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## A SKETCH OF WORK DONE BY THE STATE MISSION BOARD.

The following sketch is published at the request of a number of brethren:

This Board has been in existence just six years. In 1871 the Convention organized a Sunday school Board, under which Rev. T. C. Boykin labored as Sunday-school evangelist for nearly three years, rendering efficient service. The apathy of the denomination, however, towards any general work forced him from the field, and he removed to Georgia.

After Bro. Boykin's resignation, the present Corresponding Secretary was urged to take the field, which he consented to do, on condition that the work should not be confined to organizing children's Sunday-schools, but that he should be permitted to visit the churches with the view of arousing their latent energies, and calling forth personal, consecrated effort in the Master's service. In 1875, he entered on the work, and from the beginning the Lord's blessing so rested on his labors that at the annual meeting in Huntsville, by a unanimous vote, the Sunday-school Board was changed into the State Mission Board of the Alabama Baptist Convention. For two years the present Corresponding Secretary traveled extensively over the State, endeavoring to arouse the churches to action, organizing Sunday-schools on the broad basis of the church in the school, encouraging churches to meet every Lord's day, inculcating the spirit of missions, circulating the ALABAMA BAPTIST, and doing everything possible to interest the people in all our denominational enterprises. At the Gadsden Convention, it was determined that the time had come for an extension of the work, and the Board was so instructed. Fields were mapped out embracing two, three, and sometimes four associations; and in October of 1877, additional laborers were put to work. At the Convention in 1878, seven men were reported in the field; in 1879, eleven; and in 1880, twenty-two.

During these years, the Board had been doing evangelistic work among the churches, not, however, entirely overlooking destitute points. This feature of the work was provisional, and was necessary in order to get the churches so interested that they would support men laboring exclusively as missionaries in destitute regions.

At the Convention of 1880, the entire missionary work of the State—State, Home, Foreign, as well as the raising of funds for ministerial education—was entrusted to the Board. What its success in the advocacy of these interests has been, the financial report will show: \$8,000 for State Missions; \$1,400 for Home Missions; \$1,600 for Foreign Missions; \$1,000 for education. In addition to this, the Board was instructed to inaugurate a system of colportage work, and to undertake evangelistic work among the colored people.

During the conventional year just closed, we have had thirty-six men at work for the whole or a part of their time. Twenty-six are now engaged in the different departments of the work; twenty-two as missionaries in destitute places and with weak churches; four serving as colporters, and one as evangelist among the colored people. The Divine approval has rested upon the efforts made.

Our people have been drawn together as never before; and whilst we cannot yet say that Alabama Baptists are a unit; yet the tendency is strongly towards unification. The amount of work done by the Board is joyously recognized by the denomination. Numbers of churches have been saved to the denomination; 36 new churches have been constituted; 1,465 have been added to the churches by baptism; 301 holding letters have been hunted up and brought into pastoral churches; 49 have been restored; 974 Sunday-schools and 369 prayer meetings have been organized; and 1,998 copies of the ALABAMA BAPTIST put into families. Through the exertions of the Board the contributions to Foreign Missions for this year have been nearly doubled; and those to the Home Board largely increased. Baptists of every portion of the State should feel grateful to God for what their State Mission Board has been enabled to accomplish.

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING OF ASSOCIATIONS.—We publish in another column the time and place of meeting of the Associations of Alabama. Cut it out and preserve it. It will not appear again.

## TEMPERANCE.

Every Christian, every patriot, every reflecting man and woman rejoices at the deep, wide-spread and increasing interest manifested in this subject. The evils of intemperance are vast, manifest, admitted, and few will not say that the use of ardent spirits is among the great evils now cursing the race. Everywhere, people, the best people, are saying, "Something must be done." The question, "What can be done?" recurs every day with increasing emphasis. The question, "What is the wisest thing to do?" is troubling the minds and hearts of men. Various movements have been made; multiplied methods have been adopted; but still the great evil goes on crippling and cursing the people. Something must be done. What? Indiscreet, embittered abuse of liquor dealers is not wise. It has accomplished little, and will result in no good to the cause of temperance. The pathetic rehearsal of touching stories of broken hearts, starving children, ruined fortunes and blasted families have done little more than arouse the emotions of the listening congregations. The extravagant denunciation of alcohol as the essence of all evil, "liquid fire," "distilled damnation," "the hot saliva flowing from the infuriated lips of the desperate Devil," etc., etc., has not accomplished much in stopping the flow. The severe condemnation of temperate men who are not "teetotallers" has not added much to the progress of the temperance movements. The signing of pledges, formulated by temperance organizations, has done little to prevent the use of ardent spirits. The employment of reformed drunkards to harangue the crowds assembling to hear startling stories and stale jokes has sometimes, and in some places, created a temporary excitement. Insinuations or open declarations, and calling in question the courage and motives of legislators, denouncing them as cowardly, time-serving peace-seekers, have not aided much in shutting up dram shops.

The evil is deep, wide-spread—deepening and spreading. Something must be done. What? The appeal is now being made for legislation. Laws of varied form and import are being called for and are being enacted. In conversation with one of the most intelligent members of the last legislature, we learned that every law asked for, with one single exception, was passed. More than a hundred laws relating to the sale and use of ardent spirits were added to those already existing. The last legislature of Alabama manifested a cheerful willingness to gratify, to the fullest extent, the wishes of their constituency in regard to this subject. We can have no complaint against them in this direction. The people may have whatever of local legislation they desire. Will local legislation meet the necessities of the case? We think not. What, then, must be done? Not hoping to answer satisfactorily this perplexing question, we venture the following suggestion:

The Congress of the United States has sole and supreme control of matters of commerce. If it be constitutional (about this there is difference of opinion), let Congress forbid the importation of intoxicating liquors from abroad and, as far as its jurisdiction extends, prohibit the transportation from one State to another. If Congress has not the power, let the legislatures of the various States prohibit their manufacture within their limits. Suppose, now, that Congress and the legislatures pass laws prohibiting the importation and the manufacture of alcoholic liquors, will the evil be uprooted, the curse driven from the country, thereby? We think not.

We learned from the legislator referred to above, that before a single new one was added, last winter, there were already on the statute books laws sufficient to accomplish the wishes of the many petitioners who sought relief. These laws have not been executed. Will the late enactments be more effective? We think not.

It may be urged as a principle that no law can be executed which is not supported and made effective by the sentiment of the people for whom it is enacted. The wisest, most stringent and comprehensive law will be utterly powerless unless it is made forceful by the support and approval of the governed. Legislation alone does not furnish the remedy. What must be done? A public sentiment must be created—a sentiment pervading all classes of society—that will make effective the laws now existing and that will make any further needed legislation; a sentiment that will make drunkenness disgraceful and the use of ardent spirits, as a beverage, disreputable. How can this be done? Various means, many methods, continued agitation, earnest, unremitted effort on the part of those who feel and recognize the evils of intemperance must all be called in and made to assist. But we are quite persuaded that if this sentiment is created and made forceful and effective, the churches of the blessed

Christ will be, must be, the most potent factor in its creation and extension. He instituted his churches for the salvation of the race, not only from hell, but from the evils of sin in this world. Intemperance is a great evil, entailing direct curses upon the children of men in every quarter of the globe; it is marching on conquering and killing. Christian men and women, arouse yourselves; recognize your responsibilities; meet your obligations. The mighty enemy stands before you defiant and aggressive. You have been appointed to lead the army of salvation. Your Great Captain calls you to the front and bids you lead the assembling hosts of "temperance" men and women on to triumph and to victory. Appreciate the high honor he has conferred in making you the leaders in every successful movement for the relief of the world from the evils that afflict the race. Be faithful to the trust committed to you. Do not disgrace your colors and bring reproach upon your Master, who has, in a sense, committed to your keeping his good name. Be faithful. Do not allow human organizations to rob the churches of Christ of the honor rightfully belonging to them. You must lead if the "temperance movement" is successful. Already, we hear good men expressing fears as to the reaction that will follow when the present excitement subsides. Men of God, arise in the strength of your Lord and make this movement permanent in its effects and in its progress. Take the Scriptures as the man of your counsel; learn the precepts of your Lord; obey the commands of your Master; do the bidding of your Captain, trusting him for strength and wisdom to make you successful in the battle now waging with the mammoth evil that overshadows the face of society.

It has been intimated that a "political temperance party" is now in process of organization in Alabama. If this be true, it will be harmful and only harmful to the cause of temperance in the State. Let every true friend of temperance use his influence to prevent so calamitous a movement.

## CHARACTER NECESSARY IN ORDER TO SUCCESS IN CHRISTIAN WORK.

A casual observer cannot fail to see that the one thing imperatively demanded at the present time is, that behind all professions and protestations there shall be a life—a character. Once it may have been sufficient to know that elevated position was accorded to men. Now we demand that by most searching scrutiny there shall be manifested sterling integrity of soul. The mere fact, that men are the financial heads of large institutions, is not a sufficient certificate of character. Repeated defalcations and breaches of trust, and even perjury of those in high position, has made men sadly suspicious of each other.

We will not say that there is more corruption to-day than in the good old times of which our fathers speak. Frightful instances of fraud and robbery have been exposed, but every reflecting man knows that these instances are the exceptions. There never was a time when there was more of actual fraud in man than now. Go into the business marts of the city, and the uninitiated will be amazed when he learns how much men trust one another. It was to be expected that repeated frauds and failures would make men distrustful. But there is enough of surviving faith to cause us to be devoutly thankful to God. In financial circles, as elsewhere, men have demanded character rather than reputation. We should, therefore, expect that in religious matters the same demand will be emphasized. Evangelical Christianity has been charged with making its religion a mere outward thing—a formal profession. This is a libel on Christianity. There is a familiar theological phrase which says, "Sin is a nature, and that nature guilt." May we not say, "Salvation is a nature, and that nature glory?" It is in harmony with this principle that the Scriptures declare that a good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit; neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

It is true, that men of the world are disposed to judge Christians harshly. They apply to them stern tests, and that, too, with little discrimination. But much as Christians may sometimes writhe under the trial, the absence of all criticism would be no blessing. We should thank God that there is no law to shield unfaithful disciples from stern rebuke; that there are no professions behind which a hypocrite can long abide in safety. In this testing of character, no man need fear that he will not be rightly estimated. Like a bank bill, every man passes for what he is worth. It may be stated as a principle that character is always estimated rightly in the end, or from year to year. There can be no lasting concealment of character. What is in a man will, in good time, assuredly come forth. It is true, that there have been men whom we delight now to honor, that, in their life-time,

found none so poor as to do them reverence; but these men are only the notable exceptions that prove the rule. Take any well-known person in any community, and the general opinion of those who associate with him concerning his character, will be found as nearly correct as human wisdom can attain to. There are none who would not smile incredulously were they told that they did not know the character of the persons with whom they have been intimately associated for ten, fifteen, or twenty years. The reason is, a man's character is displayed not alone in words and acts, but even in his gait and manners; it is manifested in the outward appearance. One has very little knowledge of human nature who cannot tell, at a glance, as he walks the streets, the dandy loafer of the town from the earnest business man. It is wonderful that the hare-brained fop, that incomprehensible compound of incompatibilities, should take so much pains to dress and to walk in such a manner as to advertise his own worthlessness. One look at him, and no shrewd man of business would trust him unless he knew that he had a father who would be responsible for his debts.

From the work which Christians are to do among men, the necessity of a true Christian character will be readily seen. To win men to Christ we must have moral worth; for successful effort, men who are men, are needed in this practical age of ours. You may find any number of men of the negative type; nobody says anything against them. But men are needed for Christian work who have something more than negative virtues. One of the distinctions which may be made between the merely moral man and the Christian is, the one does nothing very wrong, and the other accomplishes positive good. The moral man is like an empty bottle closely corked; nothing bad can get into it, but it is equally certain that nothing good can come out.

Every Christian, great or small, is called to the work of saving souls. In this work no one can be truly successful unless he has a character which will impress men by its moral worth. We go into society and we find that people wear masks. Men are unwilling to hold themselves open to inspection; hence we have all the subterfuges of etiquette. The Christian among men must show himself to be nobler and truer than they are; his moral character must be above reproach, and then he can move among his fellows with a candor and an openness of soul which cannot fail to command admiration and respect. Christian character gives force to Christian utterance, and makes powerful the proclamation of truth.

Brother Lazar, writing in the Baptist Courier, in response to the action of the Foreign Mission Board in reference to brethren Stout and Bell, concludes thus:

What are we to do? After much earnest, troubled, prayerful thought, and after looking at the matter in all its bearings, we answer—we cannot, we must not, we will not desert the Board. Whatever we think of their action, in one thing we are immovably fixed, viz: God helping, we shall redouble our energies on behalf of the cause of the heathen. Let us see to it that our gifts to this Board are larger than ever. God has given us in this event a grand opportunity to "add to our crown this gem—patient generosity." We appeal most earnestly and lovingly to our brother pastors who feel aggrieved, to rally, refresh and to unite with us in heart and hands and gifts to Foreign Missions. Let us keep our place among the sisterhood of States as the color-bearer in this great work. Let us pray God to raise up for the Board such men as they can endorse; and God grant that when our Convention meets in Greenville next May, our State may head the list of contributors.

These are noble words, coming from a warm, Christian heart.

The English of the revised edition of the New Testament is to be revised by Dr. Weston, President of Crozer Theological Seminary, assisted by scholars he may call to his assistance. The Publication Society will issue the revised edition of the Testament. Dr. Weston is reported as saying:

We shall modernize the spelling and substitute everyday forms of speech. For instance, we shall use "who" or "that" for "whom," where it refers to persons, and "know" or "know" for "wist." About the only change that will strike anybody as being to the advantage of Baptists particularly will be the substitution of "in" after "baptize" for "with," so that passages will read "baptize in water" instead of "baptize with water." The prefix "saint" in the titles of the gospels has been long gone, and here you see, hold up some proofs of the forthcoming work. The titles read plainly, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. All substitute "spirit" for "ghost" all through. We regard the word "spirit" as much preferable to "ghost." There will be many other changes of a similar character. Ours will be a revision that we shall be able to circulate conscientiously. But it will not be exclusively for Baptists. Presbyterians, Congregationalists and others may use it. It will be distinctly called the American Revised Edition of the New Testament. We do not expect that it will immediately supplant all other versions even in the estimation of Baptists. I would not wish it to. But we can read it with pleasure, and scholars will find it useful as they do all translations, for comparative purposes.

## ACTION OF FOREIGN MISSION BOARD IN REFERENCE TO BRETHREN STOUT AND BELL.

Several months since the Board appointed these brethren to occupy posts as Foreign Missionaries in China. The entire denomination South rejoiced that two such men were willing to go as missionaries to the heathen. The manly, candid, conservative conduct of these brethren challenged the admiration and met the approval of all who observed them. No two men in South Carolina deserved more, and commanded more the respect, confidence and esteem of the churches.

During the Convention at Columbus, occasion gave rise to questionings as to their orthodoxy on the subject of inspiration. They were unwilling to enter upon the work assigned them unless they had the implicit confidence of the churches sending them. They made known this unwillingness to the Board, which led to a correspondence published in the Baptist Courier. This correspondence induced the Board to believe that the action held by Brethren Stout and Bell did not meet the approval of a large majority of the churches represented in the Southern Baptist Convention. As the agent of the Convention the Board felt obliged to recall the appointment.

Regarding the whole matter as grave important, unfortunately, we give merely the facts in the case without comment or remark.

## FIELD NOTES.

"The country never needed good citizens worse than it does to-day. The demand will be just as great fifteen or twenty years from now. The men, who, in the next generation, are to control the destinies of the nation, are now growing up under church and Sabbath school influence or under saloon influence. It should not be a matter of indifference from which class our future rulers are to come."

—S. S. Teacher's Quarterly.—The State Temperance Convention has been called to meet in Montgomery on Tuesday, the 9th of August. An interesting programme has been arranged by the Committee. The various railroads of the State will give excursion rates to those attending, and hotel accommodations at reduced rates can be had in Montgomery. An accomplished young lady desires to secure a situation in this State as teacher. We can heartily recommend her as competent in every respect. Parties can obtain further information by addressing this office. —Rev. J. H. Hendon, of Birmingham, preached an admirable sermon in the Baptist church Sunday, July 24th, at 11 a. m. His old parishioners were delighted to hear him once more. —Union Springs Journal.

Protracted services will be held in the Bethel Baptist church, Wilcox county, commencing on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in August.

We are informed that nearly 500 negroes professed conversion at a colored camp meeting recently held near Marion. —Rev. T. M. Bailey, Sec. State Mission Board, passed through Selma on Friday, en route to South-east Alabama. The colored Baptists of Greensboro have been engaged for some time in repairing and fixing up their church. They received recently, from Cincinnati, a fine pulpit which cost \$55.25. —Dr. Gwaltney passed through Selma on Friday. He is traveling in the interest of the Judson.

"There has been a good meeting at Alexander City, at which Bro. Cumbe received eleven members. He has commenced one at Devilsville with good prospects. My meeting at Rock Springs lasted seven days, and was very interesting. Four were added with a prospect of more in the near future. The church was graciously revived. The meeting at Lafayette, yesterday, was of a fine interest and promised good results if continued. Circumstances prevented them, but the Lord permitting, in a few days I will hold a series of meetings. Gloom overshadows the people in view of the poor crop prospects, owing to the dryness and heat. There is now some prospect of rain, and I hope the Lord will send it. I was sorry I could not attend the Convention. —Gov. E. Brewer, Lafayette, July 25th. —An ex-Senator's indictment of intoxicating liquors was made recently in the course of a speech at a prohibitory meeting in Reidsville, N. C. He said: 'I have never meddled with liquor. I have never drank it, have hardly kept it as a medicine in my family, and yet it has added with me, has made me a wandering vagabond, has broken my wife's heart; yes, when I was asleep, thinking him at home in the house, he was being made a drunkard in the bar-rooms of Raleigh.' The ex-Senator has abundant cause for advocating prohibition." —Christian Herald.

"The Lee Avenue Baptist church, of which Rev. J. Hyatt Smith is pastor, has been compelled to allow its house of worship to be sold to satisfy the claims of a mortgage. The open communion experiment which has been made has not been successful. Its pastor is a man of ability, and has been elected to Congress. The failure cannot be ascribed to any want of talent or of popularity in him. Evidently, the trend of opinion in the denomination is not in the direction of open communion. Yet the Independent persists in seeing evidences of the prevalence of such a practice in the near future. To us it seems otherwise. We have heard of a lecturer in a medical school who cautioned his students, when making examinations with a microscope, not to let the imagination have too free play. A similar caution may be in place for those who would predict the future revolution of the Baptist denomination from signs of the present time." —Christian Secretary. —"It is

stated in the San Francisco Call, that since his return, Mr. Kallach has announced that he is to abandon politics, and will not, therefore, be a candidate for re-election. Some one has proposed to get him out of the pulpit by sending him to the United States Senate, to fill the next vacancy." —"A pathetic scene was witnessed in Brooklyn in a tenement house, on July 19th. A policeman entered the rooms of a family and found six ragged children there, while the father and mother lay on the floor in a state of intoxication. The eldest boy was walking about the room with a baby in his arms. He said that it was asleep, but the policeman found, by taking it up, that it was dead. 'Tain't dead,' said the boy. 'I know it's sleep,' 'cause I sung it to sleep.' When the lad discovered that the child was really dead, he sat down in one corner and wept. The father and mother recovered slowly from their stupor, and seemed unaffected when told that their child was dead. Facts such as these, and they are numerous, should convince all Christians that their place is in the ranks of those who are laboring to resist this soul-destroying traffic." —Christian Herald.

"Rev. B. Manly, D.D., at Leipsic, is informed that no child is allowed to enter the public schools, who cannot exhibit a certificate of baptism in infancy." —"The police court at Berlin, Prussia, imposed a fine on a Baptist pastor of that city, not long since, for the offense of offering prayer at a funeral in one of the cemeteries." —Secretary. —"Chief Moses, of the Washington Territory Indians, has sent word to the President, that the red man's heart is sad to think of the arrow aimed at the Great Father." —The President's sick-room is constantly fragrant with fresh flowers arranged by his wife. Every morning the White House conservatory is visited for his benefit.

"The career of twenty men sellers and their families is sketched by a writer in a Southern journal, who says: 'During a period of twenty-five years, from 1830 to 1855, I remember twenty or thirty individuals who were at one time or another engaged in the business of selling liquor at or near a little village in South Carolina. Of that number fifteen failed in business, either while selling or afterward. Five have died from the excessive use of ardent spirits. Ten of their sons fell early victims to the appetite and fill drunkards' graves, while nine others have at different times been addicted to drunken sprints and are in the utmost danger of falling before the same dreadful habit. Ten of their daughters are or have been married to drunkards. Three of their sons are idiots or imbeciles, and there are other indications, which, to a close observer, call to mind the denunciation of Holy Writ, 'Woe to him that giveth his neighbor drink!'" —Christian Herald.

"Texas furnished forty generals, thirty-four being brigadiers, to the Confederate armies. Mrs. Jane Mikell, of South Carolina, has learned recently that thirty of the forty are dead. —Governor Roberts, of Texas, is getting it hot and heavy from the church people of that State because he refused to name a day for thanksgiving for the President's expected recovery. —Bright Young's brother, 'President' Joseph Young, died in Salt Lake City on the 26th instant, aged 84 years. He was a man of many dollars, many wives and many children. —The President is improving. Confident hopes of his recovery are entertained. Guiteau's brother addressed the marketmen's meeting at Boston, Wednesday, July 20, speaking of the disgrace the assassin brought on the family and praying God to forgive him. —Justice Nathan Clifford died on Monday at Cornish, Me., at the age of 78. He was appointed associate Justice of the United States supreme court in 1857 and has been noted for his industry and faithfulness. —Rev. W. C. VanMeter's work in Rome seems to have been too much for him, as he has returned to New York City with no idea of again going back. —During the fifty-seventh year of its existence, the American Sunday-school Union has distributed \$250,000 worth of publications and organized 70,000 Sunday-schools with 500,000 teachers and 3,000,000 scholars. —Dr. Burrows, Louisville, Ky., preached in Austin last Monday to a congregation in the church, and by telephone to men in their offices and women at home in all parts of the city." —Texas Baptist Herald.

"Dr. William R. Williams has been pastor of Amity Baptist church, New York, nearly forty-nine years. There is a longer or more illustrious pastorate in America? —Over a quarter of a million copies of Mr. Spurgeon's book, 'John Ploughman's Talks,' have been sold in England, and now an illustrated edition is announced. —The unanimity with which the Republican organs join to kick the fallen Conkling suggests some instructive reflections upon the vanity of political power. —There really seems to be something here about Mr. Conkling but to resign. —Sitting Bull said to Major Brotherton at Fort Buford the other day: 'I've made my little boy shake hands on both sides. I want to be free and go about whenever I please and to have a waiter.' —A West Virginia man has patented a postal card with a pocket attachment to inclose a stamp for reply. —Bismarck habitually reads a chapter of the New Testament at bedtime. —Mrs. Jane Lowrey Sanford, the daughter of Eld. M. P. Lowrey, and widow of the gifted M. P. Sanford, has been appointed by the Home Mission Board to labor among the Chinese in California. It is with peculiar pleasure that we make this announcement, not only because the appointment is a good one, nor yet because we are in deep sympathy with the work in which she is to be engaged, but because it shows a beautiful spirit of consecration on her part to be willing to leave the endearments of one of the most delightful homes in the country to serve our common Master in a remote place and among strangers. She goes with the hearty consent of her parents, who thus set all Christian parents a proper example of how we should lay our children on the altar of our Redeemer. May the blessings of God be upon

on all concerned, and may others be moved to like consecration." —"Recollections of the chaplain of the Illinois Legislature, prayed that God would give the members 'more wisdom and greater promptitude.' The Maine chaplain, during the recent deadlock, cried out: 'O Lord! have compassion on our bewildered Representatives and Senators. They have been sitting and have hatched nothing. O Lord! let them arise from their nest and go home, and all the praise shall be thine.' —The Pennsylvania chaplain recently prayed: 'Give these law-makers, O God, more brains—more brains—more brains!'" —Sun.

"The Arkansas Evangelist gives a very unique and highly appreciative editorial upon the subject of dancing in last week's issue. We pressed therein. The whole business must receive summary condemnation of the church in order to check its deleterious effects upon society. The evils of the dancing hall are almost as great as the evils of the liquor traffic, for right there many young men form their first ruinous habits." —Reflector.

"A Western Unitarian complains of the material that offers itself for the formation of churches. Among other things he says: 'The first person to welcome a newly established Unitarian church is likely to be a long-haired Spiritualist. The next would probably be a roaring atheistic materialist. And these are the materials out of which we are expected to build a church.' —'In Sweden there is a continued movement toward religious liberty in the State church.' —'A telegram to the Houston Post states that the two churches in Galveston have agreed upon a consolidation. The B-roadway property will be sold. East Mission property has been sold to the colored people. Dr. Howard filled the pulpit last Sunday.' —Texas Baptist Herald.

"We learn that Elder J. S. Coleman is about to be called to the care of the church in Galveston, Texas." —Baptist Flag. —"A man of tact always manages to get out of a difficulty. The clerk of a parish, whose business it was to read the 'first lesson,' came across the chapter in Daniel in which the names Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego occurred twelve times, and finding it extremely difficult to pronounce these names, he went through the chapter referring to them as the 'aforesaid gentlemen.'"

"The impression has in some way gotten abroad that some of the funds sent up to the Convention have been sent to pay the Secretary, B. B. Davis, for his services. Such is not the fact, and injustice has been done him in so thinking. He has, as a matter of principle, always refused to receive any compensation for his services or even to call on the Convention by formal vote to thank him because he believes that if God has given him a talent fitting him for that office it is his duty to use that talent for the benefit of the denomination, just as it is the duty of any other brother whom the Convention believes fitted to discharge a duty, as preacher, committee-man, etc., to perform that duty without expecting compensation or formal acknowledgment from the Convention.

## General News.

H. V. Miller, who is traveling in England in the interest of the Atlanta Cotton Exposition, writes that his exertions have not been marked with that "brilliant success" desired. —The Earl of Carnarvon says that education in all its branches is now thrown open to English women. The Archbishop of Canterbury says that the attempt made some time ago to throw ridicule on what is called the higher education of women has failed. —Senator Garland, of Arkansas, says that a 'possum browned in an old-fashioned skillet, with potatoes baked in the same oven, is a dish unrivaled.' —Ex-United States Senator Revels, of Mississippi, has been chosen presiding elder of the Jackson district by the white Methodist Conference of that State. —The International Medical College convenes in London the present week. It is expected that the attendance altogether will reach 2,000. Sir James Paget, one of the great leaders of modern scientific surgery, will preside. The purpose of the Congress is general discussion and interchange of views upon topics connected with medical science, for which purpose fifteen separate sections will be formed to deal respectively with anatomy, physiology, pathology and morbid anatomy, medicine, surgery, obstetrics, the diseases of children, nervous diseases, diseases of the eye, of the ear, of the skin, of the teeth, State medicine, military surgery and materia medica and pharmacy. —A northern exchange speaks of the word 'rigor' as a new medical term for a chill. The word has been in common usage in this section for the period of a long time. —John James Flatt, by no means indifferent poet, has been dropped from his position in the Cincinnati postoffice, because the postmaster feared he was likely to supersede him. —Lord Beaconsfield's personal estate is put at \$316,000. —Bismarck habitually reads a chapter of the New Testament at bedtime. —Justice Clifford was appointed by President Pierce, in 1857, and has been a life-long Democrat. —A Democrat in the sense that Jefferson and Jackson were Democrats. He was the last remaining link that connected the Supreme Court of the present with the period before the war. The gradual tendency of the Supreme Court away from its old constitutional integrity has made the last years of the venerable Justice very sorrowful. As senior Justice he presided over the Electoral Commission of 1876, and was one of eight to seven. As a member of the Supreme Court, Mr. Clifford was noted for his deliberation, thoroughness, energy and integrity. —It is reported that in the infernal machines manufactured at Peoria, Ill., the work of changing the gauge of the Chicago, St. Louis and New Orleans R. R., from a five feet standard gauge to four feet six inches, was commenced at 4 o'clock on the morning of the 29th, and the entire

line, from New Orleans to Cairo, a distance of 350 miles, together with a branch of 212 miles, was completed and trains running in all directions at 3 p. m. on the 30th. A force of 3,000 men was employed, and the cost amounted to about \$300,000. —A recent publication by the census officers, gives the statistics of population of fifty-seven counties in Texas; of these fifteen do not contain an inhabitant, while others range from three up to 500. —E. B. Smith, Assistant Attorney General of the United States, has resigned. —Ham White, a noted highwayman and mail robber of Texas and Colorado, has been arrested. —The President, since his release of last week, has been steadily improving. —The silk factories in the vicinity of Philadelphia, yielded a product last year of over \$7,000,000. —Statistical facts show that the ten cotton States spend more proportionally, for educational purposes, than even New England. —It is stated by Gov. Crittenden, of Missouri, that the late Justice Clifford prepared a complete and detailed history of the proceedings of an Electoral Commission, and that it will probably be published. —Jay Gould is estimated at \$80,000,000, but as most of it is 'water,' there is no telling what a clearing out sale would net. —In the Senate there are now two Millers, two Joneses, two Hills, two Davises and two Camerons. —The late Dean Stanley had one unmistakable characteristic of greatness. His handwriting was so poor that very few people could get any sense out of it. —The heirs of the San Francisco millionaire, Mark Hopkins, claim that \$11,000,000 of the estate are still undivided. —Edward Richardson probably is the richest cotton planter in the world. The New Orleans Picayune estimates that he is worth \$8,000,000. —The French evidently mean to push on to Tripoli, in which event Italy and England will stand alone as the defenders of the Turk. Austria and Germany express perfect indifference, the former striving for yet another of the Porte's European possessions, and the latter not wishing to interfere with her ally. —It is stated in a Washington paper that the President has been considering the proposal to make Vice President Arthur ex-officio Governor of the District of Columbia. —In connection with the recent election in New York of Lapham and Miller, the Philadelphia Times aptly remarks: 'The Senate of the United States now presents an almost unbroken front of hopelessness, disunity, rich nobodies, caucus magnates. . . . The Legislature of Maine resolutely refused to confirm the Democratic Governor's nomination, even though Plaisant conceded so far to existing conditions as to name only Republicans for office. Thereupon the Governor calmly adjourned the body, to its great astonishment and discomfiture, as it cannot be reconvened without the summons of Plaisant. . . . The constitution of France prescribes no date for the renewal of the Chambers, and the Government has appointed Sunday, Aug. 14, as election day. . . . Robertson has been sworn in as Collector at New York. . . . The Chicago Tribune reports that Jay Gould proposes to connect Chicago and the City of Mexico by a direct line of steel, running through cars. . . . Senator George is said to be esteemed the greatest lawyer in Mississippi.

## Woman's Mission to Woman Again.

On this subject I would add briefly to what has already been said. 1. Special attention is necessary to heathen women. (1) Because there is danger that they be neglected. It has been more or less so in the past. This is not the fault, in any great degree, of missionaries, but of prejudiced heathen civilizations. More difficult of access than men, they have, like some of the widows in the Bible Church, "been neglected in the daily ministrations." (2) They are, if anything, a more invaluable ally to the truth than men. By reason of her intuition, tact, tender zeal and vantage ground of position in the family, woman, even where she is regarded in turn as a mere slave and a plaything, is apt to excel man in her Christian influence. Possibly this point has not always been appreciated by Christian workers.

11. Again, it is well that special attention be given heathen women to their own sex; both in heathen and in Christian lands. Various considerations have been urged on this point, in recent numbers of the ALABAMA BAPTIST. It has, perhaps, been sufficiently discussed.

111. It is well, to this end, that organizations of Christian women be formed, with a membership exclusively female.

The question of organization it is unnecessary to discuss. If the right and expediency of woman's working in this direction be admitted, the highest efficiency in the work demands organization. In favor of an exclusive female membership in these organizations, I would call attention to a point or two of practical detail.

(1) An infusion of male members would embarrass the women in their work. An embargo would be laid upon freedom of speech and of general activity. Many women of every ability, would conscientiously refrain from public effort, and many good and able men would be found to condemn them for pursuing the opposite course.

(2) As a result the distinctive efficiency of untrammelled female labor would not be gained. The society would practically be under the control of men, and most that is valuable of the freshness, vigor, insight, religious fervor and resource found in the feminine nature would be suppressed under masculine control.

Let us lay aside whatever prejudice exists in our minds against this idea, and welcome woman as a specialist in this department of Christian labor.

N. B. WILLIAMS.



## Breaking Up.

Movements in the Church of England suggestive of new combinations frequently appear. The drift of ritualists toward Romanism has been going on for many years. The Broad Church tends to the old Catholics in whose convocation Dean Stanley appeared and acted as a delegate from Great Britain. The Low Church affiliates more and more closely with the Non-Confessionists. This appeared very strikingly at the recent conference of the English Wesleyans to whom Bishop J. C. Ryle of Liverpool despatched a letter thanking them for the services they have rendered to the cause of Christianity and of morality. The letter, which was very cordial, is regarded as an overtone intended to pave the way for a reunion between the Wesleyan Societies and the church from which the Methodist leaders were expelled to secede. Indeed if the Low Church party prevailed in the Anglican Establishment, there is no reason why the separation should longer continue. The extreme articles of the Prayer Book are ignored by every party and Methodism is now nearer to the faith of Cranmer than either Ritualism or Broad Churchism pretend to be. Spiritually the Church of England is disintegrated; only the prodigious wealth of the Establishment keeps its members together. If it was disestablished to-morrow they would at once enter into new alliances. That powerful organization which has been united in some strange way by a Roman rubric, an Arminian liturgy, and a Calvinistic confession would "melt and resolve itself into a dew." And such a result would remove one of the chief obstacles to the extension of vital religion in Great Britain.

## Alabama News.

Andalusia has a population of 596. Caterpillars have appeared around Garland. Fort Deposit is to be made a money order office. In Covington county the crops are looking well. Covington county has a population of about 6,000. Fayette county has a new post office called Garfield. There is yet great scarcity of corn in Marshall county. Fine rains around Bennettsville, and crops looking fine. The corn crop in the Georgiana vicinity is an entire failure. Three negro children were bitten by a mad dog at Warsaw. In some portions of Winston, the corn crop is a total failure. Will Smith was drowned in the Tallapoosa river near Wedowee. Col. H. J. Oatis, of Georgiana, was stricken with paralysis recently. The feeling for prohibition is growing strong in Covington county. The prospect for an average crop of corn in DeKalb county is good. Fine rains have fallen in Macon county, and the crops are revived. The drought was very injurious to the corn crop in St. Clair county. Open cotton has been observed in Wilcox, Greene and other counties. The worms are reported at work upon the cotton in Greene county. The crops along the railroad from Eutaw to Springville, are very poor. The death of Capt. Samuel Spigner, of Elmore county, is announced. The farmers of Monroe county are in good spirits over the crop prospect. Mrs. Pope, of Ashville, came very near dying from an overdose of laudanum. A military company, the "Warrior Guards," has been organized in Tuscaloosa. In Butler a large amount of corn has been cut down and housed for stock feed. Worms are reported in considerable numbers at Brown's Station, Dallas county. Mrs. Russell McCord, of Selma, with her two daughters, left last week for Brazil. There was a very destructive hail storm in the Knoxville neighborhood, Greene county. The Baptist church at Northport was struck by lightning and considerable damage was done to the belfry and one column. The crops in Marshall county, both corn and cotton, are almost destroyed by the drought. Fodder pulling has commenced in many localities, but much of it has already burned up. The cotton in Clay county looks well, but the dry weather has seriously injured the corn. Prof. A. K. Yancey, of Tuscaloosa, was thrown from his buggy, injuring his shoulder and arm. Mrs. J. V. Garcia, of Montgomery, was shot and seriously hurt by a negro named Joe Drawn. As a general thing the crops in Butler have not suffered greatly from rain, and the yield promises well. Dr. Aaron Bradley, of Monroe Co., was bitten by a rattlesnake, and for a time his life was despaired of. There are rains in Pickens county have revived farm work, which had been suspended during the dry spell. The dog days began on the 25th ult., and will end Aug. 13th. During this time little boys should not go in bathing. In the case of the State vs. John M. Owen, tried in Mobile for murder, the jury returned a verdict of not guilty. Various improvements are going on in Selma. A number of private residences and stores are rapidly nearing completion.

The people of Lauderdale county are paying considerable attention to grape culture, and the crop this year is large and fine.

Prof. D. M. Banks, formerly Principal of the Union Springs Institute, has accepted a position in the Opelika High School.

During the wind storm near Bridgeville, the residence of Wm. M. Salmons was struck by lightning and considerably damaged.

Wm. Ward, of Sykes Mill, had his hip and thigh broken and three ribs torn from his back bone, by a piece of timber falling upon him.

The cotton in Bullock county is opening prematurely, from the effects of the heat and dry weather, and the crop will not be a large one.

With the exception of a few localities, the drought has been general in Bullock county, and the corn crop has been cut short fully one-half.

Solomon Sawyer, of Florence, was mistaken for a burglar and considerably bruised up by his employers before an explanation could be made.

The farmers of Pickens say that they never saw a better prospect at this time of the year for a cotton crop, although the stand in some places is defective.

The prohibition question is a prominent topic of discussion in many localities of our State. The prevailing opinion seems to be in favor of a general local option law.

The dwelling of Mr. Osborn Durham, of Sand Mountain, was burned on the 8th, together with all the household goods, kitchen, smoke house and crib, and \$3,000 in notes.

On the 4th of July in Clay county, Mr. William Phillips gave a dinner, and there were seated at the table Mr. Phillips, his wife and sixty-three children and grandchildren.

An unknown party called Marion Perkins, of Ashtville, to the door, and discharged at him a load of buck shot. Two of the shot took effect, but without doing any serious injury.

Dr. A. M. Callier, of Perry county, who for several years has been engaged in the grape culture, informs us that he has a better prospect for a large yield this season than ever before.

Mr. Norman Webb having resigned, Mr. Geo. D. Lawrence has been appointed Master of Transportation of Selma Division and Alabama Central Division of the E. T. V. & G. Railroad, with headquarters at Selma.

The Selma & Greensboro railroad has been transferred to the syndicate represented by Mr. Fred Wolfe, and known as the Memphis, Selma & Brunswick Company. There will be no change in the management for the present.

Mr. Catber's weather predictions for August: 1-3 hot, fair, clear, hazy; local showers; 9-11, warm, fair, followed by thunder showers and local storms; 12-13 hot, with thunder storms; 14-15 local thunder storms; followed by cooler weather; 15-17 hazy and hot, followed by an electrical storm on the 18th, or thereabouts; 20-21, local thunder showers.

We commend the following from the Union Springs Herald, to the attention of our farming friends: Capt. E. Napier owns about three thousand acres of prairie land in this county, a considerable portion of which he intends next year to plant in Guinea grass and clover. He expects to add the proceeds of two hundred tons of hay to the income he will derive from his cotton bales. The land is so fertile and the climate so mild and propitious, that grass does not have to be replanted every few years like it does in more northern latitudes.

**Time and Place of Meeting of Alabama Baptist Associations for 1881.**

Some are left blank, because I have failed to receive a copy of their minutes. Any brother having such minutes will greatly oblige me by leaving a copy of them for a few days only, for the use of the Convention.

**Benj. B. Davis,**  
Secretary of B. S. C. A.

**Enfauola, Ala.**  
Alabama Association.—Rev. David Lee, moderator, Mt. Willing; Rev. E. F. Baber, clerk, Collieries. Meets with Adams Street Baptist church, Montgomery, Thursday before the second Sabbath in October (Oct. 6th).

**Arbuckle Association.**—moderator, clerk  
Meets with  
Big Bear Creek Association.—moderator, clerk  
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**Big Bear Creek Association.**—Rev. J. K. Ryan, moderator, Vantley Creek; Rev. J. D. Cook, clerk, Pushmataha. Meets with Mt. Sterling church, Choctaw county, on Friday before the second Sabbath in September (Sept. 9th).

**Belling Spring Association.**—Rev. T. H. Howle, Delta, moderator; Rev. M. F. McGlinchey, clerk, Oak Lane. Meets with Pleasant Hill church, Cleburne county, three miles east of Chelafinnee, on Saturday before the fourth Sabbath in September (Sept. 24th).

**Cabala Association.**—Rev. J. S. Ford, moderator, Akron; L. L. Lee, clerk. Meets with Pine Flat church, twelve miles east of Marion, on Friday before the third Sabbath in October (Oct. 14th).

**Cabala Valley Association.**—Rev. P. S. Montgomery, moderator, Rev. J. S. E. Kolupson, clerk. Meets with New Hope church on Friday before first Sabbath in September.

**Canon Association.**—Rev. J. Nunnally, moderator, Rev. E. B. Waltrip, clerk, Wood's Station. Meets with Canaan church, near Jonesboro, A. G. S. R. R., on Friday before the first Sabbath in September (Sept. 2nd).

**Cato Association.**—moderator, clerk  
Meets with  
Central Association.—L. W. Suttle, moderator, Wetumpka; L. J. Lamar, clerk, Deatville. Meets with Antioch N. B. church, Wetumpka, on Saturday before the first Sabbath in October (Oct. 1st).

**Cherokee Association.**—Rev. Bailey Bruce, moderator, Brandon Station; T. N. Appleton, clerk, Collinsville. Meets with Midway church, Cherokee county, on Friday before the third Sabbath in September (Sept. 16th).

**Clear Creek Association.**—moderator, clerk  
Meets with  
Colbert Shoal Association.—moderator, clerk  
Meets with

**Coosa River Association.**—Abner Williams, moderator, Oxford; Leals Law, clerk, Cropwell. Meets with Macedonia church, St. Clair county, on Saturday before the third Sabbath in September (Sept. 17th).

**Elm Association.**—Rev. J. L. Byrns, moderator, Bluff Springs, Fla.; R. R. Shepard, clerk, Milton, Fla. Meets with Milton, Fla. church on Saturday before the first Sabbath in October (Oct. 1st).

**West Harmony Association.**—J. Lawrence, moderator, Cedar Bluff; J. R. Nowlin, clerk, Gadsden. Meets with Gadsden church, on Saturday before the third Sabbath in August (Aug. 17th).

**Centennial Association.**—A. J. Slaughter, moderator, Union Springs; F. E. Tompkins, clerk, Union Springs. Meets with Mt. Zion church, Montgomery county, on Friday before the fourth Sabbath in September (Sept. 23rd).

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**Eufaula Association.**—Rev. W. H. Patterson, moderator, Eufaula; Rev. J. Paulin, clerk, Clayton. Meets with Bethlehem church, seven miles south of Clayton, on Friday before the fourth Sabbath in October (Oct. 21st).

**Gulf Coast Association.**—Rev. J. O. H. Lawrence, moderator, New Orleans; M. B. Richmond, clerk, Scranton. Meets at Scranton on the 22nd of April, 1881.

**East Harmony Association.**—moderator, clerk  
Meets with  
West Harmony Association.—Rev. N. H. Williams, moderator, Scottsville; James N. Hayes, clerk, meets with Mt. Carmel church, six miles south of Woodstock, Bibb county, Saturday before and Sabbath in Oct. (Oct. 8).

**Indian Creek Association.**—moderator, clerk  
Meets with  
Judson Association.—J. W. Foster, moderator, Abbeville; Rev. David Rogers, clerk, Baker's Hill. Meets with Adoniram church on Friday before the first Sabbath in October (Sept. 30th).

**East Liberty Association.**—Rev. J. C. Shaffer, moderator, Roanoke; Rev. W. C. Biddle, clerk, Lafayette. Meets with Dadeville church on Friday before the fourth Sabbath in September (Sept. 23rd).

**North Liberty Association.**—Rev. T. J. McCandless, moderator, New Market; H. M. Teague, clerk, Hay's Store. Meets with Locust Grove church, Madison county, on Friday before the first Sabbath in September (Sept. 16th).

**Southwest Liberty Association.**—Rev. S. O. Y. Ray, moderator, Pushmataha; J. L. Slay, clerk. Meets with Insey church, Choctaw county, on Saturday before the first Sabbath in October (Oct. 1st).

**Mount Carmel Association.**—Rev. J. H. Simpson, moderator, Summerville; O. H. Wilson, clerk, Watson. Meets with Bethlehem church, four miles from Whitesburg, Morgan county, on Saturday before the third Sabbath in August (Aug. 17th).

**Mount Pleasant Association.**—moderator, clerk  
Meets with  
Mud Creek Association.—Rev. T. A. Norwood, moderator, Woodstock; W. H. LaFoy, clerk, Hay's Store. Meets with Liberty church, Friday before the 3rd Sabbath in October (October 24).

**Mulberry Association.**—Rev. F. M. Hobson, moderator, Pondville, Bibb county; Rev. R. M. Honeysutt, clerk, Clear Creek, Chilton county; meets with Mulberry church, 16 miles west of Centerville, on Saturday before the fourth Sabbath in September (September 24th).

**Muscle Shoals Association.**—Rev. Joseph Shackelford, moderator, Trinity; Rev. J. I. Stockton, clerk, Trinity; meets with Mt. Zion church, Morgan county, Friday before the 1st Sabbath in October (September 30th).

**New River Association.**—Rev. J. B. Hinchabaw, moderator, Palo, A. M. Nichols, clerk. Meets with Harmony Grove church, seventeen miles north of Fayette, on Saturday before the second Sabbath in October (Oct. 8th).

**Newton Association.**—Rev. P. M. Callaway, moderator, Newton; Rev. Ransom Allen, clerk, Echo. Meets with Union church on Saturday before the second Sabbath in October (Oct. 8th).

**North River Association.**—Rev. D. Manasco, moderator, Holly Grove; Rev. Wm. Randolph, clerk, Dent, Walker county. Meets with Jasper church, Walker county, on Saturday before the fourth Sabbath in September (Sept. 24th).

**Pen River Association.**—Rev. M. Brooks, moderator, Victoria; A. T. Wise, Jr., clerk, Elba. Meets with New Ebenezer church, six miles west of Elba, on Saturday before the first Sabbath in November (Nov. 5th).

**Pine Barren Association.**—Dr. D. W. Ramsey, moderator, Pine Apple; J. N. Holcombe, clerk, Camden. Meets with Ebenezer church, Butler county, Saturday before the third Sabbath in September (Sept. 17th).

**Rock Mills Association.**—moderator, clerk  
Meets with  
Salem Association.—Rev. J. P. Nall, moderator, Troy; Rev. W. F. Cumble, clerk, Troy. Meets with China Grove church, Pike county, on Saturday before the first Sabbath in October (Oct. 1st).

**Sandy Creek Association.**—Rev. W. H. Alford, moderator, Geneva; Rev. C. J. Coleman, clerk, Geneva. Meets with Limestone church on Saturday before the fourth Sabbath in October (Oct. 22nd).

**Shelby Association.**—Rev. T. P. Holcomb, moderator, Columbiana; Rev. C. W. O'Hara, clerk, Columbiana. Meets with Helena church on Saturday before the second Sabbath in September (Sept. 10th).

**South-eastern Association.**—Rev. J. G. Griffin, moderator, Chunchula; R. Powell, clerk, Glinville; meets with Spring Branch church, Washington county, Saturday before the third Sabbath in October (October 15).

**Sulphur Springs Association.**—Rev. W. J. McCrary, moderator, Pratt Mines; Rev. E. R. Bell, clerk, Partridge, meets with Beech Grove church, Gullman county, on Friday before and Sabbath in August (Aug. 12th).

**Tallapoosa River Association.**—Rev. G. W. Gregory, moderator, Dadeville; Charles Henderson, clerk, Jackson's Gap. Meets with Tallapoosa church on Friday before the fourth Sabbath in October (Oct. 21st).

**Tallahassee and Ten Island Association.**—Rev. J. F. Potter, moderator, White Plains; Rev. W. H. Burton, clerk, Pleasant Gap. Meets with Pilgrim's Rest church, twelve miles west of Jacksonville, on Friday before the first Sabbath in October (Sept. 30th).

**Tennessee River Association.**—Rev. E. Brown, moderator, Fackler; A. K. R. Caffery, clerk, Stevenson. Meets with Mount Ararat church, Jackson county, Friday before the fourth Sabbath in September (Sept. 23rd).

**Tuscaloosa Association.**—J. B. Eddees, moderator, Tuscaloosa; T. Verby, clerk, Tuscaloosa. Meets with Mount Vernon church, two and one-half miles from Vance's Station, A. G. S. R. R., on Saturday before the third Sabbath in September (Sept. 17th).

**Tuskegee Association.**—Rev. C. W. Buck, moderator, Opelika; Rev. C. W. Buck, clerk, Columbus. Meets with Calabash church, Macon county, on Friday before the first Sabbath in October (Sept. 30th).

**Union Association.**—C. C. Foster, moderator, Union Springs; J. C. Campbell, clerk, Union Springs. Meets with Spring Hill church, Pickens county, on Saturday before the fourth Sabbath in September (Sept. 24th).

**Unity Association.**—Rev. Jeff Falkner, moderator, Mountain Creek; H. E. Long, clerk, Randolph. Meets with Mulberry church, Chilton county, six miles east of Maplesville, S. R. & D. K. R., on Saturday before the first Sabbath in October (Oct. 1st).

**Warrior River Association.**—Rev. James Fields, moderator, Brooksville; W. V. Adams, clerk, Gum Spring; meets with Pine Bluff church, 14 miles south of Blountsville, Friday before and Sabbath in Oct. (Oct. 7th).

**Yellow Creek Association.**—Rev. A. Markham, moderator, Pikeville; Rev. J. W. Peters, clerk, Green Springs. Meets with Shiloh church, six miles north of Vernon, on Saturday before the first Sabbath in October (Oct. 1st).

**Zion Association.**—Rev. W. F. Martin, moderator, New Hope; J. F. Jones, clerk, Conecuh River; meets with Indian Creek church on Saturday before the third Sabbath in October (Oct. 1st).

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