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"Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto

God, judge ye."—Acts iv., 19.

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TUSKEGEE, ALA.:
Thursday, Dec. 20, 1860

Christmas Week.

We publish fifty numbers annually. We suspend Fourth of July and Christmas weeks. There will no paper appear next week.

A Call.

We dislike to dun our patrons, yet we are compelled to do so from dire necessity. We have to pay cash for material, and to the printers, and cash we must have from some quarter. It cannot be borrowed, hence we look to our patrons, particularly to those who owe us. We know money is scarce, but what are we to do? It is but little on your part, it is a great deal to us. Pay us, we entreat you, if you have the money, and if not, forward the first you get. *Forget it not!*

New House of Worship, Columbus, Ga.

We learn from direct sources, that the occasion of opening this house, Sunday Dec. 9th, 1860, was full of delightful interest. At the solicitation of bro. DeVOTIE, the pastor, Bro. MANLY came over from Tuscaloosa, and preached the opening sermon. Ps. 96: 6.

To see these well-worn men who have been allied in labor and friendship from their youth up, yet girded for toil, and seated together to enjoy so precious a consummation as the opening of this house, is itself a refreshment.

And, such a House! We cannot now give the particulars; but our information in general, is, that it is substantial in its structure, complete in its arrangement and furniture, elegant in its simplicity, commodious and satisfactory in an unusual degree; and, best of all, it has no debt to deform and encumber it.

Those who have designed and supervised it; those who have executed the work, and those who have so promptly and amply furnished the means (about \$38,000) deserve the thanks of the denomination, and of the Christian public.

We know a young minister whose services can be obtained as pastor of one or two Churches that will give him such support as will enable him to devote his time to the ministry. Address the Editor of this paper.

Editorial Correspondence.

Cotton Planters' Convention.

MACON, GA., Dec. 11th, 1860
This city is now quite crowded with people from various sections of the South, and a good many from Europe. To-day the Convention opened in due form with an able speech from Hon. G. W. Stone, of Alabama. It ably vindicated Southern interests. Nothing else could be expected from a man of such a Southern heart and head as are possessed by Judge Stone. The speech will doubtless be published in pamphlet form, and will be preserved as a State paper, constituting a part of the new order of things. There are many Alabamians present, as well as citizens of other Southern States, all taking a deep interest in the stirring affairs of the times. All seem to be impressed with the belief that the South will have to manage her own affairs, and all wish to aid in the great and first work of a commonwealth, self-preservation.

The Legislature of Georgia, with its noble Governor and statesman, J. E. Brown, were in attendance to-day, and leave to-night for Milledgeville to resume their important labors. The present is the most important session the State has ever held; requiring more firmness and wisdom, also requiring more time. Old horse-mill tracks in legislation have to be departed from in many cases, and new enactments made in view of Federal relations, and to protect the State in future both personally and commercially. With great patience, wisdom and patriotism they are pursuing their labors.

As usual at Fairs, the eye, not to behold a vast amount of every thing, must be closed. Dry Goods of every variety, manufactured or made with the hand, machinery, unthought of by any but the inventors, ploughs like the sand of the sea, cotton gins, sewing machines, carriages, buggies, wagons—wheology in general—leather in every manner of manufacture, stock of every variety that ever went into Noah's Ark, and so on, to the end of the chapter of interminable exhibition. The ladies looked mostly at the fancy goods, and curiously wrought needle work, the farmers at the ploughs, machinery and stock, the miscellaneous folks looked at every thing and were profited by the sight of nothing in particular.

The profitable lookers on in Vienna were the farmers. They soberly and thoughtfully inspected every thing that pertained to their line of business. From what we saw and could learn, farmers are going in future to give grain growing and stock raising more attention. The general intention seems to be, to raise more grain, less cotton, and be more independent of other, and antagonistic sections. At this we rejoice; the South has all the natural elements of greatness and independence, and should, from this time, develop her resources. Common sense, and self-preservation dictate this policy.

Goods are on exhibition from France, Germany, and Belgium, and some are looked for from Russia. A shipload of goods are here from Belgium, in direct trade to Savannah, and no of the other goods from Europe. The Belgio flag waves over the house of public exhibition, the first ship, it is thought, that has visited the South di-

rectly to a Southern port. The goods thus furnished are astonishingly cheap; the dearest are one hundred per cent. lower than can be purchased in any of our markets. The eyes of the people are being opened to the fact, that Yankeeism has grown rich out of the South by commerce being turned in that direction instead of coming direct from Europe. The South should make arrangements for direct shipment, and thus secure these advantages of commerce to herself. Articles in the States this side of Mason's and Dixon's line are on exhibition, but Yankeeism was not allowed any showing.

At 3 o'clock this evening Mr. Baylor, of Texas, commenced an able speech on Direct Trade, and was greatly interesting the audience, when the Military passed near the stand, making a grand display, and the orator, ably and powerfully as he was discoursing, lost the attention of his audience and ceased his address. Mr. Baylor is a man of decided ability, understood his subject well, and was making the best argument on the subject to which we had ever listened. He will make a statesman for Texas of no common order.

In the peaceful South we have never seen such a number of the Military on parade. Large companies of infantry, a company of cavalry, and artillery. Nothing is increasing more rapidly at the South than the military spirit. She is for peace if she can have her rights, and be let alone in pursuing the policy best suited to her interests, but for defense if she is opposed in her lawful designs. There is nothing to fear in a military spirit solely for defense. The spirit of secession appears to be rapidly increasing, nothing can check it. Cockades are seen by thousands, flags with fifteen States, Palmetto flags on Rail Road engines, Georgia's old Colonial flag is hoisted, and secession ensigns are seen everywhere, not excepting on ladies' dresses.

But this letter is long enough for one day.

MACON, GA., Dec. 12th.

To-day has not been as exciting as yesterday, nevertheless the interest in the articles on exhibition is unabated. We have taken to-day a more deliberate survey than on yesterday, and we can now say, that, the articles on exhibition which relate to farming far exceed other things, not in number, but in their adaptation to the purposes designed. Many new patents were displayed, claiming superiority, while the old patents strongly insisted on their own superior advantages. The fact is, to listen to those who set forth the claims of their articles, every man has "the best on the goond." Every one is pushing his fortunes, even to showmen. The Art Department shows great advances, recently.

A Georgia negro has a small engine, for which he has a patent, on the ground which attracts a great deal of attention. It runs finely, and will do well for mills, and for stationary machinery generally. Bob, the inventor, by the way, is proud of his success.

One of the finest looking young ladies seen to-day was dressed in beautiful homespun cotton goods. Well done! old times are returning. It has been predicted by croakers that Southern ladies would never return to plainness and common sense in dress, but they were mistaken.

Some of the finest milch cows we have ever seen are here, from Bourbon county, Ky.

A fine Rail Road Engine with a Palmetto flag upon it, built in Savannah, may be seen near the Fair Grounds, another strong indication of Southern independence and self-reliance. Indeed, you may see evidences abundant of Southern genius in construction in the department of mechanism.

A preliminary meeting for business was held this morning. Its object was, mainly, to prepare business in form for to-morrow. Hon. G. W. Stone, of Ala., presided, and G. W. Call Esq., of Fla., acted Secretary. Howell Cobb, of Houston, Ga., President of the Cotton Planters' Convention, read an able address on the resources, position and duty of the South, which, without discussion was referred to to-morrow for debate and action. The meeting will be public, and we shall expect some animated speeches.

Before closing to-day's report, I must state that the action of the Baptist Convention of Alabama has done more to give public opinion a right Southern direction than any single event or action. It is the subject of general remark. Judge Stone alluded to it most forcibly on yesterday. To-day we heard one of Georgia's ablest Judges say, he was a Methodist, too, "the Baptists have always been sound on governmental questions, true republicans, and devoted patriots." Their action will, we believe, be a bright page in future history.

MACON, GA., Dec. 13th.

On last night B. H. Hill, of LaGrange, addressed a large audience at Concert Hall, on co-operation with all the Southern States in secession. It was an able effort, and gave satisfaction to those who take that position.

To-day JOSEPH JONES, M. D., Chemist of the Cotton Planters' Convention, and Professor of Medical Chemistry in the Medical College of Georgia, at Augusta, delivered an address on the Agricultural resources and prospects of Georgia. We should be pleased to give a synopsis of this able and eloquent discourse, but have not the space to do it justice. It deeply interested the entire audience as well as the planter. The address clearly indicated that Dr. Jones was statesman as well as chemist. The discourse was intensely Southern,

and his eloquent appeals to Southern planters will not be forgotten.

The Secretary read from the stand the various Committees of inspection and award. Their decisions will be announced in the General report.—Dr. CLOON, editor of the Cotton Planter, is here, and appears to be as much at home at the Macon Fair as if it were in Montgomery, Alabama.

Stock, merchandise, and everything else exhibited on such occasions, continue to arrive, visitors are daily coming in, while others are leaving. We are pleased to see, that the greatest interest is taken in the inspection of Agricultural implements. Commerce may be enlivened to the skies, but there would be no such thing were it not for the sturdy, industrious and intelligent farmer. He is the soul of commerce.

We have just returned from hearing the Rev. Mr. Fields, a Primitive Baptist. His text was, "All thy children shall be taught of the Lord, and great shall be the peace of the children." There were twenty-five persons present.—Thought we, we are out of the range of secession to-night. But pshaw! After briefly touching on the fall of man, the Covenant, Experience, Baptism and Perseverance, the preacher grew warm and pitched into the exciting topic of the age. He attributed all these "government difficulties to the rebellious spirit of man." And that rebellious spirit commenced when the "Foot washing was introduced—ought to wash feet, I won't say, man, and I won't have been going on ever since." "You see," continued the preacher, "what Missions have done. You have sent your money from the South to Northern Societies and have made them rich, and now they are repaying you good interest for it.—You all made a calf like the children of Israel, all danced round it together, but the Northern calf worshippers say you shall not dance with them any more. All of you left the word of God else there would have been nothing of this. What is the remedy? Why, let South Carolina go out quick, other States follow as soon as possible, and co-operate afterwards. And then quit worshipping golden calves—Mission Societies—and all will be right."

Thus, in substance, the preacher continued for an hour. It was quite a discourse. As a matter of simple justice to the Chairman of the Committee on Periodicals, we publish the following. We had not intended, nor do we intend to pay any attention whatever to the singular editorial notice of our late Convention, written by Elder Buck:

For the South Western Baptist.
The Convention—Eld. W. C. Buck.

BRO. TALIAFERRO: A friend has placed in my hands a copy of the Baptist Correspondent of Nov. 21st, which contains a lengthy editorial, purporting to give the proceedings of the late meeting of the Alabama Baptist State Convention, at Tuskegee. The editor indulges a spirit of unkindness and want of Christian charity from the beginning to the close of his article. It is possible that Elder Buck had not entirely recovered from the shock of those "powerful batteries" of which he complains, when he penned his editorial. He evidently "smelt the battle afar off, the thunder of the captains and the shouting."

But my object in this communication is to correct the misrepresentations of the editor in his notice of the Report of the Committee on Periodicals. As a member of that Committee, I feel that it is due to myself and to the Convention to state the facts. How Elder Buck, after being a "looker on in Venice," an eye and ear witness of all that was done and said at the Convention, could have deliberately penned the following paragraph for his paper, I leave for the reader to judge, after I shall have submitted the facts. He says:

"The next question of interest was the Report on Periodicals. The committee consisted of Elders Handy, Lundy and Morrow. After two days consultation, Elders Handy and Morrow had agreed to recommend the Home and Foreign Journal, and the Commission, and to say nothing about any other paper. Elder Lundy dissented, and when seen last by Eld. Morrow on Saturday evening had not determined whether he would offer a minority report, or withdraw from the committee; but to the astonishment and confusion of Elder Morrow, on Monday when the report was called for, it was handed to him with a lengthy addition in the hand writing of another person, containing expressions of great sympathy for Dr. Dawson, extravagant encomiums upon his Editorial course, and strongly recommending the S. W. Baptist. Elder Morrow was more than astonished at this alteration of the Report since he saw it last, but just as he arose to explain the case to the Convention, the House adjourned for dinner, and he had an opportunity of consulting with one or two brethren as to the state of the case, and the proper course to be pursued under the circumstances. One of the brethren present at the consultation was quite sure that he knew the hand writing in which the addition to the report was made, and that it was not written by either of the members of the committee, nor was there any proof that Elder Lundy had not left before the addition was made. However, all this may be, the addition had been made after Elder Morrow saw it, and without his privilege or consent. It was very apparent from all the facts perceived that a plan had been concerted to effect a purpose, all of which was not yet developed."

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Lundy remarked that the other member of the Committee (Elder Morrow) was a "landmark Baptist," and that he feared he would not agree with us in making a Report. I then requested Elder Lundy to write a Report, and if it met my views, we would submit it to Elder Morrow for his approval. He did so—that Report contained warm expressions of sympathy for Dr. Dawson, and strongly recommended the South Western Baptist. This met my hearty approval. The next day (Saturday) Elder Lundy and myself submitted this Report to Elder Morrow. On hearing it read he objected to it, on the ground that it eulogized Dr. Dawson and recommended the South Western Baptist. He proposed to amend the Report by striking out all that part which alluded to Dr. D. and the South Western Baptist. To this Elder Lundy and myself objected. I then proposed as a compromise, that after naming the "Commission" and "Home & Foreign Journal," to add, "and all other Baptist papers in the South friendly to the objects fostered by the Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention." To this Elder Morrow objected, as it would exclude some papers that he would like to have recommended, or words to that effect.—Here some conversation took place between Elder Morrow and myself, in the course of which I stated to him distinctly in the presence of Elder Lundy, that I did not sympathize with him in his views—that in the late controversy on Church Polity, I heartily concurred in the position taken by the editors of the South Western Baptist.

At the close of this interview on Saturday, Elder Lundy informed me that business would compel him to leave before the Convention adjourned—that he would re-write his report (as it was then only a rough draught) and leave it with me, to do with it as I might think best. On Monday morning while at Dr. Battle's, the Report of Elder Lundy, as re-written, was handed me by another person. This Report contained the substance of the original one, except the allusion to Dr. Dawson, which he had omitted. In the meantime I had prepared a Report myself, in which I had embodied the substance of all that was contained in the original Report drafted by Elder Lundy. Several judicious members of the Convention being present, I read both Reports to them, and requested their opinion as to the propriety of the allusion to Dr. Dawson contained in my Report. They all concurred with me, that it was just and proper. I handed the Report written by Elder Lundy to a brother who was sitting at a table writing, and requested him to append to it the substance of what was contained in my report in reference to Dr. D. This he did in the following words:

"The committee mourn to find the life and labors of one, who has served his generation with distinguished ability, in this department, to be now, most probably, near their close. We allude to our beloved brother, JOHN E. DAWSON." This Report, written by Elder Lundy, with the allusion to Dr. D. originally suggested by him, I read to Elder Morrow on Monday morning, and stated to him that I should present it to the Convention as the Report of the majority of the Committee, and that he, as the minority, could pursue whatever course he might think proper in the premises. Elder Morrow not only saw this Report then, but he had it in his possession from the time of adjournment of the Convention on Monday afternoon, till its assembling at night when it was briefly called for showing it to his friends (Elder Buck no doubt among the rest). Now, how does all this agree with what Elder Buck says at the close of the above extract: "It was very apparent from all the facts perceived that a plan had been concerted to effect a purpose, all of which was not yet developed." If any plan had been concerted to depreciate the Editor of the Correspondent, as he intimates, I was entirely ignorant of the whole affair. The only purpose the committee had in view was to express their sympathy for Dr. Dawson in his affliction, and their approval of his editorial career. That which afterwards "developed" itself viz: the unprovoked assault of Elder Buck and his friends upon Dr. D. and the S. W. Baptist, and their overwhelming defeat, was not contemplated by the committee.

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by baptism, and 5 more united by letter, making in all 57. The name selected for the church is Airmwell.

At their next monthly meeting they expect to call a Pastor. May peace and prosperity attend them.

Truly yours, R. D. MARSHALL.
Sweet Water, Marengo Co., Ala.

For the South Western Baptist.

Ordination.

Ordination of Aaron Worthington to the office of Deacon, and John J. Pitts to the full work of the Gospel Ministry.

The Baptist Church of Christ at Abberfoil by letters missive to Elders F. H. Moss and M. N. Eley of Union Springs Church, Elder P. M. Callaway of Mount Zion Church, Macon county, and Elder R. C. Stewart of Mount Zion Church, Pike county, requesting them to meet the church at Abberfoil on the 16th inst., and act as a Presbytery for the purpose of Ordaining bro. Aaron Worthington Deacon elect, and bro. John J. Pitts to the full work of the Gospel ministry.

In compliance with the request the above named ministers met, and by their request bro. Pitts preached from Psalms iii, 8: "Salvation belongeth unto the Lord." The Presbytery was then organized by the choice of bro. P. M. Callaway as Moderator. The Church then presented bro. Worthington the Deacon elect, who was ordained in the following order:

Examination of candidate by Elder M. N. Eley. Ordination Prayer by Elder R. C. Stewart. Laying on of hands by Presbytery. Charge by Elder F. H. Moss.

The church then presented bro. John J. Pitts for Ordination to the full work of the Gospel Ministry. Bro. Pitts then related his Christian experience, the evidences of his call to the ministry, his views of doctrine and ministerial duty, which being satisfactory the Presbytery proceeded to ordain him in the following order:

Sermon by bro. John J. Pitts. Examination of candidate by Elder F. H. Moss. Ordination Prayer by Elder M. N. Eley, and laying on of hands by Presbytery. Presentation of the Bible by Elder R. C. Stewart. Charge by Elder P. M. Callaway. Benediction by candidate. GEO. YARBOROUGH, Ch. Cl'k. Abberfoil, Nov. 17, 1860.

For the South Western Baptist.

Ordination.

Of Bro. Boardman H. Crumpton at Pleasant Hill, Dallas County.

Bro. Crumpton having been called to the pastoral care of the Church at New Bethel, Mt. Lebanon Church, (Pleasant Hill) of which he is a member, entered into resolutions to invite a Presbytery for the purpose of examining him, and if satisfied of his call and qualifications, to set him apart to the work of the Gospel ministry.

The Presbytery met in accordance with the request of the Church, and after hearing from bro. Crumpton a highly interesting account of his impressions to preach the Gospel, and his determination to devote himself to that work; and having examined him as regards his soundness in the faith, and being fully satisfied upon that point, resolved to proceed to the work of his ordination on Sabbath morning, Nov. 25th, 1860. The Presbytery was much gratified at the appearance among them at the time, of Rev. M. Hillsman, Secretary of the Bible Board, S. B. C., who cordially took part in the Ordination exercises, preaching for us most acceptably, both morning and afternoon of the day.

The Presbytery consisted of as follows:

Elder Robert Carson, who acted as Moderator of the Presbytery. Elder Mat. Hillsman, who offered the Ordaining Prayer. Elder Underwood, delegate from Mt. Bethel Church. Eld. C. F. Sturges, Pastor of the Church, and Secretary to the Presbytery.

Revivals.

A correspondent of the Baptist Messenger, Tenn., reports the following intelligence from Durhamville, Nov. 28: The good Lord has again visited his people in this quarter of his vineyard recently, with a refreshing.

At Elison there have been 51 additions; Salem 20; Hermon 18; Elim 27; Chesnut Bluff 14; Brownsville 65. At the latter place the meeting was continued for about four weeks at night. Much good was accomplished, not only in the conversion of sinners, but also in restoring peace and harmony and reclaiming the backslider. The sisters of the church deserve great credit for the liberality and taste they have displayed in repairing and embellishing their house of worship. They have now the handsomest house (out side of Memphis) in West Tennessee. The interior is not inferior to any within my knowledge. No sooner was this good work accomplished than the Lord poured out his blessing upon them.

A correspondent of the Southern Baptist of Nov. 20th, writes the following revival intelligence:

We have had refreshing showers of grace passing through our land recently, and our prayer is that such showers may continue. At Bethel we have received thirty-two for baptism; at Mt. Pleasant, sixteen or eighteen; at Philadelphia, sixteen; and at the time of the meeting at Philadelphia, there was a meeting at Union Church, where eight or nine joined. During the Association year embraced by our Association, three hundred and sixty-one were added by baptism, and the number of accessions larger from those churches that had Sabbath Schools in operation, than from those that do not have any.

Interesting Foreign Intelligence.

New York, Dec. 12.—the steamship Kedar, from Liverpool, has arrived.—She sailed on the 27th of November. Her news has mostly been anticipated. China.—On two occasions thirty thousand of Tartar cavalry were com-

pletely routed, two thousand of whom were killed, and fifty guns were taken. The allies had only eighteen wounded.

The correspondent of the London Times says that Consul Parks, and three officers, were taken prisoners, and conveyed to Peking, and were well treated. Lord Elgin demanded the release of prisoners before entering into negotiations.

The emperor's brother was appointed chief commissioner to make peace. Quiet prevailed at Shanghai.

The latest Government dispatch from China says that the allies were within six miles of Peking.

The London Times, in its review of the secession movement, reiterates its belief that the American Union will be maintained.

From the Baptist Messenger.

SHANGHAI, CHINA, Sept. 3d, 1860.

DEAR BROTHER LYON: We have passed through some very exciting times since I wrote to you last. War and destruction have been raging around us, at a fearful rate. Hundreds of cities, towns, and villages have been destroyed by the indomitable Rebels. Millions of people have had to leave their homes, and the streams in many places literally strewn with dead bodies, and broken gods. The waters are defiled, and the air smells of death; and thus is being fulfilled the word of the Lord: "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God." The Rebels came down upon Shanghai on the 18th of last month; but they were driven back by the English and French; and so our city was saved for the present; but then, the Rebels, it is feared, have been made our enemies. The Rebels did not come to Shanghai for the purpose of attacking the Foreign settlement; but to take the native city, and open trade with us. They were bitterly disappointed in this, for the Allies fired on them for three days, killing many of their number. The Rebels did not return the fire. They saw it was useless, and so withdrew in disgust. That was a fearful time with us here. Every street was barricaded. Every man in the settlement was armed to the teeth, and stood ready to defend his home to the last. The 325,000 natives of the place fled in every direction, and in the wildest confusion. Not a man was found to defend his home and family. The little band of hated foreigners here, unaided saved their city from destruction. The cowardice of the Chinese people is beyond description. Much dissatisfaction is felt at the course pursued by the English and French authorities, in thus unnecessarily involving us in difficulties with the Rebels. They say it was not their duty to defend the Chinese city, but only the Foreign settlement. All is quiet now. The people are returning to their homes. Missionaries have resumed their daily preaching; but then there is no trade, and everything is scarce and dear.—Hard times are before us; but God will bring order out of confusion in his own appointed way. The "walls of Jerusalem were built in troublous times."

The great battle of the "Pi ho" in the North has been fought, and the English and French have come off victorious, and the pride of the Manchu dynasty is completely humbled. The future is veiled in mystery; but God reigns. We are in our usual health, and laboring with all our might, with some encouragement.

Yours as ever,

T. P. CRAWFORD.

Matthew—By Dr. Conant.

We have received from the American Bible Union a copy of the gospel of Matthew as revised by Dr. Conant. Though this is a preliminary work, and has yet to pass the scrutiny of the final revisers, yet as Dr. Conant is one of those final revisers, and fully as competent as any of them to judge of the faithfulness of the revision, this work may be considered as a specimen of what the revision will be. It is therefore a fair subject for criticism.

In the first place, the plan which Dr. C. proposes is the right one. His great effort has been to make his alterations so analogous in style to the phraseology of the common version, that persons familiar with this will hardly observe the changes. His objects have been, first, to correct the errors of the common version; second, to make such changes only as are required by fidelity to the true original Greek text; and, third, to make these corrections in the tone and manner of the common English version. He has taken great pains to ascertain the true Greek text, and, next, to ascertain the true English for that text.

In the second place, we think he has been generally successful in accomplishing his object, as far as we have been able to judge. Though some of his alterations seem trivial, and unimportant, yet, in numerous instances, they bring out with new beauty and force the meaning of the original.

The appendix of Dr. Conant's work furnishes a most valuable treasury of argument on the baptismal question. It contains quotation, from the Greek and Latin Classics of every instance when the word baptizo or its equivalent occurs, with similar citations from the early Christian writers in each language. It contains also authority respecting the present practice in baptism of the Greek Church, also of the Latin Church up to the middle ages, and of the English, till near the Reformation. These ample references will render the work very desirable to every Baptist minister.—Journal and Messenger.

UNION TO CHRIST.—We are not only to be joined to Christ outwardly, but are to be incorporated with him vitally.

We may not be of the right kind. The ivy winds around the oak, but it is not one with the oak, for it is supported by a root of its own. We must have no root of our own. Our life must be in Him, He must be our life, and all our refreshment and strength must flow from Him. This is what it is to "have the Son," to "be in Christ," and consequently to be in a state of grace and salvation. We must have life out of ourselves in Christ, or we are still "dead in trespasses and sins."

At a meeting of some of the friends of co-operation and resistance, in Tuskegee, the following gentlemen were nominated as candidates: Dr. CHARLES D. BILBO, Gen. N. D. GERRY, Dr. JAMES M. FOSTER.

Letter from Rev. S. Henderson.

TUSKEGEE, Dec. 14th, 1860.

GENTLEMEN: I have just received your polite note, addressed to the Rev. O. B. BLUE, Dr. J. M. FOSTER and myself, asking "a public expression of our views in regard to the policy, in the event of our election, we propose advocating" in the

