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## Tom Palne's Bible.

Fr. rev. nohn a mali, d. d. The lllustroted Christion Weel Nerv York, Ocl. 12, 1s89.
That Tom Paine had a Bible, is cer-
tain. That be knew what was in it is tain. That he knew what was in it, is
what he himself larcely mykes known what he himself largely makes known.
And that he did not always read it to And that he did not always read it to
chrp or covil. hut rather feen to ind aud quote it is what nnyone may see who examines his famous Revolutionary writings. In 1792, the "Wehsters," of Albany, then among the leading book publishers of the laut, iseued by sub. publishers of the land, issued by sub.
scription a volume of these writings, embracing "Common Sense," "Pnblic Good," "The Rights of Mun," etc.,which was largely patroniz.d by prominent persons throughout the States, such as
Elbridge Gray, of Masachusetts; Janues Madison, of Viruin: De Witt Clinton, of New York; Rev. Sumuel Kirklaud, the famous wissionary to the Oneidas, and very many others of similar social and religions standing.
The design of "Cormmon Sense," first prioted in 1776 , was to justify to the world the step the a merican colonies had taken for their Independence, and
to brace up the colonists themselves to to brace up the colonists themselves to the great project they had in hand.
And to accoruplish those ends, he manifestly resorted th the nust cogent and unanswerable aryuments within his reach; and as we perceive, be gather
ell profusely from the Bible. In deel preciatusely a kingly form it government he fively says: "Government by kings was first introduced to the world by the henthens, from whom the children of Israel copied the custom. exalting one man so grently above the rest cannot be justified on the equal rights of nature, so neither can it be defencled on the suthority of Scripture, for the will of the Aluighty, as declared for the will of the Almighy, expressly disapproves of the govern-
ment of kings. Render unto Caesar the ment of kings. Render unto Caesst the
things which are Caesar's, is no support of things which are Caesar's, is no support of monarchical governmeut, for lie Jews at that time were wassalage to the Romans."
And from this point., he goes into an extensive rehearsal of the Jewish histo ry, in its pioneer Republican history, and in tule, shuwing how God favored the cal rule, showing how God favored
former, and vainly tried to dissuade his people from the latter. And he seems especially to aim to have God's name and sayings arrest the eye of the reader, by putting them frequently in double capitals, an aeither shall my sun rule over you, the Lord shall rule over over you, The from the recorded debate you." And from the recorte with the people he quotes whole pages, and does not spare double capitals, as in the fol nowing: "The thing displeased Samuel when they said, 'Give us a king to judge when and Samuel prayed to the Lord. and the Lord said unto Samuel, Hearkent unto the vole thee for they have no they say une, but they bave rejected Me, rejected thee, but they bor rule over them.'
And from this ancient instance of the Jewa, which he plants as the chief ful Jewa, which logical lever, he goes on to
crum of his log in all its pretences to oppose monarchy, in all its pretences to a Divine authority or warrity, and zeal, the:manifest honesty, sincerif, is very striking
with which he oo deais,
aml impressive; so that a modern reader may be inclined to rub his eyes and say, "Is this Tom Paine that I nu read ing?" Yes, we.nuswer; it is Tom Paine
bending himealf bending himself down, in his earlier nur less intemperate days, before his Bible,
the book, that he. there exalts to the the book, that he. there exalts to the
highest dignity, and quotes with grent freednu and effect.
Take the following from one of his uumbers of "The Crisis"; "The natural right of the contineut to be independent is a point that never yet was called in debate. To deny such a right would be a kind of atheism ngainst uature; and the best muswer to such an objection would be, 'The fool hath said in his heart, there is no God.
In one of his sathing letters to Lord
Howe, he curiong Howe, he curiously writes: "Not many days ago, I accidently fell in company witha person of this city, (Pliladelphia) noted fir espousing your canse, and on
ny remarking to lim, that ny remarking to him, that it appeared turn of affairs, that God Almighty was on our side, he replied, 'We care nothing for that,' etc. And to the same
conscientious British General, he again conacientious Brilish General, he again
says: "The poor reflection of having says: "The poor reflection of haviog
served your king, will yield you no consollation in your dying nooments. He will crumble to the same undistinguish-
able ashes with yourzelf, and have sins enough of his own to answer for. You may, perhaps, be willing to be serious, but the destruction of the goods of race, this sowing the world with mischief, must be accounted for to Him who made and governs it." Bravo! Tom Puine You bad vot read your Bible for naught And then, further on, he says; " have as litule superstition in me as any
may living, but my secret opiniou has mau living, but my secret opinion has ty will not give up a people to military destruction, or leave them unsupportedly to perish, who had so earuestly and so repeatedly sought to avoid the calam. ities of war, by every decent method that wiadom could invent. Neither have I $s$, much of the infidel in me, as suppose that $H e$ has relinquidied the government of the world, and given us Here ta care of devils.
Here, alao, his Bible comes up to the aurlace. And probably there was no time in his oubsequent pitiful career, when he could keep ull throughts of the Holy Book out of his mind and memory; and especially when those days came on, in which, as he himself saya to Lord Howe, "Life began to weur a clouded look," and when he knew that his wornut body was near to "crumble to the
zame undiatinguished duat." with all lords and monarche whose souls had fled to their last accuunt. Poor man! Had he followed his Rible as closely in morals as he did in politice, he would have renched a more nonorable earthly end, and, doubtless, aleo a happier lot in the world heyond.

Conventlon of the Wlimingto
District
Epworth League
District Epworth League
To be held in Scott M. E. Church Seventh and Spruce atreeta, January, 9 1890.

## morning seseion.

9. Devotional service.
9.20, Call to order by the Preident roll call of delegates; appointment of committees; reports from officere, com-

## mittees, and memorials.

950. "How aue we mat bro 90. "how cun we most prutitahly Hubbard, Ph. D. of New Chstle Mt. E Church; discussion, in five minute speeches, to be opened by Rac
Pilchurd, of Deluware City
Pilchurd, of Delaware City.
10.30. "To what extentshould womer engage in the public services "ff the
Church?"' paper ly Miss Irene Heploron of Scott M. E. Church; discension in five minute speeches to be opened by collection.
11.15. "The religious work of the Epworth League;" a paper by Rev Adam Stengle, of Uwion M. E. Church discussion in five minute speeches, to be

## 12. Duxology and benediction.

## frternoon session

1.30. Service of son
1.50. Call to order. Reading of minutes. Reporta of committees. Unfinished business. New business. 2.20 "The Social Work of the Ep worth League;" a paper by Everet Juner, of Union M. E. Church. Dis cussion to be opened by Wm. R. Flinn of Newport.
2.50. "The Literary Work of the Epworth League," a paper by Miss E. Church. Discussion to be opened by Juseph Bartlett. of Scott.
3.20. "Entertainment D ppartment of the Epworth League," a paper by Rev Chns. A. Grise, Ph. D., of Brandywine M. T. Church. Diecussion to be upener by Chas. E. Stengle, of Union.
3.50. "Finance Department of the Epworth League," a paper by A. V.
Hysore, of Union M. E. Church. Discussion to be opened by Mrs. Emm Foster of Brandywine. Collection. 415. "The Epworth League." Ad dress by Rev. Jesse L. Hurlbut, D. D of New York; corresponding secretary of the Epworth Lengue and of the
Sunday:school Union of the Methorist Episcopal Church.

## Dosology and benediction. Evening sisssion. <br> 7.15. Service of song.

730 . Call to order. Reading Minutes. Business.
7.40. "The relation of the Sundayschool and the Epworth League to the Church and to each other," a paper by Joseph Pyle, of St. Puul's M. E. Church. 8.05. "Denomiuationalism versus Sec
tarianism," Rev. W. L. S. Murray, Ph. D., Presiding Elder of Wilmington District.
Collectio

## Collection.

### 8.30. "The Ideal Young Christ

 by Rev. Jesse L. Hurlbut, D. D.We make three requests
First, that papers do not exceed fif teen mliutes, except those of the even ing seesion.
Second, that all delegates rake part
in the discusions.
Thitr, that the chairmas of the delegation from each organized League, will present a briet written report at the morning seasion, stating date of organization, number of charter, number of members, and condition of the chap ter.
The music will be under the leader ehip of Prof. Joseph D. Aldred of Scott M. E. Church, assieted by C. H.
el clurirs of Union, Brandywine, and witt M. E. Churches. N. B. Entertaimnent will be provid for all delegates from out of the city. Committee $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Vaudinas S. Cont.in } \\ \text { Livine J. McCria }\end{array}\right.$

## From milton Del

Dear Bro.Thomas. - Yourexcellent paper has been a visitor to our home for
many years, and as wo reall news from different points, we feel like adding ou mite. Milton is a quiet t nwn, but bas been a busy one of late, with, her ship. building. And here let me record a note for the white ribboners. Inatend a the traditiount bottle heing used, at the
launcling from our yard here. of a large four masted vessel, she was profusely decorated with flowers, flaga, and white ribbons-a new departure indeed-
and was christened by the fair dauglter of the Capt. Wm. D. Lank, with flower trom a hasket tied with white ribbon, with the name "Florence Creadick" No wonder the Captain cried out "Ha out int the , ns she gider gracefuly out into the water. All honor to the
captain and other owners, who thus captain and other owners, who thus
braved public opinion, in excluding etrong drink, from their launch.
The W. C. T. U., though young in its work, is watching for opportunities. The Sunday night following the taunch our pastor, T. R. Creamer, preached an excellent sermon, upon "Lessons learn-
ed from the building of the 'Florence Creadick," which was received with general satisfaction.
Thanksgiving Day was truly a Red letter day in Milton. Services wer held in all the churches. In the morn ing, the order of American Mechanics of the town and surrounding country, attended the M . E. Church in a body nearly filling the middle block of sents. The preacher, never happier preaching upon a topic, which stirs his patriotism, was at his best
At night we had a praise service ; at both services, our large audience room
was crowded. The ladies had trimned the church with A merican flags, nutum fruits, grains, vegetables and flowers, and the choir gave excellent music,with Miss Mary McGiee as organist. The stores were closed, and people walked the streets in holiday attire
Dec. 3d, warked the fifteenth milestone in the married life of our pastor
and his wife. Though intending to spend it quietly at home, they were not allowed to do so. In the afterncon, carriuges came, and they were given a ride, into the country; the parson indulgiLg in guming, and the ladies; spending the afternoon socially. In the evening, without a hint of supper, This seemed very strange, but all was soon explained, as entering the parson, age, they found it filled with kind friends and a supper, such as the Milton Indies can prepare, ready to be discussed. A good social time followed; when the bride and groom were called out, and a brother minister united then again, for a continuance in the wedded race, where upon Capl. Wm. H. Magee, in a fitting speech, in behalf of the generous donors cuat, and to his wife, a dress, wrapper, bonnet, and bandsome coat. This ser, so entirely unexpected, that even the parsuu, who makes his living by talking
could fiud little to say, but "I thank could find little to say, bu
goun," and "God bless you." Our cluwch is being repainted. The Sunday-school is preparing for Christmas. Revival services begin with the New Year. The W. C. T. U. and Loyal Temperance Lengue, are both active in temperance work. The W. F. M.S is doing good work. Benevolent collectiong are nearly all in hand, except the Missionary. At the third quarterly conference, the presiding elder was naked to return pastor the third year. Would be glad to see you, Mr. Edior. We are an haspitable people in Milton. Thanking you for indulgence, I remain,

## From Dover, Del.

Editor of Peninsula Methodist. Dear Sir:-In your issue of last week I notice an article signed "Clar-
ence P. Wilson," criticizing my letter which appeared in your issue of Nov. 23d
The Rodney monument affair has been pretty well aired, yet it may be of some interest to further consider a few facts. The Legislature appropriated the sum of 8500 , a very small amount for such a purpose; the remaining part being donated by the relatives of Cessar Rodney. 'To whom does the honor properly beloug?
The Methodist Episcopal Church, as I understand, was a part of the Established Church of England, previous to our Independence, and must certainly have had an existence before the year 1784.

The letter of the Presiding Elder did not, as is stated in Mr. Wilsou's article, "voice the sentiment of all," as can be readily ascertained, if the trouble is taken to make carreful inquiry.
The Elder says, "it is ouly another example of lack of denominational self respect." In reply I wish to say I claiu to he ns true aud self respecting a Methodist, as either the Presining Elder or
his son Clarence; but I do not like to see other deuominations coudemned, because they do unt believe just as I do.

## Respectfull

Herman C. Taylob.
Preacher's Meeting met in Fletcher Hall. Laat Monday, at 10 at m.; President, D. H. Corkran, in the chair; de-
votions by Dr. J. H. Simms. The order of the day, was taken up, and a sermon was preached by Bro. H. W. Ewing, on the text, "But some men will say, how are the dead raised up? and with what body did they come?' 1 Cor. xr. 35. Discussion followed by Bros. J. Todd, B. F. Price, A. T. Scott, H. Sandeoson, J. L. Houston, J. T. Van Burkalow, J. Dodd, and H. W. Ewiug.
A petition from W.C.T.U., was read referring to opium trade in China, and a resolution was ofiered by Bro. Colling, that we extend to the women of the

Houth's : Acpartimntit.

## Nellie's Pet.

Smut was a coal-black lamb, that its white mamma wouldn't own. Strange that auy mamma, even a sheep, didn' know her own little child-isn't it?
When Rosa, Smut's mamma, first saw him lying beside his white pink-losed sister, she
him alvay.
Poor, weak little Smut! He rolled over, got up on his trembling lega, and cried terribly; but while Rosa thought there never was such a beautiful lamb as the pink-nosed sister, she would not let him come to her. He would have fared very poorly indeed, it Nellie hadu't seen it all; but she cuddled and petted and pitied him, to bis heart's content. Nearly every hour she fed him warm, sweet milk from her owu silver spoon, until he graw strouger, and could drins from the bright, new in.
"Dear me!" said mamma. "That lamb is a nuisance! He is worse than any goat."
Let the child take comfort with him, said papa. And so Smut stayed, and grew so fast and so pretty, that his motb
One night in early winter, Smut was sleeping on his bed of hay in the corner of the stable, dreaning of the green summer pastures, no doubt, when a light suddenly awakened him. What a bright light it was? It was growing
warmer two. Perhaps summer was coming back. Old Dobbin began to prance and snort, and gave a long, wild neigh of terror, while Brindle began to low mournfully, and Smut winked at the strange light. What was it all about, Perhapa Nellie would know.
So be scrambled out from his warm nest, pushed the door open, and ran to the long shed, He scampered across the shed, hut, alas the kitchen door was fast!
"B-a-a-a-a! B-a-a-a-a!" cried Snut, as he bunted away at the bard, woodeu door with bis hard woolly bead.
"B-a-a-a-a-a!" be cried again, as loud as he could, for the bright light was shining out of doors now, and the clouds of smoke made bim sueeze.
"Mercy sakes!" said mamma, rubbing her eyes. "Burglars are in the kitchen, I know."
Papa ran to open theshed door, but what he saw was almost worse than burglars-it was fire
Then there was a great confuaion and shouting and running, while Saut cuddled with Nellie in her own little bed.
Old Dohbin and Brindle were saved, the house was saved, but the stable bursed duwn.
"And we might have been burned in our beds, it it hadu't heen for you, you blessed lamb!" cried manma, with her arms around Smut's neck.
"He isn't a nuisance now, then! asked papa, slyly.
"He's a darling, better'u-better'n most anything!" said Nellie. "Aud
shall sleep in my bed all winter."

He didn't quite do that, but he a nice warn pen of bis own, in the new atable, with plenty of clean straw for a bed, and pleuty of good hay to eat What more could a lamb want? I
don't believe he knew what he had done to earn it all,-do you?
Wasinngiton, D. C., Dechmber 1
889.-Editorof Peningula Metho 1889.-Editorof Peningula Metho to secure the best results possibile, regard ing the schools of the country with a few

## alient inquiries.

Jumes H. Bloulgett, A. M., of Rock ford, Illinois, a gentleman of long expe rience in educational work and in puis lic affiurs, has been appointed a specia] ducation for the United States.
Public schorls are so related
tems of public record, that their statis
tics are obtainable through established methods.
Incorporated private schools have place in public records.
Parochial schools generally render tated reports to some controlling body Unincorporated private schools forn a considerable element of usefuluess hitherto unmensured. It is desirable to gather reports of the nnmber of teachers and pupils in such schnols, wint state ments that schools supported by public funds owe to the tax-payers.
The enumerators of population will report euch person who has attended school within the year, and whether at a public or at a private school : and
for all persons ten years of age and over, those who can read and write. This will be more than has been done heretofore. Other educational statistics must be reached by different methods, in which ever
der some aid
Any lists of private schools, no matter how brief, or names of single schools, no matter how humble, open in any
part of the present school year, with the part of the present school year, with the
address of the principal teacher of each will be of assistance to this office.

Very respectfully
Robert P. Porter, Superintendent of Census.

Rock Of Ages An Incident
On board the ill-fated steamer Seaanhaka was one of the Fisk University aingers. Before lpaving the hurning ateamer, and committing himself to the merciless waves, he carefully fasteued upon himself and wife life preservers. Some one cruelly dragged away that of the wife, leaving her without hope, except as she could cling to her husband This she did, placing her hands firmly on his shoulders and resting there until her strength becoming exbausted, said, "I can hold on no longer?" "Try
a little longer." was the responce of the wearp and agonized hushand; let us sing 'Rock of Ages.'" And as the sweet strains floated over those troubled waters reaching the ears of the sinking and dysingers of Iaruel, who they comeet singers of Iaruel, who they comforted.
But lo! as they sung, one after another of those exhausted ones were seen rais-
ing their neads above the overwhelming waves, juining with a last effort in this aweet, dying, pleading prayer:
"Rock of Ages, cleft for me
Let me hide myself in the.
With the song seemed to comestrength renewerl effurt. Som in the distunce a float was aeen approaching. Singing atill, they tried, and suon with superhuman strength laid hold of the life-boat upon which they were borne safely to the
land. This is no fietion. It was rela ted by the singer himself, who said he believer 'Rock of Ages' saved many Califoruia Christian Advocate.

A Short Sermon on Kickers
We are told in the text, my beloved
hearers, that "Jeshurus waxed fat and sicked." Jeshurun was, therefore, so far as the Scriptures intorm us, the orig nal kicker. I would proceed to men tion, for the benefit of brethren of a
critical turn of aind, that "kicker" is a go id English word, meaning an ohjector -a chronic uljector to everything any body else proposes. Brethren will discover this by a consultation of Webster reat upary. Having set your mind a reat upon $\mathrm{s}^{2}$ innportant a point, I will
now advance to develop the text under two heads; namely: (1) Jeshuran wax ed fat. (2) He kicked. I would mere ly remark, in passing, that it seems quite likely he kicked because he waxed And, first, then, Jeshurun wa
t. Which leads me to expound the various kind. of fatness
own mind. Hia beliet that he was act
ually fat, may have only been, as Gov ually fat, may have only been, as Gov
William Allen of Ohio, used to say, with a bad word prefixed, "a barren ideality." His assumption of size may have had no more solid foundation than that of the fring in the fable, who filled himself with wind in trying to be as big as the ox. Jeshurun may have had neither wit, wisdom, nor woalth; but, being dressed up in a little brief authority, as church deacon or trustee, could only eatisfy his own sense of inportance, and secure the notice which his vanity craved, by kicking. There are such mentioned in the Bible,ny brethren-'heady high-minded," "puffed up" with a feeling of their own bigness, which is nowhere but in their own thoughts. Or, ngain Jeshurun, may have had much money, but along with it much ignorance. He made his pile some years ago by a smar corner in gunno, or a sudden rise in soaj fat. He was put upon the bnard, to flatter him, over more suitable men, in hope the Church might get some of his
wealth. Verily, the Church had its re ward. With a vast assumption of wisdom he lectured the minister upon the proper doctrines to preach. He hec $\begin{array}{ll}\text { tored the Sunday-school teachers. } & \mathrm{He} \\ \text { bullied the Ladies' Aid Society. } & \mathrm{He}\end{array}$ dictated to the treasurer and pew committee. He vetoed every plan of Church work that he did not propose. Let
wrestle with our feelings, brethren; was bard to stand him; but it served u right, for we knew how to do better.
jeshurde the kicker.
I would proceed to remark, in the sec
and place, my des friends, that Jeshu run, having waxed fat, kicked. It run in my mind, however, that I have al ready estimated something of the zart branch of the subject. But his kicking was so patiently continued, so reiterated and it was of such an aggressivequality so peculiary his own, as it were, that I
may perhaps be indulged in dwelling a little more fully upon particulars. He kicked in season and out of seamon. Was a protracted meeting propused, he talked of, he kicked; was a young peuple's prayer-meeting organized, be kick ed; was a sinking fund for the payment
of the church dehtset on foot, he kicked were new hymual about to be purchazed for the congregation, he kicked; did the leaders of the Thursday night meeting terest, he kicked; did the new minizer come eating aud driuking, he kicked he kicked. He was an individual who made his way in the world by progress
ing hack ward. with his heels all the while in active operation, playing the in the way. Finally, my belor riepethren, let us contemphat It is very important to notice that while the Scriptures atfirm he whs fat when he began to kick, they do not state
that he remained so. On the contrary it seems very likely that he kicked al the fat off, and thus became quite lean, even like unto Pharoah's lean kine. Per hapr if, accurding to our first supposition he was only puffed up with windy self impurtance, somebody caused his col-
lapse by a sharp thrust of iadiguation as bloated cattle are somes relieved by stabbing. But if his sebaceous sub. stance was of the second sort, it is at least certain that he at leugth kicked imself spinitually lean. No kicker can ong keep fat. He may have grown up have bean glossy, his ribs well covered with the plumpest flesh; but an undue indulgence of the kicking propensity will sonn make him so poor that he is fit for notbing but to be manufactured into glue, buttons and commercial fertilizer. Most melaucholy of all, my dear hearers, was the effect of Jeshurun'
infected with had humor. Nobe all the reat either surily ahook their horns or turned their beels upon it. As a result, the hurch to which Jeshurun bslonged icked itself in pieces. Next, its individuad nembers broke their legs kicking at each other. Finally, as they lay upo the ground, unable to stand longer, the pure ugliness. Then they were dragged out by the heels to the boneyard, and a ore peaceful race took possession of heir place. Now, my esteemed priting hear the application. Bewne of uto the habit of kicking. Hold your fect to the grouod; they are to walk your fellow-mes in their plans for doing god, aud not to batter them with. $A$ void etting your back up, and your hee iuto the air. From trenson, murder,
anden death, and anl kickers, good Lord, deliver us!-Western Chriuttian Advocrte.

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 (1 Cor, 10:12).
4. For, - an $n$ consequence of his fondness Solomon tons old. Ho He died" (verau 1). When "old ago" may be underatoord to compreliend the hast cell y enrs of his lite. His weirs- - His queen was the Exyptiau princess, the daughPalace. But following the exumple of East
panron that a palace. But following the exumple of East-
ern kings. nnd with an ostentatious purpose to eurpass them all, he gindually collected mostly from the Canauitish und surrounding races (Moabites, Ammonitea, Edomites, Zi douinus, and Hittiles) a numerons haremseven handred wives, princesses, and three
hundred concubiues" (verse 3). Turned away his heart. . other gods.- Chosen for their The king. was measared by their fascinations and these were used in the interest of thei mational idols. The influmated, enervated monareh was easily allured to a tolernnce for and patronge of the gods whom his mistress
es delighted to worship. of this rery danes delighted to worship. Of this rery dan
ger, the Scriptures especinlly warned bim ger, the Scriptures especially warned bim
(Deut. 17:17). His heart was not perfect as was . . Drvid - David bad indeed sinned heart "was fixed.
"Althongl Mosaism, even in the history of crention, represents monognmy ns the or
iginal relation ordained by God himself, nerertheless poylgamy was so deeply rooted in the babits of all peoples, that the strict law giver was not able to uproat it, hut sought,
by various limitations, to make it dificult by various limitations, 10 make it difficult
(Deut. 21: 15, sq.; Exod. 21:9, sq ) It was expressly forbidden to a king, to have many
wives (Dent. 17: 17), because the daugers which iuhered in polygamy were donbly great, and could become dangerous for the whole renim, us Solomon's example conspicuoasly shows. Christendom was the first to 5. Solomon vent after Asitoreth. -either suffered himself to be led by his "wives" into a more or less active participation in
idol worship, na the expressson 1mplies in the Pentateach (Deut. 11: 28; 13: 2; 28: 14), or, simply. gave it his approval and encour.
ment. Asbtoreth was the queen of the Pho nician female gods, and is depicted, frequent iy, in the fore of a fish. She whs the patroness of her sex, and represented the feminine principle in nature. Zidonians-so city north of Tyre. Hilcom-better known as Molech, or Moluch, the Ammonitish fire god. Ammenites-descendeuts of Lut, dwell-
ing east of the Dead Sea and north of Moab. ing east of the Dead Sea and north of Moab.
"Moloch way worshipped by the Anmonites with human sacrifices, eapecially children. The Rahoins tell ns that it was mada of brass and placed ou a brazen calfone, an
that the head was that of a calf with that the head was that of a calr wits a
crown on it. The chrone and the images were made hollow, and a furious fire was kindled within it. The flames penetrated into the boder were red hot, the victim wha thrown into them, and was almost inwediately burned to daath, while its cries were drown ed by drums. The Jews were repeate

## 6. Solomon did evil (R. V., "that whic

 was evil") in the sight of the Lord-especially in multiplying wives "from the nations, concerning which the Lord said, Ye shall not ko in unto them, neither shaf they cone in wise to you" (verse 2), This seusualism paved the way to the introduction or attendant evils. divided. He did not wholly -Hhandon the worehip of Jehovab. He mainahandon outwardly the faith of bis youth, and attended the great festivals tbrice in the netended (1 Kinus 9:25); but, on the other land as the builder and frequenter of idol fanes, and the slave of lust, his spirituality waneh -The worship of Jehovah whas was gone, ed, but delight in the true gon for God's commandmentedied away; hisheart The soul perfect with the Lord the fountain of living waters, and was drinking at the fountain or death. Is our heart perfect wind the tor his rightecusness as deep as in the past?we offer a cold and formal worship to Him, we offer a cold and warms into living interest
while our beart and stroag (Urqubart.)
7, 8. Then did Sotomon build an high plac -an idolatrous altar, called "an high placo
because neually huilt on eminetices. his was
influencell in this, of courser by his
wives. Chemosh-the aungod of the Moabwives. Clienosh - the suangod of the mon
iter, "worshiped as king of his people and n n god of war, nad as snciu is depieted upno coins, with a aword, lauce nud shield in bide
Lands, and with tro torches by his side His name occury frequantly on the Monbit Rtone' (K Reil). Hill before .
southern apur of the Mount of Olves. Bouthern apure of the sherillee Solomon built upon the pountain in front, thint is, to the enat, of Jerusalem, and, necording to the more precise account in on the southorn side of the Mount of Corruption - in other words upon the ronthera penk of the Mount of O ives; nnd. conserfuently, this penk hns beon
onlled in church tradition, from the time of cnlied in church tradition, fons ofensionis, af ter the Vulgate rendering in 2 Kings 23: 13 or Mons Scandali, Mount of Offenso" (Keil)
8. Likenoise did he for all his strange wive Of course be dared abow no partiality. yield in one case required him to yield all. It is not to he supposed, howeror, that
he buile a temple for each of seren linndred wives. Among them, donbtless, were many of the same notion and fiith The meaning
is that all the culls represented in bis barem -less than a dozen probably-were furnish ed with appropriate places of woiship. Whic burnt incense and sacrificted unto thair gods.-
Thns the land from which strange gods had Thns the
hhen exp
slrines.
"Ther
"They fronted the altar of Jehavah; their priests were visible to the priests in the tem
ple courts; their smoke nscendled to nlong with the amoke of the dinily sacrifice If insult had beeu designed, it could hardly
have heen more open or obtrusive') (Hamhave h
mond)
mond). The Lord was angry-that boly an
9, 10. tagonism to evil which purity by its very na care feels: bot for a mowent to be confound The Lord God . . . Which had appeared. . 2. trice-Solomou had heer particolaty - rored nnd specially warned. Twice had God revealed Himself to bim personally-no through the mediation of a prophet-ouce at Gibeon, and nfterward nt Jerusalem after the dedication of the temple; and yet, after sucb
high converse and solemu admonition, the higb converse and solemu admonition, the
king bad ungratefully and inexconsably ad kihg bad ungratefully and inexcmanbly ad-
mitted idolatry into bis kiogdom and built mitted inolatry into bis kingdom and buitt
its ignoble abrine. His behavior was as treathe Divine indignation.
11. The Lord said-this time, probably, by
prophetic wediation. Ahont this time, the propbet Abijah the Shilonite was sent to veroboanm with n correspondiug mesange
verses 29 -39). I will surely rend the kingdon - n prophecy fulfilled, after Solonion's death
by the violent dismenberment of the kiowdom. Give it to thy servant-Jerohonm. who ecame the king of Tarsel. or the ten tribes,
and was now one of Soloman's "servauts." and was now one of Soloman's "servants.
Says the Palpit Commentary: "A 'servant' hould he heir to his glory. For a bireling This verse should be read io the light of Eccles. 2: $\delta^{\prime \prime}$.
"It is well worlly of uotice that in the aunouncenient the oppression of the people by compnisary labor, and taxes. or despotism is not giren as the reason of the dividing of Solomon's dynast ribe; but ouly the sin agninst Jehova "going after other gods

## 29-39) (Buchr.)

12, 13. Notwithstanding- 'in wrath re it. - For the eake of David the sentence was ightened by two mitigations - poasponement inglom for Solonon, s son. The throne hould be secure to Solomon while he lived nad after his denth, "one tribe"-strictly
two; Judnh and Eenjumin; but "litlle Ben ino; Judnh and F enjamjn; but "little Ben udab-slould be kept in the family, should -where fis name was revenled.
"The temple was there; the Shechinal ty of judgmeots in respect to the interes of religion in many ways little drenmed
by statesmen and rulers" (Macdonuld.)

## A Cry to Human Hearts.

by bishop w. f. mallalied, d. d.
To human heartsand to humane hearts -surely all human hearts ought to be humane. There ought to be love, tenderness, sympathy and helpfulness in all hearts. A few more days or years at
most, and all hearta now throbbing with life will be still and cold. What isdone for the poor and needy, the weak and
helplesa, must be done whitè"we are in ife. The night cometh when no man can wrork. Ah! how it hastens! How can wirk. Nh! hown it will he upon us! When deanh tanches any human hand, it can molonger give the cup of cold witer to the hirrty. When death senla the lips, they helpfulness. We must work while it is dny.
The only way aome people can effect ually work for Clisist and humanity, is to give of what God has placed in their care. The best, if not the only
way, for anme to do good, is to give of way, for anme to do grood, is to give of
their subatance while they yet live, for he establisiment of some great charity, or the development or endownent of sume such charity already establithed. A rare opportunity is now nflorded to people by fonnding a medical school in connection with our New Orlenns Uni. connection with our New Orlenns Uni-
versity. It will take fity thousand dolversity. It will thke fity thousand dave
lars to give us what we ought to have. lars to give us what we ought to have.
We can make a good beginning with We can make a good beginning with
half that amount. We ought to have at lesst twenty thousand without delay.
Who vill do the Chrit-like deed? Who will do the Chrit-like deed?
Who will have the Master say in the coming day, "Inasmuch as ye bave done it unto the least of these, ye have done t unto me??"
But some one may say, "What! have New Orleans?" The anaver is, "Yes we have a large and excellent one, but it is only for white students." We may the matter, the fact still exists. No colored man, whatever his merits, is al lowed to enter the Medical School of
the great University, the Tulane University of the city of New Orleans. A leper would be admitted, as soon as a black man, even if the black man were Mear.fifths mhite
Wiles of News Orlesan three hundred lione of colored people. They need nedical at But they were 8 laves. But who cares for
theru now? They must not longer be neglected. The best thing to be done for the people is to eatablish this medical school, for which I plead. But why
should $n y$ pleading be necessary? These are God's poor and He pleads for them, Mea and women will read these lines who could easily give the fifty thousand equired. Will they not hear God's call Will they not respond?
Why not open correspondence with the writer of this article? He will help you will give for the high and holy puryou will give for the high and holy pur-
pose for which it is asked. Write with pose for whic
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vocate, published in New Orleang, La.

## The Christian Endeavor

Movement
The President of the United Societ, at a recent meeting of the hoard of tris-
rees, reported a far greater and more general interest in the Suciety than ever before. A Provincial Christian Enformed. There are about one hundrei and filty Societies in this province. In Sontran are twelve vigorous and floure and mist of them recently formed. In England, at a late meeting held in Lon. don, it was repirted that the Societies
were doing quite as good worls ns on the were doing quite as good worls as on the
other side of the Atlantic. The young ther side of the Atlantic. The young
people of the Hancock Church of Lex ington, Mass, have sent printed information and personal lettors. Three hun-
dred young people of Montreal assem-
the American Presbyterian Church
that city, before daylight, in connection with one of the conventions.
Rev. F. E. Chark who hat
tending Christinn Endenvor Conventions in seven or cight Western States
repurts growth and enthusiam forr the work. In Missouri, state conveution at Sedalia, at some of the sessions, hundred? could uol find stunding room in tho Cumberland Presbyterian Church where the meeting was held. The devotional gpirit of this meeting was of the highest order; "Miesouri for Chriut"
In Minnesota two important meetings In Minnesota two importann meeting ed, and participated in by the young people.
At Indianapolis the Indiana state convention callod together three hundred delegates, besides a large delegation from Kentucky. The testimony of the pas tors was particularly emphatic, as to the value of the Society to them in their work. The closing session of this conwork. The clasing session of attended by fully 1500 people, and tested the capacity of the Taberple, and tested the capacity of the Taber-
macle Presbyterian Church to the utmacle
most.

Important meetinge were also held in Toleda,
Pittsburg.
nteresting Geographical Com parisons.
When we learn from astronomera that the sun is twice as large in circumerence, as the circle made by the moon in passing around the earth, we are inclined to draw a long breath; yet we have on "dry land," and by actual
measurement, some comparisons of sizes which are, to say the least, quite in eresting.
Asia is more than four times as large as Europe, and considerable larger than North and South America together. The United States and Europe are almost equal in area; British India is more han half as large as the United States nd Canada is nearly equal in area to his country, including Alaska. Ire laud and Indiana are about the same
size. England sud Michigan are about the same size. You conld take enough and from Texas to make England, Ire and, Scotland, Belgium, The Netherlaurls, Switzerland and Denmark, and still have enough left to make Massahusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, cw Hampshire, Verioont, Delaware New Jersey, Maryland and Iudiana.
California is the second largest stace Nebraska is more than twice the size of Indiana. The Island of Cuba and the tate of Tenuessee are equal in area Brazil is nearly as large as the United States; but the population of the latter is seven times that of the former. If States were placed in the state of Texas the number of persons to the equare miles would be fewer than at present in York, Pennsylvania and Now Jersey together. It would take teu states as larg as Massachusetts to make a state as large
as Kanss. There are tweuty-seven as Kansas. There are tweuty-seven
states or territories, each larser than states or territories, each larger than
New York. Oregon is equal in arca to New York and Pennsylvinia. Massachusetts is smaller than eicher New Hampshire or Vermont. Minnesota is twice the size of Ohio. The three states bordering on the Pacific, are larger than the thirteen states bordering on the At antic. Montana is thirty times larger han Connecticut. Iowa is five times as as Denmark. Maryland and Switzerland areabout the qame size. London land arenbout the yame size. London
is as large as New York City, Chicago, is as large as New York City, Chicago,
Philadelphia, Boston, Bultimore, and Philadelphia, Boston, Baltimore, and
Ciaciunati together. There are twice at many people to the square mile in Eugland as in Rhode Island, the most densely populaterl state in the Union. Japan is equal in area to Montana, hod supports more than half as mauy peuple Uniterl States, Irand hud double population in 1841 that she has at pres-ent.-Self.Help and Home Study.

## Dyspepsia


 Distress $\begin{gathered}\text { tongue, and irregularity of } \\ \text { tio bowots. Dyspepsla doos }\end{gathered}$
After get well of itsint it it
not Eating $\qquad$ and a romedy liko Hoond's Sarsnparillit, whtch nects gonlly, yeteme diges-
it tonos the stomach, regulates the dig tion, creates a good ap- Sick



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Saparilla, whll did mo ain Stomach


Hood's Sarsaparilla 100 Doses One Dollar

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## Death Comes to All

Jefferson Davis, one of the chief fig ures in the Slave-holder's rebellion of 1861-65, has pa
year of his age.
This event occurred in the city of New Orleans,
ing, Dec. 6th.
Mr. Davis was born in Christian Co. Ky., June 3, 1808. During bis infancy, his parents removerl into the State of
Misissippi. President Monroe appoiuted him to a cadetship in the U. S. Military Academy at Weat Point, from which he graduated in 1828. In 1831-2 he served in the Black Hawk war; in 1835 he re signed from the army, and setlled as a
cotton planter. near Vicksburg; in $18+4$, cotton planter. near Vickshurg ; in $18+4$,
he was Presidential electur, on the Pulk and Dallas ticket, and the next year was sent to the National House of Rejresentatives.
In Jnue $18+6$ he resigried his seat to become Colonel "f Line First Regineli with Mexico; rerving with great gallantry, aud heing connplimemed by the
commander in chief. Pievidemin Po,lk compuader in chrie. Pierilent Pal this hunur he deeclined,
that the Fed ral Executive hati hu, of apprintument.
S. Sumanist 188t, he was appimeal U the next year was elected hy the lind lature, and re elected in 18.50 .
In 1851 he resigued his seat in the Senate, wh become candilinte of the State righs ur "resist.nnee" party lur $G$, veruor
of Mistisippi. but was defentent by $H$ S. Fwole, the Uaion candidate.

From 1853 w $18 \overline{187}$, he wial Secreary Preeident Pierce. In March 18.57. he was re electer U. S. Senatur, iervinu until Jauuary 24 $\mathrm{h}, 1861$, whon he resignted bisloeat, having heen officially inf., tile d, the day previous, of the secresciun of the
State of Missisippi from the Felleral State of Mississippi frum the Fellera
Union. Wilh this act, his career as loyal ciiizen of the United Stutes cluses; the mazpunimoua offer of ammesty, on the part of the National Government, after the auppression of the
Misiessipipi had seceded Jan. 9, 1861,
ad Mr. Davis was appoiuted Comnand and Mr. Davis was a ppointed Command er in chief of the State forces, by the secession convention; but he resigned this
office, to accept the Presidency of the office, to accept the Presidency of the elected, Feb. 9,1861 , by the Provisiona Congress aesembled in Montgomery Ala.

The seat of the new government was
and in November of the same year. Mr, and what they regard ns iuconsisten Davis was elecled without opposition, with our non-partisan attitute, we shal term of six years
lerm of six years
April 2, 1865,
Mr. Daris rectived a telegram froun General Lee, announcing the necessity for the immediato evacuation of Rich mond. Four days Inter General Lee surrondreen; Mr. Davis and his cathinat having immedintely nhandoned the capio-
tol. May 10 , Mr. Duvis and his puruy tol. May 10, Mr. Duvis and his parly
vere captured near Irwinsville, Gur., and were captured near tuken prisoner of war to Fortress he was taken prisoner or whr was relensed od bail of 8100,000 , May 13, 1867 , aut in December 1868, the Goverument entered a non suil, on the indictnien aguinst him, "for exciting insurrection,
rebelliou, and war against the United States.
The same year he visited New York, Canada, and Englaud, and after his re turn, became president of a life insur-
ance coupany in Merphis, Tean; looldance coupany in Memphis, Tenu; hold
ing the positiun for several years. In 1879, Mrs. Dorsey of Bealuvir, Miss, bequeathed him her estate on the
shores of the Gulf of Mexico. Here he resided the rest of his days
Mr. Davis was twice married; his first wite being a daughter of Col. Zichary Taylor, afterwards President of the
Uvited States; and his second, Miss Uuited States; and his second, Miss
Varina B. Howell, of Natchen. Miss., whom he was married, Feb. 6, $18+\overline{5}$.
Of his four sons aud two daughters orly the duughters survive-one the wife of J. Addison Hayes, of Teun., the other Mies Varina, now visiting in Paris. Mr. Davis, it is stated, was a devour
communicant of the Protestant Episco pal Church, and we trust has found mercy and forgiveless from Him who
came into the world to save sinuers.
Throughout the Stute
presided for tiur years, there have bee
most elaborate eulogies, expressive of acd miration, for
for his family

His funeral took place in New Or leans, Welluerday. the 11 th
was a unust improsing pageant.
Ous fiend, Ruv. T.S Thoways editor
 Party" readers. What a pity that men
wilt nillow the
 "ervone 11 a: presumes th ilter a wir
 phum Iethodist.
W. con assure cur confirere. Di. Mo Cullengh, that this "trumble" is burs a
very ferinus nure. A fiw, a very few, wir "Third Party rualders." have su en
ame of sur editoriul uticrances. as par
party, and advercaling the Republical party. Any such purpase or desire on ly disulnimi ; and feel condident, positive
 of the charge of having done any auch an injustice, however uointentional, in making such unfouader allegations.
The Peningtia Methodist and its editor stand firmly fur the prohibition of the liquor traffic nuisance, nad hail as welcome aillies in the conffict with this powerful foe, all who are honestly striving to abate the nuisance, whether by political or other methode
Our columns have been, and are still pen to our readers, irrespective of their personal views or party predilections only with the necessary limitation, that
their com munications ahall not be of their communications shall not
We have seldom declined to publish a contribution from a member of the Wilmington Conference, and never, in any case, without frankly informing the
brother of the reasons for auch a course If any of our readera, at any time,
find in our isuea, what they disapprove,
be glad tw have them call our neteution
to it: Hucl, if we can't explain, we shall to it; nicl, if we cart exp
make all pussible amonds.
The Georgia Senate, without any bluster, quietly forbade dancing in the new capital The trustes of Alabama Slate University a
Leir hast woeting, determined to put a slop the "hop," na a part of the closing exer dises of the coumencement, and will Lave u more of it. Snciety folks in Georgin nud
Alabamn aro pouting about it theog ought to he nllowed to pout-pouting is the defense silly people alwnys.--MAcoon Adivocate.
We hope this good example will hav large following; and that the folly and liseredit of such addenda as "hajpes. "balla," and such like, will no louger be attracbed to commencement exercises or to Gubermatorial und Presidential innugurations. How ladies of refined and telicate sensibintities oan submity would
handled in the dance, as they would handled in the dance, as they would
never think of allowing nuywhere else and that otiten by comparative strangers
the putency of fashion over the sos-called suciety-fol ks .
 Md."

Bishop J. M. Walden, lauded in New York, last Saturday, after completing thur of Episcopal visitation amoug
the inisions of the M. E. Church in Suuth America; having sailed from th same purt July 10th, and spent 74 days on ehijplowned, and 60 days om land The Advocate (N. Y.) says, "he applear to be in excellent health, and has had In the journey.
ing note frow Baper, we find this pleas Glad to say father's cough has not bee as bad as it was while in New York, and be is now much better. He sailed on
the Matudo Saturday Lhe Matudo Saturday, the 30th, for made, for putting the steamer together.

## Sallsbury District

Wont on board of teeamer Pratt, and start od toward Deac's ras.and; landed in that I could keep on the long bridge only br the aid of the bannisters. I could not hoist my ambrella; the wind would have torn it into sbreds. Into the darkness I went, with a handred lighta in a handred windowe, and
the parsonage a mile away. From the toot of the bridge I stepped into mud nad wager, and worse darknose, if that mere possinle. Paid two dollars for a bont the exex day, and
" " with a wet sheet and a lilowing gen
Houland's IstaNn, where I fund many of Holland's istann, way in their bosts, a the br
work.
Wen
Went to quarterly couference, with mud to the right of me, wud to the left of me, and mud undornenth me; and did the same
on Sunday morring. We had a blesed lore an Sunday moraing. We hit a sernon. The renst, and followet 20 wns well attendet Sunday.school, nt 2 p. n., was wellate church "d the lesson woni", At niyht I started atead of hrother Guthrie and his lawp; aud what a time I bad of it! My gum shoes pulled off five or six times, and when renched the church
to ny knees. The eveniug service was excellent. The fimances are well in havd, and "Holland's Island, gen of the Chesupenke,', will ho
cilled.
What next? Well, I joinerl a crew ou Mon-s it. Took cunver on Wednesday for Cris FIBLD, but the slorm hecane so violent. Chalts
we were forced to give it up, and go to Deal's sland. The cunner put her nose into the sarted beach, and I jumped over her hows and start from the crown of my silk hat to the
wet
soles of nuy ruober shoes. I found home soles of ruy ruober sboes. I found home
aud shelter, and spent Thanksgiving just where I did last year.
Two events, transpired, oue of sadness the other of joy. The first, the fune ral of a paor
drowaed uign. It was sad, to hear his chuldren cry. Four bours later I saw a wedding
party at the altar where the funeral casket bad been placed at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. In the afternoon, My pappy is dead?." In the evening, two pretts little girls dressed in white and crowned with white wreathes-one hearing
a hougule of white flowers, aud the other a heary gold ring-approached the altar, and
were followed by the groom with his bride were followed by the groom with his bride
on bis arm. The service was most beautiful. Mrs. B. C. Warren presided at the organ,
while her huaband "tied the knot," and sent wo miuds with but a single thought-two covery to find out what facts the future has
in store for them. May the Lord deal kindly with them! Atter doing our work at Fruitmallers moving on in good order, and sue
cessfully. The lumber for the cook house was on the gromad, and is to be pul into
house shape immedintely. Preached at Salisbiry Sundiay night. Mouday, Dec.
2ad, "in the dawning of the morning," the
pasior's wife, Mry watindule. .. pasinr's wife. Mrs Martindale, "passed
1hrough the vale" and weut to 'the land that Our nistrict antk is in the hands of able
andl eflicient pastors, who will doanl in their
power to meet the Churcl)'s askiag. Our

| mien. The hand of the Lorrl seems to lave been taid upna us. Nay his merciful poond ness apen unto us a way of suceresfful es |
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From Gumboro, Del
Dear Bro. Thomas:-It you ha
mim in the Pennsclla Metriodist,
will give you a report from teis charge
have nerer saik, and never coul say
Nuv. 30ch, about 7 p . m., I was taken
with a severe pain in my left side, and have bad to keep my bed the past week the first week of my life I have so spent
ince I can remember. I have been ab sent from wy pulpit two Sundays, but hope to be there next Sunday, D. V.
Our skillful Dr. G. F. Jones has oeen doing his part in my cuse grandly; $s 0$ on now able to sit up a little.
The people have been very kind in things, which they hoped I could eat. I praise "our Father" for his mercy and love; and desire very much to get out
among my people, and to work on my conference studies.
We have our timber cut and hauled out for the re-building of the Gumboro church, and expect to have it sawed soon. We bave about 8,000 feet of pine,
maple, and beach, and have'nt paid out maple, and beach, and have'nt paid out
one cent in monay yet. If our parsonone cent in monay yet. If our parsonplan, I am sure the trouble that has been, prevented.

Yours for Christ,
Dec. 9th, '89.

## Holiness Meeting

Snturday night, Nov. 30th, Rev. E. I. D Pepper, editor of the Christian Standard, preached in Fletcher Hall, a good sermon though he called it only a little talk. His text was a part of 1st Thess. 3-13, "'To this end, that he may pstahlish your hearts un blamable in holiness hefore God.

Some people say we go to extremes, hat how ahout the rpostle's views? he writes, "to this end that he may establish yoar hearts, unblamable in holiness before God;" and quoting agnin, "Ye are wituesses, and God also, bow holily and justly and un-
blamenhly, we behaved ourselves among you blamenhly,
When people get this kind of snlvalion, he quegtion with them is, how to get other to enjuy the same experience. Some of you may be wondering how to get gourselves aod others in to this condition of unhlamenhleness. In the first place, get into this oxperience your self. In the second place, as Mr. Wesley used to sny, let us tell the facts that are work ang ians. Bishop Taypor says, "Stand by and bow he has saved gou."
Another thing ia, to talk about romething worth talking about. In order to get people very jasfal and grateful for what God has done for us in us, and by us.
Give them credit for what good there is in hom. We do a vast amount of fault finding. The apostle says, 'In every thing give
thanks." The world needs salvation from sormo, as well as from sin. We must be Christ-like. "For this cause also thauk we "l thi mind be
Jesus." You would not godown stairs in the
darkness aud let God's sunligbt drive it out. It is not attainment but obtainment that is needed "Every good aud perfect gift cometh down from the Fatber of Light
When Bro. Pepper ge
When Bro. Peppergave the invilation three persons cane forward. The Hall was crowd-
ed; many having to stand through the service. We were glat to see several of our own The meeting will be beld hereatter, every Saturday evening in Fletcher Hall, 604
Market - t., at 7.30 p m.

## Co-Workers with God

Peninsula Methodise: eavelope retarnen containing a hiberal con xpres refhing note. In the sentimena expressed, there is so much of genuine appre. se aurit of berevence. that I think it will not eaders the tienefit of its perusal, omitting

Nand
Dear Bro Browne:-While jou were giving wat the envelopes for the henevolent
collections lnat Suaday, how my heart swall-
ed within me, as I thought of the blessed ed within me, as I thought of the blessed
privilege thus oflered, to help the Master
save the world! Nobods slight given the opporlnuity to be a co worker with
gitan God. Wondrous privilege ! A mazing thougbt! Benevolene. Webster defines, at "diapo-
sition to do good." o that the Master may give me thiz privilege, for many years to
come! As I set down the modest sum I want ed to give, on the blank furnished, I thought the Guse represented by each claim, nad "Conference Claimauts!" 0 what thougbls crowd upon me ns I think of the old warriors What would the world heless dependencies What would the world be, were it not that heroic soals ancrifice worldly gain for the sal thought, I can bave a part in bailding church es for the helpless and needy; that I can aid es for the helpless and needy; that I can aid cate young to preach the gospel; that I may lift my voice throngh them in every elime calling wen to Christ! Then, that blessed humanitarian work of uiding the helples
freedmen, whose hondaye wns ao mestic missious, und Sundny-school Union these very names are frought with the spirit of the Master; exteoding help to those who ings, that we bave.
Then how many poor souls have been saved from a life of sin, through the reading of a tract! Into how many homes has the light of the gospel shone by the gift of a Bible, from the Bible Society ! And to think, that I am aiding in all this work ! Surely
in this do I realize, that "it is mare blessed in this do I realize, that
to give than to receive.

What have we, that we have not
Jogously, yours for Ohrist,




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 fenst, nt 9 a. m. morrow, the linth inst. Love Reve $T$ SunwdenT. homans, editor of bram.
at 10.30 ehing hy Rev. W. L. S. Murray, P.E. at 3 p. m., nod loy Rev, C. Arrott, ol St Puul' Mond at 7.30 .
Monday. 16th, pronching by Presiding El-
der Murray, aftor which the 4th quarterly onforence will be held. Tuesdny, 17 hh , preaching by Rev. R. Irving Watkins, of
Kingsivood. Wednear'ny 1eth, prenching hy Rogswood. Wednesdny 18th, prenching hy
ing by inm Stengle. Thurredny 19th, preach2014, preaching by Rer. Henry N Cheesma of the New Jersey Conference. Sunday $22^{2 n d}, 10.30 \mathrm{a}$. m. preaching by Rev. Weale C. Joluson, of the Philn. Confereucc. All friends invited, especially former pasors and members.
T. N. Given, prator.

Mr. IV. F. Walton, son of Rev. WV. B. Walton, of St, Michaels. Mil., has re turned from an extended Easiern tour. He has been absent about a year, and has travelled through England, Irelaud,
Scotland. Wales, France, Holland DenScotland. Wales, France, Holland, Denmark, Germany, Switzerland, Italy, Is lauds of the Mediteranean. Greece. Turkey, Austria, Servia, Hungaria, Bul Maria, Egypt, Arabia, Paleatine, and Asia and spent a vight alone on Mt. Visuvins, and spent a night alone on M. Vesupina
witnessing the great sight of an eruption Witnessing the great ight has traveled over 20,000 miles, and
He has brought back not ouly much valua ble information, but many interesting relics.-The Methodist.
Tunis Mill's, neur Esston, Mrd., has been organized as a separate charge, by
Presiding Elder France, with Rev. A. Cresiding Elder France, with Rev. A. learn Jof Bro. Jones' success in evangelis tic work, the membership having been doubled under his ministry.

Revival meetings at Scott contizue; five conversions to date.
Enworth Leagne prayer and experience mectings, at 6 p . m. Sundays, are seagons of refreshing. Presiding Elder
Murray preached a sernou of power sud Murray preached a serinou of power and
conviction. Wedneaday of last week, from the text, "It is a fearful thing, to
fall into the bauds of the living Gud." fall into the bauds of the living Gud."
Rev. IR. I. Watkius of Kingewood, preached Tuesday night.
Our Sunday school is busily preparing a special service for Christmas night. "Merry Christmas Bells," will forts the basis of the programme.

Hallwood, Va., Geo. E. Wood, pastor, Sunday morning, Dec. 8th, was
the occusion of an agrecable surprise to the occusion of an agreeable surprise to
the pastor of this charge, and the recollection of the kindly feeling and sincere regard, which at that time found expression, will ever be regarded as one of the choice treasures of memory's store. and the pastor had just arisen to read the Seripture lesson, when a young man in the congregation arose, and, in a few appropriate remarke, divulged a friendly plot, which he, in company with a number of other young men, had devised.
The greater number of these friendly conepiraturs were present, and, after their leader's introductory, pressed their way to the chancel rail, and presented the ast 0
of $\$ 25$.
The grateful appreciation, with which this token of sindly interest and esteem was received, was heightened by the fact what it came from the young men of the congregation.
The earnest prayer of the writer is, that each one of them, may speedily ap propriate the unspeakable gift of aav God dotb supply all their need "according to F
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Asbury, $\mathrm{W}_{\text {iL. }}-\mathrm{L}$ ast Sunday morn- ${ }^{-}$The Methodist Episcopal churches on ing, Rev. Wm. Swindella, D. D., of Bethel charge, are preparing for ChristPhiladelphia prenchell on the text. "For nhe no live is Christ, amd on die is gain "Chriat is all, all in all." was sung after the sermon. Pastor Hama followed ith an invifation to pemitente, and not young man enme tivg followed.
At night, Bro. Himara preached full house on Shamgar's ox gowel.
Union, Wil.-Pastor Adam Stengle, was in his pulpit Sunday murniug, preaching, as usual, to the interest and profit of his large congregation. At
ight, Dr. Swindells preached on Ezedight, Dr. Swindells preached on Eze kiel's visiun of the man
ak horn, Ezek. 9, 2-11.
A collection was taken for the Philadelphia Hospital.

Onr) Time Methodism,-The firat Sunday of last mouth, the stormy weathor preclading attendance at church,
Presidng Lider France preached his quarterly sermon for King's Creek circuit, at the suggestion of the pastor, in
the house of Bro. Henry P. Hopkins, to au appreciative congregatiot, of the ame number of persums as were rescued rom the waters of the Deluge.
"The Luril helped the preacher, and his scroun was richly enjoyed." We oo seldom recall the words of Jesus, gathereal wgether in wy nane, there I am in the miclit of them
Wye \& Halls, J. D. Lecates, pastor $\$ 3884$ were realized. With funds previousy secured, this will be sufficient, we understand, to paint the church. The converted, and believers built up; not withstanding the continued unfavorabie weather.

The Middletown Era referring to the fate that. Rev. T. E. Martindale had frum 187 it 1880, says, "the news of Mrs. Martindale's death conused a feeling of batness to most of nur citizens, as she
was nuch beloved by all who knew her:.
In our list of ministers present and participating in the funcral services, as following brehren were omilued; Reves. E. E. White, of Millington. T. E. Trury Rigg. of Still Pond, and R. K. Stephen-

Bishor Mallalisé's appeal for help which was crowded out list weck, appeara on page 3 uf this issue. We again ark forit, the faveralle conceration those among us, "to whom God has given
wealth." as well as those who of their wealth," as well as those who of their
"penury" may feel willing to contribute their mites.
Farmington, Del--Our renpening will take place, next Sunday, 15th inst. Rev. J. H. Duhadway, of Seaford, Del. and other ministers will be present.
cordial invitation is extender
Very truly,
Geo. W. Wilcox.

Rev. T. E. Terry, pastor of the Dover M. E. Church, lectured in Burton's Hall, that the Ladies' Mite Society of the church. Sub-
ject: "The folks I live with na I see them."


Charch, Chicano, bas heen appointed by the General Conference of the M. E. Church Soath, which meets at Nashville in the spring.

Rev. W. B. Gordon, formerly rector of St. Peter's P. E. Church in Smyraa, will retarn to his missionary labors in Mexico, about the migsionary, and will accompany Mr. Gordon

Bothel charge, are prepally two trees one for the children, and one for presents 10 friends. There is ametines as high as three hundred dollars worth of pres. ents on the latter. When the mames merrindent and praise-Susscx Jownal.

The protracted meeting at Mt Zim, still continues. Many have been converted, nostly heads of fumily; some as old as seventy-seven years. The pustor Rev. W. B. Greeg, has been laboriug
nearly ten weeks, and appears as strong nearly ten weeks, and appears as strong
no when he bugan.-Daily Republican.

Wilmington District
The quarterly conference of Bethel and Glusgow was n means of grace, ay spiritual
no a good class-meetiug, Bro. Gurdner has ns a good class-meeting. Bro, Gurdner has
or anuized at Bethet, it eriet of cotiage pray orknuized at Bethel, at series of cotlage pray.
er meetivgs. Oue hundred dollars have been expeuded on the parsounge. Trusters of Glasgow have paid $\$ 125$ of the mortgage on their church. Bro. Richard Mulford, a local
preacher said. "Prenching has become a scieutitic work. 1 used to have two skeleton of sermons, which never got any flesb on
their houes. They remain skelteons, I cannot trust them; I must leno on the arm or
the Lord, W W. C. Lake superinteudent o the Lord" W. C. Lake, superinteudent of
Bethel, "Our Suuday-school this year has been more prosperous, mare instructiva W. T. Dayett, superinteudeut of Sunday school at Glasgow, reported the seliool closed for the winter. I wish something could bo
done to keep tvery school open all the year done to keep tvery ychool open all the year
Samuel Thompson, class leader at Bethel now in his eighty fift year, rode seve miles 10 atlend quarterly conference at
Glasgow, and anid he was conserted io 1834 . and almost immediately appointed leader o a colored class, and continuing bo until the
close of the war. He basalso bad w whiteciass, alwost all the time from bis conversion until
the present, a period of fifty-fre years eojoys suci good bealth, that he said, "I bave not a pain nor an ache." J. H Thornton
"there used to he a big doubt in my heart, as to whether I was sared, hut the Lord bas
taken it away, and given me coufideace. taken it away, and given me confidence.
The presiding elder was rfquested by thre quarterly conference, to use his influence to Whell Bro Gardver's two sons were home from Dickinsou during racatiou. Edwin did one work on the black board; he was formschoon. Wilmington, Del. Not long sidece, "the Peonssy ranin Art Association offered a gold mednl, for the best crayon blackloard
work submitted to it. "Amoug the contest. ants for the prize," says a paper of that city, "who appeared before them in Harrislourg,
was Mr. Edwin Gardner a popular sudent was Mr. Edwin Gardoer. a popular student
of Dickiuson College. His, sulject was a cross on a rock, whth waves dashing thren eningly ahont it. There were tighteen conplensure of receiving the gold medal for the
Chesapsake Crty aud Manor, are well cared for by their energetic pastor, Rer. E.
H. Nelsou, who inforned his quarterly conference, as it was lis third year, that be de sired to move in the spriug. The new church
at Chesapeake, which will soon be completed, is a house of beanty and a joy to all interest ed. The people think or talk of little else
They have received tive hundred dollars morth They have received hive hundred dollars worth
of eucouragement from the Board of Church of eucouragement from the Board of Church
Extension, and one thousnnd dollars from friends in Philadelphin, Wiltaington, and other places, mainly through the personal so-
licitation of the pastor. Sister Nelson, th pastor's wife, and the ladies of the cburch, are doing their full sbare. Tbeir aupper and bazanar betted s130. The farmers gave and
banled the stone for the foundation. Th
 tertainmeut, the procceds of which were banded over for the new charch. A service
has been arranged for Christ mas morning;
and thiruy and thirty have nlready promised to give at that time. $\$ 5$ each. One brother became sn
much interested in this service much interested in this service, that he felt
he ought to give $\$ 5$, but did not see bes to raise it. He dreamed two or three times that there was money buried in bis cellar. His impression became so atrong, that he
dug down in a certain corner thereof and found in silver, $\$ 7.20$ A few of the and

## were very old.

An oyster bupper and bazaar, will be held
Dec. 18-20, Dec. 18-20; oysters given by sister Nelson's Snow Hill. Joseph Pgie gives the pulpit. W. D. Haddock, the son-in-law of prefid
ing elder John France, the bailder of the

Who needeth not to he nathamed; everybody
is praisiug him, for his wkill, economy, and is praising him, for his nkill, economy, and
industry in working in material from the old church, aud in every waty trging to anve e pense Mr. Haddock gives tho alatr; and $\$ 105$
have been secure:l for a liell. A lathing bee have been yecurod for a hell. A lathing be
at night by Inmplight, saved the expenae fo this work; the larliey showed their apprec tion, by giving the workmen a sapple J. W. Johnsou has "Llargo owl, stuffed
d mounted at C. F Rudolph's storo, on
 anle, the price to be given to tho church
The aand wis given by the Erickan Stenm Boat Co. The Caunl Company furnisted their ncow for the stove and the towing com. pany donnted their work, John MeClenahan
of Port Duposit, Eive 28 perches of stone. Thoms Davidson of Wilminyton, gnve a benutiful white stone, with "Mrivity Metho-
dist Episcopal Church" upou it. Mr. Sloau dist Episcopal Churob upon it. Mr. Shoan
of Elkion, bus prowised a stone, with dates of the erection of the old and new churches. Jacob Metz, a steward iu the clurch, make
and presenta the weather vane. sous have beed takeu. The Sunday school, one for the pastor; Dr. Karsner, for his father mother and sister; J. H. Brooks, one for
himself and family; Geo. Watts, of Philn delphin, one for his tather and mother; one
has been taken iu memory of 'Wm. Lindhas been taken iu memory of Wm. Lind-
say, many years a faithinal tucmber of the say, many years a taithinl member of the
church; Mre. W. Smithers and Niss Maggie Swack, one for their father and mother and of her daugbter Linda lenuelt Wooley Mrs. Jones of Philadelphia, one in memory of ber father, and mother; before breakfast Monday moruiug, Captain Cooling promised the pastor, to put in a wiulow in mensory of
his father who died in the old charch on his knees, while leading in prayer.
Wanten, Bibleaud Hymnal, clandeliers, and noneg enough to dedicate free of debt
church worth $\$ 10.000$ which will ouly cost ahout $\$ 6,000$. The ahove is a small part be interest manifested, and somelbing of From Roxanna.
Brotirer Tromas:--We observed ast Sunday, as Buk Comeern Day the morning, and Marisers Bethel in the afternons. The day heing pleasant
we had large congregations at each place. We also preached at Roxaba on
Thankgyiving day, and had a glorious experience meetivy. Our meeting here closed last Sunday night, with serenteen probation and funt by certificate during the meeting. There were also three ceived into full membership.
We have announced to commence at with an al! day maseting, and to hold ervices every day und night the firs lock's Md., their pastor 31 years ago, who pioneered their first church buildin here, and is held o high estimation is preach the opeving sermon and spend The Sunday.
the Sound haveschouls at Bethel and sonary amiversaries, and have Christmas treats; Bethel, on Christuas night and Sound, on Christmas eve. Our Leaders and Stewarls' meetings, held at all three of our churches, aro oc guod.
Owing to the continoous and heavy rains of the past senson, this has been a
year of unparalteled lass to our firmers; and many will suffer want, unless they are helped by their more fortunate neighbors. Fur this reason, we fear that we will fall short iu our benevolent collections, It will require heroic eflort on where near uor apportionments.
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