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General News.

Russia.

The Czar at Warsaw, has pardoned forty-two nihilists sentenced to Siberia, and commuted the sentences of seventy-two others.

Austria.

The Emperor of Austria telegraphed his admiration to the King of Italy for his devotion shown to his plague stricken people. We hope Kings will profit by the good example of King Humbert.

Our Own Country.

The Great Eastern will sail October 15, bringing from Europe the government and individual exhibits to the World's Exposition.

Ben Johnson col. was hung in Cincinnati, September 12, for the murder of a family and selling the bodies to a Medical College in that city. A case of total depravity.

A Prussian laborer on the Southwest Pennsylvania Railroad, September 12, was pouring powder out of a keg into a hole, when the trail was fired by a spark, and the powder in the keg exploded, stripping the flesh from his bones from the waist to the top of his head. The eyes and nose were torn out, and the fore part of the skull laid bare. Death soon relieved his earthly pain.

A St. Louis dispatch, dated the 10, reports a terrible cyclone, which wrecked the town of Clear Lake, Wisconsin. Three lives were lost. Another cyclone struck White Bear Lake doing much damage.

A Eau Claire dispatch of the 11th, reports a flood in the Chippewa River which carried away the city bridges, floated off 400 houses, and half a million of saw logs, and left 2,000 people depending on their neighbors for food and shelter. The loss in Eau Claire and Chippewa Falls is estimated at \$1,500,000.

The boiler at the Central Railroad Compress at Eufaula, Alabama, exploded September 15, killing four men and burning four hundred bales of cotton. Loss \$100,000

There were twelve deaths from yellow fever reported the week ending September 13, at Havana.

Italy.

The bulletin of ravages of cholera in Italy for the past twenty-four hours: Thergamo; fresh cases 14; daths 13; Cases, new cases 21; deaths 1; Cremon, new cases, 7; deaths 2; Ceneo, new cases 17; deaths 7; Genoa, new cases 28; deaths 14; Naples, city, new cases 470; deaths 167; other provinces, names not given; new cases 22; deaths 2. Confidence is reviving in Naples, and gloom and depression sensibly diminished.

Franco-Chinese War.

Hong Kong dispatches to the Times says: Admiral Courbet's plan for the campaign now, is supposed to be to flank Kelung, march upon Tamsue, thus forcing the Chinese southward, where hill tribes are hostile. Dispatches state that the campaign will probably fail, as one thousand troops from Tonquin are inadequate to take Kelung, and the road to Tamsue is a mere ravine. The French have bought two launches here. Chinese have ordered eight launches, capable of carrying eight ton guns. Chinese operations at Toneuin are suspended.

Egypt.

The British relief expedition up the Nile, will consist of 8,000 British troops, 2,500 Egyptians, and a flotilla of 950 river boats.

The latest letter from General Gordon bears date June 15th. It says Khartoum can hold out till the middle of November.

Germany

It is reported that Germany has agreed to aid France in China.

Field Notes.

Rev. J. Loving reports as follows from Springfield and Hill Creek Station, is not only in a healthy and spiritual state, but advancing on the enemies lines. The brethren at Hill Creek are holding a protracted prayer-meeting. Rev. Wesley Harrison and L. P. Cading, with very good results. Souls born of the Holy Spirit. Hold prayer-meetings my brethren, everywhere God's blessings are upon them.

Rev. J. C. Ritter reports from Forrest City Circuit: "Only about twenty-five conversions and accessions in my work up to the present time, and two more meetings to hold."

Rev. John B. Thomas writes from Bright Star, Little Rock Circuit: "Our third quarterly meeting embraced the 5th Sunday in August. Brother Johnson was with us with his usual power. Meeting protracted until Frid y following. General revival in the church. Several conversions and eight accessions to the church, and others will join. General revival all over the circuit. Cotton crop materially damaged by drought, which still prevails. Finances greatly behind, though we expect improvement in this direction. Success to the METHODIST" Thanks but don't forget the subscribers. Send the names and don't forget to bring the money to Conference.

Rev. George W. Hill writes from Van Buren concerning "Missionary Jugs." No, we have nothing to do with jugs. Our brother Granade is in that business. Address Rev. H. M. Granade, Batesville, Ark." Hurry up on the METHODIST, I tell you we need help.

Rev. J. F. Pike "reports a good meeting from West Point. Twelve conversions and seven accessions. Brothers Jeffett and Ellis did good work."

Rev. J. F. Miller sends us the following. "As your paper is the medium of news from along the lines of our Methodism in Arkansas. I send you this note to give you the results of a protracted meeting at Cherry Hill appointment, on Dallas Circuit. Twenty-five professed conversion, and twelve joined the church and were baptized, and others will join yet, leaving a liberal share for the Baptists, which is generally the case. (Yes, they are good hands at that, and always on hand.) Our poor circuit is almost forgotten it seems. Our pastor's health failed early in the spring, leaving us without a preacher. Only the local preachers and the quarterly visits of our Presiding Elder. Send us a good preacher next year, and we will do our best to support him." All right, we will see what Bishop Hargrove and the beloved Presiding Elders can do for you. In the meantime, don't you forget the METHODIST.

Rev. W. C. Dunn writes us a cheery postal from Fulton. "Last evening I closed a meeting at Water Creek. Had a glorious revival of brotherly love and christian communion prevailed among all denominations as well as in every household, which has not been the case before. Some of our own people had not spoken for four years; this meeting was needed. Fourteen additions to our church, nearly all the Methodist material in the neighborhood. Many will join other churches, as our Methodist armor will not fit them. Fourth Sunday we commence a meeting at Fulton, and we do hope and pray that God's presence will be manifest on that occasion. Remember the METHODIST, my son.

Rev. A. D. Jenkins reports as follows: "I commenced a meeting at Hamilton, Lonoke County, last Sunday night a week ago, and closed on

Friday night. Had two bright conversions, and organized a new church with ten members."

Rev. H. C. Jolly from Mountain Home Circuit, Arkansas Conference, reports: "I am holding my third protracted meeting. Up to date about forty-five professions and thirty accessions to the church, and more to follow. We are making some improvement in the way of our church building. We will soon have our new church at Mountain Home completed. The lumber, canvas and paper all secured. Success to the METHODIST." Don't be discouraged, we will make the METHODIST go up in those mountains.

Rev. J. M. Talkington writes of a splendid meeting at Austin Station, and says many good things of us and our paper, and promises that the subscribers shall come."

Rev. J. M. R. Branson reports from Goodwin: "I have been preaching for six weeks, part of the time night and day. The Lord has blessed us wonderfully. Get you some subscribers soon." We will be very thankful.

Rev. S. D. Evans, assisted by that very clever L. P. B. A. Morris, is doing a fine work. Sends us eight subscribers at once, and three cash. Why, it makes our Junior smile all over his face. Thanks. Please do that a few more times.

Rev. J. W. Berry writes from Lewisville: "Closed my third protracted meeting night before last. All good meetings. Thirty-one accessions up to date and the churches somewhat revived. Can't tell the number of conversions. This is a hard country to work up." Yes it is. We have tried it. Clever, but hard. Well, the METHODIST can help wonderfully. Let the paper help you in every home.

Hon. George Thornburgh writes from Powhatan and tells of injured crops, and the people beginning retrenchment and reform at the house of God. You are correct brother. All money and no blessing on that line.

Rev. E. R. Hendrix, D. D., President of Central College, Missouri, shall appear on this roll of honor. He pays his "Ad." and says: We opened on the 4th inst., with the most satisfactory college classes. We have on our roll students hailing as far east as Virginia, and as far west as Nevada. Of course Arkansas appears on our roll, and we will be glad to enroll more from your great State." This Editor has no objection, and we want this paper to invade Missouri, and you must help us.

Rev. N. Arnold writes us a report from Mountain View: "I have held two meetings, and am now holding the third. The first at Pleasant Hill lasted eight days. Church shouting, happy every meeting, but only about twenty penitents, two conversions, two accessions. Second at Monday's Cave lasted about the same time. Fifteen conversions; many persons manifested an interest and the church in good running order. Had one conversion at my other meeting.

Rev. R. P. Harwood sends the following happy note: "Have had up to date thirty-five conversions and the same number of accessions." Our brother wrote from a sick bed. Hope he is well now.

Rev. A. P. Melton is engaged in a meeting at the Cove, near Russellville; quite a revival in the church and one conversion last night; Several others seeking salvation. Hope to realize grand results."

Rev. S. L. Cochran from Sulphur Rock reports: "I am now engaged in a protracted meeting at Walnut Grove; prospects good. My horse is dead. P. C. is on foot." Get your

preacher a horse brethren, and do it in a hurry.

Rev. W. S. Scott writes and sends subscriptions from Selma, and tells of good meetings. Hope your Circuit will be in a blaze.

Rev. W. R. Gardner reports again from Quitman: "My camp-meeting was a grand success. Had about fifty conversions, and twenty-five or thirty penitents left at the altar, and several have professed to be converted since the close of the meeting. About one hundred conversions this year, and think there will be that many accessions. Revival at every appointment where there is a Methodist Sunday-school, but none where there are Union." That speaks volumes.

Rev. M. C. Harris writes us from Center Hill: "I closed a meeting at Mt. Zion, which resulted in twelve conversions. I commenced a meeting last night at McMahon Chapel, under some embarrassment, on account of sickness. Will send another report soon."

Splendid meeting at Pine Bluff. The church is fully alive and great results anticipated.

Rev. J. M. Talkington writes from Beebe, September, 20: "I have just closed a glorious revival at Austin Station, with the following results: Fifteen or twenty professions, seventeen accessions to the church, six infants baptized, and five subscribers to the ARKANSAS METHODIST. The membership at this place was greatly strengthened, both materially and spiritually; all happy. The protracted meeting commences at this place to-morrow. Pray for us and come and help us.

Rev. A. S. Blackwood, Searcy Ct. writes Sept. 20: "Our Fourth Quarterly Meeting just closed. Our Elder was with us to the great delight of pastor and people. Protracted the services until the 18th inst. Result—Seventeen conversions, and twenty accessions. I send two more subscribers."

Rev. E. A. Garrison writes from Augusta Station: "I have been quite sick for two weeks. Hold protracted service the first Sunday in October. Come over and help us. Cotton materially injured in last month. Corn plenty. The county went for license by only 68 votes. Augusta against.

REV. H. M. GRANADE, P. E. Batesville District, writes: "As you wish to get the bugle notes from the battle field, allow me to report a great advance movement all along the lines in the Batesville District, White River Conference. Valiant men and holy women are laboring on the cause of Christ in almost every nook and corner of the land. Great revivals are enjoyed in every charge, and hundreds are being converted. Sound old fashion preaching is honored by the Holy Spirit in the awakening of many who have long lived in sin; and hosts of dear little ones and young people are enlisting for God. We are on our fourth round of quarterly meetings with victory at every place. To our Captain we give all the glory. A very strong effort will be made to bring up the collections in full. Plans are being laid for closer and better work next year in every department. The circulation of our books and papers we think, will greatly aid us in bringing our people up to the proper standard of duty. We are arranging to take in much adjacent territory which has long been neglected. Several recruits will be offered to our itinerant ranks from this district.

Rev. O. C. Robertson writes from Social Hill Circuit: "I will send you a few dots from this work. All our Quarterly Conferences have come and gone for the year. Bro. H. D. McKinnon, our wide-awake P. E., was with us at each in the Spirit of the

Master, preaching praying and trying in many ways to wake up this people. Claims of P. E. half paid. (How is that? Full work and half pay. Collections behind. Every where we have held meetings the Lord has graciously poured out his Spirit upon the people. Many conversions and twenty additions to the church, up to date, and several more meetings to be held. Crops poor on the hills. Corn crop good on the Ouachita River bottom. Cotton poor; health good. Success to the METHODIST." Send us a large list of subscribers right away.

Personal.

Rev. H. Jewell will accept our thanks for service rendered.

Rev. J. M. Talkington's meeting at Austin Station, was the best had there for years.

Rev. E. C. Castleberry and that elect layman, C. McPherson, made us a pleasant call last week.

Bishop Hargrove will hold the Indian Mission Conference in the place of our ascended Bishop Pierce.

Hon. John H. Rogers, has been re-nominated for Congress. He is an able man and a polished gentleman.

Hon. Frank Lynn, formerly editor of the Jacksonport Herald, we regret to learn is dangerously ill at his home in Newport.

The enterprising young merchant, J. W. Wallace, of Newport, and his fair bride, Miss Vannie, have our best wishes for a long and useful life.

Rev. W. F. Walker, of Jacksonport Station, and his new bride are house-keeping. Brother Walker has charge of the public school at that place.

Judge S. W. Williams and Col. S. R. Cockrill, are candidates for the Supreme Judgeship, made vacant by the death of the late Chief Justice English.

Bishop Granberry is far out in the West, and if we credit Dr. Morton, these people have actually reported his sermons under "Small Favors." That is hard to realize, but our Secretary is reliable.

Bishop McTyere goes to the Kentucky Conference in the place of Bishop Wilson, who is not quite ready for duty. The church has a Senior now who will take care of himself. He is posted in that line.

Rev. G. M. Sanborn, of the Congregationalist Church, of this city, occupied Spring Street Church last Sunday night, in the absence of its pastor, who dedicated a church at Gurdon that day. Rev. Mr. Sanborn's sermon was much enjoyed by his hearers.

We deeply sympathize with Rev. Dr. Baird, the able pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Searcy, in the loss of his little son, Willie. Though only ten years of age, Willie was a bright little christian. "Will not the Judge of all the earth do right?" Willie awaits the coming of the loved ones who so reluctantly parted with him and do now miss him so much.

Rev. F. A. Jeffett, the popular pastor of Searcy Station, is helping Rev. J. M. Talkington at Beebe, this week. During his absence Monday, his parsonage was well pounded by his parishioners. His excellent wife received the pounds with her usual grace and becoming modesty. Searcy ought to and will pay him every dollar assessed.

The following missionary party passed our city en route for the Indian Missionary Conference. Rev. C. C. Spence and wife, go to Asbury, as principals of that school. Misses Pierce and Millbrook go to New Hope Academy as teachers, and Rev. Geo. Yarborough goes to the Conference. Several of our elect ladies, with Brother Dye and myself, had a pleasant interview with them at Argenta, opposite Little Rock.