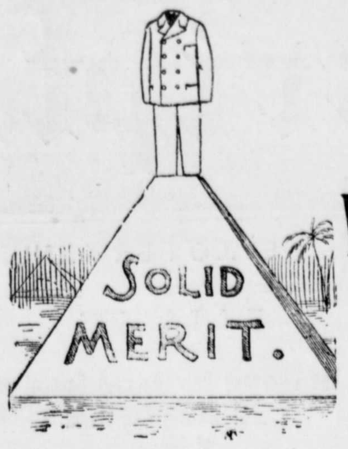


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## KENT CHARGES.

### Presiding Elder Corkran Writes of his Recent Visit to Charges in Kent.

Presiding Elder W. F. Corkran writes for the *Peninsula Methodist* the following interesting account of a recent visit to Kent county churches: "Since last writing I have officially visited six charges beginning with Chestertown, where I found a happy pastor and a happy people. The work is in good shape and the pastor and Presiding Elder are paid up to date. Chestertown very naturally and properly has a local pride in its own school Washington College, yet there is no opposition that I have discovered to our Conference School. On the other hand there is a very favorable interest in it and a willingness to do their part, and with Bro. Roberts at the helm I am sure that there will be no failure, Bro Copper, the Sunday school superintendent, is interested to have his school take a hand in the good work. With Bro. Greenfield in the M. P. pulpit and Bro. Roberts in the M. E. pulpit no town in this conference territory can boast of superior Methodist preaching.

"Fairlee and Worton will redeem every promise made last year. They asked for Bro. Arters' return as a married man and agree to provide a temporary parsonage and later buy or build and to make the salary $700. The temporary parsonage has been provided with genuine comfort, and the permanent one will materialize in due time and the salary has been estimated at the above figure and Bro. Arters is keeping his part of the contract in getting married and everything indicates that he has used the same good sense in this important step that he does in everything else. When the two Children's Day services are over the Conference Academy apportionment will be in hand. Brother Arters has the interest that every Methodist of our Conference ought to have and the added interest that comes from being a graduate of the institution, and he has a loyal, liberal, enthusiastic, Methodist people.

"There was no more critical situation on the district that confronted me at Conference than that at Still Pond, but that situation has been fully met in the appointment of Brother T. F. B. Beauchamp. He fills the bill to begin with and his record shows that he grows on his people, so I have no undue care about any interest at Still Pond. The Conference Academy and everything else is safe. The revival under Brother Covey last winter was a great blessing to this charge. It brings into the active work of the church an intelligent, consecrated young element which gives great promise for the future.

"Brother Covey's appointment to Pomona was a happy thing. It keeps up the salary, which it was thought would have to be reduced, awakens new interest and inspires larger hopes. June 1, is Conference Academy day and Brother Covey has no doubt about success. He also knows by experience what Academy stands for. The ladies have done much in renovating and refurnishing the parsonage, and the parson is fixed up in good bachelor style, with an excellent housekeeper, but if any of our many beautiful, handy Methodist girls would like to try their hand at keeping a parsonage and will apply to me I will see what can be done to accommodate them. I am afraid to leave the matter longer entirely with Brother Covey since he has made such little progress in the past.

"Piney Neck is in about its usual condition which is not saying as much as I should like to say. However, she did fairly well last year and we will yet hope for better this.

"Brother Guthrie did a great work for Rock Hall last year and he was highly esteemed for the work's sake, and Bro. Chaires has taken up every department where Bro. Guthrie laid it down and the readjustment from one pastor to another was never perhaps more rapid. Since conference the surroundings of the church have been much improved by grading, paving, etc. Money is being raised to meet interest on debt and when the church extension money is available the church will be completed according to the original plan and whilst it is much larger than the old church it ought to be much larger yet to accommodate the people. The postmaster says that 3500 people get their mail at the Rock Hall postoffice. This includes Piney Neck and there are only four churches for their accommodation while two of these have a very small following. The Conference Academy money is nearly all in hand and will be paid over soon. Rock Hall church has a bright future and Brother Chaires' record assures that he will help her to better things."

W. F. CORKRAN.

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These meetings are becoming more popular every year, and a new interest is being awakened among progressive teachers who attend them.

The National Educational Association will meet at Detriot, July 8 to 12 inclusive.

The most prominent educators of the country will assemble there to discuss matters of great interest to the teachers and others interested in school work. The work done at this Convention is food for thought for the teachers who attend.

The Maryland party will leave Baltimore, Saturday July 5, and go to Detroit over the Lehigh Valley Railroad to Niagara, and thence along the northern shore of Lake Erie by the Grand Trunk Railroad, crossing the St. Clair River to Detriot, where they will arrive Sunday afternoon.

They will remain at Detroit until Wednesday evening or Thursday, attending the Convention, and visiting the numerous places of interest around Detriot.

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When a paring or butcher-knife becomes loosened from the handle, take out the knife, fill the cavity two-thirds full of mixed resin and brickdust, heat shank very hot and press it in quickly; when cold, the whole will be firm and solid.

To render tough meat or an old fowl more tender, cut the meat in suitable pieces for the table, and unjoint the fowl. Rub the surface of each thoroughly with dry cooking soda, and let lie for 12 or 18 hours. Then dip quickly in vinegar and cook at once.

It is often desirable to brown the surface of some dishes for the table which cannot be placed in the oven. A common fire-shovel is a very good substitute for a salamander. Heat it very hot and pass it quickly over the top, taking care to brown, not scorch.

Brooms will last longer if they are dipped, before using, in hot soapsoads until thoroughly soaked. If dipped in hot, soapy wash-water weekly, the splints will become tough, though flexible. Put a screw-eye in the end of the handle, by which to suspend the broom from a long nail in a convenient place.

When obliged to wash dishes in hard water, add half a teacup of sweet milk to an ordinary-sized dishpan half full of water; the table ware will look brighter and the pots and stew-pans wash more easily. Borax will soften the hardest water, and make the hands soft and smooth.

To keep ice-water, make a pad by tacking a layer of cotton between several thickness of stout paper. Make it large enough so the vessel containing the water can be set in the centre, and the outside be brought up and fastened securely at the top. To keep ice, put it in a small flannel cloth, then wrap in a flannel sheet or blanket.

### Nuggets.

Genius is the gold in the mine; talent is the miner who works and brings it out.
*Lady Blessington.*

Choose your author as you choose your friend. *Roscommon.*

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