

and lift the voice of truth. On making my way thither I found an overflowing excitement in the community arising from a continuous meeting by the friends of Wesleyanism. I remained there a week—addressed the people five times—thirty made the gospel confession and were immersed in the name of the Lord Jesus. The former converts and the new converts had a joyful season, notwithstanding the many not very lovely things uttered against all of us by the friends and advocates of the Wesleyan religion.

There is now a large congregation of disciples in Hillier, and by watchfulness, study of the oracles of heaven, prayer, exhortation, and daily conformity to the living examples of the Lord our Righteousness, they will not only share in the blessings of the salvation of God, but have the honor of so recommending the religion of Jesus that many by them may be saved.

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Our fellow-laborer who until recently has made his head quarters in Okaloua, Mississippi, is now away into regions of Arkansas, where he "has gone laboring" as saith one of the inspired. His adieu to Mississippi, is, in some respects, touching. Read the following and profoundly consider what it imports :

I have labored thirty-two years in the pulpit, and twenty-four of them in the Réformation, and thirteen of them in Northern Mississippi. And, thank God, that amid all the vituperation, *ingratitude*, opposition, and hostile resistance from foes without, and *summer* friends within, my little Gospel-bark, cargood with my future patrimony, has rode high the waves, and bids fair to find its destined home ;—the port of bliss. My congregations have increased to the *Amen*. I have spent twenty thousand dollars in the good cause, and never received five hundred as compensation. And all the scribes in Israel may write about the duties of the churches towards the *laborer*, but until the churches are purged of the Mammon and Shylock spirit, and until the pulpit is purged of men, who are moved to duty by Randolph's *seven* omnipotent arguments, *five* loaves and *two* fishes ; the wheels of Zion will move heavily ! The churches and pulpits need purging, as sure as "God will be sought unto by the house of Israel."

Is it so that the soldierly, sprightly, and fervently equipped brother Butler is driven out of his old field of labor by that kind of mammonism which keeps food and clothing from the public worker ? Is this so ?