MARION, ALA.:

Tuesday, March 9, 1875

aptist Churches are Peculiar in that they Cannot be Represented. No. Ja

Legislative, judicial and executive powers reside in the being of all constitutional governments; and in republican governments the legislature is supposed to represent the people. The ecclesiastical courts of Protestant churches embrace and exercise the powers of these three departments of government, and the said courts claim to be representative bodies. We shall not now discuss the merits of this claim. However directly or remotely may be their connection with the suffrages of the people, it is quite certain that the people recognize them as the legitimate law-making, lawladging and law-executing authorities, and cheerfully submit to them as such; and therefore their local churches have, by direct action or by a tame acquiescence, delegated or surrendered to these councils the power to legislate for and to rule over them. We believe that while legislation is claimed for them, it is also freely admitted that they do, whenever assembled, exercise the right of legislation. Of course it is assumed that the legis-

It will be remembered that in a former letter we maintained that the Baptist churches have no legislative power, neither directly as independent bodies, nor indirectly through ecclesiastical councils. Nor had the New Testament churches any such power. With them the legislation was all divine; with us it is the same. The New Testament is the law book of the churches of Christ. It is "given by inspiration of God," " not in the but which the Holy Ghost teacheth. Whatever is here written is binding on all the disciples of Christ. Whatever is not recorded here is of no authority in matters of religion, with a single individual or with a church of God. No church or council on this globe has authority to add one single rule or duty, or to diminish aught from the requirements imposed in the holy writings. All ecclesiastical assemblies which exercise legislative power transcend the authority delegated to the churches of Christ or the people of God. A gospel church is

THE EXECUTIVE BODY OF CHRIST. This is ber grand mission. She is to execute the laws of Christ as committed to her in the New Testament. And certainly in order to the proper discharge of this high duty, she must judge of the letter and spirit of these laws. Therefore she has judicial and executive power committed to her by Him who is made "Head over all things to the church which is his body, the fullness of him that filleth all in all." Each local church is to judge of the laws of Christ for itself, boldly asto a general conference, or convention, or assembly, or to an ecumenical council, or a college of cardinals, or a bench of bishops, or a prelatical succession, to be judged and executed by these, but to the men and women composing the churches of Christ, who are to read and form their own judgment of the doctrine and duty enjoined there. And "if any man lack wisdom let him ask of God, who giveth to all men liberally." It is the duty of every believer, as it is of all men to "search the scriptures," The membership of a church should inquiringly and faithfully compare views, and learn one of mother. And in private life, in the domestic circle,

ve shall bind on earth shall be bound | the Lord of glory, and what he has in heaven, and whatsoever ye shall oose on earth shall be loosed in heav- for to a representation, "These have en." This does not beatow church always been favorite ideas with our or ministerial infallibility, but a very high order of authority is vested in the churches of Christ, so long as they act in harmony with, and in execution of, the laws of the King in Zion. "The keys of the kingdom of heaven in Matthew 16, 19," is an allusion to the Word of God, and to the authority therein lodged with his churches, and whatsoever they shall bind or unbind according to this cord, shall be bound or unbound in heaven. As the acts and decisions of an inferior

court in good governments on earth, when in harmony with the laws of the land, are recognized and affirmed by the supreme judiciary, or reversed when inconsistent with these laws, so the acts of the churches of Christ on earth are recognized and bound in heaven in exact proportion to their agreement with the revealed word. And therefore it is a PEARFUL THING for an offending member to resist the legitimate authority of a church of Christ. "If he neglect to hear the church let him be unto thee as a heathen man and a publican." We have known some remarkable cases of shame and disgrace to follow expelled members, who perpetually murmured against the just verdict of the church of God. We have our mind on several now living in abandonment, who were in comparative respectability when they were excommunicated, lation is in harmony with the holy but withdrawing entirely from the assemblies of the church, and urging denunciations against the body that "loosed" them, they have gone down

> repentant confessions or he will go into abandonment :- we mean, of course, when the church has truly exccuted the laws of Christ in his case. A church has no right to make laws of her own, expel members by them, Christ. What is true of discipline is true of the whole range of church work and ministerial duty. The church, with all her officers, and in all her work, is the executive body of Christ. This is the position of each local church in the region where God has planted it

> into very general disgrace; and we

have hardly known one who main-

tained his former position in public

esteem. An expelled member, as a

rule, will return to the church with

Hence it is that in keeping with these views of church power, Baptists believe that every body of disciples believing in Christ and constituted according to his revealed will, is perfeetly capable of self-government; and that this capacity to govern itself is not simply a latent power which it may enjoy, but a vested right entrusted to the church, which it must maintain and exercise, and which it cannot alienate or transfer to any other person or body under heaven; a right which cannot be delegated. A true and orderly church of our Lord

CANNOT BE REPRESENTED. The office of representative in all civil and ecclesiastical communities, supposes the delegation of power to form a body representing a constituency suming that these laws were not given with power to bind the various constituencies by the will of a majority of the representation. We elect Representatives to the State Legislature and to the United States Congress, and when they make laws we are bound to receive them as the rule of our life as citizens. We recognize the fact that these representative bodies are over us and that we are in objection to them. Now all the power which these bodies have is delegated power. They derive their power from the people through the constitution

and immediately by the election of the several representatives, How then can a church of Jesus Christ be represented? What has the church to transfer to a representaand in the house of God, they should tive? Can it take part in the formacarnestly seek to know the mind of tion of a body of delegates, unknown the Holy Spirit as revealed in His to the Word of God, and holding au-Word. The hearers of Paul and Silas | thority over the churches of Christ? at Berea, "were more noble than Can a church vest anything in such a those at Thessalonies, in that they re- body without manifest unfaithfulness ceived the Word with all readiness of to Christ and a complete loss of her mind, and searched the Scriptures independence? It would seem, from daily, whether those things were so." these simple principles, impossible To aid her in her judicial and execu- that a church of Christ can be in any tive obligations, God has bestowed proper and legitimate sense representshe receives these not as her Masters ground of the truth, comprehending of these lamentable traits; but their

committed to them they cannot trans-Baptist churches."

All attempts among the Baptists to

REPRESENTATIVE BODIES have proved a failure. "Attempts have been made at sundry times, among us, to establish some kind of informal representation. They have never met with favor, and have obtained influence among us only through ignorance of their real character." (Wayland.; State conventions and conventions of a more general character, have had so much of the representative nature as to be composed mainly of persons appointed by churches, ssociations and societies; but these bodies being strictly and exclusively benevolent organizations, and to carry forward benevolent enterprises money being essential, therefore the "reprentatives" have almost invaribly been sent on a monied basis, the epresented bodies being entitled to representation on account of the amount of money they have paid to the objects fostered by the convention. And in a majority of such Baptist Conventions the monied basis is so complete a feature, that individual Baptists are allowed annual and life membership in consideration of the money they have paid. All of which simply means that the persons who give money are allowed, in person or through a messenger, to be present and take part in the management of of which their donations were made. churches ever thinks of sending a even of those churches who contribute to these enterprises; many of the associations do not send "delegates" to the conventions. Our agents, secretaries, and "liberal brethren" comto be represented. They tell unthat or ignore these suggestions. If a "other denominations do thus and " seeming to suppose to

telligence and liberality. They forget that the representative bodiesso-called-of other sects have power to arrange for an attendance, and that their councils and judicatories comprise the heart and head of their as truly a church after as it was bedenominational structure. brethren also forget that the Baptists never have had a representative body in any correct sense, and that they never intend to have one.

OUR BENEVOLENT BODIES

are a peculiar feature of our denomination. People speak of Baptist Conventions as if they regarded them as ecclesiastical councils. Such bodies as a State Convention are by many, looked upon as similar in our church order to an annual conference of the Methodists and a synod of the Presbyterians; and such a body as the Southern Baptist Convention is supposed to be semetihng similar to General Conference or a General Assembly; whereas, in truth, these conventions are purely missionary and educational in their work, and that exclusively, having no connection with the churches except that they are composed of Baptists, and some of the churches send messengers to take part in them. But no church is in any respect responsible to them, nor under any organic obligation to send messengers to them, nor are they under any responsibility to the churches further than the churches have intrusted money to them. Our benevolent bodies are the voluntary union of Christian effort; free associations of persons and work for the promotion of a common faith. may be asked, "How is it possible to Testament order/

exalted Head. The Son of God has peoples of our corts, are committed pever wavering devotion to the inde may be pressed upon and performed church, and does not profess religion,

come a denominational instinct-if tor and each Baptist in the South ask we may be allowed the use of that himself how he stands in regard to Does the humble, private Christian word here, so that thousands of our this matter, in view of the facts in churches who have but little inform- the case, in the eye of the loving and ation and culture is many other ec- blessing Savior? If our churches can clesiastical matters, are always on send out their devoted and confiding the alert for the protection of church sovereignty. And with them, what- and dangers of Pagan lands to preach ever else suffers loss, this must not for them the Gospel of Christ, and

'By a divine instinct, men's minds mistrust Pursuing danger.

But when the conventions have confined themselves to their benevolent work, and have exclusively kept their missionary and educational enterprises before the denomination, and when they have not come down from this great work to manufacture public sentiment on other questions our people have taken hold and cooperated with as much heart and liberality as have their neighbors in a like work.

But the question may be asked, are

MISSENGERS TO ASSOCIATIONS often spoken of as "delegates." Are they, not representatives of the churches, and is not a Baptist Association a body of church representatives? We answer that the Baptist Association has the single representative feature found in the fact that its members are all appointed and sent The quota of Alabama is \$3,500.00 by churches; and all the churches Paid to date, within a given Association are expected to send "delegates," having entered into an associational and conciations are also missionary bodiesthey act udvisory, and in their reports and resolutions make many suggestions and requests to the churches, but the plain very much at these failures to churches are perfectly free to accept church shall depart from the faith eld by the churches composing the sence of delegates in Baptist Con- association, or shall go into manifest entions is the result of a want of in- disorder, or violate the constitutional compact on which the association of

> fore this action of the association. who are appointed by the churches to attend associations and conventions are not delegates, are not representatives, and that they should not be styled such; but that they are the messengers of the churches"-those who bear a message or go on an errand from the churches; and this title comprehends the whole of their powers, and so Baptists have understood and styled them, except when they have suffered their speech led astray, by the vernacular of civil governments and the parlance of ecclesiastical courts among Pedobaptists. Baptists always suffer great damage when they follow the shadow or wear the old clothes of other sects. Baptist churches cannot get into the robes of any other people in existence without first divesting themselves of their

churches is based, of course the as-

sociation has power to dissolve the

connection existing between it and

the disorderly church, but it remains

Communications.

Shall the Messengers of Christ in Heathen Lands be Supported by Our Churches ?

At the last meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention a committee of one from each State presented a list of appropriations for our Foreign Missionaries, and what was regarded religion, and keep it from the world, a fair division of the same among the and will not let any one know it if succeed with such uncertain organi- Southern States. The Board of For- they can help it; and thus go on for zation and such want of co-opera- eign Missions informed the Missionation?" It is a sufficient reply to this, ries of their respective appropriations, And thus the influence which they off and set up on a small scale at their But criticism without poetry energy to remark that we have succeeded as which were based upon their own as- might exert, is lost. This they do, own church for themselves. Our vates instead of strengthe will as any body else; our plans have timates of necessary expenses for the not intending in the least to dishonor school is quite large. Some peculiar by. In the final catastrophe of school is quite large. Some peculiar by the final catastrophe of school is quite large. Some peculiar by the final catastrophe of school is quite large. not failed to obtain very liberal co-op- year, and authorized them to draw in or disobey their Saviour, and yet circumstances induced us to retain a sults of continued analysis, the per eration, and are more certain of final full for the same up to the first of they certainly do both. They dissuccess than any others, because April next, The Board have presume honor him is this way, by causing literature. Brother Oden asks me to unrelieved by the opportunity of free marked by the simplicity of New ed that the churches would meet the the world to think, that the natural quotas of their States, which, with man is really better than he is; for The inaction of our churches with the amounts paid to date, are pub there is an ennobling power in the reference to our State and General lished in the Foreign Mission Journ- religion of Jesus Christ, which the Conventions, is not the result of cov- al. They still expect that they will natural man does not possess. etousness and parsimony; we admit do it. But the time is short, and the gifts on his church-ministerial gifts; ed. The church is the pillar and that our people have had their share balances against the State must be the soul, it will have an influence on speedily met. If the pastors do not the character and conduct of its posand Rabbis, but as her Pastors and the elements of all moral good. The non-action is more directly traceable look after this matter, to whom can sessor; people always like good con-Reschers, and with them goes forth moral forces which are to make ad to their fear of the Board and Missionaries look? To duct, better than bad, and when the

brethren and sisters to the hardships fold their arms, or sleep over their wants and their touching appeals or their more eloquent sufferings in silence, then where is the hope that our poor nature will ever respond truly and faithfully to our moral obligation from the convictions of right and the power of Divine grace in the heart? If the times are hard, the nobleness of our religion demands that retrenchment should begin at homewhere there is a broad margin of comfort; and not with those who cannot even exist without our regular sup-

It is not the Board of Foreign Missions who need our gifts, nor the Southern Baptist Convention; but the consecrated men and women of God, whom we have sent among the heathen: nay, it is the work of our own Master and Savior, who will say in that day of days: "Inasmuch as ye have done it to one of these, my brothren, ye have done it unto me."

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Balance, 2,771.22 The Board ask that one dollar be sent for each "Mite-Box" which is stitutional agreement to do so; an held by the family, or Sunday Schools "representative;" this remark is true be binding on the churches. Asso- the virtual pledges of their State, and save our missionaries from more anxbodies of etangelism. Sometimes liety and suffering than are necessary to their arduous and Christ-like work. H. A. TUPPER.

Corresponding Secretary Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.

Christian Duty, or Neglect of Christian Duty.

"Neither do men light a candle and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house."

In my other article, I spoke of light shine; or, more properly, three degrees of brightness of Christian light: one is, when he has the name Therefore we maintain that persons of a Christian, and fully shows that Christian; and, the third is, he who are an isolated, ignorant, and despis- it. It will no more work or run it-

the wrong way. who put their light under the bushel. In writing on this subject, I will take the part that I mentioned last, in consideration first. But I do not expect to be able to teach any of the readers of the Barrist anything, but perhaps some one who is able and competent, will be induced to criticise a little what I write.

Perhaps some one will think, that I committed a grammatical error, in calling so an adverb. I might have been wrong, but, the best rule is, that the use to which a word is applied, determines its part of speech And if we can find out exactly what Jesus meant by the language quoted at the head of my other article, then we will know exactly what so means.

I mentioned first, is, to take the Christian life at its commencement. As I said before, there are many who have years, with their lights concealed.

And when religion is implanted in to learn and execute the will of her application of Christian truth to the conventions, and to their zealous and whom does Christ look that this duty conduct of one who is not in the

said to His churches. "Whatsoever to the jurisdiction of the churches by pendence of the churches. It has be- by the churches? Will not each pas- is apright, they claim all this for nawish to be honored of God? Then let him take his light out from under the bushel, and put it on dlestick, " that it may give light unto all that are in the house," and let them know that this good conduct is not derived from nature, but from

And thus you will honor your Saviour, and he says, "Him that honoreth me will my Father honor." Christ and his apostles have everywhere commanded the believer in Christ to be baptized, and they always did so immediately. And he does yet command the same by the influence of his Spirit; for every new convert, whose experience I have yet heard, testified to the one fact, that the first thing after the change was a desire to be baptized, (and generally, they wanted to be immersed when they thought they dared mention it.) "He that is ashamed of me before men, of him will I be ashamed before my Father and his holy angels." Take care, doubting had preaching every Sabbath. Fur-Christians, lest you be found among those of whom Christ is ashamed in that day. I do not think that there is one who has felt the love of Jesus, that does really desire to "deny" or be "ashamed" of him, and yet they must be ashamed of something, those who do not "confess" him by joining preaching every Salbath, if they the church, and showing the light can do so, but will leave it to others which he has given them.

If one should read this, who feels agreement from which each church or church; that the poor may forward the love of Jesus, and has not dis- ly true of the whole country; also, has a perfect right to withdraw at their little offerings, and the rich may charged that all-important duty, let to account for it, if possible. the benevolent causes to the support pleasure. The persons selected to at- send freely and largely as God has me beg you, if you want to honor The Baptist preachers of this part tend the association have no powers prospered them; that each pastor Christ, if you value your own happi- of the State generally supply from But not one in a hundred of our delegated to them. They cannot may take up a special collection, and ness, arise and be baptized. I will two to four churches each, and then pass an act or do a thing which will every one do something to redeem write more hereafter. T. M. M. follow some other occupation by Kelly's Creek.

> Want and Suffering among the Indians.

have no corn nor bread. The hogs, of the State.) . too, for want of mass were thin, and Most of our churches have Sabthree ways of Christians letting their | the bacon "crop" is light. The cry | bath-schools; and they succeed well of distress in many places is pitiable. wherever they have Christians who Kansas and Nebraska are also suffer- are willing to work, pay, and pray. ing, but they are in contact and sym- And wherever they do not succeed. pathy with the world, and hence it can generally be traced to a lack he is one by his acts; another is, thousands of dollars are now going of one or more of the above named when one has the name, and shows to those States to relieve the suffer- things. No school will succeed withonly by a part of his acts that he is a ing-not so with these Indians. They out some one or more to work for ha the Christian's name, but his ed people. Few know anything of self than any other enterprise or works, whether good or evil, have a their suffering condition, and fewer business. No school will succeed tendency to lead sinners out of the still care anything. Mrs. Murrow well for any length of time without right way, or, lead them further in and Mrs. Boua found a poor woman some paying. Books and papers, a few days since in a little hut dying etc., must be paid for by some one. And then I said something of those with want and disease, and a babe No school will succeed well without lying beside her, actually starving to some praying; for it is sanctified by death. They cared for them, but the word of God and prayer. S. since the babe has died. There are hundreds of families now in this nation that do not know where their supper will come from, and hundreds will go supperless to their rude beds. Brethren, remember the poor In-Yours, J. S. MURROW.

A-tok-a, February 24th, 1875.

Letter From Childersburg.

Bro. Winkler: Nothing very spe cial at my churches. Congregations result in great good to the Master's increasing, salary rather diminishing, cause. Last night we resurrected a surplus in religion but not in Christianity. Political excitement makes with encouraging indications. a great demand for secular papers, The reason that I take the last that but something dissipates the public taste for denominational and Christian papers and reading.

At this place we have reorganized intendency of Brother D. B. Oden, this place, the best point from which to obtain Sunday School papers, meeting the above state of things in our school. We are receiving a large school. We are receiving a large number of accessions by letter, at our church here, as people move in.

man-at our next meeting.

Churches, Preachers and Sab bath Schools.

OXFORD, ALA., March 1, 1875.

Brother Editors: You are kept so well posted by others from this part of the State, that I am at a loss to know what to write about. Our churches, with one exception, as far as I know, are supplied with presshing at least one Sabbath in each month, and this is about all that a majority of them are able to do. And while many of our city pastors think that a church with preaching only one Sabbath in each month would dwindle out, yet the Baptists are in the ascendency in this part of the State, and it has been attained by once a month preaching, with very few exceptions. Some of the largest and most prosperous churches in this part of the State have never had preaching, as a regular thing, more than one Sabbath in each month yet they are strong and influential bodies. And compared with other churches, they have, as a general thing, had as large ingatherings during each year as those who have thermore, in the communities where these churches are located, as large a number of the people are church members, compared with the whole number, as where they have had preaching every Sabbath. I am an advocate for every church having to decide whether what is true of this section of the State is not equal-

which their salaries are supplemented, so as to enable them to support their families. (For I know of only about three preachers in all this The late spring and early summer part of the State, including about drought of last year cut off the corn one-third of the State, who receive crop in the Indian Territory. In salaries sufficient to support their many places nothing was made. The families, yet they do not murmur, forest crop of acorns and other mass but work on vigorous'y for the Manwas also nearly destroyed. The re- ter. Many of them are strong sult has been that there is now very preachers, sound in the faith of the great destitution and suffering among Gospel, and they will compare favthe Indians. Hundreds of families orably with preachers of other parts

Note from Eufaula

Dear Brother: Take that blue mark off my paper, Enclosed, find \$2.00, and put me down as a life-time subscriber.

Our church prospects are brightening very much, our future is full of promise. We are looking for Brethren Graves and Fish soon, each is a host in himself, and we hope their combined power and influence will our young people's prayer meeting

Yours fraternally, W. N. REEVES Eufaula, Ala., Feb. 25, 1871.

CRITICISM. - "The French," save the Sunday School, under the super- Dryden, "are much better critics than the English, as they are worse poets, with a full and well selected band of ters of France are Montaigne and teachers. The Methodists have drawn Montesquieu, not Corneille or Racine, say to you, he would take it as a fa-vote themselves exclusively to search yor if you would suggest to him at for the causes of life, and not rather

A NEW ARRIVAL OF MENNONITES. -Nearly 1,000 families of Mennonites Yours truly, W. WILKES.
P. S.—Shall ordain two deacons—
brethren D. B. Oden and Thos. Colebrethren D. B. Oden and Thos. Cole000 head of cattle for them in Mon-



T. WINELER .- EDITOR. L.B. TEAGUE J. J. D. RENFROE

MARION, ALA.:

Tuesday, March 9, 1875 A Literary Anniversary.

exercises was as follows :

Young Mon."-By W. W. Burns. II. Debate upon the question :-Compalsory Education?"

NEGATIVE: J. H. Johnson J. S. Dill, W. F. Westbrook.

III. Poem. "Decay."-By D. G.

No effort to make a mere display was apparent. The young men proposed simply to renew the exercises which usually engage their attention in the halls of debate, and thus set forth their societies as they really are when privately and regularly at work. bonored more fitly or more pleasantly acuteness and animated and generous rivalry.

nended the arguments as remarkable for logical skill, and the manner of delivery as impressive in its facile grace and manly dignity. They found it very difficult to decide between the audience at large, were quite generally expressed in the remark: "Those young men are destined for eminence have seen an exhibition of college societies which produced upon our minds so favorable an impression. We felt that we were listening to men, not boys-to men dexterous and powerful in argument, poetry and

May God continue to bless the taltraining under our indefatigable preseptors, for the Gospel and the State !

The Intellect and the Heart.

Mere intellectual excellencies cannot win love. This is manifestly true That trusty friendship, which opens all the secrets of the heart to another -that fond attachment, which conducts two spirits hand in hand along the appointed pilgrimage of life, is not dependent upon talents and ability, but upon congenial sentiments and opinions. Nothing else can awaken that tender preference which acts like enchantment upon our Nature

So it is in everyday life. There are have bearts at their disposal:

bored, by awkwardness or dullness. you are thinking of their names.

tions, and even of clothing familiar are acquainted with human nature: they have a store of pleasing thought and observation; they leave you richer at every interview. They are loved as the gentle benefactors of the mind. They are professors whose class is

There are still others who, without he resources either of our merry riends or our wise ones, are not less charming through their delicacy and refinement. Men of few words perhaps, but of flattering attentions ey see all the good in you, and it evidently gives them joy. They have a charming way of expressing symputhy and even disapproval. Propriety, courtesy, sincerity, so pervade every word and movement, that you are ambitious of proving worthy of such attention and sympathy: and estern them as the worthiest of men.

Such was the grace of Chesterfield. But after all it is not the social talent, or the richly furnished mind, or the elegant demeanor, which charms you.

sympathizing heart, they are soundgasa. The mask drops sometimes. on have revelations that you never ould have anticipated. The wit beomes slanderous and quarrelsome the sage becomes hard and selfish and conceited; the fine gentleman become double tongued and scornful. Don't you remember when you were disenchanted?

We love the favorites of society, ast because we suppose that love is a them: but let us find out our mistake, and there are none whom we On the night of Friday, the 26th regard with more suspicion and disalt, a large and intelligent audience like. It is impossible to love a sharp assembled in the Chapel of Howard spirit and a bitter heart. You can-College, to witness the annual cele- not love the sprightly humorist who bration of the Franklin and Philo- handles the weak with disdain, and mocks them; and whose first business The programme for the evening's may be to ridicule you and yours so soon as your back shall be turned. I. Oration, "Duties of Southern You cannot love the accomplished genius who teaches with a proud sense of superiority; who is so igno-"Ought a State to Adopt a System of rant of the condescending art of instilling knowledge, that you would rather be ignorant than have such a preceptor. You cannot love the refined and courteous gentleman whose urbanity is all external; and whose first design is to dazzle you with his shining qualities. It is the heart that takes the heart.

The world is skillful in hiding its radical defect of love: its conceit and pride are held back; and so we are entrapped into loving it when it has no love to return. This cheat which Youth laments in so many mournful The anniversary could not have been rhymes, and Satire scourges with perpetual lash, is a standing proof than by such a display of intellectual how deep in nature is the need of love. The exposure destroys all the charm. And the exposure must take place; for there are times, as we have said, when even the most skillful drop the mask. The apple is tested, and it is found rotten at the core. The blooming flower is plucked, and lo! there is a serpent lurking under it. contestants. The sentiments of the Your anchor is dropped, and finds nothing to hold to-only a quicksand under the buoyant waters!

Not by shining qualities expect to in life." As for ourselves, we frankly win the hearts of men. Virtue, even sy, that we do not remember ever to when unadorned, and integrity in its principles are his institutions; its produce ice at the equator. Man simplest guise, have a charm more

In view of the fact that teaching of some sort has been going on in the world ever since there were children in it, one is surprised to observe how ent which he has here given and is few persons even among the intelligent and cultivated know how to teach. Two nuisances in the schoolroom especially, and loudly, call for abatement. The one is the lecture system which enables the pupil to smatter upon a subject with which he has no just acquaintance. The other in the most intimate relations of life. is the memoriter system, which develops but one, and that a rudimenta- John, 5: 4, Whatsoever is jborn of ry, faculty of the mind; which, unless the teacher takes pains, will cram his is the victory that overcometh the pupil's mind with words and leave it world, even our faith. empty of ideas. The student learns only so far as his thought and invention are called into exercise. He needs the teacher and the book as the starting points and aids to his own thinking.

Hence a shrewd observer remarks that it is a great mistake for teachers three classes of men who seem to to talk so much in their classes. The highest skill in their work does not The one class consists of persons of appear in their criticisms or appeals happy address. You are sure in or abundance of knowledge and inmeeting them that you will not be formation. The Best teacher is the one who excites desire to know, and They have a refreshing smile or pleas- draws forth the thinking reasoning ant remark ready when you encoun- and inquiring faculties of his pupil. ter them: they know what is going The talking should be done for the on in the world : they have wit or most part by the latter. In a word, banter at command. Thus they are the student must actively co-operate general favorites. While you read in his own education. A mind inactive under the process of instruction, Others have a higher charm. All at the best can only absorb like a countries of the world, all spheres of sponge; it ought to enlarge and knowledge, seem to have enriched strengthen like a muscle. Education their minds. They have the gift of is more than information-it is deawakening new thoughts, new emo- velopment. Many instructors, and parents also, guage it by the recitals shings with an air of novelty. They of the class and the showy displays of

> The true idea of education is given by the poet Thomson, in the familiar

"Delightful task, to rear the tender thought To teach the young idea how to shoot: To pour the fresh instruction o'er the mind, To breathe the enlivening spirit, and to fix The generous purpose in the glowing

Appointment,

of the late Baptist State Convention, to announce that Rev. E. T. Smyth, of Oxford, was appointed to preach the next Convention sermon, and Rev. W. B. Crumpton, of Cambridge, al-

These appointments are not pubished in the Minutes from the fact that the Committee of Nomination failed to furnish a written report, or the same became misplaced when the Minutes were prepared.

lies are supplied with at least one re- lethargy into which they have fallen; whom twenty-seven have joined, home.

The Christian's Battlefield.

God and the world are opposed to

ich other. We cannot be the

riends of both. If we serve the

world, if we give entertainment to hose things, whatever name they bear, which are opposed to God's conor and to the knowledge of Jesus Christ, if anything beneath the sun is more attractive or more fearful than God, we must be ranked among his enemies. Either we formalism than anything else. Let must conquer the world, or the the children of God but see eye to world must conquer us. We float as mighty and as ceaseless as a cat- day as ever. Man has been as bad as aract, and unless we breast it and he can be. He was bad in Eden, he make head against it we shall surely be borne away. Or, rather, to use another figure, we stand upon a battle-field thick with the charging gospel to save. When men are will squadrons of the foe; we wrestle, not with flesh and blood, but with principalities and powers and rulers of the darkness of this world, and we must either conquer or die. Ah! the fortunes of the field would be desperate, were we left to ourselves! We contend, not for life, for the honor of a flag, for the tar- do not think of ourselves, and are nished glory of a republic, but for willing to die, then we shall reach our something dearer than these. Our fellowmen. immortality is at stake. Danger besets an existence more lasting and more precious than all the spheres. interposition. He puts into our na- belongs to the supernatural : ture the principle of a new life. The same irresistible energy which through nature what nature could not hurled apostate spirits from heaven encounters them in human nature kite, send up a balloon. Man can do on the earth. We are taught to all these things. He can convert a recognize the world as under Satan's desert into a garden, or a garden into pleasures and terrors are his temptations; but amid the dangers of this alien and hostile state we bear this comfort with us, that whosoever is born of God overcometh the world. and that this is the victory that overcometh the world-even our faith.

Thus the principle of faith is commended to us. It is exhibited in its proper sphere in the midst of a distracted and warring world. It is exhibited in its native power as able to overcome that world. It is exhibited as enduring the various tests to which it is subjected, and as actually achieving the victory that overcometh the world by faith. 1 God overcometh the world, and this

Current Topics.

The Pope in his last "little speech" sighed for the return of the time when the Peninsula was divided into many States, and "there were no Protestant churches in the country." It is understood that Alfonso has promised his Eminence to crush out Protestant journals and churches in Spain. ---Dr. Draper, in his late book on the conflict of Science and Religion, confounds the latter with Romanism. This fallacy makes his argument against religion easy; for Romanism is not favorable to general intelligence. But Christianity is favorable to education and promotes true science as is manifest from the present condition of all Christian nations.-One of the remarkable signs of the times is the tendency to make light of positive beliefs and ecclesiastical institutions. The secular press snears at them and even professors of region assign them to the department more earnestly let true believers conthe Lord inviolate,---Some one justly remarks that primary education is not simply learning, but it is the power of learning; it is not how much a child knows, but how much other words it is the actual measure

Mr. Moody in England.

activities of Christians. He says: find it in the world. Men are desperately in earnest in business circles. Hell is in earnest. Why should we Putnam, Ct. -- The Protestant Episnot be? We talk about infidelity and | copal House of Bishops propose to all the isms that are creeping over work in Mexico. If they send a ritthe world. I am more afraid of cold eye, and Christianity will overcome prehended in Spain. The new gov-I the hosts of hell and death. There ernment needs the aid of the priests, apon a tide of life and energy is as much power in the Gospel to- and cannot get it otherwise .-- The was bad for two thousand years under the law, and he has been bad 000 of their yearly supply of emibut, my friends, there is power in the ing to give their lives to work for Garibaldi-his enthusiasm. In 1867, when on his way to Rome, he was told that if he got there he would be im prisoned. Said he, 'If fifty Garibaldis are imprisoned, let Rome be free! And when the cause of Christ is lodged so deep in our hearts that we

The Supernatural.

Dr. Crane, of Ohio, has given to We may lose what the carnal sword the Journal and Messenger a powercannot touch. We may go into an ful article on the above subject. The eternal exile, from which no glad following paragraphs furnish the gist sound, as of the trumpet of the ju- of the argument, urged against the bilee, shall summon us to return. materialist who would fain exclude a Consigned to horrors more appalling | superintending Providence from the than the prison ships of revolution- natural world. Dr. Crane urges that ary history, our souls may be con. the subjection of matter to spirit is fined in darkness unrelieved and the most familiar fact with which we everlasting chains. The danger are made acquainted by experience would be a certainty but for God's and observation. For man himself

Every day he accomplishes in and construct a gun, build a mill, fly a molds nature as if it were wax, and controls it as if it were his slave.

prayer is directly answered only by its reflex influence on him who offers it. Inwardly influenced, the praying man moves out upon nature, and makes it conform to his divinely inspired purpose. Behold how prayer s answered indirectly by outward

providence! But why shall we admit that God can work providentially in the realm the forces and laws of nature to the accomplishment of his own purposes -if man can institute providencescannot the personal God, having omipotence at the disposal of his will, do as much? So do we return to what we have already more than once affirmed, that, given the existence of a personal God, the doctrine of divine providence is not only credible, but

Field Notes. Bro. Baber writes us from Greenville that one of our subscribers, Bro. A. P. Gafford, is so well pleased with the paper that he is offering seed -Bro. T. P. Gwin writes from Oxford, Alabama .: "All the brethren paper. I will do what I can for the ALABAMA BAPTIST. The churches that I am pastor of are in a healthy Church, at the close of a sermon, for mourners, and six came forward and one was converted. To God be all writes from Ruhama, Ala.: "I perceive from the cross marks on the Baptist, that the time paid for has about expired. Now, I don't wish to complain of hard times, but undoubtedly money is very scarce in "non-essentials." So much the this country; and it is almost like taking the bread out of our mouths F. in a lecturing tour South, on future events,"-Bro. Z. H. Gor- the situation of this people. don, a worthy veteran, of Seale, Rus-

seceded from the Catholic church at unlist there he will find the work already done. --- Persecution is ap-Northern papers complain that the United States have lost nearly 120,be expected to set in. We are payin the churches the body of deaconsand the reputation of a pastor .--a method of "fasting," permitted by often since thought of it with grief. Suppose, then, that it be true that saw the situation, and whispered to clined. There is danger of impress bush fashion." That was the right is a mere "profession." word, at the right time; the brother poured forth an eloquent discourse, well enjoyed by the audience .---- We regret to learn that Collins H. Lyons, a worthy colored youth of Marion, who has been a student at the Auof physical nature only through the gusta Institute was severely maltreat-mediation of man? If man can order ed by two ruffians in Columbia Co., ed by two ruffians in Columbia Co., Ga., who were opposed to the educa-

welcome and Christian treatment.

Affliction.

We have recently suffered much potatoes as premiums to subscribers. from personal indisposition, and far more from the hourly apprehension for weeks of the death of children. speak highly in favor of our State Two of our children have been near the grave; one is now convalescent and the other, we hope, past imm nent danger. We have been face to and working condition. I gave an face with the king of terrors as often opportunity at Post Oak Spring before. Our brethren will be at no loss to account for the little we have recently writter. And we desire seemed deeply concerned. I hope them to help us thank God for a great deliverance, while with freshened the glory."-Bro. H. F. Woods faith in His merey, we address ourselves again to the work before us.

E. B. T.

We have no good reason perhaps to call in question the motives of Dr.

Dr. Fulton's Mission.

It were well, however, that philansell county, Alabama, writes that the thropists would consider first, whethhe has the capacity to find out. In weekly visits of our paper have won er the "Greeks are not at their doors,"

He thinks the great thing to be done Mo., states that forty-four have pro- to be misery and ain enough to occu- John Newton. We should see to it that our fami for the churches is to break up the fessed conversion in his church, of py even a Brooklyn minister, at

him down South-not before.

"Harpies."

have that matter in charge, and with- ceptably, for several years; when the truth.- Doddrige. pastorate of the Great Valley Church, conship, will take care of the comfort | the death of his father, he was in- and retard its progress .- Ceril. duced to return to that State, as his aminations in the University of Lon- would be easy for the Great Valley don, Mr. Alfred Pearce Gould, also Church to secure a preacher. "O a son of a Baptist minister, won three yes," said the good brother, "they will scholarships and one gold medal .--- pounce down upon it, from every ton, had a dinner party in Lent. The | the facts to me, was infinitely amused, | entertainment consisted of fish served at the pithy and caustic remark. So up fifteen different ways. This was were we, at the time; but we have

the canons of the church. To have We should be exceedingly sorry to let us make use of our help and eaten meat served in one way would discover such a spirit South. And have been feasting .--- A corres- yet we have heard of such a case, at of itself accomplish. Nature cannot pondent of the National Baptists least one reminding us of it, not a clouds gather we have only to look relates the following incident :- thousand miles away. Thirty letters While Dr. Going was pastor in Wor- received, in rapid succession, virtual- joy of heaven while on earth. Let ce ster, he was visited by a brother ly offering services! We think brethpower; its unregenerate inhabitants a desert. He can prevent or promote mi nister from Vermont, whom he in- ren should not hide themselves; yet famine and pestilence. He can make vited to preach. The Vermont broth- great modesty becomes the high callare his children; its customs and orange trees grow in Greenland, or er felt some embarrassment in the ing. Work pointed ont by the provicity pulpit, and endeavored to adapt | dence of God, is neither to be too himself to his position. Dr. Going eagerly sought, nor too modestly dehis visitor, "Brother, give it to 'em ing the people that the ministry

E. B. T.

Communications.

Gems of Thought.

-Let us not perplex ourselves in endless speculations as to the manner in which the dead shall rise, but tion of the colored people. Collins let us rather repose in the certainty subsequently taught school in another | that they surely will. The Almighty county, where he met with a cordial God, we may be sure, knows how he is to fulfill it. The body, then, shall -During the last year the pastors awake; though it be not till "the trained in Spurgeon's Institute baptiz- heavens are no more." The grave ed 2,633 believers. Their baptisms is but a place of temporary rest, not from the commencement have been of eternal forgetfulness. The grave 20,000 .- A Baptist Church is to be of the righteous is the treasury of built at San Antonio "the Rome of the skies. It will hear the voice, Restore the dead !" and every stom of its trust shall be rendered back .--Country Parson.

apon death and the grave with so much of dread and repulsion as did

-I know a courier, swift and sure, who will carry us to our absent-Faith. He knows the road. Have

him over. He is now 79 years of We hear great cry of the starving quoted. He believed, after much a sharp, severe, strong seumen; of strength of the thinking part of age, has been in the ministry fifty condition of thousands of poor me- study and reflection, he had at last they cut things to pieces; they are We are requested by the Secretary man; not how much knowledge has years, and has baptized in that time chanics' families and others, right in found out what scarlet was; and beover 1020 souls.—The next meeting the great cities of New York and ing asked to explain himself, "I ambitious-fond of power; pride of the Evangelical Alliance will not Brooklyn. Our colored people are think," says he, "searlet has some and power give a velocity to their be held at Rome. It would be es- not starving-not at all likely to thing like the sound of a trumpet." motions. Men often take to them-We learn that the Roman Catholic teemed as a bravado to the Pope and starve, -when willing to labor. But This man had about the same know- selves great credit for what they Archbishop, Cullen, has pronounced his followers. It will be held in some there appears to be no labor for many ledge of natural light as Nicodemus owe entirely to nature. If we would against the American revivalists. He Protestant city. A citizen of Syra- of the Northern panpers. Spurgeon, had of spiritual. Nor can all the judge rightly, we would see that abjects that they make religion a cuse has given \$20,000 to the Univer- replied to parties calling him out on learning or study in the world enamere sensationalism. How little truth sity there. Let those who have the the subject of Southern slavery, that ble any person to form a suitable niggardliness or generosity, delicacy there is in the charge appears from a means in Alabama, not forget the he would not, on occasion, spare us; judgment of divine truth till the or boldness have less of merit or derecent deliverance from Mr. Moody, Howard College and the Judson .-- but that he had sin enough on his eyes of his mind are opened, and merit than we commonly assign to addressed to the Baptist churches. Rev. Dr. Talbird, now at Lexington, hands in London. There would seem then he will perceive it at once.-

-Always remember that sincerity Union these qualities are united to ligious paper; and if but one, let that to transfuse enthusiasm into the orthe college of the secessions were from the college of the visits of calm devent was of pair.

Eighteen of the accessions were from the college of the visits of calm devent was of pair. thodox order and routine of seligious the college. The house of worship the visits of calm devout men of prin- prove ourselves to him, must ani- eggs."

service. Mr. Moody insists that the of Waller's church-one of the oldest ciple, who, after a knowledge of the mate and govern all that we do in it. present methods are ineffective to Baptist churches of Virginia, is burnt. facts, had anything to suggest; to Under the influence of this princiawaken the attention of the uncon- The church was organized 105 years throw open our pulpits to them; but ple, you will impartially inquire into verted or to develop the spiritual ago. They now hold their Sunday we are not prepared to patronize men every intimation of duty, and apply School in the grove. They are striv- of heated imaginations, and fanatical to the practice of it so far as it is "We want something more. We ing to raise \$500 to complete the dispositions. Dr. Fulton cannot ex- known to you. Your heart will be want enthusiasm in God's work. We building .- Twenty families have pect recognition while exulting in engaged in all you do. Your conbayonets as moral religious or po- duct in private and in secret will be litical weapons. When by the incul- agreeable to your most public becation of peace and charity he shall havior. A sense of the divine auhave permanently relieved the poor thority will teach you "to esteem mechanics, miners, and factory girls all God's precepts concerning all North, we shall be prepared to hear things to be right, and to hate every false way."-Doddrige.

-As a Christian you will also maintain truth inviolable, not only in your solemn testimonies, when An excellent brother, thirty years confirmed by an oath, but in your ago, came from Pennsylvania to Ala- common conversation. You will rethese eighteen centuries under grace; grants. If the South were let alone bama, and studied theology under member, too, that your promises an immense tide of emigration might | the direction of a most able and com- | bring an obligation upon you, which petent minister, now retired from you are by no means at liberty to God, then he takes these men and ing a heavy price for our politicians .- public service. Commending him- break through. On the whole, you uses them. One thing I admire about |-A contributor to the Interior argues | self to general esteem by a modest | will be careful to keep a strict corfor the establishment of a society for and pious deportment, he was soon respondence between your words the prevention of cruelty to ministers. engaged as pastor, by one of our and your actions, in such a masser According to our idea the churches churches. Here he labored, most ac- as becomes a servant of the God of

> -If a good man cannot prevent A spiritual church and a faithful dea in Pennsylvania, becoming vacant by evil, he will hang heavy on its wings

> We are too ready to say in trou-The first scholar in Cambridge, Eng- father's successor. Returning to ble, "All these things are against me!" land - "the Senior Wrangler" - is visit his old charge, after two or three but a Christian should say, "This John William Lord, son of the years, he was importuned to take or that may seem against me; but Rev. Isaac Lord, a Baptist minis- charge of them again. Among other there is mercy for me; there is a ter in Birmingham. At the last ex things, the church represented it Savior; there is God's word; and and there are his ordinances." He should be more careful to enumerate what is for him, than what is against him. He should look over the list A devout lady of Beacon street, Bos- side, like harpies." A brother stating of his spiritual and temporal mercies, as well as that of his sorrows, and remember, that what things are against him, are so on account of his sin. Our pilgrimage is but short: means. God has given us a guide and a support to lean on; when the to Jesus. We are not to expect the as be content that there is a highway for us to walk in, and a leader to conduct us in that way .- Cecil.

-Christ had seen his Father's house, and therefore could not be taken with the glory of the earthly structure. - Fenelon.

When men give God their hearts, it is sweet then to observe His ways; yea, the Lord condescends to their desires when they sum them all up in himself and make him their delight - Fleming.

-Men are to be estimated, as Johnson says, by the mass of character. A block of tin may have a grain of silver, but still it is tin; and a block of silver may have an alloy of tin, but still it is silver. The mass of Elijah's character was excellence; yet he was not without alloy. The mass of Jehu's character was base; yet he had a portion of zeal that was directed by God to great ends .- Cecil.

-Not on earth alone is an interest felt in the death and burial of the righteons. For when the leader of Israel in the wilderness went up into the hill-top to die, the two great angels of Heaven and Hell met and -The Christian does not look contended over his grave. The great vicegerent of the resurrection was there. To him the body of a saint Job; he can look upon them not only is suggestive of the last day; it is a without fear, but with feelings of special assignment by Christ-an triumph. But this is not because official trust, to the archangel. death and the grave is changed, but Bodies of saints are therefore most because the future are changed-be- precious to Him. The body of each cause life and immortality are saint is an unfinished history of rebrought to light in the Gospel .- J. demption; a destiny of indescribable interest and importance belongs to it-Nehemiah Adams.

-There is great diversity of charactor among real Christians. As to no fear; he will not stumble or stray constitution-look at Martin Luther; For us, in our sorrow, there are we may see the man every day; his promises, and glad intelligence of eyes and nose and mouth attest his our dead. God has not shut them character. Look at Melancthonup in dark prison-houses. We can he is like a snail with a couple of turn our eyes to the land they in- horns; he puts out his horns and habit. No mirage—the country ex- feels—and feels. No edists. No poet's rapture-the sim- ucation could have rendered these plest see the clearest! Gazing on two men alike. Luther dashes in tend for the faith once delivered to to pay for the Baptist, but we must Quixotic expedition for the ameliora- that land, our affections will take saying his things-Melancthon must have it. And, after a family consul- tion of the poor colored people. We new life, and the bitterness of de- go round about; he must consider tation, we have decided to renew for should be glad that he or anybody spair will vanish. By faith women the Greek, and then the Syrine, the paper and trust to Providence for else could find means of improving receive their dead again! I thank Some men are born minute menthee, U my God !- Madame Gaspar- lexicographers-of a German character; they will hunt through libra--The case of a blind man men- ries to rectify a syliable. Other tioned by Mr. Locke has been often | men are keen as a razor; they have them .- Cecil.

A grocer in the suburbs when com-

MARION, ALA.:

D. W. GWIN. - - - - - EDITOR

day, March 9, 1875.

Two things are noticeable in our uday School lesson series: 1, they enforce the duty of the religious training of children; and 2, they imress us with a sense of the infinite fied you out": "Papa, truth can never need for bitterness. turn to a story, can it?" No my I. They exhibited a reserved spirit early at reading, and then during To Him they are loyal; to Him they him tell the substance of what he had | ful; this is becoming read. In this way would be cultiva- 2. They exhibited a fraternal spirit: ted the child's mental independence, "Israel he shall know." Their brethpathy, the basis of parental discipline. ly, fully, -Bishop Janes said last year at a meeting of Sunday School workers: of evil. Not in rebellion, not in church and state. - Never intermit this altar of witness conceived and

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tality mainly, she believes.

THE ALTAR OF WITNESS.

Joshua xxii. 21-27.

Leading Text.—YE ARE ALL ONE IN CHRIST JESUS.-Gal. 3:28.

ANALTSIS.

After the establishment of the si cities of refuge, forty-eight cities, in eluding these six, were given by lot to the Levites, and the whole land donated to the Israelites by God was possessed in quiet and prosperity .-"There failed not aught of any good thing which the Lord had spoken unto the house of Israel; all came to pass," All were jubilant over the exact, unceming faithfulness of the Lord their God. With this spirit of joy and gratitude, the tribes of Reuben and Gad, and the half tribe of Manasseh were dismissed with Joshua's benediction to their inheritance east of Jordan. Taking with them much the hand of Moses." Consider-

I. The Altar Built,-(Ve. 10 11, 23)-"They built an altar over against the land of Canaan, in the borders of Jordan, at the passage of the children of Israel." They had acted nobly in leaving their families and property to aid in the seven years' conquest of Canaan, and they constructed this alter after the pattern of the altar of the Lord already erected at Shiloh, whither all the tribes had to go to offer sacrifices at the true and only tabernacle. The law forbade offerings in any other place or way. Lev. 17:8, 9. Drut. 12:4-6, PO-44. Its erection was in public thoroughfare, at a place of hisserie interest, without secresy, and participated in by all and without any

21.)-The other tribes soon heard of this altar, and knowing the terror of the Lord against cay transgression, and believing this act to be rebellious in that it proposed the worship of God in an unauthorized place, "the gathered themselves together at Shi loh to go up to war against them." Their feeling and action were natural it, claim it, memorialize it, seek it for were horrified at the idea of diolaty-and secession, as the altar, according and secession, as the altar, according to their assumption, clearly betoken-do. They were keesly altie to the successful competiors, and since he was a man inspired of God, he sweet explanation is the wise remeded. They were keesly altie to the successful competiors, send none, by grant and to the testimecy, though ignorantly geometric delices, and to the testimecy, though ignorantly geometric delices and to the testimecy, though ignorantly geometric delices and to the testimecy, the part of the successful competiors. So that the content of the successful competiors, send none, by grant and to the testimecy, though ignorantly geometric delices and to the testimecy, the part of the successful competiors. Send none, by grant and to the testimecy, the part of the successful competiors. Send none, by grant and to the testimecy, the successful competiors, send none, by grant and to the testimecy of the successful competiors. Send none, by grant and to the testimecy of the successful competiors. Send none, by grant and to the testimecy, the successful competiors. Send none, by grant and to the testimecy of the successful competiors. Send none, by grant and to the testimecy of the successful competiors. Send none, by grant and to the testimecy of the successful competiors. Send none, by grant and to the testimecy of the successful competiors. Send none, by grant and to the testimecy of the successful competiors. Send none, by grant and to the testimecy of the successful competiors. Send none, by grant and to the testimecy of the successful competiors. Send none, by grant and to the testimecy of the successful competiors. Send none, by grant and to the testimecy of the successful competiors. Send none products of the successful competiors. Send none p were horrified at the idea of ifolatry 2. The unity of God's people: their

and prudout men of experience, as a image that Altar? 2:1-19), and hence this course would Only through implicit, obedient faith, caranece Blone, to suspent the motives of others, or to condemn before aring. The language used by this delegation strikes us as unnecarify barsh, since it sammes the uilt of their eastern brothron; far better to know the guilt before pro-

two and a half tribes was fair, frank, cated by the mark on the margin of cultude of God as He requires per- full, and commends itself to all who your paper, your subscription is dueenta, are in any way misjudged. They do Shall it be forwarded, or shall your -The other day our little girl cas- not answer railing with railing, but wally said to us when we were enforc- show how "s roft answer turneth ing the truth, "Be sure your sins will away wrath." The innocent have no

shild, never!-Our Sunday School Solemniy putting themselves on oath, papers are approving the English they confidently make their appeal to plan of public installation of teachers. God : "The Lord God of gods, the It is maintained that this tends to Lord God of gods, He knoweth." God give dignity to their office and to add is their Judge and Witness; He is "a importance to their work .- The jealous God," and "knows the father of John Stuart Mill set him thoughts and intents" of our hearts. daily walks before breakfast made refer all: this is brave; this is beauti-

his love of reading, the utility of ren had a right to be careful of God's knowledge, and by no means the least | honor and to watch over them; and important mutual confidence and sym- they shall be informed kindly, prompt-

3. They protested against the charge "Do-nothings are good-for-nothings in transgression against the Lord was special prayer for each scholar. We erected. They proved themselves acknow a teacher whose whole class quainted with the law against altars were led to Christ by this instrumen- of sacrifice at any place besides the tabernacle, and with the fact that this would be "to turn from following the Lord." They were willing for God to punish them-"let the Lord Himself require it"-as He had punished other offenders, if rebellious or idolatrous motives actuated them; and to send him a contribution. were unwilling to be debarred the privileges and blessings of a common altar, priesthood and nationality. It is well to eschew all evil, even if resistance unto blood be necessary to striving against sin, which was so common with the ancient samts,-(Heb. 12:4).

4. They fully explained their design in building the altar. Fear lest the de scendants of their western brethren would disown their own descendants had prompted this act. The western brethren had these great advantages: the tabernacle set up in their midst, protected on every side by natural barriers, massed together in larger numbers. Temptations to separation might arise from the growing prosperity of the west, or from the chafing inconveniences of the east. Hence this altar was purposely built after the model of the true altar, at the place of passage to the yearly feasts, speil to be divided among their breth- as a witness of mutual confederation rea, they entered upon the inherit- and interest; it was "a pledge and ance "whereof they were possessed preservative of their communion with according to the word of the Lord by their brethren and with the altar of God, and a token of their resolution to do the service of the Lord before Him, (v. 27), and to continue to do so." A far-reaching concern for posterity, so characteristic of the Jews, and so susceptible of misunderstanding,

is a fruit of divine teaching. So simple, so eloquent a testimonial of their loyalty to God, their oneness with their brethren, their present satisfacthoughtful responsibility to their children after them, was to the messengers and the other tribes so entirely satisfactory as to evoke blessing instead of cursing. It bore the name, Ed, witness. Its erection, which may have been suggested by Moses' altar to preach for a church for so much in commemoration of victory over corn; after preaching several times Amalek, (Ex. 17:14) or by the custom of the age (Gen. 31:48), should have been the project of joint deliberation II. The Act Blamed,-(Vs. 12- and action on the part of all Israel like, and you shall have it, for the corn Hence we see what is so common to I'm bound to have." Some preachers, the parties of any misunderstanding, like this old man, are bound to have both were wrong and both were right, a support, and they are determined while it is ever true that groundless to please, fault-finding is both base and cruel.

1. Our "part in the Lord": realize

othern. These eastern tribes had account of every transgression we His head." ora misunderstood (Num. commit, of every memorial we set up. dre by ap- secure His approbation.

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To Our First Subscribers.

Dear Brethren: We are loth to give you up. Through an eventful year you have stood by and supported III. The Answer Becoming. come for you to again manifest your his Father." -(Vz. 22-27) .- The defence of the devotion to the enterprise. As indiname be erased from our books? These are the alternatives. We cannot believe that you are willing to have your paper stopped. Then, re new AT ONCE. We extend the time an issue or two, for we believe you do intend to remit. We say, again, and the language is not for your neighbor but for you, renew at once.

Communications.

Is it a Fair Test of Ministerial Success.

Some time since I had a conversation with a negro preacher, who stated, with a good deal of satisfaction, that two years before he had taken charge of a church in my neighborhood numbering only twenty-five members, since which time he had added to them one hundred. Shortly after this conversation, I saw, in some of our religious papers, a statement from some President of a colored institution of learning, to the effect that young colored ministers of that institution had baptized several hundred during their vacation-this statement showed, he maintained, the great good being done by his school; and, therefore, he urged all lovers of truth

I have my own opinion about the good accomplished in these two cases. But negroes are not the only ones who seem to put a great estimate upon the number of accessions. I see reports in the papers from ministers summing up their summer's campaign, in which the number baptized is the chief item. We have anniversary sermons published, which tell of the very small number, "when I took charge," and now, behold the growth !

And now, they have in the North, a pulpit, or church paper, edited of ten by the pastor, the chief design of which seems to be, to blow the pastor. One of these papers lately gave two handred and fifty as the increase of the church in a three year's pastorate. But one thing is noticeable about these papers-only the churches which have sensational preachers have them.

To my mind, such arrays of figures only show the lack of modesty in the

Any man of zeal, intelligence, and moderately eloquent, if he uses well the machinery of modern, professional revivalists, following the usual way of "opening the door of the church," on all occasions, can scenre a large To Alabama Baptist Ministers accession to almost any church in the

The present plan of receiving members is filling our churches with unconverted people. I baptized in one meeting last summer eleven, when I could have easily, under the prevatheir preacher by the number receiv- following offer of ed under his ministry, and too many ministers wanting to be esteemed successful yield to the temptation and compass sea and land to add numbers. An old minister once agreed some of his brethren told him they didn't like his preaching, "Tell me," said he, "what sort of preaching you W. B. CRUMPTON. Cambridge, Ala.

From Konaliga.

and with him ten princes," prominent as the gift laid on Him. Do our hearts but as "a man of sorrow and acquainted with grief." Ho poor was paration to their supposed erring 4, The Lord will require of us an He that "He had not where to lay we had a very old Pre

2. "As it is written," according to dopted. But it is never can we escape His condemnation and "the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world," "As a lamb led before his shearers is dumb, ro he opened not his mouth." Man, yet God. "God manifest in the flesh." God in the person of His Son,

> "To make His eternal counsels known." 3. To do the will of God. Thus your paper, and now the time has done." " Not his own, but the will of

would not make propitistion for sin.

Not all the blood of beasts alone Would for the sin of man atone.

Yea, nothing but sacrificial offering of Christ would satisfy divine justice or the Father's will. So the Father's will was that the Lamb should be (slain) offered without the gate, "on the Cross,"

And while being offered, He (the Lamb) exclaimed, "It is finished."

'Tis finished! So the Savior cried, And meekly bowed his head and died. 'Tis finished! Yes, the race is run, The battle fought, the victory won.

"Tis finished! Heaven is reconciled, And all the powers of darkness spoiled; Peace, love and happiness again Return, and dwell with sinful men,

"The work thou gavest me to do, I have done." As it is written, "A body thou hast prepared me, O God." As if He had said, I have offered a sacrifice not only of a body, but a broken and a contrite heart. 'Tis finished! Let the joyful sound

Be heard through all the nations round: "Tis finished! Let the echo fly Through heaven and hell, through earth and

JOHN C. WHITE. Konaliga, Elmore county, Ala.

Death of Deacon John L. S

Foster.

course of nature, he could not long will be sent to them. remain on earth, and yet such was our love for him that it was hard to part with him.

He was for very many years one of the Deacons in Grant's Creek Church, and no man in this section of country exerted a better influence in behalf of true religion.

He was the father of Mrs. T. P. Crawford of the China Mission-and to "go far hence to the Gentiles."

He never tired of talking and hearing of Christ. With him "to live was Christ," He was at times the subject of severe reverses and afthat I have been afflicted."

But some one who knew him longer and better than I, will tell you more of him, doubtless.

W. H. W. Tuscaloosa, Feb. 23, 1875.

and Superintendents.

I ask of you your assistance in increasing the circulation of Kind Words, the Sunday School paper of the Southern Baptist Convention. Please introduce it into all the Sunlent system, baptized twenty or thirty. day Schools of your churches. Let

To the Sunday School sending us the largest amount of money for subscriptions or renewals, to either Weekly, Monthly or Semi-Monthly, ve will give a

CABINET ORGAN-PRICE \$120. To the next highest a

CABINET ORGAN-PRICE \$75. To the next highest a CABINET ORGAN-PRICE \$60.

This offer will stand open until the thirty-first day of May, and the award will be made and the prizes delivered

In sending up money you need not wait, but send up any amounts collected. Always say you are com-

RAWER, ALA., Feb. 27, 1875. Bro. Winkler: F breach for us in this place day. He said be could remember prophecy Poor and despised, yet Schools, no missionaries and no colleges. He said Judson was the first a judgment for the penalty in favor of Baptist missionary. The Baptists that were present knew better. He said he was as by a gun as there is in Alabama, but the above did not the United States shall have, exclusively sustain him in that position, because of the courts of the several States, cogni he certainly lacin information on the history of the curch. He compared the Presbyteria s, Baptists and Methodists to different methods of plantit methods of plant-He prays in the garden of Geth- ing corn. He said the Presbyteriaus of the United States, wherever defendant semane, "Not my will, but thine be done." "Not his own, but the will of his Father."

planted one stalk in the hill five feet may be found, without regard to the each way, the Britists two stalks in the hill four feet each way, and the Methodist sowed his corn broadcast.

States, and Commissioner's appointed by the Circuit and Territorial Courts of the circuit and the cir 4. "The Father's will." Not the We Baptists felt that we lost nothing blood of bullocks and goats, for this in the comparison. Everybody knows broadcast corn makes all stalk and fodder, and no cars of corn. His text was, "By their mits ye shall know JAS. L. SAMPEY.

> BIRMINGHAM, ALA., March 2, 1875. Editor Alabama Baptist: We for-

warded to you, for insertion in the last number of the Baptist, a commendation of Rev. M. S. Casteel, lect funds for our church here. We have lately seen a copy of the Memphis Baptist, of 20th ult., in which Mr. Casteel is stigmatized as an im-Miss., and, as we have failed to hear from him since he left here on his withdraw our commendation, and to warn all persons against bim.

Please publish this in several issues. of your BAPTIST, and oblige.

Yours respectfully, W. T. PARKER, Deacons. N. F. MILES,

Notice.

The Minutes of the last Baptist State Convention are in hand and charged with any duty of selecting or ready for distribution. It is earnestly desired that they be distributed in aforesaid, shall, on conviction, be deemed every part of the State, and they have been sent to all the Associations whose Clerks and Post Offices are Our hearts have been saddened by known. Clerks of Associations not the death of this venerable servant receiving copies will please send me of God. We knew that, in the name and Post Office and Minutes

F. H. HAWKS, Sec'y. Convention, Marion, Ala.

Assyrian Explorations.

The commencement of Mr. Smith's studies and researches in the field of Assyrian arehaeology practically took place in the year 1866, when he enaged in the examination of Sir Henry Bawlinson's casts and fragments of his love for the Master may by judg- inscriptions in the British Museum, ed by the fact that years ago he wil- with a view to the elucidation of lingly gave up a cherished daughter several questions in the Old Testa- every part of the heavens, making almost ment history. He first lighted upon a continuous blaze of light; while fearful a curious inscription of Shalmaneser II., giving an account of the war deafening, above and all around. And against Hazael, king of Syria, and relating that it was in the eighteenth year of Shalmaneser, when he received tribute from Jehu. His next laflictions, but in his ripe old age he bors were devoted to the cylinders first. was able to say, "It is good for me containing the history of Assurbanipal, the Sardanapalus of the Greeks. The annals of this monarch were then in considerable confusion, but by dint of patient comparison of the various copies, Mr. Smith at length succeeded in obtaining a fair text of the earlier part of these inscriptions. Pursuing and a streng wind. About ten o'clock his investigations, he discovered sev- the alarming news was spread that the eral important fragments of the an- lower part of the city-the Pinhook renals of Tiglath Pileser, containing gion-was inundated, and that many notices of Azariah, King of Judah, and of Pekah and Hoshea, Kings of Israel. In the course of four years to call the people together, and, despite he had discovered new portions of the Assyrian canon, several accounts of the early conquest of Babylonia by the Elamites, and a religious calendar of the Assyrians, in which every month is divided into four weeks, and the seventh day marked tion in the gifts of Providence, their So many of our churches estimate me call your special attention to the out as Sabbaths in which no work was to be performed. During 1870, he was occupied with preparing the large work on the history of Assurbanipal, giving the cuneiform texts, transcriptions, and translations, which was published in 1871. In 1872, Mr. Smith discovered the tablets contain- ing down, and in the midst of the storm, ing the Chaldean account of the deluge, which attracted a good deal of attention both at home and abroad.

News Items.

Civil Rights Bill as it passed Congress ? entitled to full and equal enjoyment of accommodations, advantages, facilities and privileges of inns, public conveyances on land and water, theatres and other places of public amusement, subject only to conditions and limitations established

der their rights at common law, and by to proceed in the one mode or other, their right to proceed in other jurisdic-tion shall be barred; but this proviso shall not apply to criminal proceedings either under this act or the criminal is w aries and no col- of any State; and provided further, that the party aggrieved, or a judgment upon an indictment, shall be a bar to either prosecution upon the other,

and violations of the provisions of this the preceding section may be prosecuted in Territorial, District or Circuit Courts to institute proceedings against every of this act, and cause him to be arrested will have a much higher river than we or bailed, as the case may be, for trial have at present.—Selma Times, 2d. before such court of the United States or territorial court as by law has cognizance of the offence, except in respect to the right of action accruing to the person aggrieved, and such District Attor neys shall cause such proceedings to be prosecuted to their termination; provided, whom we had lately deputed to col. that nothing contained in this section shall be construed to deny or defeat any right of civil action accruing to any person, whether by reason of this act or oth erwise, and any District Attorney who shall wilfully fail to institute and prosecute the proceedings herein referred to postor, by the church at Grenada, shall, for every such offence, forfeit and pay the sum of \$5,000 to the person nggrieved thereby, to be recovered by an action of debt, and shall, on conviction collecting tour, we therefore write to thereof, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and fined not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$5,000; and provided fur- right and privilege to receive and acther, that a judgment for the penalty in favor of the party aggriered, against any they may desire, and to be accommedasuch District Attorney, or a judgment ted and lodged only upon such terms and upon an indictment against any such conditions as may be agreed upon. District Attorney, shall be a bar to either presecution respectively.

Sec. 4. That no citizen possessing all other qualifications which are or may be prescribed by law, shall be disqualified for service as a grand or petit juror in any court of the United States on account of race, color or previous condition of servitude, and any officer or other person summoning jurers, who shall exclude or fail to summon any citizen for the cause more than \$5,000.

provisions of this act in the courts of the United States shall be reviewable by the the common law rule relating to Court of the United States without regard to the sum in controversv, under the same provisions and reguations as are now provided by law for review of other causes in said court.

Fearful Storm.

Great Flood -Railroad Damaged -- Many Lives Endangered, but none lost-Miles of Fencing Destroyed. - Bridges Washed

A fearful night indeed was last Tuesday light. The wind blew great guns, but seemed to blow in no particular direction. but came careering around every street corner fiercely and fearfully. Clouds, dark and angry, were flying about pro miscuously, emitting frightful sheets of lightning, not in one quarter only, but in peals of thunder rolled loud, deep and then the rain came down. And such so hard, and so long without intermission. It continued through most of the night, though not in such torrents as at

Wednesday the rain continued at in tervals through the day, and at night set in in deep earnest. It grew hard and ens seemed to open, and such a deluge of water was never before seen in this country. It was accompanied with fierce lightnings and fearful peals of thunder lives were being lost,

THE FIRE BELLS WERE RUNG

district to assist the unfortunates. The ering the Fair Grounds, and threatening to wash away dozens of houses. The scene, as revealed by the flashes of lightning, was distressing indeed. Men and women, with screaming children upon their shoulders, were seen leaving their flooded houses, and struggling frem waist to neck deep for the high ground. Some, afraid to plunge into the rushing waters, remained in their houses and screamed for belp. Boats were finally launched for their rescue. Fences, and every variety of debris, were seen float-

thought to be secure against any kind of flood, was torn away with a great crash, and floated off. Even the heavy stone abutment at the west end was washed away. In many of the houses the water | selves accordingly, was several feet deep, but none of them Full Text of the Civil Right's left their moorings. No lives were lost, though many were in great peril. The We new give below the full text of the Fair Ground fences are washed away, We new give below the full text of the Fair Ground tences are washed away. Some against an actual of the page and in fact nearly all the fences for miles which are said to have appeared in innumerisdiction of the United States shall be heard, are gone. Water was waist deep river swamps. Many of them have been inrisdiction of the United States shall be heard, are gone. Water was waist deep in some of the houses near the Depot.

is greatly damaged in many places. Near the Depot where the ground is almost a Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not.'

These are the words of the sweet keep an account, and on the 31st of previous condition of servitude.

Indicate the way was restricted and former than the same of the first and former than the same of the sweet keep an account, and on the 31st of previous condition of servitude. dead level, the track was washed up con-

away from the yard of Mesars, Coxe.

-A terrible storm passed near Dali seorgia, Wednesday night, 24th inst. One child was killed instantly.

Mr. Calhoun's fittle boy was surier jured, and is not expected to five. Mr. Wright's little child was killed instantly; and he himself died shortly terwards from wounds received while in

his falling bouse. Many were wounded, but we could Sec. 3. District and Circuit Courts of learn no additional names Several houses were blown down, and

ences, &c., were swept away. Three bridges on the W, & A, railroad were washed away between Dalton and Ringgold, Ga. Bridge near Charleston, Tennessee, is

msafe, and trains on East Tennessee and Georgia railroad cannot pass over, -The spring flood is probably upor

us, and, unless the news from above is exaggerated, we shall, within the next three the Circuit and Territorial Courts of the days, have another grand overflow. The United States, with powers of arresting Alabama river is now very full, but is and imprisoning of bailing offenders about twenty-five feet below the highagainst the laws of the Uvited States, are water mark of last year. The Oostanadla hereby specially authorized and required and Coosa were rising at Rome yesterday evening, and it was raining very hard. person who shall violate the provisions It is, therefore, pretty certain that we

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 1.-The snow storm is general throughout the North. It is raining heavily here on four inches of snow.

To Protect Inn-Keepers and Common Carriers

The following bill is pending before the Georgia Legislature:

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Georgia, That hereafter inns held and owned by individuals, or their lessees or tenants, shall not be held and possessed and used for the benefit of the public, but for the exclusive use and enjoyment and benefit of the owners, or their lessees or temants; and that such ewner, lessee or tenant shall have the commodate only such persons as he or

Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, &c., That all conveyances, upon land or water, heretofore held to the public, shall hereafter. when the same are held and owned by individuals, joint stock companies, or corporations composed of individual stock holders, be held, deemed and considered private, and the owners or persons controlling the same shall have the right to make all rules and regulations tone and relating to the transportation of pas-sengers and baggage and goods as to them shall seem meet; such rules and regulaguilty of a misdemeanor and fined not tions to be consistent with the right of Sec. 5. That all cases arising under the laws of this State.

Sec. 3. Be it further enacted, &c., That ffning the duties of keepers of inna and common carriers in receiving guests and transporting persons or goods, is hereby

-The investigation of the Wazahatchee bridge prisoners which lasted a week, closed last Friday night, and resulted in the commitment, without bail, of the negro Isaac McAfee, and Jasper Coker, Tom Baxley was discharged. Gen. John T. Morgan and Solicitor Castleberry pres cuted and Wm. M. McMath appear for the defence, Masss. Sterrett, Cobb & Wilson and Morgan & Hawkins are retained by the Railread Company to pro ecute. Much credit is due Mr. M. Stanton, the Superintendent of the road, for h's unceasing efforts to ferret out and bring the parties to justice. - Shelby Guide,

A Hoo THIEF JUROR.—The beauty of the Alabama jury system, or at least the Montgomery system, is fully exemplified in the case of Ed. Smith. Ed. Smith is a petit juryman at the present term of our City Court. Money being scarce, no meat on hand, and county scrip being at a heavy discount, Edward went for three Chester pigs of Col. Murphy. Col. Murphy made his complaint at police headquarters, and Ed. was caught with the wool in his teeth." How Ed. missed getting on the Grand Jury with Isaac Lucas and Pat Hamilton is one of the mysteries

of the day .- Montgomery Advertiser. THE FRESHET.-In Chattanooga the Union depot was four feet under water vesterday. The South bound train on the Selma, Rome and Dulton Railroad will not be in on time this morning, be cause of the high water along the road. The track was temporarily under water at several places yesterday, but, every-thing will be all right to-day, and the

train will leave Selma as usual. The Alabama is rising rapidly at this point .- Selma Echo, 2d.

-The Postmaster General established discontinued and changed the name of the following offices during the month of December, 1874: Established: Gum Springs, Bleunt

county; Coloma, Cherokee; Kinlock, Lawrence; White Plains, Calhoun, Discontinued : Mount Hilliard, Bullock Name changed: Volly, Blount county, to Viola; Gilmer's, Lowndes, to Morgan

CIRCUIT COURT. - By an act of the leg islature published elsewhere in our paper to day, it will be seen that the time for holding the Circuit Court in this, the First Judicial Circuit, has been changed to the third Monday in March and September, instead of the first as formerly,

Jurymen and witnesses will govern them -For the last few days all the old shot guns, double and single barrel, have been prought into requisition to defend the

MUNICIPAL ELECTION .- The election for Mayor and Councilmen last Tuesday passed off very quiet indeed, resulting in the election of the following gentlemen J. B. Shivers, Mayor; for Councilmen S. H. Fowlkes, Amzi Godden, A. C. Howze, Wm. Morris, P. T. Hurt, James

MARION, ALA.:

Tuesday, March 9, 1875.

Some and Harm.

The Prisoner to the Swallows

PROM THE ITALIAN OF GROISI. Kats Hillard in the Galaxy for March.

Pilgrim swallow, skimming fleet
Fast my window, 'gulast the bine,
With thy fiexile seng and sweet Brery morning sung answ; What the story then wouldst tell, swallow, with the ritornelle?

Mouragest those like me, poor bird,
For thy main, far, far away?
Little widow I all unhoard
Is the pathos of thy lay,
Save by me—I feel too well
The anguish of thy ritornelle!

Less unhappy far than I
Thou on durting wings cans't rise;
Skim the lake and search the sky, Fill the and air with thy cries; All day long thy grief canst tell. Swallow, with thy ritornelle!

Ah! could I but fly with thee!

Leave this prison where I pine,
Whence the air is barred to me,
Whence no blessed sun may shine
Hearcely to my dreary ceil,
flwallow, comes thy ritornelle!

And I languish, prisoned here,
While thou flyest o'er the seas,
For September draweth near,
To seek other lands than these;
Greet them for me, greet them well,
Swallow, with thy ritornelle!

And each day my weary eyes
Through a mist of tears shall gaze
At the snowy Winter skies,
Longian for the Summer days,
To bring back what I love so well,
Swallow, thy dear ritornelle!

In the Spring a cross of white
Thou wilt find here, in the grass;
In thy circling evening flight,
Sometimes by that headstone pass!
Then of poace alone shall tell,
Swallow, thy low ritornalle!

Herds Grass or Red Top.

ruary. In the spring most of the water dried up, and the grass seed came swed a fine crop of hay. For sevover. It has been cultivated in corn three years in succession and is now

swamp grass, that if cleaned up and sown in herds grass, would fill our barns with Southern hay, and our tables with the nicest golden butter.

Herds grass seed can be bought at any good seed store, at about \$2.50 per bushel, and may be sown at any time from August to March, at the rate of one bushel per acre, and does best when lightly ploughed or harrowed in. The grass is exceedingly it steam until the rice is soft. Add in addition to the hay. It is very ea- handsomely. To be eaten cold. sily cut and saved, and is worth more than anything else that can be raised upon the same land. Let any one who has an acre or more of lowland, guarantee he will never regret it, and if the land is at first too rough to mow, it will make the finest pasture. grass portions of Kentucky.

TENNESSEE. Jackson county, Ga., Jan. 1875.

Corn and Cotton.

Mr. W. R. Horn, of Sumter county, corn, and so he looks upon the corn thereby.

as an entire clear gain, so to speak. —The

duced a fine erop on the same plan.

He gives it as his settled opinion that any land, regardless of quantity or quality, that will produce a bale of cotton will, at the same time, and without extra labor, produce fifty beabals of corn. Upon this conclusions because a calculation showing that the same time, and without extra labor, produce fifty beabals of corn. Upon this conclusions bears a calculation showing the boars a calculation showing the same time. To polish time first rule your first the same time of the South.

To polish time first rule your first rule attractive and in all respects agreeable, and many are thus lured into piety, and built up in noble as greeable, and many are thus lured into piety, and built up in noble as greeable, and many are thus lured into piety, and built up in noble as greeable, and many are thus lured into piety, and built up in noble as greeable, and many are thus lured into piety, and built up in noble as greeable, and many are thus lured into piety, and built up in noble as greeable, and many are thus lured into piety, and built up in noble as greeable, and many

Seeking the South.

Several parties of emigrants from ansas and Indiana have passed Kansas and Indiana have passed through the southwestern part of the county, lately, on their way to Florida. A citizen of that vicinity talked with a man of one of the parties at some length. The man and his company were from Kansas, but he was reared in Wisconsin. He expressed great surprise and admiration at the features of the country through which he was passing. He said in Kansas the heat reached 100 degrees in summer, and was fetally cold in winsnumer, and was fatally cold in winter, insomuch that people were frozen to death every winter; and he said he had noted the cause of the difference of heat since he had got here, and it was the equatorial winds coming over the arid plains of Texas, whereas the moist summer winds of Alabama were cooled by the pine forests of the coast after they left the Gulf. He also noted the cheapness of the lands here, and quantity of timber.

He said German emigrants would come to Kansas, pay \$10 an acre for come to Kansas, pay \$10 an acre for a little patch of land without a stick of timber on it, and then go to much expense and labor to get timber for building and fencing. He said if he had known the advantages of this section before he left home he could have brought a thousand men to sethave brought a thousand men to settle here; and added that the people of the Northwest had no idea of the of the Northwest had no idea of the material aspects of the South. He regretted that he had made his own arrangement to remove to Florida after seeing this region.

The fearful climate of the North-light to the South many of Idrifted, you know, with the current, And of course I went over the dam, Zelotes R. Bennett.

west will bring to the South many of the people of that region at no dis-tant day. Ignorance of our advanta-ges, coupled with a partial belief in the slanders of the Radicals about our social condition are the present checks on the movement. When the tide begins to flow its volume and momentum will be more than satisfactory to us .- Haynesville Examiner.

Grass vs. Cotton.

"From a column of items in the N. Y. Tribune, Dec. 16, I clip this: reports that, he cut and housed during Ed. So. Cult.: Twelve years ago
I brought from Towns county, Ga., a make 400 bales, which will not in the were of the same size as those found.

The next time that I have a grass, good merchantable hay, at a buckshot taken out of the victim's head the clew was given. These shot was the day on which I first entered were of the same size as those found the Second Baptist chapel in this having fun. The mule picked out the Second Baptist chapel in this about three and a half miles of straight the past summer 70 tons of native amall quantity of herds grass seed home market next spring \$4 00 each; in the house of one Nathan Burgess, city, to take a view of the surround-

If facts like these cannot produce conviction, then are the prophets of up beautifully, and the next year I evil right; and we will learn the way of our agricultural salvation neither from the dead nor the living—neither from were produced, he seemed perfectly eral years after, it yielded annually a nice crop of hay, and fine fall and spring pasture for sheep and cattle.

The grass in the meantime catching better than it would in the possession this great valley be in our hands little better than it would in the posses-ion the rich deposits from the overflowing of that ancient race, to whom our politicians and theorists of the tree low places, and the land soon became treme porties alike pretend to look treme parties alike, pretend to look ough to drive a loaded wagon for its redemption.-X, PED,"

TESTING SEEDS .- In a portion of the prettiest and best bottom land I have, yielding eight barrels of corn per acre. Herds grass has a wonderful tendency to dry up wet land and tity on a kuife blade, and heating it enrich it, and there are thousands of over a lighted candle. The good seed acres of awamp lands in Georgia, will pop open and pop off, while the that almost breathless crown up in alders, willows and worthless remains and carbonizes on ening details as follows:

rowed in. The grass is exceedingly it steam until the rice is soft. Add tender when it first comes up and the grated peel of the lemon. Sweetshould not be pastured any the first en to taste. Bake this, and when it year. In the extreme Northern por- is cold make a frosting of the whites tion of Georgia and in North Caroli- of the eggs beaten to a stiff froth. the watch house door and found Robbins on his knees praying. I plainly "The Lord's mercies are new every un, Herds grass is raised in considera- Stir the cup of sugar in lightly, and ble quantities, stacked out and fed to add the juice of the lemon. Put this on the one that did this! spare him upon us may be heavy with storms, for Jesus's sake! I was horrified, and No matter; the new mercies will not upon it, if allowed a very little corn quick oven to brown the frosting turned and ran, I did not know where. fail

To CLEAN SILK .- Mix well together a quarter of pound of soft soap, a teaspoonful of brandy and a pint of and all was confusion. The officers at of this, that whatever it lay upon you gin; strain through a cloth. With a once surrounded the prisoner to pro- to do or bear, it will bring new mer- tect him. Attorney Ashcraft jumped cies for new deeds.-A. L. Stone, D. D. on each side the silk without creasing on a table and besought the crowd to it; wash it in two or three waters; while damp iron on the wrong side. White clover generally, in a year or This process will restore silks to their two, comes up spontaneously with it, newness and will not injure the most there was a silence, when one of the delicate color. delicate color.

-Many persons are in the habit of crowd; utes' sleep before dinner is worth refreshes and prepares the system for hands. He must have no mercy." Alabama, reports that he this year vigorous digestion. If sleep is taken a side door and hurried him off to "Mother," said she, "is there any Early corn in his cotton field, at no posture, as the horizontal position is jail. The crowd then quietly dis-additional cost over the ordinary cost unfavorable to healthful digestion.— persed. of producing cotton, save that of the Let those who need rest and sleep seed corn. He expresses himself fully atting the day take it before dinner time when, if a strange young man her physician, "How soon can I go that their digestion will be improved find social intercourse only in the now," she said, "Praise His name, He Advertisements to be put in a particular The

.- The method employed by profes-Capt. Issae Donovan, who has been sional workers in hair curling is as books, innocent amusements, and tell all my friends how easy it is for strictly in advance; regular advertisers. ther for several years, also prowrap it smoothly around a cylindrical books, innocent amusements, and toll all my friends how easy it is for strictly in advance; regular advertisers, pleasant companionship make the a Christian to die," was her answer.

Mireside Beading.

Over the Dam. Yes, Life is a swift runnin' river,
And it's mighty hard stemmin' the tide,
But the best glides so smoothly at startin'
That one feels just like lettin' it glide.
You hear the wild roar of the rapids
That below you now thunds, and brake,
But you think you can easily pull lack
When you see their white foam in your

Well, with me it was mighty smooth sailin'
During all of life's first Sammer hours,
And the river sang ever so sweetly.
And its banks were so brilliant with flow-

While the bow that hung over the torrent Seemed a halo that beckened me there, And the white mist that rose from its waters Quite concealed the black gulf of despair.

To be sure, I passed friends as I drifted,
Pullin' sturdily up 'gin the stream,
But I laughed as I saw how they labored.
While my boat glanced along like a dream.
What mattered which way it was gliding?
If I sailed with it up or sailed down?
Behind I saw only life's struggles
And before me was pleasure—life's crown.

It's tough, lookin' up that bright river.

And seein' where I might have turned

A Murdered Man Praying God to Pardon his Murderer.

From the Terre Haute Express. The readers of the Express are familiar with the details of the horrible and cold-blooded shooting of Joseph kaskia river, on the Vandalia road, on pencil precisely as it now standsorously to discover the author of the man and Reflector. charged in open court with the crime own Hymn, "He leadeth me."-Naoverwhelmed, turned deathly pale and when asked if guilty or not guilty, he endeavored to speak, but his tongue refused to do is work. The feeling

commit no violence, and to let the law take its course. This earnest appeal had its effect, and for a moment

"He Leadeth Me."

There is a special interest in every tem of information in regard to those lymns which have taken a strong old on the feelings of Christians and secured a permanent place in our hymn-books. Every one who has not already been attracted by the hymn whose title we place at the head of this article, will probably soon become familiar with it. For the benefit of such, we re-produce it with a few words as to its authorship, and the circumstances which called it forth:

He leadeth me? oh! blessed thought, Oh! words with heavenly comfort fraught, Whate'er I do, where'er I be, Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me i He leadeth me! he leadeth me! By his own hand he leadeth me;

His faithful follower I would be,

For by his hand he leadeth me. Sometimes 'mid scenes of deepest gloom, Sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom, By waters still, o'er troubled sea— Still 'tis his hand that leadeth me!

He leadeth me, etc.

Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine, Nor ever murmur nor repine— Content, whatever lot I see, Since 'tis my God that leadeth me. He leadeth me, etc.

and when my task on earth is done, When, by thy grace, the victory's won, E'en death's cold wave I will not fice, Since God through Jordan leadeth me, He leadeth me, etc.

Its author is the Rev. J. H. Gilmore, now Professor in Rochester University, New York. In reply to a question from Dr. B. Griffith, in re-

I believe myself to be the author of "He leadeth me." Further, it was in those cars one of the most awful written in Philadelphia. I had made and sanguinary encounters that has a talk at the Wednesday evening lec- occurred since the affair between Cain ture of the First Baptist Church, on and Abel. - Max Adeler. the twenty-third Psalm; and, while a few of us were developing the subject a little farther in Dea. Watson's Robbius, a bridge watchman at Kas- parlor, I jotted the hymn down in the night of October 29. Immediate- save that the refrain has since been the State's Attorney, Mr. Ashcraft, the paper to my wife, who sent it, walked about fifteen steps and stop-Mr. C. W. Howard, Kingston, Ga., and the civil officers set to work vig without my knowledge, to the Watch-

When the arrested man (Burgess) was ty) opened, of its own accord, to my

New Every Morning.

How many bright things there are in the Book of Lamentations! It has at this stage of the proceedings is de- a sad title, and in our happy moods scribed by one present as simply ter- we should hardly think of turning its rible. There was not a sound in the leaves. Our instinct would be to go room; the stillness of death pervaded to it in our grief, to find suitable utevery nook of the court room. In a terances of our burdened hours. We few minutes Burgess arose and said open to its lines as those who walk quite andibly, "I will tell you all if under a weeping sky; and beneath the you will save me!" Then, with quiv, rain of falling tears. But our walk ering lip, blanched face, and trem- will often, as we look up, show us a bling in every limb, he narrated to rift in the clouds and the blue sky that almost breathless crowd the sick- shining through, and the blessed starlight streaming down.

"I knew that the Vandalia pay car Here is an utterance that has a sunhad passed that afternoon and had beam in it: "The Lord's mercies are paid Robbins his month's wages. I new every morning." What an aswanted money. I got that shot gun surance this is to carry with us in all and went to the bridge. As I ap- our wayfaring through this world! proached the watch house I saw, The future is always dark to us. The through the window, Robbins sitting shadows brood over it. A veil hides inside; his shoulder and head only it from our sight. What is under the latter proved to be nice syrup of could be seen. I raised the gun and shadows, what is behind the veil, fired; I then hesitated a few moments what is advancing out of the imperto listen if the report of the gun had vious mist, none of us can know. We aroused any one. I then went up to have no anxious questions to ask .bins on his knees praying. I plainly "The Lord's mercies are new every heard him say: 'Oh, God, have mercy morning." The morning yet to break

I did not enter the house nor touch Come, live a comforted, happy and the door. His words haunt me still." thankful life! Don't borrow trouble. ple shouted: "Hang him! hang him!" Take up each day as it comes, certain

"Work to do in Heaven."

These were the dying words of a young sister, whose death was one of crowd, standing up, addressed the the most happy of which we have ever heard. Ada Wayland, of Salis-"If the law will hang him, let us let bury, Mo., was led to Jesus under the sleeping for half an hour or an hour "If the law will hang him, let us let bury, Mo., was led to Jesus under the immediately after dinner. Ten min- the law take its course. But let it labors of Beauchamp and Mansfield, here be known that this wretch must and was educated at Mt. Pleasant more hin an hour after. It rests and be hung by the Sheriff or by orrown College. She seemed so anxious to linch..... The officers got the prisoner out of could be satisfied only in His service. "Yes, my child." "Then, mother, I want to go, for I cannot work for him any longer here." She often said to weeks. Less than one menth will be charged weeks. Less than one menth will be charged weeks. Less than one inch will be charged sunshine and happiness to our hearts and weeks. Less than one inch will be charged weeks. Less than one inch will be charged sunshine and happiness to our hearts and weeks. Less than one inch will be charged sunshine and happiness to our hearts and weeks. "Yes, my child." "Then, mother, I prayer-meeting or the bar-room. Now nearly all our villages have a Young Men's Christian Association, where hard for one so young to die?" "No;

To polish tims; first rub y pur tims with a damp cloth; then take dry flour and rub it on with your hands; and afterward take an old newspaper and rub the flour off, and the tims will as pound and a half of angar in a half put of water till it begins to saily pound the sides; put in cight with a knife.

To polish tims; first rub y pur tims with a knife.

To polish tims; first rub y pur tims with a damp cloth; then take dry not time and women of carnest conviction, who, by actions consistent therewith, rather than by words, recombined to those around them the carnest conviction, who, by actions consistent therewith, rather than by words, recombined to these around them the carnest conviction, who, by actions consistent therewith, rather than by words, recombined to these around them the carnest conviction, who, by actions consistent therewith, rather than by words, recombined to these around them the carnest conviction, who, by actions consistent therewith, rather than by words, recombined to these around them the carnest conviction, who, by actions consistent therewith, rather than by words, recombined to these around them the carnest conviction, who, by actions consistent therewith, rather than by words, recombined to these around them the carnest conviction, who, by actions consistent therewith, rather than by words, recombined to these around them the carnest conviction, who, by actions consistent therewith, rather than by words, recombined to the searound them the carnest conviction, who, by actions consistent therewith, rather than by words, recombined to the searound them the carnest conviction, who, by actions consistent therewith, rather than by words, recombined to the searound them the carnest conviction, who it is a damp cloth; then take dry thoused for it to fix itself. In this fashion should we believingly confident that God will find a place for us. He who bids us pray and work will aid our efforts, and guide that God will find a place for us. He who bids us pray and work will aid our efforts, and

Humay.

A Sanguinary Affair.

Always cork up your catsup bottles ightly. Going out on the steam-cars the other day, we observed a man place a bottle of tomato catsup, neck downward, in the rack above his seat. Presently a friend came in, and in a few moments the friend, who was cleaning his nails with a knife, introduced the subject of a third term for Grant. The discussion gradually became warm, and as the excitement increased, the man with the knife gesticulated violently with the hand containing the weapon, as he explained his views on the question. Meantime the cork jolted out of the bottle over-head, and the catsup dropped down over the owner's head and coat and \$15 ench, \$28 a pair; Chester County
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N. P. BOYER, collar without his perceiving the fact. Directly a nervous old lady on the opposite seat, who caught sight of the red stain and imagined it was blood, mar9 St. Parkesburg, Chester Co., Pa. began to scream " murder" at the top of her voice. As the passengers, conductors and brakemen rushed up, she brandished her umbrella wildly, and exclaimed, "Arrest that man there! Arrest that willin! I see him do it! I see him stab that other one with his knife till the blood spurted out. Oh, you wretch! Oh, you willinous ras-cal, to take human life in that scandalous manner. I see you punch him with the knife, you butcher, you! and I'll swear it agin you in court, too, you awdacious rascal." They took her into the rear car and soothed her, gard to the authorship, he sent the while the victim wiped the catsup off following, which will be read with his coat. But that venerable old woman will go down to the silent grave with the conviction that she witnessed

A bad little boy in Portland lit a pack of shooting-crackers and threw them isto the street to see them "go off." One of Ike Batman's mules came along and swallowed them be- House-Furnishing Goods, &c., ly on the discovery of the murder, added by another hand-and passed fore they "went off." The mule ped. Things wasn't acting right inside. He began to taste the smoke and sowed it upon a little place of oresis bottom full of frog ponds, and so soft that a horse would sink in it to his knees. In some places I sowed bring \$1150.00—leaving a profit of his knees. In some places I sowed bring \$1150.00—leaving a profit of his knees. In some places I sowed bring \$1150.00—leaving a profit of his knees. In some places I sowed bring \$1150.00—leaving a profit of his knees. In some places I sowed bring \$1150.00—leaving a profit of his knees. In some places I sowed bring \$1150.00—leaving a profit of his knees, the state's bring \$1150.00—leaving a profit of his knees. In some places I sowed bring \$1150.00—leaving a profit of his knees, the state's bring \$1150.00—leaving a profit of his knees, the state's bring \$1150.00—leaving a profit of his knees, the state's bring \$1150.00—leaving a profit of his knees, the state's bring \$1150.00—leaving a profit of his knees, the state's bring \$1150.00—leaving a profit of bring \$1150.00— Attorney working night and day to and Tune Book" (issued by the shooting out of his nostrils, mouth gather every particle of evidence. American Baptist Publication Socie- and ears. Ike found his mule yesterday morning, sticking half way through a farm-house near Paddy's Run, still smoking. The man had got his family out and put 'em up into a lot of trees. Ike hauled his mule home, when he got cool enough, on. a dray. The man is going to move

his house further back off the road. It was the late Dr. Alern thy we think who, having a patient of uncleanly habits and hydrophobic tendences, prescribed in circuitous fashion and pollysyllabic phrase what upon translation seemed to be the simple process of ablution. "Why, Doctor," said the patient in mild surprise after unraveling the prescription, "that's nothing but washing myself all over with soap and water." 'Yes," said the Doctor, with undisturbed serenity, "it is open to that

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