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WHERE REST IS FOUND.

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WHAT CHRIST CAN DO FOR THE VILEST OF MEN.

But more hopeless specimens than any of Hadley's men have been marvelously saved by this same conversion process. Let any man read, if he will, Harold Begbie's "Twice-Born Men," and let him then say whether there is supernatural power connected with the name of Jesus. There are not more degraded human beings to be found on the whole face of the earth than are found in West London, and this is the scene of Begbie's stories. Take his first story, "The Puncher." It is the story of a man born of fairly respectable people, who got down in the world. He became when a boy a street thief in the west of London. He was pronounced utterly unmanageable at school, and of an ungovernable temper. He got himself trained to prize-fighting, and became the most noted prize-fighter of England. This turned him into a swaggering, drunken bully, brought him wealth and association with sporting lords. He married, had a house, carriages, horses, servants. When he began to be too old to fight, he established a racing business, and advertised largely his honor as a sporting man "whose word was a guaranty of fair play." But it was not fair play; he joined a gang of racing course cheats; was detected; "disgraced"; fell to the level of a common blackguard, having lost his wealth and his "social position." He now abandoned his wife and was alone in his wretchedness and madness and with his insatiable passion for drink. He lived as a browbeater and blackmailer, "a blazing mass of alcoholic energy," a terror to the loathsome creatures in the slums of London; their king; a veritable devil. He is often convicted before the magistrates. In prison he makes up his mind that the "game" thing to do, the thing that would fittingly crown his career, would be to kill his wife and make an exhibition of his game qualities on the scaffold. This became a fixed idea, so thoroughly dominating his being that it drove out even the craze for alcohol. When he was out of prison he made treacherous preparation to carry out this intention, and was actually on his way with his wife to the place where he intended to murder her, armed with a butcher knife concealed in his clothes. He was met by a Salvation Army man, who got him to the altar; got him converted. His whole past dropped instantly out of his life and he was another man. He felt himself another man. He felt clean, for the first time in his memory. He was happy for the first time in his life. He felt as light as air. His taste for whisky was gone, never to return. He became the marvel of West London in his passion to rescue others. He has led many of his old associates to Christ. He has had trials, but with the exception of a brief period when one day one of his partners in business induced him to take a drink of port, on the theory that it was a teetotaler's drink and would not hurt him, he has been a marvel of steadfast adherence to his profession. If he has not died recently, he is in West London to this day, about his work, putting every spare moment of his time and every spare shilling of his money into the work of saving others, leading meanwhile an industrious and useful life.

Let us epitomize one more of Mr. Begbie's

stories. It shall be the story of him who is called "O. B. D.," or Old Born Drunk. This man was a newspaper carrier in West London. He was born of frightfully drunken parents, and was probably literally born drunk. He was the most hideously repulsive being in that world of the hideous and the repulsive. All the days of his life he had been drunk. He was now simply sodden. He had terrible eyes, which no words could describe. He was debased almost out of humanity. He lived in a den that would make one shudder with loathing and disgust. A woman, his wife, lived there with him, and her squalor was a match for the surroundings. A Salvation Army woman, the little "Angel Adjutant," as she was known, persuaded them to attend the services at the hall. Could the Gospel message penetrate through this stupefaction, this almost total obfuscation of soul? They sat in their vile rags and seemed stupefied. They seemed to comprehend nothing of the meaning of it all. Could the Gospel reach them? Even the little Angel Adjutant was in doubt. But the Puncher and she kept after them. The message did break through. The man came to the point where he was "determined to find God," as he said. He found him to the great joy and the complete deliverance of his soul. God lifted him completely out of his old life, lifted him into respectability, kept him in the midst of great temptations and jeering. Years afterward the little Angel Adjutant was by his bedside as he was dying. "You are quite happy," said she. "I am without fear," said the man, as he passed away.

These instances might be multiplied indefinitely, as every Christian knows. They represent miracles as genuine as were ever on the earth. They are not to be accounted for except on the theory of the supernatural. If they represent a false notion, we are still almost tempted to say that it would well be worth while to preach that notion, seeing that, in that case, no true notion ever meant so much for the rescue and the uplift of men. But the very fact that the belief of salvation through Jesus Christ does so have in it the uplift of men must put the stamp of truth and of divinity upon it. The mightiest credential of Jesus is not some miracle that he wrought when he was on the earth; it is in the fact that he can save a sinner, and that he does save them everywhere throughout the world. If this be not a divine work, there is no divine work known to us. And again we may say that if this be the result of a false record and of a false claim, then truth has lost all its practical value. Error is the better thing.

But we do not need to go to New York or to London to learn of these things. Every Christian reader of these lines knows from his own observation that Jesus saves men. We have seen it with our own eyes, every one of us! we have seen thousands of men saved, made over again. It is a work that is going on constantly right under our eyes all over the Christian world. It is going on under the eyes of our missionaries in all Pagan lands. The simple story of Christ's love and of Christ's power to save, believed, accepted, means salvation to whosoever will receive it. All that is needed is to proclaim it, proclaim it everywhere, and its work will follow it.

Not only does Jesus reach down to the lowest; he enriches the highest of our race. Men like Paul, like Luther, like Calvin, like Knox, like Wesley, like Jonathan Edwards, like Dwight L. Moody—all the great moral and spiritual leaders

since the days of Jesus, will tell you that it was from him that they have received their inspiration and their power. It was because they bowed low at his feet that they have been able to lead the world. They were converted to God and to a good life by his grace, just in the same way as was the Puncher or Old Born Drunk, and until they knew Jesus in the conscious pardon of their sins they were never able to make head as the moral leaders of their age. John Wesley, for example, had tried by every method known to be religious, to be a man of power. He had tried legalism; he had tried sacerdotalism; he had tried asceticism. It was only after that night in Fetter Lane, when he laid hold on Jesus by a simple personal faith for the pardon of his sins, and "felt his heart strangely warmed," that he could really begin his movement. It was then that God began to pour the mighty powers of an eternal life through this marvelously prepared man, and a wave of salvation began to roll over the world which has continued to roll till this day. All the great leaders will tell you a similar story. Do these prophets of our race find more power in a falsehood than they find in any truth? Can it be so? Then again has truth lost its value, for error has become the thing of value.

It is particularly to be noted that all the great moral reformers have relied upon this power as the means of doing their work. They claim to have received from it their own impulse; they relied upon it as the power to enlist and ennoble others. When Luther, John Calvin, John Knox, and Zwingli swept out of their path all else and came to what they believed to be an immediate personal relation with Jesus Christ, they distinctly dated a new era for the human race. When John Wesley, after thirteen years in the ministry without a conscious persuasion of the indwelling power of Jesus Christ, years during which he labored in all good conscience to please God, when he did come to this personal experience, that night in Fetter Lane, he, as Lecky said of that occasion, dated a new epoch for the English-speaking race. Men may belittle as they please the revivalism of the Nineteenth Century, but the immediate sense of the presence and power of Jesus Christ which attended the revivals of the Nineteenth Century in America can be shown to have made the men who made the history of this country. On this subject is a book written by Bishop W. A. Candler, "Great Revivals and the Great Republic," which we would commend to the thoughtful reader, who will there see that no other factor has done so much for us.

There is a wide difference in wishing to be good and in willing to be good. One may wish to be good and all the while be willing to be bad, so wide is that difference, for such a one at each separate choice makes the wrong choice, wills to do the wrong thing. Wishing to be good may be but the whine of a weakling; willing to be good is the determination of a man, by the grace of God. Wishing to be good, you may drift with the tide; willing to be good, you will stem that tide. Remember that all character is made by so many separate acts of the will. Wishes are often lost; will is never a lost quantity, for it always registers itself in character.

In collecting money for the various enterprises of the church we should never forget that the salvation of the souls of the people is the prime reason for the existence of the church and the most important thing.

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As predicted last week by President Millar, the
enrollment of Hendrix College has passed the
200 mark.

Do not forget that you can always get any sort
of Bible at a satisfactory price from Anderson,
Millar & Co., Little Rock.

Rev. D. A. Dawson has had a good year at West
Tulsa and Red Fork. He is a fine young man,
and gives promise of great success.

The Western Methodist has demonstrated that
it is a fine medium through which to reach the
buyer if you have anything you wish to sell.

Rev. W. M. Hayes, our pastor at Nashville,
Ark., spent a part of the week visiting friends in
the city and made us a very much appreciated
call. He is having, as usual, a good year.

Rev. W. D. Sasser, of Stroud, Okla., was plan-
ning to visit this week his parents in Goldsboro,
N. C. After the long hot summer he will enjoy
the delightful climate of his native State.

Rev. J. C. Jeter, pastor at Sapulpa, Okla., did
not miss a Sunday all summer. He held his con-
gregation, varying the services to keep up inter-
est. He is a very valuable man.

Rev. O. L. Adams has had a successful year at
Beggs and Mounds. He has recently helped in a
revival at Henrietta, Okla. It is kind when one
has his own crop well worked to help his neigh-
bors.

Rev. C. F. Chambers, of Bristow, Okla., has
had a pleasant year. He is much loved by his
people. They have beautified their church on the
inside. It is as neat as a pin. "Like people, like
priest."

A church has been organized in Oklahoma
Wesleyan College. Dr. Sensabaugh has ap-
pointed Rev. C. C. Barnhardt pastor. Dr. G. C.
Jones is Sunday school superintendent. The Sun-
day school numbers 75.

The protracted meeting at Tigert Memorial,
Tulsa, Okla., is doing well. Several professions,
and they have another week. Rev. J. D. Ed-
wards is helping the pastor, Rev. H. E. Snodgrass,
who is himself a live wire.

The warship *Liberte* was destroyed by explosion
of her magazines in the harbor of Toulon on Sep-
tember 25, and from 350 to 400 officers and men
were killed.

Rev. P. R. Knickerbocker, pastor of Boston
Avenue Church, Tulsa, Okla., has one of the best
auditoriums in his conference. He and his peo-
ple seem well pleased with each other. The Mc-
Intosh-Phillips meeting begins next Sunday.

Rev. J. R. Abernathy has served faithfully
Guthrie, Okla., for three years and a fraction.
His people will be glad to have him longer if the
law of the Church will permit. He thinks they
will build a new church if he should be returned.

A recent visit to Frederick, Okla., showed our
work there in fine condition. How could it be
otherwise with such a man as our Rev. W. A.
Shelton at the helm. The editor is indebted to
our Brother Rector there for special courtesies
in the automobile line.

The friends of Rev. and Mrs. A. N. Averyt, Sr.,
of Antlers, Okla., will be sorry to hear of the
death of their son, Lynn, which occurred on the
night of September 21. Brother Averyt is an
honored member of the East Oklahoma Confer-
ence. We extend condolence.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. M. Mills, good friends of
the Methodist at Pine Bluff, left last week for
Asheville, Greensboro, and Reidsville, N. C.,
where they will spend three weeks visiting Mrs.
Mills' sisters, who she hasn't seen for 55 years.
We wish them a most pleasant trip.

This editor was passing through Snyder, Okla.,
the other day and inquired particularly about the
condition of Rev. W. S. Woodward, of whose ill-
ness we spoke a week or two ago. We are sorry
to report that he is no better, not having regained
his speech at the time of our inquiry.

We were pleased to make a brief sojourn re-
cently with Brother J. C. Thornton, Headrick,
Okla. Brother Thornton moved from Washing-
ton County, Arkansas, in 1889 and settled near
where Headrick now stands. He and his family
have seen times and times since then.

Rev. T. B. Fisher has served Piedmont Station
this year. Many of the best members of this
charge are well-to-do farmers, though crops are
very short. Eighteen have been received into the
church this year. Brother Fisher is an excellent
preacher and is much loved by his people.

Rev. A. H. Dickerson, of Headrick, Okla., as-
sisted by G. W. Lewis, has just closed a great
meeting in his charge. It was a revival of the
old-time form. There were over 100 conversions,
and up to date 81 have been received into the
church. The most substantial element of that
community are now in our church.

Our Doctor Anderson will be absent from this
office for two or three weeks. He is out in the
Guymon country of Oklahoma with Rev. R. A.
Baird and his preachers. He dedicated our new
church at Headrick, Okla., last Sunday, and will
spend the third Sunday in October with Rev. E.
C. McVoy at St. Luke's, Oklahoma City.

Rev. A. M. Belcher has had a successful year
at Haskell, Okla. He is an excellent preacher,
and has given his life for the Church. He says
when a plow boy he took his church paper to the
field and would read it while he rested. Young
men, take notice. Parents, make it possible for
your child to read his church paper.

There is the usual amount of talk among the
brethren about appointments for next year, but
so far this editor has not heard an ugly word,
though he has heard no little talk. Naturally,
the brethren are interested—many of them have
a very direct interest, but they all seem to be
keeping sweet. That is good, even delightful.

This editor recently spent a Sunday in Chick-
asha, preaching morning and evening to large
congregations, who seemed more than apprecia-
tive. That church has grown and solidified under
the ministry of Rev. M. L. Butler. Brother But-
ler has a delightful family, and we congratulate
some good church, soon to have them in their
midst, this being their last year in Chickasha.

The Western Methodist printing plant is now
splendidly equipped for doing all manner of
printing. We do business on level and honest
prices; we do not set about to make a low price
where we must and then make it up by robbing
where we can. Give us your printing account—
not merely your jobs of printing, but your print-
ing account. Whenever your work does not come
up in first-class style or the price is not right, let
us hear from you.

Rev. A. E. Townsend and his family had a nar-
row escape from death a week or two ago. The
father, mother and children were driving in a
buggy, and were run into by a runaway team,
which upset the buggy, throwing the horse to the
ground and making a general wreck out of the
whole situation. The family got off with a few
temporary bruises, and after a week in bed Mrs.
Townsend, who was worst hurt, is up and about
her accustomed work.

A recent stay of a day and night in Lawton
gave us an opportunity to observe that Rev. J.
E. Carpenter has had a good year in that charge.
He has won permanent recognition in that com-
munity. The United States Government has been
spending several millions of dollars on the new
fort near there. The city is holding its own de-
spite three dry years; and it is likely to hold. Our
time in the home of this pastor was most pleas-
ant, and it is always a pleasure to any of his
brethren to get to the home of Rev. C. F. Mit-
chell, the presiding elder, a man who "stays on the
job," and gets something done by staying.

It was our pleasure on Tuesday night of this
week to attend the fourth quarterly conference of
our Capitol Church, this city, Dr. Alonzo Monk
presiding, and A. O. Graydon pastor. We have
watched with great solicitude the growth and de-
velopment of this church enterprise from its in-
ception, and the conference this week showed
very gratifying conditions. The trustees of
church property made written report; the report
of the Home Mission Society was splendid and a
full set of officers were confirmed for the Ep-
worth League. The church owns the most eligible
lot for a church building to be found in the new
State Capitol part of the city.

The region covered by the Lawton district, as
well as that covered by several other districts in
West Oklahoma Conference, has suffered se-
verely from drouth this year. But Presiding
Elder Mitchell says that although 13 pastors of
other churches within his bounds have felt com-
pelled to surrender their charges, "not a Meth-
odist preacher has shown the white feather this
year, though it has been hard on some of them."
In spite of all adverse conditions, they are going
to make a good report. All Western Oklahoma is
a semi-arid country; our people had as well un-
derstand that; but it is a country of the most
wonderful recuperative powers, and of wonder-
fully varied resources. For example, where it
seemed as late as July 20 that nothing at all
could be made, and where the people stayed
with the effort to make something, the land teems
now with an abundant crop of kaffir corn, milo
maize, and such like products, with good alfalfa
crops since the rains fell in July. There will be
a fair crop of cotton, and the people will get
along.

There is a great outcry and protest in St. Louis
because of the law closing hotel bars on Sunday,
but Governor Hadley is standing for strict en-
forcement of the law.

OFFICIAL PUSILANIMITY.

The way in which the United States Government has been compromised by its own officials in the matter of the Brewers' Congress, to be held in Chicago October 12-22, is a public disgrace. Secretary Wilson, Department of Agriculture, has consented to be honorary president. Secretary Knox, Department of State, sends out to the whole diplomatic and consular force of this government a letter inviting through them the cooperation of the whole world. The letter says that the Congress is not under the official patronage of the government; but it makes it perfectly plain that it certainly has the patronage and hearty endorsement of at least two heads of departments in this government. What right have these two officials to flout the best public sentiment of this country by their pusillanimous truckling to the big brewers? The people will indignantly repudiate their conduct.

AMENDING THE DOCTRINE OF ELECTION.

"Infants dying in infancy are regenerated and saved by Christ through the Spirit, who worketh when and where and how he pleaseth. So also are all others who are included in the election of grace and are incapable of being outwardly called by the ministry of the Word."

This is the "elect infant" clause to be voted on by the presbyteries of the Southern Presbyterian Church.

For our Presbyterian brethren we have great admiration. But we should like to know how they found out that all infants dying in infancy belong among the elect. We presume that it will not be pretended that the scriptures which they hold as teaching the doctrine of election give us specific information on the point. It must have become for them an inference based upon their conception of the character of God, to the effect that a good and Just God could not do so horrible a thing as to send to hell, either by preterition or by that positive decree, little children, seeing that they had never had a chance either to acknowledge or to reject him. If this be the ground of their conclusion we can only congratulate them at last their logic has overtaken their hearts in goodness, for we have never been able to believe that their hearts could accept such a doctrine, except upon the compulsion of a false logic. But if their conclusion be an inference drawn from the revealed character of God, how is it possible to stop with this conclusion? None but the elect can be saved, and though all infants dying in infancy are now pronounced saved as being among the elect, there must be many infants who are not elect, constituting at one time or another of their lives the whole body of the non-elect, predestinated from before the foundation of the world to eternal death. What chance has this same God given them? Their own wills have not at any time, either while they are infants or after they become adults, anything at all they can do that will change the decree of God; will God justify himself by having given them the semblance of a chance, when as a matter of fact the whole case has been determined by an unalterable decree? And if the doctrine is to be given up as to infants dying in infancy on the ground that God could not be so horribly unjust, how can it be held with reference to adults concerning whose perdition he is no less unjust?

It is no answer to say that infants have never sinned and that adults have all sinned. A non-elect adult can do no otherwise than enter upon a course of sin, by the very circumstances of his birth and life. Shall he be punished for not doing the impossible, and will that relieve the administration of God? If the human heart revolts at the thought of damning little children who have had no chance, how shall it not also revolt at the damning of adults who have really had as little chance?

As a matter of fact, according to our observation, the good hearts of our Presbyterian brethren,

whom we have ever loved and honored, have long ago revolted against the whole horrible scheme which Augustine and John Calvin felt they must believe. It has been many a day since we have heard any serious defence of it. We speak not to berate them, but to congratulate them. Only an excessive conservatism keeps them from casting the whole doctrine of personal and particular election aside.

THE OPENING AT GALLOWAY COLLEGE.

I have read with a great deal of pleasure the various accounts as given of the opening of other schools throughout the State, and though we have no such increase in point of numbers as some of our collaborators have had, yet our school is full and we have the largest return of old girls that we have had any year during my stay at the college. We have now about 80 per cent of those who were with us at the end of last session. This is one of the most encouraging features which this year brings, for it is a positive proof of the great stability of our student life, and it shows us likewise that there is something in the school which makes it worth while to continue from year to year.

Our school numbers now between 170 and 180 girls, and I suppose within the next ten days it will increase to about 185 or 190. This is about the capacity of Galloway College; we do not deem it wise to undertake to crowd either the class rooms or the boarding department, but we think it better judgment to take as many students as we can handle well and as many as we can teach comfortably.

There is one department of our school which is very much crowded even at the present time, and that is the music department; this part has increased steadily until it has outgrown the limits and bounds which we have. We have had to add pianos from year to year to take care of the increased interest, and it seems now almost absolutely necessary that a special building be put up at the earliest possible date to accommodate this one feature of our college life. Every teacher in the special departments has a full class and our number of strictly college students this year will surpass that of any previous date.

Four years ago we outlined a policy for this institution to which we have adhered as rigidly as possible under the changing circumstances which have prevailed in the school systems throughout the State. We have tried to gather into this school (and have succeeded in doing it), a type of girl who wishes a real education. We have eliminated any who have joined our student body who have shown themselves unsuited to the character of life for which we stand. There are institutions which are prepared to handle refractory girls; we are not, and we want only such as will come to us and do the kind of work which is planned and which has become a vital part of our school.

Those who have this year joined our faculty already have given full proof of the wisdom of our choice, and from the first two weeks' work it seems to me that we have the best working force that has been associated with this institution since I have been president. Our new lady principal, Miss Emily J. Reid, who is herself a graduate of Galloway College, and who has the honor of being a daughter of one who served the Church in Arkansas for many years, has given full proof of her eminent fitness for the position for which she has been chosen. We think we can safely say for her that she will fill this place as worthily as any of those who have preceded her. It is a matter of peculiar pride that one who has gone out from our own number can come back in such a position of trust and honor.

The growth of Galloway College does not belong to that variety of schools which spring up in a night; we are building here the foundations, we believe, of a great institution, and we are laying them broadly and surely. With the ever-increasing sentiment in the State that there must be as much done for the young women as has ever been

done for the young men, we are confident that the future of Galloway College will be that of an institution which will rank among the best of its class in the Southern States.

J. M. WILLIAMS, President.

SOME PROSPECTIVE METHODIST UNIONS.

The fond wish has been expressed in many quarters that the approaching Ecumenical Conference of Methodism might have a distinct influence tending toward Methodist union and consolidation. That it will have a very real tendency toward cohesion and a mutual understanding and appreciation as between the different geographical sections of the world-wide church may be very safely prophesied, but whether any of the branches of the church that can unite will be led any nearer to one another through the fellowship and discussion of the great gathering remains to be seen.

But the good cause of Methodist union is progressing most hopefully nevertheless, and the outlook just now is very encouraging. And, as frequently happens with good causes, impetus and help is coming from unexpected quarters.

The union of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of the United States is one of the great consummations talked of and hoped for for some years now. The outlook is encouraging from some points of view, and yet there are difficulties in the way that at times it seems hopeless of overcoming. And one of these has been the existence of a large colored membership in the Northern Church. The Northern Church does not confine its work to the North even among white people, and has many flourishing churches and enterprises south of the Mason and Dixon line. But it has made a special feature of work among the colored people, having a membership among them of 300,000, with 23 schools of high grade, maintained at a cost of \$360,000.00 a year, besides eight colleges. Outside the work done by the Methodist Episcopal Church, there are three distinctly colored Methodist Churches in the South—Zion Methodist Church, with a membership of 545,000; the African Methodist Church, with 452,000; and the Colored Methodists, with 235,000, with several others of very small dimensions. The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has no colored membership, and does not work among the colored people.

And now we hear rumors of the withdrawal of the colored people from the Methodist Episcopal Church. A conference of recognized leaders among colored Methodists has recently been held, and the report is that plans for such withdrawal from the Northern Church are being arranged, with every chance for action being taken at a no distant future. Two plans are said to be before these seceders—either the forming of a new Colored Methodist Church of national scope and aim, or the consummation of a union with the Zion Methodists, the largest body of colored Methodists in the South. The proposed withdrawal seems not to be contemplated because of any feeling of dissatisfaction touching the treatment that the colored people have received at the hands of the Methodist Episcopal Church, but rather because it is felt that the colored people can work best for their own people while working by themselves and in their own way.

Should the colored members of the Methodist Episcopal Church decide to separate from that church, perhaps the great difficulty in the way of the larger Methodist union in the United States would be removed. It does not appear that the Methodist Episcopal Church itself would ask for such a separation, nor does it seem likely that it would stand in the way if such separation were asked for. A union of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, would make a great nation-wide church, with a membership of 4,500,000.—*Christian Guardian*.

EASTWARD

Around the World

HIBERNIAN SMILES.

By DOCTOR W. B. PALMORE.

No. XI.

Thackeray tells of an Irish woman begging alms from him, who, seeing him putting his hands in his pockets, said "May the blessings of God follow you," but when he only pulled out his snuffbox, she immediately added, "and never overtake you."

We heard so many good Irish jokes while traveling over the Emerald Isle that we promised to the boys and girls of our readers to give them a few specimens of the same. Our dignified grown-up readers can skip this letter and have a week of rest. Of course, we can only give these Hibernian smiles in a condensed or skeleton form, the fancy or imagination of the reader will fill them out.

A rich, spry, American widower, about two or three times the age of his young bride, went ashore at Queenstown while the ship was landing mail and passengers. While strolling around enjoying the first old world part of their honeymoon, they were very much amused by the Queenstown beggars, who are past masters in this fine art. A woman, whose tones and words were such as if she had kissed the Blarney Stone a thousand times, came up on the right of this strolling couple, pouring soft, half whispered words into the ear of the groom. She told him of what a handsome and well-mated pair they were. "A match surely made in heaven." When the old man reached the zenith of his glory he slipped a shilling into the hand of the beggar, without letting the bride know it. The beggar suddenly disappeared, but reappeared as the couple was returning to the ship. This time she came up on the side of the bride, into whose ear she poured a whole volume of mellifluous flattery, telling what a marvelously beautiful girl, and charming child she was. At the conclusion of the eulogy, she whispered: "Won't you give me a sixpence? Your old father gave me a shilling a while ago!"

HEARING THE BISHOP PREACH.

William Hawley Smith, in his "Walks and Talks," tells of a remark made by an Irish friend. He used to be very fond of hearing the bishop preach, and always went to service when that dignitary held forth. I met him on the street one Sunday when I knew the bishop was preaching, and asked him why he wasn't in his pew, to which he replied: "Troth, I don't go to hear the bishop any more." "Why, what's the matter?" I said. "You haven't 'gone back' on a good man, have you?" "No," he answered, "but it's the truth I'm tellin' you, when you've heard the bishop a half-dozen times, all after that is variations!"

Pat, did you hear of the terrible catastrophe? No, what was it? asked Pat. Why the bottom fell out of Purgatory and all the Catholics fell into Hell! What a crush of the Protestants there must have been! was Pat's instant reply.

"Patrick, the widow Maloney tells me that you stole one of her finest pigs. Is it correct?" "Yes, your honor." "What have you done with it?" "Killed it and ate it, your honor." "Oh, Patrick, Patrick. When you are brought face to face with the widow and the pig, on the great Judgement Day, what account will you be able to give of yourself when the widow accuses you of stealing?" "Did you say the pig would be there, your riverence?" "To be sure I did." "Well,

then, your riverence, I'd say, 'Mrs. Maloney, there's your pig.'"

"Now, Pat," said a magistrate sympathetically to an "old offender," "what brought you here again?" "Two policemen, sor," was the laconic reply. "Drunk, I suppose," queried the magistrate. "Yes, sor," said Pat, without relaxing a muscle, "both av them."

"Pat," said a priest to one of his parishioners, "there's a hole in the roof of the church, and I am trying to collect money sufficient to repair it. Come, now, what will you contribute?" "Me services, sor," said Pat readily. "What do you mean, Pat? You are no carpenter," observed the priest. "No; but if it rains next Sunday Oi'll sit over the hole," said Pat.

"A SICK FAMILY."

"Mike, what makes you look so awfully solemn this morn'?" "Sick family," said Mike. "Who is sick?" "My wife is sick." "Is she sick much?" "Yes, she is very sick, very sick." "Is she dangerous?" "No; she is too sick to be dangerous now!"

A tipsy laborer was traveling in a train, and every time the train stopped, out came a string of oaths. "Don't you know, sir," said a lady opposite, "that it is impolite to swear before a lady?" The laborer looked dazed for a moment, and then replied, "Sure, mum, I beg your pardon; but Oi didn't know ye wanted to swear first!"

"Well," said the Colonel, "what do you want a two weeks' furlough for?" Patrick answered, "My wife is very sick, and the children are not well, and if ye didn't mind, she would like to have me home for a few weeks to give her a bit of assistance." The Colonel eyed him for a few minutes and said: "Patrick, I might grant your request, but I got a letter from your wife this morning saying that she doesn't want you home; that you were a nuisance and raised the dickens whenever you were there. She hopes I won't let you have any more furloughs." "That settles it. I suppose I can't have the furlough, then?" said Pat. "No; I'm afraid not, Patrick. It wouldn't be well for me to grant it under the circumstances." It was Patrick's turn now to eye the Colonel, as he started for the door. Stopping suddenly, he said: "Can I say something to yez, sir?" "Certainly, Patrick, what is it?" "You won't be angry, sir, if I say it?" "Certainly not, Patrick; what is it?" "I want to say there are two splendid liars in this room, and I'm one of them; I was never married in me life."

Judge Porter, the popular Irish magistrate, in sentencing a notorious drunkard, said: "You will be confined in jail for the longest period the law allows; and I hope you will spend your time in cursing whisky." "I will, sir," promptly answered the impertinent toper, "and Porter, too."

On Irishman went to a Scottish contractor several times and asked him for a job. The Scotchman, tired of the man's perseverance, told him to go to the devil and see if he could get a job there. "Ah! sure, be mi soul, I've been to him," said the Irishman, "and he's taking nobody on but Scotchmen."

ENGLISHMAN LOST THE POINT.

An Irishman, standing in a crowded street car, lost his balance, and fell across a lady's lap! She was very indignant, and asked, in a stormy tone: "Who are you, sir! Who are you!" "I thought I was an Irishman, but it seems that I'm a Laplander," was the instant reply. An Englishman was very much amused, and the next day was trying to tell others about it. He said, when the

Irishman fell across the offended lady's lap, she asked, in a violent voice: "Who are you, sir? And the Irishman answered: "Madam, I thought I was a Kelt, but it seems that I am an Eskimo!"

"Did you notice no suspicious character about the neighborhood?" said a magistrate to a new policeman. "Shure, yer honor," replied the keeper of the peace, "I saw but one man, an' I asked him what he was doing there at that time o' night? Sez he, 'I have no business here just now, but I expect to open a jewelry store in the vicinity later on.' At that I says, 'I wish you success, sor.'" "Yes," said the magistrate in a disgusted tone, "and he did open a jewelry store in the vicinity later on, and stole seventeen watches." "Begorra, yer honor," answered the policeman after a pause, "the man may have been a thafe, but he was no liar!"

"Why didn't you go to the assistance of the defendant in the fight?" asked the judge of a policeman. "Shure," was the answer, "an' Oi didn't know which av them was gon' to be th' defendant, yer honor."

A lady one day, being in need of some small change, called downstairs to the cook and inquired: "Mary, have you any coppers down there?" "Yes, mum, I've two; but if you please, mum, they're both me cousins!" was the unexpected reply.

The same lady hearing sounds of mirth ascending from the lower regions of her house one night, rang the bell and inquired of the servant, "Is that hilarity I hear in the kitchen, Bridget?" "No, ma'am," was the reply, "it's Mr. Murphy, and the jokes of him would make the Pope himself laugh."

"Do you think that young policeman who calls here so often means business, Norah?" said an inquiring lady. "I think he do mum," answered the blushing cook. "He's begun to complain about my cooking already."

"ELEVEN FOR ACQUITTAL!"

An Irishman was on trial for his life, charged with murder in the first degree. He exhorted a friend to do his best to become a member of the jury, and if successful, to hold out to the last for "manslaughter." His friend succeeded in becoming a member of the jury, and performed his part to the letter, exactly as he was exhorted to do. After the man-slayer had been released from an eight years' term in the penitentiary, he met his old friend, who was greatly rejoiced to meet the released prisoner friend. In a tone of joyous triumph he said: "I held out to the very last for manslaughter, and there were eleven for acquittal?"

A quack doctor was being examined at an inquest on his treatment of a patient who had died. "I gave him ipecacuanha," he said. "You might just as well have given him the Aurora Borealis," said the coroner. "Indeed, yer honor, and that's just what I should have given him next if he hadn't died."

"Well, Mr. Murphy, how are you today—better?" asked the doctor. "No, sor; Oi'm worse—as full av pains as a windy!" replied Mr. Murphy. "Worse! Did you rub the stuff I sent you well into the skin?" "Rub it into me skin? Av course not, sorr! Oi saw it was labeled 'fur outward application only, so Oi just rubbed it on me clothes!"

"Get on, man; get on!" said a traveler to the driver. "Wake up your nag!" "Shure, sor," was the reply, "I haven't the heart to bate him."

"What's the matter with him?" queried the traveler. "Is he sick?" "No, sir," was the explanation, "he's not sick; but it's unlucky, 'e is, sor, unlucky! You see, sor, every morning, afore I put 'im in the car, I tosses 'im whether 'e'll have a feed of oats or I'll have a dhrink of whisky, an' the poor baste has lost five mornings running!"

"Drive me to a good hotel, Jarvey, said a visitor to Dublin during the Queen's visit. "Well, sir," asked the driver, "which do you want?" "Any will do so long as I can get a room," was the reply. "Then," said Paddy, "if that's the way of it, ye had better go across and throw stones at a peeler." "Why?" asked the gentleman in some curiosity. "Ye'd git locked up, then, sir," explained the driver, "an' sure 'tis the only way to get a room in Dublin this night, sir; heaven be praised!"

"I can't stand the missus, sur," said a servant in a complaining voice to her master. "It's a pity, Bridget," said the master sarcastically, "that I couldn't have selected a wife to suit you." "Sure, sur," replied Bridget, "we all make mistakes."

"BEFORE HIS TIME WAS OUT!"

A nervous Irish lady was telling of a friend who was imprisoned for life. With a good deal of emotion she said: "He was sent to the penitentiary for life, and died before his time was out!"

A solemn and awe-inspiring bishop was examining a class of girls, and asked: "What is the best preparation for the sacrament of matrimony?" "A little coortin', me lord!" was the unexpected reply of one of the number.

"Oh, what a recreation it is," exclaimed an Irishman, "to fall in love; it makes the heart beat so delicately that you can't get a wink of sleep for the pleasure of the pain!"

"Do you dream of me, Mike?" asked a girl of her young man. "Drame of you, is it, me darlin', why I can't get any sleep for draming of you."

"You must not kiss me, Pat, Oi'm afraid we'll be seen," said Bridget to her sweetheart. "Bridget, darlint, there is no one lookin'," said Patrick. "Yis, Pat," rejoined Bridget, "but the potatoes 'ave oies, remimber."

Beauty always wins the Irish heart. A "purty" face, a neat ankle, a pair of sparkling eyes, act like champagne to native wit of the chivalrous order. Courtesy to the gentle sex is a feature in Pat's character, and he is an adept at courting.

"It is a great pleasure entirely to be alone, especially whin your sweetheart is wid ye."

"Sthop, Moike, sthop, Oi hear some wan comin'," said Bridget as Mike put his arm 'round her. "Shure, ut's a illigent ear ye have, Biddy," exclaimed Pat tightening his hold. "Ut's mesilf ye'se hearin' comin' to the p'int. Will ye marry me, darlint?"

"Supposing, Bridget," asked Mrs. Hiram, "I should deduct from your wages the price of all the china you broke?" "Well, mem," said Bridget, "I think I'd be loike the china."

One has only to mix with an Irish crowd to hear many a laughable expression quite innocently uttered. As the Duke and Duchess of York were leaving Dublin amid enthusiastic cheering, an old woman remarked: "Ah! Isn't it the fine reception they're gettin' goin' away?"

Carlisle, England.

RETROSPECTIVE AND PROSPECTIVE CONCERNING MISSION COLLECTIONS BY DISTRICTS.

A Presiding Elder's district is one of the most important units in Methodism. Each district being a sub-episcopal district, and each Presiding Elder being a sub-bishop, make it a convenient unit from which to write the records we are making. Each district, like each charge, and each individual in the charge, is making history. From the reports of the several Conferences we have gleaned the following facts as to collections last year:

ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

District	Assessed.	Paid.	Def.	Spl.
Dardanelle District—				
Foreign Missions..	\$ 898	\$ 859	\$ 39	\$ 27
Domestic Missions..	907	842	65	....
Fayetteville District—				
Foreign Missions..	1,027	1,916	*947	....
Domestic Missions..	907	866	41	....
Fort Smith District—				
Foreign Missions..	1,240	1,140	100	478
Domestic Missions..	1,085	1,010	75	....
Morrilton District—				
Foreign Missions..	992	712	280	176
Domestic Missions..	940	748	192	....
Harrison District—				
Foreign Missions..	680	445	235	7
Domestic Missions..	530	351	179	....

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

Texarkana District—				
Foreign Missions..	1,050	843	207	50
Domestic Missions..	696	559	137	....
Prescott District—				
Foreign Missions..	1,097	847	250	162
Domestic Missions..	690	550	140	....
Arkadelphia District—				
Foreign Missions..	1,150	1,046	104	....
Domestic Missions..	681	622	59	....
Monticello District—				
Foreign Missions..	984	927	57	581
Domestic Missions..	612	567	45	....
Camden District—				
Foreign Missions..	1,385	1,032	353	350
Domestic Missions..	826	666	160	....
Little Rock District—				
Foreign Missions..	1,482	1,200	282	861
Domestic Missions..	908	630	270	....
Pine Bluff District—				
Foreign Missions..	1,137	981	156	70
Domestic Missions..	737	640	97	....

WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

Batesville District—				
Foreign Missions..	900	469	431	....
Domestic Missions..	600	332	268	....
Helena District—				
Foreign Missions..	1,025	751	274	....
Domestic Missions..	600	481	119	....
Jonesboro District—				
Foreign Missions..	1,025	736	235	143
Domestic Missions..	600	428	191	....
Paragould District—				
Foreign Missions..	1,054	736	318	1
Domestic Missions..	619	480	139	....
Searcy District—				
Foreign Missions..	1,025	677	348	168
Domestic Missions..	600	422	178	....

OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE (UNDIVIDED).

Ada District—				
Foreign Missions..	516	511	5	190
Domestic Missions..	997	997	....	....
Ardmore District—				
Foreign Missions..	362	346	16	....
Domestic Missions..	720	619	101	....
Clinton District—				
Foreign Missions..	488	432	56	26
Domestic Missions..	965	844	121	....
Choctaw-Chickasaw District—				
Foreign Missions..	182	152	30	5
Domestic Missions..	345	305	40	....
Chickasha District—				
Foreign Missions..	510	530	20	338
Domestic Missions..	980	887	93	....

	Assessed.	Paid	Def.	Spl.
Creek-Cherokee District—				
Foreign Missions..	89	89	....	....
Domestic Missions..	169	162	7	85
Durant District—				
Foreign Missions..	300	340	*40	....
Domestic Missions..	365	430	*65	....
Guymon District—				
Foreign Missions..	175	159	16	....
Domestic Missions..	328	265	63	....
Lawton District—				
Foreign Missions..	418	512	*94	61
Domestic Missions..	799	784	15	....
Mangum District—				
Foreign Missions..	610	688	*78	236
Domestic Missions..	1,153	1,153	....	....
McAlester District—				
Foreign Missions..	360	361	*1	357
Domestic Missions..	690	690	....	....
Muskogee District—				
Foreign Missions..	539	539	....	703
Domestic Missions..	1,252	1,252	....	....
Oklahoma City District—				
Foreign Missions..	537	537	....	2,237
Domestic Missions..	954	948	6	....
Tulsa District—				
Foreign Missions..	421	378	34	1
Domestic Missions..	796	758	38	....
Vinita District—				
Foreign Missions..	412	393	19	125
Domestic Missions..	785	733	52	....

* Overplus.

A study of these tables will show that some districts came so near paying out that had the laymen known how small the deficit was they would have preferred paying an extra amount rather than have the humiliation of having a shortage. Surely the laymen of our great church ought to take a laudable pride in the church meeting all its obligations. Now in order that our laymen might be informed as to the probabilities of the collections this year, I have written each of the thirty-two Presiding Elders to make as accurate forecasts as they can at this time as to probable results in their districts. All will understand that this is simply the best estimate they can make up to this time. Some may come out better and some may fall below what they now hope to raise. Some of the Elders have not replied. They either did not get my letter, I did not get their answer, or they did not choose to answer. I give below the estimates from those who have replied:

ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

Fort Smith District, probably full.
Morrilton District, probably full.
Harrison District, probably full.
Fayetteville District, no report.
Booneville District, no report.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

Arkadelphia District, 90 per cent.
Texarkana District, 90 per cent.
Pine Bluff District, in full.
Camden District, about 90 per cent.
Prescott District, probably full.
Monticello District, probably full.
Little Rock District, no report.

WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

Searcy District, in full.
Helena District, in full.
Jonesboro District, probably full.
Paragould District, 75 per cent.
Batesville District, no report.

EAST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

Creek-Cherokee District, in full.
Muskogee District, in full.
Vinita District, in full.
Tulsa District, 90 per cent.
McAlester District, 80 per cent.
Durant District, in full.
Ada District, probably in full.
Choctaw-Chickasaw District, no report.

WEST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

Oklahoma City District, cannot tell yet.
Chickasha District, 75 per cent.
Guymon District, 75 per cent.
Lawton District, in full.
Mangum District, in full.
Clinton District, probably full.
Ardmore District, in full.

Notwithstanding the drouth and other calamities, the missionary collections in these two States will exceed last year by several thousand dollars. If the laymen in each district will organize they can provide for all deficits in every district. Why not each district provide a sum sufficient to cover all possible deficits? If the laymen knew how often the preachers pay out the shortage rather than suffer the humiliation of having a deficit reported they would blush with shame. There are enough prosperous laymen in each district to pay every cent of the shortage. Confer with your Presiding Elder and see what plans can be made to pay your district out in full. Only a few paid out last year. How many more will get on that list this year? Many of our laymen could pay twice, thrice, yea five times as much as they are now paying on the Conference collections and it would not hurt them. Indeed it would be a blessing. Laymen, I beg you in the name of our blessed Lord, pay out your district in full.

O. E. GODDARD.

CAPTAIN JENKINS HEPS ARKANSAS.

Captain J. M. Jenkins, long one of Arkansas's best citizens, but now of Ripley, Tenn., agrees to join the "Honor Roll," and be one of one hundred men to pay one hundred per year for missionary work in the rural districts in Arkansas. His note is delightfully refreshing. His multitudes of friends in Arkansas will rejoice to see his continued substantial interest in the State. He never expects to reside in Arkansas again, but knowing the appalling needs in the rural districts, gets on the Honor Roll. This ought to be a great inspiration to those who live in the State and expect for their children and children's children to live in it. If Captain Jenkins can do this, surely there are many others in the State who can. The list grows but not fast enough. Who will be next. Address me at Muskogee, Okla., and get on the "Honor Roll" by agreeing to pay one hundred dollars per year for ten years for the rural work.

Yours,

O. E. GODDARD.

A NOTE FROM DR. GODBEY.

Kirkwood, Mo., Tuesday, September 27.

The St. Louis Conference opens here today, Bishop Collins Denny presiding. There is no more beautiful place than Kirkwood, no better community. The city has spread out through the native forest, the houses having large spaces, the streets beautifully graded and clean, and lined with rows of maples. Eight hundred children attend the public school. To get away from the city's noise and heat and evil influences the people have come to this suburb, 13 miles distant. Here are no theaters, no saloons, no places for Sabbath desecration.

Kirkwood was the last pastoral charge served by this writer in his 29 years in the St. Louis Conference. We were all happy here, for the Almighty was yet with me and my children were about me. Still the city is full of old friends. Nearly all the men go to St. Louis daily; their business is there; so that an atmosphere of rest and peace hovers over this place.

The preachers are here, the weather delightful. There are no shadows of trouble on the horizon.

Last Monday, September 25, closed the fiftieth year of consecutive service of this writer in the itineracy. Some of our old comrades who knew this called us to celebrate the occasion by a sermon to the conference. That is brotherly. We shall enjoy the occasion, and if aught in the con-

ference proceedings seems worthy of report, report later.

J. E. GODBEY.

SOUTHWEST MISSOURI CONFERENCE.

Dear Methodist: The recent session of the Southwest Missouri Conference at Marshall was a very pleasant one in every respect, except that the first two days gave us weather as hot as the Torrid Zone has at times.

Bishop Denny kept up his good reputation with the brethren made last year at Webb City. Several of us preachers at this conference are from Arkansas. All the Arkansas preachers were returned to their former charges to do their work over except Lawrence Orr, who was moved from Sarcoxie to Calhoun. He and I are next-town neighbors, as we were in the Arkansas Conference for two years. We all like the work and the "Show Me State" well enough to stay with them. Some of the brethren who read this paper know that my health has been a matter of concern in my choosing places to work, and I am glad to report that I have been stronger this summer, since an operation last March, than for six years.

My wife and I are glad every week to get the Methodist, with its church news from her native State. Truly,

L. H. EAKES.

Windsor, Mo., October 3, 1911.

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

J. J. MELLARD.

True education does not sharpen and train the intellect only, but establishes one in righteous principles, aids in forming and strengthening character and regulating conduct, and draws out all the mighty God-given powers in a man. Since the work of the ministry is the greatest responsibility God places upon men, it logically follows that those thus engaged need every possible means of equipment calculated to aid them in the prosecution of this mighty task. On account of the marvelous strides of progress along all lines of endeavor there is everywhere an increasing demand for a more efficient and a better equipped leadership, but in no profession, of vocation, is this demand greater and more legitimate than in the ministry. For elsewhere there is nothing but material wealth, commercial schemes, earthly enterprises, or at most human lives at stake, but here everlasting interests and eternal destinies depend much upon wise and well-trained leadership. Therefore, we can hardly over-estimate the need of the church for a leadership well equipped in head and heart. The church has shown her wisdom in nothing more than in the discovery of this great need and in her effort to supply it. We rejoice in the success of this effort and feel sure that much more can and should be done. But while all this and much more might be said, we fear there is danger of pressing this matter too far and urging it too strenuously. Are we not in danger of placing too much emphasis upon education? Of forgetting that it is "not by might nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." Are we not in danger of discouraging some and of curtailing their influence and shutting out some of the uneducated whom God has called, and who might be used of him for work that others could not do quite so well? There is no doubt that God has called and still calls uneducated men into the ministry; and if so, surely there are places where these men may go—Spirit filled, and accomplish a work that the man who has waited so long for, and depends so much upon an education, can not do. While it is true that there are many places where the uneducated man can never again be a success, and for such places we must educate men, yet we should never forget that there are vast fields, white to the harvest, where God can use men of his own selection, whether educated or uneducated, to gather the precious sheaves, and prove over and over again that it is not by might or power, but by his Spirit.

While the church has a perfect right to sit in

judgment upon and prove those who apply for a place in her ministry, yet it is not likely that she could make a greater mistake than to shut out one whom God has called when the man has failed in nothing more than to present a college diploma. While we wait to educate, and raise funds for the educated, men of very ordinary learning, whose churches have made it easy for them to secure their ordination papers, come into these church-neglected places, and with an intense earnestness and an utter dependence upon God that is to be coveted, win hundreds of uneducated men and women into communions far inferior to our own, we think, and in that church they will live and in that faith they will die, no matter what progress they may make along other lines; and when our educated minister reaches them with his logic and superior methods of reasoning he finds them fixed in their views, and he might as well expect to turn the moon back upon her course as to proselyte these men, who have been thoroughly indoctrinated at every service for years, in their own peculiar tenets. You can not hope to reach their children, for they are taught to scrupulously avoid both the man and his message. To them the man is an alien and his message a farce. If this kind-hearted but simple people escape the above-mentioned errors, some water-soaked enthusiast, with some one hundred fragments of Scripture which he quotes fluently and with perfect memory, with no more knowledge than is necessary to make a few simple diagrams on a blackboard, it may be no more than a circle, which he calls the "Kingdom of God," the "Body of Christ," or "THE CHURCH," will proceed to make the way so plain to them that hundreds will follow this self-appointed minister down to the creek, and, after being dipped, return to their homes well content in the belief that as they were dipped into that water they were baptized into Jesus Christ, and consequently are safe. Now, when our learned minister returns with diplomas and the church's money to establish his mission, he had as well expect to convert cattle as to move these self-satisfied souls. They will be as shy of your mourners' bench and your methods as a mule is of a stump hole, and regard your most able discourse as direct heresy, and your most solemn meetings as the wildest excitement, and if they hear you at all they hear as a critic only. You can never get them away from the creek, nor get the water idea out of them. They are thoroughly soaked and their case wellnigh hopeless. What we need is to educate the pulpit and pew as well, and as rapidly as we can, but while we wait to do this we should pray Almighty God to select and send forth a mighty army of men, educated or uneducated, who are able and willing to make great sacrifices and do great service under the Spirit's leadership to win these waste places to God and the right, so that when they do share with others in the rapid strides of progress they may in turn grace our institutions with the presence of noble young men and women who will avail themselves of what the church has to offer and then return home trained in head and heart to carry on the great work to which God has evidently called our beloved Methodism.

When we turn away from some duty or some fellow creature, saying that our hearts are too sick and sore with some great yearning of our own, we may often sever the line on which a Divine message was coming to us. We shut out the man, and we shut out the angel who had sent him on to open the door. . . . There is a plan working in our lives; and if we keep our hearts quiet and our eyes open, it all "works together;" and, if we don't, it all fights together, and goes on fighting till it comes right, somehow, somewhere. —Annie Keary.

Knowledge and timber shouldn't be much used till they are seasoned. —Holmes.

EPWORTH LEAGUE

EPWORTH LEAGUE DEVOTIONAL TOPIC.
OCTOBER 15: "SOME THINGS WE MAY KNOW."

(I John 1:1-5; Acts 4:18-20; Rom. 8:16; II Tim. 1:12.)

SUGGESTED PROGRAM.

1. Piano: "Nearer, Still Nearer." Beautiful as vocal solo with violin (preferably cello) obligato.
2. Season of fervent prayer.
3. Song service, using the Hymn Book: Nos. 53, 35, 461 (1st tune).
4. Three talks, based,
 - (a) on treatment in Western Methodist.
 - (b) on treatment in Epworth Era.
 - (c) on treatment in St. Louis Advocate.
5. Solo, "I know whom I have believed."
6. Open meeting. (Our Devotional services, as a rule are too formal. A "program" hinders the progress of the Holy Spirit in many a meeting. A good, rich testimony meeting in which the Christian young people tell what they "know," and have felt, about religion, will do more for the League than the most carefully prepared program.)

THE TOPIC.

Today the Christian's message is as it was in the apostles' day, that "God is light." The conversion of a sinner is usually accompanied by a flood of divine light. He sees things in a different light to what he did before his conversion. The glory is seen and felt by Christians in his presence. It is as positive and real as any material light—as truly existent as the luminaries of a midsummer's night.

"And in him is no darkness at all," is the statement found in I John 1:5. So powerful and comprehensive is the light that all darkness is dispelled. And this is the one thing that impresses the Christian convert—"that God is light and in him is no darkness at all." It is the strongest witness of the changed nature, that henceforth he walks in the light. So dazzlingly bright it was that St. Paul was overcome by the heavenly sunlight, and he fell helpless to the ground. Ever afterwards this experience was one of the things that he *knew*.

And another thing that the convert will *know*, and with Peter and John cannot keep silent about, is the things which we have seen and heard. We say that when we have seen and heard that we *know*. Thomas said that he would not believe that his Lord was risen from the grave until he could see him and place his fingers in his wounded side. When he did see he knew of a truth that Christ was indeed risen from the dead.

Still another thing the Christian knows. He knows that he is a child of God, for the very Spirit of God tells him so. He has no more right to dispute what the Spirit tells him than he has to dispute what his best and most trusted friend tells him. "The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirits that we are the children of God." So we *know* it.

The Christian character is an edifice erected in much the same way that one of our magnificent office buildings is built.

The building is no better than the talent deposited. The backwoodsman takes his axe and builds a log cabin; Indians of less than 40 years ago erected wigwams for their habitations; the architect of today, with his developed talents, pierces the very vault of heaven with his steel and concrete structures.

The Christian character in its highest state of perfection, through the instrument of the Spirit, is a wonder to be contemplated. And in this highest state, he declares, with all the force of his nature, that he is persuaded that God is able to keep that which he has committed to his care, even until that last day.

All this goes to show that the Christian is the highest type of character, and that he "knows whom he has believed."

There is a spirit of unrest in the minds of a great many self-designated "thinkers" of today.

Men hurl their petty opposition against the voice of God, failing to reckon against whom they are contending.

Under the falls of Niagara a sea captain may shout himself hoarse, declaring that within ten days the waters of Niagara will cease to plunge over the abyss; he may declare that the force of gravity will be reversed, and instead of the "Falls" it will be the "Rise of Niagara." But the ten days will pass and our majestic Niagara still thunders her denial and contradiction.

Ingersoll said that in ten years the Bible would be a dead book. Men said he *knew* what he was talking about, but 20 years have passed since then, and still the Bible with its God moves on in undisturbed majesty.

So the Christian knows whom he has believed and is persuaded that he is able to keep that which he has committed unto him against that day.

IF I WERE THE LEADER.

1. I would make this primarily a Bible reading lesson.

2. I would have the exposition of the lesson and the main points brought out in one or two talks, short and to the point. There are verses bearing on each point. As each thought is brought out by the speaker I would have read the verses bearing on this thought, one verse to a person.

For instance, I would have brought out that some of the things that we may know are (1) that God is light and in him is no darkness, that where we are guided by the power of God and when we let God lead us where he wants us to go, that the way should not seem dark, but we should go on with a firm step, knowing that God knows best. Then I would have read I John 1:5; John 12:46; John 8:12.

2. The greatest thing to know is that we must put our trust in God. We know this from the teachings and words of Christ and from the experience of others. With what a feeling of peace do we lie down to our rest when we know that we are doing our best for God, and for mankind. II Tim. 1:12; Ps. 9:10; Ps. 56:9; I Peter 4.

3. The earnestness of the true Christian knowing about Christ and knowing Christ are two different things. If one knows Christ he will want to do something for him and for his fellow-men. He is anxious to be of service to both. He will want to tell of his blessing that others may share his glory. There is no selfishness in the spirit of the true Christian. If a person has been helped by knowing Christ he is going to tell it, and not be ashamed. Jer. 20; Acts 1:8; Acts 22:15; I John 1.

Other suggestions might be gotten from the League page.

PRACTICAL POINTS.

1. In the Bible we may learn of the beginning of things. God brought life, love and light into the world. He is all in one. If we want to live on the sunny side of life we must give ourselves wholly to him. In no other way are we able to do it, for "God is light and in him is no darkness at all."

2. Today we fail to say a word for Jesus often, when an opportunity is given us. The reason is that we wonder what some folks will think of us. When we are caught in a trap like this, let us remember this text, "Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye. For we cannot speak but the things we have seen and heard." May we present-day Leaguers make a generation of speakers for Jesus.

3. One of the best things that God lets us know is, that we are his children. This relationship alone is enough to raise us up on a high level of life.

4. The greatest uplift to humanity is that it may know him whom it serves. Why do we not

rush to him in eager crowds rather than having to be begged and pleaded with! "I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day."

SIDE LIGHTS.

Edward Payson, who was for many years pastor of the Congregational Church at Portland, Maine, was one of the most influential men that has ever lived.

To his remarkable belief in his Maker and his unceasing prayers must, no doubt, be ascribed his distinguished and almost uninterrupted success. His language, his conversation and whole deportment were such as brought home and fastened on the minds of his hearers the conviction that he believed, and therefore spoke.

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A king, before he ascended the throne, declared that he would destroy all his enemies. Afterward the people were surprised that he treated them all with great kindness. Some of his friends reminded him of what he had said. "And have I not destroyed my enemies?" he asked. "I have changed them into friends." And so the Lord Jesus sought by being lifted up on the cross to make us all his friends. "Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you."—*Young Evangelist*.

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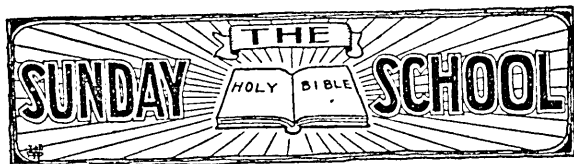
EPWORTH LEAGUE HOME MISSION OF LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

The Epworth Leaguers of the Little Rock Conference will be pleased to know that Brother Hutchinson and myself, after conference with Brother James Thomas, the chairman of the Conference Board of Missions, have located the place for the home missionary whom the Leaguers of the Little Rock Conference are to support. The territory selected lies east and north of the Ouachita River, in Garland and Montgomery Counties. We shall ask the bishop to send there one of the very best men in the Little Rock Conference. He must be a leader of men, a man with power of the initiative and constructive ability. We hope to make this a model home mission. It will be an inspiration to other Leagues, churches, and individuals to support home missionaries. I know several places where there is a most urgent need of a home missionary. Will not some church, some well-to-do person, volunteer to assume the support of one? Multitudes of our boys and girls are growing up on rural districts without having heard an authorized preacher. Our people are just beginning to discover that we have some vast home mission problems lying right at our doors. The Leagues of the Little Rock Conference are not discriminating against foreign missions: they are doing much on that line also. The support of this home missionary is simply in addition to what they were already doing for foreign missions. They are surely to be commended. O. E. GODDARD.

JEWS BECOMING CHRISTIANS.

Dr. Ignatz Zalsen, of Wien, Austria, a well-known learned Jew, in a lecture stated that a large number of Jews have been received into the Christian Church during the last century. From 1800 to 1900 not less than 204,000 Jews have left their religion and embraced Christianity. The following countries are represented: In Germany 22,000 Jews became Christians; in England and her colonies, 28,000; in Austria-Hungary, 44,000; in Russia, 84,000, and 13,000 in America. Year by year more Jews are accepting Christianity. In the year 1890 300 Jews in one city left their religion and received Christian baptism, and in the same city 600 Jews became Christians in 1904.—*Christian Intelligencer*.

Do not be troubled because you have not great virtues. God made a million spears of grass when he made one tree. —*Beecher*.



SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES.

BY REV. W. J. MOORE.

Conference Sunday School Secretary.

MISSION STUDY IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

We exceedingly rejoice over the increased and increasing interest in the study and teaching of Missions in the Sunday school. This is the place and the time to begin the work, to lay the foundation deep and strong and permanent in missionary thought, character and activity. One has said that you cannot get one adult in a thousand to think right on the subject of Christian Missions. He might have added that you will not fail on one child in a thousand in getting him or her to think right on the subject.

Now, that we have such a general interest in Missions; and that there are so many attractive courses arranged and helpful books prepared, no school ought to think of allowing these winter months, so fine for study, to pass without having from one to half a dozen classes at work.

These courses have been graded to meet the demands for the different grades in the school. Below we give an outline of the graded courses, adapted to the ages of the pupils, and the grades of the school:

1. *For children, 8 to 12 years old:*
 "Touring the Glean." 25 cents.
 "Best Things in America." 25 cents.
2. *Intermediates, 12 to 16:*
 "Servants of the King," by Speer. 00 cents.
 "Uganda's White Man of Work," Foh. 35 cents.
 "Under Marching Orders," Gamewell. 40 cents.
 "Winning the Oregon Country," Faris. 40 cents.
3. *Seniors, 16 to 20:*
 "Conservation of National Ideals," Mott. 35 cents.
 "Advance in the Antilles," Grose. 42 cents.
 "South America: Its Missionary Problems." Neely.
4. *Adults, 20 years old and upward:*
 "The Light of the World," Speer. 35 cents.
 "The Decisive Hour for Christian Missions." Mott. 50 cents. For men specially.
 "Days of June." 00 cents. For women specially.

We trust that many of our schools and classes will take up these courses. They will give a fund of information and will intensify the missionary interest so that the results will be readily and substantially seen.

We have given the prices of most of these books. Of course, the books may be had from our House.

SOME ECHOES FROM THE FIELD.

Brother S. L. Doughty, our Superintendent at Martha, Okla., gives a hopeful account of his Sunday school. He says:

"We have four organized classes, and are working on the fifth. Please send me some application blanks. We will report them at once and get certificates. Our attendance last Sunday was 150. Collection, \$9.54; enrollment 175. I think we have a very good school."

And so it is. We rejoice with the good superintendent.

Mrs. G. R. Wright, of Sentinel, Okla., says:

"Have been having a splendid time with my class of boys. Have had a mission study, 'Uganda White Man of Work,' which closed Monday night. Am using a blackboard. The boys have started a class library. Expect to take up 'Winning the Oregon Country' before long."

If every class in every school would do likewise, the "boy problem" would be solved.

Rev. M. F. Sullivan, pastor at Tyrone, Okla., writes:

"We have a good Sunday school. G. S. Speakman is the superintendent, and is a fine fellow. We have teachers' meeting, and study the lessons. Had a fine Children's Day service. Collection, \$6.10. A good Easter program. The Sunday school gave \$18.00, which was applied on Missions. We have the Birthday Offering."

A good report. This good pastor is trying to work up sentiment for some "organized classes. We hope he may succeed. They are largely the solution of the young people's problem.

The superintendent of the Vian Sunday school, Sam E. Mayfield, writes of it as follows:

"We have the best Sunday school that Vian has ever had. Our attendance last Sunday was 151. Collection, \$8.20. We have two organized classes, the young men and the young women. Our school is well organized and is down to business. Our attendance has increased 64 per cent. We have 24 on the Cradle Roll, and 16 in our Home Department. Will have our first Missionary Sunday the first of October."

He said some other things—about this Secretary and his visit there—that is not lawful to utter here. But we join him in thanksgiving for the success that has attended the school.

Afton, Okla., Sunday school is heard from through the pastor, Rev. A. C. Pickens, who says:

"Our Sunday school is still good. Have two organized classes. Have been enrolled with Dr. Bulla. High water mark for the school in attendance, 210. Average for the year, 180. The above figures do not include Home Department and Cradle Roll. Enrollment, 300. Also have two schools in the country which aggregate about 100. Am having a good year."

And who would not be "having a good time" with such a fine interest in Sunday school matters? He claims the best school in Ottawa County.

Rev. Charles H. Armstrong, Mountain View, writes this secretary: "We started our Teacher Training Class anew last spring. We have just a few who have been faithful. Our Sunday school has trebled in the last two years. We have 134 in the Sunday school, and only 87 church members. Our attendance for the year is 100. We have paid \$25.00 on Dr. Reid's salary (our missionary in Korea). Our superintendent has been absent only two Sundays during the two years. Our teachers are the most faithful I have ever seen. Have just organized another school at Star Chapel with 70 members." This pastor has something to rejoice over—a Teacher Training Class, the school largely increased, a fine missionary spirit and offering, faithful superintendent and teachers, and another new, lively school.

A RECORD DAY.

The Boston Avenue Sunday School, Tulsa, the last Sunday in September, had a record-breaking day in attendance, enthusiasm, and in encouragement for the work of the new year. There was the largest attendance for eight years. Enthusiasm was at high tide, and large plans made for the future. The offering was \$20.00. The school is raising \$150.00 for missions. This school is using the graded lessons. Twenty of the 21 teachers were present. The absent one was sick. J. R. Cole is the enthusiastic superintendent, and Rev. P. R. Knickerbocker is pastor.

We had fine reports from the Tigert Memorial Sunday School while in Tulsa. Brother Snodgrass is in a revival meeting. A number of his Sunday school pupils have been converted. We hope and pray that they all will commit themselves to the Christian life.

THE HOME DEPARTMENT.

One of the finest fields in Sunday school service and in religious activity generally is found in the

Home Department. It is possible for every school to have this department in successful operation, even if the pastor has to do the work. He could scarcely be rendering a more efficient service than this.

But some object on account of the additional expense. As a general thing, the department will pay its own way. If it does not, we are under obligation to render this service to the "shut-ins" and the "shut-outs." Every school ought to have, can have an interesting Home Department if it wants one. And it would stir up that much more interest in the Sunday school of the community.

"To teach is to take one living thought from the mind of the teacher and to so plant it in the mind of the pupil that it will grow unto eternal life."

A superintendent of the Home Department stated that her class of 13 had contributed \$3.85 during the quarter—more than enough to pay its expenses for literature.

TEXAS TO THE FRONT.

Our neighbors to the south of us are fully alive to the importance of the Sunday school work, and are laying large plans for the promotion of its interests. As we understand it, the plan is to put all the conferences of the State together under one management, and to employ a competent man to direct the general interests of the Sunday school. This will not do away with the conference Sunday school secretaries, but will be a help to them. By this plan the work of the State can be harmonized and unified and thereby strengthened in many ways. Mr. W. C. Everett and Rev. E. Hightower seem to be the moving spirits in the plan. The latter is likely to fill this larger position as State secretary. And he is fully competent for the task, and is an enthusiastic Sunday school man.

"How large should a Sunday school class be?" Answer: It should be no larger than the teacher. You readily get the idea, do you not?

TO THE TELLER ONLY.

All the Sunday school funds—Missionary, Children's Day, Birthday—should be sent to the teller of your conference. If you send them elsewhere it will cause confusion, and perhaps prevent their report from appearing in the minutes. Send all funds to Frank Jones, Teller, Ada, Okla., for East Oklahoma Conference; and to Rev. W. L. Anderson, Ryan, Okla., Teller for the West Oklahoma Conference. And to them only.

ACCURATE AND FULL REPORTS.

We hope that each pastor is gathering his data so that he may be able to make a full and accurate report at conference concerning his Sunday school. This is quite important to the Sunday school boards in their work for another year. This great interest is worthy the most careful consideration, and the reports will give inspiration to the cause. Perhaps no other department of the work of our great church is making great strides, nor means more to the ultimate success of the kingdom.

ANADARKO SUNDAY SCHOOL PROSPERING.

In a note from Brother Stanley, the pastor, we get the following report:

"We have three organized classes. They have their certificates. Our Sunday school has doubled. We have a fine girl at our house."

Three things over which to rejoice—organized classes, the Sunday school double, and a new member for the Cradle Roll. No wonder that his school prospers. We rejoice with him.

Oklahoma City.

PROGRAM FOR THE EAST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

Okmulgee, Nov. 1, 1911.

Tuesday evening, October 31 at 7:30 a meeting of all the Conference Boards, Bishop Collins Denny, presiding.

Wednesday morning, November 1, opening session, Bishop Denny, presiding.

Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, anniversary of the Joint Board of Finance, Rev. W. F. Dunkle, presiding.

Wednesday evening at 7:30, anniversary of the Sunday School Board, Dr. A. E. Bonnell, presiding.

Thursday Morning, November 2, Conference session, Bishop Denny presiding.

Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock, preaching.

Thursday evening at 7:30, anniversary of the Board of Missions, Rev. Jno. W. Sims, presiding.

Friday morning, November 3, Conference session, Bishop Denny, presiding.

Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock, preaching.

Friday evening at 7:30, anniversary of the Board of Church Extension, Rev. P. R. Knickerbocker, presiding.

Saturday morning, November 4, Conference session, Bishop Denny, presiding.

Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, preaching.

Saturday evening at 7:30, anniversary of the Board of Education, Rev. S. F. Goddard, presiding.

Sunday morning at 9:30, Conference love feast.

At 11 a. m. preaching by Bishop Denny, followed by the ordination of Deacons.

Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, anniversary of the Epworth League Board, Rev. H. B. Vaught, presiding.

Sunday evening at 7:30, preaching, followed by the ordination of Elders.

The churches of the city will be filled by members of the Conference.

W. J. Sims.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE W. H. M. SOCIETY.

How much did it profit us?

An extra month was added to this quarter of our fiscal year and it is hoped our reports closing with September will show great gains in the several departments of our Home Mission work.

At our Annual meeting in Camden, we pledged ourselves to try earnestly and faithfully to largely increase our membership; to bring in nearly 200 new subscribers to the Missionary Voice; and to raise \$2,000, above dues, for the connectional work of the Home Department of Missions.

If we are not up to date with this work, we fortunately have October, November and December in which to redeem these pledges, though there is not a day to be lost for our year closes with December.

If any auxiliary feels that she has

already done her share towards this great end, she may now set to work heartily to help those who are lagging or may be handicapped by untoward circumstances, for every auxiliary is vitally concerned for the good name of the Little Rock Conference Woman's Home Mission Society.

And we who have watched, believe all our auxiliaries are anxious to show their faith in our Lord by helping to send His blessed Gospel into the slums to put a new song into the hearts of unfortunate ones and to lift this old world nearer to Him.

Our Week of Prayer, beginning October 2nd, should be observed by every auxiliary, if possible, and according to the helpful program that the double blessing, giving and receiving, may be experienced throughout our conference.

Let the offerings for Brevard School in the mountains of North Carolina be freely and lovingly made, and see to it that the study of our field of labor, the homeland, and its needs be more earnest and thorough than ever before.

Our General Secretary, Mrs. R. W. MacDonell, reminds us that our very life depends upon our dues, pledges and freewill offerings; and that our work grows faster than our bank accounts.

We are urged to remember that our first obligation is to the schools and missions which are dependent upon us for support, and surely we will not fail to do our part.

Let's hurry up and redeem these pledges for when Christmas comes every one of us as individuals will wish to send a love-offering to our Methodist Orphanage in Little Rock.

The more we try to do, the more we will do.

Sincerely,

Mrs. W. H. Pemberton.

MURFREESBORO CHARGE.

Dear Editor: I believe no report has gone into your paper from our charge during the year. There has been some advance and growth in our church work. The attendance upon Sunday school and preaching services has been good during the whole summer. Our Sunday school, under the leadership of Brother J. C. Hughes, has made progress and has been well attended, even during the extreme heat of the summer months. We also have a good school at Brock Springs, Brother Willie Stevens, superintendent.

One of our greatest needs at Murfreesboro just now is a new church, and, we think the time has come for us to rise up and build. We are able to do it, and we think it is in the hearts of our people to honor God's cause by building a house commensurate with the needs of our growing work. We need more room and a better house to represent Methodism in this growing town.

E. F. Wilson, Pastor.

EUFULA CIRCUIT.

Dear Brethren: Fame is a town out eight miles from railroad with three stores, post office, school house, two blacksmith shops and in as fine a country as there is on the Canadian river. I can look out now and see thousands of acres of fine land in cultivation. This is on Eufaula circuit. The best of all we have just closed one of the grandest revivals this country has ever experienced. It was a Holy Ghost meeting. Everybody seemed to enjoy the blessing of God. Brother D. J. Edwards did the preaching. At the close of the meeting the people showed their appreciation by giving him \$85.00. Thirteen united with the church. The meeting was held under an arbor, but we are going to build a church. There is \$400.00 in sight. We are going to build an \$800.00 house. Brother O. P. Lee donated the land, one acre--and \$100.00. Said he would do more if necessary, for which we give God the praise.

T. J. Taylor, P. C.

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HAMBURG, OKLA.

I have just closed my meetings. Well will say I held meetings at all of my churches. I began at Washita and we had a good meeting. Twenty-two conversions; six joined the church and more to follow.

Then to Enterprise. The church was revived; no conversions.

Then to Union Chapel. We had good interest there; a number for prayer and the church was greatly revived.

Last at Hamburg, twelve days' meeting. Don't know how many were converted. Some made a start and some of our most wicked men came for prayer. We did the preaching. The brethren said we did our duty and said the preaching was very plain, and we had the best of order. This is a poor circuit. They haven't paid a third of the salary. Best wishes to the good paper.

W. E. Crook, Pastor.

GUYMON.

After some time of waiting and a great deal of effort we are now equipped at Guymon so the presiding elder nor pastor will have to come here and pay rent and furnish their own house. Bro. Baird and myself have both had on our overalls and made a full hand for some time as we could and do our other work. But now we have two good parsonages almost completed. I am in the station parsonage and have enjoyed it for more than a month. Bro. Baird will move into the District Parsonage in about one week from now. We are grateful to the Board and to all who have helped to make this possible and pray that it may mean much to the glory of God and the good of his cause in Guymon.

W. M. Spain.

McCRORY CIRCUIT.

I am proud to report that I have held two successful meetings. I have received twenty members into the church this year. Rev. Johnson W. Moore has helped me in the two meetings, also Rev. J. K. Farris helped in the first one.

and they both gained the love of all. I feel that God sent those men to my assistance in the great work. May God bless them both and help us all to preach the gospel in its purity. We hope to have a good report at Conference.

Fraternally,

E. M. Fowler, P. C.

GREAT MEETING AT HEADRICK

I have just gotten home from Headrick, where I have been assisting the pastor in a meeting. The people say that it is the greatest meeting that has ever been in that part of the country. There were something over one hundred conversions. I guess that the pastor will have something to say about it soon.

Geo. W. Lewis.

Walter, Okla.

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WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY, LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

Mrs. Moffett Rhodes, Editor.

Mrs. Rhodes wishes to state that the "spirit of affinity" attributed to the Texarkana District meeting in her letter of last week existed only in the mind of the printer. The original copy spoke of a "spirit of unity."

Dear Sisters: The month of October, 1911 should be a red letter month in the history of the Woman's Missionary Societies. I am afraid we are not all yet awake to the possibilities of advancement which offer themselves if we are willing to put aside personal and society prejudices and seek for a broad outlook on the work before us. It is very easy indeed to become wrapped up in the peculiar problems of our own auxiliaries; to get into the habit of turning out for our own peculiar stumbling-blocks, when if we would look up and out we might suddenly find our impediments gone. The Central Committee has planned large things for us this month, and that auxiliary is wise who tries to carry out these plans to the very best of its ability.

There seems to have been some mistake in sending out the Week of Prayer literature for the Home Department whereby our Press Superintendent failed to receive her supply. Many societies, doubtless, will be unable, for this reason, to keep the appointed time, October 2-8. What could be more appropriate, however, than to open this campaign month with the observance of a season of prayer? Our narrow outlook, often times, is due to a lack of faith and an overwhelming sense of our own limitations. Should we not, then, place these matters in the hands of our Heavenly Father and go out in his strength to overcome our obstacles? We should not, therefore, neglect this service. In many places it will be found advisable for the Home and Foreign societies to unite in the observance of this week. Surely that will be another step toward the union we all hope for and with this in mind why should not each Home Mission Society set apart a day for special prayer for Foreign Missions?

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every member canvas of their respective memberships. The interdenominational meetings and receptions cannot help but be an inspiration and are only another expression of the broad attitude that is growing everywhere, of working "together for God." Whether we double our membership or not, we must be gainers in these three lines: we will be better acquainted with our own membership; we will be more appreciative of other workers on the same cause and we will become the more zealous workers ourselves, for our effort.

In conjunction with the membership campaign comes the campaign for mission study and again the spirit of co-operation is manifested in the advised interdenominational classes. This subject should need no justification. There is, truly, no excuse for ignorance of the other half of our world though it is big and round. Information is so plenty that are we not exceedingly neglectful if we go on year after year and do not learn of this vital subject of missions? Is not the primary purpose of our meetings to learn? What, then, is more profitable or interesting than consecutive mission study? It is beyond no auxiliary to support at least a Reading Circle.

The last of the great events of the fall comes to us in November: the Missionary Jubilee with its \$1,000,000 offering. Let us all work to help our Little Rock sisters, by our influence and our attendance to make ours a great and inspiring meeting, as it cannot help being if you enter into it with your customary earnestness. How blessed it is to have even a small share in God's great work of evangelizing the world! Let us all strive to enlarge our part and ours shall be the added blessing. Yours in service,

Mrs. Moffett Rhodes,
Sec. Arkadelphia District W. F. M. S.

LARGO, FLA.

We are passing through one of the longest and hottest summers of all my experience. It has been "good old summer time" since last April and the end is not yet. Many of the best to-do families left us in June for the mountains of North Carolina and are now returning to put their children in school. I have remained with my charge and my wife with me all the year, but we had the fever to go and lacked what others needed that stayed at home. I am almost 1,000 miles from anywhere except Florida and the Gulf of Mexico. You think of the song, "Away down upon the Sewanee River," but I am 300 miles south of that beautiful river with its many negroes and other alligators. Most everything moves slowly in southern Florida. The days are long, the summers never end. Distances are unmeasured and the Florida cracker seldom hurries. Oranges are taking on the golden tinge, but will not be fit for use until about the middle of November. Grapefruit is green and short in quantity. Fall vegetables are late and unpromising. The majority of poor people coming here from the north and east for cheap lands became discouraged with the flat woods and returned to the places whence they came. Good land in this orange belt is not cheap and a poor man cannot buy it and pay for it by merely cultivating it, depending on what it produces. Beware of Florida land agents. Florida has thousands of acres of fine land for oranges, but it is not in the flat woods where it is under water during June, July, August and September and land agents cannot handle it in thousand acre blocks.

Largo is growing and taking on the appearance of an up-to-date little city. It is the largest orange shipping point on the West Coast. When our new stone church with its Sunday school chapel and eight class-rooms is finished, we shall have a beautiful church

edifice valued at \$12,000 to \$15,000. The Sunday school had 128 persons in attendance last Sunday (24th inst.—September). It will raise upward of \$300.00 this year. I find the Florida people to be intelligent, liberal in their contributions to the church, neighborly and otherwise a good people. My greatest objection to south Florida is that the summers are so long and depressing.

Brother Wiley E. Randle, who for many years lived in Arkansas, taught school and did other work here, died two weeks ago at Roanoke, Ala. He had lived near Largo the past seven years and was a faithful Sunday school superintendent in this church. He often talked to me about the good people in Craighead, Independence, Izard, Sharp, Jackson and other counties of north Arkansas. His wife has gone to Nashville, Tenn., to live with her sister, Mrs. Dr. Bumpass. I do not find many Arkansas people down here. Bro. J. S. Brook, for years a member of the White River conference, is among us and doing faithful service at Ovado on the East Coast. Bro. Vernon, whom many of you knew in the same conference years ago, was put on the list of superannuates last conference and is in very poor health. He lives at Sutherland. Bro. J. R. Cason is at Hyde Park, Tampa, and doing his work faithfully and well. Dr. Sibert has continued sick and well all the year and is succeeding at Key West. Others will have to report for themselves.

A. B. Haltom.

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HARTSHORNE AND HAILEYVILLE.

It has been some time since I have written anything to our church paper from the Hartshorne and Haileyville charge. This preacher has been very busy all the summer through. I have held seventy four services during the hot weather. I have just closed my second meeting with Bro. Parsons on part of this work. I helped him six nights at Bache. There were five conversions and five additions to the church. We held eight days at Dow. The meeting there was not what we expected. Bro. Parsons and I were so busy at home we could not continue the meeting. We had one very fine conversion.

Last Sunday, the 24th, was our fourth quarterly conference. Bro. Babcock, our presiding elder, was present and preached an able sermon on "Sin and Salvation."

Our church has lost quite a few of our best members this year. Six of my effectual members have moved away this year. This has been a hard year at this place with all our people. One of our largest mines, which works nearly three hundred men has not worked any in about eight months. We will not be able to report in full this year.

We began our last meeting before conference at Hartshorne this week. It will be a union meeting, conducted by the Presbyterian pastor and myself. Pray for us brethren that we may have a good meeting.

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A GOOD MEETING.

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To date this makes thirty-four who have been converted since the meeting started. Rev. Edwards hopes to make a better showing this week, although the number that have already confessed their faith speaks well for the evangelist.

"What will you do with Jesus?" is the text of the sermon tonight. He will ask the people this question, explain from whence Jesus came and why he has been worshipped all these years. This is a sensible question and deserves an answer.

Since the starting of this revival the crowds have been large and the people are taking a great interest in it. All who attend are enthusiastic over the preacher's convincing powers and as an entertainer, he gives the people exactly what they want from the good old time religious standpoint.—Tulsa Democrat.

MEETING AT OLD PROSPERITY.

Dear Methodist: We have just closed a great meeting at Old Prosperity church, in which we were assisted by Bro. Fred Robuck, a young man who is preparing himself for the ministry. Up to this time four or five was the average congregation, and the pastor went to his appointment four times this year and found not one to preach to. But we closed last Sunday night with hardly standing room in the house and a large number on the outside. We had twenty-eight accessions, twenty-one of whom were received by baptism, and several reclamations. We have had sixty-nine accessions, on this, the Rowell charge, this year. We have seen some fruit of our labor and we are happy.

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LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

Dear Co-workers: The time for our Week of Prayer has come again. Let us make it a great "season of refreshing."

Our Week of Prayer collection this year goes to the Brevard Institute and so I am especially glad to send to you through the columns of our Western Methodist this article below from Prof. C. H. Trowbridge, Principal of that Institute. May the reading of it inspire us to a more liberal giving and more earnest praying for our Home Mission school at Brevard this week.

Brevard Institute and the Week of Prayer.

Brevard Institute is a mission school in the heart of the North Carolina mountains. It was designed as a normal and industrial school to give mental and manual training to needy girls and boys who otherwise would not be able to secure an education. From its start it has consistently stressed the importance of real Christian experience. Some years ago when the state high schools were first being organized, the Institute realized that there would soon be comparatively little need for a school whose course was parallel with and approximately equal to the work offered by the state schools. It then realized that its future usefulness depended largely upon the development of its various vocational schools, and as the Institute has grown and conditions are more thoroughly understood, the importance of this kind of Christian education is more and more realized. The student who desires and can take a classical course can find any number of good church schools where he can do the work he wishes to do under wholesome Christian influences, but so far the church is almost entirely neglecting the vast number of boys and girls who must get out into the world and make their own living without a chance to attend any college. Thousands of young people with no more than a high school education are earning money as stenographers, bookkeepers, seamstresses, housekeepers, public school teachers, or farmers, and practically all of them have been denied the inspiration and power which church schools alone supply. Many of them have prepared for their vocations in the hard school of experience alone, others have studied in some school or have served an apprenticeship in some city where the influences have weakened their moral integrity faster than the training has built up their intellectual ability. For this class of people the church is doing almost nothing in spite of the fact that no part of our population is more valuable to the church or to society. If religious education has a reason for its existence to help those who train their minds by classical study, it surely is of the greatest importance for those who can continue their school life only a few years before they are thrown into the whirl of the world's temptations. With these undoubted facts clearly in mind, Brevard Institute is reaching out to do a needed work for these comparatively neglected but very valuable young people.

In working out this idea the Institute is now operating courses for the teachers of rural schools, for bookkeepers, stenographers, music teachers, dressmakers, milliners, housekeepers, and farmers. Connected with every

department of the school and required of every student is a course of study in the English Bible and in modern methods of doing religious work. In no case is there any thought of competing with the colleges or with the higher training schools of the church, but each course is especially designed to fit the needs of those who cannot attend college. In every course thoroughness and accuracy are insisted upon. Perfect work only is accepted where perfect work can be done, and where perfection is physically impossible, carelessness and inaccuracy are stamped with kind but firm disapproval.

It is surprising how much of such work can be done by enthusiastic and consecrated teachers with very little equipment, but the time has come in the growth of Brevard Institute where considerable material enlargement is necessary for continued growth. The agricultural department, which was inaugurated a year ago, has found so earnest a demand that the boys are already occupying all available space in their little dormitory. The class rooms and practice rooms are crowded into the girls dormitory, an arrangement which is exceedingly unsatisfactory where there are so many boys. There is absolutely no room for the wide-awake music department, the teachers' pianos being forced into the parlor, and a bed room, while the five practice pianos vie with each other in the dining room and a single practice room.

With such departments as are already in operation, commodious class rooms and work rooms are necessary, and a building specially designed and especially convenient is imperatively demanded. Each department should have its own quarters with space not only for present needs but also for the growth sure to come in the immediate future. At the same time the girls' dormitory should have extensive alteration, and the chapel should be cut up into bed rooms. With a large number of inmates it should be even more carefully protected against fire. Its exterior should be remodeled for this purpose and to make its appearance conform with that of the new administration building. And before these improvements are made on the present property all the land which will ever be needed adjoining the campus should be purchased, for otherwise every dollar spent in the improvement of the present boundary will increase the cost of adjoining property which may be acquired later.

A far sighted policy adopted at this time and backed up by a truly liberal donation during the Week of Prayer would give Methodism an opportunity of startling value. With the foundation already laid for practical and thorough vocational courses, with the reputation which the school already has, with the successful graduates and well pleased patrons as numerous as they already are, Brevard Institute could absolutely lead all this section of the South in religious technical work of a high school grade. Adequate equipment just at this stage means success, and success along the lines already being worked promises untold usefulness in a vast field. With the departments already organized working in adequate buildings, it would be a very simple matter to add courses in mechanical drawing, in plumbing, in photography, in simple electric manipulation, in pharmacy and in a large number of such honorable and profitable vocations. A school doing well such work will demand the interest and support of philanthropists through the South, and when its plan and its success are well known, the funds for future growth will come almost of themselves. We must not lose this glorious opportunity. It is ours today and we cannot afford to let it pass.

C. H. Trowbridge,
 Principal Brevard Institute.

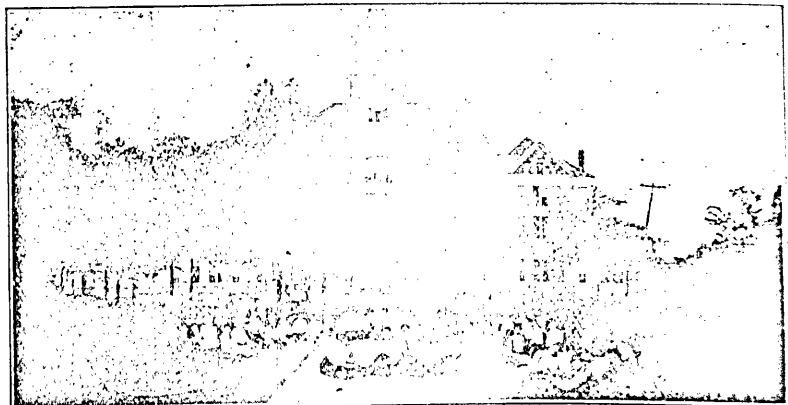
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HORATIO, ARK.

Dear Brethren: We have just closed another very successful meeting. This one was held under an arbor 2 1/2 miles east of town. Large crowds were in attendance and conversions were had at every night service except the first and last ones. It was truly what some call an "old fashioned Methodist meeting." People came to the altar, were blessed and shouted praises to our God. Brother A. P. Few, of Pine Bluff, assisted me in the meeting. He is a unique preacher and a power for good. His labors were a blessing to the people. As a visible result of the meeting 27 professed Christ, 26 joined the church, and six babies were baptized. One more person, not present when we received the members, is to join yet.

One bright boy, of 15 years, was converted and he seemed to be so bright and sincere and desiring very much to enter school but not being able financially the people paid his way and Bro. Few took charge of him and carried him to Stuttgart to place him in school there. As a result of the meeting here two weeks ago, and this one just closed, the power of the old time revival is felt all over the entire town and community.

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SALEM CAMP-MEETING.

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Monk's sermons. It is doubtful if I ever did more effective preaching. It was sub-soil preaching—plowing the tap roots, digging up the stump and getting the stumbling blocks out of the way. So that I found a unit membership—united in love, in prayer and in work for an old-fashioned camp-meeting revival—and we had it was from every standpoint, a great meeting.

I shall be disappointed if the church at Salem does not take on new life and become more and more a power for God in that country. I had a good time and expect to have a better time at the next annual camp-meeting.

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Opyaka pila basi kanalli toklo iklannakma Mrs. Lucy Thomas akosh W. H. M. Society ai imma isht anompula chi hoke, yammnat ahlopul-likma S. F. Carterby akosh achak-kalet anompula chi hoke. Okhlili hashi kanalli ontuklo kama Hinson King akosh okla anampa ilbasha anompuli mayaka pehlichit anta tukma hashi kanalli ontuklo iklannakma Jerry Barnes akosh "Nan ashachi ahleha hat Chihowa ha ittinaniya he" ahnit im anompula chi hoke.

Nitak hullo onnahinli hashi kanalli ontuklo ka Davidson Colbert akosh anampa albasha anompuli pehlichit anta chi hoke; atukma hashi kanalli chakkali ka H. J. Hayes akosh Nitak hullo holisso pisa pehlichit anta chi hoke, holisso apisa kat Mahlu chapta pokkoli chapta achaf-fa yammak o pisat maya chi hoke. Hashi kanalli auachata ka Timothy J. Cephus akosh abanompeshi im ahanta kat ilap inli hosh apelahe he alhpesa ho isht anompula chi hoke. Opyaka pila hashi kanalli tuchina kano S. F. Carterby akosh lksa i nan alhpisa ai imma ho isht anompula chi hoke, atukma okhlili hashi kanalli ontuklo iklannakma R. W. Thomas micha M. E. Jefferson itatuklo hosh "Nan ashachi ahleha hat Chihowa ha ittinaniya he" ahnit im anompula chi hoke. Monday onnahinli hashi kanalli ontuklo kano Tobias Wilson akosh anampa ilbasha anompuli pehlichit anta chi hoke, Wal-lace Tushaka akosh tali olachi achi hoke.

H. J. Hayes, Holissochi.

MARSHALL MISSION.

On the morning of the 7th of last November, Bishop McCoy read out to Marshall Mission, Everett Faulkner. We preachers were soon on the train bound for our respective charges. I landed at my old home at Alpena that night about two o'clock, fed "Old Jim," rushed to the house to tell my good little mother and the dearest little woman in the world where we had been sent.

We packed our grip, and Wife and I were soon driving over a twenty-five mile road to Valley Springs in Boone county, where we had supplied the year

before. We soon got our few things together and were on our way on a forty-mile drive to Marshall in Searcy county. The most pleasing sight that met our eyes on arriving was Marshall's little classic stone church. We found the town nestled among the foothills of the Boston mountains. We found the people as kind as the hills are beautiful. They are growing kinder as the days go by. Each day faces seem friendlier, words kinder, and handclasp warmer than the day before. Kindness for the pastor, kindness for the pastor's wife, and kindness for our baby!

Everything looks as if we will win out at Marshall this year. We have just closed a great meeting. Rev. J. L. Bryant of Eureka Springs conducted it, assisted by Dr. O. L. Thompson, Gospel Singer, also of Eureka Springs. It was almost impossible to ascertain the number of conversions but perhaps somewhere between 40 and 60.

There have been 50 accessions so far this year. Our membership has increased one hundred and thirty eight and one-ninth per cent. Our Sunday school reached high-water mark last Sunday. Our W. A. class has 50 enrolled and 35 attended last Sunday. Our Birthday Jar is now ready to be opened and the money sent to Dr. McMurry to add to the Church Extension Loan Fund. Our Teacher's Training Class completed the year's work the Sunday night before conference. Our Junior League is doing well. Our Junior President, Miss Ima Bratton deserves honorable mention for her faithfulness this year. Our Senior League is doing fine work. Mr. Ivan Roper is our Senior League President. We sent our other Senior League President, Rev. Loren Roper to Hendrix. I think we will have others to send soon. The Every Member Campaign has worked like a charm here this year. We are practically out on our Conference Claims.

Our Hendrix College Rally at the first of the year was more fuss than feathers. We had a splendid program but realized only \$25 on the finances.

Our Home Mission Society has done exceedingly well this year. Marshall's Home Mission won the banner in our conference on highest per cent of increase in membership. Our Home Mission has made possible whatever of good has been done at Marshall this year.

The pastor has practically finished his course of study this year in the Correspondence School at Nashville.

We are practically out on all finances. We lack only a few dollars being out on everything. Besides plans are already made for buying or building a parsonage. About one half the money necessary to buy or build is already pledged. We feel very hopeful over the situation here at Marshall. We feel confident that by November the 8th, Marshall will be ready to make a good report along all lines. Thanks be to God who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Everett Faulkner.

CLEAR, LOGICAL, CONVINCING.

I have before me two pamphlets written by Rev. R. P. Witt, of the West Oklahoma Conference.

One, a sermon on the "POSSIBILITY OF APOSTASY," the other on the "IDENTITY OF THE CHURCH, CLOSE COMMUNION and INFANT BAPTISM." These sermons are clear, logical, convincing, Methodist and Scriptural.

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One is entitled "THE IDENTITY OF THE CHURCH, CLOSE COMMUNION and INFANT BAPTISM," and the other "THE POSSIBILITY OF APOSTASY." The style is clear and concise, the argument cogent and conclusive, and the citations of Scripture to sustain every position abundant. If the people will purchase and read such literature they will have a clear understanding of what Methodism stands for and how unassailable is her every position.

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I wish each of you brethren would do this at your earliest convenience and send to me a duplicate of your report. If you will do so it will greatly help your joint board at its coming session. For the Board wishes the fullest possible information in this very delicate and responsible matter.

Yours very truly,
W. F. DUNKLE,
Chairman Joint Board.
McAlester, Okla., Sept. 28, 1911.

EARLSBORO, OKLA.

We have just closed the last meeting on the Earlsboro charge for this season. We were assisted by Rev. R. F. Swift of Maud, Okla., and Rev. M. W. Dunaway of Shawnee, and Rev. R. R. Triplett, of Oklahoma City. All three of these brethren are deeply consecrated and God honors their labors. They are all fine help in revival work. We have had more than 100 converts on the charge this year. Dr. Sensabaugh, our presiding elder, came to us September 18th and held our fourth quarterly conference and preached a fine sermon to a good congregation at 2 p. m. Dr. Sensabaugh is a fine presiding elder. We are always glad to have him visit the charge. My people regret very much to know that the conference line will separate us from him another year. I am closing out my second year on this charge and the longer I stay the better I love the people. They have been very kind to myself and family giving us treatment far better than this preacher deserves. The revival meetings are now over and I shall now turn my attention to rounding up for the conference that will convene at Okmulgee November 1.

F. L. Giles, P. C.

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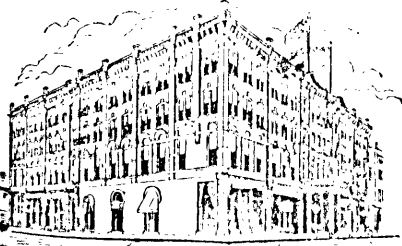
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OBITUARIES.

(We find it impossible to publish manuscripts in this department containing more than 200 words. We therefore ask our contributors to limit their obituaries to that amount of space. Poetry is often very expressive, but we find it necessary to ask that it be left out of all obituaries, as we cannot publish it. A due regard for these suggestions will save our friends annoyance and the editors much labor and trouble.)

COOK.—Ellen Van Vorhees Cook (nee Glover) was born in Marshall county, Mississippi, April 4, 1838. She came of good parentage. Her maternal grandfather was a sturdy Hollander who, while quite a youth, came to this country and settled at Columbia, Tennessee. Her father, Dr. George Allen Glover was a Virginian and bore the marks of that strong Southern manhood which dominated the anti-bellum days. From these she inherited a rich legacy of native ability and a strength of personality which made possible a life of great usefulness.

Her father died while she was a mere child. Her mother survived until 1878, when she fell a victim of yellow fever in Hilly Springs, Mississippi. She was educated in Franklin Female College, Mississippi, where she laid well the foundations of an education which continued to develop through the years; for she brought to bear the wealth of a well stored mind upon the problems of life about her. She came to young womanhood under the shadows of those days which tried the hearts of men and women. Though delicate in body, she bore the hardships and shared the sufferings of her own Southland; for she was a true Southerner. On the 8th of September, 1861, at the Gayosa Hotel in Memphis, Tenn. she was married to Col. W. D. S. Cook, of the 12th Regiment Arkansas Volunteers, who left her immediately to take command of his regiment, where he

continued until wounded in battle near the close of the war. In 1862 she came to Southern Arkansas, making the trip down the Mississippi river in a gunboat crowded with soldiers sharing their hardship and dangers with a courage born of true patriotism. She with her husband moved to Southwest Texas in 1867, where she was left a widow in 1878, her husband dying after 13 years of suffering from the effects of army life. She moved back to Arkansas in 1887, locating in Richmond, and in 1895, with her daughter, Mrs. Moores, she moved to Russellville, making this her home until life's labors were ended June 12, 1911.

From her union with Col. Cook there was no issue. But the wealth of her motherly heart was poured out upon the children of her husband. Two of these died in early life. A third died just as he was entering manhood's estate. The fourth, Mrs. Moores, was spared to her to be a constant companion and a great source of comfort through her declining years. In her thirteenth year she gave her heart to God and her life to the M. E. Church, South. She followed this act of dedication with a life of such devotion as left no doubt as to the genuineness of her conversion nor the depth of her consecration.

"Mother Cook" was a negative character, but the strength of her positive nature was given to what she judged to be right. No one ever dared to charge her with insincerity, and all who knew her gave her their fullest confidence.

Her last days were full of suffering, yet through it all she possessed herself in great patience. She knew whom she had believed. She was not afraid of the future. She peacefully waited the end which she knew was near. Her last days were brightened by the devo-

tion and fellowship of her home and the constant solicitude of a host of friends. The end came peacefully at 9:30 a. m. June 12, 1911. We laid her to rest in the cemetery at Russellville, Arkansas amid the sorrows of the whole church of which she was a member.

G. G. Davidson.

BOWEN.—Mary Caroline Bowen was born December 1, 1829 and died September 9, 1911 at the old home near Hartford, Arkansas, where she had lived for 32 years. She was married January 3, 1850 to John Wesley Bowen who preceded her to that other country, September, 1903. She continued to live on the old home place with her only son, William S. Bowen and his family until April, 1908 when he too was called home to heaven. Since then "Grandma Bowen," as she was familiarly known, lived with her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Myrtle Wills-Bowen and her five children till God called her and she went home.

She had been a consistent member of the Methodist church since girlhood. Her home was a preacher's home; a Christian home. Her life was a finished life; one that was ripe for heaven. None doubted her Christianity. Those who knew her loved her.

Grandma Bowen will be missed. Her counsel in the home and her assistance in training the grandchildren will be missed. Her accustomed visits amongst her neighbors and friends will be missed. But our loss is heaven's gain. She was faithful to the end and the promised reward is hers. She has gone to clasp glad hands with her loving companion and precious children on the other shore, and live with Jesus forever.

May the vacancy made in the home be filled with Christ's own presence.

Jefferson Sherman.

LITTLEJOHN.—Nina Pearl was born January 30, 1898 and died April 2, 1911. Age 13 years, two months and two days.

Nina was a dear, sweet little girl, kind and gentle with her playmates, obedient to papa and mama, and a very attentive student in the Sunday school. Since she went away the little girls have missed her very much. But we can only hope to renew our association with Nina on the gold paved streets of the New Jerusalem. Papa and mama, several brothers and sisters were left here to mourn her death, but they do not mourn as those who have no hope. Dear relatives, trust in Jesus and he will deliver you too. Her pastor, Jno. T. Gossett.

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QUARTERLY CONFERENCE.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Nashville	Oct. 9
Jope Station	Oct. 10
Caddo Gap, at Caddo Gap	Oct. 14
Caddo Ct., at Cedar Bluff	Oct. 14
Amity Sta.	Oct. 16
Mt. Ida, at Mt. Ida	Oct. 21
Gordon at Biene	Oct. 21
Emmet	Oct. 26
Hope Ct.	Oct. 28
Harmony	Nov. 4
Pike City	Nov. 8
Prescott Sta.	Nov. 11

W. C. HILLIARD, P. E.

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Rowell, at Center	Oct. 14
Altheimer, at Wabbaseka	Oct. 21
Humphrey, at Humphrey	Oct. 22
DeWitt	Oct. 25
DeWitt Ct., at Pleasant Grove	Oct. 26
Gillett	Oct. 28
Stuttgart	Oct. 29
New Edinburg, at New Edinburg	Oct. 29
Rison, at Moore Church	Nov. 4
Hawley Memorial	Nov. 6
Lakeside	Nov. 7
First Church	Nov. 8
Douglas and Grady, at Grady	Nov. 9
Sheridan, at Sheridan	Nov. 10

J. D. HAMMONS, P. E.

TEXARKANA DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Lockesburg	Oct. 14
Lewisville	Oct. 21
Horatio	Oct. 28
De Queen	Oct. 29
Patmos	Nov. 4
Stamps	Nov. 5
Bright Hill	Nov. 7
College Hill	Nov. 8
Texarkana Ct.	Nov. 11
Fairview	Nov. 12
First Church	Nov. 13

THOMAS H. WARE, P. E.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Lacey Ct., at Prairie Hall	Oct. 14
Monticello Sta.	Oct. 15
Mt. Pleasant Ct., at Rock Spr.	Oct. 17
Watson and Halley, at Richland	Oct. 19
McGehee and Arkansas City	Oct. 20
Dermott and Portland, at P.	Oct. 21
Parkdale and Wilnot, at W.	Oct. 22
Hamburg Ct.	Oct. 26
Snyder Ct., at Snyder	Oct. 28
Hamburg Sta.	Oct. 29
Wilmar Sta.	Nov. 1
Hermitage Ct.	Nov. 4
Johnsville Ct.	Nov. 5
Warren Sta.	Nov. 6
Collins Ct.	Nov. 13

J. A. HENDERSON, P. E.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Highland (evening)	Oct. 10
Bryant Ct., at Salem	Oct. 11
Tomberlin Ct., at Hundley's Chap.	Oct. 14
England	Oct. 15
Des Arc	Oct. 21
DeVall's Bluff and Hazen, at H.	Oct. 22
Twenty-eighth Street (evening)	Oct. 25
Lonoke (evening)	Oct. 26
First Church (at 11:00 a. m.)	Oct. 29
Winfield Memorial (evening)	Oct. 29
First Church Q. C. (evening)	Oct. 30
Winfield Memorial Q. C. (evening)	Oct. 31
Henderson Chapel (evening)	Nov. 1
Forest Park (evening)	Nov. 2
Sherill and Keo	Nov. 4
Asbury (evening)	Nov. 4
Hunter Memorial (evening)	Nov. 8
Mabelvale Ct., at Olive Hill	Nov. 11

ALONZO MONK, P. E.

BOONEVILLE DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Bates Ct., at Bates	Oct. 8
Adona Ct.	Oct. 14
Havana Ct., at Moore's Chapel	Oct. 15
Roseville and Webb City, at Ollie's Chapel	Oct. 21
Prairie View Ct.	Oct. 22
Gravelly and Rover	Oct. 28
Walnut Tree Ct., at Walnut Tree	Oct. 29
Perryville Ct.	Nov. 4

W. T. THOMPSON, P. E.

CAMDEN DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Wesson Sta.	Oct. 8
Eldorado Ct.	Oct. 14
Eldorado Sta.	Oct. 15
Junction City Sta.	Oct. 17
Magnolia Ct.	Oct. 21
Magnolia Sta.	Oct. 22
Strong Ct.	Oct. 28
Huttig Sta.	Oct. 29
Buena Vista Ct.	Nov. 4
Camden Sta.	Nov. 5
Chidester Ct.	Nov. 7
Bearden Ct.	Nov. 11
Fordyce Sta.	Nov. 12

R. W. McKAY, P. E.

ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Arkadelphia Ct., at New Hope	Oct. 7
Lono, at L'Eau Fras	Oct. 7
Tigert Memorial (night)	Oct. 8
Holly Springs, at Mt. Olivet	Oct. 14
Traskwood, at Traskwood	Oct. 21
Hot Springs Ct., at New Salem	Oct. 21
Park Avenue (night)	Oct. 22
Malvern Avenue (night)	Oct. 23
Dalark, at Dalark	Oct. 28
Ussery, at Grant's Chapel	Nov. 4
Third Street, Hot Spgs. (11:00 a. m.)	Oct. 12
Third St., Hot Spgs. (11:00 a. m.)	Nov. 12
Central, Hot Springs (night)	Nov. 12
Benton and Malvern announced.	

T. D. SCOTT, P. E.

ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

BATESVILLE DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Jacksonport Ct., at Oil Trough	Oct. 6
Newark Sta.	Oct. 8
Mountain View Ct.	Oct. 13
Swifton Ct., at Swifton	Oct. 21

Swifton Ct., at Swifton	Oct. 20
Tuckerman Sta.	Oct. 22
Ash Flat Ct., at Hickory Flat	Oct. 27
Smithville Mis., Rock Cove	Oct. 30
Sulphur Rock Ct.	Nov. 3
Desha Ct.	Nov. 7
Batesville, Central Ave. Mis., Cushman	Nov. 11
Evening Shade, at Evening Sh.	Nov. 18
Wolf Bayou Mis.	Nov. 25
Batesville, First Church	Dec. 3

B. L. WILFORD, P. E.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Gravette and Gentry, at Gravette	Oct. 7
Siloam Springs	Oct. 15
Huntsville Ct., at Huntsville	Oct. 21
Elm Springs Ct., at Harmon	Oct. 28
Winslow Ct., at Brentwood	Nov. 1
Parksdale and Farmington	Nov. 4
Fayetteville Sta.	Nov. 5

J. B. STEVENSON, P. E.

FORT SMITH DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Mulberry Ct., at Graphic	Oct. 7
Van Buren Mis., at City Heights	Oct. 8
Alma and Kibler, at Kibler	Oct. 15
Van Buren Sta.	Oct. 15
Dodson Ave.	Oct. 23
Midland Heights	Oct. 24
Beech Grove, at New Enon	Oct. 27
Ozark Sta., at Gar Creek	Oct. 28
Ozark Sta.	Oct. 29
First Church	Nov. 6
Central Church	Nov. 7

J. M. HUGHELY, P. E.

MORRILLTON DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Russellville Sta.	Oct. 7
Lamar Ct., at Lamar	Oct. 14
London Ct., at London	Oct. 21
Dover Ct., at Dover	Oct. 28
Appleton Ct., at Sunny Side	Oct. 31

F. S. H. JOHNSTON, P. E.

HARRISON DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Gassville Ct., at Oak Grove	Oct. 7
Mountain Home Ct., at M. H.	Oct. 8
Lead Hill Ct., at Fayette	Oct. 14
Harrison Station	Oct. 15
Osage Ct., at Osage	Oct. 21
Eureka Springs Sta.	Oct. 28

W. T. MARTIN, P. E.

WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

PARAGOULD DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Walnut Ridge Sta.	Oct. 8
Corning Sta.	Oct. 11
Paragould Ct.	Oct. 15
Black Rock and Portia	Oct. 21
Mammoth Spring and Hardy	Oct. 22
Imboden Ct.	Oct. 24
Boydsville Ct.	Nov. 4
Rector Ct.	Nov. 5
Pocahontas Sta.	Nov. 11
Reyno Ct.	Nov. 12
Pocahontas Ct.	Nov. 15
Maynard Ct.	Nov. 18
Piggott Ct.	Nov. 22
Knoble Ct.	Nov. 25
New Liberty Ct.	Nov. 28
Lorado Ct.	Nov. 29
Paragould, East Side	Nov. 30

M. M. SMITH, P. E.

SEARCY DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Newport Sta.	Oct. 8
Vilonia Ct., at Hammonsville	Oct. 14
Beebe and Austin, at Beebe	Oct. 21
West Point Ct., at Dogwood	Oct. 28
Belcher Ct., at Belcher	Oct. 29
Calot and Jacksonville, at J.	Nov. 4
Cato Ct., at Cato	Nov. 11
Augusta Ct., at Revell	Nov. 12
Augusta Sta.	Nov. 19
Gardner Memorial	Nov. 25
Dye Memorial	Nov. 26
Bradford and Bald Knob	Dec. 2

A. F. SKINNER, P. E.

HELENA DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Council Ct., at Trinity Chapel	Oct. 7
Cotton Plant Sta.	Oct. 14
Brinkley Sta.	Oct. 15
Ly Grove and Marvell	Oct. 21
West Helena and Mellwood	Oct. 28
Helena Sta.	Oct. 29
Celt Ct., at McElroy	Nov. 4
Wynne Sta.	Nov. 5
Hickory Ridge	Nov. 11
McCrory Ct., at Morton	Nov. 18
Parkin Sta.	Nov. 19
McCrory Sta.	Nov. 25
Deview and Howell, at Howell	Nov. 26

J. K. FARRIS, P. E.

JONESBORO DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Barfield Mis., Barfield	Oct. 7
Manila and Dell, Manila	Oct. 8
Vandale Ct., Vandale	Oct. 14
Marked Tree and Tyronza	Oct. 21
Gilmore and Turrell	Oct. 22
Trinity Ct.	Oct. 28
Blytheville Ct., N. Sawba	Nov. 4
Blytheville Sta.	Nov. 5
Luxora and Roselle	Nov. 11
Osceola Sta.	Nov. 12
Wilson Sta.	Nov. 18
Bardstown and Richland	Nov. 19
First Church, Jonesboro	Nov. 25
Cotton Belt	Nov. 29

A. M. R. BRANSON, P. E.

EAST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Tablequah Ct., at Ball Hill	Oct. 7
Wauhatchie Ct., at Welling	Oct. 8
Tablequah Sta., 7:30 p. m.	Oct. 9
First Church, Muskogee	Oct. 10
Wainwright	Oct. 11
Morris	Oct. 14
Bald Hill Ct.	Oct. 15
Boynton, 7:30 p. m.	Oct. 15
Oakdale, 10:00 p. m.	Oct. 15
Checotah, 8:00 p. m.	Oct. 18
Mulbert Ct., at Mulbert	Oct. 22
Muskogee Ct., at White Church	Oct. 22
St. Paul's	Oct. 25

Reports will be expected from the trustees

and from the women's societies. Every official will be expected to do his part in bringing up a full report. A pull altogether now means much. W. M. WILSON, P. E.

VINITA DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Chelsea	Oct. 15
Fairland and W. (8:00 p. m.)	Oct. 15
Welch Sta.	Oct. 22
Welch Ct. (3:00 p. m.)	Oct. 22
Blue Jacket (8:00 p. m.)	Oct. 22
Centralia (8:00 p. m.)	Oct. 24
Vinita Ct. (8:00 p. m.)	Oct. 25
Needmore (8:00 p. m.)	Oct. 27

Pastors will please see that the trustees, missionary societies and exhorters have written reports, and furthermore, that every item of business required at a fourth quarterly conference is in readiness.

JOHN W. SIMS, P. E.

DURANT DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Grant	Oct. 7
Soper	Oct. 8
Bethel	Oct. 14
Woodville	Oct. 15
Grantham	Oct. 21
Madill	Oct. 22
Bennington	Oct. 28
Durant	Oct. 29

T. P. TURNER, P. E.

ARDMORE DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Woodford Ct., at Poolville	Oct. 8
Hennepin Ct., at Hennepin	Oct. 14
Elmore Ct., at Fair View	Oct. 15
Lebanon Ct., at Enville	Oct. 21
Berwin and Daugherty, at D.	Oct. 29
Ardmore Mis., at Lawrence Chapel	Oct. 28
Thackerville Ct., Thackerville	Nov. 4
Marietta	Nov. 5

Pastors will please hold church conferences and correct the rolls and have conference collections in full. Stewards will please have salaries in full. Trustees, report Question 32.

W. U. WITT, P. E.

ADA DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Maud, at Maud	Oct. 8
Pontotoc Ct., at Pontotoc	Oct. 13
Roff and Mill Creek, at Mill Creek	Oct. 15
Oakman Miss., at Steadman	Oct. 21
Tupelo and Stonewall, at Tupelo	Oct. 22
Sulphur, Vinita Ave.	Oct. 28
Sulphur, First Church	Oct. 29
Hickory Ct., at Hickory	Oct. 31

Let every preacher see to it that all collections ordered by the Annual Conference, including that levied by District Stewards for rent on district parsonage, are in hand. Let each Steward and every private member see to it that every dollar of the pastor's salary is paid in full. Brethren, let us all do our best to make good reports at the Annual Conference for the glory of God and the good of his cause.

Very sincerely,

GEORGE C. FRENCH, P. E.

TULSA DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Okfuskee	Oct. 8
Oklahoma	Oct. 9
Paden	Oct. 10
Bixby	Oct. 14
Haskell	Oct. 15
Henryetta	Oct. 15
Dustin	Oct. 21
Tulsa, Tigert Memorial	Oct. 22
Broken Arrow	Oct. 28

S. G. THOMPSON, P. E.

CHOCTAW-CHICKASAW DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Kiowa Ct., at Salt Creek	Oct. 7
Hugo Ct., at	Oct. 14
Washita Ct., at	Oct. 21
Chickasaw Ct., at	Oct. 28
Rufe Ct., at	Nov. 4

A. S. WILLIAMS, P. E.

M'ALESTER DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Fairview	Oct. 7
Poteau	Oct. 8
Heavener	Oct. 10
Hawa	Oct. 14
Wister	Oct. 15
Eufaula	Oct. 21
Eufaula Sta.	Oct. 22
McAlester (P. M.)	Oct. 22
McAlester (Stonewall Ave.)	Oct. 29

The change of the annual conference from November 15 to November 1 necessitates the above change.

S. H. BABCOCK, P. E.

CREEK-CHEROKEE DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Cherokee, at Butler's Chapel	Sept. 28
Saline, at Timpson's Chapel	Oct. 14
Seminole, at Tuckabacha	Oct. 21

ORLANDO SHAY, P. E.

WEST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

LAWTON DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Fort Sill Ct., at Anadarko	Oct. 7
Fort Cobb Ct., at Fort Cobb	Oct. 8
Glenwood Ct., at Bethel Ch.	Oct. 10
Hastings Ct., at Martin's Ch.	Oct. 14
Hastings Sta.	Oct. 15
Temple Sta. (3:30 p. m.)	Oct. 16
Walter Sta. (10:00 a. m.)	Oct. 16
Abbeaton Ct., at Rosland	Oct. 21
Lawton Sta.	Oct. 22
Manitou Ct., at Jack Creek	Oct. 28
Snyder Sta.	Nov. 4
Mountain Park Ct., at Cold Spr.	Nov. 5

C. F. MITCHELL, P. E.

CHICKASHA DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Woodlawn, at Woodlawn	Oct. 7
Tuttle and Amber, at Tuttle	Oct. 8
Oak Grove, at Oak Grove	Oct. 12
Rush Springs, at Rush Springs	Oct. 14
Marlow, 1:00 p. m.	Oct. 17
Paul's Valley, 8:00 p. m.	Oct. 18
Paoli, at Paoli	Oct. 21
Maysville, at Maysville	Oct. 22
Erin Springs, at Erin Springs	Oct. 23

Lindsay, 8:00 p. m.	Oct. 24
Alex, at Alex, 1:00 p. m.	Oct. 24
Chickasha, 8:00 p. m.	Oct. 25
Velma, at Velma	Oct. 28
Duncan	Nov. 2

Let the W. H. M. S. and the Foreign have their reports ready. Also the trustees have written report as to our church property, according to new law in Discipline.

L. L. JOHNSON, P. E.

MANGUM DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Elmer, at Yeldell	Oct. 7
Altus	Oct. 8
Deer Creek	Oct. 14
Vinson	Oct. 15
McQueen and Looney, at McQ.	Oct. 21
Eldorado	Oct. 28
Olustee	Oct. 29

C. H. MCGHEE, P. E.

GUYMON DISTRICT.
(Fourth Round.)

Ellis, at Deering Chapel	Oct. 7
La Kemp	Oct. 14
Grand Valley	Oct. 21
Nabisco	Oct. 28
Guymon	Nov. 4

R. A. BAIRD, P. E.</

FROM OUR FIELD EDITOR, Rev. D. J. Weems.

Welch, Okla.

Monday night was spent in Welch with Rev. G. L. Crow, having a good service with a few. Our church and parsonage are neat, though there is talk of a brick church. They have built some rooms on the rear of the lot to accommodate the growing Sunday school. Since the fire on the business street, steps have been taken to rebuild. They have two banks, some nice stores, large lumber yard, elevator, large school house and some excellent Christians. Brother Crow is one of the most efficient preachers of his conference, and has the entire confidence of his brethren. Miss Nannie Sue, his accomplished daughter, keeps house for him. They made my visit quite pleasant. Collecting well from the old we secured one new subscriber, W. H. Pace.

Afton, Okla.

Tuesday night was spent in Afton with Rev. A. C. Pickens, preaching to his choir and a few others. The singing was excellent, and all seemed to enjoy the service. Afton is a fine rail road town. They have about 20 passenger trains every 24 hours on the two roads. Population about 1500. Two banks, two brick public school houses, several elevators, mills and public works, nice stores well filled with goods. We have a neat brick church and parsonage beautifully located. Our cause prospers, splendid Sunday school. Brother Pickens will make a good report at conference. For twenty-five years he has served faithfully, as pastor and presiding elder. His brethren speak of him as an excellent preacher. He has a fine memory and can tell you what he and others have done for their Lord the last quarter of a century. He is blessed with an excellent wife and four enthusiastic boys. With his aid we shaped up the old and secured eight new subscribers, viz: J. C. Tompkins, C. W. Livingston, W. E. Byrd, A. H. Dawson, W. E. Polson, Mrs. H. C. Ballard, C. E. Lee, and J. M. Young.

Fairland, Okla.

A quick run brought me to Fairland. The town is well named, for it is in a beautiful country. I am much pleased with Northeast Oklahoma. It is so much like Northwest Arkansas in soil and climate. I have liked this country since I first saw it twenty-nine years ago. Not over two hours were given to Fairland. The pastor, Rev. L. R. Jones, was out in a revival at one of his country churches. He is faithfully trying to shape up for conference. Sorry to have missed him. We only had time to shape up the old subscribers and hurry back to

Vinita, Okla.,

where I was to hold the prayer service, but a rain storm filled the appointment for us. Vinita is one of the best towns in Northeast Oklahoma. They have fine water works, sewers, two railroads, three banks, three public school buildings, splendid schools, several blocks of business houses, ice and light plant, good churches, and many excellent citizens. We have a large church and two-story parsonage. This is Rev. J. M. Cantrell's fourth year. He has done a great work that eternity alone can fully reveal. He is one of the most successful men of his conference, whether an circuit, station, or district. His faithful wife and dear children have each acted well their part. The town had been successfully worked, so we only had to see a few of the old subscribers. It was a pleasure to meet Rev. J. W. Sims, the beloved presiding elder, of whom his brethren speak in highest terms. It is such a comfort to know our brethren trust us, and hold us in loving esteem. He spoke well of

his preachers. That they are a faithful and hard working band.

Chelsea, Okla.

Met at the train by Rev. J. L. Gage, with his beautiful horse and buggy we canvassed Chelsea in less than three hours, enjoyed a good dinner at the parsonage and hurried on our way. We had fine success in shaping up the old and secured one new subscriber, Bro. W. W. Davis. We have a good list here. Chelsea is one of the prettiest towns in Northeast Oklahoma. Population, about 1500. There are three banks, beautiful brick stores, large mill, elevators, natural gas, water and light plant. Splendid school and church homes. We have a most desirable property both in church and parsonage at the head of Main street. Our cause prospers. Brother Gage had three fine years at Davis and is doing well at Chelsea. He is devoting all his energies to the one work, and being intelligent and earnest he is sure of success. He has a bright future. Blessed with a cultured Christian companion and two bright children his is a happy home. This church has a high class of members, many of them are part Cherokee, of which they are justly proud. No better people in Oklahoma.

Claremore, Okla.

At the crossing of the Frisco and Iron Mountain roads in Rogers county is Claremore, the county seat, and the location of the famous radium wells. Hundreds come to drink and bathe in these waters, and many receive benefit. Population, about 3,000. The town is prosperous. There are five large lumber yards, three banks, splendid hotels, general business. Three fine school buildings, and several churches. We have neat church and parsonage. The church has been refitted and new carpet, which makes it quite neat. Rev. A. S. Cameron is the pastor. He gives Brother Lewis, the former pastor, credit for preparing the way for his success. He has received forty members, has a fine Sunday school and everything prosperous. Brother Cameron ranks high as a preacher and a Christian gentleman. His people are delighted with him and his lovely family. With his aid we shaped up the old and secured six new subscribers: Judge A. Bonds, J. W. Bishop, W. A. Rylander, Mrs. T. H. Ballard, Rev. P. R. Reiter and Judge Ray K. Hart.

It was quite a pleasure to meet Esq. S. H. Robins and family, to whom I preached on my first circuit in Georgia. Also T. H. Ballard and wife, who are recently from Conway.

Broken Arrow, Okla.

A night was spent with Rev. W. W. Crymes at Broken Arrow. This is a prosperous town of nearly 2,000 in Tulsa county. There are three banks, several blocks of brick stores. Rich country. They usually make large crops, but not so good this year. There are five churches. We have elegant brick church and nice parsonage, built this year. Brother Crymes is a fine preacher and a splendid gentleman. His people love him and his highly cultured wife, who was on a visit to relatives in Alabama. There is no demand for a change of preachers. We did a little business for the Methodist. Brother Ed. Davis subscribed.

Coweta, Okla.

It was a great pleasure to be with Rev. P. C. Atkins at Coweta. We were pleasantly associated twenty-three years ago. He has been the same good, true and faithful preacher all these years. Sister Atkins has nobly stood by him and the church. They have trained a nice family. With his aid we secured six new subscribers. The old were all paid in advance. L. A. Raper, H. W. Pakmeyer, Mrs. J. B. White, Judge Bradburn, A. P. Brown and A. R. Anderson, the polite depot agent.

Mrs. White is a daughter of Rev. Frank Moore and Mrs. Raper is a daughter of Brother Moore of Conway. I was truly glad to see them and other kind friends. Coweta is a fine business point, located on the M. K. and T. road in Wagoner county. Population about 1200. Three banks and a full line of general business with gins, mills, etc. We have neat church and parsonage, and an interesting Sunday school.

Inola, Okla.

Ten miles southeast of Claremore is Inola. A good business point. They are planting some cotton, but it is better adapted to grain, grass and stock. They have a fine school, Splendid two-story brick. The near by country districts have consolidated with the town school. They have four wagonets that take the children to and from school. This gives the country children the benefit of the high school course, and a longer term. We have neat church and parsonage. Rev. J. A. Grimes is pastor here and at

Talala, Okla.

He is an excellent man and has a splendid family. He has had two successful years on this charge. Has built a neat parsonage and a good church. He is a very valuable man.

Sunday was spent at Talala, preaching morning and night to nice congregations. Talala is a growing town, has bank and several brick stores. They also have the Wagonet system and so have a fine school, extra large two-story brick. Talala will make a good center for a circuit. We have a neat church, a lot for a parsonage and some money to build. They have a splendid Sunday school, Brother J. B. Lewis, superintendent. The singing was extra fine. We enjoyed the hospitality of Brothers Crawford and Covert. Mrs. J. C. Crawford renewed and we secured seven new subscribers: J. B. Lewis, R. L. Farrar, who has a Sunday school in the country, W. R. Bentley, J. H. Shimp, A. W. Campbell, Miss Ruth Halmage and Miss Delma Covert, the excellent organist. My visit to Talala will be a pleasant memory.

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SNEED, OKLA.

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Our meeting at Tussy, Okla., was grand, and the Lord gave us twenty-eight conversions, reorganized a church with forty-one members, good Sunday school, preached some Methodist doc-

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trine with good results. I am sure Tussy is coming to the front; received some fine material into the church; twenty-four out of the twenty-eight conversions joined our church.

Here at Sneed we preached the doctrine of our church and wrung some water out of Campbellism. Results, nearly all of our new converts were baptized by effusion. Our preachers should preach the doctrine of our church and without gloves on and then we will have a healthy an strong church. Our church here at Sneed and Tussy is strictly Methodist and free from Campbellism. Our service on Sunday at 11 a. m. the last day of our meeting was the greatest of all my ministry. Our consecration service was grand; perhaps a hundred or more went into the covenant to present their bodies a living sacrifice and eight young women and nine young men remained at the altar ready to go to the foreign field as missionaries, or preach at a moment's call from God. I hardly think a more touching scene was ever witnessed. To God be the praise.

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