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For the Alabama Baptist, Past, Present, and Future of Howard College.

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE, HOWARD COLLEGE, June 11th, 1883. TO THE HONORABLE, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF HOWARD COLLEGE-

In this, my twelfth annual report, I most respectfully ask your attention to the past, to the present, and to the

future work of the College.

1. The Past Work of the College. (r. What was it? (2. How was it done? II. The Present Work of the Col-

What has it been? 2. How has it been done? III. The Future Work of the Col-

What shall it be? (2. How shall it be done?

I. The Past Work of the College. (r. What was 11?

(2. How was it done? Howard College was opened for the reception of students Jan. 3d, 1842; and in 1861, when the war between the North and South began, an endowment of about two hundred and fifty thousand dollars had been secured.

During the war, the buildings, apparatus, library, and other property of the College were seriously dam-

AT THE CLOSE OF THE WAR the vested endowment was gone, and the bonds against individuals were uncollected and destined, for the most part, to prove valueless.

The institution was not only without available funds; but there were heavy claims against the College-obligations on old scholarships. In an effort to honor these scholarships, salaries were guaranteed to professors.

THE BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION Rev. Dr. J. L. M. Curry, probably signed, and there was due him on acdollars-due because of the failure to gation was transferred to the Trustees | this College? If the Convention con for payment; and became a debt of the College.

some payments on salaries were made; but deficiences increased from year to year until the College was involved to the extent of about twelve thousand dollars on this account.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES resolved that the College should not for money to procure furniture and become further involved by guaranteeing salaries. They placed in the pensable experts in business and in President's chair Rev. S. R. Freeman, education knew these things to be?
D. D., one of the grandest of men, How was it possible to keep the Coldevoutly pious, powerful in the pul- lege open? How possible to save it pit, and successful in business. He to the denomination? Without monand his faculty agreed to look to tui- ey or the ability to procure it from mercial course. This department has tion fees for their pay; and they were benefactors, how could the means be attracted many young men to the not compelled to recognize the old secured?

There was yet a possible chance the fears of the best and bravest in the best business houses. Expert scholarships. for success; for no respectable State friends of the College, and brought institution was offering tuition free, and parents, were not so much reduced in financial ability as they

But hope was again disappointed. The income from tuition was inadedent and faculty; and at the end of to begin a contest with the wealth of the second year he made a personal the State establishments, how was SPECIAL TRAINING FOR THEOLOGUES appeal to the Convention for financial Howard College to live? Other in- was also added. The object was to aid; and the President's salary for stitutions did go down and were lost prepare them more promptly and this year was paid out of a special to the cause of their founders. But more thoroughly for their church fund which the Convention then controlled. But this fund was nearly exhausted; and judging by the past it was not supposed that the Convention would render sufficient assistance after the exhaustion of this fund.

were gloomy indeed; for experience

since the war seemed to teach:-1. That the College could not be supported if it had to rely upon tuition fees alone-could not be sustained even when there was no State competition and when our people were comparatively prosperous.

2. That an endowment could not 3. That not even annual contributions could be gotten to support in of this Board who advanced it in

lar and most influential men in the to borrow it on their personal securi-State.

Furthermore, the property of the Great risk of ever being indemnified by the College was not sufficient for the by the College or by the denomination out other means than those mentioned, conducted simply as a business enter-prise. There was no furniture for labor, their financial credit, their in-any dormitory of the College. There and their money to the cause

was no suitable dining hall; neither table ware nor furniture for such a hall. Nor was there a house for President or any professor. What

seen in this State, if in any other, are many objections to the military thousand dollars were added to the 12 1-12. The State University was restored to system of discipline as it ordinarily real and personal property of the in- shows public confidence; and placed in the exists in colleges. The cadets are stitution. Indeed, during the session hands of Trustees who commanded kept under the eye of a sentinel now closing an amount between one the respect of the best people. The nearly all the time; and they suffer and two thousand dollars has been military discipline that had been many of the evils of prison life. On expended in repairs and painting of maintained there during the war was the other hand, the common system every building; and they are now prevery popular; and the majority of the of college government is inefficient, seated to you in their new beauty and educated men of the State were grad- Good order is not preserved. Such strength. uates of the University. It was richly habits of industry, perseverance, endowed and could command from promptness, and self-reliance as are the Legislature more funds when nec- needful in business and professional essary. It was able to offer tuition life are not cultivated.

ing of these demands that we shall the State Agricultural and Mechan- family roof. This combination of be opened, offering also free tuition. In order to attract to itself the confilargest in the State) one of our greatest men was placed in the President's chair; and in order to command the confidence and support of the other faculty was made up of a large proportion of its prominent men. Besides this strong faculty, the A. & M. College had a large endowment from the United States Government and was to be fostered by the State, and could probably command whatever

Thus, with Tuscaloosa on one side and Auburn on the other, both offering such financial, educational, polit-

attractions, WHAT COULD MARION DO? If Howard College had not been able to sustain herself fully on tuition the field and tuition was required took direct charge of the College, everywhere, how could she now obraised by subscription ten thousand tain any tuition worthy of mention dollars for his salary for two years, when education was offered free by and placed in the President's chair, the richest and most influential institutions? If an endowment could not the most distinguished orator in the be secured by the persuasive influ-South, a man of pre-eminent power ence of the most pious and popular on the hustings and in the pulpit. At orators of the South, was not the case the end of the second year, he re- of endowment hopeless-at least for scores of years to come? If no encount of salary about one thousand dowment could be gotten and sufficient tuition fees could not be had. not procure annually sufficient funds full training in to pay the salaries of such presidents CIVIL AND MILITARY ENGINEERING. Some few bonds were collected, as Curry and Freeman, how could it | Sadly was our State in need of educaand with the funds thus obtained be expected that the denomination would support a successor not their equal? If the liberality of the denomination could not be relied on for what was regarded as absolute necessities, was it reasonable to expect that a successful appeal could be made

additional buildings, however indis-

to the stoutest hearts almost despair. Involved in debt, without sufficient buildings, without furniture for a sintuition when no competitor was in 4. It requires less time. 5. It gives a the field, unable to procure funds more thorough knowledge of the subquate for the support of the Presi- from the denomination; having now ject.

HOWARD COLLEGE WAS SAVED. Providentially for the Baptists of Alabama and for the cause of higher education in the State, there was in the Board of Trustees of this institution not only the financial skill to devise the means, but there was a noble spirit of self-sacrifice.

THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD gave themselves, they gave their neans, and they gave their financial redit for the benefit of the institution. Like heroes in a great cause, the greater the difficulties, the more completely they sacrified themselves. To supply the money, so much of College, there were found members the President's chair the most popu- large amounts, even when they had

While the Howard College method come, and was officered by an at- of government avoids the evils of both tractive faculty. What college could the military and civil systems, it re-But this was not the only strong here receive a watchcare that is com-

desire for an education more practi- forced, the cadets are trained (as if cal and cheaper than had ever before by a father) to take care of them-We are most concerned with the been furnished in Alabama. To meet selves at all times when it is proper ical College at Auburn was soon to SELF-GOVERNMENT, MORAL TRAINING

AND MILITARY POWER has accomplished excellent results. unto the present day, not one cadet large denominations in Alabama, the has gone away worse than he came; and a parent has the guarantee that his son is in no danger of injury here, but will be surrounded by every moral and helpful influence.

THE METHOD OF INSTRUCTION also has peculiar advantages. Instead additional funds might be needful or of simply reciting lessons from a book or listening to lectures from a professor, the student himself is taught to act, to think, to write, and to speak. His mind is put in vigorous ical, social, church and professional action, he is trained in original thinking, and is taught how to express his thoughts forcibly and persuasively.

Such a method of teaching gives a mind and prepares him for success in life. It is very common to attempt to make a college practical by introducing books that treat of practical subjects. But reason and experience show that in preparing young men for real life the success of the training depends more on the methods of teaching than upon the subjects taught. Our methods look to practical results in every recitation.

We introduced not only a new plan of instruction, but NEW DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION opened. This was the first col-

or in Alabama that offered to the ung men of the State regular and

ted engineers. The railroads and other public works had been conducted by men from other countries. Howard College was the first institution that offered to assist her young men in preparing for this great and lucrative profession.

COMMERCIAL LIFE is especially attractive to young men. They need and desire the advantages of a commercial college education. The Howard was the first college in Alabama that offered them a com-College; and those who have comple-These were questions that excited | ted the course have taken high rank

following advantages:-1. It is more practical, 2. It is more gle room, unable to sustain itself on scientific. 3. It is more easily learned.

A course of

work. Believing that colleges had not generally paid sufficient attention to parliamentary law, to practical logic, practical rhetoric, and practical elocution; and knowing that training in these subjects was necessary for the success of every young man, and was of paramount importance to Theologues, more expensive and laborious courses of these subjects were

added to the college curriculum. The new method of discipline, the new plans of teaching, and these several extra studies, added greatly to the amount of work to be done by the faculty; but it was cheerfully under-

Now, could the College, with the resources at command, and with the NEW ORGANIZATION AND NEW SCHOOLS

Howard College was made

buildings were here, were leasy and in addition to, there internal difficulties existing at the immediate difficulties at the immediate difficulties existing at the immediate difficulties at the immediate difficulties at the immediate difficulties at t MORE THAN SELF SUSTAINING.

methods of instruction, in moral cul- tion steadily improved. Not only show? cation such as had not before been ture and in practical education. There were the debts paid off, but many year wa

The foreign patronage during these twelve years has been

GREATER THAN EVER BEFORE, both of secular students and of young men preparing for the ministry. The large foreign patronage has enabled us to carry the theological departhope to compete successfully with tains the virtues of both, and adds feat-such power, such prestige, such influ-ures that are not found in the civil or the denomination. In the absence of military colleges. While students endowment and in the face of such competition as we have had to meet, d upon keeping up a large propor-

tion of paying students. It will be remembered by this Board that in my annual report for sisting the College on this account last two, but the proper understand- this demand for practical education, for young men to be from under the the session of 1879-80, I stated that was made known to the convention

> NUMBER OF THEOLOGUES had increased to about 20 per cent of the total number of students; that dence of our own denomination (the We suppose that very few institutions only about one student to every five can say what Howard College can payed tuition; that the faculty, in- pared with the necessities of the case, claim; viz., that in twelve years, from cluding myself, were not receiving the time this system was inaugurated proper support; and it could not be expected that men of such talents as many ministerial students as durcould be kept here unless better pro- ing its entire previous existence. vision for them could be made. I did not think the College could carry years the faculty (not including mymore than 10 per cent of free stu- self) have not only given \$8,000 or dents, unless the denomination would \$10,000 in fuition, but the College agree to pay something on tuition, or has pai provide an endowment. Indeed I of all the thought it just that the burden of ed- This (las ucating all the young ministers of the to min State should be borne by the denom- denominational college in the South ination at large. It would be a small gives, so matter for the 80,000 Baptists of Alabama to educate a few theologues. but it was a very heavy burden for the theology faculty of our College to bear. The the esti suggestions of my report were adopt- Baptist practical character to every student's ed by your Board; and were presented instruction to the Convention in your President's any other Report to that body. The Conven- tainly no tion approved them fully; and resolved that the churches and associations be appealed to for aid in theological

education. At the next meeting of the Convention \$290.65 were reported by the State Mission Board as collected on this account. At the following meeting much less was reported. Besides funds sent to pay board for theological students, these sums represent the contributions that have been made to the College on account of theological But the professors have tuition.

TEACHING ALL THEOLOGUES WHO WOULD COME;

and have given encouragement to evbeen solicited to partake of the ad- than any other the virtue of the presbeen urged to come here; and after ing of this session more than a usual getting them here, we have done ev- proportion of unpromising boys. The have given preference to them in let- and power of the discipline brought to which we attached some pay, in performance of duty. The improvethe offices at our disposal and to can take an untrained body of boystimes we have offered to all theo- incorrigible before they injure the Course of Howard College has the thus helping theologues financially, ble. we have organized and taught courses of studies designed especially for their benefit. And we have done every- maintained -and probably advanced. thing in our power to enable them to We have never had better work in command the respects of other stu- the class room. We have effected a the non-alcoholic treatment, the re- it would produce satisfactory results. other denominational colleges, have bition; and, as a result of this, we dents-an influence due largely to the tire College course. We make the have vastly more weight than formered by the faculty.

A MISTAKE. Thoughtful friends of the College have said to us that some published correspondence has produced on their minds the impression that Howard College was declining in the work of educating ministerial students; that the College was failing to do the work for which it was established by the fathers. And the impression has gone abroad in other States that what was implied by these articles as true regarding ministerial education, was also true in other departments of our college work.

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EDUCATION

That when the necessity for asin 1880, It was resolved that churches tions should be asked to and asso contribut

2. That the total collections thus secured have been very small com-3. That during the last twelve years the College has trained nearly 4. That during these last twelve

laries to a good per cent beues that have been here. s an assistance rendered al students which no other as our information goes. this College is furnishing 5. Th oractical instruction in direct # sermonizing; and since ent of the Southern cological Seminary, such not been common in

n said in the foregopartments of the Coling of a s to the session now lege wol closing. and the method of its been th same, as formerly. perform Attentio en paid to physical culture, to intellectnealth, to resolute perseverual trai ance in

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of Perry county-and ten are theologues. If the discipline of the Colery worthy brother who felt inclined | lege is to be judged (as it should be) to enter the ministry. In canvassing by the improvement made in the stufor students, young ministers have dents, this session shows more plainly vantages of the College. They have ent system. We received at the openerything in our power to assist them regulations enabled us to remove the in finances and in education. We worst elements; and the flexibility ting out the sub-offices of the College all others to good order and faithful consideration for some services ren- ment made in all has been remarkadered. During the session now end- ble; and the cadets on going home ing, there have been ten theologues will impress parents and friends most here, and we have given employment favorably by their improved manners to four of them; have given them all and conduct. A government which which is attached any pay. At all good and bad-and can remove the logues most cheerfully their tuition; best, and can improve all-make good and to as many as we could, we have men of those who would not othergiven pay. This has been our pleas- wise be-such a government accomure and practice every year. Besides plishes the best results that are possi-

The high scholarship of the College previously existing has been dents, and to have influence in the more thorough organization of the College. Brethren who have been to College classes, stimulated more amnoted and remarked the superior rank | think that there will be more disposischolarship by giving the highest offices to members of the highest classes. Next to morals, scholarship ranks higher than anything else in Howard

The work of each member of the faculty has been the same as last year; and for a detailed account of my list annual report. My admira- not have obtained credence. The ad- ing and keeping the commercial reption for the scholarship and fidelity have been my co-laborers in the work | disposed to sift theories and demand | nothing or next to it. of the year, is very great. I consider myself most fortunate in having had the co-operation and association of

The patronage of the College for "behold, all things have become dred dollars and not feel it." "Then," by a distinguished professor who was here from 1846 to 1869, and by officers now here who know the record cers now the record cers now here wh

ained by the work here done. It now stands as an instance of

It must command the confidence of the most pious and prudent men, and they will be encouraged to con-tribute to its large endowment some time in the future; for they now have here an assurance of what their beneions may accomplish. Its recent history makes certain that

igh tank. It now has great by the wisdom and experience of towealth in rell estate and in personal day. In the future of human progproperty, and in a commercial "good ress we may expect that alcohol will will;" and is doing for the denomina- | go "to its own place" and the world tion and for the State a work the be as it was before this "intruder and value of which can not be too highly poisoner" entered it, when God proesteemed.

Congratulating myself on the good fortune of having been in the service of a Board of Trustees who have accomplished so much, and most reverently praying the blessings of Almighty God on the future history of said to me, when visiting a business

the College, I have the honor to be, Mr. President and gentlemen of the Board of at work, "I hope you do your busi-Trustees,

Your Obedient Servant, I. T. MURFEE, President of Howard College.

Old Drinks in New Lights. BY REV, WM. M. THAYER.

The "old faiths" appear to with stand the "new lights" very well, and rather strengthen and brighten under the glare; but not so with old drinks. The latter appear to great disadvan- Nor fields with gleaming steel be covered o'er, thist State college-cer- tage under the new and brighter Nor brazen trumpets kindle rage no more." modern science is life to the "old principles." Why it would revolufaiths," but death to old drinks. The tury ago are exploded by the revela- selfishness! tions of science and experience. The nature of the work has old theories concerning alcoholic beverages shrivel and turn to ashes under was to be written, but rather somegation. Few men now propose to easier understood, viz., "business rendering valuable service. drink rum in summer to keep the principles." heat out, and in winter to keep the formed by using alcohol moderate-

clude that a beverage which limbers day life affairs, avoca

or prison. Science and experience no spiritual light.

put whisky into their patients to cure range their dues from the members

them; now they keep it out to cure so that they will pay said expenses,

them. Many of the best physicians and unless members are willing to pay

discard alcoholic medicines entirely. the necessary prorata they are neither

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fact, spoil everything they come in contact with; they always do harm, and never do good."

ould not have receive progress in science, and a longer and more intelligent experience, were in dispensable to give them currency.

nounced it good.

From the Herald of Truth. "Business Principles."

Many years ago a good old man establishment of which I was the head, and where many employes were ness on Christian principles." It was but a little sentence, and yet it opened up a world of thought and had an effect which time has never effaced. The idea it contained was worty of reflection, approval and compliance with, and if every business on earth was conducted on Christian principles, or rather upon those fundamental principles which are the bulwarks and foundation of the Christian religion, we could soon see the dawning of that era when

"No more shall nation against nation rise, Nor ardent warriors meet with hateful eyes "lights" of to-day. The progress of "Business conducted on Christian fort for the cause of Christ.

> But it was not with "Christian principles" as a theme that this article

programme well arranged, and essay-

ists and speakers well chosen. The subjects were appropriate and ably discussed. The music was charming The good pastor was so elated that he could hardly keep quiet; and well he might be for I never witnessed a more complete success. The entire audience was well pleased. The occasion will be quite an impetus to the Sunday-school cause at that place. Bro. McCandless is a wide awake preach-

denomination and is zealous to promote the interest of Christ's kingdom wherever he goes. The church decided on Saturday to purchase an organ, which they will do soon. The membership is numerically small, and not strong financially, but they will raise \$75 for missions

er, keeping pace with the wants of the

There are signs of progress in the association. It will develop slowly for awhile, but it is sure to come. We have at least six churches in the association which when once enlisted thoroughly in the work will be a power for good in these parts, and they are already being aroused to the great responsibility of a more consecrated ef-

Kev. J. W. Hillard, I tionize the world for good and eradi- Zion and Kelley's Creek, is doing a opinions about alcohol current a cen- cate the besetting sin of the world- good work. He is an earnest, zealous preacher, and is well beloved by all his people.

Rev. J. I. Stockton, of the Muscle Shoals Association, is pastor at Madithe calcium light of modern investi- thing somewhat different, and may be son Station and Round Island, and is

Rev. G. W. Carmichael is just re-Did you ever think of the necessity covering from a severe affliction of cold out, Few intelligent men now of conducting Christianity on busi- ninety days' duration. He is the oldmaintain that more labor can be per- ness principles? and how then is fre- est minister of our denomination in

their backbones and weakens their ments, mercantile pursuits, etc., bank- at the time he was attacked.

legs cannot impart much strength in ruptcy, receivers and sheriffs' sales Bro. W. F. Kone left to-day for Virthe long run. The risk to character would be the rule and not the exceptionia, where he will spend only a few days, but doubtless very pleasantly. important factor in the question of We build churches with scarcely His church here has a good Sunday its use, though it was formerly ig- money enough to lay the foundation, school, preaching service and prayer nored. A staggering drunkard, a and adorn our lofty spires with a meetings well attended. He has sufblasted home, an almshouse and pris- mortgage; we go into improvements fered a great deal at times this year on, demand consideration now, in on a credit; we want the best of ev- from nervous headache. He has exsettling the question whether alcohol erything, and singularly enough, find cellent nurses when sick, but I think is food or a suitable beverage. It some one willing to let us have it "on he will bring with him a better one

don't pay to preserve "tissues" if rea- time," and when we have hung a from Virginia Many of the houses of worship are son be dethroned by the process, and murky, pall-like financial cloud over the subject brings up in the asylum our churches, wonder why we have so dilapidated in the association that it is unsafe to enter them. There will I have belonged to many associa- be quite a move made at five or six brains and virtue. Even in the treat- tions, literary, fraternal, etc., but I churches to build and repair when ment of disease the "new lights" have never knew of an organization, except crops are laid by. Round Island and exploded old theories. The use of the church, that would allow mem- Poplar Hill will ceil their houses this alcoholic medicines was formerly the bers to remain in it that did not con- summer, Union Hill will recover rule with the best practitioners; now tribute to its support. Other associatheirs, Piny Grove, Kelly's Creek, it is the exception. Doctors then ations having regular expenses, ar- Charity and Shoal Creek speak of

The church at Athens is without a

building new ones.

pastor since the resignation of Dr. Sumner. I preached twice for them An old English hospital has just received nor retained, and it suggests a short time ago. The congregations closed a test of three years' trial, sub- itself that if some of these "business were small, but I was richly paid for jecting one-half of its patients to the principles" were inaugurated and my trip of twenty five miles in makold alcoholic, and the other half to made features in our church matters, ing the acquaintance of Professor L. Moore and family. It is a treat to Why should not those who are meet such Baptists. I had no idea favor of the latter. This single fact equal sharers in every privilege bear the denomination had such spirits in completely explodes the medical use equal financial burdens? It is true North Alabama and especially in that of alcohol, as held by our grandfa- that some can contribute much more little church, as Prof. Moore and his and influence of our ministerial stu- tion in the future to complete the en- thers. In this age of progress facts than others, and that one dollar is as inestimable lady. It enjoyed my stay much to some as twenty dollars are at their house so much. Their hosfriendship and encouragement extend military contribute most efficiently to ly. Once theories were consulted to others, but the idea I desire to pitality was so cordially extended. rather than facts, and for that reason convey is that each, according to Their cultivated manners and warm the absurd theories about the neces- his means, should esteem it a duty, as Christian greeting make one feel like putting up to stay along while. They generation became current. It was and regularly aid in carrying out this have three interesting children abour just as true then as now, that all true part of the covenant that requires grown, and Mrs. Williams, Mrs. theories stand upon facts; yet the "the giving" to maintain worship. Moore's mother, in family. The only truth was practically discarded, or the Perhaps I may look at it from the painful feature I met with while at his unscientific and unreasonable views wrong angle, but I believe there is house was his telling me he was going each professor's labors, I refer you to about alcohol, a century ago, could just as much virtue in tangible givsufficient for him to remain. I said vancement of science and knowledge utation of the church up to the standof the gentlemen of the faculty who has made men observing and critical, ard, as there is in praying and giving to myself what a pity; this people cerlose. It is exceedingly unfortunate that their spirit and character can not self off as formerly for aqua vitae. brother to aid him in building a Under the old darkness, that was church. "Certainly," said the broth- be imparted to hundreds of young possible; but in the "new lights," er, "I'il do it. I can give you a hun- people in this association who so much need the refining influence which they to know the truth of this matter, I have gotten the facts carefully from the College register, beginning June the Session has been large and profit able. We have been able to pay all doctors put whisky into men to help doctors put whisky into men college was not summer to the needs of an institution which must be conducted simply as a business enterorise. There was no furniture for labor, their financial credit, their in
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original credit is almost identical and the college was first the Coll opened, and ending June 9th, 1887.

I have also had the register verified by a distinguished professor who was

the College property. One very ending fully as welcome as those who give meat instead of digesting it. Instead the largest gifts. Far from it. I recommendate that it comes from the best sections of putting whisky into the stomach to ollect the widow's mite and its respectively. ach, meat and all, into whisky to preserve it. Dr. Guthrie said, "If you for everything else, and none for soon open a more inviting field to one

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Rates to Delegates to the Alabama Baptist State Convention.

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Alabama Great Southern-Full fare going and 2 cts. per mile from Acron returning, on certificate of attend-

going and 2 cts. per mile returning, on certificate of attendance. Other roads corresponded with, but

not heard from. Their rates will be here added when they communicate. JON. HARALSON, Pres. Selma, June 13th, 1883.

THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION is a religion of promises. Christians build and rest their hopes upon these promises. The promises sustain amid the troubles and perplexities of life and support them in the face of death. The promises are the soul of their creed. In its feeble beginnings their faith lays hold upon them; as it grows stronger it clings to them more tenaciously, and only relaxes its grasp when it ends in fruition. They are the precious links making the chain that binds them to Heaven and to bestow, while the least promise God, and with which they hope to be drawn up to abodes of bliss.

Robi our religion of its promise and what have we? The fearful consciousness of guilt and condemnation, with no hope of forgiveness and relief; the intolerable sense of misery unrelieved by any overtures of mercy; the knowledge of sin and its results, with no revelation of life and tates change in methods and modifi- Joshua, have been instructed not to ed and he seemed to be in ecstasy. et and Lord. I am persuaded that it written heretofore is in print, and so immortality; "a certain fearful looking-for of judgment and fiery indignation," with no offered way of escape. Without its promises the religion of the Bible would be fearful to contemplate. We would shrink from it with unfeigned terror. The revelation of Heaven with its infinite delights, of immortality with endless duration, would but heighten our misery and mock our unhappiness in our conscious exclusion from all enjoyment. The revelation of Heaven without the hope of attaining it, would make our religion intolerable. Without the promises which open its gates to our weary feet, and waft its melodies to our attentive ears, and fill our mouths with joyous songs, which exalt us to citizenship among the happy that could be moulded to various in hosts, our religion would make us desperate. No guilty rebel would embrace it of choice. We would rather prefer the wildest schemes of philosophy, the vagaries of superstition, the sensuous dreams of imagination; we would seek relief in anything to escape a revelation from God devoid of promises.

In the beginning, Christianity came to men with sweet promises on its lips; and as the centuries have gone by it has followed the race through all the changes of time and circumstance repeating these promises, and to-day its devotees all over the tace of the earth cherish and feed upor them, to the exclusion of all other

To human reason a religion whose chief excellence consists in the promises it brings may seem inadequat to support and comfort the soul amid the pressing troubles and apprehensions that distress men. The danger of disappointment, the liability to vicissitudes, destroys its value as a basis for strong, enduring hope. If these were human promises, these fears of human reason based on experience and observation would be just; if they were the offspring of human benevolence, if they were subject to the caprice of human wills, if they were conditioned on human ability to fulfill them, then religion would be open to the objection of receon, and so far as it claimed to comprehend the future of immortal souls it would be open to the absofute contempt of reason.

from God, born of divine benevo nce, to men in their great need and g nature of their divine Author puts hem beyond the possibility of caprice. Full of promises, originating n divine love, energized with al nighty power, and secured by immutable purpose, the religion of Christ may complacently bid defiance to the ssaults of men and the attacks of Satan in its triumphant progress hrough the coming ages. The sophistries of science, the

peculations of philosophy, the sneers of reason, and the taunts of infidelity fail to invalidate the promises; and whatever means malice may devise to rend them violently from their possessors, whether it be the galling chain, the bloody sword, or the flaming fagot, they serve only to drive them deeper into their very being. Reflecting upon the testimony of the apostles and martyrs, confirmed and sustained by that of the armies of saints in the ages following, the power of the promises of religion to hold the soul steadfast in peace and abounding in joy-with this blessed and ever renewing testimony before them, the disciples of Jesus rejoice and are happy because the religion of Christ is a religion of promises,

Any sinner, however vile, accepting Jesus as his Savior and his Master, may take the Bible and with the precious promises contained therein build a ladder that will lift him from the deepest degradation high up to the very throne of God.

These precious jewels thickly gathered and rightly appropriated by the faithful, afford the comfort Louisville & Nashville-Full fare of our pilgrimage.

"As thy day is, so shall thy strength be." "Ask and ye shall receive." "All things work together for good to them that love God." "He that be Give us a little bigotry."-Presbytelieveth and is baptized shall be saved." Exceedingly great and most precious are these promises, all comvariableness nor shadow of turning.

The Emperor once bestowed magnificent reward upon one of his subjects. The man exclaimed, "This is too great a gift for me to receive!" The Emperor replied, "But it is not too magnificent a reward for Cæsar

The richest, most precious promise is not too great for the Lord of lords given is too much for any sinner to

prise, new methods and new plans must be adopted. These must be purposes for which they were at first devised. But progress in the estabenterprises, religious as well as others. observe the various enterprises and posit, Ala. - Bro. B. B. Davis, of true minister of Jesus Christ? And I know, I am in harmony with your preacher can sometimes repeat his old institutions around them

Those who have watched the work ings of the Convention in this State have not failed to notice the alterations and modifications that have occurred during the half a dozen years just passed. Progress has been ments have opened up new avenues | tendent of the American Bible Society of usefulness and created new pur- for Alabama and Western Florida. poses that have required change of plans and modification of methods, the Bible question, and has been The Convention was wise in devising schemes comprehensive and pliable varying states of the case.

Several communications lately received indicate that observing brethren in different parts of the State think that changes must be made if For the Alabama Baptist. we would keep pace with the progress making and meet the demands now pressing upon us. Just what these changes shall be, has not been clearly stated. In all important matters i requires careful consideration and earnest thinking to determine what is meets for the purpose of reviewing the work done and to devise ways full expression of thought on the part | upon him? He feels almost as if under of earnest, honest seekers after good, will conduct to wisest conclusions. A and contributions in your paper, Prom Port I large attendance and a free discus- where the author was carried forward

The province of Christianity come | Notify us of any mistake in your date,

Reflector. At an informal meetng held in Selma June 28, a committee was appointed to call and provide for a General Temperance Meeting to be held in Selma on the last Thursday one who fails. days in July, and resume work in end of this year and publication made ness."-Religious Herald .-

he Convention. There are few men

n the State who would be missed

--"We have it for a perpetual thanksgiving that the same old truths that Paul is the most charming business known above-named parties, or of their pur- and the man who thinks it is, has not believed in and preached, and which were everywhere the power of God God has bestowed the greatest honor they arose almost simultaneously and of the fearful responsibility. The unto salvation, are to be heard every in counting him faithful, putting him moved up the aisle, tears started from demands of the age are terribly taxing Sunday with wonderful unity from all into the ministry. In reading the many eyes. Strong men wept for joy. and exacting. This is one of the reaour pulpits in the East and the West, Word of God and other reading, and Mr. Lewis is the son of a Baptist sous why we hear so much of the in the North and in the South. Here in preparing his sermons, he is often minister who many years ago lived lament about men to supply our pulis the source of our growth, and it led into seasons of unspeakable joy. near this city. He is a graduate of will abide so long as we hold fast to And frequently while he is delivering the University of Alabama and a think before they leap into this great the belief that we are peculiarly right? strewn through all the Book, easily the form of sound words,' and live in consistency therewith,"-Examiner. -"We cordially extend the hand of fellowship to a Methodist or a Bapand support needed, even to the end tist, but let him be a Methodist or a the quiet Sabbath afternoon when he a regular attendant upon our church of other people—to lose sight, in a ery lever to make everybody else see and the best men come out regulated, Baptist-not a something which is meekly feels that he has honored his services. So consistent and upright degree, of sell and home and natural the same way. If others are teaching shaped and largely benefited. nothing. To have clear, determinate, settled convictions on any religious subject is now-a-days called bigotry, but it is just this for which we yearn. rian. "The Baptist press of the country have adopted with singular unanimity the action of the Saratoga Bible Convention." - Biblical Reing from the blessed God, our Father corder.—Prof. T. W. Palmer was in Memphis, Tennessee, The ago, however, he was completely laid next? Have I not already said every the popular tide and fashion side by the most fearful and persist thing over and over? And these old is a church. All the advantages of side with those who are cutting and University, where he has just been meeting there. It was my good fort- ent attacks of neuralgia. For months books in my little library, I have read early settlement, such as the gift of a

ments are made, is patent to all who the lambs."-Matt. Bishop, Fort Deern Baptist Convention, for Alabama, hard to preach and was capable of short, I desire to be what I have not books, and I never come on these which can be had on application to failure. him by mail, or he will have them at Marion and can there distribute them.

work he will withdraw.

How Easy It Is. There is another side to this question of preaching and writing. Let us have a seeming paradox. How

Bro. Riley took charge of this work

early last year, before the agitation of

awaiting the drift of denominational

thought on the subject so as to decide

course of action. Through his

astrumentality every county in Ala-

supplied or being supplied with Bibles.

For the Alabama Baptist.

ned the first chaof the influence of this glow of menon. He is an tal and heart power. Their subject "Rev. Dr. A. J. Battle, is im D. D., late president of the Mercer chiefly to that work. Those Baptist and it is an encoura-

nittee will meet again for several are men of equal powers and cultiva. Croom & Lewis. tion spending an anxious and earnest | Sunday morning came and was the mber next. It is expected that life for others, with the heritage of appointed time for our annual collec- The preacher feels, How shall I pre- giants usually do great things, and in however thoroughly he may be menthe revision will be completed by the poverty before them; and still they tion for State Missions. The pastor before next spring."-Baptist Courier. thusiasm that knows no abating. If taken amounting to nearly \$300. "All the warmth that is worth the heart is in the work, with all its (The church had already raised \$100 anything comes from the Lord, and hardships, it is a life of joy; and they had rather be there is never a cold time in Heaven. Draw your warmth thence, and your address of their braw your warmth thence, and your address of their braw your warmth thence, and your address of their braw your warmth thence, and your address of their braw your warmth thence, and your address of their braw your warmth thence, and your address of their braw your warmth thence, and your address of the highest type of business of the highest type of business and your address of the highest type of business of the highest typ cold time will give place to the glo- God than to dwell in the tents of wished to unite with the church to pose I fail to get another view of it who we are, what we are, and whence spiritual endowments. That must be a wickedness-for that is just what come forward. The church and conthey are door-keepers in God's gregation knew nothing of the inter- beats the air. I tell you, dear reader, house. With such a man preaching views I had previously had with the this thing called preaching is no trifle; to human intelligence. He feels that pose to unite with the church. As gone very deep into a consciousness his message to the people he is over- young lawyer of fine ability and has seen signs of promise in his con- that not a few thought him a churchgregation, and now in the still of the member. day, undisturbed by social surroundings, he is left to communion with his and touchingly interesting. He was the work is begun, and the responsielected to fill the Chair of Mathe- une to stay at the same house with together his sufferings were unuttera- them and searched them until they no lot and the enthusiasm of the new matics. We are not surprised at his Dr. Richard Fuller. At 11 o' clock | ble and well-nigh intolerable, attackpromotion, and shall watch his prog- on Sabbath he preached that great ing brain as well as nerve with terrif- ble to purchase a new library, and advantage of, and forthwith a wise, ress upward with interest. -- Bro. sermon which will never be forgotten ic, almost annihilating, force. At last, the people are intelligent and demand earnest, devoted man is fixed there, I. I. Stockton is doing good work at by any who heard it. The family and after weary months of suffering and something new; the age advances, Madison Station, where Bro. F. C. all the brethren went in the afternoon | confinement, he had been enabled to | and I am about to be left behind. David, the active missionary of the to the Sunday School mass meeting, resume his practice. No wonder that State Mission Board, organized a Dr. Fuller did not go. I chanced to those who knew these facts were church last year. --- We are glad be the first to return to our home. deeply affected by seeing him go forto hear good accounts of Bro. David There was a large front yard. As I ward to confess Christ before men from different quarters. -- Bro. W. passed from the gate to the house I His statement was simple, straight-B. Crumpton, Vice-president of the heard a voice call to me. I looked forward, but profoundly touching to State Temperance Alliance for Dal- far down in the corner of the yard, those who knew him and his history. las county, is doing everything in his and saw the grand form of that grand He said : "My friends, I am just repower to arouse the people of the country on the subject of temperance. Out with him among the dense yard of sickness and suffering. During my dry ground, and unless I can give it the opportunity they have, the grander of newness and freshness, it the chance for throwing it away. looked for has come at last. Bethel to find him in tears of joy-almost tunity to reflect upon the profound church, of this place, has one of the shouting. He inquired about the pursued so long as they serve the best preachers in the South, in the Sunday School meeting. I reported. person of Eld. Plaster. He is evi- Then he spoke of the joyous time he for me has been personal faith in the dently a godly man in the Bible sense. had been having, and told me that he Lord Jesus Christ. I believe that he The great want felt in the churches always tried to thus spend his Sab- is the Son of God, the Savior of the lishment of any institution necessi- of to-day is such pastors, who, like bath afternoons. The tears still flow- world. I accept him as my Redeemcation of plans. This is true of all turn aside, to the right or left, but These are nearly the only words that is my duty to confess him before study, do, and teach what God has ever passed between me and that re- men. Accordingly I have availed writer has said that a writer must not commanded in his word. Long may markable preacher. But their im myself of this occasion to give this The necessity of chance, as develop- he live to feed the sheep and care for pression lasts and will live forever. testimony. I now offer myself for a second time without acknowledging

> With the heart right, and the mind human being. And after all, dear ing. brethren, we have a right good time.

J. J. D. R. A Paying Investment.

from Howard College is a passport to other and similar accessions. profit and honor.

For the Alabama Baptist. Montgomery Association.

I will meet all delegates and visi easy it is to write, and how delightful tors who are desirous of attending it is to preach! A brother sitting by, the Montgomery Association, at Pike says that I ought to let somebody else Road, on the M. & E. R. R. The A free interchange of opinions and when his subject comes with power ance for. Jesse H. Dickson JESSE H. DICKSON Pine Level, Ala., June 24, 1883.

From Fort Deposit.

Good News from Mobile

Last Sunday was a day of gladness even unto tears with both pastor and people of the St. Francis Street Baptist church. The occasion of it all can not be made known fully by a sses me that it bare statement of facts. In the first portant for an editor to be left place, on the Sunday before one of our best young business men, "Gus" University, Macon, Ga., has been editors who give themselves wholly Thames, son of the late Maj. C. E. elected to the presidency of the Mon-roe Female College."—Am. Baptist and it is an encouraging fact that and it is an encouraging fact that most of our denominational editors now occupy this position; and as a forward all unheralded after the serconsequence we are having better mon and offered himself for memberpapers, and there is little excuse for ship. The sight melted not a few to tears, and his statement was manly in July.——"I am highly pleased And how easy it is to preach when and deeply affecting His baptism with my first charge—Concord church, a minister of Christ has gotten into was given out to take place the next Monroe county. We had a very his theme! Is it not wonderful that Sunday night. During the week three warm meeting last Sabbath."-D. the "Old, old story of Jesus and his others made known to me their de-W. Ramsey, June 26th.—"The love," can so completely possess a sire to unite with our church; one by Old Testament Company of Revisers man of great intellectual force for a letter, Mrs. Judge Austill, and two by have now finished the revision of the obline time? What other pursuit baptism, Judge Huriosco Austill, late Old Testament and are making up can do it? We see men absorbed in Chancellor of the First District of the appendix, which contains the un-adjusted differences between the work for themselves, for morey, for titioner here, and Mr. W. S. Lewis, a American and English revisers. The fame, for an earthly crown. But here member of the legal firm of Herndon,

problems of life, death and immortal- shall I do? ity. One result of these reflections Is not this the privilege of every membership in this church. So far as it and apologizing for it, whereas the Montgomery, Secretary of the Ala- with this frame of mind how easy it faith and practice. I desire to be bapbama Baptist Convention, requests us is to preach and be happy in preach- tized according to your custom and I am acquainted with the books of

to say that he has received the min- ing! Yet all who knew Dr. Fuller to lead henceforth a Christian life, as some authors who say pretty much utes of the last session of the South- know that sometimes he found it I have not done in the past. In the same thing in several of their this end I ask your prayers and crave The idea that any common man right, and the theme right, and the the guidance of God." When he should consider his thoughts so im--Rev. B. F. Riley has tendered faith right, preaching Christ's gospel closed there was scarcely a dry eye portant that he will put them in parts made in many directions. Develop- his resignation as District Superin- is the most charming, delightful, in the house. The effect produced of two or three books in about the blessed work that ever engaged a was deep and, I trust, will prove last- same form! This is vanity.

> At night the three were baptized in pondent of a newspaper may have the presence of a large and deeply some wider liberty in this matter, yet impressed audience. Many members he cannot be always harping on the

GEO. B. EAGER. Dr. John A. Broadus' Great Sermon. PREACHED BEFORE THE SOUTHERN

BAPTIST CONVENTION.

address on the receipt of 25 cents. tory, St. Louis, Mo.

For the Alabama Baptist How Hard it Is

Reader, did you ever think of how hard it is to find something to write about? Why, say you, I thought there were ten thousand subjects to write about. And so there are, but the writer is led into captivity by his of the fact that our principles lie so which it is designed. theme, you will hear a poor sermon patently upon the surface of Scriptor read a poor piece in the paper.

I know men say, "Preach Christ— preach the Cross." That is right, but it's the hardest sort of a thing to do. about "our great Baptist giant;" but wants a salesman, or an accountant, sent this great theme the next time? this the analogy between the Baptist tally qualified, who will not conform sweep along through life with an en- made an appeal and a collection was What do my people need? How denomination and a giant breaks to order and rule, be prompt and shall I manage to make them see and down. We have a great deal of blus- faithful to duty and correct in his feel that the cross of Christ is "the ter; we have conventions and associ- transactions. And the pulpit to day myself, then I shall seem as one that we sprang; we banter to conflict any slack twisted church which desires

> pits. Men are intelligent and they manhood to the spiritual wants of the very view of it. world around him. Oh, this is not all longer feed my mind, and I am una-There are many fine reviews and excellent books, but the preacher may not be able to reach them; the people go on in sin and the church in unvery soul exclaims, "Who hath bemore of newness and freshness, it the chance for throwing it away.

readers what is equal to, the outlines sermons, for they are not in print been heretofore, a Christian, and to chapters without a feeling of disgust,

Now, though an editor or corres

Austill was of a prominent Episcopal that, and feels that his readers somebody is doing it. The country A young man who spent the last family of our city, and was himself are tired of it. Suppose it be a reli- is rapidly growing; streams of people session at Howard College studied raised an Episcopalian. We "thanked gious paper for a given State. After are flowing into our State and filling bania and Western Florida is either | book-keeping and other subjects. A | God and took courage," Several oth- awhile he feels that he has written in few days after leaving college he was ers in my congregation are deeply se- regard to the boards, and schools, As soon as he can close up his official placed in charge of the books of a rious, and I trust that I may soon be and pastors, and deacons, and very extensive business. A certificate | permitted to report the good news of | churches, until his readers, very naturally want no more from him on these subjects: they already know all that he can tell them, and he fears they will charge him with having hobbies. He goes to the papers of other Scates and looks through them, and it seems to him that the writers there are generally pretty hard up The July number of Ford's Chris- themselves for something to say. fan Repository will contain Dr. John Some subjects are virtually ruled out. speak on that side. Very well, they trains pass from Union Springs in the A. Broadus' great sermon preached The editors have given notice that may speak if they wish, but I have a evening, from Montgomery in the at the Southern Baptist Convention they want no matter on these subjects. Conveyance will be there at Waco, on the question: "Is the He has many other duties to perform, It is hot weather and the mind only on Monday evening and Tuesday Bible of God?" It has been pro- and can only give limited time to vention soon to assemble in Marion does not work freely, and the editor morning. The Association meets on nounced "the greatest sermon of the writing, and the theme fails to put in needs rest, and at times he is at a Tuesday, the 24th of July, at 11 age." It was taken down word for its appearance on time. He turns to great loss what to say next and how o'clock A. M. I request all to send word by an expert phonographer and the books in his library; there are to say it. But reader did you ever me their names at once, that I may is well worth the whole subscription many subjects in them to brighten up price. The July number sent to any his mind, but writing book chapters for newspapers is not agreeable to his Address: Ford's Christian Reposi- notions. He does not like to shoot

BY OLD GRUM.

Baptist Shortsightedness

For the Alabama Baptist,

Some people are always writing out their reasons as to why they are Bapwhole ten thousand subjects have tists. My reason for being one is, been written about already. Write because I can't help it. I find nothabout them again, say you. But ing but Baptist churches referred to with entanglements they have all been written about in the New Testament, and a man again and again, and so on through who reads his Bible with his eyes to authority, due deference to supemany "agains." The preacher knows open and with the veil off his heart riors, promptness and fidelity to duty, something of this peplexity. He will find himself just where I am-he correctness in dealing, and neatness knows that it is not much trouble to can't help being a Baptist. It is this, of person and work are charming virpreach or to prepare to preach after and not what Baptists are saying and tues and deserve to be taught and aca subject takes hold of him. No doing that wins my approbation. If man can take hold of a subject until I wanted to join a wide-awake and ter as much as any attainment of the subject first takes hold of him. progressive denomination, I should knowledge for the mind. These and It is not at all certain that Jacob join some other earlier than the Bap- similar qualifications are taught and would ever have wrestled with the tist. If I had been in search of the exemplified by the faculty and are angel if it had not been that "there denomination that was most on the strictly required of students, and it is came an angel and wrestled with him." alert for an opportunity to plant it- wise and right that they should be: In making preachers the Holy Spirit self deeper, I should have chosen for surely it education can be made leads captivity captive, and gives gifts other than the Baptist denomination, out to exist without disciplined habunto men, and unless a preacher or a We have succeeded more by virtue its, it would fall snort of the end for

ure, than we have by push and perse-

Some of our people ruff fearfully

verance.

national books on "Baptism, What is It?" "Our Distinctive Principles," "The Communion," "Inter-communion,""Non-intercommunion," "Alien Immersion," etc., etc., but when we come to gaze upon this great treetrunk for fruit, it is dolefully scarce. Why is it thus? Are we content with task. It takes no ordinary courage If we are happy in this idea, it is an whelmed with the fulness of God. It promise. For some years past he has for a young man to take up a work unwise sort of happiness, it seems to plined men, and for their good and perhaps true that a minister of Christ been a most studious member of a which requires him, through his whole me. If we are right, we ought to be the good of the institution, Col. Murhas no other hours more pleasant than Bible class in our Sunday school and life, to be absorbed with the interests moving every wheel and driving ev-Savior at the morning service, and had been his life during these years responsibilities, and devote his whole error, we are quite complacent in the

Other denominations are leading From the Christian Secretary, Judge Austill's case was peculiarly bright and inviting! And then after the van in the establishment of churches in centres of influence and God and to rest. I never can forget well known to our whole people by bility, in a variety of forms, comes on in putting there their best men. They one scene of this character which his splendid record as a soldier dur him, how often does his head and follow close upon the heels of the passed under my observation -saying ing the late war and by his successful heart ache with the question : What projecting engineer along our new nothing of my own experience. It career as a lawyer. About two years shall I do next? What shall I say railway lines, and among the earliest colony to have a church, are taken and a church is securely anchored. Do Baptists do this? O, no; they talk most heroically about it and tell just how it ought to be done, and how easily it can be done; but the edifices which they build are mostly faithfulness. How many times his aerial. Really it seems that if advantages are afforded them, they throw lieved our report, and to whom is the them away. The Baptist denominaarm of the Lord revealed?" This tion reminds me very much of the

seems my work will fail. What next In several of the new and leading towns of our State to-day, we ought to be far in advance of the other detrouble, and more, if possible, for nominations; but our opportunities it because of the lack of strength in our ministry? No. Is it because our people are not made aware of these advantages? No. Is it because they are too stingy to place themselves in the position which they should occupy! Yes, a !housand times yes! But somebody will say, "It does no good to talk and write in this way; this is not the way to induce people to act."

Then pray tell us which is the way We have tried the opposite to this a long time. We have talked and all our advantages, but it was like painting a picture in the air—the thing dissolved into thin nothingness. The sagacious Renfroe is altogether

right-we need to occupy the centres. But how long have we been talking thus? A hundred Methodist meeting houses have been built since we last discussed it. We talk and of other churches were present. Judge same strain. He gets tired of they build-that's all. I am glad up our waste places; towns are born almost in a day. We have the most abundant means; we have the men but they do not seem to be mutually attractive and thus we fail, and continue to fail.

A greater responsibility rests upor the Baptist denomination right now in this restless, enterprising, growing country than ever before. Until we have less twaddle and more money less fuming and more push, we shall never prove ourselves equal to the

I would like to press this matter further, but if I wax any warmer on I this subject some people may think I am complaining, and so I will content myself with what I have written

The Discipline of Howard College Beneficial to Ministerial Students.

at long range, nor does he like to Eds. Ala. Baptist: Much has been what a Baptist church is and should charge his piece with that sort of said of late about the merits of How- be. be continuous and a free discussion will tend to enlist and constitute of the continuous and a free discussion will tend to enlist and constitute of the continuous and the energies of the entire brotherhood in the prosecution of the plans now operating, or in any necded modifications that may be made.

The are so many interests, all important, demanding attention at important deman The church at Brownsville, for heavy metal-conceding that he is and College and the advantages it of-

their health and enables them to prosecute their studies more systematically and consequently more successfully, and at the same time it seals upon them a system of principles and tone of character which they will carry out into the world and into their work, to govern them in grappling with difficulties and contending

Obedience to laws, subordination quired as ornaments for the charac-

In every department of business life the demand is for prompt, faithful, true, correct men. No merchant who is wide awake to his interest who dare deny the scripturalness of the services of a pastor who is not our principles; we multiply denomi- an exemplar of promptness, faithfulness and correctness, and who will not insist upon the church "doing all things decently and in order."

Howard College does not call men to preach the gospel neither does it give spiritual endowments, nor in many cases does it execute discipline to correct the moral conduct of theological students, but on account of natural laxity peculiar to all undisci-McKinley, Ala. P. C. DREW.

The Denominational Mission of the Baptists. What is It?

It is not simply to assert and maintain gospel ordinances in form and order, and then, in all else, drift with carving, rejecting and selecting from the Scriptures to suit their likes and whims. On the contrary, it is to assert, accept and maintain in good faith, and through good and ewl report, the Primitive, Apostolic, Biblical Christianity, in its doctrine and moral precepts, in its two memorial ordinances, in its church organic life and polity, and in carrying out in detail the Great Commission, as expressed in Acts 1:8; Luke 24:45-49; Matt. 28:19-20; Mark 16-15,16. Christianity as wrought out by

Christ and committed by him to the apostles and their coadjutors, to be committed to record and promulgated in his name among all nations, as an effectual plan of salvation, was absolutely perfect and complete in all its parts. It was not a mere germinal system to be evolved or revolutionized by human wisdom or fancies but it was already finished. Christ was, and is, and ever will be, "the author and finisher" of the whole glorious scheme of redemption. It admits of no improvement or human emendation; all attempts in this direction have been and must continue to be audacious assumptions, producing only mongrel and motley sects and hierarchies.

The first church gathered under the great commission was in Jerusalem, by the labors of the apostles, and in connection with the inspiration and power of the baptism of the Holy Spirit. It was a model church, made up entirely of baptized believers, and they were all filled with the Spirit, were most heartily united to Christ and each other. They were "of one heart and one soul," and "continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine, fellowship, breaking of bread and prayer." But as time rolled on and the apostles finished their work, here and in hundreds of other places, little by little, the virus of corruption crept in and these churches gave place to various heretical sects, and at last to the fully developed Papal apostasy.

But the good Lord has never left himself without many witnesses, who have refused to bow the knee to Bazi. These persecuted witnesses of the ages past have been known under different names; they have been found as Protestants and Reformers asserting the primitive order and authority. and they have laid down their lives for the truth by millions. For the past two hundred and fifty years these witnesses and persistent Protestants have been called BAPTISTS; their special mission is and has been to re-assert and maintain primitive, apostolic, biblical Christianity in its purity and in doctrine, in spirit, in its memorial ordinances, in the absolute sincerity of its worship, church polity, and members should fully comprehend and accept this mission and throw the banner out, that all may know

TO THE DRUGGISTS OF CENTRAL ALA. We have bought almost all the Proprietary Goods in quantities that enable us offer them at Eastern and Western prices, thus enabling the best kidney medicine that he knew of, you to save freights, and would be pleased to

CAWTHON & COLEMAN. Vitiated blood needs cleansing. There is only one remedy for all such cases, Samaritan

Miss Jennie P. Warren, 740 W. Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., says: "Samaritan Nervine cured me of spasms." \$1.50 at

A TERRIBLE Loss .- "The boat has turned over and drowned your son," said a man approaching a fishing party, and addressing an old gentleman. "Great goodness!" exclaimed the old man, bursting into tears. "He was my hope in this life. He was the best boy on the place; and beside that he had the bait cup with him."—[Arkansas Traveller.

A SPECIALTY. We make a specialty of OILS, Lead, Turpentine, PAINTS, ALCOHOL, COLOGNE SPIRITS, etc. Send in your orders. Satisfaction given.

CAWTHON & COLEMAN.

Because the sale of bootjacks last year was

Free Press rises to inquire, "Is this country going to bed with her boots on?" Not by a large majority; it indicates that the feline race is dying out -[N, Y, Advertiser. TO THE MERCHANTS of CENTRAL ALA.

We have on hand the largest and most salable bottled goods and Patent Medicines to be found in Alabama, and would ask you to send your orders to us. We guarantee you as good prices and as much for the money as you can get anywhere in the State. CAWTHON & COLEMAN.

WHY THE YOUNG MAN WAS ALONG .- A and urinary organs, to my trade and friends, young lady who was very eager for the com- and find that it gives general satisfaction to pany of a certain young man sent him a note | all who use it. asking him to accompany her to a friend's house on a certain evening. When he responded she naively remarked: "I wouldn't have bothered sending for you, but my ear-rings are real diamonds, and I'm afraid to be out on the street at night without having some one to help guard them."-[Philadel-

FLIES AND BUGS. Flies, roaches, and ants, bed-bugs, rats, mice, gophers, chipmunks, cleared out by "Rough on Rats." 15c.

Harper's Bazar is authority for the dictum | That is a custom of too long standing to disthat a widow should be married in a bonnet. In our opinion this idea is wrong. By the time the widow has selected the style of bonnet in which she wishes to appear at the cergone elsewhere for a wife. The best thing for a widow to be married in is in a hurry, unless she has money. Then she can take her time, -[Rochester Post-Express.

"Wells' Health Renewer" restores health and vigor, cures Dyspepsia, Impotence, Sex-

Dear Sir-Twenty years ago I was ship-wrecked on the Atlantic Ocean, and the cold and exposure caused a large abscess to form SUMMER PRIMER .- Why do those men Run on each leg, which kept continually dischargso fast this Hot weather? Is anybody Dying? so fast this Hot weather? Is anybody Dying? ing. After spending hundreds of dollars, No. How Red their faces are. They will with no benefit, I tried your "Golden Mediburst a Blood-vessel. See, they are almost cal Discovery" and now, in less than three Fainting, but they will try to Run. Poor months after taking the first bottle, I am fellows! Have they just Escaped from Pristhankful to say I am completely cured, and on? No, my child. They have summer cotfor the first time in ten years can put my left tages out of town, and are Merely trying to heel to the ground. I am yours, catch a train .- Philadelphia News. WM. RYDER, 87 Jefferson St., Buffalo, N. V.

WELLS' "ROUGH ON CORNS." Ask for Wells' "Rough on Corns." 15c. Quick, complete, permanent cure. Corns,

Those persons who imagined that a square foot was a foot square will "learn of some-thing to their advantage" by consulting the Chicago News, which, in reply to a corres-pondent who wishes to know the difference between the two measures, says that a foot square is a rectangular surface the area of which is bounded by four sides each a foot that you'll have to preach or starve, you will long, while "a square foot is a cabe of six sides, each of which is a foot square." If this is a square foot, the News' definition of a cubic foot must be equally original and interesting.—[Detroit Free Press.

GORGED LIVERS AND GALL, Biliousness, headache, dyspepsia, constipa-tion, cured by "Wells' May Apple Pills."

HE REMEMBERED.—They were talking about the black Friday of Grant's administration, and finally some one addressed the man in the corner, asked: "Do you remember the day?" "Well, I rather think so!" he replied. "Very exciting, eh?" "I didn't notice much excitement." "Maybe you lost heavily?" "Well, no." "Then you gained?" "I didn't think so," "Well, then, for what special reason did you remember it?" persisted the interrogator. "Why, that was the day I married a widow who had been keeping up a \$200,000 show on an income of \$200 a year!" sighed the speculator as he fell back.—[Wall Street News.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS .- Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used when children are cutting teeth. It relieves the little sufferer at once; it produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes as "bright as a button." It is very pleasant to faste. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and E. Palmer. is the best known remedy for diarrhoea, whether arising from teething or other causes. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

A cross counter. Jack Oldstock—"We're very proud of our ancestry, you know."
Tom Parvend—"Yes, I know; but how would your ancestry feel about you?"—[Har-

PERSONAL -- We are glad to see our old friend Major Scott on the street again. He and Mary Emma Hardin. has been suffering for a long time with dyspepsia and indigestion, but it is now entirely cured. He was cured by taking the justly famous "Seven Springs Iron and Alum Mass," manufactured only by Landrum & Litchfield, Abingdon, Va., and for sale by all druggists at 50 cents and \$1 per bottle. This is simply the "salts" of mineral waters and is no humbug. Try it.

No injurious effects can follow the use of Ayer's Ague Cure in the treatment of malarial diseases. It contains, besides a specific and unfailing antidote for miasmatic poison, other remedial agents which unite to expel the poisonous humors, purify the system, and leave it in a healthy and reinvigorated con-

Woman, who has been looking over blan-kets in a Main store—"Well, I didn't mean to buy. Am just looking for a friend."
Clerk, politely—"Don't think you'll find
your friend among the blankets. We've looked 'em all through."—[Hartford Times,

mendation of Ayer's Pills a matter of relig ious duty. When people are bilious and dyspeptic, what they need is the Gospel of Health. In such cases the best creed to swallow consists of the thirty sugar-coated

articles in a pill box. THE CONSOLATION OF IT:—The blinding flash of lightning should cause you no alarm. If a stroke kills you, you will not know what hurt you.—[Detroit Free Press.

Shriner's Indian Vermifuge is strictly a vegetable compound, formulated particularly for destroying and expelling worms. Try it. HE MAY GET THROUGH THE LIST, -An

editor is writing a series of articles on "Some Luars I Have Known." If he has not been a journalist more than a year or two, is not too elaborate in his descriptions, and pub-lishes three columns a day, he may be able to conclude the series by Christmas, 1889.—

Professor R. C. Word, M. D., LL.D. Dean University of Georgia, says: "Liebig Co's Goca Reef Tonic is an invaluable preparation." Invaluable in dyspepsia, debility,

THE PROFESSION A UNIT. Mr. C. H. Draper, of No. 223 Main St.,

always reliable. I took the bottle home and

commenced taking it, and find that it does

the work effectually; and I am pleased to re-

commend to all who have kidney or liver dis-

WE ALL SAY SO.

Mr. George A. Burdett, No. 165 Front

Street, Worcester, Mass., has just sent us the

carefully the advertisement regarding the re-markable curative powers of Hunt's Reme-

actly, I purchased a bottle of the medicine at

used it with most beneficial results in my

menced its use, and it has most decidedly

improved their health, and we shall continue

DRUGGIST'S EVIDENCE.

Mr. George W. Holcomb, druggist 120 and 131 Congress Sweet, Troy, N. Y., writes

April 7, 1883:"I am constantly selling Hunt's Remedy

for diseases of the kidneys, liver, bladder,

Caution in the premises-"Hadn't I bet-

ter pray for rain to-day, Deacon?" said a

Dominie, I think," was the prudent reply; "the wind isn't right." - [Binghamton Re-

Allen McDowell, Huntsville, Ala., says:

Brown's Iron Bitters has been of great ben-

DON'T WISH TO EMBARRASS,-"Do you

ACCIDENTS frow mowing machines, thresh-

ers and other farming implements, will hap-

from pain and a rapid healing of the wounds.

TWENTY YEARS A SUFFERER.

ADVICE TO INTENDING MINISTERS .- My

lear young brother, if you prefer it, if you

nonestly feel that you have something to say

in the pulpit that people must hear, then preach. But: If you can't do anything else;

f you can't plow or reap; if you know not

how either to fish or cut bait; if at anything

else you would starve, then in heaven's name

confer a favor upon the community by starv-

is a respectable way of doing the same thing.

Anybody can edit a newspaper. Except the editor. He doesn't know the first principle

an occasion to bring into the dissecting room

for demonstration will tell you that .- [R. J.

Burdette, in the Cincinnati Enquiter.

Holman's Pad, which is nature's way.

Halsell.

Laura K. Pate.

Mrs. Nancy Spear.

and Mollie Jennings.

Wilcox, and Ida Marshall.

ham, and Minnie E. Johnston.

of Florida, and Mary J. Hamilton.

Married in Alabama.

At Ladiga, Henry J. McKenzie and Mary

In Russell county, J. P. Cawley and Miss

In Talladega, Dr. W. G. Stone and Mrs.

In Camden, Emile Summerhalder and

In Lauderdale county, Jones Summerhill

At Lincoln, Dr. H. D. Barr, of Oxford,

In Monroe county, E. R. Morrisette, of

At Vann Station, Major James D. Crump,

Deaths in Alabama.

In Montgomery, infant of Mr. and Mrs.

At Franklin, Ky., W. T. Copeland, form-

In Vernon, Fla., Mrs. Emma NeSmith Nettles, formerly of Lowndes county.

At Shorterville, Rev. L. R. Sims.

In Eufaula, Capt. H. C. Hart.

In St. Clair county, John Odom.

In St. Clair county, S. C. Moore.

In Mobile, daughter of Ferdinand

In Perry county, W. D. Washburne.

In Uniontown, W. H. Hungerford,

In Marion, Capt. R. D. Marshall.

At Lowndesboro, See Howard.

In Greensboro, L., T. Whelan.

In Montgomey, infant daughter of Mr.

In Brewton, Rev. John W. Stephenson.

In Conecuh county, Mrs. Sarah A. Ellis.

In Lowndes county, daughter of George H, and Mary L. McQueen.

In Hale county, son of Frank H. and Maria M. Sheldon.

In Elmore county, Mrs. Emmie Sankey.

In Selma, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Perry

In Elmore county, Mrs. Ellen Gantt.

In Talladega, Mrs. Sarah R. Adams.

In Oxford, Infant of T. M. Houser.

M. Dotzheimer, infant of Mr. and Mrs.

In Colbert county, Benj. Pybas.

In Mobile, Mary E. Thompson.

In Troy, Mrs. C. B. Douglas.

In Mobile, Julius Scarba.

In Mobile, John Ebinger.

erly of Montgomery.

R. V. Pierce, M. D., Buffalo, N. Y.:

efit to me when suffering from dyspepsia,"

hamton minister, Sunday, "Not to-day,

April 17, 1883.

llowing, directly to the point:-

Worcester, Mass, volunteers the following:-

"Having occasion recently to use a reme-

No Home Exempt.

dy for kidney disease, I applied to my drug-The following article from the Democrat and Chronicle, of Rochester, N. Y., is of so gist, Mr. D. B. Williams, of Lincoln Square, this city, and requested him to furnish me striking a nature and emanates from so reliable a source, that it is herewith re-published and he handed me a bottle of Hunt's Reme- entire. In addition to the valuable matter it contains, it will be found exceedingly interdy, stating that it was considered the best because he had sold many bottles of it to his To the Editor of the Democrat & Chronicle. customers in Worcester, and they all speak of it in the highest terms, and pronounce it

SIR:—My motives for the publication of the most unusual statements which follow, are, first, gratitude for the fact that I have been saved from a most horrible death, and, secondly, a desire to warn all who read this statement against some of the most deceptive influences by which they have ever been surease the use of Hunt's Remedy, the sure rounded. It is a fact that to-day thousands of people are within a foot of the grave and they do not know it. To tell how I was caught away from just this position and to warn others against nearing it, are my objects in this communication, On the first day of June, 1881, I lay at my

esidence in this city surrounded by my friends and waiting for death. Heaven only "Being afflicted with ailments to which all umanity is subject sooner or later, I read can never describe it. And yet, if a few years previous, any one had told me I was to markable curative powers of Hunt's Reme-dy, and as it seemed to apply to my case ex-ease, I should have scoffed at the idea. I had always been uncommonly strong and Januery's drug store in this city, and having healthy, had weighed over 200 pounds and hardly knew in my own experience, what own case, my wife and son also com- pain or sickness were. Very many people who will read this statement realize at times that they are unusually tired and can not acits use in our family under such favorable re- count for it. They feel dull and indefinite pains in various parts of the body and do not understand it. Or they are exceedingly hungry one day and entirely without appetite the next. This was just the way I felt when the releastless malady which had fastened it-self upon me first began. Still I thought it was nothing; that probably I had taken a cold which would soon pass away. Shortly after this I noticed a heavy, and at times a neuralgic, pain in my head, but as it would come one day and be gone the next, I paid but little attention to it. However, my stomach was out of order and my food often failed to digest, causing at times great inconvenience. Yet I had no idea, even as a physician, that these things meant anything serious or that a monstrous disease was becoming fixed upon me. Candidly, I thought I was sufferng from Malaria and so doctored myself accordingly. But I got no better. I next noticed a peculiar color and odor about the fluids I was passing-also that there were large quantities one day and very little the still put the finest looking strawberries on next, and that a persistent froth and scum top of the basket?" "Toppers? Oh, yes. appeared upon the surface, and a sediment settled in the bottom. And yet I did not recontinue now. It might embarrass our cus- alize my danger, for, indeed, seeing these symptoms continually, I finally became accustomed to them, and my suspicion was wholly disarmed by the fact that I had no pain in the affected organs or in their vicinity. Why I should have been so blind I can

pen to the careless and unwary. No matter how severe the injury, Phenol Sodique is the dressing, above all others for affording relief There is a terrible future for all physical neglect, and impending danger always brings person to his senses, even though it may then be too late. I realized at last my critical condition and aroused myself to overcome it. And, oh! how hard I tried! I consulted the best medical skill in the land. I visited all the prominent mineral springs in America and travelled from Maine to California. Still I grew worse. No two physicians agreed as to my malady. One said was troubled with spinal irritation; another, nervous prostration; another, malaria; another, dyspepsia; another, heart disease; another, general debility; another, congestion of the base of the brain; and so on through a ong list of common diseases, the symptoms of all of which I really had. In this way several years passed, during all of which time I was steadily growing worse. My condition had really become pitiable. The slight symptoms I at first experienced were developed into terrible and constant disordersthe little twigs of pain had grown to oaks of agony. My weight had been reduced from keep out of the pulpit. God never yet es- 207 to 130 pounds. My life was a torture to tablished a church as a pension agency for myself and friends. I could retain no food upon my stomach, and lived wholly by injections. I was a living mass of pain. My pulse was uncontrollable. In my agony I frequently fell upon the floor, convulsively ng. Or, you can edit a newspaper, which clutched the carpet, and prayed for death. Morphine had little or no effect in deadening the pain. For six days and nights I had the of his business. Any man whom he has had death premonitory hiccoughs constantly. My urine was filled with tube casts and albumen. I was struggling with Bright's Disease of the

kidneys in its last stages. While suffering thus I received a call from my pastor, the Rev. Dr. Foote, rector of St. that Dr. Holman's Liver Pad was the first Paul's church, of this city. I felt that it was article of the kind introduced to the public our last interview, but in the course of conwhich has proved to be a radical cure for all versation he mentioned a remedy of which I malaria, chills, fever and dumb ague. Holhad heard much but had never used. Dr. man's Pad has a power to reach and regulate Foote detailed to me the many remarkable the liver and stomach that no other treatcures which had come under his observation, ment possesses. Every day adds new testiby means of this remedy, and urged me to try mony to the correctness of Dr. Holman's it. As a practicing physician and a graduate of the schools, I cherished the prejudice both absorption theory. Most people take too much physic. Every dose of medicine taken natural and common with all regular pracinto the stomach is a blind experiment. Pry titioners, and derided the idea of any medicine outside the regular channels being the least beneficial. So solicitous, however, was Dr. Foote, that I finally promised that I would waive my prejudice and try the remedue have charge, next year, of the Tuscaloosa dy he so highly recommended. I began its Male High School. At Abbeville, D. Thurman and Mamie In Eutaw, John M. Meadow and Millie In Montgomery, Wade Allen and Annie

use on the 1st day of June and took it acme; but this I thought was a good sign for me in my debilitated condition. I continued to take it; the sickening sensation departed offered. Cotton Books, Ledgers, Bank and I was able to retain food upon my stomach. In a few days I noticed a decided change for the better as also did my wife and friends. My hiccoughs ceased and I experienced less pain than formerly. I was so re-joiced at this improved condition that, upon what I had believed but a few days before was my dying bed, I vowed, in the presence of my family and friends, should I recover I would both publicly and privately make known this remedy for the good of humanity, wherever and whenever I had an opportuni-

ty. I also determined that I would give a course of lectures in the Corinthian Academy of Music in this city, stating in full the symptoms and almost hopelessness of my disease and the remarkable means by which I have In Mobile, James W. Wallis, of Birmingbeen saved. My improvement was constant from that time, and in less than three months I had gained 26 pounds in flesh, became entirely free from pain and I believe I owe my life and present condition wholly to Warner's In Limestone county, Jas. Holt and Lou White; in same county, L. H. Broadway and Safe Cure, the remedy which I used.

Since my recovery I have thoroughly re-investigated the subject of kidney difficulties and Bright's disease, and the truths developed are astounding. I therefore state, deliberately, and as a physician, that I believe more than one-half the deaths which occur in America are caused by Bright's disease of the kidneys. This may sound like a rash statement, but I am prepared to fully verify it. Bright's disease has no distinctive symp-toms of its own, (indeed, it often develops without any pain whatever in the kidneys or their vicinity), but has the symptoms of nearly every other known complaint. Hundreds of people die daily, whose burials are authorized by a physician's certificate of "Heart Disease," "Apoplexy," "Paralysis," "Spinal Complaint," "Rheumatism," "Pneumonia," and other common diseases, when in reality it was Bright's Disease of the kidneys. Few physicians, and fewer people, realize the extent of this disease or its dangerous and insidious nature. It steals into the system like a thief, manifests its presence by the commonest symptoms, and fastens itself upon the constitution before the victim is aware. It is nearly as hereditary as consumption, quite as common and fully as fa-tal. Entire families, inheriting it from their ancestors, have died, and yet none of the number knew or realized the mysterious pownumber knew or realized the mysterious power which was removing them. Instead of
common symptoms it often shows none whatever, but brings death suddenly, and as such
is usually supposed to be heart disease. As
one who has suffered, and knows by bitter
experience what he says. I implore every one
who reads these words not to neglect the
slightest symptoms of kidney difficulty. Certain agony and possible death will be the
sure result of such rieglect, and no one can
afford to hazard such chances.

I am aware that such an unqualified state-

ed to produce, and truths which I can substantiate to the letter. The welfare of those who may possibly be sufferers such as I was, is an ample inducement for me to take the step I have, and if I can successfully warn others from the dangerous path in which I onced walked, I am willing to endure all professional and personal consequences.

I. B. HENION, M. D.

Alabama News.

Birmingham has seven newspapers. Columbia has a lodge of A. O. U. W's. George Cane was killed at Decatur by the

The cotton crop in Talladega county looks

The Talladega grand jury returned 56 true Montevallo has a Ladies' Mission Aid So-

The union depot at Mobile is about com-The Talladega Rifles have ordered a new

Crop reports from Greene county are very The Marion fire department seems to be

n a bad fix. There have been two cases of small-pox in The crops in Lowndes county are in a

The Mobile Yacht Club is to build a handome boat house. A Good Templar's lodge has been organ-

zed at Columbia. There were but seven interments at Montgomery last week. A good school teacher is wanted at Clin-

on, Greene county. James L. Tanner has moved from Union Springs to Gadsden. The post master at Lineburg, Pickens

county, has resigned. Ab Howell will go from Selma to Texas to engage in business The Evening Courier is the name of a new

James Davis had both legs cut off by a noving train, at Calera, J. T. Gunter, of Pickens county, lost an eye while shooting a gun,

faily at Montgomery.

The foundation has been laid for the new Baptist church at Linden. A Sunday-school has been organized at Palmetto, Pickens county. Charles G. Rush, of Opelika, committed uicide by taking morphine.

N. J. Skaggs, of Montgomery, has inventd an automatic car-coupler. James Cunningham, of Florida, is visiting

is friends in Pickens county. An ice cream supper at Montevallo netted \$40 for the Methodist church. Work is to be commenced this week on the bagging factory at Selma.

Serannus Menefee has been appointed oost master at Union Springs. The Edwardsville Standard has been enlarged to a seven column paper. Mrs. Devvie Ward, of Andalusia, an aged

ady, fell and broke her left arm. A drunken man was killed by the cars near Hull's Station, Tuscaloosa county. The Presbyterian church at Union been enjoying a protracted meeting.

The barn and stables of Ben Askew, near Cusseta, were destroyed by lightning. The residence of A. B. Speed, of Boligee, Greene county, was burned last week. John Robinson, policeman, was badly cut ast week while trying to arrest a man.

Dr. J. C. Akins, of Tallapoosa county, ost his store house and contents by fire. Bishop Hargrove, of California, has been visiting his old home in Pickens county. Thomas S. Smith, of Birmingham, was hrown from a wagon and seriously hurt. Mrs. Andy Russ, of Heffin, Cleburne county, wants to hear from her son Andy. John L. Hunnicutt is superintendent of the largest Sunday-school in Pickens county. This is the season to offer a year's sub-

scription for the largest watermelon of the Judge T. G. Williams has been elected orincipal of the Carrollton Male and Female

James R. Wooten, assistant post master at Blountsville, has been arrested for robbing Ben Keiler, late post master at Hanceville, has been arrested for stealing a regis-

Dr. S. P. Steiner, of Greenville, has been appointed surgeon of the Second Regiment State troops

Dr. A. S. Andrews, of Selma, has been elected president of the Southern University, at Greensboro. The steam saw and grist mill belonging to

C. W. Fenn, near Thompson's Station, was \$187.00. burned last week. Prof. J. M. Dill, of Union Springs, will

The Job Printing Department and Book cording to directions. At first it sickened | Bindery connected with this office is now in fine working order, and we are prepared to do any and all kinds of work that may be Checks, etc., ruled, printed and bound to

Minutes Wanted.

MESSES. EDITORS: Please state in your paper that I'need the following Minutes of Associations for 1882 to make up the statistical table, and to make out list of time and place of meeting of the next session of each association for publication in your paper, and for the United States Census Report as well as for the Baptist Year Book.

I hope that the clerk or moderator, or some other brother who has one, will at once mail me a copy to this post office. I will return it if requested to do so, within a day or two after its receipt. And greatly oblige BENJ. B. DAVIS, Secretary

Box 343, Montgomery, Ala. East Harmony, Arbacoochee. West Harmony, Mud Creek, Clear Creek,

DIED-In East Perry county, Ala., June 19th, 1883, Mrs. Rebecca George, aged 77 years. She was a devoted Christian and enjoyed the confidence and esteem of all who knew her.

THE 25TH

valuable information of deep interest to those who have daughters to educate. I have also for distribution 150 copies of the ALABAMA BAPTIST containing some interesting facts about the College. All who dwire copies of the Register or of the paper, will please address the President. I will also take great pleasure in corresponding with any one who

A. K. YANCEY, President, Tuscaloosa, Ala.



afford to hazard such chances.

I am aware that such an unqualified statement as this, coming from me, known as I am, throughout the entire land as a practitioner and lecturer, will arouse the surprise and possible animosity of the medical profession and astonish all with whom I am acquainted, but I make the foregoing statements, based upon facts which I am prepartice.

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life, it circulates through every part of the body, and unless it is pure

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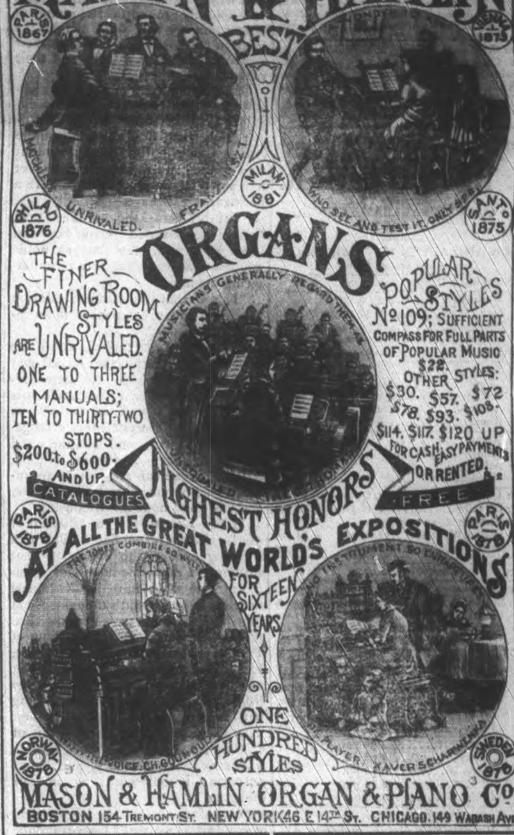
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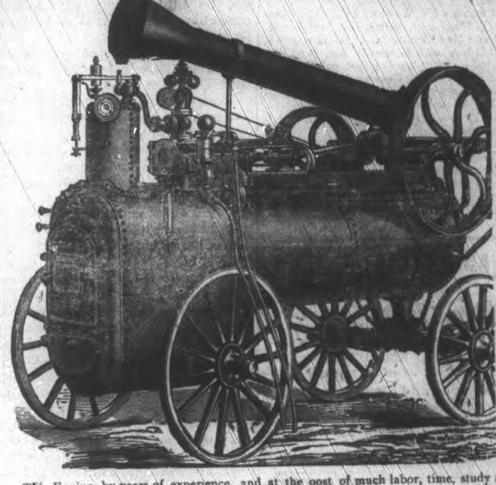
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cy answered, with burning cheeks;
"but since the issue has come before I had time to do so, I will give you the truth, in the shape of an unflattering opinion. But remember, Marion, you BY ELEANOR KIRK. and Lucy Leonard hap. They were wide awake progress- said you could bear it. I am not 5.28 pm leftp. They were wide awake progresswilling to play the duet with you beand were sufficiently advanced in cause, in my judgment, you do not wicked man, if he prayed. He did their studies to have translated Cicero's Amicitia, and better still, to have appreciated thoroughly the noble sentiments of this charming essay. When they found that a distinguished lecturer was to speak on the subject they were so much interested in, they determined to take notes, and to make streaming eyes, and when she turned not be saved. Father, do you pray?" a careful comparison of his matter again, Marion was rushing down the This was more than the father with Cicero's thought on the same street as fast as her feet could carry subject. This they did successfully,

and while the eloquent old Roman still held his ground in the matter of poetic imagery and subtle insight, the matter of still held his ground in the matter of poetic imagery and subtle insight, the matter of poetic imagery and subtle insight image. modern orator came closer to their individual needs, their faults and their been in her life, and Marion looked you going?" One point which the lecturer elab- fourth day, Lucy, who felt that she orated, and which touched them deep- could bear her misery no longer, was

ly, was the necessity of absolute truthfulness in friendship. Truth was the indispensable bottom plank, without which the superstructure, however fine and elaborate, could not have a permanent existence.

Could bear her inisery ho longer, was on the point of writing to Marion, when she received the following note:

Dear Lucy: I have proved myself a coward, but try and torgive me. It seemed so easy, but oh, how hard it has been! And I feel in my heart that "Truthfulness," the speaker said, you have suffered as much as I have. often necessitated criticism, and As soon as I could find courage there were very few persons noble enough, I went to my teacher and de-enough to accept pleasantly an unflat-manded his opinion. He didn't like

"So do I!" Lucy replied, with quite enough for both, and I have fought it as much spirit, but as they talked over out, dear Lucy, so I know I shall nevthe matter afterwards the latter re- er be envious I asked Prof. Berkeley to and regularity of plumage. The pure took off all the flesh, put the poors tracted a little. "I am afraid it is give me his opinion of your ability as bred fowls have markings that belong back into the liquor and boiled it till more than half true," she said. "Last a musician. He said your tempo was to their breed alone, which greatly it was reduced one half, strained it ment of my hair, and I found out I most sympathetic, and your musical two distinct varieties are crossed, diswas both angry and hurt. Surely, future better assured than that of any crepancy creeps in. A judicious a quarter of a package of gel time in Marion, if one can not accept an un- other young lady he knew of. No crossing sometimes makes a nice bird, a cup of cold water for n nery min flattering opinion from such a source, wonder you did not want to limp but more often the beauty of both utes, and then put it in a sauge of the beauty of both utes, and then put it in a sauge of the beauty of both utes, and then put it in a sauge of the beauty of both utes, and then put it in a sauge of the beauty of both utes, and then put it in a sauge of the beauty of both utes, and then put it in a sauge of the beauty of both utes, and then put it in a sauge of the beauty of both utes, and then put it in a sauge of the beauty of both utes, and then put it in a sauge of the beauty of both utes, and then put it in a sauge of the beauty of both utes, and then put it in a sauge of the beauty of both utes, and then put it in a sauge of the beauty of both utes, and the beauty of both utes, there is small hope for friendship." ter school.

"Lucy Leonard! I am ashamed of you!" Marion responded. "The idea of going over to the enemy in that fashion. I don't see how it is possible for one to be hurt by the honest expression of a friend's thought. That may be true of men. Perhaps Da-Ly Dalton 4.30 pm 9.44 am mon never dared to say anything of 1.20 pm Pythias that was complimentary. Say, Lucy," the impulsive girl went on, "let 3.30 pm from this henceforth to speak nothing fore other persons; and some conunsparing in our words as in out ing:

"Oh, Marion! we take a great deal clerk at Boston. Two of my room- ly in the season, consequently some on which Dr. Pierce's "Favorite Preof comfort as we are!" Lucy respond mates at my boarding house were also ed. "I have all I can do to criticise clerks about my own age, which was myself. I am willing to take for grant-eighteen. On the first Sabbath morned that, as you love the truth, you ing during the three or four hours always called into use from the fact nervous and general debility, it is a will give me the truth; and that if I that elapsed from getting up to bell. am ever in doubt and ask your opin- pringing for church, I felt a secret de at the particular time of year, give no healing properties tender it of the ution, you will give me your honest sire to get a Bible which my mother convictions, even if it does hurt my had given me, out of my trunk, and These virtues are at the expense of "internal fever," congest on, inflam-

"But, Lucy, don't you see that we fore my mess-mates, who were readshould be above being hurt by the ing miscellaneous books. At last my truth?" Marion asked.

like truth to me, and my criticism may half raised it when the thought ocseem unjust to you. this accusation, and prove, to our-

selves, at least, that we are neither Fortwenty minutes I was miserably straint. The farmer and villager dis- barrel, with alternate layers of road babies nor ninnies." "Very well," said Lucy, "it is a bar-

gain, but from the bottom of my heart I wish the experiment was over. "It'll be real fun," Marion replied conquered the better emotion, and I

rated already. friends. They cared for the same authors and the same studies, and were as restless as a weathercock!"

usually attracted to the same popule As Lucy can assed the situ tion on and then conceiving the tru h to be her way home, and tried to revive her the best, trankly told them what was former mentalcinicisms of her triend, the matter. To my surprise and de. hen lays an egg of medium s z . The she found that if ere was but one sub high, they both spoke up and averred smaller Legiorn oftentimes excels in ject that she needed to fear. S.e had mat they had Bibles in their trunks, size of egg. but the Dorking fowl will always been abli to evade it; ut now, and had be n secretly wishing to read according to promise, if her friend in them, but were afraid to take them called attention to it, she could dedge out test I should laugh at them. no longer. It was so disagreeauce to The , aid I, het us agree to read fers size and yellow skin. With the think about even, that hony felt hir thin every Sabbath, and we shall consumption of fresh eggs and poulface flushing and her eyes filing with have the length on our side," tears. Congenial in everything else, "10 this there was a hearty rethese girls had no common gr u d in sponse, and the next moment the which breed is best for all purposes. music. Lucy was a talented inusician, three libbs were out; and I assure The only way to become satisfied as and a natural critic. Marion aspired you we felt happier all that day for to which breed is the best, is through to music, as she did to every meg reading in them in the morning. "The following Sabbath about ten

else that was beautiful, and had been instructed ever since she coold read, o'clock, while we were reading our but her time was faulty and her car chapiers, two of our fellow-boarders was poor. Many times in the p st, from another room came in. When when Marion had finished a study, or they saw how we were engaged, they a sonata, she had turned to her friend stared, and then exclaimed: and asked if it was not be sutiful. Lucy had invariably responded in the affirmative, speaking always for the matter stood; having found that we

author, and never for the "execution- had all been afraid of each other er," as a witty paraphraser once put without cause, had now agreed to it. But she could do this no longer read every Sabbath. 'Not a bad idea,' and keep her promise. There was answered one of them. 'You have but one thing to do, she told herself, more courage than I have. I have a and that was to insist on being excus- Bible, too, but have not looked into it ed from the compact. But even as since I have been in Boston. But I she thought the enemy was upon her. will read it after this, since you've She was on her way to school, when broken the ice.'

Marion overtook her. "Oh, Lucy!" said she, "I am an read aloud, and both sat and listened glad I met you. My music teacher is quietly till the bell rang out for going to have an exhibition, and I church, have just brought a lovely duet, only 'That evening, we three in the it's awful hard, and I want you to same room agreed to have a chapter Lucy hesitated a moment, and then she replied, in a voice that trembled in spite of herself, "I had ra her not,"

A few evenings after this resoluplay the secondo. Will you?"

"But you'll have time to learn it, there were sixteen clerks boarding in

will you not?"

"I suppose I could find time."

"Well, then of course you will. You have played with Maud Eyans lots of times. Will you come and look it over with me this afternoon!"

may do for good or evil. No man should be alraid to do his duty. A hundred hearts may throb to act reason. I hope it is not necessary for me to remind you of your promise?"

"I had made up my mind to ask Bible Clerks.' All these youths are the crust site and te der. "I had made up my mind to ask you to excuse me, Marion, because I foresaw just such a time as this," Lu-

and there must be some perso

pathetically pale and ill. On the

Your true but weak friend,

The Bible in My Trunk.

read it; but I was afraid to do so be-

conscience got the mastery, and l

at ease. I felt I was doing wrong. I

when the fear of being laughed at

'What is all this? A conventicle?'

"In reply, I stated just how the

"The other then asked one of us to

"A few evenings after this resolu-tion, four ar five of the boarders (for

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A little girl went home from church full of what she had seen and heard. Sitting at the table with the family she asked her father, who was a very butter over them and bake in the

tot it."

preacher said that all good people pray, and those that don't pray can could stand, and in a rough way he her. And so the truth, instead of ce- said: "Well, you and your mother

was more miserable than she had ever with great simplicity, "which way are breaded, but prepared as follows: "It

to pray for mercy.
Which way are you going?

FARM AND HOUSEHOLD.

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to give it, but when he did it coincid-"I think that is a slander," Marion ed with yours. So you see your truth merely ornamental, while still others simply fried, and better seasoned remarked to her companion, in an in-dignant whisper. has got to be my truth. Thank you. have little to recommend them be-lin future you shall make music youd the cardinal virtue of usefulness. have little to recommend them be through in this way."- Ex. Most well kept fowls have a certain CHICKEN FOR TEA -Haunch boil d amount of comelinesss, plumpness a chicken till it was very tender, then along with me. Come and see me af- sides is lost entirely. An over-sized with the jelly. To this she all fowl is not handsome or useful. There four cloves, a bit of mach, a doze are many who breed largely for mar-P. O. Our compact remains intact.

M. S.

For early chickens, something that unites size with quick maturity should was salted and peppered she let it bon good for egg production. Conversation at the tea-table turn-

best only indifferent layers. Broilers, When I was a young man I was to be profitable, must be hatched ear rugged, hardy variety must be chosen. scription" was made known to them This may be obtained from crosses, In all those derangements causing and the hardy, persistent Brahmas are backaene, dragging down sensations, trouble, and have size and mardiness. most value to lidies suffering from quality. There is perhaps no bester mation, or ulceration. By druggists. flesh than that of the Game fowl. This breed matures early, is ex reme started a second time for my truck, while the regular poultry man likes in thickness,

and had my hand on my little Bible. them both as layers and sitters. It is not for me, however, to say which variety shall have precedence. with a hearty laugh. "I feel exact - ag un dropped the top of the trank. For early birds the English Dorkings As I turned away from it one of my are much to be esteemed. They have excellent for crossing on variety sor eaten in the ordinary way - Ex. "I replied by laughing in my turn; similar size. It is a mistake to mix the blood of large and small breeds The Dorkings are large fowls, but the weigh twice as much. The Hamburgs are excellent for eggs, but indifferent table birds. The American taste pretry on the increase at remunerative prices, the quity will often arise

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Enumert Jones, Unionto en, cays:
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Bitters."

"Thank you, Marion, but I think I had better not attempt it."
"You must have some reason," Marion replied, thoughtfully, "Perhaps you don't like Prof. Berkeley?"
"Oh! yes, I do, very much."
"And you can find time to practice, and yet you won't play with me? I don't believe you have ever refused to be a time in estimating his value for draft purposes. The fine boned horse with well developed muscle may do as much work as the heavier one for time; and it well be pleased to be a smuch

When bread is taken from the oven wring a clean cloth out of water and wrap around; then cover tightly with the usual bread cloth, This makes

Recipes

BUTTERED APPLES - Pare a d zen apples, or enough to fill a yellow nappy, and scoop out the cores with a uncutter. Butter the bottom of the nappy will and put in the apples; nil up the cores with jounded sugar and grated lemon pecl, and scatter the same over them. Pour a little melted oven till quite soft. Serve with whipped cream,

of the best figs, wash, then chop them fine; two teaspoonsfull of grated bread, half a cup of sweet cream, one cup of sweet milk, half a cup of sugar; mix the bread crumbs with the cream, then stir in the figs, then the sugar, the milk the last thing; pour into a pudding dish and steam three

VEAL CHOPS. - The nicest we have ever eaten were neither broiled nor the chops are cut from the shoulder. This question pierced his heart. It or rack they will be tender enough flashed upon him that he was in the not to need pounding, if from the leg sure way to death. He started from they should be pounded. Sprinkle his chair, burst into tears, and began with salt and pepper, dip them into beaten egg, and then dust over thick spider with a little nice dripping. Brown carefully on both sides, and then set the frying pan back so that the meat will continue to cook till very thoroughly done but will not scorch. Lamb chops are very nice There are some breeds that unite prepared the same way. The meat is both beauty and utility others are much more wholesome than when

HOW HANNAH PREPARED JELLIED serve to establish their purity. When and set to cool. The next in critical ket purposes, either flesh or eggs, egg and regretted that she had an be selected. This useful bird is gen- up, then simmer fitteen min ites. She erally obtained from a crossing of two strained it through a cloth, covered good breeds, which makes a fowl also, the bottom of an oval dish (she had no mould) with the jelly. When i A mistake is often made in the in- had hardened by standing the dish in us make a compact. We will agree ed upon the propriety of praying be- troduction of too much Asiatic blood, ice water, she laid in lightly the thin which element possesses too much strips of chicken, well seasoned with but the obsolute truth to each other. tended it was pharisaical to kneel bone, is long in coming to maturity, pepper and salt. Then sie covered There shall be no glossing over of down and say your prayers while oth- and has at last a poor quality of flesh, it with the liquid jelly (co it but not criticism, but we will speak frankly ers were in the room. A minister The Plymouth Rocks are highly es hard), and before noon it was ready whenever it is necessary, and be as who was present, related the follow- teemed for this purpose, but are at for the ice chest, - Congregationalist.

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idly the evil may be encoved by place ing some couple stones in the box. The rose will then be commented to Now, these girls had more pulsuits room mates, who had observed my ire size mature early, are good layers and pick his ours lowly, mis care them and tastes in common thin most resoure novements, said faughingly: the chicks are easily reared. This mire thorougaly, and they will do him "I say, what's the matter? You seem ore not widely known. The bree Lis main or regard t an if o mildly

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