

The Cause Elsewhere.

NEBRASKA.

Bro. R. G. Barrow reports 140 added to the saved under his labors since last October.

VIRGINIA.

T. J. Stone reports 22 additions in three weeks at Old Town.

TENNESSEE.

Knowles Shaw closed a meeting of seven days at Henderson with thirteen additions.

MISSOURI.

E. R. Childers closed a meeting three miles west of Fulton, with ten conversions.

W. A. Maloane added two by confession, and one from the Baptists, at New Corners, near Brunswick. Also at a meeting held at Padgett's school house, three miles from Brunswick, he had seventeen additions by confession, two by relation, and one from the Presbyterians. The cause in Brunswick is prospering. The Sunday school is growing all the time. Bro. J. T. Plunkett is superintendent and is the right man for the place.

Bro. J. H. Williams, of Harrisonville, assisted by Bro. McKewer, a grandson of Alexander Campbell, of Olathe, Kansas, has just closed a meeting at Freeman, Cass county, with fifteen additions by baptism, two from the Baptists, thirteen took membership who had been members at other places, making twenty-nine in all.

Bro. Wm. Jarrott closed a meeting at Hickman Mills, Jackson county, with twenty-three additions; five by commendation, two restored, and sixteen obeyed the Gospel.

ILLINOIS.

Thirty have been added at Bushnell in the last eight months; twelve by baptism.

Bro. W. H. Embry immersed two and Bro. Lampton one at Payson recently.

Bro. J. A. Williams baptized two old persons over sixty years old, at Clermont, the first Lord's day in August.

OHIO.

Bro. Maxwell has been located at Ada about six months and has received about forty additions. Ada is the seat of a flourishing Normal School, under the principalship of Pres. Lehr, one of our elders.

Reputation.

The Constitutional Convention of the State of Georgia, by a nearly unanimous vote, 166 to 16, has adopted a clause declaring certain bonds issued by the existing authorities of the State illegal, null and void, and prohibiting the Legislature from paying them directly or indirectly. The following are given as the character of some of the obligations:

The State purchased from H. J. Kimball the Capitol Building, in which the Convention is now sitting, for \$250,000 in bonds. These bonds were turned over to him, and the State received titles to the property. He then pledged \$120,000 of the bonds with Boorman Johnston, and \$130,000 with Russell Sage, both of New York. Shortly after this had been done, Governor Bullock, without authority of law, agreed with Kimball that he should replace these bonds with a new issue. He accordingly delivered to Kimball \$250,000 of new bonds to substitute for them. Kimball failed to take up the old bonds. The State settled with Russell Sage, but repudiated Johnson's claim.

Another case is that of Messrs. Branch & Co., of Augusta, Ga. When the Legislature was preparing its first act of repudiation it declared by a special act, which passed both Houses, and was signed by the Governor, that the Macon and Brunswick Railroad bonds were binding and valid. Upon the assurance of this act Messrs. Branch & Co. bought about \$100,000 worth of these bonds. Afterward the

Legislature repudiated them.

The third case is that of the Scott bonds. These bonds were issued long before the war and are, of course, perfectly regular. When the bond investigation was going on in 1872, an act was passed requiring the holders of all Georgia bonds to have them registered anew at the Treasurer's office. Mr. Scott, who held some of these bonds, forwarded them to Atlanta to have them registered. The party to whom he sent them failed to have them registered, and they are consequently repudiated.

In the Convention Governor Jenkins spoke in favor of remitting the claims upon the State to adjudication by the Supreme Courts of the State. He favored a fair legal investigation and a judicial determination of the rights of the alleged bogus bondholders.

General Toombs championed repudiation, saying that the State was not bound for a single dollar appropriated under the reconstruction government; that it was a usurpation by aid of the bayonet, and the world had notice that the acts of the de facto officers were without the consent or authority of the people of Georgia.

Upon the other hand, the Conservatives of the State of Virginia have, in their Convention, nominated for Governor a candidate whose sentiments and pledges are thoroughly in favor of paying every dollar of the State debt, and there is no reason to doubt that the people will sustain the champion of honesty and honor. — *N. Y. Observer.*

A negro preacher had elaborated a new theory of the Exodus, to wit: "That the Red sea got frozen over, and so afforded the Israelites a safe passage; but when Pharaoh, with his heavy iron chariots, attempted it they broke through and drowned." A brother rose and asked for an explanation of that point. "I've been studying geography, and de geography say dat is very warm country where dey have de tropics. And de tropics too hot for freezin. De pint to be 'splained is 'bout breaking through the ice." The preacher straightened up and said: "Brudder, glad you axed that question. It gives me 'casion to 'plain it. You see dat was great while 'go—in de old times fo' dey had any gograpy—'fo' dare was any tropics."

This is the bitterest of all—to wear the yoke of our own wrong doing. But if you submitted to that, as men submit to maiming or a lifelong incurable disease—and made the unalterable wrong a reason for more effort toward a good—that may do something to counterbalance the evil. One who has committed irremediable errors may be scourged by that consciousness into a higher course than is common. Feeling what it is to have spoiled one life, man well make us long to save other lives from being spoiled. — *George Eliot.*

PRAYER FOR RAIN.—The colored people held a meeting a few days ago in Caldwell county to pray for rain. One Bro. was called on, who prayed after this manner: "Oh Lord God! us poor niggers is perishing dis year, an' of you don't give us rain we will perish next year, too. So, good Lord, gib us rain. Don't give us one ob dese little 'slippy slappies, but do good Lord, gib us one ob dese gully-washers and trash movers. — *Lenoir (N. C.) Topic.*

Although your prayers may seem to be without effect, yet cease not to pray, for if thy petition be lawful, and thou submit the granting thereof unfeignedly to the will of God, be sure that at length thou shalt either get thy desire, or else contentment as great as if thou hadst gotten it. — *Alexander Hume.*

The first book read, and the last book laid aside by every child, is the conduct of its parents.

Fifty Celebrated Authors. Who Are They?

1. Is what a rough man said to his son when he wanted him to eat his food properly.

2. Is a lion's house, dug in the side of a hill where there is no water.

3. A good many pilgrims and flatterers have knelt low to kiss him.

4. Makes and mends for first-class customers.

5. Represents the dwellings of civilized countries.

6. Is greater than many, and less than most.

7. Can be worn on the head.

8. A name that means such fiery things I can't describe their pains and stings.

9. Belongs to a monastery.

10. Not one of the four points of the compass, but inclines towards one of them.

11. Is what an oyster heap is apt to be.

12. Is any chain of hills containing a dark treasure.

13. Is always youthful you see, but between you and me, he never was much of a chicken.

14. Is an American manufacturing town.

15. Is hump-backed, but not deformed.

16. Is an eternal pain.

17. Is the value of a word.

18. Is a ten-footer whose name begins with fifty.

19. Is brighter and smarter than the other one.

20. Is a worker in the precious metals.

21. Is a very vital part of the body.

22. Is a lady's garment.

23. Is small talk, and heavy weight.

24. Comes from an unlearned p. g.

25. A prefix and a disease.

26. A disagreeable fellow to have on the foot.

27. A sick place of worship.

28. A mean dog 'tis.

29. An official dreaded by the students of English universities.

30. His middle name is suggestive of an Indian or Hottentot.

31. A manufactured metal.

32. A game, and a male of the human species.

33. Meat! what are you doing?

34. Is very fast indeed.

35. A barrier built of an edible.

36. Is to agitate a weapon.

37. As red as an apple, as black as night, a heavenly sign, a perfect fright.

38. A domestic worker.

39. Pack away closely, never scatter, doing so you'll soon get at her.

40. A slang exclamation.

41. A young domestic animal.

42. A fraction in American currency.

43. And the prevailing fashion.

44. "Mamma is in perfect health, my child," thus he named a poet, mild.

45. A girl's name, and a male relation.

46. Take a field gun, nothing loth, and in a trice you will have them both.

47. Put an edible grain twist an ant and a bee, and a much loved poet you will see.

48. A common domestic animal, and what she cannot do.

49. Each human head in 'time 'tis said will turn to him 'tho' he is dead. — *Ex.*

Bits of Wisdom.

To owe is human; to pay up, divine. Avoid that which you blame in others.

Never turn a blessing around to see whether it has a dark side to it.

A difference of tastes in jokes is a great strain on the affections.

Men are frequently like tea—the real strength and goodness are not properly drawn out until they have been in hot water.

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