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HOPE.

By Oliver Herford.

I heard a bird sing
In the dark of December,
A magical thing,
And sweet to remember,
"We are nearer to spring
"Than we were in September,"
I heard a bird sing
In the dark of December.
—Century Magazine for January, 1914.

Many good men and women holding the highest ideals make their influence for good of no effect by hastily judging others.

No one can be just and judge others merely by what they say and do without knowing all the circumstances leading up to what is said and done.

It is reported a sister-in-law of Abraham Lincoln, Mrs. Sarah Todd, at the age of 103 cast her first vote at a late election and went alone to the polls.

At a service in one of the Presbyterian churches in St. Louis forty young people are said to have come forward and offered themselves for service in the foreign field.

A grain of corn is the area for the smallest painting in the world. This is a Holland scene, with a small cottage and windmill in the background and was the work of a citizen of Delaware.

Mound Bayou, Miss., is the location of a \$100,000 cotton mill run by negroes. An ex-slave, Isaiah T. Montgomery, founded the mill. His master was Joseph Davis, a brother of Jefferson Davis.

At the fifth meeting of the Council of Women for Home Missions held the first week in December in New York, it was suggested that when Mormon elders visit a community that the members of the local society follow up such visits by distributing anti-Mormon literature.

A quotation in Wesleyan Christian Advocate from A. L. Stevenson is significantly: "Perpetual devotion to what a man calls his business is only to be sustained by perpetual neglect of many other things. It is not certain that a man's business is the most important thing he has to do."

The great painting, Mona Lisa, by La Vinci, which was stolen from the Louvre in Paris was restored to its place recently. An Italian laborer, moved by patriotic motives, thought he was giving a great service to his beloved Italy by bringing back this treasure which was confiscated by Napoleon.

The Dillingham-Smith Bill was vetoed by President Taft, but has been now recommended for passage. This bill requires the migrant to pass the literary test, and if it passes will greatly lessen immigration, admitting only the better class. It should also bring to us a safer citizenship.

The Woman's Missionary Council sent abroad requests for a prayer expressed in a single sentence that would express for the work of their hands their highest thought or their greatest need. These replies are bound together in a Prayer Calendar which the Editorial Secretary will send out over the entire church.

The line dividing between righteousness and self-righteousness is very hard to discern in ourselves, but others need no microscope to see it in us. We should be very careful therefore in judging others lest our highest ideals appear as a cloak to hide our moral deformities rather than the principles which govern our lives.

The Vice Commission of Portland, Ore., has secured an ordinance called the "tin plate ordinance," requiring a plate or sign at the front entrance of every saloon, rooming house, or apartment, which bears the name and address of the owner of the building. This makes it easy to locate people who are running places of disorder.

The Mother's Pension Law passed by some states is said not to be a success, as some unworthy people, knowing they could not get state aid if they were in anything like easy circumstances, gave up their children, declaring themselves in absolute penury. As a result, orphan homes have been overcrowded and the really deserving have been hard to locate.

Gipsy Smith held a meeting in Birmingham this winter. Saturday nights he gave to the negroes, and held services which were largely attended. A choir of 500 voices furnished music and the evangelist asked that they sing just as they did in their own churches. "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot" was a general favorite. They presented the speaker with a Bible.

The message of President Wilson to the Indians is to the effect that "education, agriculture and the trades are the red man's road to the white man's civilization." The phonographic message was carried personally by Dr. Joseph K. Dixon to every reservation and delivered personally to every tribe. The chiefs were asked to renew their oath of loyalty to the United States while standing under a U. S. flag and to declare themselves "brothers standing hand in hand" with every American citizen.

THE STUDENT VOLUNTEER CONVENTION AT KANSAS CITY.

The convention was organized for team work. The speakers, for the most part, were men so closely connected with the movement that they were able properly to interpret and direct it. It was absolutely sane. Although there was tremendous enthusiasm it was not allowed to express itself in applause. Many observed the morning watch. There was much reading of Scripture and secret prayer. It was a truly evangelical body. There was remarkable evidence of the presence of God. Jesus Christ was exalted as Lord. The Holy Spirit made his power felt as the real leader. Not a frivolous or light song was sung, but eight thousand voices joined in singing the strong dignified hymns of Christendom. When the vast assembly united in the Lord's prayer there was a sense of unity and when all engaged in silent prayer the sense of individual responsibility caused such a solemn hush that the only sound each heard was the beating of his own heart. All things conspired as the sweep of a mighty stream, deep, full, steady, carrying all toward the fathomless sea of God. In his opening address Mr. Mott, the chairman, said: "The Student Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions, called into being nearly a generation ago under the influence of the mighty working of the Spirit of God, had already profoundly impressed the religious life of the colleges of the United States and Canada, widely influenced the missionary life of the churches, and furnished to the Missionar Boards the greatest offering of lives ever made in one generation by two Christian nations. The simple but highly significant purpose of this movement is, in the first place, to furnish the Mission Boards of the United States and Canada with a supply of capable student volunteers sufficient to meet the demands made upon them in the effort to give all living men the opportunity to know the living Christ; and, secondly, to lead the students whom God does not call to become missionaries to make their lives count most as clergymen and laymen in developing in North America a strong home base for world-wide missionaries and in backing up that enterprise in all ways within their power." During the life-time of this movement 5,882 of its members have gone out to the foreign fields under the auspices of seventy missionary agencies. During the past four years 1,466 volunteers have sailed, many of them overcoming great difficulties.

At Redfield Park, N. J., an employe of the Railroad Company, while carrying a mother and child across the tracks, was killed by an incoming train. His name was Philip Deleo, an Italian, who was planning in the spring to return and live happily with his family across the seas. Unknown and unsung, but a hero nevertheless.

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scribers.

Rev. M. L. Sims is a perfect fit in Dustin station. He and his wife are deservedly popular with their people.

Rev. B. L. Williams has captured the town of Wanette. They are loud in their praise of the Wanette station pastor.

Rev. S. H. Babcock is in great favor with the First Church, Shawnee congregation. He is recognized as one of the strongest preachers in Southern Methodism.

Rev. J. B. Stevenson, presiding elder of the Fayetteville district, held a very successful preachers' meeting and missionary institute at Elm Springs, Ark., Jan. 6-8.

The pastor of Salem, Ark., Rev. W. C. Barham, has a good prospect for a fine year. He has adopted the plan of putting the Western Methodist in every home.

Rev. W. A. McKee of Gentry station, Arkansas, is preaching to full houses. He is much encouraged with his work. His motto is a great revival and full collections.

Rev. H. L. Wheeler, one of our transfers from New Mexico, now serving the Pea Ridge circuit, Fayetteville district, is starting well on his work and has been well received.

No man in the conference is in greater favor with his people than Rev. J. C. Curry. He is beginning his second year at Tecumseh station with every prospect of a successful year.

The Maud and Semiolo charge made an assessment for the support of their pastor, Rev. A. C. Pickins, of twelve hundred dollars. Nothing succeeds like success. Bro. Pickins always succeeds.

Hendrix College opened Jan. 6 with a large number of the old students present and a number of new ones. Rev. E. R. Steel, pastor, conducted the opening service. Dr. Reynolds, the president, impressed the students with an earnest talk.

Rev. J. J. Kline, of Harrell, Ark., has organized a Sunday school with 22 pupils since Jan. 4 which bids fair to do well. A new organ has been installed and a new bell will be purchased for the church soon. The church is reported as doing well under Bro. Kline's generalship.

Our office was favored last Friday with a visit from Rev. M. E. Butt, D. D., a super-

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annuate of the North Alabama Conference. He came to Arkansas Conference in 1881 and later returned to Alabama. He is spending the winter with his daughter, 2222 Chester street, Little Rock.

Rev. J. W. House, of Springdale, Ark., one of the finest Bible scholars in the land, and a worthy brother every way, is open for dates to help in revival meetings. Any one wanting a good man and a great Bible preacher to assist in meetings will do well to write him at Springdale, Ark.

A beautiful tribute was paid Bro. Thornburgh when on Bro. Holland's motion Bro. Thornburgh was elected Sunday School Superintendent Emeritus. For more than forty years Bro. Thornburgh has been actively engaged in the work of training our young people.

A great meeting is in progress at Pryor, Okla. There were sixteen conversions and reclamations last Sunday night and about fifty to date. The church is packed to overflowing. Bro. Taylor, the pastor, has been sick for a few days. Conference Evangelist Jerry Jeter and wife are with Bro. Taylor in the meeting.

A telegram from Bro. J. L. Stewart, Boswell, Okla., on January 8, brought the sad news of the death of Mrs. Nellie Jane White, wife of Bro. J. W. White, pastor of our church at Boswell. We deeply sympathize with dear Bro. White and pray that the gospel he so earnestly preaches may sustain him in this time of sorrow.

In a field note from Rev. W. T. Wilkinson, published elsewhere in this paper, we note that Cabot has set a noble example worthy of the loyal imitation of every church in Methodism. He sends \$100 as their share toward sending out 20 new missionaries.

Bishop Mouzon preached at the First Methodist Church, Texarkana, last Sunday.

In a personal letter Bro. A. H. Lark, L. E., of Alma, Ark., has the following kind words of encouragement: "I want to state that I have been taking the Western Methodist, under the various names it has had, for over 30 years and I must say it was never as good in all its history as at present. Long may it continue to bless our Methodism in the great West."

Rev. M. A. Casidy, Conference Evangelist of East Oklahoma, and Rev. S. E. Kirby of Little Rock, will begin a meeting at Antlers, Okla., Jan. 18. Rev. S. X. Swimme, pastor. Bros. Cassidy and Kirby are a strong team in evangelistic work. They will spend some time in Arkansas as well as in Oklahoma. We give their pictures on the 16th page of this paper.

The members of the Epworth League, Vinita, Okla., manifested their high regard for Miss Cornelia Sweet, now at Angelo Heights, San Angelo, Texas, by sending her a parcels post Christmas shower. The gifts were, according to the San Angelo Daily Standard, "very beautiful and elegant." There are no stronger and purer friendships formed anywhere than in the League.

The Minutes show that Bryant charge was assessed for Church Extension, \$37, and paid nothing. For Orphanage, \$15; paid nothing. We were assessed for Church Extension, \$37; paid \$20. For Orphanage, \$15; paid \$11.

W. J. Rogers, P. C.

January 15,

OKLAHOMA NEWS AND NOTES.

Rev. L. C. Craig.

Wapanucka.

I left Calvin on M. O. G. at 2:45 p. m., Tuesday, and because of a wreck, reaching Wapanucka, at 10:30 p. m. Bro. W. S. Lee, the pastor at Wapanucka, has been returned for the fourth year. He is deservedly popular with his people. Our canvass for the paper was very pleasant here. We had a good service Wednesday night. I spent the night in the home of Bro. S. L. Barnes, one of our best laymen. The new church has just been completed and Bro. Lee is planning to have a meeting real soon.

Kenefick.

I missed Bro. McKinney at Kenefick, but found splendid help in Bro. Busby and his daughter, Miss Lena. We placed the Methodist in every Methodist home in the charge. The canvass is much more pleasant in fair weather. Bro. McKinney lives about six miles from Kenefick near the center of his work. We expect to canvass the other points in his charge later on. Special courtesies were extended me by the hotel landlady at Kenefick.

Rev. L. C. Craig preached at Canadian, Okla., Sunday morning. He heard Dr. Carpenter at Phillips Memorial, McAlester, at night. Dr. Carpenter is one of our strongest preachers.

Calvin.

Rev. J. J. Shaw is in favor with the people at Calvin. We had a delightful canvass, Tuesday, for the Western Methodist and succeeded beyond our expectations. I enjoyed the hospitality of Bro. Shaw and family and spent the night in the home of Bro. and Sister J. M. Blackwell. Bro. Blackwell took the suppreannate relation at Tahlequah, because of ill health. He has purchased a farm, and he and Sister Blackwell are enjoying the outdoor work. The Lord abides in their home. Calvin and Stuart make a fine charge.

Grace Church, Durant, 1-9-14.

Bro. J. S. Moore and I began the canvass here on the south side in Durant last week, but Bro. and Sister Moore were both sick with colds and we deferred the canvass until today. I preached for him last night, and tonight. We have had a successful day. Bro. Moore is a splendid worker. Through his efforts, this church has been built, and fitted for worship. There is a debt of about one hundred dollars which is practically provided for, and the future success of this church is assured.

ARKANSAS NOTES AND PERSONALS.

Rev. D. J. Weems.

Rison.

This is the county site of Cleveland county. It is in a high and healthy part of the state. They have excellent new brick court house, splendid two story brick public school house with a fine school being taught in it. It was a pleasure to address the school and conduct chapel for them. Rison has four blocks of business houses, bank, Baptist and Methodist churches, and comfortable parsonage. Rev. W. F. Rogers is returned for the second year. He is a valuable man, and is held in high esteem by his brethren. It is due to him that an excellent new church has been built so soon after losing their concrete block church. He knows how to bring things to pass. It is hard to place too high an estimate upon such men. Sister Rogers is the efficient president of the Missionary Society, and helps in the church work. They are train-

ing some nice children. We shaped up the old and secured four new subscribers for the Western Methodist.

New Edinburg.

In the southern part of the Cleveland county is New Edinburg. There are half dozen stores, mill, gin, two shops, two-story public school house. Brother Snypes, the Presbyterian minister, is principal. Three churches, Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian. Ours is a new church, well built, neat within and painted pure white on the outside. It is a credit to the town and to Bro. Hugh Revely, who inspired them to build. The acoustics are perfect. We had a delightful service with a large week-night congregation. Rev. L. M. Powell is pastor this year. He is cordially received, has had a liberal pounding, and two fine dressed porkers were brought to the parsonage while I was there. Bro. Powell knows how to look after his work. He has had a successful ministry and is loved wherever he goes. His good wife and three precious children brighten his home. A new parsonage is the talk. The old one is not in keeping with the beautiful homes of the members. Preachers should live about on an equality with their members. Shaping the old we secured six new subscribers. A most pleasant night was spent in the home of Bro. and Sister C. F. Smith. Going through Bro. Sages' district I find him in much favor with his preachers, and with the churches. He is making an excellent presiding elder.

Kingsland.

Rev. A. J. Ewing and his good preacher wife have been cordially received at Kingsland. They are most excellent people and will no doubt have a good year. They are cultured, religious and faithful, what more could any one wish? We had a precious service on Tuesday night with a real good congregation, and did fairly well for the Western Methodist. We have twenty-six subscribers at this office. It is the home of Rev. C. W. Drake and Rev. C. C. Green, both worthy superannuates. They are both trying to supplement what the conference allows them. May the good Father bless and comfort them. We have desirable property both in church and parsonage, well located. There seems to be harmony with all the churches. Pro. Baker is still principal of the school, with three fine young lady assistants. Bro. C. W. Wheeler and G. W. Montgomery have charge of the bank. This is a good business town and seems to be prospering.

Fordyce.

Rev. J. A. Parker is returned for the third year to Fordyce. He is one of the strong preachers of his conference, is affable, zealous and fully consecrated to his life work and is held in high esteem by his brethren. He and his good wife are training a nice family. Miss May is nearly ready for college, Fletcher and Cecil are fine boys. Walter, a graduate of Hendrix College, is a professor in his Alma Mater. Fordyce is one of the excellent mill towns of the state. The large yellow pine saw mill and planer, the spoke and stave factories furnish employment for hundreds of men. There are extensive wholesale and retail businesses, two railroads, two banks, large public school. Profs. Bright and Morton have charge. Four churches. Ours is a neat brick, that is filled each Sunday with Sunday school pupils; Bro. Higginbotham is superintendent. The large Baraca class is inspiring. It was quite a pleasure to spend Sunday with this good people by invitation of the pastor. We had precious services. The

free will offering for special missions was \$50. They expect to make it \$100. We did well for the Western Methodist. Fifty copies will be coming here from now, with prospect of others. This is a real desirable station.

LITTLE ROCK WEEKLY PREACHERS MEETIN.

The meetings were changed from monthly to weekly, and every Tuesday at 10 o'clock set as the time of meeting. J. M. Workman was elected chairman for the year.

Present: Richardson, Rodgers, Buhler, Hundley, Evans, Twitty, Mann, Workman, and Hutchinson. There being no program, the chief item of interest was the very gratifying and inspiring reports of the preachers for the week. Little Rock Methodism is moving forward with progress that is thrilling and putting new life into every leader of it.

First Church: One of the largest congregations in three years at morning service, with deeply spiritual attention; four additions. League enthusiastic. Board of Stewards doing fine work.

Highland Park: The League has most excellent Mission study class, led by H. R. Fertig, a princely layman. Large attendance at Sunday school. Congregations all that could be expected.

Hunter Memorial: The largest attendance at morning service for this pastorate. Prayer meeting largely attended. League enthusiastic.

Asbury: So many communicants at the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, that a new individual communion set is to be ordered. The first Sunday night of each month is given to a musical service and church conference, last Sunday night was the climax so far in these services; full house.

Pulaski Heights: The largest attendance at both Sunday school and church for this conference year. Pastor's salary raised \$500; 27 received into the church as New Year's class; picture taken of class.

Twenty Eighth Street: Sunday school needing more room; pastor's salary raised \$200. Woman's Missionary Society organized; preacher and wife "pounded."

Winfield Memorial: Received largest number of members in history of church thus far this year. Sunday morning congregation biggest in this pastorate. Large attendance at Sunday school.

Capital View: Church crowded at all services Sunday, more room needed; 212 at Sunday school. League room packed, spiritual service. Three additions Sunday by vows, large attendance at Missionary society Monday. Hutchinson preached at night.

The District: Hutchinson was at Keo with Duckworth latter part of week in revival; several conversions. At Capital View Sunday night. Held quarterly conference, Winfield Monday night; First Church Tuesday night.

HOT SPRINGS METHODISM.

It has been several weeks since we have communicated anything to our paper with reference to the conditions of Methodism in Hot Springs. We have not organized our Preachers' Association since the annual conference, but some of the brethren think it not necessary to re-organize before giving notice that Hot Springs is still on the map. After a little 'phone talk the following information has been gleaned:

Bro. Dean, being returned to Third Street,

is moving forward with brighter prospects than the first of last year. His congregations are larger, his Sunday school and League have both improved and he has received 11 members into the church. He is preaching at Garnerer's school house in the afternoon once a month.

Bro. J. B. Evans, appointed to Malvern Avenue and Tigert Memorial at the last session of the annual conference, is moving along nicely at both places. He has organized an Epworth League at Tigert Memorial, and the congregations and Sunday school have both increased in attendance. Also his congregations, Sunday school and League have improved at Malvern Avenue. He has received one member at Tigert and three at Malvern Avenue. However, he will devote all his time to Malvern Avenue from now on, the presiding elder to provide another preacher for Tigert Memorial.

Bro. W. M. Manville, lately superannuated, is supplying Oaklawn for the time being, or until the presiding elder may arrange permanently for the year. Bro. Manville's health is not very encouraging at present and he may be unable to hold the work. But we entertain some hopes of his renewed activity when spring opens.

Bro. A. M. Robertson, taking up his second years work at Park Avenue, is moving off with his old time vigor and faith. His congregations, Sunday school and League are all good and better. He has received one member and has some other prospective candidates for membership. You may look out for "old Bob" to come out neck and neck with the others at the end of the race.

Bro. H. B. Trimble, the newly appointed pastor at Central Avenue, is making a very favorable impression on his congregation. He has been here four Sundays and his people are delighted with him and his preaching. The congregations at the preaching hours are fairly good. The Sunday school and League are both doing good work. They are still worshipping at the Princess Theatre since the big fire. They anticipate rebuilding in the near future. Bro. Trimble has a noble band of men and women to stand by him while he "trembles" under the great load of rebuilding this year.

Dr. Monk, everybody's presiding elder on the district, is moving off in fine shape and you may expect to hear good news from the old Arkadelphia district this year.

O. K. Keadle.

CHICKASHA DISTRICT.

Two Missionary Institutes will be held in Chickasha District, West Oklahoma Conference during the month of January. These will be held at Waurika and Anadarko. The one at Waurika January 20-22. The one at Anadarko January 28-30.

Terral, Ryan, Waurika, Harrisburg, Comanche, Duncan, Marlow, Oak Grove and Rush Springs charges will go to Waurika for Institute work. The remainder of the charges in the district will go to Anadarko.

Programs for the work of these Institutes have been sent out to all of the pastors of the district. Every preacher and official of the church in the district is a delegate to these Institutes, respectfully. Let each pastor endeavor to bring a large number of his people in touch with the work of these Institutes. I trust we will be able to make this work a great help to the work of the whole district.

Faternally,

Moss Weaver, P. E.

TRUSTEESHIP OF PROPERTY AS TAUGHT IN THE NEW TESTAMENT.

So many things, some wise, some unwise and some otherwise, have been said and written about what the Bible teaches concerning the right use of property that it might seem a work of supererogation to add yet another word. The defense, however, for perpetrating more of this on the public is that there is yet no general agreement and certainly no uniformity of practice among us concerning this matter. The ideas held by the average church member and the practices ordinarily in vogue in our churches reflect no credit upon the saints. The church of today is suffering immeasurably, almost irreparably, from its pernicious financial systems, if systems some of them may be called. This is truly the commercial age of the world. Business men are the ruling spirits of the times. The cool deliberate judgment of a business man outweighs that of any other man. Woe to the man or the institution whose business methods come under the ban of the business men of this age. They will not accept loyalty to a creed, loud claims of orthodoxy, nor even claims to ecstatic religious experiences as a substitute for square dealings. They believe that money is the touch stone by which character is revealed. The man who is wrong in the use of his money is wholly wrong from the business man's standpoint. Who will say that he is not correct in these views?

Hence, it behooves the church as never before to have its business methods above reproach. How do the business methods ordinarily in vogue in our churches impress the successful business man of today? He would doubtless bring three indictments against them: They are not Scriptural, they are not equitable, and they do not get the adequate amount of revenue. To sustain any one of these indictments would suggest the necessity of making some radical changes in our church finances. If all of them could be sustained it would be a demonstration that we need a revolution in our methods. There is not a shadow of doubt about sustaining all of them. Let no one suppose for a moment that the "throw in" methods, the hit or miss method (mostly miss), the chance method, the "oyster stew" method, and methodless methods, are of divine origin. They are not taught in the Book, nor would any one claim for them Divine sanction. To suggest that God is their author would be an impeachment of heavenly wisdom, to accuse God of being their father would be to question His sanity. They are of the earth and earthly. Men in their abortive efforts to improve or modify the Divine plan always hinder the cause they would help. God is the greatest business man in the universe. His scheme of human redemption contemplates the using of hundreds of thousands of workers, erecting hundreds of thousands of buildings, making an outlay of billions of dollars necessary. That God has provided some adequate plan to finance this vast enterprise is no violent assumption. But neither God nor any good business man would own many of the present-day systems as his. There is no warrant in His Book for them. Hence they are not God's.

It does not require an expert in ethics to see that these methods are not equitable. An equitable one would distribute the expenses according to the ability of the recipients. It is an open secret that assessments even in our best churches are not made according to ability but according to willingness.

The working woman paying as much as the banker or capitalist is not an unknown spectacle among us. The working woman does not pay too much but the banker and capitalist in such cases are parasites. Their property values are sustained and maintained by the presense of organized Christianity. Let organized Christianity withdraw from any city in the United States and property values would drop fifty per cent in thirty days. The rich man feels that it is quite a burden to put a few hundreds dollars per year into the church, whereas it would cost him many thousands were the church to withdraw from his city. Any system that tolerates situations like that is not equitable, whatever else it may be.

That the amount of revenue secured by the present methods is inadequate needs no argument. The crying needs to meet present-day responsibilities is more revenue. If the church had had sufficient revenue to have placed five thousand missionaries in China five years ago. God only knows what would have happened ere this. Thousands of young men and woman wanted to go. They were kept at home for want of funds. The funds, ample funds, were in the hands of our church members, but it was not available for the furtherance of the Kingdom. The appalling situation in the home land cries out to heaven. None but a man with a heart of stone can view the home missions situation without his inmost soul being stirred. The boards look on the fields white unto the harvest, shake their heads and whisper "inadequate revenue." So the present system whatever else might be said about it is not getting the adequate revenue.

Another reason for further and persistent teaching on the right use of money is the fact that it is still the damning sin of the age. It is still the root of all the evils. Not that the genesis of every sin can be found in the love of money but that it has led men to every form of sin in the black catalogue of sins. It has led to murder, arson, larceny, adultery and all that class of grosser sins. It is also the source of a multitude of sins not so disreputable, in fact some have gained respectability. The inordinate love of money has, like a vampire, sucked out the spiritual vitality of many a life otherwise faultless. Selfishness, that prolific mother of sins, is in its genesis a love of money or its equivalent. Hence the watchman who loves God and wants to serve humanity must stand upon the walls and cry aloud and spare not if he would be free from the blood of men.

What does the Book teach? As is well known in the Old Testament ten per cent of the income was levied upon as sacred for divine purposes. This rule with whatever merits or demerits it may or may not have was of divine origin. It was equitable. It did get the revenue. But the question is, Did Jesus Christ teach tithing? Did he require his followers to practice it? Did he promulgate it as the New Testament method for church finances? This writer answers emphatically that he did not. Many older, wises and better men claim that he did. They cite Matt. 23:23 to sustain their contention. "Ye pay tithe of mint, anise and cumin and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy, faith; these ought ye to have done and not left the other undone." He is rebuking them for being punctilious about tithing but unscrupulous about other matters more important. To paraphrase this would be to say, "You may be as careful as

you please about tithing and such matters but you must not think that your punctiliousness in this absolves you from more important matters." Never once did he suggest this as the financial policy for the New Testament church. Jesus was not much given to laying down arbitrary rules. He was sparing in the use of precepts and prohibitions. These are suited to the child mind and to the race in childhood. Jesus unfolded fundamental principles out of which rules, precepts and prohibitions may be evolved.

What did Jesus teach as to our relationship to property? Both Communists and Socialists have claimed him as their champion. This only illustrates how a great truth can be perverted. Two parables, the parable of the talents and the parable of the pounds unfold the mind of Christ as to our relationship to property. In each case the Lord in the parable delivered to the servants HIS goods. The servants owned nothing. The property entrusted to them was to be held and used in trust for the owner. According to the New Testament we own nothing. We are only trustees of property which belongs to God. Moreover the lord in the parable called unto him his own servants. They, too, belonged to him. Hence their time was his. "Ye are not your own. Ye are bought with a price." Now Jesus teaches that we, our property, and our time belong to God. We hold it all in trust for Him. This truth was in embryo in the Old Testament and some of the seers at their best got glimpses of it. "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof. The world and they that dwell therein." "The sea is his and he made it and his hands formed the dry land." The fact that God assumed the right to levy on one-tenth of the income and one-seventh of the time has in it the germinal truth that he is Lord of it all. His right to a part of it grows out of this fact. The ten per cent plan was the primary lesson for stewardship or trusteeship laid bare in the teaching of Jesus. Jesus was not a stickler for organization. He knew what some moderns do not seem to know, that a great vital, vitalizing and energizing truth cannot long remain unembodied. Such truths evolve an organism through which they make themselves felt among men. Jesus knew that this conception of trusteeship once lodged in the minds of men would evolve a system of church finances that would amply take care of the expenses. Hence he laid down no rules as to any certain per cent. Why then, you ask, has not this truth evolved itself such an organism that would get the desired revenue? Because it has not yet been grasped by any considerable number of his followers. A matter of supreme importance is how to get the church to grasp this truth.

It has been the writer's delightfully refreshing experience to know a few devout, elect and select souls who have grasped this conception as to their relationship to their property. Without a single exception they all reached this conception through the Old Testament route. They all began systematic tithing. After a conscious partnership with God for a few years, some for many, it began to dawn upon them that not a tenth but all belonged to God. Then they picked up their tents and moved from the Old over to the New Testament standard. After this they paid never less than a tenth, but sometimes a fourth, sometimes a third, in some cases half of their income. A few having made enough of this world's goods pay all their income above actual expenses. The writer has yet to

see the man who could grasp and practice stewardship as taught by Christ who did not first get the elementary lesson in the Old Testament. One might expatiate on the beauties of analytical geometry but to the one who had not mastered algebra and geometry analytics would not seem to be the poetry of mathematics as it really is. There may be some who reach it at a bound, but the average man will not likely reach it except by the Old Testament route.

Now the practical application is this: Let every child be taught to tithe. Let all the older ones who really desire to become finally adjusted to the teachings of the New Testament begin to tithe. Let this be kept up conscientiously for several years. A consciousness that one is in partnership with God will have a restraining influence to keep him from doing wrong and will inspire him to his highest and holiest endeavors. It is a fact that God has strangely prospered all who conscientiously tithe. It has never wronged a man's wife and children and has never deprived them of anything that they are entitled to. On the contrary it has been a blessing to thousands of them, and they are this moment enjoying material blessings that never would have been theirs had the head of the family never tithed. Thousands of men from the humblest laborer to the capitalist have tried this and so far as this writer knows all are pleased with it. The objectors are those who are not willing to give God's work that large a place in their program. After years of financial and spiritual prosperity it finally dawns upon the man that all belongs to God and he is God's steward. Then he can quit keeping books, have the liberty of the Gospel, will pay much more than ten per cent, and will get such a vision of Christ as the one who stops with tithing never can get.

This article is not written in answer to what any one may have written. It is the author's deep conviction that herein lies the solution of one of our most difficult problems. It is finding the Lord's way and walking therein.

O. E. Goddard.

AN IMPORTANT CONFERENCE.

In lieu of the mid-winter missionary institute, which was postponed till next summer, Dr. Pinson called together the Annual Conference Missionary Secretaries Dec. 17-18. The following are some of the principal paragraphs reported by the committee appointed to gather up the findings of that body, as sent us by Dr. G. B. Winton:

As soon as possible after the session of the Annual Conference a meeting of the Conference Board of Missions should be held, at which thorough-going plans should be laid for the year. The presiding elders and lay leaders should be urged to attend this meeting. It should be preeminently a business meeting and be given to open discussion of plans and methods with very few, if any, public or set addresses. Special attention should be given to evangelism, missionary specials, missions in the Sunday school and Epworth League, the Missionary Committee and the Every Member Canvass, Presiding Elders' Institutes and the mission charges in the Conference. (This is the meeting that has usually been spoken of as "the midyear meeting." We are of the opinion, however, that a meeting at the beginning of the year is preferable to one in the middle of the year.)

The importance of the District Institute for which the Discipline makes the presiding elder responsible, cannot be too strongly em-

phasized. It should be composed of pastors, church leaders, Sunday school superintendents and fourth vice presidents of Epworth Leagues. Plans should be thoroughly considered and laid out for uniting the forces of the district to carry out the lines of work discussed and provided for in the meeting of the board referred to above, with special emphasis on Missionary Institutes throughout the district. The missionary secretary should co-operate to the fullest extent in these institutes and put himself at the disposal of the Institute for aiding and carrying out their plans as far as he is able. The inadequacy of the regular income to provide for the sending out of new missionaries led the board secretaries to call upon the church for a Week of Self Denial and Prayer.

The educational and inspirational value of missionary institutes for churches and circuits has been fully demonstrated. We would suggest a two days' Institute for all stations—preferably Sunday and Monday—or, if during the week, two nights and a day; and an all-day mass meeting with a basket dinner for circuits, but this circuit rally should not take the place of a mass meeting or Institute for every country church as provided for in the Discipline. The Conference Secretary should co-operate with the presiding elder and pastor in arranging and conducting such Institutes, and should offer his services for such itineraries as may be arranged for him by the presiding elders.

The first great need of the home base is a revival throughout the church. There should be a Committee on Evangelism in every Conference, and an organized effort, by the help of leading pastors, for weak churches and the sue of evangelists under the Board of Missions to secure a spiritual awakening in every church.

The movement to raise a quarter million dollars for a building fund for the home and foreign fields, so auspiciously launched at Junaluska last summer, is worthy of the united effort of the entire church. Conference Missionary Secretaries should earnestly co-operate with the Board Secretaries and with leaders of the Laymen's Missionary Movement for the speedy completion of this important movement.

The growing interest in missions on the part of the Leagues and Sunday schools should be fostered, and secretaries should urge that amounts contributed in this way be counted as a missionary surplus or special, and thus made to swell the aggregate income instead of being swallowed up in the meager and altogether inadequate assessment. We gratefully recognize the breadth of vision and generous efforts of the secretaries of the Epworth League Board in making the League a vital missionary force, and rejoice in the increasing income for the budget in Cuba from this source. We indulge the hope that by 1915 the Leagues will reach their goal in carrying the entire budget of Cuba, and we pledge our best efforts to this end.

It is gratifying to witness the increasing disposition of men of wealth throughout the Christian world to give large sums to the cause of missions. This is as it should be since the small giving of the past will neither meet the demands of the hour nor furnish a sufficient opportunity for the accumulations and enlightened liberality of our day. Our leaders should bring the needs and opportunities of the cause of missions to the attention of men and women of means in our own church for large personal gifts, life

annuities and bequests. We should also bend our energies for recruits to the emergency corps, planned by our Laymen's Missionary Movement, until they number at least 10,000 Minute Men of Methodism.

We believe the financial plan set forth in "The Financial Method for Methodists" is a well nigh ideal system for our churches, and should continue to urge its adoption throughout the church. The weekly offering, according to the Duplex method, is the best plan yet invented for the solution of our financial problems. In every church a carefully prepared and thorough-going Every Member Canvass should be made. In congregations using the budget system we would urge a straight member to member canvass to secure a freewill offering as a surplus or special for missions.

There is no better medium for reaching our people with missionary information than our **Conference organs**. We should aid in increasing their circulation and that of the Missionary Voice, and freely furnish missionary matter for their columns. The projection of the Southern Missionary News Bureau we regard as a wise and timely move. Its astounding success and the eagerness with which the secular papers, great and small, are accepting and using the service is a most hopeful indication of wide-spread missionary interest.

We believe it impossible for the Conference Boards to do their work properly without requiring and receiving regular reports from the men who serve missions charges in the Conference.

After much consideration of the subject we are firmly convinced that every Conference Board, where it is at all practicable, should put a secretary in the field to give all his time to carrying forward of a vigorous policy for Conference, Home and Foreign Missions, provided always that a competent man can be had, but this position should in no case be filled by a weak or inefficient appointee.

Above all, we should put in increasing emphasis on prayer. The task before us is too great for human powers. "It is not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." "Ask of me, and I will give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession." Our Lord can afford to despise his enemies and have them in derision, but he must wait on the prayers of his friends. The subject of prayer should be emphasized in every Institute, and the great duty and privilege of intercession urged on every occasion. God commands it, the missionary plead for it, and our success waits on it. If we fail in everything else let us be men of prayer, and call on the church to "advance on its knees."

LANE-COWNE.

Mr. John E. Cowne of Greenwood, Ark., and Miss Emily Lane of Plummerville, Ark., were married at the Methodist Church at Plummerville at 8 p. m., Jan. 7, 1914. These parties are loyal Methodists, of excellent families, both prominent in social and religious circles. This writer, together with a host of friends, wish them all the blessings the years may bring.

J. M. Williams.

Atkins, Ark., Jan. 9, 1914.

MACOMB-TURNER.

Married, at the bridge west of Dover, in Pope county, in the presence of several friends, Mr. D. D. Turner to Miss Maud Macomb, M. R. Lark officiating.

LITTLE ROCK AND ARGENTA
PREACHERS' MEETING.

Present—Workman, Richardson, Hundley, Man, Twitty, Rodgers, Hutchinson, Buhler, Hays, Walker, McClure, Graham, Mitchner.

Evans.—At Hot Springs taking course of baths.

McClure.—All services well attended; finances up to date.

Graham.—Preaching every second Sunday to children; people loyal; large attendance last Sunday.

Twitty.—Excellent attendance both morning and night; four additions; Sunday school largest this year.

Mann.—Best congregations in this pastorate; 159 in Sunday school; finances in good shape.

Walker.—Four additions; Sunday school being thoroughly organized; church attendance excellent.

Hundley.—All services well attended; Leagues doing well; two additions.

Rodgers.—Large attendance at both services; 220 at Sunday school; one addition.

Buhler.—Congregations overflowed the church both services Sunday; numbers turned away from League for lack of room; 276 at Sunday school.

Richardson.—Best League attendance this year; seven additions to church.

Mitchner.—A local preacher of Gardner Memorial was a pleasant visitor.

Workman.—Sunday school and League largest this year; 15 additions to church.

Hutchinson.—At Tomberlin Sunday, England Sunday night and Monday, both places in excellent condition and both made handsome contributions to district parsonage. Parsonage has been bought, to cost \$5,500.

Hays.—We are receiving from 75 to 100 subscribers every week and receiving many letters of appreciation.

FORT SMITH DRY.

Whether Fort Smith will remain dry for the next two years still remains to be fought out under the petition as fixed by the Goings bill. Be that as it may, we have had already a week's respite from the traffic of the open saloon and have had an object lesson which has vindicated the claims of our most ardent Temperance leaders. The following clipping appeared in the morning paper Tuesday, Jan. 6th:

City Jail Empty for First Time.

For the first time in the memory of any one connected with the city government the city jail is empty.

J. W. Price is the only man in the jail, and he would not be there but for the fact that he could not draw his salary as jailer if he deserted his post. But he is the loneliest man in the city.

This morning there were two prisoners in jail, one awaiting a remittance for the payment of his fine and the other being held for Juvenile Court Officer Moss. The former received the remittance this morning and at noon Mr. Moss took charge of the other.

The doors of the jail were then thrown open to allow the cells and rooms to get a good airing.

The saloons closed their doors on Wednesday night at 12 o'clock. On Friday night following there was not an arrest made until 2 o'clock Sunday morning. These results astonished the most optimistic. Either men have quit drinking and therefore are able to be law abiding, or else the criminal element have migrated to other cities where they can

slack their thirst and continue their carousals. In either case Fort Smith has been greatly blessed in these few days of waiting for the action of the County Court upon the petition for license. The "lid" is on and if the saloons go we expect to have a dry city.

G. G. Davidson,

Pastor 1st M. E. Church, South.
Fort Smith, Ark.

MANGUM DISTRICT NOTES.

They had some brains at work when they drew the plans for our beautiful church at Mangum, and somebody had a heroic faith when they said that they could carry the plans to completion. It is one of the most splendid church buildings in the state. As you look upon it, it just fills the eye. All the arrangements on the inside are wisely ordered; it has splendid equipment for the best Sunday school work.

Superintendent McCollister looks happy in presiding over the Sunday school. He is the inspired leader with a head that thinks and plans and with a heart that is brave to do. I am persuaded that he has one of the most perfect organizations to be found anywhere.

The superintendent is strongly supported by every class organization in the school. He has a strong right arm in the Baraca class. I have heard but few teachers so well fitted for the work as Bro. J. L. Carpenter, lawyer, statesman and Christian. It was gratifying to his friends to note the lofty principles, and the superior quality of manhood that he brought to the State Senate. There has been no demand upon him that he has not met with ability and ease.

What vast possibilities of growth are before this vigorous congregation. The lot of the pastor is to be coveted that is in charge of such a company. Pastor Sims is like every other brave and adroit leader. He is everywhere upon the field, in all things showing himself a pattern of good work. He is an untiring worker, a student of good books, a tactful and forceful preacher, and is doing a splendid work in his charge.

One of the rare pleasures of my continual going is the fellowship of the brethren. I just happened in on Pastor Peterson and was glad to pull his latchstring again, and to look upon as fine a circle of children as God ever gave to a home. He and the gentle one at his side begin the third year at Hobart with good prospects for a successful year. Bro. Peterson is preaching to a full house in Hobart. He has taken high rank in his town as a preacher and the people are flocking to his church. I am glad for his large hearing for there is no doubt as to the gospel he preaches. Judge J. R. Talbert is a member of this congregation and helps the preacher, for he is skilled in the fine art of listening. The good people of Hobart tell me that the Judge has made his court strong for righteousness, and that he is putting sin and crime to the hard task of the road. He has announced himself as a candidate for Congress. I am sure there is not a more capable man in the district for that high office or that will serve the state better than he.

If you want to find out how bright the world is and how warm hearted God has made some men, just go to Blair and spend the day with J. G. Blackwood. It puts you in love with mankind. The Lord prepared to bless many people when he made Blackwood. His grip has not slackened on his people since the great meeting last year resulting in about seventy additions to our church. Blackwood

has the confidence of his brethren, they know that all the sacred interests of the church are safe in his hands.

When I get to Hollis I know that I am among some of the best people God has given the church, it is a distinct pleasure to come in touch with such noble spirits and feel the full current of their devotion to Christ and his church. Bro. Barnhardt is their pastor and he has the true shepherd instinct. He has a conscientious care of his people, the soul-hunger for lost men and he brings to the pulpit the saving and nourishing truth of God.

Rev. B. C. Perry of Lone Wolf is devoted to his work. I knew him as a boy, and he has been right all the way, his feet have known no other way. He has a difficult work, but he is giving it his full time and is happy. When at the parsonage, he and his young wife told me that they were going to show me the finest baby in the land. I told them I was not surprised at that. I have an invitation to dedicate him to the Lord in baptism.

One of the pleasant things in going to Granite is to hear the nice things Pastor Stroud's people say about him. It is no new thing—go back over the charges he has served and it is the same good report, and the same love and confidence such as is good to hear. He is beginning a good work at Granite and Willow. He is a faithful and diligent pastor and a reader of good books, and his sermons are the product of the thoughtful mind. He and his people are pleased.

When I came to Eldorado Rev. C. T. Davis met me at the depot and took me to the parsonage, the thing that pleased me, where a had large welcome and rare entertainment. One, two, three—that's the number of olive plants around his table, and that's the times that Pastor Davis is richer than Mr. Carnegie, for each one is worth more than all his millions. I have not found a pastorate where the parsonage family is more highly esteemed, and I have not found a pulpit that holds a more commanding influence in the community.

If you should incidentally stop off at Duke you would find a people and preacher mutually pleased with each other, and this splendid double station with its face to the sunrise. I am told that Shepherd can preach like an elder and has a way of getting people to do what ought to be done. He will preach the opening sermon for the district conference at Mangum April 22. Bro. Shepherd comes to us from Louisiana and we give him a welcome as broad as our prairies and as sincere as the blue above our heads.

Rev. J. F. Hendry has a fine field and is starting in the right way on the Pleasant Hill and Bethel charge. He is getting hold of the people and inspiring them to new life and new comforts. No man has done more faithful work than Hendry. Cheerful, energetic and persistent, he has gone preaching, holding revivals, visiting and collecting funds for the church, and has met, without complaint, all other demands of the church. Great is the unselfish work done by a willing worker. In some respects, Hendry's first quarterly conference was the best I have held this quarter, the attendance and the spiritual fervor that marked every item of business was gratifying to all.

C. F. Mitchell.

Mangum, Okla.

NOTICE.

Wanted: To buy a second-hand soda fountain; must be in good working order. Address Lock Box 82, Leflore, Okla.

BOOK REVIEW.

The Quest of the Best, by William De Witt Hyde, President of Bowdoin College; T. Y. Crowell Co., New York; \$1.

President Hyde is one of the most distinguished educators in America and is the author of several strong books on education. This book is not confined to the discussion of college problems, but is full of suggestion to all who are engaged in work with boys. While it uses old ideas, they are presented in new form and with different emphasis. Among the points stressed are, first, that the various forms of badness into which boys who are bright naturally fall are no occasion for alarm, but are full of promise of the goodness of which they are the germ; second, that the goodness into which boys are coerced by threats and penalties is unreal and insecure; third, that the only real goodness in sensitiveness to the effects of their acts on their own future, on others, and on society, and that the way to awaken sensitiveness to the best for all concerned is to let the boy share intimately with parent, teacher, friend, or leader in common work and play. Whatever other books you have read on the boy question you can not afford to omit this.

Some Great Leaders in the World Movement, by Robert E. Speer; Flemming H. Revell Co., New York and Chicago; \$1.25.

This volume of the Cole Lectures is by that great Presbyterian Missionary Secretary, Robert E. Speer, who has written so much and so well on missions. He argues that the two most powerful forces in the world are principles and personality. It is by these that the living movements of the world are advanced, by the truth which they embody and the men who embody them. The incarnation is the central fact in history, and the most powerful agency in the life of the world, because it was the supreme and faultless instance of the highest principle and the purest personality perfectly joined and interfused. Human personalities have had lasting beneficent power in proportion as they have resembled the Incarnate Personality and have embodied eternal principles in life and contributed to the ceaseless effort to solve our human problems by ordering life according to the eternal principles which are the character of God. Whether, then, we seek courage for our own struggle or light on the central issues of life, no study can be more profitable to us than the study of such personalities as these in their wrestle with the great problems and their embodiment of the great principles of the kingdom of Christ. In this book are presented in characteristic and inspiring way the lives of six of the world's greatest missionaries.

The Boy and the Sunday School, by John L. Alexander, the Association Press, New York; \$1.

The Sunday School volume of church history is now in process of writing. It is tardy, but writers and readers realize that the Sunday school is fast coming into its legitimate place. The little child has led and adults follow. The larger boy has been neglected. He is a challenge to the Sunday school and to the church of today. But it is a good omen that the boy is being studied and understood. What has been long needed is now being supplied in authoritative literature concerning the critical period of youth. This book is a valuable contribution to that literature. It is from a man who has devoted his life to the

boys and the girls and is one of the highest authorities in this department of work. He shows both the fascination as well as the possibilities of this kind of work. This book should bring rich returns to the Sunday schools. Among other subjects he discusses the Home and the Boy, the Public School and the Boy, the Church and the Boy, the Boy and the Sunday School, the Boy's Department in the Sunday School, and Building up the Boy's Spiritual Life. Each chapter is followed by a good bibliography.

The Sunbridge Girls at Six Star, by Eleanor Stuart, illustrated by Frank J. Murch; L. C. Page and Co., Boston.

The story treats of the experience of a crowd of New Hampshire girls on a western ranch, and of what they learned there. The book is wholesome and interesting for girls of from ten to fifteen, especially for northern and eastern girls, giving as it does a true account of ranch life.

THE RIGGIN HOME.

We have a fine property here, one-half block of land and a good house. It is well located, near the public school and Henderson-Brown College. It is worth about \$3,000. We have paid on the property between \$1,200 and \$1,500. We owe a little over \$1,300. The debt is carried by R. B. F. Key. The deed is made to him and he has given bond for title to J. A. Sage and T. D. Scott as trustees for the church. Brother Key don't want this property; he has carried the debt two years, hoping the church would pay it out. If the church really desires to pay it out, I suggest that each district assume \$200 and raise the money at once. If we are going to do anything we must act promptly. The matter must be adjusted in some way soon. The church here paid the interest last year, but we will not do it any more unless the church makes some provision to settle the business. I will vouch for this district to pay \$200. I wait to hear what the others say. Brethren, if you don't desire to pay for this property say so. We, as trustees for the church will have to adjust the business right away, but we do not desire to act in the matter without hearing from the church. We can turn the property over to Dr. Riggins' family and they assume the indebtedness and thus let it pass out of the hands of the church entirely. We are inclined to do this unless we can be assured of some plan to pay it out at once. Will the presiding elders write me at once please, saying what they think, or what they will do? If the church should pay this out, we could sell the property in a few years and, with the proceeds build three or four smaller homes at different points in the conference. But as what has been paid on it was paid largely by Dr. Riggins' personal funds, and not by conference action, it would be a gracious thing to turn it over to his family. Speak out, brethren.

Arkadelphia, Ark.

T. D. Scott.

WINNING SOULS IN HIGH PLACES.

Bishop Newman did not hesitate in fashionable and political Washington to approach men of all stations, to beseech them to become reconciled to God, and conspicuous instances were not lacking, as in the case of Chief Justice Chase, where strong men were pleased to heed his appeal. When the unbecoming conduct of the venerable Senator from Alabama had become notorious, Bishop New-

man wrote him a confidential letter, begging him to think of nobler things. He replied immediately, saying that he was the first preacher who had ever approached him to persuade him to better ways, and he added, "Never again shall you or any other man have occasion to remind me of such a course." I found President Hayes willing and even solicitous to wait with me far into the night to converse of his religious longings and purposes, and there are other men now living, who held and have held the highest stations, that have given me the most respectful and grateful consideration, when I have shown interest in the welfare of their souls. No matter if we do live in a frivolous and gain-saying time; let us not grow weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."—Bishop John W. Hamilton, in Wesleyan Christian Advocate.

TO THE PASTORS.

My Dear Brethren: My time is all engaged in meetings to the second Sunday night in April. I can help some one in a meeting the last part of April. Will make no dates for May as I desire to attend the General Conference during that month. Am ready to state dates for meetings from the first of June to the close of the year. Let this answer all inquiries concerning early meetings. Praying the blessings of God upon all of you in your fields of labor, and begging to be remembered in your prayers I am your servant and brother.

Meeker, Okla.

D. A. Gregg.

OUR FATHER ALWAYS NEAR.

A pretty story of his childhood is told in Robert Louis Stevenson's autobiography. He speaks of a day in his childhood when he accidentally locked himself in a dark room. He could not turn the key to release himself, and he was in terror by reason of imagined enemies, until his father came to the door and called him. In a little while the music of his father's voice made him forget his surroundings and his terrors. And he actually enjoyed the remaining time of his imprisonment before the coming of the locksmith. So we may bear terrors, difficulties, dangers—every untoward thing—as we remember that God is with us, who speaks reassuringly.—Selected.

HEROIN A DANGEROUS DRUG.

According to information gathered by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, there has been a sudden and very significant increase in the use by persons with a drug habit of the little known but very dangerous drug called "heroin." Investigation of the subject establishes the fact that many drug victims who formerly used morphine and cocaine and who under the new laws find it difficult to obtain these substances have begun using heroin, the sale of which is not as yet carefully restricted under state laws. The drug is said to be fully as dangerous as morphine and by many held to be much worse, for the reason that it occasionally kills the victim outright and its habit is far harder to overcome than the use of the other drugs. The department, pending further action, specially warns all people who are unfamiliar with the drug to avoid all preparations containing the substance and to take it only on the prescription of reputable physicians.

Mrs. Thornburgh's Infant Catechism, by mail, only 50 cents a dozen. Order of A. C. Millar, 903 Barnes Bldg., Muskogee, Okla.

DIES IRAE.

Editor of the Methodist:

I was much pleased by the publication in your paper, recently, of the excellent rendering in verse, by Mr. W. R. Stephens, a student of Hendrix College, of the famed Latin hymn "Dies Irae" by Thomas Celano.

I send you herewith, at the suggestion of Prof. G. A. Simmons, teacher of Latin in the college, a translation which I have made in tripple rhyme, keeping as close to the form and substance of the original as I was able to do. No translation will ever equal the force and dignity of this great medieval hymn.

J. E. Godbey.

DIES IRAE.

Translated by Dr. J. E. Godbey.

Day of wrath! predestined day!
In ashes earth shall pass away.
Thus David and the Sibyl say.

What shall be the consternation,
When the judge shall take his station,
For the strict examination.

Hark! the mighty trumpet swelling,
Through drear Hades' lonely dwelling,
All before the throne compelling.

Death and Nature it surprises,
When man from the dust arises,
Summoned to the great assizes.

The written book is open laid,
In which is faithful record made,
Now let each thought and deed be weighed.

When the Judge his seat has ta'en,
Hidden things shall be made plain;
Nothing unavenged remain.

Wretch! what shall I then be saying,
To what patron then be praying,
When the just are scarcely staying.

O king of awful majesty,
Whose grace alone can sinners free.
Fountain of mercy, save Thou me.

Remember, blessed Jesus, pray,
For me was all thy suffering way;
Nor let me perish in that day.

Me, thou didst seek, with weary pain;
Didst bear the cross, my soul to gain;
Such labor cannot be in vain.

O righteous Judge, to Thee I pray,
Take, O take my sins away,
Before that awful judgment day!

My many sins I do bemoan;
With blushing face my guilt I own;
Prostrate I plead before thy throne.

Thou didst sinful Mary free,
And save the thief upon the tree,
Hast by such grace given hope to me.

Do I by worthless prayers aspire?
Lord, 'tis Thy mercy I require,
To save me from the eternal fire.

Grant me among Thy sheep to stand,
Drawn from the goats—accursed band,
Safe sheltered, Lord, at Thy right hand.

When sink the doomed from Thy left side,
In hell forever to abide,
Then call me with the sanctified.

With shame o'erwhelmed I bow full low,
With contrite heart—as cinders glow.
Lord, at the last, Thy mercy show.

Ah, when comes that day of tears,
When from ashes reappears,
For judgment, all the race of men,
God of mercy spare us then.

Dear Methodist:—Will you kindly allow us a little space to tell not our own work, but God's manifestation. Last Sunday, January 4, being the first in the New Year we worshipped God in the old fashioned way, and a mighty good way too, in a love feast, and a feast it was. God was with us. Bro. T. A. Martin, a godly man as ever lived, conducted the services for us. It was the "day of Pentecost" to many.

Our Sunday school is growing rapidly and doing excellent work. A few more pupils and we shall be cramped for quarters.

The Epworth League is the life of the church for young people with us. Through this channel we are training the young men and young ladies into activity for God.

There are so many good features to mention that I cannot attempt such at one writing. But allow me to say, I am forced to keep on the run to keep apace with the work.

Wm. A. McKee.

FRIENDSHIP, ARK.

Editor Western Methodist.—We reached Friendship the first Sunday after Conference at Pine Bluff. We were kindly received and the congregations are good. There are seven appointments, so, if we do not wear out we will not rust out. On the evening of January 3 the young and the old visited us and left many good things to eat. We thought of the difference between the ministry of to day and of John the Baptist, who lived upon locusts and wild honey. Before the people left all sang, "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," and the blessings of the Father were invoked upon them. We are hoping and praying for a great year upon this charge. Will the editors join us in our prayer for victory?

D. P. Forsythe, P. C.

(We never fail to pray for our brethren—we feel toward all the readers of the "Methodist" as the pastors do toward their people.—Editors.)

FLORAL, ARK.

Dear Western Methodist: We have gotten moved into our new parsonage at Floral and are snugly housed for the winter. Floral is a little town situated in the western part of Independence county midway between Batesville and Pangburn. It has three stores and two churches, Methodist and Baptist, postoffice, saw mill grist mill, and cotton gin. The people at Floral have treated us well. They have furnished us plenty to eat and plenty of food for these cold days. The parsonage has four rooms, a hall and two porches. Three of the rooms are canvassed and papered. It is near the church. Our church is well built, painted and seated. We received a pounding on Christmas eve morning from the good people of Mt. Etna, one of my appointments. This was gotten up by two ladies, Mr. Barton, Mrs. Collins and Brother Collins, a local preacher, a whole souled Methodist, brought the things to us.

Our first quarterly conference convenes at Pleasant Plains the 7 and 8th of next month, Prother A. F. Skinner,

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P. E., We are truly glad to have Bro Skinner for our P. E. He will make good wherever he goes. I ask an interest in the prayers of the readers of the dear old estern Methodist that the blessings of God may touch every heart and every home in the Batesville district during they year.

F. M. Copeland, P. C.

"My good man," said the chronic meddler to the old Irishman, who was building himself a chicken coop, "why don't you stop drinking?"

"Sor," said Pat, "I haven't taken a drink in tin years."

"Oh, come off," sneered the meddler, "you tell me that when your nose is as red as fire?"

"Yis," said Pat, "Tis not the drink that makes that nose red. 'Tis blushing with pride because it attends to its own business."—Hotel Reporter.

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On New Year's eve the church was nearly filled whilst for two hours and fifteen minutes we held a splendid watch-night service, largely conducted by the young people, and on all sides we heard it freely stated that it was the greatest service ever held in Cabot.

In spite of the fact that we have started building a new \$2,000 parsonage, we decided to hold the week of prayer as requested by the Missionary Committee. Large congregations gathered, and the church has resounded each night with the prayers and praises of God's people, and the writer has had the pleasure of forwarding \$100 as our share towards sending out the 20 new missionaries.

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With best wishes for the Methodist,

Yours fraternally,
W. T. Wilkinson.

Jan. 12, 1914.

GRIFFITHVILLE, ARK.

We are beginning our third year on this work, with the best outlook for a good year that I have ever witnessed. The good people of this charge have received us very loyally. They seem to be glad that we have been returned for another year. On the night of January 9, the good people of Griffithville gave us a pounding. They brought many good things to eat. One room of the parsonage was full of men, women, boys and girls. Every one brought something with them. You know that these things always make the preacher and his family feel good. I am going to get more of our people to take the Western Methodist. It is a better paper now than ever, I think. We hope to have good revivals at every one of our appointments this year. There are a great many people coming in to this country from other parts of the country. The preacher will be kept busy keeping things rounded up. We expect our new P. E. in a few days. I am always glad to get the Western Methodist, and I enjoy reading its pages, but I wish some able writer would give us a few articles on the mode of baptism. There are a great many of our Methodist people who do not understand this subject, and many times we lose members that would stay with us if they knew the doctrine of the church. And I think that the best way to inform them is through the columns of our paper. Best wishes to the Western Methodist.

J. M. Hughes, P. C.

REDFIELD, ARK.

Editor Western Methodist: We arrived at Redfield Dec. 12. Was met at the station by Bro. Jno. M. Henry, one of our most faithful members, and

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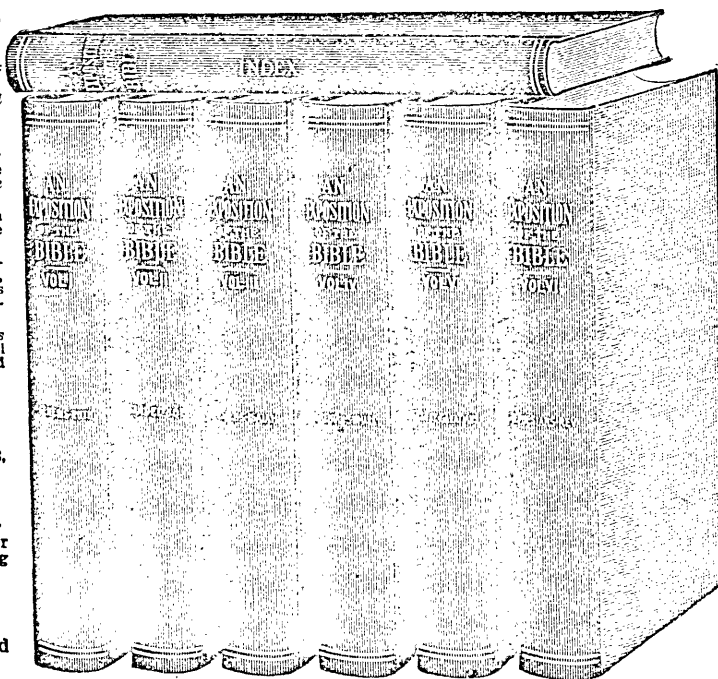
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was escorted to his home, where we were most royally entertained for a few days, our household goods being delayed. The people were so good to us, treating us so nice, we almost decided we didn't need any household goods. Redfield is a good little town, and we have a very loyal people. I don't see how a preacher could help loving them; they manifest such an interest in their pastor. They began pounding us just as soon as we got in the parsonage, bringing almost everything good to eat. It has been almost an every day occurrence. This morning Dr. Reynolds came with a nice shoulder of fresh meat. We feel very much under obligations to them for all these good things. We are counting on a good year. The prayer meeting and Sunday school is getting on a boom already. Prof. Gill and myself went up

to Farrell last night, started up the prayer meeting again and had a real good service. The spiritual outlook of the circuit is very good, but we hope for it to be much better. There is a real good literary school here, with Prof. Gill as teacher, and I think it would be time well spent for some teachers I have known to take a few lessons under him. He is a model teacher. The people seem to think that Redfield has been on the drag, but with such men as Prof. Gill, Dr. Shope, Bro. Pratt and a few others we might mention, I think it will succeed. We ask your prayers that God may help us to make this a good year.

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LOVE BESTOWED.

"Learn that love is the only way to know of God or man.

And it is not love received that maketh man to know the inner life of them that love him.

But love bestowed will do it."

—Author unknown.

THE NINE INGREDIENTS OF THE SPECTRUM OF LOVE.

Patience—"Love suffereth long."

Kindness—"And is kind."

Generosity—"Love vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up."

Courtesy—"Doth not behave itself unseemly."

Unselfish—"Seeketh not her own."

Good Temper—"Is not easily provoked."

Guilelessness—"Thinketh no evil."

Sincerity—"Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth."

Patience, kindness, generosity, humility, courtesy, unselfishness, good temper, guilelessness, sincerity—these make up the supreme gift—the statue of the perfect man.—Henry Drummond.

PRACTICE.

The old saying "practice makes perfect" has become trite before many of us have grasped its full meaning.

We have thought of it mainly as referring to physical development. We know the rustle of a leaf leads the Indian to the lair of the wild beast; that his well-trained eye recognizes his enemy, a mere speck on the horizon; and that his steady hand speeds the arrow of death with unerring aim.

Consciously or unconsciously, practice makes habit which is the best or worst part of us. This applies to the mental and spiritual as well as the physical being of men.

Recently two ladies passing along the street were stopped by a friend who reminded them to "tell everybody about our bazaar for the Crittenden Home."

One of them said she thought about the bazaar that morning and wanted to announce it in the Bible class which was largely attended but—lacked courage to face the crowd.

Her companion said she is still so hampered in her literary club, but long ago gained freedom in her literary society. Then the devoted leader in Christly endeavor told them: "You need practice as well as prayer in these matters."

As followers of Christ, we may go beyond self-mastery and be glad in the leadership of one who is all-wise, ever present and altogether lovely.

Last summer we heard Bishop Charles D. Williams, of Connecticut, preach a great sermon at Chautauqua, N. Y., in which he said: "If we have learned to walk with God there is a subtle sense of divine companionship."

The habitual practice of the presence of God is the only way to attain to that spirit of divine fellowship; the secret of it is habitual prayer. Real prayer is simply talking to or listening to God. We must cultivate a sensitiveness to the presence of God.

Jesus was much alone on the heights of his experience, and yet he said: "I am not alone; for the Father is with me." He had the con-

sciousness of divine companionship and fellowship."

We again call attention to the fact

We again call attention to the fact that we are expected to make special effort during January for the upbuilding of Christian stewardship in our church. Our pastors should be requested to preach on personal responsibility or a kindred topic, which surely includes stewardship of time, talent and money. Every member of the adult and Young Peoples auxiliaries should be given the opportunity to make a pledge for missions.

Shall not Arkansas and Oklahoma make 1914 the best year in this department, which is of vital importance to our spiritual and mental welfare.

EAST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

Mrs. A. Ernsberger, Pub. Supt.

The auxiliary of Wagoner mourn the death of Mrs. Amanda Lewis, who was one of their oldest members.

She was also a member of the Bible class and a faithful and beloved worker in the church.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE.

During the past year Mrs. C. A. Evans, our Superintendent of Publicity and Press, has sorted and sent out more than nineteen thousand leaflets; mailed monthly bulletins, week of prayer programs and extra supplies to the auxiliaries. She has also written many letters requesting items for our conference columns, and has proven herself well fitted for the duties of her office.

We deeply regret to learn that ill health requires her to take partial rest from these labors. She will continue to distribute the literature until the close of our Little Rock Conference year. We earnestly hope Mrs. Evan's health may be speedily restored, but until further notice items from the auxiliaries should be mailed to Mrs. W. H. Pemberton, 303 East 6th Street, Little Rock, Ark.

In this conference order the calendar of prayer for Missions from your district secretaries. It costs only 25c and every member should have one. Send the money with the order from the members of your auxiliary to save confusion and labor.

WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE.

Mrs. Mary Neill, Pub. Supt.

The auxiliary at Heber Springs with 32 active members and 11 local members raised \$643.21, made 180 visits to sick and strangers, held six cottage prayers, eight mission study, 10 devotional and 11 business meetings during 1913. Dues collected in foreign department, \$6, and in home department, \$28.16. The money for local work was raised through various channels, including calendar dues, circles, donations and a bazaar.

In disbursements they contributed \$500 to the building fund for a new church, added to the comforts of the parsonage; contributed to Conference claims and did other good work.

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Mrs. Horace E. Ruff, Pres. Supt.

SUGGESTIONS FROM THE HOME BASE.

Magnify the literature. It is prepared at great cost of time and money and sent forth with prayer. Use it in connection with the programs, so that its message shall reach the women who attend the meetings and carry it personally to those who do not attend. It will be a lost force unless it is used.

Let us be united in our prayers for the work. Great advance and growth will be made only by much prayer in the auxiliary meeting and in our closets. A helpful reminder and aid for united prayer is the Prayer Calendar which has been prepared for 1914. Every member of your auxiliary should have one.

The council of women for Home Missions and the newly organized federation of Women's Foreign Mission Boards have entered into a federation or co-operation of work. This means that teachers who go out to the summer Conferences will teach both home and foreign textbooks, and that the subject of mission study will be adapted to both home and foreign fields. The subject selected for 1914 is, "The Social Aspect of Christian Missions." The joint committee on Unified Missionary Education, has resulted from this spirit of comity and co-operation. The four organizations composing this committee are: The General Federation for Foreign Missions (men's boards), the Federation of Women's Foreign Mission Boards, the Home Mission Council (men's boards), and the Council of Women for Home Missions.

OUR WORK IN CHINA.

The report of the 28th session of China Mission Conference, M. E. Church, South, brings good news from our schools.

The dominant and uniform note is one of thanksgiving for prosperity in opportunities for spreading the gospel of Christ.

Miss Helen Lee Richardson, principal of McTyrie School, Shanghai district, says: "The year has been one of continued prosperity" notwithstanding changes." Miss Tuttle teacher of English literature and history there says: "We have been made to feel that the power of Christ as it is daily manifested in the school can break every barrier down, even in the heart of the most antagonistic. The lives of the Christian girls are stronger than sermons in their power to convict and convert."

Miss Virginia M. Atkinson, principal of Davidson school says: "This school has had unprecedented prosperity and blessing during the whole of this year and we have nothing but gratitude in our hearts for the past and hopes for the future." The enrollment of 160 pupils and the fine health record are causes for gratitude for the privilege of being in China. It gives one an inspiration to see the work that is being done in the district (Soochow), but it also make one realize the crowded conditions, the lack of funds and workers, and the greater possibilities which lie before us."

THE MEDIEVAL WORK OF THE WOMAN'S COUNCIL IN SOOCHOW.

Dr. Managet Polk says for the first time in its history of more than twenty-five years, the hospital is Soochow has had two foreign physicians besides our American representatives.

"The work is being better equipped each year, until now the only urgent need is a larger and better sterilizer. Not that the equipment is otherwise perfect, but that this urgent necessity is beyond the hospital's finances. The causes for and number of operations performed in this hospital are interesting, and the Chinese parasites to be killed are amazing in names and numbers. In the medical school department, the needs are "more space for pupils, microscopes, manikins, charts, teachers, friends and pupils. The first four can be bought. If the friends were found the teachers would be forthcoming. The pupils are clamoring in numbers from all the schools. There are more applicants registered than there is room to house." The work of our Missionary council in China is in five cities, Shanghai, Sung Kiang, Soochow, Hoochow and Changchow.

SPECIAL SIX WEEKS COURSE.

The American Interchurch College, of Nashville, Tenn., offers this special course, January 7 to February 17, to religious and social workers. The topic for study and discussion will be, "The Home and Public Health," "Child Welfare and Eugenics," "Crime and Mental Hygiene," "The Care and Treatment of a City's Dependents," "The Church and Social Service," "Rare Relationships and Co-operation for Civic Betterment." The faculty is composed of learned men and women who will give valuable instruction to their classes. No fees will be required for this short term. Board and room may be secured at from \$4.00 to \$7.00 per week.

The school is inter church and all denominations share alike in its benefits. It is located corner Sixth Avenue and Cedar street, Nashville, Tenn.

TO CHRISTIANIZE THE WORLD.

Dr. John R. Mott, the founder of the student volunteer movement for foreign missions opened their great convention in Kansas City the last week in December saying: "We are here to further the purpose of this movement to Christianize the entire world, and it can be done with your help."

Eight thousand students and visitors, representing eight hundred universities and colleges in the United States and Canada, and many educational institutions in foreign lands were in attendance.

Three hundred Boy Scouts of Kansas City became first aids to the success of, this great convention by leading the delegations to registration headquarters and then escorting them to homes provided in the city. Our Dr. J. H. Cline, on a furlough from China, was an honored member in the Arkansas delegation.

Appeals for more missionaries were made for South America, China, India and Japan.

Bishop L. L. Kinsolving, a missionary from the Episcopal church to Brazil, presented the needs of Latin-Americans.

A native of Japan, Dr. Kato, now of the Chicago University, plead for missionaries to establish the religion of Jesus Christ in Japan now that old faiths are losing their hold upon the people. He said atheism and agnosticism are growing among the educated classes who dominate Japan.

J. H. Si, a Chinese student at Yale university, asked for help in Christianizing China and for greater consideration towards students who come to us from foreign lands.

Dr. Robert E. Speer, of New York, the great leader in missions said: "The present generation of men is in mortal need. It is no answer to this need to promise that long after these men have crumbled to dust, the gospel

will have filtered by the slow processes of national education to their children. If the idea of Christ does not pervade this generation it will be found in the next that other ideas have the monopoly." No other call in the world today is as needy, as inviting, as rich in its return as the purest form of exangelistic work at home and abroad." The Executive Committee urged the extension of mission study in state universities and institutions of higher education under government control.

LOYALTY TO CHRIST AMONG THE CHINESE NOBILITY.

We have among our Sungkiang members a young Chinese woman whose life and example are worthy of thanksgiving to our God. At the time of the Boxer outbreak in 1900 her father was a prominent official in Peking, and when the old Empress Dowager issued a decree ordering the expulsion and killing of all foreigners in China, this man was entrusted by her with the telegraphing of the decree to the Viceroy and Governors of the various provinces. Instead, however, of doing as had been commanded by the Empress Dowager, he changed the wording of the decree so that it would read "Protect" the foreigners, and it was thus worded that her decree went forth, and the lives of hundreds of foreigners spared. Many of us who are now living and working for the Master would not be here now had it not been for the act of that one man. For his "treachery" the Empress Dowager had him put to death, and it is commonly reported that he was sawn asunder. His body was brought back to his native place, Sungkiang, and all the way en route it is said honor was shown it by those who were not of one mind with the Empress Dowager. This daughter was then young, and her education was placed in the Susan B. Wilson school at Sungkiang, and while there she learned something of Christianity and finally made open profession of her faith by uniting with our church. According to Chinese custom she had not much to do with the selection of her husband, so it came about that she was betrothed to the son of another wealthy and prominent official, who was serving under the old Manchu Dynasty, and in due time they were married. At the outbreak of the Revolution against the Manchu Dynasty in 1911, her father-in-law was an active official in a neighboring province, and as all officials of the Manchus were practically under the ban

TEXT-BOOKS RECOMMENDED FOR 1913-1914.

Foreign Missions. Adult—"The King's Business," by Mrs. Raymond (a study of efficiency for Women's Missionary Societies); or "Mexico Today," by Dr. G. B. Winton. A set of five posters, 14x22 inches, illustrating the book, can be secured by sending 25 cents, plus 5 cents for postage. Young People, same as Adults. Intermediates "Livingstone, the Pathfinder," by Basil Matthews. Children, "The Story of Livingstone," by Vautier Golding; "Missionary Helps for Junior Leaders" (a study in methods), by Margaret Applegarth and Nellie Prescott.

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of the Reformers his official residence were burned, and he lost practically all that he had. Thus on both sides riches had been lost and the family reduced to comparative mediocrity. About two months ago Bro. Tsai, our Chinese Presiding Elder, preached a sermon emphasizing the privilege and duty of the Chinese to do more for their own people, and among other things he mentioned the need of a new church at Sungkiang. Mrs. Wu was touched, and short after she came to some of our ladies at Sungkiang with a negotiable note which had been left her by her father, that, and her personal jewels being practically all she had left in her own name. The note was not due until this October, but she asked that it be placed in safe-keeping, for that, when it was collected, she intended to give \$1,000 Mexican, which was a third of the note, to the church for a new building. The question was asked if her husband would raise any objection and she replied that if he did she would sell her personal jewels and give the money to the church. When the time came to collect the money her husband did object, so she brought her jewels and asked that they be held as security for the amount that she had promised. Evidently this brought her husband around, for within a few days she brought the thousand dollars, and it is now on deposit awaiting the use for which she contributed it. All of us feel that when the brothers and sisters of this brave young Christian who are in America know what she has done they will of their abundance give the balance of \$3,500 which is needed to make her gift effective. We are all praying that in the near future we shall have a church building in Sungkiang that will be an honor to God and at the same time be a proper equipment for the preaching and teaching of that Gospel which has been able to make such a character out of this young Chinese woman.—J. A. Shipley, Shanghai, China.

FEDERATION OF THE WOMAN'S BOARDS OF FOREIGN MISSIONS OF THE UNITED STATES.

More than a year ago a plan of federation was submitted to the various Women's Boards of Missions and approved by them. The general plan proposed that the boards appoint representatives in four districts of the United States to act as territorial commissions as follows: San Francisco, Chicago, Nashville and New York. These representatives form the association called "The Federation of Women's Boards of Foreign Missions of the U. S." Each territorial commission elects its president, secretary and treasurer and holds an annual meeting.

In connection with this organization is a General Advisory Commission of eleven members, two from each territorial commission and three appointed by the Committee on United Study of Missions. This commission will meet annually in the various territories in rotation.

"The office of the General Advisory Commission shall be to connect the Woman's Boards and the Territorial Commissions; its purpose shall be to stimulate united prayer and study and a spirit of fellowship of service; to secure deeper realization of the whole task of Foreign Missions, a clearer understanding of difficulties and problems, a fuller development of resources and a truer conception of the dignity, scope, and purpose of woman's work for missions."

Eighteen Boards have identified themselves with the Federation, and of these, the Baptist, Seventh Day

Baptists, Christian, Friend, Methodist Episcopal, Methodist Episcopal, South, Presbyterian, U. S., Presbyterian, U. S. A., United Brethren and National Board Y. W. C. A. are represented in the Nashville Territorial Commission. Other Boards will be invited to affiliate with the Nashville Commission, in order that the whole Southern territory may be reached and interested.

A meeting of the General Advisory Commission was held in New York on Oct. 24th at which time a constitution and by-laws were framed, officers elected, and committees appointed. Mrs. DeWitt Knox of New York was elected chairman.

The most important feature of the meeting was the appointing of Friday, January 9th as a day of united prayer for foreign mission work. It is most earnestly urged that there shall be held on this day a union prayer service of all denominations in every town and city of our land.

A committee should be appointed at once whose business it shall be to arrange for all the Women's Missionary Societies of the town or city to meet in some central place. A program containing valuable suggestions for this Day of Prayer has been prepared and can be secured from the Secretary of the various Boards of Missions.

Questions of vast import are claiming the consideration of the leaders in the great work of missions; imperative and urgent calls are coming from every field; the great and rapid changes in many parts of the world brought about by the work and lives of missionaries constitute a summary to the church and there is need for earnest united prayer.

Shall there not be a great gathering of the missionary forces on this ninth day of the New Year and a mighty prevailing supplication be made that the women of the church may get "a vision of their task" and prove equal to their part in the evangelization of the world. Begin at once and plan and pray that this appointed day may result in such a blessing to the home church as will hasten "the coming of the Kingdom" in every heart, and even unto the ends of the earth.

Mrs. J. B. Cobb, Chairman,
Nashville Territorial Commission.

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H. U. Mudge, President.
Geo. H. Crosby, Secretary.

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TO OUR CUSTOMERS IN THE ARKANSAS, THE LITTLE ROCK, AND THE WHITE RIVER CONFERENCES.

By an arrangement with the Western Methodist Pub. Co., which took effect January 1, 1913, all orders for Sunday School Literature, Sunday School Supplies, Books, and Periodicals are to be filled by the Publishing House direct and not as heretofore through Messrs. Anderson, Miller & Co. We suggest to our customers that they order either from the Nashville or the Dallas House, as may be most convenient to them. Both Houses will take pleasure in giving prompt attention and courteous service to all our customers in the State of Arkansas.

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Children's Page

(We shall be glad to have all the children contribute to this page. Let all letters for this page be addressed to Miss Hazel Barrett, care Western Methodist, Little Rock, Ark.)

THE GREATEST VICTORY IN THE WORLD.

It was the greatest victory that can be gained in this world, and yet it was gained by a little girl only one and a half years old.

She was learning to walk, and had never stood on her feet before more than a minute or two at a time. By holding to chairs, table, bookcase, and sofa, she could travel, baby fashion, around the room.

Her mother had left her sitting on the dining-room floor happily playing with her teddy bear and picture-blocks. Upon returning, her mother found her standing on the other side of the room by the sewing-machine. With one hand she was holding herself up, and with the other she was pulling out the bobbins, needles, and spools.

"No, no, Verna," cried her mother, spring forward and taking her baby away before she should swallow the needles or reach the scissors. "Verna must not open mama's machine; those are mama's things, and they will hurt the baby."

Verna kicked and screamed, as babies generally do, and the moment her mother left her alone, back she went to the machine as fast as she could go.

Hearing a strange "click, click," her mother came to see what was the matter, and found her naughty baby again at the machine. She had jerked the little drawer entirely off and broken it, and was trying to pull out one of the small, inner springs of the machine.

As soon as she saw her mother coming, she began to scream. But her mother did not come near this time. She stepped back into the kitchen, where she had been ironing, turned out the gas, and then quietly came back and sat down in the rocker in one corner of the room.

"Verna, come away from the machine!" she said. Verna screamed still more loudly.

"Verna, dear, don't you hear mama? Come away from the machine, and come and see mama." Verna threw back her head, and opened her mouth, and screamed as loudly as she could.

"Come, Verna, mama wants you to come away from the machine!" Back flew the naughty head; down rolled the angry tears; and stamp went the defiant feet, while shriek after shriek came from the distorted mouth; but never an inch did Verna move from the machine. For three quarters of an hour the battle raged, and that tired, trembling, screaming baby figure stood clutching the drawer of the machine.

By that time, both mama and grandma were praying for a speedy victory; and it came. Suddenly the angry tears ceased to flow, the awful shrieks quieted, and love peeped through the sky-blue eyes; one little hand let go of the machine and laid hold of the table; then another little hand let go of the machine and laid hold of the table; two tired little feet turned toward the rocking-chair in the corner; mama held out her arms; baby tottered into them, and held up a rose-bud mouth for a kiss; the awful battle was over! Verna had gained her first glorious victory over S-E-L-F.—The Youth's Instructor.

I want to thank the many cousins for the good wishes they have sent for the New Year. I am sure it will be a happy year for me as well as you if we will only let God lead us all the way through the many days to come.

Several weeks ago I received a piece of poetry from New Olon of Kerlin, Ark. Now O, could you furnish me another copy of the same? In moving it was misplaced. But if you will send it to me again I will be very glad to publish it. Love to every one of you.

Mis Hazel.

CADDO, OKLA.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

Will you let another little Oklahoma girl join your happy band? My papa takes the Western Methodist. I like to read the children's page very much. Our school began the first of November. My teacher's name is Miss Phillis Hancock. I like her fine. We have two weeks of vacation. I have two brothers and one sister. I will describe myself. I have dark hair, brown eyes, dark complexion, weigh 74 pounds and my age is 10 and I am in the fourth grade at school. I will answer your question, Louis John. It is Isaac. I hope Mr. Wastebasket has gone to school. If I see this in print I will write again. For my first time I will close.

Your new cousin,

Winnie Mae Wells.

Dec. 24, 1913.

MONTICELLO, ARK.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

Will you let another little Arkansas girl join your happy band of cousins? I go to school. I am in the fifth grade. I will guess Lillie Adcock's age to be 12. And I will guess Dee Sheffield's riddle: "because it has never been broke." I weigh 60 pounds and am 5 feet and 4 inches tall. I guess I had better close, for my second time. With love to Miss Hazel and all the cousins.

Letha Thompson.

Dec. 14, 1913.

DOXEY, OKLA.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

How are you all this cold and rainy weather? My grandpa takes the Western Methodist. I live with my grandpa and grandma. Mother is dead and has been dead for a long time. I enjoy reading the children's page very much. I go to school every day and am in the sixth and seventh grade. I like my teacher fine. His name is Prof. Johnson. My Sunday school teacher's name is Miss Hankins, and our pastor for this year is Rev. Harmon. I like them both fine. For pets I have a cat, a cow and a calf. Curtis Farris I guess your riddle to be, Just You going to Santives. Am I right? I hope I am. I will let you all guess my age. It is between 11 and 14. The ones guessing my age shall receive a beautiful postcard. Well as I think the wastebasket is out, I will close by asking a riddle. Between the earth and sky and a not on a tree.

Your dear cousin,

Winnie Mae Adkins.

Dec. 14, 1913.

PARAGOULD, ARK.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

It is raining tonight. I have been going to school all week. My teacher's name is Miss Fisher. I like her fine.

INDIGESTION

I will gladly send to anyone suffering with indigestion, a recipe from which they can make a simple but positive remedy. My physician charged \$2 for this prescription but I will send you a copy of it for 25c in stamps. J. M. KECK, Box 452, Clinton, S. C.

I am nine years old and in the fourth grade. I study four books. I go to Sunday school every Sunday I can. My Sunday school teacher's name is Mr. Charlie Diggs. I like him fine. Mama takes the Western Methodist. What are you cousins going to do for Christmas? Hoping you and Miss Hazel will have a good time, I will close.

Your new cousin,

Dec. 5, 1913.

Era Hay.

GRANDFIELD, OKLA.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

How are you this fine night? I have just finished reading the children's page. It is a favorite with me. I am thirteen years old. I go to Sunday school every Sunday and like to go very much. I go to school also and am in the eighth grade. How many of the cousins like to read? I do. Our school has a nice library and our League also has one. I go to League nearly every Sunday. Miss Edith Pery is our leader. Mrs. G. R. Wright was our leader but she moved to Headrick. She is the preacher's wife. She was such a good leader. All of us loved her. As this is my first letter to the Western Methodist I will close, hoping Mr. Wastebasket will let me pass. If I see this in print, I will write again. Your new cousin,

Dec. 13, 1913. Vera Brown.

Vera, this is a nice letter and it was certainly neat.—Miss Hazel.

LEAD HILL, ARK.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

Will you let another Arkansas girl join your happy band of cousins? I go to Sunday school every Sunday I can. My teacher's name is Mrs. Mable Kirkwood. I like her fine. I will describe myself. I have light hair, blue eyes and fair complexion. I weigh 64 pounds. I am in the fourth grade. My teacher's name is Mr. I. C. Sussky. I like him very well. For pets I have a cat. How many of you cousins had a nice time Thanksgiving? I did for one. My teacher took the school to the "Bald Knob." I will close by asking a riddle. East and west, north and south, ten thousand teeth and not any mouth.

Your new cousin,

Narvis Smith.

ERICK, OKLA.

Dear Miss Hazel and Cousins:

Will you admit another Oklahoma girl to your band? I will describe myself. I have dark eyes, dark hair, light complexion and weigh 76 pounds. I am twelve years old and in the fourth grade. If I see this in print, I will write again.

Your new cousin,

Dec. 14, 1913. Hattie Duncan.

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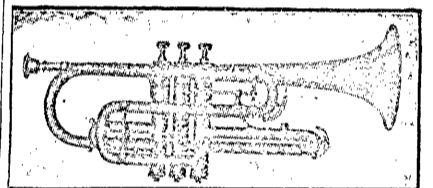
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WARING SHERWOOD Editor

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JAN. 25, 1914.

ETHIOPIA STRETCHING OUT HER HANDS.

(Isa. 45:14 to 22.)

As Bishop Lambuth is now on his way to Africa we cannot think of a more helpful thought than that contained in the following article taken from the Missionary Voice. The Dr. Morrison referred to in the article is supported by the First Presbyterian Church of Little Rock and is a personal friend of Brother Workman, the pastor of Winfield Memorial, Little Rock.

Letter From Dr. Lambuth.

London, E. C., November 4, 1913.

My Dear Friends: After a sojourn of a few months in Brazil, where I held the Brazil and South Brazil Conferences, Dr. Ed. F. Cook and I arrived in London on October 18. We had a safe and prosperous journey of eighteen days from Rio de Janeiro. We called at the Cape Verde Islands and at Madeira, but tarried only a few hours. As the coast of Brazil receded and disappeared, my heart was filled with deep and sincere regret at leaving behind many personal friends, among both missionaries and Brazilians, who had ministered to our comfort and who are deeply interested in the new mission our Board is about to establish in the heart of Africa.

Upon reaching this city, we at once began arrangements for the outfit so necessary for travel by caravan in the remote interior. Our three missionaries and their wives, Dr. and Mrs. Mumpower, with their baby, Mr. and Mrs. Bush, and Mr. and Mrs. Stockwell, have been in Belgium for nearly two months studying French and preparing for their work. I telegraphed Dr. Mumpower, who came at once; and we began our purchases, consisting of tents, cots, bedding, camp chairs, dishes of enameled ware, aluminum water bottles, folding bathtubs, a well-filled medicine chest, one hundred machetes for cutting high grass, axes for cutting trees, and an ample supply of provisions to cover fifty days' march. We also added five tons of salt, in two hundred sacks, sixty bales of white and blue cloth, together with trinkets and presents, to be used in buying food, paying our carriers, and in making gifts to the chiefs of the villages through which we might pass. Nor did I neglect to provide safety-pins, needles, and thread with which to please the feminine eye, always on the lookout for something practical as well as novel. It is difficult for any one who has not gone through the process to realize how much time and pains must be given to such preparation. The failure to adequately provide food, medicine, and other necessities might cost a life or even many lives.

In this preparatory work I have been much helped by the sympathetic co-operation of Dr. Ed F. Cook and Rev.

J. T. Mangum, of Union Springs, Ala., who joined us in London. Brother Mangum goes out as my companion and will, I am sure, be of great service in many ways.

There has been much to encourage me in the initial stage of this enterprise. Many personal letters have been received from friends in the United States who have pledged their daily prayers in our behalf. Added to these is the fervent intercession which is constantly being made by fully two thousand of our Brazilian converts. These have given a substantial guarantee of their interest by contributing one thousand dollars for the support of a missionary and a surplus of two hundred dollars to be added to the fund for the second year. This is remarkable and full of inspiration when we remember that the first Annual Conference was organized in Brazil twenty-five years ago, at which time there was not one single Brazilian preacher who was eligible for membership.

Upon reaching England, I found a letter from Dr. W. M. McMurry, Secretary of the Church Extension Board, saying that he had \$1,440 in hand toward the building of three houses for the three missionary families and would guarantee \$1,560 more. In addition to this, a brother in the State of Arkansas had sent him \$1,000 for the building of a church.

Three days later a cablegram reached me from Rev. T. L. Rippey, a friend deeply interested in the mission, promising to send \$1,500 as a Christmas present for the building of a hospital. This, with the gift already made by Dr. J. W. Long, of Greensboro, N. C., for the establishment of the Mary Long Hospital, in memory of his daughter, will enable Dr. Mumpower to begin the treatment of African fevers, sleeping sickness, and other diseases with an equipment which should yield satisfactory results.

Last night a letter reached me from Luebo, Africa, written by Mr. Bedinger, of Lushamo, one of the Presbyterian missionaries. He wrote that, in accordance with my request, messengers had been sent to the great chief Wembo-Niama with presents. They went on the run many days' journey and reached him before he cut the eighteenth notch in his stick. Professor Gilbert and I had promised him that we would return by the eighteenth full moon from the time we left or send a messenger. The chief was glad to hear from us, received the presents, and sent back word to me that he anxiously awaited my coming. This lifts a great burden of anxiety from my heart; for I did not know what might have occurred during the long interval of absence since we left his village, eighteen months ago. We hope to reach Wembo-Niama by January 15, at which time I shall deliver in person the message from various friends and from the two Brazilian Annual Conferences.

I deeply regret, and so does Professor Gilbert, the fact that he cannot go out with me this year. His church is not sufficiently organized to maintain him, and it seems necessary, in order to thoroughly enlist the sympathy and co-operation of his constituency, that he should remain in the United States until after the General Conference of 1914. He has written me that his heart is in Africa and that he would be by my side were the way open.

Brother Mangum and I leave London tonight for Antwerp preparatory to sailing with our entire party on Saturday, November 8. We are much favored in having the company of Dr. W. M. Morrison, of Luebo, who is re-

turning to the Southern Presbyterian mission station at that point. We go in the strength of the Lord and with implicit faith that Jesus is with us in accordance with his promise. He alone is able to save Africa.

I need hardly to make the request of you that you pray for us by name, day by day, as we advance upon our perilous but glorious mission. It is a high privilege to pioneer such work on virgin soil. We go where no missionary's foot has ever trod, as far as we know. God be with you till we meet again.

Sincerely your friend and brother,
W. R. Lambuth.

JUNIOR LEAGUE TOPIC FOR JANUARY 18, 1914.

HEARING AND DOING.

(Matt. vii. 24-27.)

Let us all learn the twenty-second verse of the first chapter of James: "Be ye doers of the word and not hearers only."

Who can tell what this means?

One day a man began to build a house on a place where the ground was soft and on which the house would not stand. A friend told him that he could get no rock foundation there, so he ought to change to a better spot. In another place where there was a solid rock he built a strong house. Then it made no difference how hard the rain fell nor how fiercely the winds blew for they could not destroy that house.

Another man gave no heed to what people said, but he built his house on the sand. It was just as beautiful as the first and just as well built, except for the sand foundation. When the first storm came the house fell with a great noise, hurting the people in it.

Little boys and girls fast growing into manhood and womanhood are building characters. They are now laying the foundations for the lives they will live when grown. It is the little boys and girls who listen to what their parents say and to God's Word who are building their characters on solid foundations. They will make the strong men and women who are to do great things for God.

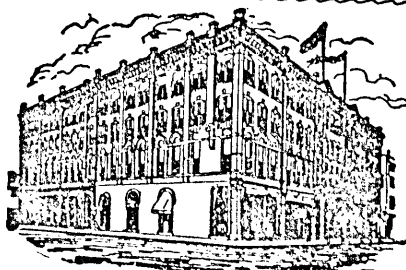
JUNIOR LEAGUE TOPIC FOR JANUARY 25, 1914.

WORKING TOGETHER WITH GOD.

(Matt. x. 8, and John vi. 8-15.)

The first vice presidents should write to the Educational Department, Board of Missions, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn., for stories, leaflets, etc., that will be sent free, as helps on this lesson.

The next lesson in the Methodist will be for February 1. Hereafter the lessons will be for the Sunday a week after they are published.



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LITTLETON—Judge J. W. Littleton, was born in Lauderdale county Alabama on the 11th day of July, 1830. Died December 4th 1913, in his 84th year. He was married to Maria P. Vaughn, in Panola county, Miss., November 19th, 1868, moved to Crawford county, Arkansas, in 1878, where he continued to reside till his death. He was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, just after the war and was a faithful servant of his Divine Lord to the end of his life. He loved the church and was always on hand and ready to do his part, as long as he was able. He was a public spirited man, and was highly respected, and honored by his fellow citizens throughout his county, as was evidenced by his having been honored by them, in giving him the office of county and probate judge, which he filled with distinction. He was a worthy Master Mason and exemplified the principles of the order in his life.

He is gone from among us, but "we will cherish his memory, and strive to imitate his virtues."

He leaves a wife in age and fulness. They never had any children. May the great Head of the church minister comfort to her in this hour of her greatest sorrow.

A. H. Lark, L. E.

GOODWINE—Mrs. Elizabeth Goodwine (nee Bernie) was born in Reading, Pa., March 31st, 1851, and died suddenly of heart disease December 13, 1913, in Carlisle, Ark., at her home. Her remains were taken back to her former Indiana home for burial. Sister Goodwine was first married to George Lerch at the age of nineteen years. To this union were born three children—Clara Lockery of Fowler, Ind., Cherry Lerch of Los Angeles, Cal., and Wm. Lerch of Ambia, Ind. A few years after the death of Mr. Lerch she was married to Arthur C. Goodwine of Ambia, Ind. To this union were born five children—Mrs. Pearl Wattles of Ambia, Ind., Mrs. Jennie Fleming and Mr. Elmer Goodwine of Flennville, Mich., Ben Goodwine and Mrs. Vernon Whittaker of Carlisle, Ark. Sister Goodwine and her last husband were former members of the United Brethren church at Ambia, Ind., but after moving to Carlisle, Ark., they joined the M. E. Church, South. We never had the pleasure of meeting her. May the Lord greatly comfort all the bereaved.

J. R. Sanders.

Carlisle, Ark.

SHAFFSTALL—Mr. Shaffstall, who lived one mile west from town, after having a short illness, died December 28th, 1913. His bereaved family have our greatest sympathy.

Bro. Shaffstall was born in Steuben county, Ind., in 1850. He joined the church at Parsons, Kan., in early life. He was known by Dr. Porter in Kansas twenty-five years ago, as a good man. He lived a consistent life up until the time of his death, at which time he had not been in our midst but

a short time, but had attended church and Sunday school and was to join the Methodist church the Sunday following death. We will miss him very much as a Christian and a citizen.

While we are yet here, coming in contact with the evil one continually and are being tested in every instance he has already stood the test of this life, and has gone to enjoy the happiness of the beautiful mansions that our Lord went to prepare for all who would meet his commands in this life.

I will say to the bereaved wife and relatives move on up the mountain-side in the narrow path and finally you will struggle your way into those mansions above, where we may live together forever.

L. T. Rogers, P. C.
Vandervoort, Ark.

MRS. JOHN A. HUDSON—The announcement of the death of this good woman, which occurred very suddenly at her home near Altheimer, Arkansas, December 11, 1913, brought sadness to many hearts.

She was formerly Miss Cornelia Francis Cason, a sister of Rev. John R. Cason, now of the Florida Conference, and of Mr. A. L. Cason of this city. She was married to Capt. J. H. Crawford in 1884 and lived, happily with him until his death which occurred in Artesia, New Mexico in 1908. Some time after this sad event she returned to Arkansas where in 1911 she was married to Mr. John A. Hudson of Pine Bluff, a friend of her youth, who is now left to mourn her loss.

She was converted and joined the Methodist church in her childhood and was ever a most devout Christian and active worker in the church. For a number of years she lived in Hot Springs where she and Capt. Crawford were among the best known and most influential members of our Central Avenue church, and where the writer first knew them eighteen years ago. Where ever she lived she was known as one who loved God and who exemplified in her life graces of our holy religion. Many will rise up in the last day and call her blessed as many bless her memory today.

Her last illness was of very short duration and she was not able to speak after the fatal stroke but those of us who know how she lived know that she was ready for the final summons.

She leaves, besides the relatives mentioned, a sister, Mrs. Hamilton, of Fayetteville, two step daughters, Mrs. W. P. Whaley of Camden and Mrs. Myal Green of Arkadelphia and a host of other relatives and friends to mourn her loss. Our church at Altheimer is most sorely bereft by her death but the heritage of her beautiful life still abides and while her loss to the church seems irreparable it is still true that "God buries his workmen but carries on his work."

J. A. Sage.

Pine Bluff, Ark.

MADILL—W. J. Madill was born in Randolph county, Illinois, November 17th, 1864, and died in Little River county, Ark., January 2, 1914. Moved to Kansas in 1885 and to Little River county, Arkansas, in February, 1912. Was married at Deerfield, Kansas, November 10th, 1889 to Miss Amelia Kell. Six children came to bless this union, four of whom are still living, Clarence of Rowe, Oklahoma, Ellis, Ralph and Esther, at home. The wife and mother departed this life November 8th, 1906, at Girard, Kansas. Besides the children there are two brothers left to mourn the loss, R. J. Maddill of New-

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ton, Kansas, and Martin Madill of Los Animas, Colo.

Mr. Madill was converted at Richmond, Arkansas, August 14th, 1913, and together with his three children joined the M. E. Church, South, of which he was a faithful member.

He was a loving father and a kind neighbor, and leaves a host of friends to mourn his loss.

A Friend.

CRUMP—Mary J. Crump was born in Tuscaloosa county, Ala., August 8th, 1864, died near Frederick, Okla., December 21, 1913. She was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, August 27, 1855. She lived a devoted consecrated life until the day of her death. A long line of good works shall follow her into the other world. She was kind, congenial and helpful to everyone. The Methodist church lost one of its best members in her death. Three days before her death her husband asked her should the Lord call her home was she willing and ready. She answered, "I am." She was laid to rest in the Frederick Cemetery, December 22, 1913.

J. R. Brooks, P. C.

HILL—Mrs. Josephine E. (Marreod Hill) was born December 22, 1820, at Vevay, Indiana, and died at her home at Attica, Ark., June 7, 1913. Age 92 years, 5 months and 18 days. She was married to George W. Hill in March, 1843 and came to Arkansas in 1856 where her husband died in 1870, leaving her with four children, two sons and two daughters, of which the daughters alone survive her, the Misses Clara and Lucy Hill of Attica, Ark. She also leaves eight grandchildren and sixteen great grandchildren. Mrs. Hill was of French Swiss parentage. Her parents, John Daniel Marerod and Antonette Dufour, came from Switzerland with a party of thirteen persons known as the Swiss Colony and settled in Jessamine county, Ky., in February, 1801, near Vineland on the Kentucky river. It is said that when the Dufour children and others were ready to start for America, grandfather Dufour followed them to river, and there offered a prayer that God would protect them in their new home and that the town which they should found be blessed, and they have attributed the health, happiness and prosperity of the early settlers to the special protection of God, and believe his prayers were answered. And that John James Dufour on the eve of his departure from Switzerland, called his family about him and read aloud the 90th Psalm, which he asked be read at the funeral of each member of the family. The request has been complied with faithfully so far and probably will be with all who can trace their pedigree back to the old Switzer.

February 16, 1808, most of the colony emigrated to Indiana. They floated down the Ohio river in a rude barge and settled the town of Vevay. John D. Marerod and Antonette Dufour, two

of the praty who came over with the Swiss colony weer married February 16, 1803, in Kentucky, just before going to Indiana. Eight children were born to them, of which Mrs. Hill was the youngest. She joined the Methodist church while quite young, and was a woman of good Christian character. In her home both the rich and poor found a warm welcome. More than one generation of friends will recall Mrs. Hill as one of those rare spirits who are marked by the gentleness of character that goes with true feminine refinement and which is the growth of a strong and simple faith. In every long life there are lights and shadows. It was so with this dear soul, but through all the decline of physical health and strength these shown out the radiant light of a pure and gentle saintless softened by the chastening influence of God's loving discipline. Mrs. Hill was the last charter member of Oak Grove church. As her life has been beautiful so was her departure from it. The death of an aged parent, and the severing of family ties impress us with the truthfulness of the thought, "There is no union, here, of hearts that has not here an end."

The world will never tire of thanking God for Christian mothers. May the comforting grace of our Lord abide with the motherless daughters. After funeral services conducted by her pastor, Rev. J. W. Williams, the remains were laid to rest in the Biggers cemetery.

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District Stewards will please meet at
Walnut Ridge Friday, January 2nd, at
3 p. m. This meeting is an important
one. I hope every charge will be repre-
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Harrisburg Sta..... Feb. 1-2
Vandale Ct. at V..... Feb. 6
Earle..... Feb. 7-8
Crawfordsville and Vincent..... Feb. 8-9
Osceola..... Feb. 15-16
District Stewards will meet at 1:30
p. m., December 30, at First Church,
Jonesboro. All pastors are urged to at-
tend this meeting.
W. L. OLIVER, P. E.

BATESVILLE DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Cave City Circuit, at Sidney, Jan. 17-18
Evening Shade Circuit, at Evening
Shade..... Jan. 18-19
Ash Flat Circuit, at Ash Flat, Jan. 20
Camp Mission, at Camp..... Jan. 22
Salem Station..... Jan. 24-25
Viola Mission, at Viola..... Jan. 25-26
Bexar Circuit, at Wheeling..... Jan. 27
Melbourne Circuit, at Chapel Hill.....
Jan. 28
Calico Rock, Circuit, at Flat Rock.....
Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Central Avenue and Bethesda, at Cen-
tral Avenue..... Feb. 1-2
Floral Circuit, at Pleasant Plains.....
Feb. 7-8
Desha Circuit, at Desha..... Jan. 8-9
The District Stewards will please meet
me at the Methodist church in Bates-
ville on Tuesday, December the 30th,
at 2 p. m.
A. F. SKINNER, P. E.

ARKANSAS CONFERENCE.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Viney Grove at Viney Grove, Jan. 17, 18
Prairie Grove..... Jan. 18, 19
Parkdale and White River, Jan. 20, 21
Huntsville at Huntsville..... Jan. 24, 25
Pea Ridge at Pea Ridge Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Rogers Station..... Feb. 1, 2
War Eagle Ct. at War Eagle, Feb. 7, 8
J. B. STEVENSON, P. E.

BOONEVILLE DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Dardanelle Ct. at Centerville Jan. 17-18
Ola and Perry at Ola..... Jan. 18-19
Plainview at Plainview..... Jan. 21
Gravelly at Gravelly..... Jan. 24-25
JAS. A. ANDERSON.

MORRILTON DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

London Ct., at London..... Jan. 17-18
Plumerville..... Jan. 18
F. S. H. JOHNSON, J. E.

FORT SMITH DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

McLerray at McLerray..... Jan. 18
Alma..... Jan. 18, 19
First Church..... Jan. 25, 26

Midland Heights..... Feb. 1, 2
Central Church..... Feb. 8, 9
JAMES M. HUGHEY, P. E.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Hickory Plains Ct., at Bethlehem.....
Jan. 17, 18
Austin Ct., at Mt. Tabor..... Jan. 24, 25
Oak Hill Ct., at Oak Hill, Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Bryant Ct., at Bryant..... Feb. 7, 8
Lonoke Station..... Feb. 14, 15
DeVall's Bluff and Hazen at DeVall's
Bluff..... Feb. 15, 16
FORNEY HUTCHINSON, P. E.

CAMDEN DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Eldorado Circuit..... Jan. 17, 18
Huttig..... Jan. 19
Strong..... Jan. 20
Chidester..... Jan. 24, 25
Eagle Mills..... Jan. 31 and Feb. 1
Camden..... Feb. 2
W. P. WHALEY, P. E.

TEXARKANA DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Vandervoort..... Jan. 17, 18
Mena..... Jan. 17, 18
Cherry Hill..... Jan. 21
Gilliam..... Jan. 24, 25
DeQueen..... Jan. 25, 26
Lockesburg..... Jan. 31, and Feb. 1
Umpire Ct., at Pinkerton..... Feb. 3
Texarkana, First Church..... Feb. 8
Fairview..... Feb. 8, 9
J. A. HENDERSON, P. E.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Harmony..... Jan. 17, 18
Columbus..... Jan. 24, 25
Washington..... Jan. 25, 26
Delight..... Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Murfreesboro..... Feb. 1, 2
W. M. HAYS, P. E.

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Swan Lake..... Jan. 18
Redfield Ct., at Bethel..... Jan. 24, 25
First Church, Pine Bluff, Feb. 1, 11 p. m.
Humphrey..... Feb. 1, 7 p. m.
Grady..... Feb. 8
Rowell Ct., at Center..... Feb. 14, 15
Sherrill and Tucker at Tucker, Feb. 22
Lakeside, Pine Bluff..... March 1
J. A. SAGE, P. E.

HARRISON DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Clinton Ct., at Scotland..... Jan. 17, 18
Higden Ct., at Higden..... Jan. 19, 20
Lead Hill Ct., at Lead Hill, Jan. 24, 25
Yellville Ct., at Yellville, Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Cotter Ct., at Cotter..... Feb. 7, 8
Mt. Home Ct., at Mt. Home, Feb. 8, 9
W. T. MARTIN, P. E.

ARCADEPHIA DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Dalark at Dalark..... Jan. 17, 18
Friendship at Friendship..... Jan. 24, 25
Traskwood at Traskwood, Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Princeton at Macedonia..... Feb. 7, 8
Arkadelphia Ct., at Hollywood.....
Feb. 14, 15
Ussery at Hughe's Chapel..... Feb. 21, 22
Epworth League Miss, at Gum Springs
on Hot Springs Ct..... March 13, 14
Arkadelphia District Stewards and pas-
tors are hereby requested to meet in
the Methodist Church at Malvern at 1 p.
m., January 15, 1914. The pastors will
all please see to it that their District
Stewards are apprized of the meeting
and urge them to attend.
All other places will be announced.
Hot Springs Ct., Cedar Glades, Bear and
Sims, are all expected to meet in one
Conference at Gum Springs, March 13-14.
ALONZO MONK, P. E.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT.
(Second Round—in part.)

Warren station..... Feb. 8-9
Tillar Ct..... Feb. 14-15
Crossett Sta..... Feb. 22-23
Lasey Ct..... Feb. 28-Mar. 1
Dean Ct..... March 7-8
Wilmar Sta..... March 15-16
Arkansas City..... March 22-23
Mt. Pleasant Ct..... March 28-29
Monticello Sta..... March 29-30
Hamburg Sta..... April 5-6
Dermott Sta..... April 12-13
Eudora Ct..... April 18-19
McGehee..... April 26-27
I will publish the rest later.
R. W. McKAY, P. E.

WEST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

MANGUM DISTRICT.
(Second Round.)

Lone Wolf Ct., at Lone Wolf, Jan. 17-18
Granite and Willow, at Granite.....
Jan. 24-25
Blair..... Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Dryden and Red Hill, at Medcalf.....
Feb. 7-8
Duke and Victory, at Victory..... Feb. 8-9
Vinson Ct., at Union..... Feb. 14-15
Pleasant Hill and Bethel, at Bethel.....
Feb. 21-22
Mangum Ct., at White Flat.....
Feb. 28, Mar. 1
Carnegie..... Mar. 7-8
Mountain View and Mt. Vernon, at
Mt. View..... March 8-9
Cloud Chief and Bois, at Cloud Chief.....
March 14-15
Hobart..... March 15
Prairie Hill and McNight..... March 21-22
Hollis..... March 22-23
Gotebo and Star, at Star..... March 28-29
Delhi Ct., at Delhi..... April 4-5

Brinkman and Deer Creek, at Brink-
man..... April 11-12
Martha..... April 12-13
Eldorado..... April 18-19
Olustee..... April 19-20
Mangum..... April 21
District Conference at Mangum, April
23-25. Opening sermon by Rev. C. F.
Shepherd, 7:30 p. m., April 22. Let every
pastor be able to report assessments for
missions in hand by that time.
C. F. MITCHELL, P. E.

OKLAHOMA CITY DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Franklin at Union..... Jan. 17-18
St. John's..... Jan. 18-19
Arcadia at Arcadia..... Jan. 24-25
Okla. City Ct. at St. James, Jan. 25-26
Paoli at Paoli..... Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Piedmont at Piedmont..... Feb. 7-8
Guthrie..... Feb. 14-15
Perry..... Feb. 15-16
R. E. L. MORGAN, P. E.

LAWTON DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Mt. Park at Mt. Park..... Jan. 17, 18
Headrick at Headrick..... Jan. 18, 19
Walter Ct. at Valley View, Jan. 24, 25
Walter Sta..... Jan. 25, 26
Indian Work at Anadarko.....
Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Lawton..... Feb. 1, 2
The District Stewards Meeting and
Preacher's and Laymen's Conference will
met at Altus, Monday night, Jan. 12th.
The District Stewards will hold their
meeting following the sermon Monday
night. The Preachers and Laymen's
Conference will adjourn Wednesday
noon. Every preacher, traveling and lo-
cal, is expected to be present, with a
good delegation of laymen from each
pastoral charge.
J. A. OLD, P. E.

CHICKASHA DISTRICT.
(Second Round.)

Terral, at Fleetwood..... Jan. 31-Feb. 1
Waurika..... Feb. 1-2
Tuttle, at Amber..... Feb. 7-8
Cement, at Cement..... Feb. 14-15
Letitia Mission, at Cannon..... Feb. 15-16
Raily, at Purdy..... Feb. 21-22
Kilgore, at Round's Creek..... Feb. 22-23
Maysville, at Maysville, Feb. 28-Mar. 1
Lindsay..... March 7-8
Alex, at Alex..... March 8-9
Anadarko..... March 14-15
Ft. Cobb, at Ft. Cobb..... March 15-16
Chickasha Mission, at Ninnahah.....
March 21-22
Harrisburg, at Alma..... March 28
Duncan..... March 29-30
Oak Grove, at Woodlawn..... April 4-5
Marlow..... April 5-6
Rush Springs..... April 11-12
Ryan..... April 12-13
Comanche..... April 18-19
Chickasha..... April 19-20
District Conference at Marlow.....
April 24-27
MOSS WEAVER, P. E.

CLINTON DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Butler at Shiloh..... Jan. 17, 18
Bethel at Bethel..... Jan. 24, 25
Hammon at Hammon, Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Elk City..... Feb. 1, 2
Port at Retrop..... Feb. 7, 8
Sentinel..... Feb. 8, 9
Strong City at Strong C., Feb. 14, 15
Cheyenne..... Feb. 15, 16
Rocky at Rocky..... Feb. 21, 22
Cordell..... Feb. 22, 23
L. L. JOHNSON, P. E.
Clinton, Okla.

ARDMORE DISTRICT.

Hickory..... Jan. 17, 18
Sulphur Vinita Ave..... Jan. 18, 19
Hewitt..... Jan. 24, 25
Lawrence Chapel..... Jan. 25, 26
Sulphur, First Church..... Jan. 30, Feb. 1
Marietta..... Feb. 1, 2
Ardmore, Broadway..... Feb. 6, 8
Ardmore, Carter Avenue..... Feb. 8, 9
W. U. WITT, P. E.

EAST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Vian and Webbers at Webbers, Jan. 17, 18
Wainwright Ct. at Hitchita, Jan. 24, 25
C. L. BROOKS, P. E.

CREEK DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Wewoka Ct., at Wewoka..... Jan. 10-11
Euchee Mission..... Jan. 17-18
Okmulgee Ct., at Tulsa church.....
Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Broken Arrow Ct., at Hailey's Chapel.....
Feb. 7-8
Honey Creek Ct., at Little Cussito.....
Feb. 14-15
Seminole Ct., at Thlophlocco.....
Feb. 28, Mar. 1
THOS. F. ROBERTS, P. E.

MCLESTER DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Canadian & Crowder at Crowder, Jan. 18
Quinton..... Jan. 18
Braden Circuit..... Jan. 25
Spiro..... Jan. 25
Cameron Ct. at Tarby's Prairie, Feb. 1
Poteau..... Feb. 1
Krebs and Halleyville at Krebs, Feb. 4
Howe and Hester at Howe..... Feb. 8
Heavener..... Feb. 8
W. M. WILSON, P. E.

MADDILL DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Stonewall..... Jan. 17, 18
Kenefic at Bee..... Jan. 24, 25
Colbert..... Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Durant, Grace Church..... Feb. 7, 8
Woodville..... Feb. 14, 15
Aylesworth..... Feb. 21, 22
The District Stewards will please meet
in the Methodist church at Madill at 3
o'clock p. m., Wednesday, January 21.
All pastors are invited to be present.
JAMES W. ROGERS, P. E.

HOLDENVILLE DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Stilwater..... Jan. 17, 18
Wewoka Station..... Jan. 24, 25
Vanocs at Vanocs..... Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Ada, First Church and Asberry, Feb.
ruary 7 and 8. The District Stewards
and pastors are called to meet at Holden-
ville on Tuesday, December 30th, at 2
p. m.
N. L. LINEBOUGH, P. E.

VINITA DISTRICT.

Bernice and Pensacola, at Pensacola.....
Jan. 17, 18
Adair and Big Cabin, at Adair, Jan. 17, 18
Spavinaw Ct., at Requaah..... Jan. 23
Locust Grove..... Jan. 24, 25
Delaware Ct., at Rose..... Jan. 25, 26
Peggs..... Jan. 26
Moody Ct., at Moody..... Jan. 27
Afton..... Feb. 1, 3
Miami and Fairland, at Fairland.....
Feb. 1, 2
Wyandotte..... Feb. 2
Wagoner Ct., Q. C., at Wagoner, Feb. 7
Wagoner Ct., at Thompson's, 11 a. m.
Wagoner Station..... Feb. 8
Chelsea..... Feb. 15, 16
District Stewards' meeting, Vinita,
January 8, 9:30 a. m.
E. M. SWEET, Jr., P. E.

TULSA DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Bald Hill..... Jan. 17, 18
Beggs..... Jan. 18, 19
Bearden..... Jan. 24, 25
Okfuskee..... Jan. 25, 26
Red Fork and Mounds, at Mounds.....
Jan. 31, Feb. 1
The District Stewards and pastors of
the Tulsa District are called to meet in
Sapulpa, Okla., on Thursday, January
8th at 2:30 p. m.
J. H. BALL, P. E.

HUGO DISTRICT.
(First Round.)

Tallihina..... Jan. 17, 18
Antlers Ct., at Kent..... Jan. 24, 25
Antlers Station..... Jan. 25, 26
Grant..... Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Soper..... Feb. 7, 8
Bennington..... Feb. 8, 9
Freeny..... Feb. 14, 15
Kemp..... Feb. 21, 22
Cloudy..... Feb. 28, March 1
R. T. BLACKBURN, P. E.

CHOCTAW AND CHICKASHA DIST.
(First Round.)

Chackasaw Ct., at Dealey Chapel.....
Jan. 17, 18
Bruno Ct., at Cane Hill..... Jan. 24, 25
Jesse Ct., at Salt Spring, Jan. 31, Feb. 1
Rufe Ct., at Black Jack..... Feb. 7, 8
McCurtain Ct., at Kenta..... Feb. 14, 15
District Stewards will meet me at Hu-
go December 16th, 1913.
J. A. KENNEY, P. E.

HOW MUCH MONEY SHOULD A
HUSBAND GIVE HIS WIFE?

In the current issue of Farm and Fireside, appears a department called "The Experience Bazaar" in which contributors present the fruits of their experiences particularly in matters relating to the home. Following is an extract from a letter written by a woman on the subject of a wife's expenditures:

"Is a woman's life worth only her food and clothing? In every position on earth, except that of a wife, a person is entitled to wages. A wife generally does all that a servant would do, and a great deal more, works more hours a day than a man and goes through ordeals that are almost beyond human endurance, yet many wives do endure this for half a century with only enough to eat and keep them warm, never having an extra dollar to spend. They even have to ask for money to buy postage stamps.

"I think a woman should have absolute control of all household affairs. She should watch corners and know how to deal wisely. She should be allowed to manage her house in whatever way seems best to her. She should have enough of an allowance to cover necessary expenses, and a special allowance for her individual needs, and should never have to ask for it."



REV. M. A. CASSIDY, Evangelist,
East Oklahoma Conference.

LITTLE ROCK.

It was joy inexpressible to know we were returned to 28th street for another year. The hand is pointing to a glorious year for this charge, and we are always partaking of the feast. There is far more room to feel gratified than a year ago. Every department of the church is bright and cheerful, and increasing in quantity as well as quality. The Board of Stewards felt so encouraged that they increased the pastor's salary \$200 over last year. In fact, life is seen in every phase of the church. We cannot but think the bright prospect is due to the heroic and valiant work of the noble workers in the church. A more valiant and able body of stewards a pastor never had. They take the finances of the church out of the pastor's hands; and hold the record, since organization, of paying their pastor semi-monthly, and presiding elder quarterly. It can be truthfully said of this church that it is a "busy bee hive" for the Master.

Efficient and consecrated men head the Sunday school and League, which departments are rapidly growing. The Ladies' Missionary Society recently organized with 21 members, bids fair of being a bright jewel for the church. In every office of this department consecrated women head. We are doing things for Christ and letting others make the fuss.

A more loyal membership cannot be found. A few evenings ago the entire membership gave the pastor and wife an evening call, and "left their tracks behind them" to the delight and comfort of a parsonage home.

It appears in the Minutes that 28th street is a mission charge, and we resent such, for it is anything but a mission, and would disabuse the mind of any one to have such a thought. Pray for our success.

J. Wayne Mann, P. C.

MALVERN, ARK.

Western Methodist: After Conference we packed up, loaded our car and shipped to Malvern. On the same afternoon (Thanksgiving day), we, Van, Olin, Don and I, left Pine Bluff, leaving behind Mrs. Harrell, Bert, Mary, John and Aunt Lola, these to come

later. The boys and I reached our destination on Saturday afternoon. I filled my first appointment the first Sunday after Conference, which was the fifth Sunday of November.

We have been cordially received by the people of this prosperous and growing town. On Monday following my arrival my car came and we unloaded and unpacked and set up for house keeping before Mrs. H. came. On the afternoon that Mrs. H. was to arrive a number of the good women of the church came over to the parsonage and prepared a sumptuous supper. At 6:30 I went down to the train on which she was to arrive, but when the train came she was not there. The boys and I, greatly disappointed, came back to the parsonage and with the good women present tried to devour the abundant supper, but we could not. After supper we spent a very pleasant hour socially, after which the ladies departed. About 9 o'clock I went to the depot and met the 9:15 train, on which the remainder of the tribe came. Did—O yes, there was plenty of supper.

I find that you have a large list of readers of the Western Methodist here. This is as it should be. I shall seek to add others to the list. The paper is growing better every week. It is a real pleasure to read it. Bro. Barrett, come down and spend a day with me.
J. W. Harrell.

BRADFORD AND BALD KNOB

Dear Western Methodist: We have started off well on our third year on this pleasant charge. The people have received us kindly and we are delighted with our work. The preacher has been on his knees praying that this may be the best year of his ministry, and we trust it may be. The people have been praying also, not only been praying but are showing other signs of a good year.

Our new P. E., Rev. R. C. Morehead, was with us the 18th of December and preached a very helpful sermon, but did not hold our quarterly conference. He will hold it Jan. 31 and Feb. 1. Bro. Morehead is a good preacher, a fine marshaler of men and forces. Therefore we predict a very fine year on the Searcy district.

Rev. W. B. Hays, one of our editors, was with us the 21st of December and gave us a very fine sermon, which was enjoyed by all who heard him. This is one of Bro. Hays' former charges, consequently it was enjoyed the more. Hope he will come again.

The third Sunday we preached at Ingleside, and at 3 p. m. we had the privilege of preaching to the county convicts, 31 in number. Had one confession and four penitents. So God still hears the cry of the unfortunate. Yesterday was a good day at Bradford. Preached a New Year's sermon, had eight additions to the church. The Lord was with us in power. The first Sunday after Conference we had a fine day at Bald Knob; all seemed to be hopeful of a good year.

We see in the list of appointments that our charge is given as a mission. It has been the past two years, but it is not this year. It has been growing. Our people say that our Western Methodist is getting better all the time. We hope to increase the circulation this year.

Edward Forrest.



REV. S. E. KIRBY, Evangelist,
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Methodist: Marshall is on the upward trend. We are progressing slowly but surely to better things. All departments of the church show some progress. The Sunday School is excellent. Good attendance, good spirit. Our junior league has almost reached the half-hundred mark. The Senior League is hoping for a great year. The Woman's Home Mission is making steady progress. Prayer meeting is fairly attended. The preaching services are very well attended. All things considered, Marshall has a fair outlook for the coming year. Our church was filled with sorrow on the account of the death of one of our faithful members recently, Mrs. Dora Allen. She had long been an invalid. Had to sleep in a chair. Suffering filled her last days. She bore her cross meekly until her release. She passed to her reward triumphantly. Our people still die well. She has three infant children to greet her entrance into the city. Her memory is precious. She leaves a husband and several sisters to mourn her loss. Earth is poorer but heaven is richer. May she by her life and death draw us nearer to our lord.

Everett Faulkner, P. C.

DESHA, ARK.

Dear Western Methodist:—I write you a few lines that you may know how we are getting along at Desha, but I think that I can almost hear some one say, "Well, where is Desha?" So I will first answer the inquiry. Desha is about four miles southwest of Batesville in Independence county. I had the great pleasure of serving this good people last year, and was returned for the year 1914, you can see that I am a well pleased little preacher. I got back December 9 and we began to get ready for Christmas week. I had not been home but a few days when one night there was a crowd of people from little boys and girls up to old men and women and, oh my! you just ought to see the nice things these people stacked upon our dining table. It almost groaned under the load of good things that they heaped upon it. As there was not room on the table for all of the things they stacked them on a bench till it was loaded. (I will say the din-

ing table is not of these large ones, and strong as well). I tried to tell them how much we appreciated their kindness but I find there are some things in our experience that we can not find words to express. They saw I was helpless and just accepted my effort as much as if I had made a complete job of it. On Sunday before Christmas we began a protracted meeting, and spent Christmas week trying to get souls saved. We had 1-74 conversions here at this place last August and have been having a good time ever since. We had no conversions Christmas week, but some seemed to be anxious about salvation. Bro. W. S. Story and Bro. Lusk helped me in the meeting. They did some fine preaching. It seems to me the people of Desha circuit really think too much of their preachers. I am glad to be here another year. I want every one who reads this to stop one minute in prayer to our Heavenly Father, that he may use me here this year in doing a good work. These people deserve a god preacher.

Brethren: I am praying for you that God may use and bless you more this year than ever before. Desha has a fine Sunday school with good attendance, 85 were present last Sunday. All seemed interested. I feel sure soon as the weather gets good the number will double. We have prayer meeting twice a week, rain or shine—every Sunday and Wednesday nights and we most always have good crowds. There are several family altars in this settlement. I wish every man who has his name written on a Methodist class book would erect a family altar. There is a power that goes out from the family altar that does not go out from any other place. We want all the spiritual power we can get, if we are earnest Christians, and the family altar is of great help to the children of God. Remember me and my circuit when you are talking to the Master.

N. J. Baty, P. C.

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