done. Let us do it with all our might.—Bluejacket News."

"Quarterly conference for the Chouteau charge was held at Inola on Saturday and Sunday, May 19 and 20. Good congregations attended all three of the services. Our presiding elder was at his best and gave three rousing sermons which were highly appreciated by his audiences. We are wonderfully built up and hope that lasting good may be accomplished by his labors among us. Sunday night after preaching the Lord's Supper was prepared and many came forward and communed. May Chouteau have as glorious a quarterly meeting next time.—Chouteau Herald."

I am sure these notices helped the church in these towns and caused the people to think more of the pastor. Certainly every time our Missionary Societies meet, their doings should be published. All elections, reports of boards, etc., are certainly of interest to the members of the church who always constitute a large per cent of the patronage of the paper. Let us use the newspapers. They can speak for us in many places where we never would speak.

J. B. McDonald.

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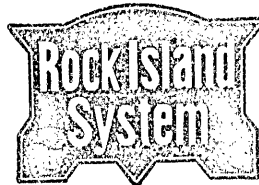
Ashdown, Ark.

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membership as well. We have large congregations at all church services. In this church we have some of the best men it has been my privilege to serve as pastor. We look forward to coming of District Conference with great pleasure. Bros. Anderson and Millar are specially invited.

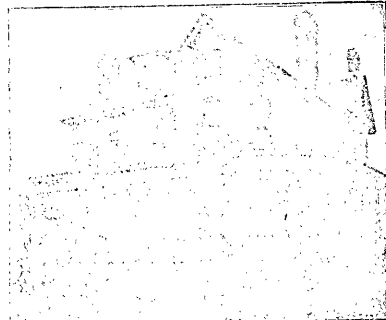
W. W. Nelson.

Pike, Ark.

Our presiding elder was with us on May 26-27. Our good people had gotten up a most excellent program for Children's Day, which fell on the time of Dr. Dye's visit. The program was well rendered after which the presiding elder preached to the children. Dr. Dye is many-sided. He can preach to grown people or children; he can take a collection or call mourners. A presiding elder ought to have good preaching ability, with fine social qualities, and extraordinary endowment for leadership. These combine in Dr. Dye to a reasonable degree. We expressed ourselves in our last letter as being fortunate in our charge, therefore we would use as strong language in reference to our P. E. As to our Bishop, suffice it to say, we prayed twelve long years for his election, and at last our prayers were answered.

On Sunday of our Quarterly Conference we took up a collection, rather the P. E. did for us, and received nearly half enough to cover our Foreign Mission assessment. Our Quarterly Conference was followed with a week's revival, in which there were several conversions and reclamations. Bro. L. W. Evans was with us doing efficient service, which was very much appreciated by the pastor and his people.

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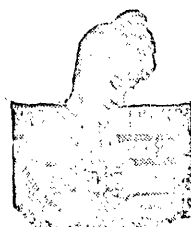
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**KING**—Died, June 4, 1906, near Hazen, Ark., Mrs. Joanna (Rogers) King, wife of T. B. King, aged 58 years. She was converted and joined the Methodist Church when 18 years old, married when 28 years old. Was the mother of nine children, 8 of whom are living. Sister King was an invalid and great sufferer for 8 years, which sufferings she bore with a meek and lowly disposition, without murmuring or repining, resigned to the will of Him in whom she believed, and who does all things well. She was tenderly cared for and nursed through all these years of affliction by her husband and children, who saw that everything possible was done to mitigate her sufferings. A large audience of neighbors and friends attended her funeral service at the home, and followed her remains to the Hazen cemetery, where she was laid to rest until the coming of our Lord.  
R. M. TRAYLOR.

**SMITH**—Gilderoy Smith, son of J. T. and Lizzie Smith, was born in Pulaski County, Ark., May 1, 1890, and died May 19, 1906. While bathing in a rock quarry near the city of Little Rock, he was seized with cramps and drowned. At the age of twelve, he was converted at a campmeeting in Greene County, and received into the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, by Rev. H. D. May. Gilderoy was a bright, strong boy, and we had anticipated for him a useful life. He was the idol of his home and was generally loved at the factory where he worked and at the church where he worshipped. Just as he was passing from boyhood to manhood, he was called home. He will mature more perfectly in that land of soft sunshine and gentle breezes. Our heart goes out in tender sympathy to the broken-hearted family. They all know and love our Lord, and will meet Gilderoy again in "My Father's house."  
His pastor, FORNEY HUTCHINSON.

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## W. F. M. SOCIETY.

Woman's Board of Foreign Missions.

The 28th meeting of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions met at Opelika, Ala., May 23rd. A number of the ladies had been visiting the General Conference and came over from Birmingham the morning of the 24th.

Opening of the first business session led by Miss M. L. Gibson. She reviewed the achievements of the 7th quadrennium. How marvelously had the work progressed both at home and abroad! Great has been the company of women who have published the glad tidings. There had been a steady increase in collections and this year they were over \$9000 more than last year. There was also a net gain of 3860 members. North Georgia had 1974, Tennessee more than 1000, Memphis 1100, Southwest Missouri 1089, South Georgia more than 1000. The President being unable to attend, Miss Gibson presided throughout the session. Twenty-five corresponding secretaries, and two alternates and all of the managers except Mrs. John and Mrs. Hendrix were present. Dr. Y. J. Allen, of China; Dr. Kennedy, of Brazil; and our own Dr. Lambuth gave encouraging and wise counsel. Misses Nicholson, Leverett, Wares, returned missionaries from China, Misses Glenn, Davis, Elerding and Maidee Smith, of Brazil and Miss Ellie B. Gydings of Mexico blessed the meeting with their presence and gave much valuable information regarding the work in their respecting fields.

The Corresponding Secretary's report was full of interest. In the last four years 15 missionaries had been sent out. The great need in Korea is for suitable buildings in which to carry on our schools and for homes for our workers. Brazil has shown large results for the means expended. Many new openings are presenting themselves. Laredo Seminary has recovered from the cyclone. \$12,722 had to be expended on repairs. Great revivals have blessed all our mission stations. A desire for knowledge characterizes all the work. Study classes are everywhere. Bible study is growing. Love becomes contagious when it becomes sacrificial. World wide missions means enthusiastic, earnest interest and effort for the whole wide world.

The Treasurer's report was encouraging since nearly \$10,000 increase over last year was reported.

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The devotional exercises led by Mrs. Hargrove and the returned missionaries and some of the secretaries were specially helpful.

The thought emphasized was that we are God's fellow workers, we are laborers together with him. The true test of a disciple is an overwhelming desire to help Jesus save the world. Each morning let us say, what art thou doing in the world this day—use me to help this day.

The prayer life of Jesus was beautifully brought out, how that Luke gives fifteen instances in which he prayed and the answers that immediately followed, he heard his Father's voice, was ministered unto by angels, was strengthened, the bitter taken out of his cup of sorrow.

The need for workers is so great that emphasis was put upon the command that Jesus gave, to pray the Lord of the harvest that he send forth laborers into his vineyard.

Schools—one at Bello Horizonte, Brazil, one at Songdo, Korea and at Sung Kong, China. The Laura Haygood at Soochow, China is to be completed.

The officers elected for the next

quadrennium are Miss M. L. Gibson, Pres.; Mrs. Wilson, 1st vice pres.; Mrs. Sowell, 2nd vice pres.; Mrs. Barnum, 3rd vice pres.; Mrs. Trueheart and Cobb Cor. Sectys.; Mrs. Hargrove Rec. Secty.; Mrs. McTyiere Treas.; Miss B. Bennett and Mrs. Chappell Managers.

The next meeting will be held at Richmond, Va.

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### Winslow, Ark.

Our new Church at Winslow is nearing completion. Last Sunday we held Children's Day Service in it. Had a large attendance and a splendidly rendered program. Two accessions; collections, \$2.80. We also organized a Methodist Sunday School with 52 members. Ordered our own Literature and a good supply of Y. P. Hymnals, No. 3. It was a joyous, happy day. O. H. Tucker.

### Hawley Memorial, Pine Bluff.

Our Hawley Memorial Church is fairly prospering. We will entertain the Pine Bluff District Conference this year and want the editors to be present.

We have paid \$500 on the old church debt and \$300 on open accounts this year. We have built a good parsonage at a cost of \$1000 which is neatly finished and paid for, every dollar of it.

Preacher's salary and other expenses are fairly up, and we hope to round out in full at the Annual Conference. If you see anybody coming to Pine Bluff to join the church tell them to join Hawley Memorial for it is the coming church of the city. We have received 41 members this year. Pray for us.  
S. W. Rainey.

### W. H. M. SOCIETY.

EDITED BY  
Mrs. G. G. Davidson, Greenwood.  
Mrs. F. B. Crofford, Chickasha, I. T., Indian Mission Conference  
Send all communications to the editors.

### Annual Meeting W. H. M. S. Indian Mission Conference.

The Fifteenth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Home Mission Society of the Indian Mission Annual Conference met at Duncan, I. T., June 5. The delegates were met at the depot by the home ladies and given a most cordial welcome, being driven to our homes, none very distant from the Church. The beautiful little church was prettily decorated and everything bespoke a welcome. Though Duncan is almost in the extreme western part of our Conference and inaccessible from many points, we had an unusually good attendance. Our First Vice President, Mrs. R. M. Campbell, presided, in the absence of our President, in a charming manner and dispatched business like an experienced officer. All the reports showed an increase over former years with one possible exception. The town ladies came out in goodly numbers and many of the ministers of Duncan District and elsewhere were present. Two of our full blood Indian sisters represented full blood auxiliaries and took part in our work to our great joy. One of our Indian brethren was present. We have no more faithful workers than some of these Christian Indians. Particular stress was put upon the devotional exercises and there was an outpouring of the spirit upon us. Our Connectional work was presented by charts and still further emphasized through the Question Box which brought the work before us most interestingly. Every phase of our local work was discussed and many ideas as to methods exchanged. The following officers were elected:  
Mrs. R. M. Campbell, Oklahoma City, O. T., President.  
Mrs. W. R. Strange, Chelsea, I. T., 1st Vice President.  
Mrs. C. M. McLain, Purcell, I. T., 2nd Vice President.  
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We will give the District Secretaries in our next letter. Norman, Okla., was selected as next place of meeting, though Ada, Durant, South McAlester, Chelsea, and several other places extended cordial invitations for us to meet with them. By meeting at a central point we hope to swell our attendance and if possible secure a General Board officer, as Norman can be easily reached from Houston, Texas, the place of our next Board Meeting.

We unanimously voted this one of the most pleasant meetings of our Conference Society which was closed by a delightful reception at one of the handsome homes of the city.

May the new year find us abundant in labor and prove the very best in our history. We must increase in members and dues. The demands upon us are great. Fourteen applications for help to parsonages were considered and twelve grants were made. Nearly \$1500 asked for and less than \$600 to grant. Will we not redouble our diligence?

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### Children's Day at First Church, Muskogee, I. T.

Through unavoidable circumstances our Muskogee First Church did not hold its Children's Day exercises until June 10. But it lost none of its interest by the delay and proved to be one of the most interesting occasions for children this scribe ever witnessed. The exercises were under the direction of Mrs. A. F. McGarr, superintendent of our Sunday School Primary Department, and that guarantees to all who know her a most helpful and

successful occasion. The Sunday School hour was given over entirely to the program, and the lessons were dispensed with. The suggestions sent by our Publishing House were followed. The main interest of the hour centered in the graduating exercises! Now think of it! Twenty-one bright little boys and girls graduated, five from the Cradle Roll into the Primary Department, and sixteen from the Primary Department into the Intermediate Department. The holy influences of that hour will go with those children to their graves. Two snow white gates were thrown wide open by two beautiful children and the little tots marched boldly through from the lower to the higher grades to the merry music of appropriate songs. After the graduates had received their diplomas, a chorus of little girls from the higher grades, white robed, marched by and laid garlands of sweet scented flowers at their feet. In presenting the diplomas Superintendent Bonnell said: "It used to be thought the babies were too young and the old folks too old for the Sunday School, but modern Sunday School methods provide a place for all. The babe of one hour finds a place on our cradle roll and they never get too old for us." What a comprehensive statement! What a peculiar method the Sunday School has any way! All other schools under the sun can graduate all their pupils, but while most all the pupils in the Sunday School may be graduated, there is one class which can never reach that greatly desired position—the Bible Class."  
Our First Church Sunday School is striving to come up to the full measure of a modern Sunday School in every department. With its aggressive superintendent and efficient corps of teachers, it bids fair to do a great work in establishing the kingdom of our Lord.  
Chas. B. Smith,

QUARTERLY CONFERENCE.

Arkansas Conference.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Fayetteville Mission, at Fayetteville, June 23-24. Farmington Cir., at Widdington, June 30, July 1.

HARRISON DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND

Lead Hill, at Omaha, June 23-24. Mountain Home Ct., at Rock Dale, July 7-8. Mountain Home Sta., July 8-9.

Harrison District Conference will meet at Valley Springs, Ark., June 28 to July 1. Committee on license and admissions: R. E. L. Bearden, C. W. Lester, and J. W. Griffin; for orders: A. J. Cullum, J. R. Maxwell, W. T. Martin. Opening sermon by Rev. Floyd Wilkins.

J. J. GALLOWAY, P. E.

FORT SMITH DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND

East End and Trusty, at Trusty, June 23-24. Fort Smith Ct., at Barling, July 1. Central, at Barling, July 8.

E. R. STEEL, P. E.

DARDANELLE DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Lamar and Knoxville, at Knoxville, June 23-24. Dardanelle Ct., at Oak Grove, June 30, July 1. Ozark Ct., at Roseville, July 7.

J. M. HUGHLY, P. E.

MORRILTON DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Springfield, at Batesville, June 23-24. Cleveland, at Snugg Side, June 30, July 1. Morrilton Station, July 8-9.

The District Conference will meet at Lewisburg, July 4, at 3 p. m. The opening sermon by Rev. J. H. O'Bryant at 8:30 p. m., on July 4th.

J. B. STEVENSON, P. E.

White River Conference.

JONESBORO DISTRICT—Third Round.

Jonesboro 1st Church, June 21. Jonesboro 2nd Church, June 25. Harrisburg ct., June 30, July 1.

M. M. SMITH, P. E.

PARAGOULD DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Pocahontas and Black Rock Station, June 23-24. Reyno Circuit, June 24-25. Gainesville Circuit, June 30, July 1.

Z. T. BENNETT, P. E.

SEARCY DISTRICT—Third Round.

Auvergne & Weldon, Aug. 23-24. Bald Knob ct., at Kensett, June 30-1. West Point ct., at Ellis Chapel, July 7-8.

El Paso at Mt. Olive, August 26-27. J. D. Sibert, P. E.

HELENA DISTRICT—Third Round.

Marvell and Turner at Marvell, July 7-8. Forrest City, July 11. Wynne, July 15-16. Parkin, July 17.

BATESVILLE DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Jessup Mission, June 30, July 1. Jacksonport, July 7-8. Sulphur Rock, July 14-15.

Little Rock Conference.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Hingen Ct., June 23-24. Nashville Sta., June 24-25. Mineral Springs Ct., June 30, July 1.

The Prescott District Conference will convene at Nashville, Ark., Tuesday, July 24, 8 p. m. Opening sermon by J. A. Parker.

JOHN H. DYE, P. E.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT—Third Round.

Mickory Plain, June 16-17. Austin, June 23, 24. Louoke, June 24, 25.

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Kingsland, June 23-24. Mason, June 30, July 1. Carr Memorial, July 1.

TEXARKANA DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Winthrop, at Wallace, June 23-24. Gilham Ct., June 30, July 1. De Queen, July 1-2.

R. R. MOORE, P. E.

ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Malvern Sta., June 24-25. Essery Circuit, July 7-8. Unity Circuit, July 14-15.

The District Conference will be held at Dabark, June 28, to July 1. The opening sermon will be preached at 11 a. m., June 28, by Rev. J. A. B. Fry.

BEN A. FEW, P. E.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND

Newburg Ct., June 23-24. Hamburg Sta., June 24-25. Monticello Ct., June 30.

CAMDEN DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Lewisville, at Old Town, June 23-24. Junction City, at Wesson, July 1-2.

The District Conference will meet at Fordyce at 2 p. m., Wednesday, July 25. Committee on license to preach: J. W. Harrell, J. R. Sanders and J. Z. Burleson; on orders: W. E. Evans, W. C. Hilliard and P. E. Dodson.

J. H. RIGGIN, P. E.

Indian Mission Conference.

CHEROKEE DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND

Fairland and Wyandotte, June 23-24. Vinita, June 24-25. Grove Ct., June 30-July 1.

Let church registers for each society and the one for the whole charge be examined and reports made in writing. Let each church procure church conference records and present them to the committee for examination.

J. B. McDONALD, P. E.

ARDMORE DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Cumberland Ct., at Grantham, June 23-24. Leon and Berryville, at Berryville, July 7-8.

OKLAHOMA CITY DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND

Sparks and Prague, June 23-24. Crook Falls, June 25-26. Konawa, July 1.

MANGUM DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Granite Ct., at Head Quarters, June 23-24. Dunstee and Eldorado, at Eldorado, June 30.

BEAVER DISTRICT—Third Round.

Goodwell and Toxehama, at Friendship, June 23-24. Garrett ct., at Garrett, July 7-8.

GOLDENVILLE DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Beavertown and Dunlap, at Dunlap, June 23-24. Keoma and Paden, at Paden, June 24-25.

Holdenville Sta., August 5-6. Ada Ct., at Midland, August 11-12.

Ada Sta., August 12-13. District Conference convenes at Newtown, July 25, at 8:30 a. m.

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Stigler Ct., at Whitefield, June 23-24. Fort Gibson Sta., July 1-2.

WEATHERFORD DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Geary, at Geary, June 23-24. Weatherford Station, June 24-25. Foss and Page, at Foss, 3 p. m., July 27.

DUNCAN DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND

Temple, at Liberty, June 23-24. Walter, at Gregg, June 24-25. Lawton Station, July 1.

WYNNEWOOD DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND

Elmore Ct., at Antioch, June 23-24. Roff, July 1-2. Whitehead Ct., at Whitehead, June 7-8.

CHOCTAW DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND

Kullitka Ct., at Waterhole, June 23-24. Hugo, at Hugo, June 25. Bethel Ct., at Kullitka, June 30, July 1.

McALESTER DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Albany Circuit, June 23-24. Bennington and Boswell, June 30, July 1. Caddo and Sterrett, July 7-8.

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### Hargrove College.

The Board of Trustees of Hargrove College held their annual meeting in the City National Bank Tuesday at 2:30 p. m. Chairman Dr. T. P. Howell in the chair. The president, Dr. J. M. Gross, made his annual report for the college, which showed a total enrollment of 247 pupils, splendid work done in each department and a healthy financial condition of the school. After receiving the report the following resolutions were offered by Lee Cruce and unanimously adopted by the board:

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Board of Trustees that the management of Hargrove College during the past scholastic year, under Doctor J. M. Gross, has been able and highly satisfactory. The great advance made in the college over former years shows the tireless efforts of Dr. Gross in building up the school. We recognize the fact that the school, at the time he assumed charge of same, was in a discouraging condition and that it is due to his efforts that confidence in the college has been restored and same placed upon the high plane it now occupies.

Resolved, That we tender Dr. Gross our sincere thanks for his labors in the interest of the college and pledge to him our continued support in an effort to make of Hargrove College the leading school in the Indian and Oklahoma Territories.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Board of Trustees.

Signed,

T. P. Howell, Pres.  
Sidney Suggs, V. P.  
W. S. Wolverton,  
J. A. Bivens,  
Lee Cruce,  
B. F. Frensley,  
W. G. Ditzler, Sec.

The Board then proceeded to the election of faculty for ensuing term which was as follows:

President, Dr. J. M. Gross;  
Vice President, Prof. H. G. Reid;  
Granville Goodloe, Latin, Greek, and English;  
Miss Lillian Hall, English;  
Miss Lula Ford, Intermediate;  
Miss Ida Waller, Primary;  
Miss Annie Cook, Music;  
Miss Mona Gross, Music;  
Elocution and Vocal yet to be supplied.

On motion, R. W. Randol, Lee Cruce and W. S. Wolverton, were appointed a special committee to act with Dr. Gross in raising funds sufficient to enlarge the dormitories and improve the college, the committee to begin work at once.

The trustees agreed that the

outlook for the college was brighter than ever before. The college is out of debt and with the contemplated improvements will be second to none in the Twin-Territories.

Prof. H. G. Reid, the newly elected vice-president is a man of life long experience as an educator. He will have control of the inside work while Dr. Gross will devote his time to field work.

Hargrove College means much to Ardmore and our people should continue to support both by contributions and patronage. —Daily Ardmoreite, June 13.

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### Rison Circuit, Ark.

Some are complaining because so few of the Arkansas preachers are sending in field notes while the Indian Mission brethren are making many encouraging reports. Well, I think the reason for this is not far to find: our brethren to the west of us are bringing things to pass while many of us in Arkansas are waiting till the summer season.

The work along all lines is progressing on this charge. In fact the work is so heavy that Bro. Pipkin our presiding elder has appointed Rev. John McKinnon junior preacher for the remainder of the year. With his assistance we hope to get the church in good working order at each preaching place.

The work on our new concrete or artificial stone church is under headway. We hope to have it finished by the first of August. It is quite an expensive building for our church and for the town of Rison, but while we were building we have an eye to the future as well as the present.

We closed a three week's meeting here this week. The meeting should have continued, but I could secure no help and my voice had about given out. The church was considerably revived, several conversions and twelve accessions with more to follow. We hope to keep up the revival spirit till next fall when we expect to make a special siege against the enemy of souls. When we get into our new house we shall expect a visit from one of ye editors.

J. D. May.

Alex. I. F.

Our little town is rebuilding. When we first came to this work we did not get to unpack for five weeks. Our little parsonage is now gone, all our books, furniture and most of our clothes.

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We are receiving some help and will report all through the Advocate. We expect to rebuild the parsonage. Ours has been a year of hard work, but hope to leave the work in good shape for my successor, even if it be this fall. I am in the class of the second year and was taking the correspondence course and lacked a part of Kern's Ministry to the Congregation and Wesley's sermons of that year. Any brother that will loan me those two books would confer on me a great favor. I want to have good meetings.

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