

## **THE PASTOR DENIES IT.**

The Pastor of the Calvary M.E. Church, Allegheny, called at our office and assured us that the rumor (See page 140 of our last issue), that *servants* were not wanted at that church, is wholly without foundation. He presumes that their fine new edifice may have led some one to mention it as a "rich-man's church;" but that so far from the Board of Trustees taking any such action, they reduced the charges for many sittings, so as to bring them within the means of people in very moderate circumstances. We are glad of such assurance, and glad to make it known.

The rumor, it seems, got its start in the fact that originally only two pews had been provided whose *sittings* would be as cheap as six dollars each per year; and, furthermore, that a Committee on pew-renting had been granted more than usual powers which it was feared, perhaps uncharitably, would be used against the poor.

## **THAT MODERN METHODISM ARTICLE.**

Several readers inquire concerning the article in our last issue, on Modern Methodism: Did we publish the article entire? In which issue of the *Northwestern Christian Advocate* did it appear? – Right-minded people find it difficult to believe that others could so lose the spirit of the gospel as to glory thus in their own shame.

We reply, that we published the article entire, word for word, as it appeared in the *Northwestern Christian Advocate* of March 28, '94, over the signature of its writer, Rev. Chas. A. Crane, who has since removed to Colorado Springs, Colorado.

A portion of the paper containing this article was found by Brother Compton and sent to us, but the date of it was missing. We at once wrote the *Advocate*, and also to Rev. C. A. Crane, and from the latter

received the date of the journal; but too late for mention in our last issue.

The date, the fact that such an article was published over a year ago, read by thousands of Methodists, and by scores of editors of Methodist and other journals, and not commented upon by any of them, and that it only raises a "breeze" when it reaches the *awakened* readers of the WATCH TOWER, gives all the stronger evidence that the sentiments of the article were *well received* and *approved*, by Methodists in general, as the truth, and that a larger number than we had supposed are glorying in their shame.

Later. – We have received a whole copy of the *Advocate* mentioned, and after a very careful search we find that we erred in saying that it was published without *one word* of comment; for four pages away the Editor gave exactly *eleven* words of comment as follows: "Mr. Crane's friendly satire on *existing Methodist conditions* will awaken thought." The article itself bears no evidence of insincerity: we fear, as does the Editor, that it is too true a picture of "*existing Methodist conditions*."

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### **MISSIONARY ENVELOPES.**

We are placing an order for another lot of our usual Missionary Envelopes, and make the proposition that any who can use 5000, can have them at less than half the usual cost, – with their card printed at the corner. This is to induce a very general circulation of this tract envelope. Order at once.

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