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The Cross (X) Mark is to remind you that your subscription has expired.

THE GENERAL RULES—THE PROHIBITORY CLASS.

As the followers of Mr. Wesley grew numerous upon his hands, he conceived the idea of organizing them into classes, and appointed over each class a leader, who was to look after their spiritual interests.

life. For these reasons, and others which might be mentioned, the reasonableness of these prohibitory rules will appear obvious to all who are earnestly striving to save their souls.

EDITORIAL BRIEFS.

Several communications crowded out this week. The Normal School at Trinity is fair to be a grand success.

TERRIBLE EXPERIENCE.

Mr. J. J. Talbot, who died at South Bend, Indiana, from the effects of a recent relapse into intemperance, was formerly a minister, and once a member of Congress from Kentucky.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.

For 25 cents, we will send the Advocate to any address during the month of May. The paper will contain a weekly letter from Atlanta during that time.

THE CONFESION OF MRS. TILTON.

The noted Beecher and Tilton scandal is again revived. Mrs. Tilton confesses guilt and fixes the long talk of crime upon Mr. Beecher.

HAPPY RESULTS OF AN ACT OF OBEDIENCE.

A devoted mother had, for some time, been absent from her loved ones, on a mission of mercy, in N. C.

PLEASANT HILL CHURCH.

EDITORIAL: The Ladies of Pleasant Hill Church gave a festival on the 10th inst., for the purpose of raising funds to repair their house of worship.

RELIGIOUS ITEMS.

We trust there will be no "log rolling" for Bishops in the General Conference, or any officers of the General Conference, and that no aspirant for the high office of Bishop ought to be elevated to it.

PLEASANTRIES.

Wilson, the celebrated vocalist, was upset one day in his carriage near Edinburgh, a Scotch paper, after guarding the accident, said, "We are happy to state he was able to appear at the following evening in three pieces."

POLITENESS OF GREAT MEN.

Truly great men are polite by instinct to their inferiors. It is one element of their greatness to be thoughtful to others.

SOME THOUGHTS FOR THE GENERAL CONFERENCE.

DEAR BROTHERS: The present agitation of the division of our Conference has brought very clearly to my mind, that the lay representation of the legislative bodies of our church is not as great as it should be, or at least is defective.

CONCORD.

March 27th 1878. TRINITY NORMAL SCHOOL. A Normal School will begin at Trinity College June 20th, and continue four weeks.

THE HOMESTEAD DECISION.

The constitution of North Carolina contains the following: ARTICLE X.—HOMESTEADS AND EXEMPTIONS. Section 1. The personal property of any resident of this State, to the value of five hundred dollars, to be selected by such resident, shall be and is hereby exempted from sale under execution, or other final process of any court, issued for the collection of any debt.

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