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TUSKEGEE, ALA.

ORIGIN &c.

Memoirs of Elder Billington M. Sanders, late of Georgia.

The Southern Baptist Publication Society has issued from the press "A Discourse in commemoration of the life, services and death of Elder B. M. Sanders, delivered before the Georgia Baptist Convention at Washington, Wilkes Co., on Last-tide, April 23, 1853, by Elder C. D. Malaway." Published by request of the Convention.

The Discourse is published in a small book of 108 pages, bound in muslin, having a well executed likeness of Mr. Sanders, as a frontispiece. The theme of the discourse is "LILIAS AND DAISY XERO VEN LOV," the text Romans 5:8, 9th verse. "For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord: whether we live, therefore, or die, we are the Lord's."

The text is exhibited as directly recognizing the great fundamental truth, "that the saints of God are the property of the Lord Jesus Christ." And the following propositions are discussed:

1. In what sense they belong to Christ.  
2. The nature of that acknowledged which is due to this important truth.  
3. The reasons which should constrain us to this acknowledgement."

These propositions were presented and illustrated by the speaker with his usual ability to the great delight and edification of his hearers, and the whole exemplified in the life, labors and death of the deceased. A sketch of his history is graphically drawn by Mr. Malaway with whom he had so long labored in the vineyard of the Lord.

We do not think it necessary to pass judgment upon the merits of the work. It is enough to say that brother Malaway wrote it, and that the Georgia Convention and the Southern Baptist Publication Society have approved it.

In 1831 the Georgia Baptist Convention determined to establish a Classical and Theological Seminary, and the place where Penfield, in Green county, is now situated, was chosen as the place to build it up. Mr. Sanders was selected as principal and in December, 1832, he was at his post, and in log cabin commenced his school with 39 pupils, 7 of whom had the ministry in view. Thus he labored and toiled along with the institution in its advancement, until the close of 1839, a successor having been obtained. He retired from what was then and is now known as MUSCER UNIVERSITY, after conducting it through the six years of its Academic minority, and the first year of its College career. He was afterwards its Treasurer about five years, occasionally its traveling Agent and a member of the Board of Trustees until his death.

During his residence at Penfield, he preached to the churches around. He was four years pastor of the Shiloh Church, ten years of the Church at Greensboro; and was pastor of the Church at Penfield from October, 1842, till November, 1849. He labored also sometime with the Antioch and Sugar Creek Churches, and one year supplied the Church at Griffin, two Sabbath's in the month.

He was several years Clerk of the Georgia Association, and at nine of its annual sessions presided as its Moderator. He was also President of the Convention six years, and many years a member of its executive Board. He was emphatically a man of sound judgement persevering labor, and earnest devotion to the cause of God.

The 10th of June, 1851, he had an attack of Vertigo, which was followed by a general permanent prostration of his system. He continued in a lingering state until June, 1853; from that time he was confined to his house and mostly to his room. For four months before his death, he was confined to his bed; for three or four weeks he was unable to turn himself in bed, and for several days he was unable to move any part of his body, except his hands and arms. In the mean time he was reduced to a state of great emaciation, and it became difficult to move him without causing him pain.

With the exception of some short intervals, his mind remained to the last its usual clearness, and was much directed to the consideration of heaven, referring to all evidences of compunction and preparation for the change which awaited him. His last hours were tranquil and he passed away without a struggle. He entered into his rest on the Lord's day, the 12th of March, in the 83rd year of his age.

On the following Tuesday, his remains were conveyed to the College Chapel where an appropriate funeral discourse was preached by Prof. Miller, from Rev. xiv. 13: "Blessed are the dead." &c. From the Chapel his body was borne to the village grave yard, accompanied by a large funeral procession than ever before entered that enclosure of the dead, and was placed a few feet from the late Jesus Merer with whom he had so long labored in the vineyard of the Lord.

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## SELECTIONS.

### The Grandeur of Creation

Without dwelling at all on the essential, and incomparable glory of the eternal God, we may point to the glory, which is manifest throughout the created universe. It would be impossible for a contemplative, and reflective mind, to read that wondrous volume without beholding *play* written upon every page, in letters of fire. "The works of the Lord are great, sought out of all them that have pleasure therein." View creation in one aspect, and you see his boundless wisdom; in another his exquisite skill; in another, his infinite benevolence; in another, his omnipotence and majesty.

Every labor of his hands.  
Shows something worthy of a God."

When the earth was first created, revelation informs us, that it was a chaos, and "darkness was upon the face of the deep," but out of that chaotic mass, perfection, and order sprang, under the plastic hand of its great Architect. "God said, let there be light: and there was light." From that moment, the planets have performed their revolutions with mathematical precision. The golden lamp has illuminated the world by day. The moon with her mild and softened radiance and ten thousand lesser silvery lights, have sparkled in the blue heavens, at night. The seasons have altered in undeviating order: one while, there is the chilling frost of winter; now the genial warmth of summer; one while, the earth is covered with desolation; now it teems with verdure and fertility. Amidst the myriad diversified pencilings and exquisite tints of beauty presented to the astonished vision, the perfumed atmosphere, the melody of warbling songsters, the deep bass of the sonorous thunder, the brilliancy of the vivid lightning flash, the foaming of the mighty cataract, and every aspect of Nature's living panorama? may we not exclaim, with devout admiration, O Lord, how manifold are thy works, in wisdom hast thou made them all. The whole earth is full of thy glory."

J. B.

TUSKEGEE, ALA., THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, 1854.

From the Christian Watchman.

### Call to the Ministry.

How shall a brother know that he is called of God to preach the Gospel, and how shall the church determine?

That God calls certain men to the work of the ministry, is a truth clearly demonstrated in the Bible. And as it is unnecessary and impractical for all men to be engaged as public teachers of religion, it is equally true that some men are not called to this work. As the office of the gospel ministry is one of fearful responsibility, it is of primary importance—to ascertain whether we are called to fill it or not, lest we should meet the withering rebuke of Jehovah, "Who hath required this at your hands, to tread my courts?" No one is called to engage in this work, who has not repented of his sins, believed on Jesus Christ, and obtained the pardon of his sins. It is essential that he should sustain a fair moral & religious character; and he should be of good report among those who are without.

No one is called to this work whose natural and acquired abilities are not sufficient to instruct others in the principles of religion. 1 Tim. 3: 2-7. One evidence that a man is called of God to the ministry, is a desire for the work. 1 Tim. 3: 1. It is, however, supposed that this desire springs from pure motives, and not from a love of ease, affluence, or applause, but from a sincere desire to glorify God, and promote the happiness of men. The work may appear very desirable even while the soul is ready to sink in view of its magnitude. 2. An ardent desire for the salvation of souls and a willingness to spend time and talents in persuading sinners to be reconciled to God, may be considered as strong collateral evidence. 3. If the Scriptures at certain times are opened in a wonderful manner to the understanding, and a train of reflections arising in connection with some particular passage which could not be conceived merely by an unassisted mental effort, it may be taken together with other circumstances as an indication of the divine mind. 4. If God calls a man to preach the gospel, he will send him hearers. He will give his chosen heralds access to the ears, and hearts of the people. False teachers, by prophesying smooth things, pleasing to carnal minds, who are possessed of brilliant talents, rendered acute by literary attainments, may attract attention and render men uncircumcised in heart, popular; but if those who preach the humbling doctrines of the cross, gain access to the hearts of the people, it is an evidence that God is with them. 5. If Christians are comforted, refreshed, and rendered more active in the service of God, this may be considered an evidence. 6. If sinners are awakened and converted through the instrumentality of a brother's labors; if the enemy is disturbed and wicked men oppose, let him not be discouraged. 7. If he feels the word of God like fire shot up in his bones, and a wo resting upon him, if he preach not the Gospel, that the blood of souls will be required at his hands, if they die unwarmed, let him not hesitate about engaging in the great work.

The Isthmus of Suez consisted of gravel and shells, the latter being identical with those now found in the seas adjoining; and there is reason to suppose that this part of the shore has risen from 6 to 10 feet within the last 3,000 years. Mr. Robert Stephenson has proved by survey, that the level of the waters of the Mediterranean and the Red Sea is the same, and to all appearance the bitter lakes on the Isthmus have at one time formed a portion of the sea, though the surface of the water is now 50 feet below its level.

The Gulf of Akaba differs remarkably in its characteristic from that of Suez from which it is separated by the Isthmus of Sinai. The Wadi-Araba, or valley stretching from the Gulf of Akaba toward the Dead Sea, appears, in part, to be an old sea beach, deeply grooved by torrents; but, however interesting to the geographer, very little is known about it. The summit level has been placed, in the transaction of this Society for 1848, at 485 feet, but from the paper by Captain William Allen, of the Royal Navy, in the 23rd volume, it is evident that nothing certain is known, either about the position or altitude of its divide.

From Akaba to the Dead Sea, is a distance of about 105 miles, the surface of the latter being 1,350 feet below that of the Mediterranean; and we are altogether ignorant of the extent of the boundaries of this extraordinary depression.

It is singular, that though the Red Sea is traversed every week by scores of Englishmen, and though vessels of Indian service are constantly cruising about it, or lying at Suez or at Aden, we know less of its physical geography than we do of that of Siberia, the Ural Mountains, or some portions of the Arctic regions; and while the wilds of South America are being carefully explored, a tract of vast importance associated as it is in our minds with some of the most wonderful events in sacred history, remains utterly neglected at our doors."

From the Tennessee Baptist

### I'll never baptize another that can talk."

We recently listened to the relation of a little tragedy of which Dr. Green of this city was the victim, and a young free-born Tennessean the hero.

Not twenty miles away from Nashville where Dr. G. was holding a meeting, the parents were exhorted to bring their children forward to be *rancized*. Among the subjects was a youngster of some seven saucy years. He observed the senseless ceremony of putting water upon them with the ceremonies of the discipline, until Dr. G. came to him. Said he, "Look here sir, you ain't a going to put your water into my face." The Dr. insisting, the fellow abused him stony and bade him mind his own business and let him alone, which the

Red Sea.

At a meeting of the Royal Geographical Society, D. Brist read the following paper:

The Red Sea, is the most remarkable estuary on the surface of the globe; it is 1,280 miles in length, with a maximum breadth of nearly 200 miles, a circuit of 4,020 miles, and an area of 108,154 miles: its cubit contents are probably about 800,000 miles; its greatest depth is 400 fathoms. The main depth of its axis is about 120 fathoms, for about 40 miles along mid channel. The neap-tides at Aden, Ras Mohamed, and Suez, are about 5 feet; and the rise in the upper end of the sea, by a continued South wind, is about 4 feet. The temperature and saltness of the Red Sea is almost the same as that of the ocean. The evaporation over its surface amounts to about eight feet annually, which seems to be provided for by a strong inward current from the Indian Ocean, a lower current of the water thus concentrated flowing out again through the Gulf of Aden, sweeping around by Seinde, and so Southward, till diluted by deluges of rain from the Western shores of India.—Crossing again to Africa, it flows Northward, and returns to the place whence it came, giving off fresh supplies of vapor to the rainless districts around.

The Red Sea is walled in by vast chains of mountains, which, from the 11th to the 16th parallel, and from Aden to 200 miles into Abyssinia, are affording volcanic activity, affording 10,000 square miles in area, probably the third largest in the world, a portion of which is still active.—Gilbeleer has been smoking constantly for the past century, and a violent eruption occurred in the Zebab Islands, in 1846. From latitude 16th degree to latitude 30th degree, the rocks seem mostly to belong to the vast nummulitic formation, which has been traced from Burntis to the Bay of Biscay, in one continuous sheet, around nearly one third of the globe. All around the shores of the Red Sea, are evidence of a submergence and re-emergence of the land, at probably a recent geological period. The volcano of Aden contains an old sea beach in its crater.

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8. Bring into the field every instrumentality. Not only the heavy ordinance of the ministry, but also the small arms of tracts, &c. "Whosoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might." 9. For who knoweth which

shall prosper, either this or that?

9. Rally all your forces. See that all your brethren and even the sisters are employed. If they can do no more, they may distribute tracts, and invite and persuade the impotent to come to meeting, that God's house may be filled.

6. Let not a dread of novelty deter you, from the employment of any measures, which have upon them the seal of the Divine approbation: lest you fight against God.

7. Avail yourselves of the best ministerial help you can get, but decline none that Providence sends you: lest either on one hand, you should be presumptuous, or on the other contentious.

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If they spend their time in idleness, they will only be in the way.

10. Persevere in your efforts. If success comes not to-day, it may to-morrow. And by all means, continue your efforts, if the Lord's blessing be upon them. I have heard of ministers who, in the midst of a revival, would bring their meetings to an abrupt close. And the only reason they could give, was, that they were fatigued. What would be thought of a farmer who, in the midst of harvest, would suddenly stop work and say he was tired, and leave the grain to rot on the ground? And is grain more precious than souls?

H.

Dr. not heeding, the little Christian commenced cursing him, and if he got a drop of the holy water upon him, it was as much as ever, and according to the Discipline he was regenerated much against his own will, which is as bad as election that Methodists hate so thoroughly.

The Dr. and Elder L. and an old Bro. S., returning from the scene, for a long time speechless—reflecting upon the beauties of infant baptism—at last Elder Irvin broke the silence. "Well, brother, I felt bad this morning, how did you feel?" "I felt bad this morning and I feel bad yet," and "how did you feel Brother Green?" who, drawing a deep sigh from the seat of his Doctor of Divinity,—exclaimed, "I felt bad enough, and (with great emotion) I will never baptize another child CAN TALK!!!!"

From the Baptist Record.

### Protracted Meeting.

A few remarks, the results of my experience and observation, may be instructive to some of my junior brethren. They will be expressed with as much brevity as possible.

1. Never commence a protracted meeting, until you are thoroughly convinced, that such an effort is imperiously demanded of you, by Him, whom you are, and whom you serve: lest you be presumptuous, and offer strange fire upon God's altar.

2. Before you attempt such service, carefully scrutinize your motives, and see that the object is simply to glorify God: lest you be selfish.

3. Cherish strong faith, remembering that all things are possible, to him that believeth; lest you limit Him who is Almighty.

4. Let no difficulties discourage you. Inscribe upon your banner the motto, "He that is for us is more than all that are against us," and let it float majestically over you, while nerved with Omnipotence, you go forth to meet the armies of the aliens: lest you lack confidence in God's promise.

5. Let your time be fully occupied. Multiply your meetings as much as is practicable: lest while you sleep, the enemy sow tares among the wheat.

6. Let not a dread of novelty deter you, from the employment of any measures, which have upon them the seal of the Divine approbation: lest you fight against God.

# BOSTON-WESTERN BAPTIST

## THE BAPTIST.

TUSKEGEE, ALA.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, 1851.

Agents for the South Western Baptist.

The following persons have kindly consented to act as agents for us. Payments may be made to them by those who are convenient to them:

Rev. FRANCIS CALLOWAY, Chambers Co., Ala.  
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Rev. JAMES H. DIXON, Marion, Ala.  
Rev. G. G. MCLEOD, Pike Co., Ala.  
Rev. N. J. BAILEY, Montgomery Co., Ala.  
Rev. F. H. MOSS, Autauga, Ala.  
Rev. JOHN CALDWELL, Montgomery Co., Ala.  
P. H. DRAKE, Auburn, Ala.

Subscribers can also remit their contributions to the South Western Baptist, Tuskegee, Ala. And when the amount sent, do not appear in the receipt list in due time, we wish to be informed of it.

### CLUB RATES.

We propose by the aid of our brethren and friends in the South Western States to extend our list to

### 10,000 Subscribers.

And though our terms are already as low as they can properly be afforded considering the high price of materials, yet our object being to do good rather than to gain pecuniary profit, we offer the following extraordinary inducements to our brethren and friends and earnestly appeal to them to lend a helping hand.

### Propositions.

"To any person sending us ten dollars and the names of five subscribers, the South Western Baptist shall be sent one year in advance free of charge. Or if desired, the extra number can be sent to some poor brother or sister, or whoever may be designated."

"To any minister or other brother forwarding us the names of ten new subscribers and twenty dollars, three extra copies for one year to be sent to whoever may be designated."

**Rev. Thomas Chilton is no more.**

"Help, Lord, for the godly man ceaseth; for the faithful fail from among the children of men." —Ps. 12: 1.

It is with a sad heart that we announce to our readers the demise of this eminent servant of Jesus Christ! One of Zion's tallest standard bearers sleeps in the dust! and we can but mourn over him, saying, "alas, my brother!" The pulsations of many thousands of hearts will be quickened as this melancholy news shall spread throughout the South and South West. How full of the memory of other days is this sad hour with us! O how striking to think, that we are never to see the tall, athletic form of this dear brother in the pulpit again!—that we are never more to hear the clarion notes of that well remembered voice arising through the camps of our spiritual Israel, inspiring hope in the weak and exultation in the strong! Alas, that voice is now silent in the grave. The pulsations of a generous humanity, are now stilled by the cold hand of death; and that gracious reward to which all his anxieties and aspirations were so long directed, is now secured. The Master who called him to his service, and appointed him his place in his earthly kingdom, has now called him to himself and appointed him his place in the New Jerusalem. He fell at his post, with his armor on, exchanging that armor, the helmet, sword and shield, for the white robes, the golden harp and the sparkling crown!

And it we could find one way to the sad ear of his bereaved family in this hour of gloom, we would say to them, "Sorrow not as those who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.—Wherefore comfort one another with these words."

As we know nothing of the facts connected with the death of Bro. CHILTON, only that he died on the 15th day of August, we must leave to other and more competent hands to prepare a suitable memorial of his services in the cause of Christ. —Know ye not that there is a great man fallen in Israel this day?" May He who has taken from his own flock their spiritual teacher, send them another after his own heart.

We make no apology for shrouding our columns in mourning, as brother Chilton was for some time, and up to a recent date, its Corresponding editor.

### Elder James Davis,

Will, God willing, attend the Wewoka and Cold Water Camp Meetings, and the Tuskegee Liberty and Central Associations, as Agent of the Bible Revision Association.

He will also receive subscriptions for the South Western Baptist.

### The Alabama Association

Will hold its next annual meeting with Rehoboth Church, Montgomery county, (15 miles Northeast from the city of Montgomery) commencing on Friday before the second Sabbath of October next, and son on the 3d Sabbath as printed in the minutes. A. T. M. HANDY.

### College Exercises.

The exercises of the Female College at this place will be resumed on Monday, 4th inst.

The exercises of the Male Institute will open at the same time.

### The Brownwood Institute.

The exercises of this Institution, located at Lagrange, Georgia, will commence on the first Wednesday of September, 6th day. Persons desiring to patronize the school the next term will do well to send their sons in early.

See advertisement in another column.

### Typographical Errors.

In publishing a notice of Bro. W. C. DUNCAN's fortieth history, a week or two ago, an error was committed, by saying the volume will contain 140 pages when it should have been 250 pages. Bro. D. has called our attention to it, and adds: "It is quite certain that the book will make about 300 pages; but I wanted to be with the mark." We thank brother D. for his corrections, and will consider his questions to us.

While we are under the head of typographical errors, we will remark, that to avoid all such is almost impossible. We usually take great pains however, to get everything right, but find we overlook some. The acting editor, who is generally present to read the proof sheets, was absent for recreation when our last paper went to press, and new hands had to perform that service. We believe, however, that but few errors appear in this latter case? None but most children were circumcised. Then again all servants, i.e. slaves, were also to be circumcised. What

### Publishing Advertisements.

We continue to hear complaints against us publishing secular advertisements. Some few subscribers have withdrawn their subscriptions, stating this as a reason for doing so. We beg leave to repeat an often told story, for the benefit of those who have the same objection, and to keep ourselves right before the world.

We do not, then, publish advertisements merely from a devotion to Mammon, as a subscriber, who has quit us lately has charged us. But we do it to aid us in paying the expenses of the publishing of the paper, which the subscribers list alone will not do. It is a fact that we prove to any one that may particularly wish the proof, that the income of the editor from the subscription list alone, will not pay for Paper, Ink, &c., and Printer's salaries, to nothing of Editor's salaries, Clerk hire, postage, &c., all of which expenses are unavoidably incurred.

It takes all that the editor will yield, including subscriptions, advertisements and job work to meet the outlay of the concern, economically administered. And we cannot adopt any plan to reduce the expenses, as every thing in the printing line is very high and still advancing.

We are now making an effort to greatly enlarge our subscription list, and it is our purpose when we reach a point that will enable us to dispose with advertisements of a secular character, to do so. But until we can do it safely, we hope our subscribers and brethren will not demand it of us.

### Revelation at Bethel, Tallapoosa Co.

We have been associated with the Pastor of this Church, Rev. D. B. CULMSON, four or five days in a protracted meeting, which, we hope, is yet in progress. Up to the time of our leaving, a number of conversions had occurred, and some six or seven had joined the Church. Net less than thirty or forty persons were on the anxious seat. Brethren H. CARMICHAEL and J. BURTON were with us, the former a part of the time, and rendered efficient service. Bro. HUMPHRIES was also present one night. We hope that many souls will be added to that church, such as shall be.

Brother CARMICHAEL has recently had a glorious time at one of his Churches, (Autioch) the particulars of which he has promised to furnish us soon.

### The Abrahamic Covenant.

As the Apostle Paul's reference to, and comment on, this covenant, has been declared by an eminent man as the late Dr. CHALMERS to contain "the main strength of the Scriptural argument for infant baptism," the reader may be curious to know in what that main strength consists. We shall let the learned Dr. state it in his own language. He says—"The first Hebrew, (Abraham,) believed and was circumcised; and it was laid down form statute in Israel, that all his children should be circumcised in infancy. In like manner the first Christians believed and were baptized; and, although THERE BE NO STATUTE LAID DOWN UPON THE SUBJECT," (mark this admission!) "yet is there no evolution of any contrary statute, when all our children are baptized in infancy." Again, he says—"We read of no such interdict, (against infant baptism it means,) in our Scriptures; and, in these circumstances, we hold the inspired teachers of our faith to have given their testimony in favor of infant baptism, by giving US THE TESTIMONY OF THEIR SILENCE!" So that, according to this erudite and justly celebrated divine, the "main strength of the Scriptural argument for infant baptism" is, That there is "no statute laid down upon the subject" in the holy volume—and that the testimony of the inspired teachers of our faith in favor of infant baptism is —————— "the testimony of their silence."

Now if we apprehe the force of the Dr. a reasoning on this subject, it may be expressed in this short syllogism: Whatever is not directly prohibited is lawful—Infant baptism is not directly prohibited—Therefore, &c.

It is not a little remarkable that no statute a reasoner, and as firm a Protestant as Dr. CHALMERS never saw the practical workings of such a monstrous principle of Biblical interpretation as this. When the great CHILLINGWORTH was combating Papal simony, he thought it sufficient to say, "That our Savior designed the Bishop of Rome to this office, and yet would not say so, nor cause it to be written—*ad rememorandum*—so much by the evangelists or apostles; so much as once; but leave it to be drawn out of uncertain principles, by thirteen or fourteen more uncertain consequences; *he that can believe it let him.*" All Protestants agree that this argument is unanswerable and conclusive; and yet when Baptists apply it to infant baptism, they are charged with gross ignorance, or downright bigotry and prejudice. It is conceived by Dr. CHALMERS and a host of others, that there is no statute in God's book for infant baptism—that the strongest Scriptural testimony in its favor that can be evoked is—the testimony of silence!—that it is not so much as once mentioned in all the New Testament. What can we know of any matter which relates to the will of God but by what he has expressly revealed? Suppose a Baptist should change the phraseology of the foregoing argument of Dr. CHILLINGWORTH and adapt it to the question before us, how will it sound? Let us see—That our Savior designed infants should be baptized, and yet would not say so, nor cause it to be written as much as once by evangelists or apostles; though they often mention baptism, as appointed, as practised, as important; but leave the claim of infants to that ordinance to be made out by the long labor of inferential proof—by a consideration of preterite baptism, Jewish circumcision, the Abrahamic covenant, and such passages of Scripture where baptism is either not mentioned at all, or mentioned only in reference to adults; *he that can believe it let him.*" See Booth's Defense Examined, vol. I. p. 319.

But we shall let another learned Pedobaptist doctor, of the same communion with Dr. CHALMERS, and equally distinguished, at least in the United States, demolish this bulwark—this shield—this "main strength"—of Pedobaptism. We allude to the late Moses STUART, D. D. of Andover, Mass. Speaking of this "main strength of the Scriptural argument in favor of infant baptism," as deduced from Jewish circumcision, he says—

"In English Law," says BRODIE, "four requiremets are necessary to constitute a Person, viz. duly ordered, presentation, institution, and induction."

With such a definition it is apparent that it

becomes of the analogy then? It is out of the question to maintain it; at least in any tolerable strict sense. Besides; what is plainer, than that Jewish males and servants were all to be circumcised, in order that all might be engrained into the politico-ecclesiastical community? Every citizen was bound by religious as well as civil ordinances; and circumcision subjected us to both. But Christianity adopted to all countries, times, and nations, of necessity gives up the idea of regulating the forms of government, and all that pertains to customs and manners, in regard to things indifferent, or not of a material nature. "The kingdom of Christ is not of this world." A body politic, in its view, is not by any means accord well with the simple offices and title of an Apostolic minister of the gospel.

The term Reverend, &c., are thus defined by BRODIE: "We style a clergyman reverend—when a bishop is styled right reverend—an archbishop most reverend. In England, a Dean is also styled very reverend. In Roman Catholic countries the members of the different religious orders are styled reverend."

To the title of reverend in any of its degrees has always sounded bombastic and though impelled by necessity to submit to its use, and also to use it, still it has never seemed to us to be congenial to the simplicity of the gospel, and we would greatly prefer the Scriptural titles to any that human language or custom makes familiar.

The very use of all such titles in connection with Scriptural names is shocking, for instance, Rev. Judas Iscariot, Right Rev. Thomas Dykes, Most Rev. Leibniz Thirlwall, Very Rev. Simon Peter, Parson Paul, &c. Nor do they in our estimation sound a whit better when applied to any other ecclesiastical dignitaries whatever. Equally objectionable are the terms Bishop, Archbishop Elder, &c., as used in modern times. The terms Bishop and Elder were used in Apostolic times in reference to ministers of the gospel, without having any reference whatever to Dioceses or Conferences as they are now applied—a diocesan bishop and an elder of a conference being equally unknown.

Away with all these honorary titles, and all clerical assumptions! Let us go back to the Scriptural titles and to Scriptural offices—Bishops and Deacons being the only permanent officers established in Christ's church. Let the ministers of Christ—the Pastors of the Churches, bear the humble yet honorable titles of Bishop, Elder or Minister, not in the modern but in the Scriptural meaning of those terms. A more simple and Gospel-like practice we need to keep down all vain distinctions and to preserve our Churches from innovations.

### REVIVALS.

Bro. F. has been to Tuscaloosa to teach in the capitol in connection with Mr. B. W. JUSTIN. Bro. F.'s reputation as a teacher is a sufficient guarantee of his success in his new sphere. We trust his change of position will not make him forget our counsels to which he is always a welcome contributor.

### Baptized Again.

In the correspondence of Bro. F. FUGGER, formerly of Selma, Ala., will hereafter address us to Tuscaloosa, Ala., to which city he has lately removed.

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In Clarke's Commentary on Matthew 3:6, the following expression occurs: "Was baptised." In what form baptism was originally administered, has been deemed a subject worthy of serious dispute. Were the people dipped or sprinkled? for it is certain, *Baptized*, meant both.

With all of Dr. CLARKE's learning, he here makes an assertion totally destitute of proof. He declares that the two words above named both mean to dip and sprinkle both. Though we make no great pretensions to learning, yet we have never to our knowledge met with any word that has both of these meanings. And depending to be set right if we are wrong, we present the following queries to all whom it may concern:

1. QUERY. Is there any word in any human language that has both to dip and to sprinkle in its specific meaning? 2. In by what we are to decide when to use each in proper place?

2. QUERY. Is there any event or action to which infant immersion in water, and sprinkling with water, with equal force and propriety, symbolically represent?

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some degree of anxiety, though I believe with submission, till their change shall come. How precious is the Bible to them! What do you suppose they would take in exchange for it?—If it is so precious to them, why may it not be so to others? He that gives only a dollar to the Bible cause, has no idea of the immense good he may do;—how many tears he may dry up;—how many sorrows of heart he may remove;—how much joy he will cause;—and even, by the blessing of God, how many souls he may save! We know not what God knows. But we know that he saves souls only by means. The Bible is one of those means. And he that sends the book of books to a fellow man, may be the means of saving his soul. And who can calculate the worth of a soul? Who will compare a soul with all the gold and silver in the world!

H.

## Texas Correspondence.

For the South Western Baptist.

Houston, Texas, Aug. 11th, 1854.

Messrs. Editors:

The most sanguine hopes are now being indulged by our citizens, in regard to the future of Texas.

Our agriculturists have flattering prospects this season. Our stock raisers are realizing high prices for cattle, sheep, &c.

The country is healthy—prospects fair for an exemption from disease during the ensuing autumn.

Emigrants may depend upon finding Corn, Pork and beef cheap. Land can yet be purchased on reasonable terms.

We consider that the Pacific Railway has been secured through Texas, the Governor having accepted or the bid of the New York Company, and they having deposited, as a forfeiture on failing to comply with the three hundred thousand dollars required by our legislature.

The new liquor law has been carried by an immense majority. *Texas is now a free State.* Her forefathers emigrated who did not care to live under the influence of the *Alamo*. *Long Live to stay away from Texas, for that complexion we must come of.*

## BUSINESS DEPARTMENT.

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Letters containing remittances: Wm. J. Watt, Dr. Robert J. Ware.

### LETTERS RECEIVING REMITTANCES FOR OTHERS:

J. H. Erwin for W. Hicks.

### RECEIPT LIST.

Brother making remittances for subscription and not finding them reported in due time will please inform us.

### Paid to Post. No. \$

Mrs Francis E. Chivers,	7	17	2	00
L. G. Odell,	7	17	2	00
John Yeatman,	7	17	2	00
William Hicks,	7	17	2	00
P. M. Calloway,	7	50	2	00
John C. Colly,	6	38	1	00
John E. Pearson,	7	17	2	00
Isaac Williams,	7	17	2	00
Thomas J. Watts,	7	15	2	00
W. W. Goodwin,	5	50	3	15
Dr Robert J. Ware,	8	4	5	00
William Ellis,	7	2	0	00

### OBITUARIES.

Those who prepare obituary notices for our columns are particularly requested to use becoming brevity. Long obituaries we are not willing to publish at all except in a few particularly interesting cases. Writers will please bear in mind that but few readers are willing to read long notices of this kind. And besides we are fully satisfied they do no good whatever.

### OBITUARY IN OCTOBER.

Carabas, Ala., at Pilgrim's Rest Church, Perry county.

### OBITUARY IN OCTOBER.

Judson, Ala., at Fellowship Church Henry county, 5 miles west of Abbeville.

### OBITUARY IN OCTOBER.

Sabine, La., at Zion Hill Church, commencing on Thursday before.

### OBITUARY IN OCTOBER.

Ouachita, La., at Salem Church Catahoula Parish, commencing on Friday.

### OBITUARY IN OCTOBER.

Boggy, Ala., at New Prospect, Church Sumter county.

### OBITUARY IN OCTOBER.

Ten Islands, Ala., at Hobro Church, Jefferson county.

### OBITUARY IN OCTOBER.

Union, Miss., at Piedmont Church Jefferson county.

### OBITUARY IN OCTOBER.

West Florida, at Union Academy Church Marion county 8 miles North East of Marion.

### OBITUARY IN OCTOBER.

Zarco, Miss., at Acosta church Holmes county on Friday.

### OBITUARY IN OCTOBER.

Note.—Other Associations in the South West can be added to the above scale if our brethren will furnish us with the time and place of their meeting.

### OBITUARY IN OCTOBER.

Tuskegee Association

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Will meet at the Baptist Church in Tuskegee on Saturday before the third Sabbath in September next. The Delegates will please call at the Church on their arrival, where a Committee will assign to them their homes during their stay.

### OBITUARY IN OCTOBER.

Central Baptist Association, Ala.

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The 10th annual session of this body will be held with the Baptist Church in Wetumpka, commencing on Saturday before the first Sabbath in October. Persons attending will please report themselves to some one of the following named brethren: Richard Snoot, A. G. Due, W. P. Dawson, Wm. Price, A. B. Braswell, Jno. B. White, Ch. C. K.

### COLD WATER CAMP-MEETING.

By arrangement of the brethren, the Cold Water Camp-Meeting will not be held as published in the minutes of the Coosa River, 1850, but is changed to its original time, which occurs now the 2nd Sabbath in September. Ministering brethren are cordially invited to attend.

### CAMP MEETING.

Mrs. Louisa L. Park was born in Fairfield District, South Carolina, May 31st, 1807, and departed this life at her residence in this county, Aug. 8th, 1854.

### CAMP MEETING.

She had just returned from a visit to her daughter, when she was attacked with the disease which, despite the skill of her physicians, and the care and solicitude of friends and relatives, in a few days bore her to the grave.

### REAL ESTATE IN TUSKEGEE FOR SALE.

The subscriber offers his residence in Tuskegee for sale, containing about fifteen acres, with good out-buildings and fine water privileges, an excellent location to improve to one's own taste.

### ALSO.

His farm, six miles from Tuskegee, containing one hundred and eighty acres of good upland, of which one hundred and seventy-five are in a fine state of cultivation. More can be bought adjoining, if desired.

### ALSO.

A tract of first rate pine land, three miles from Tuskegee, including Capt. Charles G. Rush's residence, containing three hundred and twenty acres, with a corn mill and ten cleared.

### ALSO.

The St. Louis papers report that six white men have been elected to represent the State of Missouri in the next Congress. The remaining districts now represented by Hon. John S. Phelps will be represented by W. P. Johnson, Messrs. Demost.

### ALSO.

A severe gale passed through Savannah, Ga., on the 17th ult., doing considerable damage.

### ALSO.

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the United States, has passed a resolu-

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tion to admit to Church membership any person belonging to secret Societies.

### FOREIGN.

Mr. SOULE, Minister to Spain, has written to the State Department that there is at present no prospect of our being able to purchase Cuba or Espartero, or of obtaining an amicable settlement of the Cuban difficulties, unless it is backed by strong measures at the seat of Government. He also states his belief that the reign of the Queen will be short, and that a Republican Government will be formed.

### CRUS KEYS, ALA.

The steamer *Union* arrived at N. York on the 20th, with Liverpool dates to the 2nd Instant.

### COTTON IS FIRM AND UNCHANGED.

Cotton was firm and unchanged. Breadstuffs had advanced.

### LATEST FOREIGN NEWS.

The steamer *Asia* arrived at New York Aug. 24th, with dates from Liverpool to the 12th—three days later than those in the Baltic.

### COTTON IS FIRM AND UNCHANGED.

Cotton had declined 1-8d. on some qualities, principally the middling and lower grades. The money market was easier and consols closed at 93 1/4.

### WAX NEWS.

Austria has signed an engagement with England and France to insist on demanding from the Czar such terms as shall form the basis of a permanent peace.

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### THE NEW YORK AND ALBANY RAILWAY.

The London Times says that Russian America is already in the possession of England, by virtue of an agreement between Russia and the Czar, Elizabeth J. and Elizabeth J. and Elizabeth J.

### THE RUSSIAN EMPIRE.

The King of Saxony was killed by a fall from his horse.

### THE KING OF SAXONY.

A great interest is manifested in regard to common school education. A monthly styled the *Texas Journal of Education*, has recently been commenced. We now support four religious newspapers in the State, with a prospect of a fifth more. What new State, North or South, can say as much?

### THE TEXAS JOURNAL OF EDUCATION.

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