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Paceday, June 1st, 1875.

By the Willows.

der of a moment born ! ld transformed since yes e kiss of sky and earth, e willow budn to-day have blown.

cross the brook the branches lean, and fitful breezes blow between; by sunbeams from the growing grass than the faint shadows as they pass; Party the glad leap of life again; Varus thrills creep round the very so the willow buds to-day have blown!

as the world weary yestereve?

O, bid me not recall a ray
Less bright than April akies to day;
G. tell me not of coming frost
Where these green glories shall be lost.
What are the past, the future, now?
Aught save this moment's growth and glow know not nor have ever known—
he willow buds to day have blown.

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Communications.

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; Commencement Exercises.

. The citizens of Greenville always look forward to the commencemen exercises of the Seminary with pleasant anticipations, calculating on an entertainment, attractive, interesting, instructive. The young "theologues" all love Greenville and her people and the citizens of Greenville, to a man, have a high respect for the students, while they love the professors, and most of them look upon the removal of the Seminary as a threatened calamity.

part in an Oratorio, "Esther, the Beautiful Queen," the proceeds of which are to be appropriated to the building of a monument to the memory of the Confederate dead, at Columbia, S. C. This exercise came off Friday night, April 30th, in the Court House. The large room was filled to overflowing. The audience, through Dr. Broadus, who always takes a lively interest in such things asked that the Oratorio be repeated on Tuesday night following. It was therefore repeated before a large, attentive andience, the net proceeds amounting to about \$300.

ANDREW FULLER SOCIETY. This society, which is made up of members of the seminary, besides a quarterly address, bus also an annual ddress, by one of its members. The address for this occasion was delivered, Saturday night, May 1st, by Rev. J. S. Dingle, of Mo., subject : "Life and Character of Andrew Fuller." Brother Dingle is one of our very choicest young brethren. He is cultured, intelligent, pious, and is loved by all, students, professors and citi-

COMMENCEMENT SERMON.

Greenville is all astir this morning, Sunday 2nd. Crowds of little boys and girls, of men and women, are hurrying on to the Baptist church lecture room. Several distinguished brethren are to be there, among them, the sweet singer in Israel, Rev. L. B. Fish. He is a rare Fish, and one that every one is fond of. No wonder the people love him. His consecration is thorough, his piety is as ripe, his heart is as tender, his devotion as great, as his voice is round, full, soft,

mmencement sermon was preached by Rev. Dr. W. S. Webb, President Mississippi College. Text, 3rd, at 5 o'clock, by Rev. Mr. Gam-1 Pet. 1:15, 16. The discussion was brell, of Mississippi, to Miss Lizzie mainly confined to the thought, "Is McKay, one of the most deserving this personal or imputed holiness?" girls of Greenville. Peace, prosperi-The preacher decided that imputed holiness was meant in the text. He concluded with three practical thoughts:

1. Every true Christian has this ho-

2. Every true Christian will desire 3. Every true Christian will seek

connection with the Mississippi Col- bonds, ege will show that, to a great exwell directed efforts.

MISSIONARY SERMON.

quiry." before which an annual sernothing in regard to this sermon.

ed the services.

COMMENCEMENT PROPER. At 8 o'clock Monday night, May 3rd, the Faculty, visitors and stuprocession into the church which was This is commoncement proper. Dr. Broadus explains various things relating to the Seminary, the course, thorough education, and very great for him through silent, or if they can examinations, diplomas, and the term, promise, has been traveling as Sun- speak, offer an audible testimonial of ommencement. He then read the names of all the graduates in the dif-

Foster, of Mississippi, subject:

"Christianity a Civilizing Agent." Then, after masic, followed Rev. G. is a fine selection, and we commend W. Green, of N. C., subject: "Only him to the favor and confidence of duty. Any church which telerates, commbered by what I've Done." all as a faithful servant of Jesus. Then came Rev. B. W. Sanders, of S. C., subject: "Importance of Preachers having Settled Convictions." Diplomas of full graduation were then conferred on these excellent brethren, after which they remained on the stand, while Dr. Broadus, acting as Chairman of the Faculty in the stead of Dr. Boyce, delivered them in his own inimitable way, his little farewell address or good-by sermon. This part of the exercise is always affectng. These brethren seem almost his sons, he loves them as such, and no one can listen to his earnest, affectionate words to his departing brethren without having his bosom stirred with a sweet, tender emotion of love and sympathy, both for him and them.

with these men of God, which they have enjoyed so long is now brought to a perpetual end. Thus another blessed year is past another happy session is closed, and these prophets of God-these dear brethren are scattered all over the land. But no one went without carrying away with him a flame of loving devotion to the Seminary burning in his soul, nor without his throbbing

heart struggling to say: "God bless

Good-by, brethren, God bless you!

Pray for us, preach for us." The

brethren feel this deep down in their

souls, and with throbbing hearts turn

away from their faithful instructor,

grieving that the blessed association

our Seminary !" And so mote it be. This is the conclusion of the comnencement proper. But at 5 o'clock next morning, a young brother made commencement that I do not feel warranted in calling improper, and it had the appearance of being a very happy commencement. Rev. M. L. Ball, known well and loved in Mississippi, a student last year at the Seminary, was married, Tuesday morning ty and happiness go with them !

holices.

Mr. Webb will not fail to impress that they behold is him a man of deep-toned piety, of devotion to the Master's cause and of good judgment.

If on our country again. A rain from our country again. A rain would be very acceptable just now, line of grace and heirs of heaven: but to the altar of Christ, let us, as faithful stewards, act so as that Christ may say of us all, "They have done what they could," and reward us as he did home to be done in Alamous formation of the meetings, and many the altar of Christ, let us, as faithful stewards, act so as that Christ may say of us all, "They have done what they could," and reward us as he did home the sailors in the feeling that they could," and reward us as he did home they could," and reward us as he did home they could," and reward us as he did home they could," and reward us as he did home they could," and reward us as he did home they could," and reward us as he did home they could," and reward us as he did home they could," and reward us as he did home they could," and reward us as he did home they could," and reward us as he did home they could," and reward us as he did home.

There is much to be done in Alamous first the sailors in the field work above and below with a continuous field severable us.

They will devote themselves wards act so as that Christ may say of us all, "They have done what they could," and reward us as he did home the stewards, act so as that Christ may say of us all, "They have done what they could," and reward us as he did home the stewards act so as that Christ may say of us all, "They have done what they could," and reward us as he did home the sailors in the field work act so as that Christ may say of us all, "They have done what they could," and reward us as he did home the sail to be altered work. They will devote themselves the mission of the could list.

They could in the field us and t

moments in listening to the pathetic people on last Sabbath, at this place, in favor of Christ, Not that it is selves a "Society of Missionary In- Home and Foreign Missions, we will tifled mind. A sad bruth! how many take up to Convention in July. We whose mental capicities, if developmon is preached. A large andience feel very much encouraged by the ed, would, like Mary's ointment, honmon, by Dr. Spalding, of Atlanta, from our Father. We are of the cause! Sabbath Schools languish and terest he felt in his discussion. Free eign aid, as our farmers here prefer- to him it is a sin." from the disadvantages of a mana- red foreign corn to the development | Now we will consider the moral script, he stood forth before his hear- of the resources of their own soil in power. This prequires that every ers, occasionally growing eloquent its production. We are making a power of the soul bedirected toward while disconting upon his splendid very vigorous effort in our field to the honor of Christ. Position in sotheme. The sermon concluded, the draw out the gifts and energies of the ciety, place, circumstances, possi-Rev. Mr. Hiden, pastor, administered church. This, we know, cannot be bilities, can never excuse one for withthe ordinance of baptism, which clos- done in a day, or a year, but it can holding his influence from anything and will be done, if we persevere. A which promotes the cause of Christ, good overseer is one who gets his if the fact be known. There is no hands to work-not he who does or such thing as neutrality in religious tries to do their work himself. A matters. "They that are not for me dents of the Seminary, marched in skillful general is one who succeeds are against me." When the whole in keeping his privates all at their unbelieving world are opposed to already filled to its utmost capacity. Post, not he who attempts the battle Jesus, it is as little as he could dewith a handfull of over-taxed officers. | mand, that his disciples should offer

Association, for ten months past, and ferent schools and conferred diplomas. has succeeded admirably. He has The audience was then addressed organized twelve Sunday Schools, and by the three full graduates, Rev. L. greatly encouraged others. I understand he is to enter upon a work in the interest of the H. M. Board. It

> B. H. CRUMPTON. May 19th, 1875.

Christian Duty---Its Standard.

How few appreciate, or even understand, the nature of Christianity. Men profess it, and even attempt to promote it, without any well defined idea of its true character and purpose. It is our purpose in this article to present an abstract of many very precious thoughts which have been for some time, and are now, pressing

Christianity is a voluntary principle-never forced upon any one, "Mary hath chosen that good part, &c." "Ye will not come unto me, &c." Man is a rational creature, and hence motives to repentance are offered. Some resist all appeals; others choose submission. No abridgement of rights so long as volition governs. Cheerful and spontaneous should every word, thought and action be. True, the Saviour says: "Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you." That is: I chose you first. This simply augments the responsibilities of the will, and confirms it in the complete enthronement of Christ.

Christianity is a self-sucrificing principle. The author of it established it by the most condescending humiliation and self-abasement. He, however, chose to do it. "I have power to lay it down (my life) and I have power to take it again." He has the right to, and does, demand no less of his disciples, than a willing sacrifice of every interest and pleasure which is not connected with his honor, "Whoever shall lose his life for my sake shall find it." Unselfish and benevolent should be all the efforts of Christians. "Freely ye have received, freely give." "Go teach all nations, &c." Having assumed that true religion is a voluntary surrender of all to Christ by constraint of his love and humiliation for us, from this let us draw the Standard of Christian Duty.

and sound sense. His people in Mis- ern corn coming to this point. Some tyrdom, and the loving Mary at Beth- bama. Let us held a Sunday School desippi justly regard him as a strong of our county officers have lost their any, annointing the blessed Jesus in Mass Meeting beginning on Wednestower and safe leader. His record in positions because of inadequate the midst of remonstrances, hatred, day night before the Convention i persecution and bitter protest, of July, The prospects of Zion are rapidly whom the Saviour said: "She hath | Pine Apple, Ala, May 18, 1875. tent, the present prosperity of that brightening. Congregations increas- done what she could." Here is the institution is due to his unwearled and ling and very attentive. The church rule in a nut-shell. By this rule let at this place are praying for a genuine | us measure the intellect. To attain From 3 to 6 o'clock Sunday even- revival. Sabbath School increasing to the full measure of duty, all the ing, a large concourse of men, women in numbers and interest. We preach powers of the intellect should be and children whiled away the rapid ed to about three hundred and fifty brought to bear, directly or indirectly, songs and sweet melodies of the sing- on The Standard of Christian Duty. never to be employed in politics, or We then took up a collection for science, or agriculture, or law, but as Bro. T. M. Bailey, amounting to \$23, pre-eminently exercised for Christ, The students and Faculty of the which, with the amounts gathered as that every other effort may be re-Seminary have constituted them- from the other two churches for cognized as the production of a sancassembled to-night, Sunday May 2nd, prospects in our present field of labor, or Christ, refuse to speck one word at 8, to listen to the missionary ser. and we are expecting great blessings or devise one measure for his glorious Text: 1 Kings, 8:7. I shall offer opinion that if all the churches will die away because of so few of its resort to prayer, and exercise their members it can be said, "They have Mr. Spalding was certainly inspir- gifts, they will all be revived. Too done what they could." "To him who ed by the eccasion or by the deep in- many depend upon set times and for- knoweth to do good, and doeth it not

> Bro. B. F. Riley, a young man of the small tribute of a moral influence day School Evangelist of the P. B. their regard and loyalty. "He that confesseth me before men, him will I confess before my Father and his angels." If a person refuse to discountenance vice, by attending balls, visiting bar-rooms, attending and supporting theatres and circuses, he cannot come up to the full measure of unrebuked, disorder or immorality is its members, is recreant to her trust,

> > is the financial resources. The extent of our resources in this particular must be decided by circumstances. If a man has mortgaged all he possesses, or will possess, for supplies for the bodies of his family, he will have very little from which to draw for the Saviour, unless his property is worth much more than his debt. We hold it to be a man's duty to keep his covenant with men though hastily and ineautiously made. The Gibeonites by fraud obtained a lengue with the Israelites, and, though deceived, the princes of Israel would not slay them because of the league. A man has no right to mortgage everything he has or may have to a man for food without a reservation for God. If he does and fails to give anything to the cause of Christ, it will be said. "Ye have robbed me." ()ne tenth was the requirement under the law, when unfettered. The Gospel can by no means diminish the amount, as it is a system of grace and favor.

and falls far below the standard.

This, however, is a limit ordinarily, when there is no extraordinary end or object to be accomplished. There have been occasions where, and eircumstances under which, the followers of Christ had to measure their duty by their possessions. Things were common, and they brought all their possessions and cast into the treasury. Two, in attempting to deceive the Spirit in holding back part, were destroyed. This time may never come again, but God grant, if it does, we may have enough who will "leave all and follow Jesus" to sustain the cause. But, dear brethren, there is a demand upon us for a greater proportion of our financial resources than ever has been before. How shall we meet these demands? God never commanded to do a thing that could not by his help be done. The only

Death Disarmed.

"Write, blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth." Rev. xiv-14.

all ages of the world and in every condition of society, cling to life the reluctance, or the blind stoicism, with which even earth's wisest philosophers heritance undefiled that fadeth not onstantly increasing number of troobies of grace, to fill the cup of reful servant of God forever;

That points out a home to the vision of faith Far brighter than Eden of old A hope which the righteons still hath in his Of a rest in that "city of gold,"

We have been led to the foregoin rain of reflections by the death of The next and last thing we notice

year of his age. Brother Truss had been a member of the Baptist church for about 37 years, and throughout the whole of his eventful life, had been an uncompromising advocate of temperance. While perfection is not attained in this life, we feel that it is but just to say that this dispensation of an Allwise Providence has but written the strikingly illustrative of the truth that "the righteous hath hope in his death." Yet this is a stroke that will be long and keenly felt by the com-Church of which he was a highly esteemed member-but, perhaps, still more keenly by his loved wife, children and grand children. May the Lord sanctify this dispensation to the

good of those who survive. Ferryville, May 15, 1875.

The Rainbow.

Soft glowing in uncertain birth, "Twixt nature's smiles and tears, The bow, O Lord, which thou hast bent Bright in the cloud appears.

The portal of thy dwelling-place, That pure arch seems to be; And, as I bless its mystic light, My spirit turns to thee !

Thus, gleaming o'er a guilty world, We hail the ray of love; The mercy from above.

And as thy faithful promise speaks Repentant sin forgiven, In humble hope, we bless the beam That points the way to heaven,

THE two American Revivalists, Messrs. Moody and Sankey, have commenced their second month in London, and in numbers and force the movement continues to gain ground. Meetings at Islington, at

David Hume.

Dr. McCosh gives the following

He never committed himself to deism about one-half of its inhabitants are lie in the Lord from henceforth."

The tenacity with which men, in or atheism. He wrapped up his Mohammedans, and would therefore thoughts on these subjects in his bobe favorable to the invaders. The christian population of Abyssinia that he might get light; but the cloud firmly believe that in the time to have met with death, as a fate not to be avoided, shows conclusively that it would not be a difficult task, by any means, to persuade men that it were a blessing to like. But it is "The glorious Gospel of the blessed Paris. Sir Samuel Romilly has de- which the King had presented to him God alone which sheds a halo of light | tailed a characteristic anecdote told to the Swiss and Swedish missi around the tomb, -points to an in- of him by Diderot. He dined with a at Massowah. The missionaries built away'-to a 'treasure where neither Hume, "I do not believe one exists: peasants around, however, urged on moth nor rust corrupts,' and 'where thieves break not through to steal,'— been a little unfortunate," said the that presents, to the eye of faith 's Baron; here you are with seventeen missionaries, and to flee to Eilet. that presents, to the eye of faith, 'a of them at the table for the first time." The death of Theodore, who managed crown which fadeth not away," and We may suppose there was some sin- to keep the politicial factions and the reveals the glorious truth (too pro- cerity in the statement he made: "I priests in cheek, is greatly regretted found for philosophy, too scientific have surely endeavored to refute the by the people. for science), that to him that dieth | skeptic with all the force of which 1 master, and my relutation must Religious News from Prussia in the Lord,' the chief blessing lies be allowed to be sincere because in death." That in death he "rests drawn from the capital principles of from his labors and his works follow my system," only he was not preparhim,"-that, as the little thread-like ed to review his system. In writing not to be released from the fortress of him,"—that, as the little thread-like to Elliott, he says he wishes to make to Elliott, he says he wishes to make to Elliott, he says he wishes to make thority of the Ecclesiastical Court tain side, by constant accessions, becomes the wide, deep, irresistible son, who reports the incident, that order, the chief house of which is in river carrying everything before it one clear and beautiful night, when a foreign country, have been banish in its on eard ocean-bound course, so the kind offices, the gentle reproofs, the Godly counsels of those "who die in the Lord," shall bring forth, through succeeding generations, their constantly increasing number of trofound in deepest affliction and a flood religious associations, and their supe of tears, upon which Mr. Boyle said riors, and the clause which removed oicing which shall solace the faith- to him that his uncommon grief grose clerical appointments from the confrom his having thrown off the prin- trol of the Government, Another lations to entertain the learned and religious orders in Prussia except metaphysical world, yet in other things those engaged exclusively in nursing I do not think so differently from the the sick. The orders devoted to edrest of the world as you imagine." In ucation are given two years of grace, whatever way we may account for it, Pensions will be paid to the members the character of Hume which made who departed this lite on the morning him respected by his worldly friends, The measure was originally designed of the 15th of May, 1875, in the 77th | who thought a man might be good, for the whole of Germany, but its though he had no godliness, Baptist Centennial Movement.

The great work for American Baptists the coming year, is the putting down to us from a precious century. points on the Continent, All the rest of our educational work has been done since 1819, when Hamilton Theological Seminary was foun- it is feared, the measure of pastoral ded. We have now 38 theological success is according to the number of professors and 460 students for the conversions, or of baptisms-and this ministry; 278 college professors, a token of that success by no means teaching 4,850 students of whom 562 to be held unimportant; but we conare preparing for the ministry; 312 ceive of the mission of a church, as academical instructors, teaching 4,795 of that of a family, to mean some students, 330 of whom are looking thing beside "having children"-a forward to the ministry-it being a to- mission of nursing, watching, detal of 628 teachers, and 8,506 students, veloping, training, even to largener 1,352 of the latter having the ministry and fullness of growth-a mission in view. The total property and that often puts the seal of a mos endowments amount to over thirteen blessed success upon a pastoral life millions of dollars. Let us thank which makes no large foeting up of God and take conrage for the good converted souls. beginning, and gird ourselves anew | We have for some time observed for a good ending-at least for put- that ministers, as well as churches,

ing order. - Reflector. In regard to the British Polar ex- in feeding the lambs; in develop pedition, The London Times of deep religious conviction; in estab March 23 says: "The Polar expedi- lishing and rooting the young in Row Road, in the East end, and at her tionary vessels at Portsmouth are soundness of doctrine, in beauty and Majesty's Opera House, Hay market, now receiving their finishing touches, activity of the Christian life, It are now held simultaneously, so that |On Saturday their smoke-stacks were | weakens the power of the Church of the respectable middle class of North fitted, and their masts were brought Christ, by just so much as its men way we can settle Christian duty, London, the hard-handed toilers of down to the ship-basin in readiness bership becomes numerical, instead with the whitening fields before us, the East-end, and the fashionable to be placed on board on their being of living and thriving for God, Sad and happy, may say: "Good-by Greenville, He is for Charleston P B. R. Wormack.

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The utmost extent of our power and bound the wise in our own territory, the assault us in our own territory, the converts a year, takes charge of the Agricultural Hall; Stevenson Blackwood event the spars of the Algricular Hall; Stevenson Blackwood event to he assault us in our own territory, the assault us in our own territory, the assault us in our own territory, the converts a year the down on the aristo were will be bark-riga

Persecution in Abyssini

Dr. McCosh gives the following count of the skeptic Hume:

He had no settled faith in any region, yet he went to church, at least that country will soon fall into the se wished his servant to go hands of Egypt is noticed. Besides to church, and he mingled in the being now surrounded by the possesspon him. When the pert Mrs. Mal-Medins, and over throw Mohammemet him one night at the assem- danism. The monks and priest y, and boldly accosted him, "Mr. have an immense influence over the time, give me leave to introduce people. They are violently opposed. PHolbach, "As for atheists," said native missionary to live there. The

The news from Germany is as folples of religion; to which he replibill, it is stated, will soon be laid beed; "Though I throw out my specu- fore the Diet. This suppresses all operations for the present are confind to Prussia.

A Christian Convention

London, May 5 .- The Christian of all of our educational institutions Convention met to-day in the Hayupon a strong working basis, and en- market Theatre. Mr. Moody, the listing our entire people in the revivalist, was chosen Chairman, eause of higher education. In this Canon Battersby, of the See of Carwork-and in this work alone-Bap- lisle; Canon Freemantle, Chaplain tists of all sections, North, South, to the Archbishop of Canterbury sequel to a long life of usefulness, East and West, can fully unite. This, Lord Cholmondely, the Rev. Mr. Aitwell done up, will be a centennial ken and many hundreds of other nonument to the memory of our fath- clerical delegates, representing the rs which we shall not be ashamed to principal towns in the kingdom, were have our sons of the latest generation present. The Rev. Mr. Kelman, of gaze on. Some of the sectional community-the Templars lodge and the mittees have already matured their that the results of the work of plans, Our plans for New England Messrs. Moody and Sankey in that are nearly ripe for effort. We trust city were truly miraculous. Three that every Baptist man, woman and thousand persons had been converted, child will have the opportunity of and the number of drunkards and contributing something toward the theatre goers who have been reclaimgrand result. We may here add that ed was remarkable. The Rev. Mr. we have in the United States nine Van Meter, a delegate from Rome, theological seminaries, thirty-four colleges, and fifty academies. Of these valism there. Addresses were also one alone (Brown University) comes delivered by delegates from other

CONVERT CULTURE.-With some

ting every institution in good work- oftentimes manifest greater intensity of desire in multiplying converts and in reporting baptisms, than they do



L T WINKLER -- EDITOR J. J. D. RENFROE.

MARION, ALA.:

Tuesday, June 1st, 1875.

the State which he may visit. We commend him to the favorable regard of our brothren.

The Home Mission Board has been instructed to secure, if possible, the responding Secretary, while the va-

some States, in the person of their leading representatives, were prevented from pressing his election notwithstanding his refusal to be nominated

The attachment of the Board to its devoted secretary was well expressed by Dr. McIntosh, in a speech of dignified and pathetic eloquence. He

of regret, at least on my part ed with him for more than arteen years of seventeen years of to this body my own high apprecia-tion of the services rendered by him tion with this Board. In rse of a ministry now verging with many of my brothers, I believe I have acquired as high an appreciation of the labors, of the consecrated nong all the honored names in this tion, among the noble dead who have passed away, and the living ain, I have not met the man erated spirit, or more undeviating devotion to the work than M. T. Sum-Pomestic Mission Board. I had daiintercourse with him, witnessing is zeal, his energy, and his unremiton to the interests of this ard, and I can only say that I trust, hoever his successor may be, that he hall have the grace, the ability and be energy to meet the obligations of his office with the same self-denial and undeviating fidelity that has marked the course of our retiring cording Secretary.

There is not a member of the Home Mission Board, who does not know that this high tribute to Dr. Sumner's services is absolutely true; and who confidence and esteem, avowed by their former President, There is no man at the South who could have done more for the cause under its charge than Dr. Sumner has done. Amid difficulties that might well have broken his hope and heart, against local jealousies and "national" ambitions, against the complications created by dexterous rivals and hollow riends, he has pressed right on. And to him more than to any other man, is due the fact that the Southern Baptist Convention has not reached its mai; the dark horror deepens, and the Appomator. In the minds of some rainy penitence is shed like floods, we fear that his work has been done only too well.

And now the feeling of the Southwest finds expression in the signifi-

me fault has been found with the

a vital past of it. Ilis be that find it. would see this Board destroyed from smong our Southern agencies for the the front who have stood back and excused themselves and found fault. Brother John A. Wiley will act as But if we read our people aright, it religion, and then live just as he live agent for our paper in those parts of may as well be understood once for all, that the Home Mission Board of version is not the final act of Christhe Southern Baptist Convention will still be a necessity for long years to come, and its home is in the South-The Home Mission Board and its facts, should assume precisely the God's word. If you are not holier same relation to the home work that this day than you were at that unfor-

nov created by his resignation re- Baptist Convention, it will be a hap- lessness alarms you, when you hear sined unfilled. And the declination py relief to learn that the services of the rebukes of conscience, when the of Dr. Basil Manly, the Secretary | Dr. Sumner are, at least for the pres-Kleet, leaves the vacancy unfilled un- ent, available to the cause of Home victs you of guilt and of danger, do til the close of the conventional year. Missions amongst us, His magna- not go back to other years for com-Thus by that wondrous Providence nimity in withdrawing from any per- fort. Do not console yourselves with that "maketh the wrath of man to sonal contest by which this sacred reading the epitaph upon some buried praise him," the services of our former interest might possibly be endanger- experience, an engraven falsehood it and most efficient officer, may, we ed, will win universal approval. His may be in every line; remember that trust, be secured in behalf of our willingness to labor still in the work God represents the Christian life as Southern Missions until the next ses- is characteristic of the spirit of his progressive in knowledge and in duty, It is due to Dr. Summer to say that, of the Convention and of the cause of of the heart ask whether you have a if he had not forestalled the action of Christ at the South, bring a kindred more intimate acquaintance with God, his friends, by positively withdrawing sympathy and consecration to the en- a more filial fear for your heavenly his name from the Convention, he terprise to which this beloved brother Father, an intenser love to Jesus, the would have been triumphantly re-e- has been summoned anew, and that precious Savior of sinners, and his lected. It was with difficulty that by the unanimous voice of the Con-

Errors in Reference to the Character of the Christian Life.

Conversion is the narrow gate which affords us entrance into God's ways; it is the beginning of the spiritual Rfe. It is a signal divine work "I should do violence to my own whereby we are born into a new world ings, brethren of the Convention, and become members of the family If I permitted that report to be adopt- of God. Hence many think it to be a certain spasm and convulsion of the soul. They conclude: We will icial relations of the Corresponding wait until God has mercy upon us, Scretary of this Board. I have been we will show all due respect to religion; we will attend when the gates of Zion are opened for the solemn conhis important office, and it is but jus-tice to him that I should at least state gregation of worshippers; we will contribute to the expenses of the people of God; and when it pleases him to convert us, then we will entowards forty years, and under cir-eumstances in which it has been my ed with going so far and no farther, let to be brought in close relation is a great mistake. It is true that conversion is the work of God--a mighty work like the creation of a spirit of our ministry as any body on universe or the raising of the dead.

Yet it demands that you should work also; you must seek for this blessing with earnest perpetual desire, using the means of grace, confessing your sets a sharper edge to the sword of eternal justice. Do not persuade yourself that God must treat you with compassion, while you neglect him. At this very moment you are the mark of an unerring archer; be has ordained that the shafts of Death shall ing anguish, and O, it may be that for you the arrow is already fitted to the string, Turn ye, turn ye, why will ye

> comes like the blessing embosomed in subject long enough the thunder cloud. The lightning flashes, as once from the summit of Sibefore the sense of refreshing sinks into the soul. But in any event you

so many years with this Board, that and narrow is the way, and few there

Again there is a mistake with re-

and to the continuance of the Chris-

tian life. It is the mistake of professors, as that which we have just exposed is the error of unconverted men. If we may judge professors of religion by their conduct, how many think that conversion is the all in all ave been founded, will not require of a Christian life. They think, for their whole conduct attests it to be their belief, that one must repent of his sins, embrace Christ, profess version is not the final act of Christianity. If your conversion has produced nothing but a profession, you rest. It doubtless, under existing are yet without the piety required by the Foreign Board does to the foreign work. Let State and district organization do what work they can. This font you gave yourself to Christ, then services of Dr. M. T. Sumner, as Corthey cannot accomplish.

Board has a special work to do that the gift itself was a mockery. Do not deceive yourselves upon this monot deceive yourselves upon this mo-To the friends of our Southern mentous subject. When your caregracious severity of God's Spirit conwhole life. And now let all the friends and looking upon the living tablets people and his cause. These are the genuine signs of Christianity. Remember too that awful portraiture of judgment which Jesus Christ has drawn, where many who had impressions which they mistook for conver- standing the depression of the times sion and for plety, are seen falling into the deeps of hell. In God's name I charge you, be familiar with the Scriptures, be conversant with the mercy seat, let the open gates of the sanctuary ever claim your entrance, and the sorrows of the bereaved and the destitute provoke your compassion, and your homes and places of business be the scenes of duty and of sacrifice as the servants of God. Otherwise you will meet Christ not to receive his plaudits, not to share in his glory, not to go up jubilant and sanctified to his Father's kingdom, but to bear a woful sentence from his judgment bar. You will find when it is too late to repair the error that your religion is vain. You will remain in th sleep of a dangerous delusion and awake only to perish forever.

Finances of the Home Mission

The statement made in one of our exchanges that "the Financial condi who, in my opinion, has brought a sins, looking to the cross on which tion of our Home Board is unfavoramore carnest energy, a more conse- the great Sin Offering expired. Every ble," is based upon the loose language hour in which this work is delayed of the conventional Committee on Finance, who give a less hopeful view of the value of some of the assets, than their face value required. The committee apprehended that the assets of the Board, which are larger than its indebtedness, will not realize more than between \$5,000 or \$6,000. pierce the impenitent with everlast- This is all that was intended by their report. But the fact remains, not withstanding this, that the Board has carried on its work through the year, has actually paid one-third of the old Be assured that true conversion indebtedness, and has assets which is nothing other that a heart-felt are larger than the debt. If only half choice of Christ as a Lord and Savior. | these assets prove available, they will does not share in those sentiments of When you have made this choice you extinguish a second third of the debt, are saved. The mental experience | -leaving a burden which can be camay be different in different cases, silv lifted during the present summer but the result and end of all is the and fall. So far is this from being an same. Some, like Timothy, have unfavorable condition of things, that it been religiously trained from their rather calls upon us to thank God and early years. They have had impres- take courage. It is important that sions made on them at a time too re- our brethren everywhere should know mote to be dated. Often salvation the actual state of affairs. They have comes to these as the soft and dewy been agitated by vague and unfriendlight of the morning. To others it ly and unfounded rumors upon the

Why and Wherefore.

Remove the skilled commander, and take away the strong defences of the city, soil it becomes an easy prey to its exemise. Dr. Sommer declined to be re-nominated to the position of Corresponding Scoretary. He had been officially connected with the Christian life. Strive to enter in at the strait gate, for strait is the gate of the corresponding for thirty years, and for the connected with the connected and administration. This has been the cause of Southern impoverishment and sold? Perhaps it will be found administration. But now a new era cause of Southern impoverishment and sold? Perhaps it will be found administration. This has been the cause of Southern impoverishment and sold? Perhaps it will be found administration. This has been the cause of Southern impoverishment in this case, as in so many others, and agitation. But now a new era cause of Southern impoverishment in the southern cause of Southern impoverishment in the southern cause of Southern impoverishment in the connected with the connected wi

Western Opinion.

We publish in another column a gorous article from the pen of Dr. Graves, in reference to the last Conention. We have taken the liberty of omitting certain of his local refernces. In some particulars we may not agree with our contemporary; but, in the main point he makes, we do. The Home Mission cause is the chief nterest which attaches the West and South to the Convention. We urge no charges and utter no threats; but we feel it to be important to avow the conviction, just now, that whoever and whatever cripples our Southern Home Missions, threatens the integrity of the Convention itself. It s not every one who has grace to work at once with the trowel and the sword. And the Baptists of the South and West prefer to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem in a more peaceful way. May God put it into the hearts of all his people to study the things that make for peace, and whereby one may edify another! Let those who have contented themselves with finding fault with us, try the plan of extending the helpful hand. And let those, who aspire to lead the counsels of the Denomination, take heed that they do not arm the hostility of whole sections against the interests they have in charge. The work of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board must go on: -in the present way, if practicable; but if not, then in some Judson Institute.

We have received from Professor Rawlings, a printed order of exercises in relation to the approaching commencement at the Judson Institute. We shall be happy to attend, and feel assured that the occasion will be one of animated interest. Notwiththe Institute has flourished, having had an excellent faculty and a goodly number of pupils.

The Howard College.

The advertisement of the exercises of the Howard College at the approaching commencement appears in another column. The occasion will be one of special interest and we hope we shall have the attendance of many friends and patrons of this excellent institution from abroad.

Literary Notice.

The Donestic Monthly, N. Y. for June, is out, with its customary well selected contributions to fashion, cur rent literature and the fine arts. \$1.50

Field Notes.

Dr. Burlinghame of St. Louis says

that "Rev. J. J. D. Renfroe, D. D. of Alabama, made a good, solid and well-digested speech" at the Mass Meeting for the Home Mission Board, The compliment was well deservedand so is the title. Of another of our representative Alabamians, who spoke at the Foreign Mission Mass Meeting, Dr. Burlinghame says, "Dr. Tichenor of Alabama made a straight forward, sensible, strong speech, as he always does."---We may add that an Ex-Alabamian, Dr. McIntosh, now of Macon, made one of the most eloquent speeches, in his tribute to Dr. Sumner, that we heard during the session of the Convention .-The Central Baptist very justly commends the work of the Home Mission Society in planting churches in new States, and in providing for the education of the colored ministry, and commends that Society as worthy of our sympathy. But it fails to add that we have a Board at the South, which undertakes the same work, and will carry it on just so far as the brethren at the South will furnish the means. There is no hostility between us and the Northern Board:-but we of our Shelby county church, who have our own work to do, and our own agencies, and we cannot hand it over to others without a loss of selfcorrespondent of the Ohio Journal tributions of Southern Baptists dur- Convention under a gloomy cloud" pain, must strive and pray for it. Say not ing the past year: 1st, That the and as having done very little except "I will wait until I am converted," but planters and factors who had been to pay the agents and some of the say, "O God convert me. Teach me accustomed to give, had become im- debts. To this notorious misrepre-B. Link, Editor of the Texas Baptist the sixfulness of my heart and life poverished, and that the masses have sentation of facts, he adds the prophchange in the Corresponding Secreta-ryship of the Home Mission Board. the fig tree, calling forth songs of izing tendencies of the late war have as Secretary, and the American Bapsweeter thankfulness and love than retarded co-operation between the as- tist Publication Society might consweeter thankfulness and love than the some, but it has been thought by some, who have seen the voice of the turtle, or whether thou thought by some, who have seen the voice of the turtle, or whether thou comest in the storm and in the clear, shining after the rain, come, come, O my God! visit my sinful, dying soul with thy salvation." Not the quiet-with skilled commander, and with thy salvation." Not the quiet-with skilled commander, and with thy salvation. Not the quiet-with skilled commander, and administration. This has been the

surely be better, say "The Gentile sight." and Jew in the Courts of the Temple of Christ,"-London 1862.-The entertainment given to the Convention even exceeded the expectations founded upon the historic courtesy and liberality of that noble city of Char-Baptists there, and indeed the entire community, unbounded praise. The writer need not say how every such expression went to his own heart. There are no better people anywhere in this world!--- The colored Baptists of Virginia at their annual Convention, have arged their constitueney not to send their children to Pedobaptist schools .-- Our old friend, Judge John Kerr, of N. C. delivers the annual address before the Chowan Female Institute .- Dr. Richard Furman, our Baptist Scholar and Poet will probably deliver his fine lecture on Gen. Lee, in various places, during the ensuing autumn. Let us persuade Dr. Furman to visit Alabama. - The Vanderbilt is filling up its professorships, its trustees having elected as Professors, Dr. J. M. Saffold, Dr. Alex. Winehell, for the chair of Geology, Mineralogy and Botany; Prof. Harrison for that of church." Modern Languages; Dr. Lipscomb for that of English Literature; Dr. Granbery for that of Homiletics; and Prof. McIntosh for that of vocal music .- The Herald says that Dr. Manly must accept the place of Corresponding Secretary. Our contemporary seems to command the situation .- One of the Missionaries emis a grandson of Osceola,

Bereavement.

help to the bereaved family. He her, might have said something at the fuour absence. The first was

MRS. NANCY HENDERSON, of Talladega, relict of the late Deacon and safe judgement. As a mother are now living. she was highly honored. She lived honorably wearing the crmine of Cir- tiful shore in the sweet bye and bye. enit Judge; two other sons engaged in the practice of the law; one daughter the wife of a distinguished minister, and the others usefully employed in the activities of life; - while all are worthy members of Baptist churches. She died the 12th of May.

The second is

MAJ. W. N. MALLORY,

one whom they raised.

-A distinguished Southern scholar his warm greeting, his hearty wel- better the work. It is a matter of recommends, Prideaux' Connections come, his pleasant, cheering smile, general remark that the crops are in of Sacred and Profane History, to his delightful hospitality, and his in- better order-labor more reliable young theologians. Something less telligent conversation. "Even so than any previous year since emanciantiquated in scholarship would Father, for so it seemed good in thy pation. And I think undeniable that

We are not accustomed to complain at the printers, for they have a hard time with our bad writing, but there is one mistake in our leston. On their way from the Con- last article on Baptist peculiarities vention the delegates awarded the "No. xii.," on first page of the issue of the 18th ult., for which we are not willing to be held responsible, because it makes us commit a great mistake in relation to another denomination. It makes us say that the church membership of the Methodist 23, 1875. ministry is with the "Presbytery."-It should have read as follows, "You would probably be astonished if you were to ask the pastor of the Methobership is with the Presbytery.' And taste. therefore if the Conference and the

Communications.

"Blessed are the Dead Which Die in the Lord."

Within two weeks Bethsaida church at Snow Hill, has been called to bury very few Sunday School papers; very three of its members. All of them few Sunday School advocates and played by our Home Mission Board exemplary Christian women. They lecturers, And going back a hunlived consistently, and died in the dred years, no Sunday School in the hope of the righteous.

One of the trials of a pastor is that 27, 1875. For more than thirty years Fox, a Baptist deacon in London, of being absent from home and charge, she was a zealous, efficient Christian. when some valued and beloved mem- A good husband, a lovely daughter tations in the formation of a Sunday ber of his church dies and is buried and six affectionate sons mourn be- School Society. before his return. He can think of so cause a faithful wife and devoted many reasons why he would have mother has left them. In her death preferred to be at his post in the hour | the community, the church, the famiof such a bereavement. He might ly, suffer a sad bereavement, a serious have said something that needed to loss. In all the relationships of life ment is freighted and burdened with be said to the dying. He might have she was efficient, faithful, devoted, the great idea; sentiment is widening learned new lessons for usefulness and will live a long time in the mem- into practice, throughout the Chrishereafter. He might have been some ory and hearts of those who knew

neral which no one class knew; and er Wm. Purifoy) died May 1st, 1875; be expected to bring about great with this train of reflection he is per- in the twenty-fourth year of her age. things indeed-ah, things wonderful! plexed no little. Such has been our Six years ago she connected herself We will not see these results-we'll reflection since we returned from the with the church of Christ, and since Charleston Convention, two highly then, by a godly life, she has made it esteemed members of our pastoral manifest that she was in deed and in charge having passed away during truth a disciple of her Master. A devoted husband monras over the grave of an affectionate wife.

Mrs. N. Purifoy, in the eighty-John F. Henderson, and mother of fourth year of her age, died May 9, the Rev.-S. Henderson, D. D., of Al- 1875. She was born March 23, 1792. church movements, will be more claspine. Mrs. Henderson was something During a long term of years she lived over seventy-eight years old. "With as an humble devout servant of God, long life God satisfied her." She was and died respected and loved by all an unpretending, modest Christian who knew her. She was the mother woman, highly endowed with an ex- of a large family. * More than one traordinary degree of sound sense bundred and sixty of her descendants

Last Sabbath morning, while the to see a large family of children pass choir and congregation sang that beyond the days of their youth with sweet little chorus "In the sweet bye out a blemish on their integrity and and bye, we shall meet on that beautiuprightness, and honored by the peo- ful shore," many eyes were moistenple; cne of them having long filled, ed with tears, and many voices quivas a minister of the gospel, an eleva- ered with emotion. We confidently ted place among his brethren; another hope to meet our sisters on that beau-

> With his heart full of affectionate sympathy, the pastor begs the blessing of God upon his bereaved people. W. C. C.

Carlowville, May 16, 1875.

Items from Conecuh.

We make the following interesting extract from a private letter:

been a severe sufferey for months, read with great interest the proceed- at the 2nd church, and sometimes in with what was supposed to be disease lings as published in the last number the streets. respect and moral power. The of the heart; and his much suffering of the Alanana Bartist. While I was borne with as much of patience am well pleased generally, there is Alabama (or in Georgia, Tennessee, Dr. Samson gives the following and Messenger, represents the Home and fortitude as we ever see in one one item that I rejoiced to see. It is or Mississippi) want a sound, good causes for the scanty Missionary con- Mission Board as "coming before the who is subjected to such excruciating the expression of Bro. J. L. M. Curry preacher, with small family, they in his speech on the subject of American find such a man in the person of He was one of the most useful can Baptist Educational Commission, Rev. N. A. Bailey, who can be now members of the Big Spring church; when he took occasion to say: "There wise in counsel and liberal with his are two points which I will take the money; affectionately tender of the opportunity of expressing. The one Bertlet Link says, in his and the excellence of my Savior. not been trained to give anything. eey that the Romish de- of some three to four thousand in-The the comest as spring comes 2nd, That the people generally have will probably appoint a new Board at the poor; and therefore highly cs- nomination is a church, and secondly habitants, and is quite a summer re-The most absorbing and important over the hills-a gentle beneficent pres- been embarrassed, and make collections and important over the hills-a gentle beneficent pres- been embarrassed, and make collections and important over the hills-a gentle beneficent pres- been embarrassed, and make collections and important over the hills-a gentle beneficent pres- been embarrassed, and make collections and important over the hills-a gentle beneficent pres- been embarrassed, and make collections and important over the hills-a gentle beneficent pres- been embarrassed, and make collections and important over the hills-a gentle beneficent pres- been embarrassed, and make collections are supplied by the second of the secon The most absorbing and important the first and added that some Northern agent had adde parture leaves a void which must be our most influential ones, can't fail every Sunday. A neat brick house felt. He leaves no children, but an to tell wonderfully for and against. of worship is approaching completion. excellent and most faithful and pa- For the Baptists in that, that they tient wife with whom he had lived are the off-shoot of no Mother-church nearly forty years. Her house has against the acts of which they probeen a house of great suffering for tested and set up an independent orthe greater part of a year, having ganization. Against Romanism in lost a charming neice in March after that, that it is stripped by that charge four months of most painful affliction, (and which is truth) of all that makes it a rival before the world.

> about sixty-five years of age. We way on short rations; and wonderful cordial greeting extended to him by that we shall on earth no more meet fied that the shorter the rations at that we shall on earth no more meet fied that the shorter the rations the Fraternally, W. G. CURRY.

the country has not hardly half rations compared with previous years. Certainly the crop to a much large extent than of other years will belong to the maker at the end of the year. Probably for the simple reason that it could not be spent. Great cautio has been evinced by such as could advance, and the number largely reduced who have hitherto done an ad-

vancing business. What do the Index brethren mean? Yours in Christ, ANDREW JAY, Jay Villa, Conecub Co. Ala., May

Moonlight Picnic at Fayette-

It was a good thing, and resulted dist, Presbyterian, or Episcopal in a good collection for the Baptist churches in your community the ques- Sunday School. The night, (May tion, 'Where is your church member- 14th), was beautiful indeed. The arship? The Methodist minister would rangements of seats, and tables, a say, 'My membership is in the Annu- stand to speak on, lamps, and scafal Conference.' And the Presbyteri- fold fires, under the large spreading an minister would answer, 'My mem- oaks in the church yard, showed good

Our boys from Syllacanga, with Presbytery are not churches, it would their brass-band, came tooting and be difficult for these ministers to show | blowing and banging, like nice young that they belong to the church at all. men generally do with those crooked Certainly they belong to no local horns, and big old drums, affording us some nice music. We had a speech to begin with, after an animating piece on the band. We were told of the Sunday School fifty years ago; the Sunday School now; the Sunday School fifty years to come. Fifty years ago, there were very fow Sunday Schools in the United States; world, Robert Baikes of Gloucester, Mrs. Margaret Watson, (wife of an Episcopalian, in 1784, was medi-Brother Floyd Watson) died April tating upon the scheme, and William consummated, in 1785, similar medi-

Now, Sanday Schools are number ed by the thousands; Sunday School papers by scores; Sunday School lecturers by hundreds; public sentitian world; the moral forces of this sentiment are irresistible. Hence, Mrs. M. J: Parifoy (wife of Broth- fifty years to come, may reasonably be dead. Some eyes here may be hold them, and the eyes of genera tions yet unborn. A Sunday School will be in every church; boys and girls will know more of historic theology, than titled elergymen now; the membership of the churches-if converted-and the whole machinery of tic and effective, as a sanctified knowl-

edge of the Bible is increased. Finally-you stand in a glorious line of worthy workers: set a proper estimate on your work; set your hearts on it; we want heart Sunday Schools. Wild fun, and lexity, and laughter, are insults to the gravity and dignity of such an enterprise; weight, not wind, is what the public mind needs; tears are better than huzzas. Pleasantries are admissible sometimes. You are doing well in

your school here. Go on. W. WILKES.

Georgia News.

Bro. Baptist: Some of us in Georgia are beginning to cry "dry weather-need rain." Oats and gardens are suffering some, but wheat is doing better it may be, on account of the dry weather.

There is religious interest in the 1st and 2nd churches of Atlanta suffi-Dear Brother Winkler: Not being cient to keep up daily services. Bro. died 16th May. Brother Mallory has able to go to the Convention I have Fackler, is working with earnestness

> Should any of your churches in reached by letter at Santa Rosa, Cal-

Gainsville Georgia is now a place

Yours, dec., W. N. CHAUDOIN, Dist. Sec.

A Deacon Ordained

On the 4th Sabbath in April at the request of the Bellville Church Bro. A. Jay and the writer ordained C. C. Gulley, a worthy brother to the office Brother Mallory was, we suppose, We are all working hard down this of Descon. Bro. Jay preached two

S. S. Department.

D W. GWIN. - - - - - EDITOR

MARION, ALA .:

Tuesday, June 1st, 1875.

Our Mosaic.

fectually. Gather to give: give to nel cries for Israel !gather. A successful teacher was sked the secret of his success, and modestly replied,-"The teaching spirit." After a pause he explained: "Perhaps I do not know just what I - mean by that, but," and the tears austood in his eyes, "it is the spirit that would teach, the spirit that dies if it does not teach." Whitfield had it, as exhibited in these words: "I want more tongues, more bodies, more souls for the Lord Jesus. Had I ten thousand he should have them all. Oh that I had as many tongues as there are hairs in my head! The everloving, ever-lovely Jesus should ye shall have tribulation [It is God's have them all."-A little child said, "I love Miss C. as a teacher better than Miss A. because she talks to me till she cries!" O for unction, more unction, MORR UNCTION!

Second Quarter. Lesson X June 6th, 1875.

> SAMUEL THE JUDGE. 1 Sam. vii. 5-12.

Leading Text .- BY THE BLESSING OF THE UPRIGHT THE CITY IS EXALT-ED. - Prov. xi. 11.

> ANALYSIS : S-A-M-U-E-L.

Seven months after the death of Eli the ark was brought twenty-five miles from Ashdod to Kirjath-jearim about six or eight miles porthwest of Jerusalem, where it remained for twenty years. At Samuel's command the Israelites who had fallen into idolatry put away the strange gods, Baalim and Ashtaroth, and served the Lord only. Vs. 4. But the Philistines held them in subjection. Samuel now formally enters upon his duties as judge, and a better day dawns upon the land. Consider-

I. Submission. -(Vs. 5, 6.)-Samuel very wisely summoned "all Israel" to meet him at Mizpeh, a city of Benjamin, (Josh. 18:26) where the Israelites were accustomed to assemble (Judges 20:1; 1 Sam. 10:17), "the seat of the tabernacle for a long time under the monarchy." He promised to pray for them, according with the ' custom of good men in all ages. As a faithful worshipper of God, his prayer would be more effectual than theirs and would also incite them to fervent penitence and prayer. The people gathered in one grand convosion at Mizpeh; and by drawing water and pouring it out before the Lord, and by fasting on that day, and by cries confessing, "We have sinned against the Lord," testified their repentance and desire for forgiving mercy. Now Mizpeh, with Bethel and Gilgal,-a seat of government (1 Sam. 7:16), and Samuel who hitherto was only a prophet becomes their judge. Many were the reforms to be instituted, many the laws of God to be reaffirmed, many the crimes to be punished and eradicated.

II. Alarm -(V.7.)-When their oppressors, the Philistines, heard of this gathering, they marched up a great army against the Israelites, to disperse them and prevented any up rising to cast off their yoke, For the unarmed and untrained Israelites to be filled with alarm was natural. Subjugation cowers and paralyzes the atrength and hopes of a nation. So long without a governor, or any dauntless spirit, like Jephthah who in that very place Mizpeh had been made captain of Israel's host, they were fearful and faint-bearted. But a greater than Jephthah was near, even bamuel; ave a greater than Samuel, even the Lord of Sabaoth!

III. Meditation. -(Vs. 8, 9.)- Presently the horsemen came riding to bid the requisite thousands to setercede with God to save them out of rode away. the hand of the Philistines, Jephthah "No one has been in there for about as the true friends to the best dealers in herbs. had done this, (Ju. 11:11) and perhaps years," they said. the place and emergency suggested So Mahomet was saved by an in- have not space to give our reasons a mediator with God, the Israelites no use. Everything around us may

Lord, "Our God" implies their condence. Samuel accodes to their request, but there must be atonement before intercession. The burnt-offerng (the law for which is recorded in Lev. 6:8-13,) procured acceptance with God. The fire of the altar shall always be burning in the burnt offering; all night unto the morning. The camp of Israel rested securely all night under the shalter of the even ing lamp upon the altar; it was a earless rest, for there was a sweet savor on their behalf ever ascending to God, for the burnt offering is de-Nothing can approach the word of | fined to be the "ascending offering," God as the instrumentality for awa- by the Hebrew word in Lev. 6th. No kening interest in young minds, enemy could prevail; no power of Study it; get illustrations from it; darkness could harm them if God paraphrase it; catch its spirit, rever- should accept that offering; and will ent, datiful, docile, benevolent, sanct- He not, since He he has ordained it? The Southern Baptist Convenifving, and you can then teach it ef- Now on the basis of the blood, Sam-

IV. Umpire. - (V. 9, 10.) - What took place when Samuel made his offering? Two things: "the Lord heard him," and "the Philistines drew near to battle against Israel," Conflict follows acceptance; but the foca againts the blood-accepted people came too late to enslave them, however near they are yet too far to succeed, too far to touch even a hair of their heads. God is their umpire. - but, we thought, with less than the God arbitrates for His believing ques. Gracions and great Judge and Conquerer for the saints. "In the world decree]; but be of good cheer I Christ our Burnt-offering have overcome the world."

V. Expulsion.—(Vs. 10, 11.)-"The Lord thundered with a great "The Lord thundered with a great his fertile fancy could suggest to a thunder on that day upon the Philis- favorable vote; but in vain. Why tines"-and in this way a panic drove them away in greater alarm than that they inspired in the Israelites, tion of the West. They will know Then were they an easy prey to the one day "There is a West." pursuing Israelites, who smote them doubtless with their own cast off weapons:-a fearful retribution. They were smitten until they came under Bethear, probably a hill on the borders of the Philistine country. This ignation of Bro. Sumner, who has be constantly offered: "Lord, make alluded to himself as still an exile, some loafer to smoke in my face." Mr. expulsion was so overwhelming that served the Board so long and so faith-"the Philistines came no more into fully, and nominated Dr. Basil Manly, the coast of Israel; and the band of the Lord was against the Philistines all the days of Samuel.

uel wishes not to memorialize himself, the report of the Nominating Board. but his God, in this expression of his must have been truly gratifying to praise. Like David and Paul he friends. It seems that this change could say: "Praise the Lord all ye was contemplated from the first of Gentilex; and laud him all ye peo. the session, and it was foured that it ple." (Rom. 15:11.) He took an might lead to unpleasant results, and unpolished stone, because unforbid- the fear brooded like a dark and den by Lev. 26:1, and set it up in or near the very place where the Israel- by some and feared by others that ites had been defeated and the ark this change of officers was but the taken (ch. 4;11), calling it Ebenezer -- initial step to the execution of the "the stone of help"-saving, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." This was an expression of gratitude designed to evoke also their watchful- leaving the field open to the Northern ness and fidelity in all future service

TEACHINGS.

1. Concerning God: He pardons the penitent believing soul; He an- Foreign Mission Board at Richmond, swers the earnest prayer of faith, and under one Secretary, and that resting on the blood of Christ.

be holy, united, trustful, active me- sign to betray the South into the morialists of Christ. Christ always causes them to triumph, never forsakes them. When they govern the from the report on union presented land rejoices; they are the salt of the by J. Wm. Jones, and the vote taken

3. Concerning unbelievers: they are proud, presumptuous, but weak and wretched, and shall be discomfited either on earth or "in the day of

A Little Story.

Once upon a time, a very many many years ago, there lived a man Our Associations and State Conven whose name was Mahomet. He was a false prophet, and during his life time he had many enemies.

taking a quiet walk, the sound of tary or Board in Sichmond or Fo horses' hoofs reached their ears. Mahomet immediately knew that it was his enemies pursuing him. So he quickened his pace, until he reached a cave; The Sunday-School Board is no more there he stopped. Well, it happened that a spider had woven his net across the mouth of the cave, and the ser- Board. It was proposed by Bro. vant drawing near would have bro- Brantly, of Baltimore, so impatient ken the net, but Maliomet prevented him, saying:

"No, no; pass under it." So they crawled under the web with- We understood the Philadelphia Soout breaking a single thread.

The people had just chosen Samuel as their judge (and prophet) and they in their extremity implore him to in-

Broken Threads.

As the shuttle awiftly flies Beek and forth before our eyes, Blending with its ingers light Warp and woof till they units In a fabric good and strong, Let us hear the weaver's song.

Weaving ever day by day, As the shuttles briskly play, Broken threads now oft samey And our precious time employ; Warning us, by sharp reproof, We must watch the warp and woof,

Weaving in life's busy loom-Mingling sunshine with the gloom Warp and woof of deeds we blend Till life's fabric has an end; Broken threads how oft we find Burdening the noble mind.

Broken threads in life abound, In each station they are found; May faith's kind and friendly hand Help us to adjust the strand, That, when life's last tide shall el-b, There shall be a perfect web.

ance was unusually large, about three ent felicity? We do not propose a hundred, mostly from Georgia, the moneyed endowment of our papers, Carolinas and Virginia-the Western but that the number of subscribers

SPIRIT OF THE CONVENTION. The sessions were harmonious, though excessively protracted-from ine till three o'clock. The enterainment was ample and right royal. The usual business was attended to, usual interest or enthusiasm. There were fewer speeches, and those of an inferior order, than in other years. The resolution of Bro. Lofton, o Memphis, commending the proposed establishment of a "Quarterly Review," by the Southern Baptist Publication Society developed the position and animus of Richmond and the East in the opposition of Eld. Dickinson-he opposed every obstacle Richmond and the East should oppose everything Western is strange, and is calculated to work an aliena-

President of Georgetown College, Ky. If he will accept, he will make and most kind expressions Bro. Sumner received from his brethren on the V. Laudatory. -(V. 12.) -Sam- floor of the Convention, as well as in Bro. S., as they were to his many storm charged cloud over the Convention from the first. It was believed pet scheme of shelving the Home Mission Board altogether, or turning it over, as the Sunday-School Board was, into the hands of a receiver and Board, The Sunday-School Board was effectually demolished by this influence. We have it direct, that in one of the meetings of the committee Dr. Williams, of Baltimore, proposed to merge the Home Mission into the this was also urged in a letter addressed to the Convention by Fuller 2. Concerning believers: they should Crane, of Baltimore. If it is the de-

hands of the Northern Boards and Societies, Southern Baptists should be warned of it in time. Judging upon it, we do not think that South ern Baptists are ready to be transferred, unless Bro. S., is retained. Let a new Secretary be immediately as pointed, and the Home Mission Board and the Southern Baptist Convention be saved; for if the Board is killed, as the Sunday-School Board was, there will be no use for a Convention. The Foreign Mission Board could be merged into the Boston Board without producing a ripple. tions would support their own miss-ionaries in the foreign fields, and send men who, when apon the field, would be better qualified to decide Once, while he and his servant were what should be done than any Secreton could be. The gext Convention will meet in Richmond, and the fate of the Home Mission Board will be definitely decided then and there. the paper is still owned by the Home lission Board, and is to be run by Bro. Boykin without expense to the was he that Aind Words should be issued under the fostering care of the Convention, that the paper be put up ciety had an agent there instructed

trath in Jesus, and Southern Baptists as the witnesses for Jesus.

OUTLOOK AND NEEDS. The grand movement for the coming year will be the Centennial effort for the endowment of our collegesthe promotion of Christian education. This is likely to oversweep every other affort, because to thoroughly organized and directed by the most powerful minds on the continent. It has our most hearty approval; but the question with us is, are there not other interests that should share in the benefactions of a grateful denomination. There is a power without which University piles and College walls and chairs of instruction, and moneyed endowments, are as nothing.
It is the Press, the mighty Press, and

The grass grows rank o'er many a grave
Of the young and joyous and gay and brave.
Many a well loved voice is hushed. It is the Press, the mighty Press, and especially the Religious Press, upon which the existence and prosperity of all these depend. And shall the Re-ligious Press of the South be altogether forgotten when Baptists give public expression of their recognition of the influence to which they owe so The number of delegates in attend- much, if not the most, of their pres-States were but lightly represented, in each State shall be quadrupled or and exerted but little influence in the sextupled -at least that the number | Hand drops from hand, and heart from heart; of readers in each; State shall equal the number of families belonging to the churches in each State. Let but this effort be made this fall, and be consummated early in the year 1876, and tenfold power will be given to the great object of the American Education Commission. What say the friends of the education of our peo-Christian duty as well as in literary to us this is the right place to begin, mighty lever move the whole denomination, - Buptist.

With a Comment or Two.

of the Secretaries of the Southern white hair and beard, but he was as Baptist Convention, was made the beautiful in age as in youth, changed occasion of sundry comments, and as one would wish, firm and vigorous among them these:

The Home Mission Board at Marion were incarnate, and made correspondence eertain divine philosophy reviewing ing secretary or general agent of one the events of his life, his country is still embarrassed by debt. Its ex. of our Boards, he would be complain- and the world. He is much act status will be learned from the ed of by some brethren. Rev. J. W. interested in America, and knows Moses, as patient as Job, with the it, as he quoted Shakespeare, and I faith of Abraham, the gentleness of heard the old tones in his voice so John and the zeal of Paul." Several musical. He has lost his wife and ona most excellent officer. The many members suggested that there be ad- ly daughter, but he has two fine sons ded to the prayer, "the strength of in good positions,

Samson and the wisdom of Solomon." Now we suggest, with all deference to everybody, that it is about time to of value, should begin as early as A cease making martyrs of the men who B C is begun. When this course is must expect to meet fault finders, but cook, and the cook is afraid of noclass of men occupying conspicuous the best illustration to conclude with. positions of trust, responsibility and A recent letter from the newly apin the side of a competent and faith- mentions that on entering her posiful Secretary are only about as one to tion she found the bill for "roast day" a thousand of his friends; and we have fifty pounds of beef. She cut down no idea that a Secretary, Editor, or the estimate to thirty. The inmates gration, and every ocean steamship that Pastor, made out of the seven old were just as well served, and are perworthies named at Charleston, would feetly content. They have enoughgo through life with nobody to stick "but," the writer quaintly remarks, a pin in him. - Examiner & Chroni- we have not so much cold meat for

Brown University. Brown University is making a vigorous effort to interest its alumni in the welfare of the college. For Graduates can vote for nominations persistently if it had been a dun. by sending their bal'ots to the Secretary of the Alumni Association, Mr.

the English named it Everest, in hon- anyhow." or of a distinguished officer of the British Indian topographical survey. Its snowcapped summit is 29,002 feet, or nearly five miles and a half, above the level of the sea. Of course no one has ever ascended it to this height, Proctor. but its altitude, like that of the other lofty peaks of the Himalaya, was ascertained by triangulation; and until the present time it has not been supposed that any higher land existed on

PICKING UP THE MINUTES,-A Sabbath school scholar earned a new suit of clothes, shoes and all, by digging paper. We cannot regard those who dandelions and selling them to the interests of Southern Baptists. We

"When did you find time, Johnny?" I asked, for besides being a very puncof allegiance to God. Men must have we must not say that spiders are of It is not because we are an enemy to school, he did errands for Mrs. Davis. from sin.

Fading.

The past is fading, fading. ever to come back again; The cypress is shading
Half of the sunny plain.
Unchanged, I wot, is each well known scene Not a branch shows new in the hedgerow

Just as the lack from the meadow sprung, When life and I alike were young Just so the primrose peeped to light, When I and April balled the sight.

Yet Nature's self-pervading,
Is the sense of something gone:
The past is fading, fading,
And the whoel of time rolls on.

The past is fading, fading, And gathered in its hold Its mighty pinions lading, Is much we prize of old; Many a golden hope is crushed, Many a happy dream is over, With smile of kindred, friend and lover.

The past is fading, fading, The blood runs cold and slow; Harsh wisdom is degrading The creeds of long ago,

The past is fading, fading, We cling and pray in vain Where the cypress tree is shading The tombs of all the slain. Slain by the years and put aside, The darlings of love, the idols of pride, One by one the frail links part, One by one the sweet things given To brighten earth go back to heaven,

To love and life pervading,
Sigh the sense of something gone,
And the past is fading, fading,
And the wheel of time rolls on. -London World,

Kossuth at Turin:-There are stories of his living in abject poverple, the masses of our churches, in ty and utter discouragement and despair. I knew that this was not true, and theological education. It seems but it was delightful to find the reverse. I found him in a pretty villa, Put the religious paper, through with a garden full of roses; a small which the Commission must speak, conservatory was connected with the into every family, and with this house, and around the front door were pots of beautiful plants. He town are raising a fund with which to met me most cordially in his study, to pay the expenses incurred by the defend-which I was conducted. Changed he ant in the libel suit of C. C. Bowen vs. certainly was, from the dark haired the News and Courier. man just passed the middle of life to The resignation of Dr. Sumner, one the old man of seventy, with snowstill; fresher than in that old period Dr. Jeter said if the angel Gabriel of struggle, serene, peaceful; with a act status will be learned from the ed of by some brethren. Rev. J. W. interested in America, and knows reports in this paper. The Committee on Nominations accepted the res-

> EDUCATION in housekeeping, to be become Secretaries. Of course they followed, nobody is afraid of the authority for stating that no change is we verily believe they have no more body. Of the motive of "prudence" of it than falls to the lot of every in housekeeping, we have reserved honor. The people who are as thorns pointed head of a public institution our neighbors." As fifty to thirty in a big establishment, so is ten to-in a small family. We leave houseleepers to work out the problem .- Phil a

A PHERIM LETTER-Here are some the first time in its history, the grade of the devious ways and wanderings nates will, at the next commence- of a love letter: A Boston lady, ment, vote for members of the Board | while in Paris two years ago, sent a of Trustees. The charter provides letter to her sweetheart, a ship capthat there shall be 36 Trustees, 22 of tain, addressing it to St. Helena. It whom shall be Baptists, 5 Episcopa- missed the wanderer and followed lians, 5 Quakers, and 4 Congrega- him about the world, finally returntionalists. There are three vacancies ing to Paris, where the captain's to be filled this year, a Baptist in banker forwarded it to Boston. It place of the late Dr. Benedict, a reached him one evening as he was Quaker in place of the late Judge bouncing a six-weeks old baby on his Greene, and a Baptist in place of the knee, he having married the writer ferred to the Board of Fellows, could not have followed him more

RAFFLING IN ENGLAND .- Raffling Renben A. Guild, who is also librari- at religious fairs seems to be carried an of the college, or by giving them | to further extremes in England than in to another graduate to deposit, in this country. The Bishop of Mancase they cannot go in person. Mr. chester, in a recent sermon, said that Guild will send blanks to all the he had been informed that recently alumni of the college, with all the eight young men agreed to subscribe necessary instructions about their a sovereign apiece, and rafile for a £5 note, the remainder to go toward a charity fund. The result was that THE HIGHEST MOUNTAIN IN THE the charity gained £3, and the young World, -For many years past Mount man who won gained £1. This he Everest, in that portion of the great | was told was one of the latest devices Imalaya range which occupies the for raising money for a charity, but western part of the strange kingdom he was afraid we were acting upon of Nepaul, immediately north of In- a principle in connection with our dia, has been regarded as the highest | charities which was spoken of by Ho- | spirator with W. I. Squires in attempt mountain in the world. It is known race, who said, "Make money, honto the Nepaulese as Gaurisankar, but estly if you can, but make money

Brevities.

Heaven alone means crowned, not vanquished, when it says forgiven .-

his heart, likewise loves those who suffer for the sake of truth. We ought never to retire at night District Court, lately in session at Mont- Vindicator, the Wilcox News, and the

when we arose in the morning.

keep on the safe side by being mean.

The forgiveness of his sins is the most urgent of all needs to the really honorable man, inasmuch as it is the —A young man named Bullard was this course as well as their late vow significant little spider. Hereafter bere, but we will in a future issue. I asked, for besides being a very punction of his becoming free drowned in Lowndes county on the 9th

General Items.

-Gen. John M. Harlan for Governor he Han Bobert Boyd for Lieutenant Governor, and Hon. Wm. C. Goodloe for Attorney General, have been nominated by the Kentucky Republican Convention.

-The ladies of Texas are raising funds to build a home for the Hon. Jefferson Davis in that State. All honor to the fair ladies of the Lone Star State!

-Ireland has sent more emigrants to the United States than Germany has, in the aggregate, but for the last twenty years she has been falling behind, and now both Germany and England stand before her on the immigration lists. During the last forty years three millions of Irishmen landed on our shores. This tremendous drain has reduced her own population. The population of England and Germany, however, has increased, notwithstanding the large emigration.

-Mr. Wheeler's letter to the New York Times, denying that the adjustment of the Louisiana question has been violated by the Democrats of the Louisiana Legis lature, and proving that they acted in perfect good faith, is a terrible announcement to the carpet bag organs, the more so because Mr. Wherler is one of the most ultra and thorough-going men of his party in the House of Representa-tives, as well as one of the ablest and

-In the case of Caldwell, of Kansas, Senator Morton laid down the rule that s man whose election was due to bribery, and who even consented to the negotia tion, without meddling in it himself, should be expelled from the Senate. If that rule is applied in Spencer's case, the "little sutler" will not hold his seat in the Senate long enough to warm his

-In the hymn book of the United Presbyterian Church in Great Britain, in Montgomery's "Hail to the Lord's Annointed," the phrase, "the mountain

a glass of whiskey. -The efforts of the press are appreciated in Charleston. The citizens of that

-It was Tom Moore who compared love to a potato, for the reason that it shoots from the eyes."- Exchange. And it was Byron who likewise com-

pared love to a potato, because "it graws less by pairing,"-Albany Argus.

-While riding in a stage coach from Kinderhook to Albany, N. Y., many years since, John Van Buren, who was smoking, asked a stranger in the stage if

-Sartoris, Gen. Grant's son in-law, is going into the banking firm of Grant & erman as a partner. With Papa before the City Court of Mobile, a few Ulysses' funds on deposit, the young man will have a fair start.

-The reports in certain newspapers of change in the policy of the Government in respect to Cuban affairs are certainly unfounded. There is the highest now contemplated, and that the Government has no purpose of recognizing the

-Germany has already added two and a halt millions of emigrants to our population, and she is likely to send us a great many more. The recent diplomatic correspondence with Belgium and the rumors of war that grew out of it have given a tremendous impulse to emicomes into port brings a great company of robust young Germans in the steerage

nicipal taxation, says: "In 1853, when the population of the United States numbered 25,000,000, the whole cost of its will be seen that less than 2,500,000 of inhabitants of the cities of New York pay nearly as much taxation as was imposed on 25,000,000 about twenty years age for the cost of the army, navy, Indian treaties, and all other expenses the General Government.

-We find the following in a late copy of the Free West, an Anglo-American pa

The Hon, and Rev. James Wentworth Leigh, brother of Lord Leigh, of Stoneleigh Abbey, Warwickshire, who for some years held the family living of spected, has bid adieu to Albions ungrateful shores, and arrived in New York recently by the White Star steamer Cel-Rev. Dr. Hovey, who has been trans- of the letter a year ago. That letter tic, en route for Georgia, where he will make his home in future. The estate which he goes to cultivate is the property of Mrs. Leigh, an American lady, whom the Hon, and Rev. gentleman woord and won whilst on a tour in the country some three years ago,

Alabama News.

-A poor unfortunate white woman at-Conti Street, Mobile, on the night of the earth was a living death to her; that she had not eaten anything in four days, and that she wanted to die.

-Geo. L. Putnam, formerly school superintendent and postmaster at Mobilea Spencerite carpet-bagger-has been aring to defraud the city of Mobile. -The incendiary, S. H. Pairo, who

was pardoned out of the penitentiary by Gov. Lewis just before vacating the Gu-bernatorial chair, has eloped with an-other man's wife and children.

have this year planted considerably more tive granges, on the first Thursday in land in corn than in cotton, also much | June; and, also, that the Greensboro The man who loves truth with all land in outs, rice, sweet potatoes, sugar Beacon, the Marton Commonwealth, the cane, ground peas, etc.

without having more wisdom than dictments, mostly for violations of the call through their columns,—Argus, Revenue Law.

-The editor of the Birmingham Inde-

he other day, the jury returned a ver-the other day, the jury returned a ver-the other day, the jury returned a ver-that of fire thousand dollars damages Wednesday.—Commencement Exercithe best interests of that Society; it is not because we oppose anything that "There is almost always time for crooked path for the love of money."

Never set your feet in a dirty and the other day, the jury returned a verdict of five thousand dollars damages.

The Federal cavalry have left Ope-lika. Their leave taking of the sables is said to have been very al-gusting.

Sickness, in Pickeus county, is not so great a misfortune as it is in some

other places. When a man there, by reason of sickness, is unable to plow and plant his crop, his neighbors combine and do it for him.

-Mr. A. Elkan, the head of the house of M. Meyer & Co., left Selma, a week or two ago, for a prolonged visit to the northern cities and Europe.

-Rev. Dr. Andrews, of Montgomery, will preach the Commencement Sermon for the Tuscaloosa Female College, on Sunday, June 20th. -Gen. John T. Morgan, of Selma, has

accepted the invitation, and will deliver the Anniversary Oration before the Literary Societies of the State University, at -Why do our country friends, (asks the Tuscaloosa Times), keep their spring

The reason is, perhaps, the same that it is in some other places—they haven't got them to send.

chickens and March lambs out of mar-

-The political disabilities of Hon, Jas. L. Pugh, of Barbour, have been re-

-The Hon, John A. Cuthbert, of Mebile is one of the oldest Cong living. He is 87 years old, and is a regu-lar practitioner at the Mobile Bar.

-Mr. Joseph Weil, of Greensboro, it is ascertained, was a passenger on the ill-fated steamer Schiller, and was lost.

-The wheat, and other crops, throughout Alabama, are represented to be, at this time, very promising. -The Messenger learns that over \$1,500

worth of wool was sold in Troy week -A little daughter of Col. Saffold, of Selma, was Ladly scalded in the face and breast, on Tuesday last, by the upsetting

-The proceeds of a strawberry festival, at Union Springs, amounting to \$175, has been turned over to the Or-

phans' Home, Tuskegee. -The Advertiser learns that grasshop

pers, by the million, are making their appearance in Montgomery county, We have heard of large numbers in a

portion of this (Perry) county. -Willie Watts, son of ex-Gov. Watts, aged about 14 years, was drowned in the Alabama river, while bathing in company with several other boys, near Montgomery, on the 24th inst,

-- Hon. J. P. Bradley, Associate Jus-tice of the United States Supreme Court, will attend during the concluding days of the District Court, at Montgomery, -The municipal election in Selma, on the 24th, resulted in the election of N.

Woodcuff as Mayor, by a majority of 107 votes over Col. B. M. Woolsey, the regularly nominated Democratic candidate. The Council is composed largely of Dem -Washington I. Squires, the counterfeiter of Mobile city change bills, was

days ago, on a writ of habeas corpus, and after investigation, the prisoner was die charged on the ground of want of jurisdiction, the offence having been commit ted in Missouri. -Twelve new members were added to the M. E. Church last Sunday. The Pres-

churches will probably receive other accessions next Sunday .- Athens News, 21st, -A lodge of the Knights of Pythias has been instituted at Opelika,

byterians received ten candidates. Both

-Miss Belle Boyd has been lecturing at Opelika-subject not stated. -We regret that Mr. Heidt is still con-

fined to his bed by protracted illness -Mr. Hector McLane, an old citizen of Marion, left here on Monday last, for his native North Carolina, where he expects

to spend the balance of his life,

-Rev. E. T. Winkler, D. D., will do liver the Baccalaureate Address to the Graduating Class of Howard College on Commencement Day, Wednesday, June

-A boy, in New York, has been sentenced to one year's imprisonment for stealing two cents. That boy will be a Radical officer, some day. Died-At Warhalock, Miss., May 14th.

875, Mrs. EMILY WHITSITT, wife of Howell Whitsitt, and daughter of the late W. M. Pleasant, formerly of this place, in the 40th year of her age. -Thos. J. Rutledge, Esq., the accom-plished Clerk of the Supreme Court of

Alabama, has been spending a few days with his relatives and friends in Marior He is one of the rising young men of the State, and we predict for him a brillian WONDERFUL ESCAPE.-Last Wednes day, in Walton county, Fla., a hunting

party from Troy, Ala., took refuge fro a storm under a tree. A bolt of lightning struck the tree, glanced off to the gun of Pete Scarborough, and thence to the ground. Mr. Scarborough's hat was badly torn and burnt, and the left side of his head scorched. He was shocked to insensibility for half an hour, and was at first supposed to be dead, but finally recovered, and is now able to be about His escape from death seems wonderfel Two brothers named Cawthorn, on the apposite side of the tree, were knocked insensible for about fifteen minutes, but were not serieusly injured .- Columb

-The last meeting of Dullas County Council, held in this city, was well attended, ten granges of this county being epresented, and delegates being in attendance from several granges of the neighboring counties. The following resolution, among others, was unar mously adopted:
Resideed, That the editor of the Argus

be requested to publish a call, as comis from the Dallas County Council, urging the importance to all Patrons who ship -The members of Aberfoil Grange, in their cotton to Selma, of meeting with Bullock county, Ala, report that they us, by representatives from their respec-Authora Ottizen, the Shelby Guide, the -The Grand Jury of the United States Demopolis News Journal, the Wilcox

Never be sorry for any generous —The Evergreen Star is informed that thing that you ever did, even if it was betrayed. You cannot afford to than at any time since the war.

Examination and Commencement Evercises of Howard College.—Examination week, June 7th to 11th. Commencement Week, June 13th to Sunday. - Baccalaureate Sermon by Rev. W. C. Cleveland.

Monday,—Prize Declamations by Sophomore Class, 91 a. m. Oration before Literary Societies by Col. Taul Brad-

IAMON, ALA.:

Hay culture in portions of the South na it is not necessary for the for to live on his land. He

and of moderate fertility, it is com-paratively valueless. This is the al-minimum of California. The yield is enor-talfa of California. The yield is enor-

loughing, barrowing, rolling, etc., a week as long as the chick's follow the hen. he whole expense not less than twelve All these "cures" are, of course, of

unwise to aneer at an effort gravely and earnestly proposed for the good of others, by men at least of average intelligence, and who have certainly the merit of smeerity. If the readers of the Rurat Carolinian, who have Bernuda grass on their lands, will explain. Several months ago, as I passed a certain house on the mean?"

It is wonderful to see how our heavenly Father provides for us in our extremities. When one mode of grasing, a fourth or half an acre of grasing a fourth or half a formation and grasing a fourth or half an acre of grasing a fourth or half a formation and grasing a fourth or half a formation and grasing a fourth or half a formation and grasing a forma

A Visit to the Vicinity of Charleston.

Grange, in Charleston, there was one which escaped the general observer.

The visitors from abroad visited the Phosphate Works, and were struck with their magnitude and value. But adjoining the Stone Phosphate Works, and on the farm belonging to that Company, there was an eighth of an acre of poor land, which if properly appreciated, will be of more value to South Carolina, and indeed the whole shouth them these works, employing a large vital questions. The writtenance new crops which require much labor, as ramie, jute, etc. This would simply be changing Scylla for Charybdis.

We need a change which will diminish labor. A hay crop effects this diminution. Near to a good market on a boatable stream or a railroad, and within easy reach of cheap fertilizers, no field crop, whether it be cot-South than these works, employing a capital of \$400,000. This fragment of an acre was visited and examined by the writer in company with Dr.

St. Julien Ravenel, the discoverer of the vicinity of Charleston. If that

Charleston, are now lying idle for the same reason. They cannot be sold for enough to pay the taxes on them. Their owners are driven away to the Their owners are driven away to the scythe. Certainly not on poor, city to seek a meagre subsistence, by unmanured land, and when constant-engaging in mercantile pursuits, for ly grazed by live stock. But let a

g soil will not produce a remunerative crop of cotton or the cereals without heavy manuring. Last spring Dr. Ravenel had this piece of ground well torn up by a narrow plough, applied lifty pounds of Ammonisted Phosphate to it, then harrowed and led. The result was at the rate of ten tons to the acre of well cured hay. This hay is exceeded in value by no other in the market. It is relished by orses, cattle, and sheep .- Rural

Chicken Lice.

There are several kinds of lice

main reliance of poultry-keepers to secure freedom from lice; it should be several feet square, say six by six for thirty hens, fully one and a half feet high, and half filled with dry, loamy earth, sifted, to which is added about one-eighth of its own bulk of lime slacked with water until it falls to an impalpable ptwder, mixed with more or less—say half and half—sifted wood ashes. If this mixture nast be present only at the time of is thoroughly dry, as it should be, entting, curing, and baling the hay. the hens will cause a cloud of dust to lay is a crop which cannot well be fill the whole house most of the time. tolen it has this advantage over It will penetrate wherever the air does, and give quitui to any kind of tored in the barn until they rise. Lucerne will thrive on the coast if live. The addition of a few pounds the land be made rich enough; but it of flour of sulphur to the dusting box must be made very, very rich. On has no doubt a favorable effect.

their roots, every alternate day for a week or ten days, Togetmeier says, is a "certain remedy." When hens come off with their broods, rub sulrtificial grasses is serious. For in-tance, it requires two bushels of or-hard grass seed to the acre. The out of the seed is usually three dol-ars per bushel, making six dollars.

Now in the coast section referred hen house, filled with accumulations of to, and in portions of the interior, there are thousands of acres ready set, without cost in this Bermuda observation, for both grazing and hay, believes to be superior to any of the artificial grasses which are sown at so great expense.

If any persons think the views here expressed are exaggerated, the question can be very easily settled. It is ashes mixture is occasionally renew-

land, and treat it in the same way occupation fails, if we will but keep that Dr. Ravenel treated his eighth of eyes open, we shall very soon see an acre, they can determine this mat-ter for themselves, not next year, but The South labors under two diffinow, this spring. It is not too late. culties. Our arenstomed crop, cot-

eased to be remunerative. Our labor is insubordinate and un-Outside of the subjects by which reliable. What crop will be profita-the stranger was impressed during ble to us, and how shall we render the recent meeting of the National Turselves independent of the negro? Grange, in Charleston, there was one These are vital questions. The wri-

he value of the Phosphate beds .- market is glutted with hay, the West What Charleston and the whole agri- Indies are open. Hay can be profitaand the discovery, time alone will be the Northern cities. This might seem able to tell. It must be estimated by to be carrying coal to Newcastle. The lions of dollars. This gentleman, suggestions may be ridiculed as bewhose modesty is equal to his merit, ing chimerical, yet the writer fearlesshas made another discovery, or rather put imperfectly ascertained facts into exact shape, the results of which, though not so wide-spread as those of the Phosphate discovery, will be of equal value to the whole of the worn lands of the South.

The Southern planter has dreaded to six merit, by ventures the assertion, that if the views of this article are extensively adopted, not only the drain for millions of dollars for Northern hay will be closed, but the course of trade in this important article will be changed, and along the Southern coast we The Southern planter has dreaded Bermuda or joint grass as a pest.—
Whole plantations have been sold for a song because they were infested with it. Large tracts of land with comfortable houses upon them, near quality equal to that produced by

which their whole previous lives have piece of poor land be treated as Dr. Ravenel's land was treated, and be The eighth of an acre to which reference has been made, is in Bermuda of this opinion will quickly be apparent. It is poor land. The adjoining soil will not produce a remunerating grass, but the deficiency in height is more than made up in density. In fact, cutting a dense Bermuda sward is almost like cutting a cheese, or shearing a Merino sheep.

Curculio Remedy.

Prof. S. B. Heiges, President of the Pennsylvania Fruit Growers' Society, in his late address before that association, stated that for two years past he had no difficulty in saving his entire crop of plums from the ravages of the curculio. His remedy was simple, but had, nevertheless, proven effectual. It consisted in preparing a Spirit which need for a moment swers. Just then came along another

ing cride petroleum, soft soap and of his own fruit, and they ripened a if these things were to be gloried in

Katie and the Birds.

BY MES. F. A. POTTER.

A little girl lived in a garret,
And all the long day stald alone;
For Katle was poor and her mother
Must work, and leave Katle at home.

The ceiling was low; dark and dingy, With nothing to brighten the gloom, For scarcely a ray of warm sunshine Could enter the poor little room.

One morning while reading the Bible One verse about doing good, And something she could not remember, And hardly, I think, understood.

"Po good," so it said, she was certain;
"Forget not" it read, she was sure;
But what could she do in a garret?
Besides, she was little and poor.

And so she sat thinking and dreaming, And watching the people below, And wishing for bags full of money, Then how to do good she would know. Tap! tap at the window, she started. She listened what was it she heard?

"Chirp! Chirp! Little girl, I am hungry, A crumb for a poor little bird." "I'll get you a dinner," said Katle,
"I think I have plenty for four."
Then quickly she opened the window,
And scattered the bountiful store.

The poor little fellow was frightened, And flew to a steeple near by; And Katie stood still at the window, And felt as if ready to cry.

Twas not very long before birdle Came timidly back to the sill, And keeping an eye upon Katie, Stood quietly eating his fill.

"Do good, and forget not," thought Katie, And smiled as she murmured the words, "Perhaps God will think it is something, To feed one of his little birds."

"Brought in by a Smile."

A London minister said to a brothr clergyman, one Monday morning: Seven persons were received into all brought in by a smile."

"Brought in by a smile !" echoed

smiled, and the sweet child returned with her bright, sunken eyes, she babe was again before the window, "I want to be carried out of doors, on, has become precarious, or when and again I gave it a smile; and this father. I want to go back to the planted in our former methods, has swering smile. The third Sabbath I He could not refuse, and without subject, either? looked up to the window as I passed, saying a word, he wrapped her up, and now the babe smiled down on me, folded her in his arms, and carried is to be on exhibition at the Centenand this time I threw to the pretty her out through the yard across the nial, and a curious correspondent my way to church; and as the weeks | moment, and then, turning away her | girl to a young fellow after he had | 7tf went by I noticed that the nurse and the baby were not alone. Other members of the family pressed to the window to see the gentleman who hastily. had always a smile for the household

"One Sabbath, as I passed, two said to these children, 'Make your- tell Jesus Christ, when I see him, selves ready for church, for we think that my father prays," that the gentleman who always The strong man's head was bowed. miles to the baby is a minister.and see where he preaches.' The confession, and supplication for forpavement, and kept near me from father prays." street to street, until I entered my own church, where they followed me and seats were given them.

church. They too were pleased, and said; induced to come to the house of God. | papa! God blessed to them my ministry and seven members of this household | do?" Jesus, and to unite with the people of God; and I repeat what I before brought in by a smile."

No one is too poor, too full of labor and care, to give a smile and a down and tell the old cat her kitten kind word; and the loving Savior wants her." makes use of instruments so simple to bring souls into his kingdom .- she said she would." Christian at Work.

The Gospel All-Sufficient.

fied before the eyes of sinful men. edge of a field we saw a man walking,

water and applying them with a garden surpline, all over the inside of the house, upon floor, walls, ceiling or rafters, nests, roosts, etc. Carbolic acid applied in the same way has proven perfectly effectual.

The dusting-box, after all, is the main reliance of popular, keepers, to

ow of hope; we have no reliance upon our graces, no, nor a ghost of a reliance upon them. Jesus Christstood in my stead; l, a guilty sinner, have taken shelter by faith, which he has given me, beneath his wings, and I hide myself in him. There is my hope, and that it is the hope of every hope, and that it is the hope of every true believer in Christ here I do

Now we preach the same hope to the ungodly. Here ye what God's word says to you. You have broken his law and deserved his wrath, and he might justly aweep you down to hell, but behold he addresses you in tones of grace. You have no claim upon him; you have no right to expect mercy at his hands because of anything in you that could move him to pity; but in the plcuitude of his grace he has set forth Christ to be a propitiation for our sins, and the Apostle adds, "And not for ours ouly, but for the sins of the whole world." We preach Jesus Christ un-to you this morning, and say in his own words, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be sav-ed." Come to Clrist and trust in him, and ye shall be reconciled to God. Oh, yield thee, man! What are thy boasting peformance, thy virtues, and thine excellences? All rottenness in the sight of the heart-searching God. Quit thou thy refuges of lies, I pray thee; quit them now, lest the avalanche of Divine

A haby in Milwaukee, Wis., has wrath, should overwhelm both thee and thy refuges, for "he that believeth and is baptized shall be saved ; born. but he that believeth not shall be damned." God save us for Christ's sake. - Spurgeon

"Pray, Father."

A little Indian girl, seven years old, She had heard the missionaries preach. ton News. had been a constant attendant upon the Sunday School, and for several months had given good evidence that theatre. By way of revenge he imshe was a lamb of the Savior's flock. my church yesterday, and they were Her father a proud, hard man, had once professed to be a Christian, but for some time had been a backslider, the astonished listener, "what do you whose case was regarded as almost

and was extended, and a kiss thrown wound its quiet way over sand and wiper .- Mail. wasted face, she said, earnestly: "Pray, father."

"Oh, I can't my darling," he said passionate love.

pleaded.

"No, no! how can I? No, no!"
"Father," she said, laying her little children, a boy and a girl, stood at the window beside the baby. That thin hand on his arm, "father, I am ferred." morning the father and mother had going to heaven soon; and I want to

and there went up from the brook-When he passes, do you follow him side such a prayer of repentance, and children were quite willing to follow giveness, as must have thrilled with the suggestion of their parents; and joy the courts of heaven. Soon her

THE LITTLE BOY'S FABLE. - "Little Wallace was put to bed up stairs. "When they reached home they His mother told him she would come sought their parents, and exclaimed and sit by him after a little while. cagerly: He is a minister, and we Very soon he called for her. His have found his church, and he preach- father heard him, and he went up. ed a beautiful sermon this morning. He did not know that Wallace's You must go and hear him next Sab- mother had promised she would come, bath.' To persuade the parents was so he just told Wallace to keep still not difficult, and guided by their and not call again. He was turning

have been led to give their hearts to | "Why, papa, the little kitten cried, and the old cat came."

said to you, that they were all His father knew what it meant, and

"So Wallace's mother came up, as

WHY NOT THE THE VELVET TONGUE. -"When I was a boy," says one, "a One further thought I want to leave a ramble through the woods, until, upon every mind. Nothing should quite forgetting the fading light, we make us speak with bated breath found ourselves far from home. Inwhen we are lifting up Christ ernei- deed, we had lost our way. By the

jumar.

Lo, Monday is the "washing day,"
As all good housewives know,
Memorable of dinners hashed,

Memorable of dinners hashed,
And clothes as white as snow;
And Tuesday is the "ironing day,"
'Mid cold, or fog, or heat;
And Wednesday is the "sowing day,"
To see the clothes are neat;
And Thursday is a leisure day,
And Friday brooms begin
To sweep away the household dirt,
'Fore Bunday's ushered in,
And Saturday is "baking day,"
Ples, puddings, cakes and bread,
And then, the weary week is done,
And wes—may go to bed!—Graphic.

Back-bitters-fleas. A "maiden" speech-Yes. A good line of business-the fish

Living on excitement is very ex pensive living. Self-made men are very apt to

worship their maker. Time is money, and many people pay their debts with it. A depraved punster says he shall

smoke if he chews too, Many editors are of such a peaceful nature that they will not put a head on their editorials.

A close observer says that the words which ladies are fondest of are the first and last words.

The one thing needful for the per-fect enjoyment of love is confidence— same with bash and sausage.

A haby in Milwaukee, Wis., has been christened "Zero," in honor of the cold Sunday upon which he was

Why are the days in summer longer than the days in winter? Because it is hotter in summer, and heat expands.

To many the path of life is nearly all tunnells.—Danbury News. That was wasting away with consumption. is what makes it such a bore .- Bos-

A Chicago deputy sheriff was refused free admission to a Chicago panelled the manager on a petit jury. The spelling schools that are spread-

ing all over Ohio are said to have demonstrated the fact that a woman can spell five times better than a

A printer, hard of hearing, at a spelling match the other evening, asked the Captain to "Write the word down so a fellow can tell what She's a regular coquette, is Miss

Pacific Mail. Do you notice how

prattler a kiss. Instantly one little meadow, down to the little brook that writes to ask if it is the original Penn back to me. And so it came to pass pebbles, among the alders that skirt- "Now let us talk about your busithat Hearned to watch for the baby on ed its banks. She watched them a ness affairs," said a sharp Connecticut

> proposed marriage to her m a long address filled with expressions of astily.
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> "But do pray, father; do pray," she leaded.
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> "No, no! how can I? No no!"
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> A printer out West, whose office is two miles from any other building, and who hangs his sign on the limb part cash, and balance in small monthly of a tree, advertises for a boy. He payments.

> > Two Irishmen traveling on the Balto a mile post, when one of them said: "Tread aisy, Pat; here lies a man 108 years old—his name was Baltimore."
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> > competition.
> >
> > Imitation of the Human Voice.
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> > PRICES EXTREMELY LOW for each this month. Menthly Instalments received; on Pianos, \$10 to \$15; Organs, \$4 to \$25 monthly after first deposit. AGENTS timore and Ohio railroad track, came

many States in the Union? "The books say thirty-seven, but the newsafter I had passed, the door opened freed spirit had fled on the wings of books say thirty-seven, but the newspapers are ahead, as usual, my son. Go to the head.

> An Irishman with a heavy bundle on his shoulder, riding on the front of a horse-car, was asked why he did not set his bundle on the platform. He replied: "Be jabbers, the horses have enough to drag me. I'll carry the bundle.

The Graphic is authority for the statement that during the war "Genchildren, they found their way to away to go down, when Wallace eral Tracy charged at the head of his column on many a bloody field, other members of the household were | "Did you see the old cat to-day, and after the battle has often been apa!" cen sitting under a tree, combing the "No, Wallie. Why, what did she cannon balls out of his hair."

> A Western editor, thinking to stock his depleted larder, advertised and the old cat came."
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> "This was little Wallace's fable. His father knew what it meant, and he said:
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> "Well, Wallie, lie still. I will go down and tell the old cat her kitten wants her."
>
> "Poultry taken in exchange for advertising." The villainous compositor, seeing his opportunity to pay up a long standing grudge, set it up—
> "Poetry taken, &c."—and since that time the office boy has been clearing the control of the contr fifty cents a day from the waste pa-

Bill Smikes came home mellow the other night, and when his wife asked him what ailed him he said he had been to the spelling-school and had (hic) got foul of hip-pip—poppo— poppo—hip popity—hip-pop—hip-pityhop—himus—hippimus—hip-hip—hippitymus— hipopytimus—or some such confounded word, and it had given him one of his "spells,"-Dan. Davis of Virginia City paid a

There are several kinds of lice which infest pointry and poultry houses. The fowls' natural way of indign therefore effectual. It consisted in preparing a solution of old putrid whale oil non-place when we not extending the feethers with dust and then shaling it out. Fine dust is fail to parasites, and the the only safety to be a shaling it out. Fine dust is fail to parasites, and the the only safety to be a shaling it out. Fine dust is fail to parasite, and the the only safety to be a shaling it out. Fine dust is fail to parasite, and the the only safety to be a shaling it out. Fine dust is fail to parasite, and the the only safety to be a shaling it out. Fine dust is fail to parasite, and the the only safety to be a shaling it out. Fine dust is fail to parasite, and the the only safety to be shall and the preparation, so as coat every leaf if possible. This was applied frequent as an all-sufficient said to the shall not a shall be repeated by the same of fosters and shall. The small, exandering hen louse for same of fosters and shall. The small, exandering hen louse for same of fosters and shall. The small, exandering hen louse for same of fosters and shall. The small, exandering hen louse for same of fosters and shall be repeated by the shall be re

THE SINAPPIC MANUSCRIPT .- Prof. Brugset, while accompanying the He-reditary Grand Duke of Mecklenburgh-schwerin on an expedition to Sinni, has it is stated, discovered in the library of the ministry nine hitherto unknown portions of the "Co-dex Sinaitious," the oldest extant

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