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A Lock of Mother's Hair. A lock of mother's soft, black hair I fondly guard with jealous care.

"Aid Yourself, and God will Aid You." Aid yourself, and God will aid you, is the motto of the true Christian.

standing committee appointed by the associational convention, at some period anterior to the meeting of the body, request, at least, two brethren to prepare themselves to support his report, to be followed by miscellaneous speeches.

COMMUNICATIONS.

West Alabama.

Before presenting my suggestions, I wish to tender my thanks to Dr. Winkler for his kind response to my request in reference to the soul and spirit.

SUGGESTIONS.

1. Associational organization. I love it. I have been taught to believe and feel that it is in perfect keeping with the Divine mind.

that thro' within the bosom of the church, and thus shows to the world "who is the greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven."

but surely we ought not to rest until such places as Athens, Decatur, Tusculumbia, Florence, and others, have strong men in them. My observation is, that centres of population, will constantly sustain effective men, whether inhabited by church people or not.

Tennessee Valley.

Bro. West: I have been very much interested in reading a late communication of Bro. Bailey giving an account of churches, &c., in this famous valley.

From Jefferson, Marengo County. Dear Baptist: We have no writers here for the paper, but we are some of us readers and subscribers.

our house is a very neat building, and some of the females seem desirous of being educated. Throughout the entire building there are but one or two marks of idle hearers.

An Evangelist in a Quandary.

One of the appointees of the State Mission Board is in trouble. He has received several pressing invitations from churches and pastors to visit them.

him and complied with his request that we should not tell where he lived.

Dear Bro. West: Tell the people of God to buy Geike's Life of Christ which has just been issued by the American Book Exchange.

RESULTS FOR THE YEAR 1879.

The pastor has received in cash most of his salary; his wants have been well looked after and provided for in that lovely spirit of the Christian, which made it pleasant to him.

Troy-The First Baptist Church. A year has passed since my home was transferred from Georgia to Alabama. It has been a year of lights and shadows, of joy and sorrow.

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The Ladies Aid Society.

The church has the most laborious and active Board of Deacons I have ever known in a church. They are deacons indeed! and perform their duties with that system and promptness so encouraging to a pastor.

The Judson and the Howard. The thought was intensified in my mind while at these Institutions recently, that hearing of things is not like seeing them.

of fifteen handsome brick stores, three brick ware-houses, and a large number of residences—a few of which are elegant, are some of the indications of her progress during the past twelve months.

A Remark.

"For the word of God is quick and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit."

present. Any book seller can order Hopkin's book, which was published last year in New York.

not see any necessity for spiritualizing the passage at all, except in its general outlines. The familiar incidents of Shepherd's life in Palestine, related to emphasize our Lord's relationship to his people and his exclusive claims upon them.

Newspaper Reading.

Christians need to read the papers. It is impossible to do one's duty in times like these without being well informed, and the proper, and only thorough means of such information, is the newspaper.

the exclusion of other subjects of thought, rapidly works a mental and spiritual injury. We wish no one to do that there is danger in revival of religion that many people will be harmed by excitement.

the following comparison of the amounts received by prominent members and actors: Beecher gets \$20,000; Edwin Booth, \$100,000 a year; Dr. Hall, of Fifty Avenue, and Dr. Dix, of Trinity, get \$15,000; while E. A. Southern earns over \$150,000 as Lord Dunderbury, and John G. Wrenn plays thirty weeks annually for \$90,000; Talmage preaches for \$12,000; and Joe Jefferson plays forty weeks at Rip Van Winkle and earns \$120,000. The scholarly and gifted Dr. Storr has \$20,000 salary, and Maggie Mitchell works hard and \$50,000; Dr. Cuyler works hard and \$50,000; Dr. Cuyler works hard and \$50,000; Dr. Cuyler works hard and \$50,000.

Church and Home.

"The Lord hath need," pleaded the minister. "Freely ye have received, freely give." A dainty lace handkerchief wiped a tear from the eye of the richly dressed lady before me, as she dropped into the basket from a white band which sparkled a thousand dollar diamonds, a silver ten cent piece—O Mammon! Mammon!

