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For The Perinsula Methodis
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Don't make it long,
Nor very stong,
Lest listeners tire, or mayhap faint. On gentla hert.
With strongest pictures words can paint.
Not very wise,
Lest it surprise,
Some shallow, or uncultured brain; Yet deep, profound
The followers great, in learning's train.
Seasoned with grace
With e'er a trace
appetizing worddy spice. appetizing worid
Extempore,
Kit Yet should it be
smooth, polished, eloquent and nice Not preached too low.
Loud, fast or slow,
Suit nerves, and moods in great and Each word just right,
And perfect quite.-
Butnever dream t'will then please .

To The Pastor of The Wimington Conference
Dear Brethren:-
Will you "sufter the word of exbortation" from a "tellow laborer in the Kingdom'? Well, lat me first call your attention to the
action of our conference on the Bible cause. Our reports have always heartily and unequivocally endorsed the cause; but the sup port thereof, furnished by the collec tions, has been very unsteady, as showh by the report of our last Bible cause committee, reaching as high as $\$ 962$, and falling aselow as $\$ 398$. Last year it was $\$ 599$, being an in crease of $\$ 71$ over the preceeding year-all increase occuring in charge on the Maryland side of our Peninsula. But even the best support given this great work by our Conterence has fallen far short of being proportioned to the importance there of, as the conference itself has, again and again, declared; and some of our pastors and charge.s betray, in their appreciation or eftort, or perhaps
both. Just think of a pastor and his Managers, on Therence with, our Board of
appreciation or eftort or pociety was the occasion of a vist to
people raising $\$ 1200$. for pastora support and nearly $\$ 250$ for Missions; and of another charge raising Si 500 for pastoral support and $\$ 500$ for Missions, and each giving $\$ \mathrm{r}$ for the Bible Cause!
Our last Committee-page 66 of Minutes-declares that "in 1895 there were 60 charges giving only Si and 24 charges paying nothing what ever lor this great cause. On Dover District there were in charges paying only Sı on Easton District Ig on Salisbury 12 on Wilmington 18 On Dover District there were II charges paying nothing; Easton Salisbury 3 and Wilmington s. In the 60 charges first mentioned, we fear there was no ronm in the Omni bus Inn for this iuterest of Bethle hem's King: and, in 24 charges, not even a manger!'’ We all voted to adopt this terrible report. It was the truth, and it must stand forever but let us pray that such a showing may be forever hereafter impossible
your agent's record
Perhaps some Brother, whom the above hits, will say " I suspect your appointment asAgent of the Maryland Bible Society has greatly quickened your interest in this cause." should be ashamed if $t$ had not. But my previous and pastoral record on this line is in the Conference Minutes. Omitting Laurel and Felton (I st year) to which places I was trans ferred near the close of the conference year, having little to do with any other than the Missionary Collection the Chronicles of the Wilmington Conference show that for the 17 years was in the pastorate since its organzation, the gatherings for the Bible Cause averaged $\$ 7.9 \mathrm{~S}$ per year, and were, in one case only, as small as $\$ 2$ So you can sling away boys-you hat dare: I have not lived in a glass house, and am not afraid of stones.

## THE

ent serious situation

21st, 1897 . by Rev. Dr. Alexander Mc $\mid$ the vast Missionary work of the Lean, one of the general Secretaries, Society, must, ere this time, have accompanied by a representative of practically ceased. It must be so, he the Board.
We learned from Dr. McLean's address that formerly the Society was embarrassed by difficulties in introducing the Word of God into heathen countries, and the unwillingness of their populations to receive it, even as a gift. Now the Society is embarrassed by its wonderful opportunites. "Ethiopia stretches out her hands," and the Macedonias to the ends of the earth are pleading, "come over and and help us.'

The circulation of the Holy Sriptures has marvelously increased in India, China, Japan, South America -everywhere where Christian Missions have been opened;and very ately a call has come for thousands of copies fron dark, Mohammedan Egypt. "A great and effectual door" has lately been opened to the introduction of the Word of Truth to peoples of strange languages; the Missionaries are preparing the translations; in one case the translation is completed, and the people of that tongue are hungry and anxious tor the Word: but the work is stopped short because the general Society has not funds to pay tor the printing and binding. It is the first time the American lible Society has not promptly responded when there has been a call for the publication of our blessed Bible in another language, or that it has failed to supply the proper demands of any Chritian Mis sion to the ends of tne earth.

HOW IS THIS ACCOUNTED FOR
Dr. McLean told us that not only are the contributions from the Churches growing less, but that benevolently inclined people of means, who. as a class, used to make large donations and bequests to the Bible Society Work, have more recently been attracted by the claims of l.braries, universities and hospitals, and that, bnt for one woman's generous gift of a few years ago, (which unortunately is now nearly exhausted)
said, very soon, unless the Churches come to the rescue. Such a catasrophe would largely deprive the Missionary batteries of their chief ammunition, aud Protestant Missionaries throughout the world would be paralyzed.
CTION OF THE MARYLAND board So grave did the situation seem that the Maryland Bible Society at once adopted a strong resolution, drafted by President Gilman of Johns Hopkins University, calling for a committee to consider the situation, and devise, if possible, some plan by which to stimulate the waning interest of the churches.
Now, Brethren beloved: I pray vou, I. Don't allow a blank in the Bible Collection Column. 2 Don't fill a blank with a merely nominal um, and simply for the looks of the hing. 3, Don't, in any case, allow he report frcm your charge to be of a less sum than for last year: make it larger whenever possible. 4. And don't fail to take this blessed cause upon your hearts, and bear it before God and the church as never before. Yours in the battle

Robt. W. Todd.
remariscraces
SCHOOL-BOY DAYS IN WILMINGTON, delaware,
Ev, S. W. Thomas, D.D, of the Philadelphia
It is well to travel back along the track of time and renew the acquaintances of lamiliar places and faces Mother and father, relations and riends form interesting groups around which cluster sweet mem ories and sad remembrances of our early days.

Our early dars! Fow often back We turn on life's hewildering track, To where, o'er hill and valley plays
The sunlight of our earlier days."
We cannot nor should not if we could, lose the bright and sweet memories of childhood's roseate
morn. Here is the key to perrenial delights: forgetting the woes and worries of the intervening years, wefly back to the times.
"When youth and innocence made holidar!"
How quickly we spring across the span of sixty years, and sit down beside the School Marms who taught us how to shoot-not spit balls at affrighted boys or grrls, but drilled us in the mysteries of reading and arithmetic. Thesprightly Mrs. Williams, whose bed room with its high posted bedstead and corded rope sacking bottom and the valance that hung in gracetul folds, behind which we so often played mischievous pranks and kept the school laughing and 10 r which offence, the customary penny, a token of good behavior, was refused at the end of the week and we went home in disgrace; for in those days if a boy had a penny the town knew it. The check apron we wore on those occasions, the dainty dresses prepared with scrupulous care by a mother's hands, and the maid who landed ns safely at the door and said that we were received, live in all the lucidity of the gleams of gladness, that darted across a school-boy's brain when taking his first lessons, freed from the restraints of home and allowed privileges that let out the fun and trolick that found vent at least at recess time.
Soon the Kindergarten School gave place to the exacting oversight of Susan Wiggins who so recently joined the company above. She was precise and commanding, but did not inspire lear, but did secure respect and confidence and laid foundations for correct understanding of elementary studies.
Then neighbor Moore, known by nearly all the leading citizens of Wilmington, as one capable, conscientious, and careful in instilling her virtues, as well as the more advanced lesson in Grammar, Spelling and Mathematics. Her sweet Quaker face is photographed upon our mem ory; the thin white hair arranged in the plainest possible form, her light blue eyes, her wrinkled hands, her sweet roice are with us again. The way she pronounced one name ar rested attention and secured obedience. The smack upon the palm of the hand by the ruler which was always conveniently near, was so tar as we were concerned but seldom in flicted. I would kiss the rod and be resigned beneath the stroke, if I could see her but once again. She was a terror to evil doers, but a praise to al Who did well.

Then came Caleb Kimber in the red achool house on Shipley Street above Seventh. What a pedagogue was he! Most of the men who reached any place of honor, or of trust, were taught by this man born to rule. He knew something of Latin, Greek and French, but his forte was the English branches and he prepared one for Academy and College. We would gladly recall the names ot many of those who shared with us his tender care, but their names would be known to but dew of our readers. The brightest teacher Wilmington, Delaware, ever knew was Seward Iohnson, whose Academy would rank in its curriculum with many of the so called Colleges of to day. What a master he was! He was a genius of rarest merit ; the mention of his name goads one for tailure to fully know him and appreciate so rich a mind, so grand a scholar. How he towered above the other teachers. His name was a synonvm ol greatness and goodness. The Bayards, the Birds, the Betts, the Hickses., the Puseys, In deed all the leading families owe to to Seward Johnson untold wealth of precious memories. His genius consumed him. As a linguist, a scientist a scholar of first rank, he stood confessed without a peer in the city where he lived and labored. Edwin Smith was his nearest approach and we sat under him at an earlier date and at tended Quaker meeting every fith day and have never forgotten how to use the plain language. All hail Wilmington where sixty seven years ago we were born.

Some Things to remember.
to peninsula methodist readers

1. Notice carefully the label on your paper. If it is not marked "Jan. 1, 1898," I will be glad to have you torward money at one dollar per year, be the time one year, more or less, so that the subscriber shall stand paid till Jan. 1, 1898.
2. We are in need of subscribers. In order to furnis'1 the public a good paper much cost is involved. This must be paid largely by subscriptions We should double our list of subscribers. May I not appeal to each of you in all kindness to secure at least one new subscriber? If any of you have any thought of stopping your paper, think first what it meens to turn off. your own Conference paper, brim full of good things. Dont leave us.
3. Either pay your money to your pastor for the paper, or send it direct to me. Also sendall matlers pertaining to new subscriptions, chang
ing from one P.O. to another, or discontinuing the paper, direct to me. When sent direct to manager you are assured a prompt reply.
4. It any fall to receive the paper regularly, notify me, or it you receive two copies each weeb, please let me know at once. If the label is not correct notify me.

Dont in any case write us without giving us your P. O. address. A few have done so to their own disappointment.
6. If you delay paying until we send you a bill, do not treat us with silent contempt. Let us hear from you.
7. To the pastors especially; will you kindly send me the names of your different post offices it more than one on your charge. I must have them in order to send you a correct list of your subscribers. Will you also kindiy make the attempt to secure ten new subscribers each ? Dont fail to work on this line please. Yours kindly,
E. H. Derrickson,

Magnolia, Del.

## Armenia

The National Armenian Relief Committee recently forwarded to Turkey $\$ 35.000$. They have just received a cable message from theInternational Committee at Constantinople of which the British Ambassador is Chairman, acknowledging the remittance, and stating that funds in hand are entirely inadequate to meet the awtul suffering and destitution, and that careful investigation has shown that not less than 40,000 children have been made orphans by the late nassacres. These "Wards of Chris tendom" can be easily saved from starvation or debasing enslavement in Moslem homes, and can be cared or at the rate of a dollar a month but thousands will perish before Spring unless generous gitts are sent at once to Brown Brothers \& Co., 59 Wall Street, New York, who are authorized treasurers.

Yours truly,
Spencer Mask,
President,
Fred'k D. Greene,
Secretary.
 Away. By ytts simesly all condthons thoustids of Wasting
 A. Always sinesersand Postodfice address



Flfty Years Ago.
No theory of germs to chill Affectivo ob budding bisses; When rrdent lovers took their 611 , No mim robes on their nisses.
How happy they were not to know The germ-fad-so years ago.

## Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

is the standard family remedy of the world for colds, cough and lung diseases. It is not a palliative, and is not therefore put up in small cheap bottles. t is put up in large bottles or the household. They cost more but cure more.
Fads come and go but no theory or fad can overthrow the fact, that the greatest cure for all colds, coughs and throat and lung diseases, is Ayer's Cherry Pectoral.

50 Years of Cures.
Reduced rates to Washington on Account $n$ the Inauguration via Pennsylvania Railroad.

For the beneflt of those who desire to attend the ceremonies incident to the inauguration of President-elect McKinley, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets to Washington March 1, 2,3 and 4, valid to return from March 4 to 8 , at the following rates: From New York, 88.00 ; Philadelphia, $\$ 5.40$; Baltimore, $\$ 1.60$; Harrisburg, \$5.08; Williamsport, \$8.79; Buttalo, $\$ 11.20$; Rochester, $\$ 10.48$; Altoona and Pittsburg, $\$ 10.00$; and from all other stations on the Pennsylvania system at reduced rates.
This inaluguration will be a most interesting event, and will undoubtedly attract a large number of people from every section of the country.
The magnificent frcilities of the Pennsylvania Railroad make this line the favorite route to the national capital at all times, and its enormous equipment and splendid terminal advantages at Washington make it especially popular on such occasions.

## Good <br> Cheap Quick <br> Printing

## Epworth $\mathbb{L e}$ eague.

rev. aloysius green

## DEVOTIONAL MEETING.

Topic for February:-The Christ of Isaiah.

February 14.- Christ's character described,

## Isa. XI: 1-5.

What a, vision Isaiah must have had 720 years before Christ, to so correctlyand graphically delineate the character of the Messiah as he has done in these verses. Surely the mistaken ideas of the Jews, that he should be a temporal prince, who would give them dominion over the nations of the earth was never derived from Isaiah's description. The char acter here depicted is a spiritual one in which his moral and mental ex cellencies are enumerated.
Every phase of the remarkable prophecy finds its fulfillment in the events as they occurred; At the time when the house of David seemed reduced to its lowest estate "Theie came torth a rod out of the stem of Jesse." The prophetic conception of Messiah is of a man, specially endowed and fitted for his mission by Gcd's Spirit Run over a period of seven hundred and fitty years and hear our Lord's sermon at Nazateth. "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me."
The spirit of wisdom bere reterred to is surely not the term as we understand it, but something beyond our powers of comprehension; for his counsels and maximswere directly opposite from the established maxims coined from worldly wisdom; he coun. selled men for their spiritual rather than their temporal good with a view to a spiritual, and not a tempora kingdcm.
Even the principles ot his government are brought before our notice, first, he is represented as being absolutely right. His kingdom shall be one of righteousness; he will also bring peace, because if righteousness prevails, nobody will wrong others and nobody will have wrongs to avenge. Jealousies, envyings, violence, coveings, all fade betore advancing r!ghteousness.

One teature especially noticable in this picture is "With righteousness shall he judge the poor." Judgment has almost always been perverted in favor of the rich. The spirit of this world seems to be "Get a man down, and kept him down until he dies."
As a rule, the rich are lavored by the, world in a hundred instances,
while the poor receive little or no consideration. But Jesus one day sent word back to John, in reply to a question concerning his mission, "Go tell John the things that ye see and hear, the lame walk, the deat hear, the lepers are cleansed, the dead are raised and the poor hare the gospel preached unto them." When the time comes that Messiah's peaceful reign extends everywhere then there will be no corruptible judges, and all tribunals will be free from any leaning against the poor; then there will be no more spiritual wickedness in high places to contend against. When will that glad day arise? Some say, "Never! It is but the dream of a poet;' but Christ himselt was a living fulfillment of the "poet's" vision. He had one measure for the rich and poor, the mighty and the meek, he showed unvarying kindress toward the humblest, but was also ever ready to receive those who were enriched with worldly wealth, or endowed with social honor, provided they catne in his way and accepted him in the true spirit. Truly there reigns one King, o-day, in the hearts of millions of subjects who is no respecter of persons, but who is ever ready to receive into his blessed fellowship, rich and poor, ignorant and educated, and whosoever will come.

T. DEwITP TALMAGA

In one of his wonderful sermons a one of his wonderful sermons your trouble is not with the heart, it is a gastric disorder or a rebellious liver. It is not $\sin$ that blots
out your hope of heaven, but bilc that not only yellows your eye. balls and furs your tongue and makes your head ache but swoops upon your soul in dejection and
bodings,"-and
Talmage is right! All this trouble can be removed! How? By using

## ©ate URe

We can give you incontrovertible proof from men and women, former sufferers.

But to-day well,
and stay so.
There is no doubt of this. Twenty years experience proves our words Write Wurner's Sule Curc Co., lochester. Wh.

Wanted-An Idea gisuisux


Alum is properly a dye stuff. Lime is properly used in tanning. Neither should be used in bread. Yet it is positively true that most ali the cheaply made baking powders contain these harmful ingredients used simply because they are cheap, and utterly regardless of their dangerous character. The cheap powders thereby become the infamous means whereby the unsuspecting are deluded and injured.

In all English countries and in some of our States it is unlawful to put alum in bread. The Royal Baking Powder is free from alum and lime-it is absolutely pure.
royal takina powder co., hew-york.
For The Methodist

## Obituary.

Mrs Susanna W. Cohee, for wenty-five years a member of Barrat's chapel, wife of Anthony Cohee, near Frederica, Del., died Jan. 12. 1897, aged sixty-one years. Her married life of thirty-two years was spent to much profit to her home, her community and the church. Her congenial and patient disposition her industrious trend, with her heart of loye tor the home, all tell the
story of the true wife and faithful mother she was. The thirty-two years she walked with her husband were years of great helpfulness and comfort to him, while the one son and four daughters who survive say, of all mothers, theirs was the best. Their love for her could not exceed hers for her children and companion. While on her dying bed she frequently remarked to her pastor and friends that her children were the best that any mother could boast of. In her religious life of twenty-five years a member of Barrat's Chapel she manifested marked devotion and truth in God. Her taith was that of the faithful, and as she neared the Eternal City the absence of fear and doubt showed exceeding faith in the Lord. She spoke freely of the hope of soon reaching the haven of rest As the dread disease (stomach troubles) preyed upon her she simply reached higher into the realm of faith. The helpless, the heathen, the church, the community, all lose a friend in the departure of sister Cohee. She has gladdened many a pastor's heart, hence they frequently found their way to her home. Though dead she still speaks and we believe the saddened hearts of her companion and children while they grieve because of her going, will find their greatest happiness in continuing the good work she did in the home, community and church, and especially by following very closely her loving Lord.
Her remains were laid to rest in Barrat's Chapel Cemetery after funeral services conducted by her pastor assisted by Rev. T. A. H. O'Rrien.

## E. H. Derrickson.

Progress ot Medical Science in Treating the Lungs Di Robert Hunter, 117 W. 45 th St., Now York, the famous lung doctor and lecturer, recently delivered three telling lectures entitled "What Medical Science in treating the lungs," and "Great success of antisentic air inhalations." The fund of information given to the public in cause producing Consumption, its progress and cure has increased his long list o' natients until the presen when large numbers daily are treated aither in person or by corres in the treatment of thousands of sufferers, whom the family doctors had given up to die, is simply won derful. Readers of this can have Dr. Hunter's books, fully explaining his views, sent to then at home, or a his grand sanitarlum, Nethorwood, N. J., where all hotel accomadations are furnishod. Terms reasonabl Apply to Robt. HUNTER, M. D.

NEW YOBK

## Temperance 国 Prohibition

 rev. f. m. lisdale.
## Pending March tth

Miss Willard, writing in "Union Signal," instances two Governors, Pincree of Michigan, and Mount of India, who have declined parade and show, the dance and wine included, in connection with their inaugurations and thinks it a fit fime for Mr. and Mrs. McKinley to be induced by the Methodist people, among whom they belong, to change the customs connected with the Presidential Inauguration. It is too bad, that the rules of the Church must be strained, by the President Elect and wife leading the procession at the inaugural ball; also that the wine-glass and champagne bottle are present on such occasions.
But, it seems that the church which in the main supported the incoming President at his election, must regretfully view this oftering of incense to worldly custom. If the First Commandinent. "Thou shalt have no other Gods before me" is not violated, when moral and religıous principles must bend to the mandate of Fashion, it looks very much like it.

We must not expect these things however, to be very different from what they have been. Mr. McKinley was not elected we know, because he was a Methodist, but because of his political fellowship; Methodists must not expect much beyond and outside of the customs and usages of these occasions; he or she is over sanguine who expects much, more than the parties in these positions are wont to give. There is indeed room for reform, both in the method and expense of the inaugural celebrationand very proper it would be in these times of general distress; but the candidate was not elected as a reformer of that kind. Truth compels us to say no less than this. We forbear to say more.

An Interesting 'l'rio
D. L. Moody, Francis Murphy and Sam Jones have all been in Boston laboring each in his characteristic way, for the spiritual and moral welare of that historic city, with its cultured people.

Mr. Moody's preaching may be called the Gospel of salvation. Mr. Murphy excels in the line of Gospel Temperance, seeking the salvation of drunkards and instilling ight principles of living, with the Bible as a text book and source of power. Sam Jones is a unique evan-
gelist, using plain terms against all gelist, using plain
hypocrisy and wrong, and reaching many by his quaint style whom few others could influence.
On the temperance question, Mr. Moody has approved the Local Option Method of dealing with the liquor traffic largely, at this stage of the reform, as the most effective remedy in many cases, rather than to attempt absolute Prohibition. He poses has been quoted unfairly no doubt by two sides : those who hate Prohibition and those who are impatient of any means short of it. Mr. Moody is a great and good man. Mr. Murphy it is said, believes in Prohibition as the requisite remedy, but feels his calling to be that of rescue work, winning with the love of Carist, the poor drunizards and pledging them to a new life. Sam Jones wields a Damascus blade and scathingly ap plies his original terms to the saloon keeper, the legislator and the citizen who, together, permit the licensed raffic. Of Mr. Murphy he said, "he takes drunkards from one end of the river, and I would prevent their be ing put in at the other." Ot his work in Boston, and Mr. Moody's he said, "There has been no collision or collusion. We difter on the liquor question and I am content to difter." We may thank God for all these men.

## Foolish Philosophy

From that class of citizens who discuse weighty qnestions of public interest under store-awnings in summer and by store-stoves in winter, in most of our country towns, we hear the frequent remark "Its no use; You can't stop liquor drinking with all the hibition, they say, will always be a falure

We hear this too in local option communites, when men have de liberately voted to put rum away from their own side-walks, while they teach it is unavoidable that others shall $\epsilon$ ver have it with its nuisance and destruction.
It seems to us, a man who does not go the whole length of his power, by voice, vote and influence, against the liquor course, does not honor tha all people which Wesleyan ation for ism teaches.
Some have held that salvation in this life does not fully cleanse, that only death can entirely purily and that sanctification can only be in part The better belief is said in sports." the God of the dead, but of the living
able to save now and to save utterly. Apply this to the control of the Liquor traffic. Some would maim it by local and partial restrictions, as they would a wild beast by paring his claws and filing his teeth while permitting him to run in wide limits and live. The best way is to kill the east. Destroy the license system. Allow no traffic for beverage purposes.
Ir men somewhat violate such a law, it is no more than they have one with those of Sinal and everv ther code.
But law, complete and just, is right, or all the wickedness of men's hearts. Where is the sin so tenderly dealt with as is liquor selling? Shame on Christian America and our numerous churches, that the rum-sellers creed s the dominant political faith and sways the legislation of our land.

Absolutely Fiendist
From the Presbyterian Banner of December 30, 1806, published in Pittsburg, Pa., we clip the following iven as the words of an officer of the Liquor League ol Ohio at a meeting in which the interests of the saloon business were being discussed :
"It will appear from these tacts, "ther business is dependent largely upon the creation of appetite for drink. Men who drink liquor, like others, will die, and if there is no new appeite, our counters will be empty, as will be our coflers. Our chyldren will go hungry, or we must change our business to that of some other more remunerative.
"The open field for the creation of this appetite is among the boys. Atter men have grown and their habits are forned, they rarely ever change in this regard. It will be neediul, therefore, that missionary work be done among the boys, and Imake the suggestion, gentlemen, hat mickels expended in treats to e boys now, will return in dollars to yourtills after the appetite has been tormed. Above all things reate appetite!"
Such a statement seems absolutely fiendish; and yet, whether spoken or unspoken, the fact remains that the traffic exists only by recruits from among the boys. "Wanted, a hundred thousand boys," must be the constant motto of this infamous business, that a few may gow rich and ar chidren live in luxury while go down to lowest Such a frank sation and poverty Such a frank statement ought to
eps to protect their children from a Moloch, beside whom the ancient minotaur of Crete who led on young men and maidens from Athens was a patron saint - Union Signal.


Reduced Rates to Washingto on acenunt of the fnathoratio via Pennslyvania Ralroad
Fin the benefit of those who desire to attend the ceremonies incid pil Kinley, the 111 ara sion ticketo Wy ushiug sen Mar 2und tid valo remb to 8 at var follow res vi, at Pho fowng rates:ure $\$ 500$; Wilnington it 35 ; Balt
 ious on the Penslyran ayst reduced rates.
This inauguration wlll be a most interestiug event, and will undoutly tract a large number of people foll every section of the country. The magnificent facilities of the emnslyvania Railroad make this capital at all times and its enorm. ous equipment and splended terminal advantares at Washington mak especially popular on such oc casinns.

## Dickings from (IDagajines.

## Instruments

The rugged cliff that faced the main Whereon the wind woke many strain,
As 't were a violin caressed
And souls that heard, although in pain,
Were soothed and lulled to peace and rest.
A people strove to break their chains, And many bled and strife was long, And woke the world with echoing cehoing And even
strains,
And hastered to redress the wrone
The souls of men were dried like
And
And , yeed,
Until one said, "I dare be true"
Aud followed up the word with deed.
Then beaven and earth were born And one
And one man's name became a
[Charles Crandall in the February Century.

Know the "Small Graces" of Life
Young men should not get the idea that to know the "small graces of life" is useless or frivolous. What we call the "social graces" are very valuable to a young man. That is the great trouble with young fellows who are earnest : they are too earnest, and upon all occasions. They can have a high aim in life, a lofty purpose, and yet not close themselves up to all social pleasures or amenities. Girls feel uncomfortable, and pardonably so, when they go to a concert or any other form of entertainment with a young man who coustantly makes mistakes in littlo things. The small rules and laws which must be observed on all social occasions are not to be frowned down: they are important, and a young fellow makes a great mistake when he considers them beneath him, or unworthy of his attention,Edwatd W. Bok in February Ladies' Home Journal.

Grant's Demerits as a Cadet at West Point
(Hamlin Garland in McClure's Magaztne for Jinhatry.)
His page of demerits shows scarcely a single mark for any real offence against good conduct. They are mainly "lates" and negligences. He was "late at church," late at parade." "late at drill." He was a growing boy, and a little sluggish of a morning, no doubt. Once he sat down on his post between live and six in the morning; for this he received eight demerits. Twice in his second year as squad marcher he failed to report delinquencies in
others and received five demerits each time. His amiability led to this. Once he spoke disrespectfully to his superior ofllcer on parade. The provocation must have been very great to have led to this. The probabilities are the officer was mistaken.

A Boy's IReligious Instruction
Laurence Hutton is contributing a series of recollections of his boyhood days, under the title of "A Boy I Knew," to St. Nicholas. In the February number he says: All The Boy's religious training was received at home; and almost his frst text book was "The Shorter Catechism," which, he confesses, he hated with all his little might. Hehad to learn and recite the answers to those long questions as soon as he could recite at all; and, for years, without the slightest knowledge as to what it was all about. Even to this day he can not tell just what "Effectual Calling," or justification," is; and I am sure that he shed more tears over "Effectual C'alling" than would blot out the record of any number of infantile sins. He made up his youthful mind that if he could not not be saved without"difectual Call-ing"-whatever that was-he did not want to be saved at all. Buthe has thought better of itsince.

## A Benevolent King

From Harper's Weekly
Oscar the good King of Eweden, who has obliged us all by consenting to help us in the settlement of our difficulties actual and potential, with Great Britain, celebrates next September the twenty-fifth anniversary of his accession to the throne and the Swedes in America are be-' stiring themselves to send him a present. They propose to raise some money, spend half for a piece of plate and send the rest to be spent by charity. That would please the King best, they think, for he is very benevolent, and when his subjects proposed, not long ago, to give him a yacht, he asked them to build a sanitarium instead; and that though he is sailor-bred, and bad no very good yachts, and really needed one.

Kipling's short Stories
Who has tried not to write out somestory, the best thing one over Leard in one's life, irresistiblyglorious in the smoking-room, and utterly naught on paper, though every word be there andrall the resources of punctuation and emphasis most artfully contrived? The mood and the man behind the story are ulways
wanting for the inextinguishable laughter, and the thing simply cannot be done by ordinary mortals. Mr. Kipling not only does do it, but adding a poet's imagination and observation, he reels off yarn after yarn. never spun before, compelling the mood'and ever maintaining, by more literary art, the hypnotic power that the born sayer of good things uses with his eyes, or his gestures, or his sang froid, or, rather, with his whole character as a man. to exact one's willing tribute of intense interest.From "A Sketch of Rudyard Kip ling," by Charles D. Lanier, in Feb ruary Review of Reviews.

## Fruit-Bearing Disciples.

Here is the message of the Father to the disciples through the lips of His beloved Son, "Herein is my Father glorifled, thut ye bear much fruit." etc. This is the proof of real discipleship, and by this is the Father glorifled.
Christ is tbe Living Vine. His disciples are the branches, vitally connected with Him and drawing from Him spiritual nourishment. This vital connection excites high expectations on the part of the Eternal Father and the Eiternal Son They expect that eyery disciple will be a fruit-bearer, not in small but in large degree, that the living branches united to the Living Vine will be laden with beautiful and luscious fruitage. Not only the fruit of the lips, but of holy character, fully developed, glowing with the Spirit's graces.
And this fruitfulness is to appear in holy activities, leading the Christian disciples in good works among the poor and the degraded to honor thoir Divine Master.
Such a character and life, full of excellent fruitage, brings glory to the Father. His glory shines brilliantly in stars and mighty planets, in the varied and mighty sweep of creative wonders. But His glory is pre-eminently manifested when in u human character the imare of Jesua appears, and in an earthly sphere the heavenly and divine glow with becoming luster. "God is glorifled," as an eminent writer says, "not only from His delight in it (the bearing of much fruit) for its own sake, but as from the juices of the Living Vine."

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## SATURDAY.

FEB. 18, 1897
Temperance Advocates at Dover
The announcement that the committee on the Manulacture and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors of the Constitutional Convention had appointed Monday, Feb. 8, for a hearing of the advocates of Local Option, caused a large gathering of triends of Temperance Reform at Dover.

Upon entering the room where the convention is being held, the first impression came from the room itself. The brightness of the room, the good taste yet simplicity of the furniture, the arrangement of the desks and the rostrum for the chairman and reporters, all impress one with the thought that good judgment was displayed in the provisions made for the work of the convention. Having gotten over the embarrassment caused by our entry into scenes so unusual, and having gathered some impressions from the pleasant surroundings, we study the men who compose one of the most important bodies that ever sat in the State of Delaware. They are all men in the prime of iife, some looking almost youthtul, others nearly venerable with their white whiskers and hair. That they are thoughtful men is plainly marked on their taces, and
that most of them are conscientious hibition nor that the Convention that most of them are conscientious hibition men is as clearly evident. The ex- should that the people of a given pression was often heard among the merely that the people of a given visitors, "What a fine looking company this convention is." In proceeding to business the manner of the convention shows that they realize the importance of the work in which they are engaged. Every article is first discussed thoroughly in the appropriate committee and, when reported to the convention as a committee of the whole and printed, is again debated, and disposed of in a manner suggested by the wisdom of the body. There is every evidence that the convention is doing its work in a fair, non-partisan manner, and any interference from the protessional politicians whether in or out of the legislature, should be frowned down by the people.
At two o'clock on Monday afternoon, the convention adjourned in order to give the committee on the Manufacture and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors an opportunity to hear the pleas of the Temperance advocatesThe friends of the Local Option movement had already met at the M . E. Church and decided on a plan of action. Two speakers from each
county were to present the matter to county were to present the matter to
the convention, after which general remarks might be made. From New Castle County, the Rev. Vaughn S. Collins and Washington Hastings, were selected; from Kent, the Rev. Adam Stengle, and P. M. Cooper, Esq.: and from Sussex, the Rev. P. H. Rawlins and Capt. J. R. Price. In the general discussion, the Rev. John D. C. Hanna spoke for the Ministerial Union, of Wilmingtons Ezra Fell and David Ferris, for the SocietK of Friends, Prof. H. S. Goldey, for the educators, and the Rev. Joseph B. Turner for the Society of Christian Endeavor. The ground was throughly covered in these ad. dresses, and the committee gave each speaker their undivided attention. A rough outline of the argument presented might be as follows: in view of the evil character and destructive effects of the saloon, or,as others might put it, the doubtlul character of this business, as evidenced in the restrictive laws by which already it is surrounded, the Constitutional Conven tion is requested to grant to the people the right to say at the ballot box every two years, in such a unit of territory as the wisdom of the convention may determine, whether intoxicating liquors shall or shall not be sold.

This request was shown to be moderate. It did not ask lor Pro-
will take the question out oi party
politics, and prev nt much unneces politics, and prev $\quad$ nt much unneces. sary work and many misunderstandings. In this the convention is not supplanting the legislature, for the character of the bill on which we shall vote and all the details must be determined by the law making body of the state.
We have every reason to believe that a large majority of the convention see the question as we do, and judging by the character of the men composing that body, there is the brightest hope that the principle of the referendum will be a part of the new constitution

Among others present at the Convention in the interest of Local Option were : Daniel Green, Alexander Barney, J. R. Price, the Rev. O. W. DeVenish, the Rev. J. H. Beauchamp, C. H. Register, L. M. Price, the Rev. R. H. Adams, I. Elmer Perry, the Revs. F. J. Cochran, S. M. Morgan, V. S. Collins, J. D. C. Hanna, O. G. Buddington, J. Brown Turner, W. E. Avery, Adam Stengle, C. I. Stengle, W. R. Mowbray, P. H. Rawlins, Julius Dodd, H. G. G. Vincent, Albert Chandler, Ezra Fell, J. R. Jefferson, R. M. Cooper, David Ferris, Prolessor H. S. Goldey, William J. Faries.

## The Transfer Question

We are glad to learn that some of our presiding elders are taking prompt and vigorous action in the matter of the coming transter to our conlerence. We trust that all these representatives of our conference interests will do so. They owe it to the brethren whose interests they represent, and they owe it to the dignity of our conterence. The time for trifling or taltering has passed, the time for decided and vigorous action has come. There is no church in this Conference that is bigger than the body of which it forms a part. The wealthiest and strongest deserves ro more consideration than the weakest. If we allow wealth or position to deter us from action in this matter we will do so at the cost of our own self respect and our failure to grasp the present opportunity will degrade and belittle us. Let our sub-pastors say to the bishop who holds the Newark Conference, "we claim the same consideration accorded to our sister Conterences and respectfully insist that there be no transfer except on the ground of a fair .equivalent." The whole Conter ence will sustain such action and at the same time teel that our sub-pastors are as jealous of the rights of their
brethren as the sub-pastors of our sister Conterence. Let the test be made. No harm can result, and much good may result. One thing is sure, it will enable us to fix the responsibility. and that will be most desirable. But it the case goes by detault because of the failure of our presiding elders, it looks as though the responsibility would come pretty close home. But we do not for a moment think that there will be any failure here. Our sub pastors have as much manhood and are as true to the interests of their brethren, and the rights of this Conference as are those of other Conferences. We predict from this movement great good. Let the work go on.

Attractive Preaching.
There s nothing the peopl: love more than plain torcelul gospel preaching, and their is no other preaching by which a minister of the Lord may meet the responsibility resting upoul him. History, sentimental philosophy, science, poetry may have great attraction for many minds, and they should have, but these cannot and must not take the place of the truth in Jesus, the only truth that has regenerating pow $r$.

Sometimes flippant thinkers say that they do not care for doctrinal preaching, and it is not to be wondered at when the mere bones of theology, very many and very dry, are set before them. But when the great doctrines of the gospel are presented with enthusiastic earnestness, attractive illustrations, and personal testimony to their truth, there is no preaching that stirs more deeply, feeds the intellect more surely; or more rapidly develops strong Christian character. Any statement of the teaching of the scripture is the statement of a doctrine, and the world still needs as much as ever the teaching of the old book. It one speaks of $\sin$ and salvation, of lost humanity and a seeking Saviour, of repentence and taith, of regeneration and preservation, of rewards and punishments, he is preaching doctrines, and these are the things the hungry soul desires to be taught. It is the duty of the preacher to instruct in these great truths and to apply them to bis bearers. Nothing so moves men as these great doctrines. A preacher may charm men by his presentation of philosophy or science, he may stir the esthetic feelings by his beautitul periods on sentiment and poetry but what is that compared with the moving of the soul as the doctrine of $t^{\text {he incarnate Christ is presented, or }}$
ot man's full salvation from sin, of im mortality or the resurrection, of God's Providence here or the glorification of the soul hereafter.
Our tathers preached great strong doctrinal sermons, they dealt but little in anecdote or sentiment, but they aroused men's thoughts as they reasoned of the secret things of God. They laid thus broad and deep the foundations of our church, and if the superstructure is to be as enduring as the foundation, its walls are to be made strong by the use of material that is as capable of standing the storms of evil, as that our tathers wrought into the foundation. An abundant supply or the same tried material is found in the storehouse of the Bible, and we must tontinue to draw on these inexhaustible resources?
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A leller was lately received at the office creased aud Stanley rebelled againat tals-
of the IRepublican-Jourual from Ham- ing it. It was very disagreeable medicine of the IRepublican-Jourual from Ham- ing it. It was very disagreeable medicine nond to the efect that the cure of an ex- and I don't blame the boy for not wishing raordinary severe case of St. Vitus' dance to take it. Stimley Nichol, the eight-jear-old sou of "Our physician went to New York city Mrs. Charles Nichol of that village. A reporter was accordiugly dispateled a that direction who, after sowe inguiry, ound Mrs. Nachol's residence about an wile
outside the village. Mrs. Nichol snid: "A little over a year ago my bos, Stan ey Niehol, who is now ouly eight years ld, alarmed me oue day by beng taken with a strange gurgling in his throat Iter the birst the attacks became quite requent. stanley did not complanm ol waking the noise. At that time there was New York ductor stoppug in the village Who was a specialist ou throat and uasal carerul examination he said there was nothiug the mater with the bos's throat he gurgling in his opinion was calused by hervous contraction of the muscles of he throat. He usked who our fawily phy with him before he perseribed.
"Stauley rapiuly grew worse. He was Ways a sickly boy. One day I noticed Luat he was jerking his arm up in a very
ueculiar manner. A few dars later he eculiar manner. A few days later he
eecemed to luse control of his legs, first one and then the other would be pulted up aud then straightened out again. He was a perfeet buadle of nurves and was rapidly losing all control of himself. Wheu would often twiteh so as to spill what he was drinking. One day he scared me terribly by throwing buck his hend and rollag his eyes up so that ouly the whit marts showed. I took him to our family him. He took it and commenced to imhim. Me took it and commenced to in
prove. The dose, however, had to be in-

## Breakfast Association Mission

Last Sunday, ninety-seven men were furnished with sandwiches and coffee, and part of them with a clean warm bed, at the Sunday Breakfast Mission 7th and Lombard Streets. Services in the morning were conducted by Mr. Edward Gibson Evening service was in charge of Mr. Thomas Curlett, several came torward and accepted Christ as their Saviour. The aim and object of this mission is to acquaint the wayfarer with God, and it cordially extends an invitation to all who are interested in the Master's cause, and feel disposed to encourage and support a work of this kind, to lend a helping hand. Seth F. Whiteley,

## Superintendent.

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get no more. Stanley was still very bad. about mare. time I read about a little girl who had been cured of St Vitus' dauce by takiug Dr. Williams' link Pills. I thouglit 1 would try them and procured a with the pills, and gave ouly hule a pill it a dose. I did not see much improvement and increased the dose to a whole pill. The effect was nocieed in a day. Stanley immediately commenced to get as he had the other medicine. He took seren boxes of the pills aud to-day nppears to be perfectly well. He discoulinued taking them some time ago. He weighs and is strong and hearty. A year ne did took him out of school but he is so much leeter now that he is going to begin again
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To brother ministers it is wel known, the number, frequency and and urgency with which such things are pressed upon him ; but laymen may not know. In order that they may see some of the ways of unblushing affrontery in which a minister is approached I subjoin the fol lowing letter, printed verbatime lileration (if the proof reader is only caretul.)

Mount Pleasant,
Stafford Co., Va.
Wide Water Post Office.
Rev. Vaughn S. Collins,
Methodist Episcopal Church
New Castle, Del.
Revd Sir,
It Struck Me; from What I Saw in the papers, a few days back, that you are ; the Gentleman, I Should Write too, Placed as you-are; and Surrounded; by Many Poore; but honest ; Sober; and industrious people; Without homes, Strugling; to Keep the Wolt ; from their doors= Now My Revd Sir; Would it Not be doing; Your Masters, Business and like him ; take Care ; of these; poore people; The best Charity; is to place them, in a position; to help themselves, Now this ; can be done; in this Way; Go Amongst, your Wealthy friends get them, to take stock, in What May be Called, The

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Now My Revd Friend,
If you Will enter; into this With a full heart, for the poore the Grate I Am, Will fill your Soule, tull ot Charity, and Success, and your last ays, Will be tull of glory ; and your days on Earth, Happiness.
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Jno. N. Harper.

Now how Jno. N. Harper. answered a letter like that? Put it in the waste basket? Well, of course, it deserved it , as he did not enclose a stamp. But it seemed to me here was a chance to preach a sermon on "Our neighbor" at short range; so I replied as follows.

New Castle Del.
Jan. 29th, 1897.
Mr. John N. Harper,
Wide Water P. O., Va
My Dear Sir:-Your letter without date, lics before me.
Am delighted to find a man erested in "the Lord's is so is But, my dear sir is poor. tirely too much worldly red enabout your method of helping them ?

It you really are desirous to help them, as you say, why not offer to break up your "one body" of "six thousand acres of good, arable lands" into small tarms, and offer free homes to all who will accept the offer? Why would you have me buy from you that I may give to others? You say the Lord would bless me II should undertake the scheme. Would He not as readily bless you it you were to do it yourself? Why are you so anxious that should receive all the blessing? It you will only divide that 6000 acres as suggested and offer tree homes to all comers, I will gladly announce your scheme from my pulpit nex Sunday morning.
And I have no doubt, to use your own words, "if you will enter into this with a full heart for the plan, the great I Am will fill your soul tull of charity and success; and your las days will be full of glory, and your days on earth happiness.'

Very Respectully,
Vaughan S. Collins.

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Bonny Bobby. round and wee. Tried to skate tha best he could, But his fert would not agree, As two little playmates shupld Left foot would not venture Then each took a different tack. One to south, and one to north. For the only tronble lay
In this very thin, you know, Neither foot would move the way
That the other wished to go. So this naughty little jair Went a-straying all ubout
Here and there and everywhere,
Till at hist they quite fell out.
Bolbb, rubbing ruefully
Says when playes one by one Shys when playmates won't agree

## Excessive Zeal

The following story of excessive zeal is told by a young minister who spent last summer in missionary work among the Green Mountains. The two maiden ladies with whom he boarded kept no horse, and were wont to rely upon the courtesy of neighbors to bring their mail from the postoffice.

As the ladie, and their boarders were sitting on the piazza one evening a neighbor passed in the directon of the village, and one of the sisters called out, "Are you going to the village, Jonas?',
"Yes," replied Jonas, pulling up his horse; "can I do anything for you?"
"You might get our mail at the office, it you would be so kind." said "Aunt Clary."
Jonas drove on, but did not return from the village until the whole household had retired. Shortly betore midnight the whole household was aroused by a thumping at the door and calls of "Clary-Clary-Aunt Clary!'

Aunt Clary arose hastily, lit a lamp, and slipping a wrapper over her night-robe, descended and un locked the door.
"Why, it's you, Jonas!" said Clary "What a turn you gave me!"
"There wa'n't nothing," said Jonas as be turned to go tull of the happy consciousness of duty performed.[Youth's Companion.

Killing the Dragou
A little boy, four years old, was much impressed py the story of " St . George and the Dragon," which his mother had been reading to him and his sister, and the next day he said to his father:
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"I don't mind,': replied Jo $\mathrm{hn}_{\mathrm{n}}$. want to be a saint and fight a dragon. am sure I could kill one.
"So you shall, my boy."
"But when can I be one?" continued the child.
"You can begin to-day," said his tather.
"But where is the dragon?"
"I will tell you when he comes
So the boy ran off contentedly to play with his sister.
In the course of the day some presents came for the two children. John's was a book and his sister Catherine's a beautiful doll. Now John was too young to care for a book, but he loved dolls, and when he found that his sister had what he considered a so much nicer present than his own he threw himself on the floor in a passion of tears.
His father, who lappened to be there, said, quietly, "Now John, the dragon is out."
The child stopped crying, but said nothing. That evening, however, when he bade his father good night, he whispered, "Papa I am very glad Catherine has the doll. I did kill the dragon.-Presbyterian Review

The public schools of some states have adopted a state flower. The golden rod is claimed by Nebraska, Oregon and Alabama, Colorato has selected the wild columbine, Delaware, the peach blossom; Idaho, the white syringa, sometimes called the

T
"bride's flower"; New York aud Tour to Old Point Comfort, Richlowa, the rose; Vermont, the clover; North Dakota the wild rose; Maine the pine cone and tassel; Minnesota, the moccasin flower; Montana; the bitter root; Utah, the lily ; Oklahoma, the misletoe; and Rhode Island and Wisconsin in lieu of flowers have chosen the maple tree.

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## Conference 隹ews

## OXFORD, MD.

Editor Peninsula Methodist:-Feeling that it is only due the work at Orford, I send you a brief account of what has been and what is still being done, for the past laboring' very hard to bring the work up and he has succeeded tinely. He is filled and permeated with the spirit of the Mas ter and by his strong gospel sermons and earnest appeals he is making things go on and lines. Our congregations were never better. The church is often filled to its utmost capacits and many go away sadly disappointed. People seem eager to ge inside the door to bear the gospel messag Wisch is seldom delivered with mor pever in efect. attendance laryer, interest reat present part of teachers and scholore Cole the are fine. We have recently added new books to library. Our prayer meetings are interesting and profitable and better at tended than for years. No unusual oc currence to bave sixty or serenty-ive it attendance. Our revival elfort begaz with watch night service aud his been constantly growing in interest and power whole families being brought to Clurist. Thus far about forty have professed saving faith in Jesua Christ. Seldom a night that the shouta of new born souls are no heard, and not only this but believers are being sauctitied, and still the glorious work is soing on, Glory
At a meeting of the Board of Stewards on the 3 d inst, it was unaminously roted to abk for Brotber Van Dyke's return for times and the fact that this is a single man's appointment, it was cheerfully de cided to furnish parsonage and pay ret for same.
To God w and forever.

Daniel Wilson.

## LAUREL.

Dear Brother Hauna:-The fourth week of our extra meetings in Laurel closed Friday night most gloriously in the conrersion of two of our best soung people. They had beeen at the aitar nearly three hours when the light broke. I never san more beautiful conversions in my life The results of the meeting thus far are hearted professors have and hall quickened, bacbsliders claimed, and fifty-six persons, nearly half of them soung men, hare been received on probation. The church is in splendid shape. It is united and harmonious and full of enthusiasm.
The meeting is an Ideal Methodist revival. The old altar has been magnified and used as an agent to aid men and women into the bingdom. Conviction ba been deep and pungent. Penitence ha has bad to tell and thorough, and no on They bave risen from the altar, their face all aglow and made the room ring with their shouts of praise.
I bad engaged Rev. W. T. Hammond, who has recently entered the field of evangelism, to be with us the last two week in January. For a week before be came 1 held meetingas for the charch. Old we
wrongs were righted, public confession was made, and formal professors received
their love as a result of that week of waitheir love as a result of that week of wait ny at Jerusilem. When Brother Hamwond reached us the church was ready, and we at once sougt to arouse tre w saved. The outcome was refreshing, the tire still burns.
l'ermit me to say a word concerniug Brother Hammond. He is a man full of aith and the Holy Ghost. There is no clap trap about his methods. He is plam, the hearts of the people from the tirst. de doesu't try to take the meeting out of the pastor's hands, but keeps him in the orefront. His work is of such a character that be can return to a place as often as be desires and the people are glad
to receire him. If any of the breturen feeI the need of help they will find "'rou" Hammond a "worbman that needeth no to be ashamed."
I ought to say in closing that "the lines ave fallen unto me in pleasant places.' a more devoted, losal, considerate peopie ne of the happiest vears of my minitur Mie kondly resard my people have hiad for we and the cordial way in whech they have co-operated with me has made the year's work a pleasure. I aw not given o dattery and so I ean say God bless wese noble people for their God's cause and his church.
R. Watt.
hard times can r starve him Mr. Editor:-Tell Mr. Jowes the bent um Business 1 know of is the shumi 25 a week easy taking ordors for specialLes and fancy articles in diuminum reia hooks and rings for harness, door and anme plates, signs, sign letters and tigures for houscs, stores, ollices and vehicles, also the new patent cases for quickly atlaching photographs to tombstones so they are mperisaable and last forever. Every amily have photographs and are glad of chance to buy. Sold 2 dozen in three ays last week and my profit was \$28 How's that for a farmer's son? Goous re elegant, quick sellers, show bright at ght and his new metal is a great taker. sell for X. Worla Arg. Co., Columbus, -llers and are a goad of other gord ghers and a good honest inm. Any bave by writing Hord times and as
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## Millington, Md

The revival interests at Millington contınue. Last Sunday morning 33 persons, most of them young people, were received on probation. The Sunday School in the afternoon was the largest it has been for several years, and the Sunday School collection the largest collection received for 7 or 8 years. After the study and review of the lesson, the Pastor con ducted an experience meeting in the School which proved to be one ol power and profit; many telling of God's love and others expressing a desire for salvation. At night seven penitents bowed at the altar, one ol whom was converted, making fortyseven conversions during the meet ings. Many others are serious. Rev. H. D. Smith has rendered valuable service several evenings. The Church is united, and the work of grace continues. $\qquad$ Т. С. Sмоот.

Jape Charles, City Va.
At the Fourth Quarterly Conterence at Cape Charles City,-with a full board, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:
Whereas, we are reminded at this, our last quarterlymeeting of the Conference Year, that our Presiding Elder, Bro. W. F. Corkran D.D. will by the laws of our church be appointed to other fields of labor, Therefore;
Resolved, That this Quarterly Conference has always found in Bro. Corkran a christian of the highest type; and that in all our deliberations, he has shown that superior wisdom that can only come from one of his wide knowledge of ecclesiastical law and love for his fellow man. Futher Resolved, that we recognize in. Bro. Corkran an organizer second to none, from the high standard ot the Salisbury District. In all braches of the work over which he is presided during the six years of his administration he has shown
Resolved: That it is with reluc tance that we are so soon to part with Brother Corkran as our Presiding Elder: and most heartily commeud him to the people he may be called to serve; and that a kind providence may at all times smile upon him and his labors.
Resolved. That the secretary be requested to record these resolutions in the Minutes of this meeting, also forward a copy of the same to the Peninsula Methodist for publication.
C. A. McKinney
A. G. Manahan

WM. T. Townsend
Committee

Ayers, Va.
Yesterday was a great day at Ayers M. E. Church. One brother said it was one of the greatest days he ever saw at Ayers Chapel Five men expressed a desire lor a better life and a deluge seemed to fall on the church. The people gave their experiences, wept and rejoiced around the chapel. They said they were depending upon me to conduc a prayer meeting that evening at the home of Brother Charles Coard. It being that your exhorter was ill, I felt I ought to remain, and as a consequence Brother Coard was con verted kneeling at a chair, while the others prayed for pardon. One and touching exceptional feature was that of a noble looking young man at the altar who could neither hear nor speak. The people were again filled with the spirit and praised God aloud.
Brothe: Spencer Smith is doing good service holding cottage prayer meetings. As is Brother Marcellus Johnson of Leatherbury. Brother Johnson and others of the last named church go from house to house hold ing prayer meetings and assisting the sick and poor with the necessaries of life. Brothers Winder and Ayers our faithful local preachers are still filling the pulpit of Leatherbury on local days to the delight of the people; Onancock Epworth League have entered on the same work also having appointed the sfcond meeting at the home of the widow of the lamented Brother Thomas B. Ayer near Savageville. Our people are in the spirit week-day as well as on the Sabbath. I am to preach at Marsh's school house on Tuesday evening he 9 th, hope to report a conversion Carrie, the little daughter of Mr Ranford Marsh, was buried Sabbath afternoon last, funeral sermon preach ed between the services at Onancock and Ayers. We are hoping for the father and other members of the fam ly to give their hearts to Jesus and meet their darling in heayen. The Lord is with us, all glory to his name. We hear that Tangier rejoices in 160 conversions, perhaps the great est meeting in its history. D

## Tangier, Va.

Dear Methodist:-We who ve on this little world in the water of the Chesapeake, while we have been for some weeks shut off from the life and stir of humanity by the re lentless arms of ice and snow have not been shut off from God but have been shut in with God while in a most signal way he has displayed his presence.

One Sabbath evening just betore
Christmas at the end of a prayer Christmas at the end of a prayer announce a series of meetings to begin on the eve of Jan. Ist. This was a thing out of the regular order of events here, as for many years their revivals have all been in the summer at their Annual Meetings. There was some honest doubt as to the wisdom of such an undertaking, however when the time came the church put on her working outht and started in for victory. The gracious work started among the children and continued till about 60 boys and girls had been converted and then the fathers and mothers began to yield ard come to Christ by the score. There have been as high as fffy bowing at the altar at one time, ranging from the age of I 5 to 67 . Men have been converted at their homes and one old gentleman who had not been under conviction since he was a boy at the historic camp meetings in Tangier Beach has yielded to Christ and set up the family altar. Up to this time there have been I 40 conversions and last night there were tully 40 at the altar. For all this we praise and glorify the name of God who visiteth his people at all times where they sincerely seek his face, tor the conversion of sinners.
February 3, 1897.
C. P. Swain.

Wilmington Preachers Meeting
St. Paul's Church, February 8 , 1897.

According to previous adjournment the preachers' meeting was held in St. Paul's M. E. Church this morning president J. E. Amas in the chair
The devotional service conducted by Brother Cosaboom. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Brother France reported on current events and offered the tollowing resolutions, which were unanimously adopted.
On the Action of the Board Trade
Resolved; That this Preachers' Meeting has learned with profound regret that the Board of Trade of this city have by resolutions joined hands with the liquor dealers in asking that the Constitutional Convention of our State refuse to grant any concession whatever to the Temperance sentiment of the people of our common wealth; and that to, in the presence of the well known fact, that more than three fourths of the crime and pauperism of the Community is traceable to the use of intoxicating liquors and and that we respectiuly request the Board of Trade to re-consider their action.

Bribery and Frauds in Election Whereas; It has come to pass in our State that Political bribery and fraud at the Elections, have almost robbed our citizens of the right of voluntary suffrage, and destroyed the sacred character of the ballot box, and,
Whereas; This is being done without regard to the laws of the State, and in open defiance of the same. and Whereas, Such a course of crime is bringing reproach upon the fair name of our state, as well as destroying the good morals of our people. Therefore,
Resolved, That as pastors o churches and citizens of the State, we call upon the Judges ot our Courts and all good Citizens to come to the rescue of our State from the odium thus put upon it, and to see to it that all who persist in violating the laws are brought to speedy and certain punishment for their crimes.

Rev. Dr. Vernon of Philadelphia was then introduced and read a very instructive lecture on"The planting of the M. E. church in Italy." On motion of Rev. J. D. Rigg, Dr. Ver non was tendered a rising vote o thanks for his admirable lecture.
Brother Rigg, the critic for the day made a short report.
The committee on the death o Rev. Brother Als not having their report in, it will ibe looked for next Monday.

The committee to present Resolu tions to the Chief of Police last week reported having discharged that duty
The subject ot revivals will be the order of the day for next Monday Adjourned with benediction by Dr Vernon. $\qquad$
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## Salisbury District

Reaching home on Tuesday, the 19th of January, having no other fleld engagements until the 23d. gave me time to communicate with each pastor on the district, inquiring as to the outlook, making suggestions as to the closing up of the year and euclosing blanks for reports. If 1 have failed to send blanks to any pastor I shall be glad to know it On Saturday 23d, about 8 P. M., handed at Selbyville and put up a Bro. W. S. MeCate's; many of the preachers know what that means in the way of comfort. Sister Mctiabe has two prophets rooms-one for summer and the other for winter. Sabbath morning I preached at Selbyville, and Capt. Warren took me to Roxana, where Bro. Gray was just closing a church funeral service. At the preaching hour the house was crowded and the greatest attention given the preached word. Before I could get out of the church I was informed that Bro. E. A. Melson was waiting to take me to Bishopville, Bro.Melson is fond of a nice team, and on this eccasion he was at his best with as fine a pair of grays as I ever saw. The ride to Bishopville was a delight, and nt Bro. Melson's home 1 had all the comforts that could be asked, Sister Melson is a model rousekeeper, and the superior quality of the chtcken makes a lasting impression. At the appointed hour 1 preached as best I could to a good congregation and administered the Lord's Supper.
Mouday's work began with Quarterly Conference at Bishopville, where the attendauce was good. Brother Hall, of Synapuxent, driving 13 miles in the teeth of a freezing northwestern. St. Martin's is paid up in full for the year; Bishopville and Synapuxent are well up and the few at Friendship are doing well. Brother Bloxton has put in a year of hard and successful work. The whole charge is very much improved. A church is much needed at Ocean City, add steps are beiug made to that end. The pastor's return is very much desired, but the absence of a parsnnage may make a change necessary, he having wisely married, and I may add married wisely. We faced a cold wind to Roxana for Quarterly Conference at 2.30 , and found a good attendance notwithstanding they had met the previous Saturday by some mistuke. The work of Roxanna charge is in good condition; Bro. Gray thinks he has put in the hardest year's work of his life and it has not been in vain.

Bethel has recently paid the deficiency on last vear's salary. The desire for Brother Gray's return is strong. Hastening on to Selbyville I am at Brother McCabe's in time for tea, and convene the Quarterly Conferenceat 7 o'clock. This charge has been unfortunate this year, Bro. Conuer was sick for a long time, finally dying, then for some three months they had no pastor. But the faithful few clung together and kept the flre burning, now under the leadership of Brother Stallings they are falling into line, and the year will not be entirely deprived of good results.
On Tuesday morning I am upat 5.30, breakfast disposed of and land in Frankford at 7.30. In spite of a cold day and a cold house, we have a large Quarterly Couference at 10 o'clock. This whole charge feels the power of tha wonderful revival which came to St. George's in the fall, and every phase of the work is helped thereby. If Frankford is to hold the place to which she is entitled, the people of the home church must learn to pay more promptly, but this they will do in course of time. The ladies have won their long batlle with the parsonage debt. Wheri Bro. DuHadaway was pastor, they assumed the debt of a new parsonage and just recently paid the last dollar. All hail to the noble women of Frankford Methodism. The desire for Bro. Wickline's return is unanimous.
At Millshoro in the afternoon, the Quarterly Conference business was disposed of between 2.30 and 4.00 o'clock, after which came an arbitration case; two brethren disagreed about some land, but in harmony with latter day civilization and christianity they submit their case to arbitration. At 6 o'clock the Trustees and Building Committee of the new church at Millsboro was given a hearing; the church is near completion and the members and friends have done remarkably well to raise over $\$ 1,500$ in cash up to date with some yet subscribed. The whole cost will amount to about 82,600, not including the furnishiug. A noble band of ladies led by sister Elswald have nearly enough money in hand to buy the furniture, but this will leave a debt of nearly $\$ 1$, 000. If the sum recommended by the Conference Board of Church Fixtension could be secured they could pull through, but without it they have a severe struggle before them. The church is handsome and
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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL. LESSON VIII, FIRST QUARTER, INTERNATIONAL SERIES, FEB. 21.

Text of the Leeson, Aetis vi, 8-15; vii, 5t-60. Memory Verses, 57-60-Goliden Text, Rev. if, 10-Conomentary by the Bov. p. M. Stearns.
8. "And Stephen, full of faith nad power. did great wonders and miracles among disciples increased, satan lncrensed his zeal In disturbing tho peaco. There is murnuring because some thought they were
neglected in the daily ministration. This leads to the appointment of a committee of soven Epizit filled men to see specially to the discribution of alms, leaving the
athers free to give themselvos to the word and prayer. The sesen were set apart by
praver and the laying on of hands. Disprayer and the laying on of hands. Dis-
ciples multiplied greatly, and many pricsts ciples multiphied greatly, and many priests
believed. Stephen, fwil of faith and of the Holy spirit, content to do the humble work of the conmittee, was led by the
Spirit inte greater things, for the humble Spirit into greate
shall bo exalted.
9, 10. "And they were not ablo to resist tho wisdon and the Spirit by which IIe spake." This was in acendince with the
promise of the Lord. "I will givo you a mouth and wisdorl which all your adversarics shall mot loe able to grainsay nor re.
Gist'" (Luke xxt, 15). There is a power in sist'" (Luke xxl, 15). There is a power in
the word of Gool when spoken ly the Spirit of God, even through a vory weak carthen vessel, which can be accounted for only by
the fact that God is in His the fact that God is in His word, and it is
the same word by which Ho mado tho henvens and all thoir host (Ps. xxxiii, 6). His word is like a firo und a hammer to break rocks in piecos. Ho that hath it, lot
him speak it faithfully (Jer. xxiii, 28 , ${ }_{\text {29). }}^{11,12 \text {. "To have heard him speak blas- }}$ phen "us whords against Moses and against our thoughts and that wo would be most unlikely to bo guilty of are just thoss
which the devil through his a Which tho devil through his agents is apt
to accuso us of. Think of his calling Christ a glutton, and of his accusling Him of being in league with himsolf, and of His bolng crucilterl as an evilldoer. Imatine ing guilty of blaspheming God. Clirist was accused of the samo. When such treatment comes our way, let us be
thankful for fellowsilp with Christ (I. Pet. 11, 207 .
this, 14. "Wesus of havo heard him say that this Jesus of Nizareth shall destroy this
place." Such was some of the testimion which the false witnesses bore against Stephen. Tho falso witnessos said of Christ that Ho said Ho was ablo to destroy days (Math. xxyl, 61).
15.4 And all that sat in the council, looking steadfastly on him, sanw his fa as it hnd been the fuce of an angel." something of His glory to bo seen in him. Perhaps it was somowhat as when the fuce
of Moses so shone that the peoplo of Moses so shone that the people coud
not look upon him (Ex. Xxive, 30, 35). Chapter vii, 54 . "When they heard the things, they werc cut to the heart, ay When the falso witnessos mado their fals necusation, the high priest stidid to Stephen,
"Are these things so?" (vil, 1 ). In repl) "Are these things sot" (vil, 1). In reply
to this he bogan at the appearanco of God to Abraban and traced the goodness of then made the nation guilty of the persecution of the prophets, and of the murdur
of Cnrist, and of not kecping the law of God. This cut them and led to their gasshing their teerh at Stephen.
65. "But he, being full of tho Holy
Ghost, looked up stealfistly into hever and saw the.glory of fiod and Jesus standing on the right hand of God." Thus he Was ummoved by their anger nnd heeded
not their gnashing teeth. Tho way of not therir gnashing teeth. The way of
peace is to see Jesus only and alwars.
Look etendfastly upwird and never within nor around. Sec Isa. sli, 1u, R. V. margin. tho glory which a wairs us are cnoug
 the right hand of God." Heaven opened
always shows us Christ or His church always shows us Christ or
either church
either in glory or tribulation. is found only sevon times in Scripture, tho other six places being in the following chapters: Ezeck. i, Math. iit, John i, Acts holding Jesus Christ as the Lamb of God taking array our sins. We run with pa tience and grow in graco only as so look
coustantly to Him, and when we sco Him as He is we shall then be forever liko Him (John is, 20, Hel. xii, 1, 2 ; II Cor. iii, 1s;
IJohn iiii 2 ). I John iii, 2).
their clothes at a young asses laid down name was Saul." This is our first intro duction to one who Igures 50 lirgely in
the rest of this book and in most of the epistles to the churches. How litite ho droanced that day as ho minded tho clothes
of those who stoncd Steplien that bowold of those who stoned stephen that ho would
over be a most dovotud follower of whorn Stephen axid ho saw at God's right hand In after days ho must ofton havo thought of this day and its events God
had a plan for bim to be rovealcd In due time. Sce Isit. slvi, 9,10 ; Gal. i, 15, 10.
In His own way and in His own time God humbled Saul and brought hinn to Himsom 59. "And they stoned Stephen, calling unon God and saying, Lord Jesus, receir 'Into thino land I commit my spirit,'
Theso very worls said Jesus to IIs liathe Theso very worls said Jesus to IIf Mathor
when Ho dicd on Calvary, and sinuilar Whords says Stephon as ho dies. It is asked, Spirit-that is, Jesus Hinsclf out of the bpirit-that is, Stephon himself Sut of his body-mas with the Lord Jesus in glory. scious oxistenco of thoso who pass out o taught in Rov. vi, 9-11, und tu Phill. i , 21 , 23; If Cor. V, 8. The body slecps, but not
the soul Tho nonexistonco of a porson between death aud resurrection or the annihilation of the wickod is not taught in
tho Scriptures and cannot bo taught from them without violent perversion of thes then with
with a loud volce kncoled down and cried thelr charge. Aud when he had sitild this Lord Jesus, who sare is the Spirit of the derers, "Father forgive them, for they Stephon thon went out to be with his Lord and his body slept. Paul himsolf was aftBut as to his spirit while his body slopt or lay dead, se II Cor. xii, 1-t. May Paul's
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HIS PRAISE OF HOME.
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Ho Taken "Warbor of Home" For His Subfect and Pays a Fine Tribute to the Do mentic Hoarth and Its Influenco
Waseington, Feb. 7.-This sermon of Dr. Talnage will set many memorics ringing with the good old times. His subject was "Harbor of Homo" and the text Mark v, 19. "Go home to thy friends and tell them how great things the Lord hath doue for thee
There are a great many people longgin for some grand sphere in which to dict of Worms and ouly wish that they had some such great opportanity in which to display their Christian prowess. Thes admire Paul making Felix remble, and they only wish that they had some such grand occasion in which to preach rightcousuess, temperance and judgment to come. All they want is an pportuaity to exhibit their Chrictiou ad ho practicalls soys "I will show ou a place where sou can erbibit all hat is fraud aud beautiful and plorions in Christian charactor, and that is tho domestio circle.'
If ouc is not faithful in an insignificant sphere, be will not bo faithful in resounding sphere. If Peter will not belp the cripple at the gate of the temple, he will never be able to preach Pentecost. If Papl will not take pains
 heriff of the Philippian duneron, he will never make Felix tremble. Ho who s not faitufnl in a skimish would not bo faithful in an Armaredlou. The fact is, we are all placed in just the position in which wo can most grandly chre God, and we ought wot th bo chicfly thoughtful about fome sphere of aschivess which wo may atter awrin with you and with me ought to Lord, what wilt thon have mo (nove and here) to do?"

The word "Home
There is one word in my text around Which the most of our thourghts will today revolve. That word is honc. Ask ten different men the meaning of that word, and they will give sou tey different dr finitions. To me it means love at he harth, it means plenty at the table, andustry at the wromstand, interige im it mous a roulug at he door ond smile at the chair pace horering ake wings. Jor chapping its hauds with laughter. Life a tranpuil lake. Pillowed on the ripples sleep the shadows.
Ask another man what home is, and be will tell sou it is want, looking out of a checrless fire grate and kneading hunger in an emper lread tray. The daup air shivering with carseg. No Bible on the shelf. Children, robbers aud murderers in $\cdot$ mbyo. Vile songs their
 from the front. No Sabluth wave rollper over tuat uborsill. Festibulo of the pit. Shadow of infernal walls. Furnace or forging' ceve:listine chains. Fitgots for an uncmine funeral pilc. Awful word! It is ci ilet with curses; it weceps with ruin; it cheles with woe; it sweats With tho duath aseny of dopexir.
The word "hrme"' in the one case meaus everythin: hre hr. The wrod thing tempitie.
I shall fec: to you of lome :
f ciaracter; Fome as a rcfuge, home a a political safeguard, home as
and home as a type of beareu. and home as a type of beareu.
And in the first place I remark that And in the first place I remark that The disposition in poblic mar be in gat The dispositiou in pablic may be in gay
costume while in private it is in dishabille. As play nctors mas appear in one way on the stase and mayy appear in another way behind the scenes, so pri vate character maly be very different from public character. Private character is often publie: character turned wrong side ont. A man may receive sou tullation of smiles, aud ret his hear may be a swamp of nettles. There aro basiness men who all dav long aro mild and courteous and genial and good natared in commercial life, keeping back their irritability and their petulanc and their discontent, but at mightfal the dim irereks, and scoldung pours forth in loorls and freshets.
ond Cher r rome.
Repatation is onls the shadow of haracter, and at wery sumbll houso some The lips mas secu to irop myrrl and casia aud the disposition to be as beams aud wamb as anay oras bo magnifiecnt know windos to a wretched stock of groods. There is many a man who is affable in poublic hfe and amid commerchal shicre, who, in a cowardy
way, takes hin anser ant his petulanco home and drops them in the domestic ircle.

The reasm mon do mot display their bad temper in puntic is hecause they do are men who hide the ir pretulance and their mritability juse for the same reacon that they do mot Jet their motes go
to protest; it does mot pars. Or for the to protest; it docs not pas. Or for the
same arasun that they do not want a man in the ir stocy conemamy to sell his stock at less tham the right price, lest the wivd rises, so altur a saushiny day there may be a tompestuous night Whe are jrmple who in mble act the (1.) with respect to their sippers and their gown. pect to th Audubna, the freat ormithologist With gun and lemald went througla the torents of Ancrica to hing down and
to sketch the beanful hirds, and after sears of ton and cxpremtecompleted his Mhiladelphia for put 11 in a tounk in Phladelphia for a $W$ days of recreathat the rats hat naterly destroyed the manuscript bnt without any discompo sare and without auy fret or bad tempe he agran picked up his gun and penel of America and reproduced his immortal work. Aud set there are people with the ten-thousarth part of that loss who are utterly irreconcilable; who, at the loss of a pencil or an article of raiment,
will blow as long aud sharp as a north will blow as loug aud sharp as a north east storm.
Now, that
Now, that man who is affable in pub lic and who is irritable in private is mand he is a fraturnt oremissuc or stock, have 2100 gow or 800000 of mills circalation wh uo specie in the yault Let as learn "to show piety it home." I we have it not there, we have it not ass where. If we have not genuine grace in the family cirele, all our outward and public plan-ililits merely sprugs from a patrid pers of fiur own solfininuess. tell you the lome is a mighty test character. What you are at home so are ererywhre, whether sou demon Again. I romark that bome is a ref
uge. Late 1s the virta states army on the mational read to Mcxico, a long march, with ever and anon a skirmish tent and stack the war cap aud las our head on the bnapsack; we sleep until the monting bugle calls us to marching avd action. How pleasant it is to rehearse the vic tories and the surprises and the attacks of tho day, seated by tho still campfirc of the home circlet
Yea, life is a stomy sea, With shivalealk, wo put into the harleor of halh Blessed harbor, there we po for remeirs in the drydock of quiet life. The candle in the window is to the toiling man tho lighthouse guiding him into port. Childres go forth to mect their fathers as pilots at the Narrows take the hand of slips. The doorsill of the home is the whar" where heavy life is nuladen Wefuge, a safeguard and a school. There is the place where we may talk of what we have done without being the place where we mar lomuce withont being thought ungraceful. There is the place where we mar eapress affection without being thought silly. There is he place where we mas forget our an nosances and exasperatious and troables. Forlorn earth pilgrim, no home? Then die. That is better. The grave is brighter and grauder and more glorions marchings, with wo that no teat fon stoma, with no place to rest from this scene of greed ant gouge and loss and gimn. Gord Inty the man or woman who Was no home
itical saferuard. The safety of the stat must br boilt on the safety of the home The Christian hearthstone is the ouly concrstone for a repullic. The virtues ollured in the tamily circle are an ab be not cnourh moral priuciple to make the fami? a andere, there will not bo cunagh politicel priuciple to make the state adhere. "No home" means the Goths and Vandals, means the nomads of Asia, means the Numidians of Af ford, changing from place to place ac ording as the pasture happens to onange. Courounded be all those Babels of iniquity which would overtower and that upsets the ship in which tho fimi y sails will sink the frigate of the constitution. Jails and peniteutiaries and armies and navies are not our best deense. The door of the home is the best fortress. Household uteusils are the leest artillery, aud the chinneys of our welling houses are the grandest mona ments of safety and triumph. No home, no republic.
ool old remare that home is school. Old ground must be turned up rowed and reharrowed, and all the influeuces thrown over their heart and ife will come up on after life luxuriant y. Every time you have given a smile of approbation all the good cheer of your life will come up again in the geniality of your chindren. And every cbullition of anger and every uncontrol lable display of indiguation will be fuel from now foel for a bad five a yurter of a century from this You pruise the intelligence of your child too much somctimes when you think be is not aware of it, and you will seo the result of it defore 10 years of age in hisanooying affectations. You praise his beauty, supposing ho is not large conough to understand what yon say, aud you Will find him stauding on a high chair before a flattering mirror, Words and
deeds and example are the sced of char-
acter, and chiliren are very apt to be the second edition of their parents, Abraham begat Isaac, so virtue is apt to bo down in the ancestraline, but Herod mitted. What rast responsibility comes upon parents in view of this subject 1
Oh, makic rour home the briphtest place on earth if you would charm your children to the high path of virtue and rectitude and religion! Do not always turn the blinds the wroug way. Let the light which puts gold on the gentian and spots the pansy pour into your dwellings. Ho not expect the little ieet to keen step to a dead march. Do not cover up your walls with such pic-
tures as Fest's "Death on a Pale Horse." or Tintoretto's "Massacre of the Innoccuts." Rather cover them, if sou have piclures, with "The Hawking Party," aud "The Mill by the Mountain Dtream,", and "The Children Amid Flowers," and "The Harvest Scene," nud "The Saturday Night Marketing." ome Dutics
Get you no hint of checrfnluess from grassliopper's leap and lamb's frisk and which, from the rock at the mountain top clear down to the meadow ferns under the shadow of the steep, comes looking for the stecpest place to leap off at aud tulling just to hear itself talk? If all tho skics hurtled with tempest, and everlasting storm waudered over the sca, and every romntain stream went raving mad, frothing at the moath with mod foam, and there were nothing bat simonms blowing among the hills, and here were nether lark's carol nor dash, but ouls bear's bark and ponther's scream and wolf's howl, then you might well gather into your homes only the shadows. But when God has strewn the earth and the heavens with beanty and with gladuess let us take into our home circles all innocent hilarity, al brightuess and all good cheer. A dark home makes bad boys and bad girls, in preparation for bad men and bad women bomes Christian principle. Can it be that in any of the comfortable homes of my congregation the voice of prayer is never lifted? What! No sopplication at might for protection? What! No thanksgiving in the morning for care? How, my brother, my sister, will yoa nnswer God in the day of judgment with reference to your children? It is a plain question, and therefore I ask it. In the will chap out his fory an God says ho that call not upon his name. Oh, parents when rou are dead and gone and the moss is covering the inscription of the tombstone, will your children look back and think of father and mother at fromi$1 y$ prajer? Whll they take the old famiy Bible and open it and see the mark of tears of contrition and tears of consoling promise, wept by eycs long be-
fore gone out into darkness? ore gone out into darkness?
On, if you do not inculcate Christian principle in the hearts of your children, and you do not invite them to holiness and to God, and they wander off into dissipation aud into infidelity, and at last make shipwreck of their immortal souls, on their deathbed and in the day of judgment they will carse you! Scated by the register or the stove, what if on the wall should come out the history of your children? What a history-the mortal and immortal life of your loved tory of his child parent is writiug the hisposing it into a soug or tuniñor it into a posing
y mind runs back to one of the best early homes. Prayer, like a roof
over it. Pence, like au atursphere ?
it. Parents, pertonificatious of faith in it. Parents, persouificatious of faith in
trial and comfort in darkness. The two pillars of that earthly home long : go crambled to dust. But shall I ever for get that carthly bome? Yes, when the Yes, when the marriner forgets the sta that guided him. Yes, when love has gone out on the heart's altar and memory has emptied its urn isto forget ful ness. Tbes, home of my childhood, father's importunity and a mother's tenderness, the voices of affection, the fumerals of our dead. Father and mother, with interlocked arms, like inter twining branches of trees, making a per petas then I will forret thee then aud only theu. You know, my brother, that 100 times you have been kept out of sin by the memory of such a scene as I have beeu describing. You hare often had raging temptatimis, but you kuow what I tell you a wou who bic had gurb good bome as that newer gets over it and a man who has hand a Lad earl home necere gets over that.
Again, I remark that heme is a type of heaven. To bring us to that howe back in the listory of heaven there came a period wlen its most illustrious citi-
zen was about to absent himself. He was not going to Eail from leach to beach; we have often done that. He was not going to put out from one hem of ns have done that. But he was to sail from world to world, the spaces un explored and immensities untraveled No world had ever hailed heaven, aud heaven had never hailed any other
world. I think that the windows and the balconies were thronged and that the pearly beach was crowded with those who had come to see him sail out of the harbor of light into the oceans beyd on and on, and down and down and down he sped until oue wight, with only one to greet him, he arrived. His disembarbation so anpretending, so quiet that it was not known on earth intimention glorions had happened who come tbere? From what port did be sail? Why was this the place of his destination? I question the shepherds. I ques tion the camel drivers. I question the angels. I have found out. He was an exiles. Abrabam, an exile from Ur of the Cbaldees; John, an exile from Ephe sus; Kosciasko, an exile from Poland Mazzini, an exile from Rome; Emmet, an exile from Ireland; Victor Hugo, an exrom Hungary. But this one of whom I speak today had sach resounding farewell and came into such chilling recep-tion-for not even a hostler went out with his lantern to belp him in-that he is more to be celebrated than any It is $93,000,000$ miles from here to the san, and all astronomers agree in saying that our solar system is only one of the small wheels of the great machincry of the universe, turning round some great center so far distant it is be and if, as some thiuk, that creat center in the distance is heaven, Cbrist came far from home when be came here. Have you ever thought of the homesickness of Christ? Some of you kinow what homesickness is when you have been
ouly a few wecks absent from the domestic circle. Christ was 33 years awa from heme. Some of you fecl homesick-
ness when you are a Dundred or a thoutand miles avay from the domestio
circle. Christ was more millions of miles away from home than you could calculate if all sour life sou did notbing but calculate. Yon know what it is to bo homesick even annid pleasurable surrouncings, but Christ slept in huts, and ne we was on the way from being born in one man's barn to being buried in another man's grave. I have read how the Swiss, when they aro far away from heir uative country, at the sound of hey fall into melaucholy, and some imes they die under the homesickness. But, oh, the homesickness of Christ Poverty, homesick for celestial riches. ersecution,homesick for hosauna. Weainess, homesick for rest. Honcsick for hip. Homesick to go out of the night and oat of the storm and the world's execration and all thist homesickuess suffered to get us home!

The Heavenly Home
At our best estate we are only pilgrims and straugers here. "Heaven is our home." Death will never knock at that country thero is not a single grave. How glad parents are in holiday time to gather their children home again But I bavo noticed that almost always there is a sou or a daughter absentbe countrs perhaps absent from the world. Oh, how glad our heavenly Fitther will be when he gets all his chil ren home with him in heaven! And how delightul it wil bo for brother and sisters to meet after long separ the tomb; now they meet at the door of immortality. Once thes, saw ouly "thirough a glass darkly;" now it is
"face to face," corruption incorrup "face to face," corruption, incorrup-
tion; mortality, immortality. Where uro now all their sius and sorrows and troubles? Overwhelmed in the Red sea of dea,
Gates of pearl, capstones of amethyst hrones of dommen do not stir my sot there, let eurthly sorrows howl like torms and roll like scas. Homel Let hrones rot and empires wither. Home Let the world die in an earthquako struggle and be buried iunid procession of planets and dirge of spheres. Home weep Home! No sorrow, no crivin No tears, no death, but home, sweet home; home, beautiful home, everlasting home, home with each other, howe with augele, home with God.
The Dream.

Ono night, lying on my lounge when very tircd, my children all around about me in full romp and hilarity aud laurd-
ter, on the lounge, half awake aud half asleep, I dreamed this dream: I was in far country. It was not Persia, althousi wore than oriental laxuriance crowned the cities. It was not the tropics, alhough more than tropical fruitulne. hled the gardens. It las not Italy, ai he air. And I wandered around locking for thorns and nettles, but I found hat none of them grew there, and I savr the sun rise, and I watched to sce it set, but it sank not. And I save tho "When will they put off this and put on workmen's garb nad again delve in the mine or swelter at the forge?'' But they uever put off the holiday attire. And I wandered in the suburbs of the
city to find the place where the dead city to find the place where the dead
sleeg aug I loukd all aloug the line of
the Teantiful hills, the place where ïno dead might most blissfully sleep, and I soleum or a monument or a white slab conld I see. And I went into the chapel of the great town, nud I said, "Where do the poor worship, and where are the hard beuches on which they sit?" poor in this country." And then I wandercd out to find the hovels of the destitate, and $I$ fonnd mansions of amber and ivory and gold, but not a tear could I see, not a sigh could I hear, and I wa
bewildered, and I sat down ouder the branches of a great tree, and I said "Where am I? Aud whenco comes all this scene?" And then out from among the leaves and up the flowery paths and across the bright strams there came meatiful group, thronging an an about them come I thought I knew their step, aud as they shonted I thought I knew their voices, bat the they were so gloriously arrayed in ap parel, such as I had never bcfore wit nessed, that bowed as strauger to strang heir hands and shonted ""Welappe welcome!" tho mystery all vanished, and I found that time bad goue and eternity badd come, and we were all to gether I gann nour now home in heaven. we all here", generations responded, "All here!" And while tears of gladuess were raining down our cheeks, and the branches of the Lebranou cenars were clapping their hauds, and the towers of the great all together beyan to leap and shout and siug, "Howe, hnme, homel'"

## Wire Fences In England.

English devotces of the hant are meetof the proccurg hit distster on account inclosing their lauds with wire fences sometimes barbed, in the placo of rail as to take down these wire feuces in the winter; others tic red rags on the wire so that the obstruction may be announced in time to the horsemen, but a few farmers who are agaiust the hunters on principle say over their lands they can do so at their own risk and refuse to aumounce the presence of wiro. The other day six season mare, as clever a hantiag horse as was in the district, was liter ally cut to rags, the strand of barbe of a hedge and lappiug around the top a suake when she was brought down Tho mare was shot, and the rider cscaped a broken neck only by a miracle. This happened in one of the most fashionabl
ting districts.-Loudou Lette

## AN OLD SETTMLER.

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commodious, but not extravagant nor too large.
The work of Tuesday, with the cold and exposure used me up, and when I reached Beriln at 9.30 o'clock that night, I was a flt subject for the bed and a doctor's care. Brother Atkins met me at the station and took me to the parsonage, where Sister Atkins began at once to prescribe, and gracefully did I submit. The result was a good night's rest and a reliof from the severe cold I had contracted. I was well enough by Wednesday evening to go through the blinding snow storm to Brother Alfred Powell's for tea and hold a most interesting Quarterly Conference at 7.30; the attendance was larke and every interest well represented. The flnances of Berlin which were bad one year ago, are much worse now, and many of our church people find themselves utterIy unable to keep up their full contributions to the church. Yet it is astonishing how the church braves the storm and she will anchor safely by March seventeenth. The Ladies Aid and Epworth League have expended more than one hundred dollars on the parsonage this year, greatly adding to its appearance and comfort.

On Thursday my engagements took me to Newark by the noon traln. Quarterly Conference met at the parzonage at 2 P. M. Attendance small on account of snow and cold. Brother Javis has rendered faithful sorvice scarcely missing a single appointment, on account of sickness. The church is much prospered in spiritual tone, and the benevolences will show a handsome advance. During the year he has built a neat rome where he expects to spend his last days. Having until Saturday afternoon to remain in Newark, after a sumptuous supper at the parsonage. I take myself to Rev. W. L. P. Bowen's a quiet retreat on the hill. This is a place wherea weary presiding elder may find rest. Brother Bowen keeps the village post oflice and sister Bowen keeps the home, and both fully nuderstand their business. Brother Jowen and I jomed the Conference together with a large class in seventy-six and this fact brings us closer together perhaps, but any weary itinerant will here and a most hearty welcome. Saturday afternoon, with Brother Bowen's team I drove through drifts of snow and over ice to St. John's on Powellville Circuit.

Here I meet Brother Wheatley and four others assembled for Quarterly Conference. I was not expected, hence, the brethren did not turn out, but the Quarterly Conference was beld with very meakre reports.
The night is spent at the parsonage. Sunday morning dawns beautifully, for which I am specially thankful, since a hard day's work is before me. At 10 A . M. I preach at St. John's to a constantly incoming congregation. As soon as service is dismissed I am off for Wesley, Newark Circuit, I3 miles away, make a short stop at Newark for dinner and ain at Wesley 2.30. The house, people and preacher are all alike, cold My evening appointment is at Berlin, 13 miles away, but with a relay of three teams I make the distance througla snow and slop, and have 45 minutes to spare. I look in at the largely attended and interesting Epworth League meeting. At the preaching service the congregation is full and attentive. A good Presby-
terian brother makes the closing terian brother makes the closin
prayer in good Methodist fervor.
On Monday morning I leave Berlin
at 7 o'clock for home after an absence of eight days.
W. F. Corikran.

## Titerary and Review

The Christian Literature Company have in press A History of Methodism, in two volumes, by the Rev. J. M. Buckley, D D., editor of "The Christian Advocate." The work will be profusely illustrated. pioncers of Methodism, and the only complete series of portraits of Bishops of the Church. living and dead. Grent pains have been taken to secure of these the best and most nuthentic likenesses, and the publishers have received in this direction invaluable assistance from The Methodist Book Concerns of New York and Nashville, and from the lier. Mr. Thomas, the Librarian of The Methodist Fistorical Society. The first volume is to appear Felruary 10th. The illustrations in this rolume include reproductions in facsimile from Wesley's Journal, in account of
Embury's conversion in his own handmriting, ete., etc. The work will be sold by subscription ouly and will be of interest to Methodists ererswhere.

The "Higher Criticism" controversy has already developed an extensive literature, and has opened for fresh investiga tion the whole question of inspiration In the volume before us, "The Brenth of God," by the Rer. Frank Hallam, we have a scholarly and remarkally cloguent work. giving an historical and critical reries of this doctrine. In terse and forciFle language, the author sketches the formation of the cauon of Scripture, the radual formulation of the various "theor es of inspiration," and the rise of the "higher criticism." These different theories he reduces to two: the traditional and the inductive.
Accenting many of the conclusions of the Bible with the deepest reverence, re garding it as "an lnfalilbl guide to life and
righteousness, to immortality and eteraa joy."
We do not know where a fairer or more intelligible statement of the present atti tude of the Cbrustinn world toward the vexed problem of inspiration can be found.

Fleming H. Revell Company announce for publication early in February the fourth edition, completing the eighth thousand, of the Biography of Dr. A. J. Gordon, of Boston, the first edition of which was issued ahout six montbs ago. The English sales now amount to over two thousand copies, which publishers believe to be excentionally large for the life of an American tivine. Dr. Gordon died just two years ago.
The Revell Company will also issue early in February in a style uniform with the Gordon Biography, the Autobiography of the late Dr. Charles F. Deems, the founder and for many years the pastor of the Church of the Strangers, New York City. Dr. Deems' sons have supplemented the Autnbiography with a Memoir, in the preparation of which they have made copious extracts from journals and diaries which Mr. Deems kept nt various interesting perionls of his life. and from numerous other writings lis, to, and about him. Two portraits of Dr. Deems and other illustrations are included in the volume.

A volume on Second Corinthinns has just been added to the Rev. J. S. Exell's "Biblical Illastrator" sories. The pub "Biblical Mnstrator" sories. The pub-
ishers, the Fleming H. Revell Compans, lishers, the rleming H . Revell Company,
to whom the series was recently transferred from the Inte firm of Anson D. F. Randolph \& Co., announce that the three concluding volumes of the New Testament section of the series will be issued during the first wix months of this year, namely First and Second Peter: First, Second and Third John; and Jude and Reselation.
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