#### Dialogue between Truth Bound and Loose Law.

Loose Law. Good morning, Bro. Truth Bound. I have not heard from you for many a day; surely you have been bound up in the truth.

Truth Bound. That is certainly very good thing in which to be bound;

do you not so think? L. L. Certainly I do, but I would not be bound up as you are for all the world. You will not condescend to commune with anybody who has not been buried with Christ in baptism according to Gospel order, neither will you affiliate with any who walk contrary to the faith once delivered to the saints; you are so afraid of displeasing the Lord. My life would be a burden if I were so scarey, so bound up; but I am thankful that I have more liberal notions in reference to the Lord, knowing, feeling very sure that he is not particular to have all things done just precisely in accordance with his divine, immutable will, otherwise nine-tenths of the professors of religion would be ungodly, for everything is ungodly which is not well pleasing to the Lord.

T. B. In keeping his commandments there is said to be great reward. and a great part of this reward consists in having a conscience void of offence against God, and consequently in being happy, prepared to obcy the command, "Rejoice ever more. Give thanks in all things." Being bound in the truth has not kept me so close; but I have been sick a part of the time, and other hindrances have prevented my appearance in nubbe for so long a time; but now I rejoice to be able once more to meet with you, hoping to be able, by the help of the Lord, to convince you of the error, of the great sinfulness of your loose law professions and practices, which dishonor God and injure the world.

L. L. Tenable charges! Are you not arraid that the earth will open her mouth and swallow you up? You have been sick. I was prepared to sympathize with you, and especially so as your own brethren, some of them, are so hard down upon your teachings, making the Loose Laws laugh in their sleeves, to their infinite joy, for they love to see discord in the Truth Bound ranks, and especially when that discord militates against their strictness and promotes Loose Lawism, for we want to see infant church membership and sprinkling for baptism and our other important kindred practices cover the earth as the waters do the bed of the ocean; then will the desert bloom and blossom as the rose; then will every solitude burst out in joy.

T. B. Rejoicing, I suppose, that the traditions of men have at last made completely void the commandments of God. Wonderful consummation! or need I not say woeful consummation! for the rejoicing will doubtless extend lower than the plane of earth. But you say my brethren are down on me for all my writings. Are they? I know some are well pleased. I have not heard from any who are displeased

L. L. Your conglomerated scene in the Jordan and on its banks, of the people standing, kneeling and sitting, and being poured on, or dipped forwards, or backwards, according to their notion, babies and adults, was highly applauded; but your assertion that it is unscriptural and injurious for ministers to ask sinners to let them pray for them. they regarded, at least some of them, sacrelegious and heretical. What, say they, down with a time-honored custom, seemingly blessed, so old that we do not know where or whence it sprung? Preposterous! we will plod on undeviatingly in the tried way, paying no attention to innovators, though they profess to look back to apostolic authority or even to the practice and commands of the Lord of glory himself, and all the while we were thrown into delightful titillations, feeling pretty sure that we were the honored instruments of bringing in that now world wide practice, seeing at the same time with half an eye that there is neither precept nor example for it in the Word of God, but rejoicing, greatly rejoicing, at the same time to know that the professed Truth Bounds can not blame us for sprinkling, pouring, baby baptism, and the like, whilst they contend for and practice things so unscriptural and so devoid of even the shadow of command or even example in the Word of God. We are free to admit that if we introduce anything as a command which is not commanded, it dishonors God by charging him folly and a want of foresight in earth. Again, they are down on tor opposing Sabbath-schools. T. B. That I never did do; I have

been a Sabbath-school teacher for many years of my life. I only wished to point out some errors, which I did with trepidation, hoping that the brethren in their God-honoring wisdom would correct them, or avoid them as far as possible, that the great work of training children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord might flow on in the channels appointed by God, deepening and widening to the end of time. I feared first being stirred by some ominous indications that there is danger of exalting the Sunday-school above the preaching of the Gospel, the Lord's ordained method for saving the world. L. L. Pardon my interruption. Last Lord's day I saw many children go home after school, leaving the

hours without a recess between them, though they could sit three or four hours at a week day school, or even stand as long a time at a fair or a circus. Does not this lead the children

to hold the Gospel in light esteem, and does not the Sabbath-school to them thus become an instrument of evil, when it ought to be one of untold good? I have seen these very children spend the rest of the Sabbath in frolicking around without any one to direct them in reference to their conduct on the Lord's day, their parents seeming to forget that they were commanded to train them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, or else thinking that the hour they permitted them to spend in the Sabbath-school fully met and discharged all their obligation to train them for the Lord. This carelessness distressed me, for parents should hail the school as only an auxiliary to this great work to which they are bound to attend so long as their children are under their control.

T. B. You are truth bound in that particular, and you will perhaps agree with me that, in saying nothing of incentives to study and of the propriety of changing papers for books, Sunday school Conventions in which all denominations profess to be united. working harmoniously before the world, become the very instrument of compromise to those who profess to act in all particulars according to the faith once delivered to the saints.

1. L. Agree with you in that? Never! no, never! it tells the world that we are united.

T. B. Is the world told the same when all go off and each denomination teaches according to his own creed, often as far asunder as the poles and sometimes atterly subversive of each other?

L. L. Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! It is like the ointment which was poured upon Aaron's head and ran down upon his beard to the skirts of his garments. Ought we not to imitate this unity and spread all around our glorious influence, like

T. B. I admire unity when it real, and I would, if necessary, delight in using ointment if no deleterious ingredient be added by those who think to make the ointment better than when it was compounded by the Lord's formula,

L. L. When we all meet together in conventions and union meetings, telling the world that we are one, hiding our differences and agree to lay aside for the time being our peculiarities, though they be so important that the Savior commanded them to be preached upon the housetops, I feel that the Savior's prayer is about to be answered, that his people may be one and that the world will soon all know that the Father sent the Son. Let us have such meetings, then, till the rose of Sharon bloom all over the

T. B. Professing to be one to-day and showing antagonism to-morrow, eads the world to infidelity. We must all seek the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of faith, and then will the world believe, then will every desert blossom as the rose.

#### How the World is to be Won.

P. T. HENDERSON.

Dr. Horatious Bonar well says The power of Pentecost is not yet exhausted. It is well that the church should avail herself of the best of human acquirements. Let everything that is true be consecrated to the service of God. But it is not by these that the world is to be won, nor by these that the God of this world is to be conquered. It is not by wisdom of words that we are to meet the world's wisdom of words; it is not by oratory that we are to meet oratory; it is not by culture that we are to meet culture: it is not by sensationalism that we are to meet sensationalism. If we would successfully confront the dark mass of human evil that rises around us we must fall back on Pentecost, and on Pentecostal power. That is still in store for the church of God. For its full exercise she is responsible. The church has not cast anchor over an uncertain Bible, or an untried creed. If she has, then she has no message to deliver, and no authority to lift up her voice in the name of God and his Christ. It would better become her to be silent. But she believes and therefore she speaks. She has a divine commission to stand upon, and a true gospel to deliver. Hence she can afford to face not only opposition, but disappointment and apparent failure. She can also afford to making laws enough of the right kind wait all the more because she has to serve the wants of his kingdom on been forewarned of delay and of the need of patience. "He that believeth doth not make haste." - Secretary.

> There is but one true, real, and right life for rational beings; only one life worth living, and worth living in this world, or in any other life, past, present, or to come. And that is the eternal life which was before all worlds, and will be after all are passed away-and that is neither more nor less than a good life; a life of good feelings, good thoughts, good words, good deeds-the life of Christ and of God.-[Kingsley.

Consider how much more you often suffer from your anger and grief, than from those very things for which you are angry and grieved - [Marcus Antonius.

You haven't time to stop and disminister to preach to their seats.

Some of them said that their parents whose the said that their parents was an application of them said that their parents was a less they wantly is not apologetic, but aggresses the said that their parents was a less they wantly is not apologetic, but aggresses the said that their parents was a less they wantly is not apologetic, but aggresses the said that their parents was a less they wantly is not apologetic, but aggresses the said that their parents was a less than the said that their parents was a less than the said that their parents was a less than the said that their parents was a less than the said that their parents was a less than the said that their parents was a less than the said that their parents was a less than the said that their parents was a less than the said that their parents was a less than the said that their parents was a less than the said that their parents was a less than the said that their parents was a less than the said that their parents was a less than the said that their parents was a less than the said that their parents was a less than the said that their parents was a less than the said that their parents was a less than the said that their parents was a less than the said that the instructed them to do so, lest they tranity is not apologetic, but aggressshould be too weary by sitting two ive.

tist Church on the occasion of the death and burial of Mrs. Martha E Good oe, Sept. 11, A. D. 1883. Since written out and enlarged for publication. By Robert I.

"For none of us liveth to himself and no man dieth to himself. For whether we live we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord: whether we live, therefore, or die, we are the Lord's. For this end Christ both died and rose and revived, that he might be Lord, both of the dead and living."-Romans 14:7,8,0.

The author of these words was ar extraordinary apostle and minister and a professed teacher of the great mysteries of the Gospel; not only instructing us as to religion in its ap plication, practicably, to this life, but lifting the veil of the future, and showing us much of that life which is to come. Perhaps, indeed, no book of the New Testament is so replete with instruction on the great doctrines and postulates of Christianity as that of his Epistles; and in none other may the Christian student hope to find so much material out of which to construct an answer to all en quirers "for the hope that is in

But let us consider the text and see what improvement may be made of its teaching on this occasion. The Apostle says, No man liveth to himself, neither dieth to himself, but, to the contrary, whether he liveth or dieth, he does both to the Lord; and, in either state, of life or death, he is the Lord's. And from this declara tion we now make the deduction, that the covenant of faith, wherein the Lord Jesus is taken by the repentant and salvation, is an everlishing one. he is the Lord's. O sweet doctrine to his people. Having perfected to every Christian heart! The com- forever them that are sanctified," they be resolved to its first elements in eternal nuptial-plighting, bound and dissolution, but it passes under the blest forever. "And God shall wipe holds in its tenure to all eternity! there shall be no more death, neither Blessed thought! All blissful and sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there consoling assurance! Though we die be any more pain; for the former and leave all others, and they them selves, for a time, do also leave us, yet dying to the Lord in like manner as we lived to him, we are still the Lord's. Though Death come then and fold his dark wing of shadows over the Christian's breast, though the wild wail of sorrow sweeps out from the hearthstone and dies away upon the night wind, though the low mound hides the loved one and the blight of hope be there, yet the Holy Writing says, He is still the Lord's "I know that my Redeemer liveth' and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth; and, though, after my skin, worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God, whom shall see for myself, and not another. Death dissolves, not the tie -the believers' tie to Christ: Jesus is with him in the grave—he is still the Lord's! Oh! my beloved brethren, how sweet, how very sweet is this comforting faith of God's blessed Word to the Christian's soul! Still the Lord's! The dark cell of the tomb, lone and chill, is but the bed of rest to the Christian's weary limbs. He is but asleep in Jesus; he lies but in his all powerful arms-still in his power, still in his care, still in his grace and love! Ah! ye mourners, go to the lone kirk-yard; and there look down upon your dead, but look not hopelessly. Jesus is there; and the tie is still holding; for the dead are the Lord's. "And I heard a voice, saying unto me, write, Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord from

But let us consider again: The text inculcates an entire consecration | glory-rising from glory to glory; and of ourselves to Christ; we live to the where the final limit of this reviving Lord; we die to the Lord; living or shall be, not eye hath seen, nor has dying we are the Lord's. The be- it entered into the heart of man to lieving sinner, closing with Christ in | conceive. Growing and expanding this covenant of faith and redemption, closes with him entirely. There jecture, that we shall finally be mergis no reservation; body and soul, life ed and lost in the illimitable Sea of and being, estate and propertyeverything and all—he is the Lord's. 'All are yours, and ye are Christ's, and Christ is God's." "Ye are be a Christian! When we excavate dead, and your lives are hid with the earth and lay our loved ones Christ in God." Brethren is it thus down, and heap the cold soil upon with us? Are we consecrated? Are their breasts, oh! then, in that hour we the Lord's in all things? Is it of woe, when the stricken heart writhes truly so? Then are we his also in within and the wild waves of sorrow everlasting promises are ours; and we realize the blessedness of this neither death, nor life, nor angels, faith in Jesus, and this doctrine of a nor principalities, nor powers, nor resurrection and revival; and the things present, nor things to come, nor | Christian's spirit prostrate in the heights, nor depths, nor any other dust, like the corn long parched with creature shall be able to separate us dearth, beneath refreshing rain, refrom the love of God which is in vives anew, and more expands in Christ Jesus our Lord." Sweet title | beauty. And thus ever shall be to to peace and hope and joy; what the pious and renewed, but bereaved holy consolation to the consecra d spirit, the sweet consolations of the heart! Brethren in Christ, let us be Gospel-the Divine Savior lives and consecrated-let us be consecrated!

henceforth; yea, saith the Spirit, for

they rest from their labors, and their

end Christ both died and rose and revived, that he might be Lord both be Lord both of the dead and living.

power is broken, your prestige is lost, your reign and sway are but a term ous song of John the Revelator: of limited duration. A brief respite arms, and the Christian warrior, reto an endless life, throws off thy ever. Amen. grasp and steps forth to immortality. Our Lord-R deemer rose, disrupting all the bands of death; and, becoming "the first fruits of them that slept," ascended to the heavens, leading captivity captive, and giving gifts to men." "Alleluia, alleluia, the Lord God omnipotent reigneth; and the power of death is broken! Godliness has promise of the life that now is and of that which is to come "There is a life above, unmeasured by the flight of years, and all that life is love." Blessed life above, laid up for us in heaven, how often the Christian's burdened heart doth turn

to thee. There shall I hathe my wearied soul In seas of heavenly rest; And not a wave of trouble roll Across my peaceful breast.'

But Paul meant more that this when he used the term "revived." and his meaning was, I think, far more than that of the resurrection, else why did he say revered after saying that he rose? He evidently meant that he revived in all of his relations to his people-in all of his power, in all of his love and in all of his saving grace Here he is our Prophet, Priest and King. Here he is the Lord our Righteousness. And here he is the and believing sinner as his Redeemer | Anchor Sure of all our hopes and expectations. There he will be these He lives to the Lord-he dies to the and more, far more, besides; for he Lord-and whether he lives or dies, will revive in his glory and give glory pact, or engagement, is not for life, to | shall become his Bride, the Lamb's be terminated at death, and then to wife, and he the Bride-groom, in one veil, it goes through the grave, and away all tears from their eyes; and things are passed away. And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold I make all things new:"-"And there shall be no more curse; but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him: and they shall see his face: and his name shall be in their foreheads. And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle; neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light; and they shall reign forever and ever:"-"Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life and may enter in through the gates into the city:"- "Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection; on such the second death hath no power:"- "Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honor to him; for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready. And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean ard white; for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints. And he saith unto me, write, Blessed are they

> Ah, my hearers, there is something meant by this word revived-more thin we know, and more than we can conjecture. Inspiration did not put it her without a purpose. Blessed, indeed, is he that hath part in the first resurrection, and is bidden to the marriage supper of the Lamb. But the apostle Paul seems to open up this vista of the eternal life and "the glory that shall be revealed" still more than the Revelator: for he assures us that we shall revive with our Lord in an ascension of in glory unutterable, we can only con-

> which are called unto the marriage

supper of the Lamb.

God's Eternal love. Friends, it is something to be Christian-it is something, indeed, to 'the sure mercies of David." The roll over the soul-then, in that hour. with him live the hopes of all his peo-But again, the text says, "For this ple; for he is truly, under all circum stances, "the consolation of Israel."

But Christ not only rose and reof the dead and living." Oh, what vived, but he is to come again in growing sweetness in this passage of the clouds with his retinue of angels: the Word of life! Jesus both died and when he comes, then, under the and rose and revived, that he might | mighty pressure which God will bring upon the earth, the graves shall be So then, Jesus revived and our dead opened and the dead shall break shall revive-our dead shall live forth to meet him in the air. What again! "If a man die shall he live a sight! Methinks I can see them again?" Yes, God has answered this now; thousands upon thousands, in question of Job; he shall live again, glittering throngs arising and congrefor this purpose, Christ both died gating in that cloud of dazzling glory, and rose and revived, that he might and now it moves away, floating gent give life to the dead; and "they that ly up to heaven, while the ravishing sleep in Jesus will God bring with melody of their harps fills all the wahim." Hear that voice of very hope | ving ether with its sweetness:-"Lift and joy swelling up through the dark up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye portals of the tomb: "I am the Res- litted up ye everlasting doors; and urection and the Life; he that be the King of Glory shall come in!" friend asked him, "How are you to-

A discourse delivered in the Claiborne Bap- your throne of shadows, in all your mansions above, methinks ther For the Alabama Baptist. lugubrious majesty appalling, your comes floating back, like the closing notes of some blest refrain, the glori-

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"Unto him that loved us and washfrom weariness, a lapse of quiet sleep, i ed us from our sins in his own blood. ncompassed by a Savior's loving and hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father, to him viving, in the power of his Leader, glory and dominion forever and

When that illustrious day shall rise, And all thine array shine n robes of victory through the skies, The glory shall be thine!

Ah! that sweet voice that so loved to sing God's praises in the church here on earth, but which is now hushed in death, that voice shall yet trill the wild melodies of heaven; for the redeemed of the Lord shall return preme in our little village. Yes, Belunto Zion with songs and everlasting mont, as much beauty as there is in rejoicings upon their heads. I visited Sister Goodloe in her ill-

ness and I found her, though suffering greatly, the patient and resigned Christian. She told me her Savior staff to her in her affliction; and I as to the future life, and only dreaded the agonies of dissolution. But she is now at rest; and "they that sleep in Jesus will God bring with him." Let us obey the injunction and be also ready; "for the Son of man cometh in an hour when ye think God is good." A most interesting and | rich and lasting blessing. not," and it is needful with us all to soul-stirring meeting has just closbe prepared to meet our God. "It is ed at old Hopewell Baptist church. after this the judgment.

May the Lord so care for us in the providence of his grace that we all may be saved. Even so, Lord Jesus.

\* Mrs. Martha E., relict of the late lade B. I. Goodloe, and daughter of Col. Turne Stark, formerly of Clark County, Ala., wafor many years a member of the Pidgeon Creek Baptist church in said county, and died in that connection.

#### Self-Control in Society.

Never show that you feel a slight. That is worldly wise as well as Christian; for no one but a mean person will put a slight on another, and such a person always profoundly respects the person who is unconscious of his many a day hence. Baptists and Pefeeble spite. Never resent publicly a lack of courtesy; it is in the worst taste. What you do privately about dropping such an acquaintance must be left to yourself.

To a person of noble mind, the contests of society must ever seem poor and spurious as they think of these narrow enmities and low political manœuvers; but we know that they exist and that we must meet them. Temper, detraction and small spite are as vulgar on a Turkey carthe educated contestants know better. But that they exist we know as well as we know that the diphtheria rages. We must only reflect philosophically prayer. that it takes all sorts of people to make a world; that there are good people, rank and file; that there is a valiant army and a noble navy, that there are also pirates who will board the best ships, and traitors in every army; and that we must be ready for them all; and that if we live in a crowd, we must propitiate the crowd.

Never show a factious or peremptory irritability in small things. patient, if a friend keeps you waiting. Bear, as long as you can, heat or draft, rather than make others uncomfortable. Do not be fussy about your supposed rights; yield a disputhas to be made up of these concessions; they are unnumbered friends

We are not always wrong when we

quarrel; but if we meet our deadliest foe at a friend's house, we are bound to treat him with perfect civility. word or look disturb your hostess. And, in all honesty, cultivate a graceful salutation, not too familiar, in a crowd. Do not kiss your friend in a crowd; be grave and decorous always. Burke said that manners were more important than laws. "Manners refine us, by a constant, steady, uniform, insensible operation, like the

A salutation may have a great deal of meaning in it. It may say, "I respect you, and I wish you well." It may say, "I love you." It may say, "I hate you." In a crowd it should simply say the first. The bow of a young lady should be maidenly, quiet, not too demonstrative, yet not cold or forbidding. The salutation of a man to a woman cannot be too respectful. It is to be feared that in our fashionable society. There is selves are God's own field. either coldness or too great familiari-

The manners of young women are apt to be too careless. They emulate the manners of men of the age too much, not remembering they should carry in their geotle ways the good manners of all ages. They should remember that when a woman's salutation ceases to be delicate, elegant, and finished, she steps down from the throne and throws away her sceptre. There is no salutation, however, more displeasing than that of a too efflorescent and flattering subserviency. "He bows too low," should never be said. Avoid being a snob, in private as in a crowd .- American Queen.

When a Christian man was dving a lieveth in me, though he were dead, And now, as the long trains of glori day?" He answered my head is rest- truth should be crushed to earth as it of all, he will remember that he can eth and believeth in me shall never of the en aptured redeemed sweep Infinite Power, Infinite Love, and In- be its friends. die." Oh, yes, grim monarch, on through the bright portals to their finite Wisdom."

#### From Belmont.

Dear Editors: As I am a reader of your invaluable paper, I feel privileged to contribute a line to its columns this once, if you will allow me so to do. Here, as elsewhere, "hard times" is the chorus on every hand, but as our minds revert to better days, a melancholy note in the distance seems to waft the sentiment of the poet when

'Auspicious hope! in thy sweet garden grow Wreaths for each toil, a charm for every

Short crops is the issue of a year's labor, and the warm dry weather continues. Perce and quietude reign suthe name, s only a village, yet we are proud to own the land of our nativity, and are gl.d to inform you that the stranger is at home among our people. Our society is above par in some rewas precious to her; and that she spects and quite below the standard tound the truth of God a prop and ino thers. Altogether we are a wholesouled benevolent people. But understand she assured some other must desist. I did not begin this arfriend that she had no apprehensions | ticle with a view of entering into a detailed account of our physical and temporal condition, so I must hie me on to a word regarding the spiritual standing of this community. Oh! how my heart swells with grat-

> seemed to have been Master. Ave, old age and youth pre- rest. sented themselves as prodigals, and, "thanks be to God who giveth the tism and one by letter. Rev. J. C. Secretary. Foster, of Meridian, did the preaching, and no words of mine can desermons. Suffice it to say that he drew all men unto him, and the prayers of this people will follow him the most endearing terms, and etern-

tor, and we appreciate him too much | matter of sermons. to exchange him for another. He began to serve this people long be- sending messengers is to get messages fore the days of my recollection and | before the people. The preachers of his influence has gone out for good the gospel may sometimes have the these many years. Our house of prophetic duty of simply standing worship is in a delapidated condition, for witnesses of the truth in the but we are trying to repair it and hope that ere long we can inform you that this work has been done.

profited thereby.

which I might make mention, but I | ing of men. He will feel that God will not tax your patience further will hold him responsible not only this time. Now in conclusion permit for what he says, but also for how me to hope that every reader of your and when he says it; and in trying to are what vex or soothe, comfort or paper, the dear old BAPTIST, will reach the bottom of this matter, and purify, exalt or debase, barbarize or realize the true merit of its columns to mark out that course for himself and do all in their power to advance which he ought to adopt as a preachits interest and extend its circulation. er of the word, he will not fail to Every family ought to subscribe for consider seriously several things. some religious paper, and why not my unknown friends, take the ALA-BAMA BAPTIST. With good wishes for you and yours, I bid you an affectionate farewell MISS LIZZIE SPEED.

Oct. 9th, 1883. Thoughts Here And There.

The harvest reveals the character

may not destroy spiritual life altogeth- speaks to essentially the same coner, but it is sure to sap its vigor; the gregation for years, and even the great want of the times is more of the most important of topics, Holy Spirit, the only reliable spiritual and the loftiest treatment of them, is prophylactic. The spirituality of the church in | in time.

these latter days is sure to be in proportion to its missionary zeal and activity: with the wide open doors in place produce increasing pain, there the heathen world, and the shining soon results an entire loss of feeling. footprints of our God going on before, the law of attention is the same, and no church can be indifferent to the the constant hammering of the ears work of the world's evangelization, of a congregation with the same and prosper.

life and a sure forerunner of spiritual will remember further that he is to ed one night, when he and his wife success, when Christians can adopt a newspaper and magazine reading got to the gate of heaven, Peter said, the language of the Psalmist, "I give people, whose power of sustained atmyself unto prayer."

me," is one of the best things that can be said of a sermon.

It was once said, "The prayers of David, the son of Jesse, are ended." But in one sense, the prayers of a good man are never ended; in their results, they continue from generation to generation; we are receiving blessings every day in answer to the prayers of men who have long since passed into the skies.

follow them." This should comfort in the same form of words. For and encourage us when those who that reason he need not take time to taken away.

The law of heredity explains a great many things in the spiritual as message, and urgency begets brevity. well as the natural world. Science here comes in to confirm Revelation. Evolution may account for differ ences of specie and it may not; but | their attention by his message. And it cannot account for Jesus of Naza- it is as certain as anything can be

reth or for human regeneration. as those Christians suffer least in times of religious declension whose hearts have been most thoroughly that limit even will be a good deal conpenetrated and wrought upon by the tracted if the preacher be so dull of great Husbandman.

human imperfection; but like the phrases with which his hearers have thunder storm which sometimes causes temporary and incidential injury to itude when I remember that "truly the crops, they leave behind them a short sermons as distinguished from

There comes an autumn time the experience of the mature Chris- quir: every sermon to be cut down to appointed unto men once to die, but The church was fully aroused tian, a time of serenity and repose, twenty minutes any more than a rule to duty. Every dormant power of ripe and golden fruitage; the bright, can be found making it necessary to awak calm days, when the changes and preach fifty minutes. Let each serened, and many whose religion storms of life are in a measure past, was totally eclipsed were made to par- and stillness and peace brood over take anew of their "first love" for the the soul, precursors of the coming since the purpose of preaching is to

> station, not only open day and night unspeakable gift," many of these were to receive those who seek its shelter, made to rejoice in him whose blood but on the alert to succor the ship- then the length of any sermon is a can cleanse the vilest heart. Eleven wrecked and perishing far out on the matter to be regulated by those conwere added to the church, ten by bap- stormy deep. - D. F. L., in Christian ditions.

#### What About Short Sermons?

BY REV. C. W. CURRIER.

Looking upon a minister of the gospel as a messenger having a cerdobaptists speak of this good man in tain message to deliver. I can never sympathize with the idea that he ity alone will reveal the good he has must yield to popular clamor, nor accomplished here. His farewell ser- even to demands made by his conmon was upon the subject of "Re- gregation as to the number of mingeneration," and, oh, how beautiful utes he should take to deliver his it was! and how plain! At the close of message. He receives his message the service all drew near to say the from God, and is responsible to him parting word, "good by." Ah! how for the way in which he speaks. And the feelings of that moment over- whether man will hear or not; whethwhelmed me. The very repetition of they charge the preacher with being his name brought a flood of tears needlessly yrolix, or blame him for befrom my eyes, so I had to leave off | ing too brief, is nothing to the question. pet and in a palace as they could be speaking and listen to his benedic- What he has to answer is simply this: in a tenement house; nav. worse; for tion, and may the God who sent him | "How shall I meet my responsibility to us, give him all the comforts of to God in the delivery of this mesthis life and grant us all a happy re- sage?" Considering this to be the union in the "City of Peace," is my question, I think it will not be difficult to so answer it, as to determine Eld, A. R. Scarborough is our pas- what the preacher's duty is in the

midst of a crooked and perverse generation, but, generally speaking, they are sent with a message, with the A district meeting was held with charge that they shall somehow get our church on Fridy before the 5th that message before the minds and Sabbath in September. Owing to hearts of men. In the delivery of the absence of those appointed to this message the preacher is thrown read essays, etc., the interest of the upon his own resources. He must ed point to precedence. All society meeting was in a measure deminish- choose his own time and way, and by ed, though we safely trust that many the use of his common sense he must The power of determine the best manner of delivprayer" was ably discussed by Revs. ering his message to secure the hear-J. C. Foster, W. F. Pond, A. Beavers ing which his words ought to have. and A. R. Scarborough, followed by The preacher who feels his responbrethren J. W. Jones and Robert Lar- sibilty for the successful carrying out kin, of Marengo and Brewersville. of his Master's wishes in this matter That is neutral ground. Never by Bro. Larkin is alive on the question will be a close student of the conof missions, which was fully discussed ditions under which he must speak He will make it his purposes to speak There are many other things of as to gain the attention and the hear-The minister will remember that

various forms, and that he is thrown upon his own judgment as to which form he will declare at any one opportunity. He is responsible for the selection of text and topic, and his treatment of them and the general fitness of his message to the time and congregation. He must bear in mind that he is not an itinerant herald, go-"old fashioned courtesy" has no place of the sowing and tillage. "We our ing from place to place, and speaking to a new assemblage every few The malaria of modern unbelief days. He stands in the same place, in danger of becoming monotonous The law of nerve sensitiveness is

> this, that while a few blows upon one forms of thought produces inevitable It is an infallible sign of spiritual religious deafness. The preacher pray for us both." but the man dreamtention to strictly intellectual matter and made up his mind that it was "Truth crushed to earth will rise is not equal to that of the life long time for him to become a Christian again;" but that is no reason that and thoroughly trained student. Last on his own account .- [C.H.Spurgeon. sometimes is by those who profess to not now presume upon the dignity "He preached as though he meant the attention of men on the ground "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."

that he is a minister. For the sake of his message they may hear him. but deference to a clerical coat and stock is a thing of the past. Recalling to whom he is responsi-

ble, and the conditions among which

he is to discharge his duty, what can

a preacher conclude but that he must be brief within reason? Men will not listen long, and it is his business to speak as long as he can have their The influence of a true Christian attention, not longer. - Men weary of ife survives death. "Their works do the same thing over and over again, seem to be pillars in the church are repeat the old hackneyed phrases. His message may take different forms, but in every form it is an urgent If men will not listen for his own sake, then he must rest for a hearing upon his ability to catch and hold that no esteem for a word of truth, Tho benefits of deep subsoiling are | and no interest in the message which seen especially in seasons of drouth, the preacher can bring from that word, will hold the average congregation beyond a limited time; and mind, or so careless of method, that True revivals may be marred by he deal out each time the well worn long been familiar.

Every consideration then points to long ones, yet each sermon should be in of its own length. No rule can remon have the length which its own peculiar conditions demand. But communicate truth to men, to convict A church should be a life-saving and persuade them, and since the willingness of men to learn and to be moved is contingent upon conditions,

And that sermon is best that stops when the weariness of the congregation begins, even though every element of rhetorical beauty and finish be sacrificed to accomplish it. Short sermons are best, not because congregations demand them, but because by them the preacher can best deliver his message to the hearts and consciences of men under the conditions that now exist .- Journal and Mes-

#### Confidence and Prayer.

BF J. P. BOYCE, D. D.

'And this is the confidence we have in him etc."-I John 5:14.15. This confidence is in no respect misplaced. It is the Son of God who will hear; he who has said, "Ask any-

thing." Not all prayer is acceptable;

that of the wicked is an abomination;

that without faith faileth. And prayer

must be submissive. The answer is not always in the bestowal of a request; a gracious inclination may be given. Prayer is a privilege and a duty for ourselves and others. Abraham, Moses, David and Elias are examples of the power of prayer. The nistory of Israel is one of prayer. The forerunner of Jesus taught his disciples to pray. Jesus did likewise. Pentecost came with prayer. The Holy Spirit came with prayer. Signs and wonders were wrought by prayer. Christianity's foundation is prayer. It stands or falls with prayer. We read of no one praying oftener than Iesus. Men say God's purposes are fixed and nature's laws unchangeable-why pray? Why did Christ pray and teach to pray? It was the glory of Israel that they had a God who heard prayer. Baal did not hear prayer. Tyndal and infidels have proposed an unfair prayer test, thus shocking the Christian world. The clergyman of England who said if he did not believe God answered prayer he would never enter his pulpit was right. God hears and answers. This erroneous claim that nature's laws are not to be affected is not new. It began in Job's days. They who question the power of prayer question a matter of fact of which they know nothing, and about which they decline to learn anything. The King of Siam, who tortured the man who told of the frozen river, was not more foolish. They say God's natural laws are fixed, and there is no room for prayer. If that is so, God can not act in connection with them. while his message is one, yet it has But God does act. We form our purposes and accomplish our ends; can not God do likewise? We plant seed and thus act with nature in securing a result; can not God do the same? With telescope and microscope we supplement nature, seeing far away. Can not God thus enlarge our spiritual vision in answer to prayer? He does. We neutralize nature-make water, which runs down, carry water up. Can not God? Is he simply a mute idol in a temple? Then some talk of God's decrees. These are only matters of revelation, not of reason. We are free to choose, and vet our

> Treasury. There was a man who used to say to his wife, "Mary, go to church and "Mary, go in for both." He awoke

> choice is so regular that men can tell

with almost mathematical certainty

how many murders, suicides, etc., will

occur. To banish prayer is to banish

God. God and prayer go together.

How little do we all realize the power

and privilege of prayer!- The Pulpit

To be his is the best tribute we can of his office. He can not command offer in acknowledgment of how



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#### The Board of Ministerial Education -OF THE-ALA. BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

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THE subject of ministerial education in Alabama is the most important subject that can be pressed upon the attention of the denomination in the State. Not only the demands of our pulpits, but the support of our college add to its importance. The establishment of a Theological Professorship in connection with Howard College is the phase of the subject now agitating the minds of brethren. That there are difficulties and obstacles in the way all admit. There are difficulties and obstacles in the way of anything that is worth considering. Just the objections are being raised fails to meet this expectation it will in regard to this enterprise that have lose its hold upon those from whom been urged in regard to every enter- it must get its support. prise that has been instituted in the State for a number of years. "Difficulties, obstacles, the time has'nt come, the denomination will not support it."

We are fixed in the conviction that done for the salvation of the college, number of young men who can never go to the Seminary. We have met a number, a large number of Baptists, who know little and care nothing for our college. In the sections of the State where these were found there are young men entering the ministry. If they could be induced to attend one, two or three sessions of the college they would become centres of influence for good among the churches, and | State in the near future. good advertisements and active agents for the institution. Just here we recall a good man, now exercising controlling influence in a large territory. He was at the college only two The pressing demand is upon us. The young men now entering the ministry haven't time spend four years in college in Marion and four years in Louisville. We need them now, we must have them before long.

The future progress of the college depends upon its holding the affections of the denomination; this is all the endowment it has .. Our opinion is that it can do this only by subserving the purpose for which it was established. Baptists must be made to feel that it is their college, that they, as Baptists, are receiving benefits from it. In no way can this be done so well as by sending out from its halls consecrated young men to meet the people in the pulpits of the State. Very few of our ministerial students will go to Howard College as long as it is simply a literary institution.

No one in advocating the establishment of a theological chair contemplates a thorough theological course of study. A competent man in the chair will draw into the college many who are now entering upon their work with no preparation, and with them many who are not ministe-

It is said that the establishment of a theological chair will drive away students who pay tuition. We are slow to believe this. Who are the patrons and who are to be the supporters of Howard College? Baptists, we think. It would be a strange thing if the education of their young ministers would drive them to the patronageof other institutions. It is said that students pursuing a literary course would have no time to study theology. Let them go from the Howard to the Seminary. We have heard it argued that the methods of teaching at the Howard enables the student to complete the four years' course in three years. Such excellent methods would enable a ministerial student to give one fourth of his time to the study of theology, and Adams preach a short sermon on Fri- by the State Board and promised to yet complete the entire course in four day night. Saturday morning we attempt its payment. A colportage years. It would not, we think, be found Bro. Falkner presiding and fund was raised of one hundred and difficult to arrange so that the in- Bro. Longcrier recording the pro- seventeen dollars (\$45 paid in cash),

studies. The very presence of the drews, a venerable man of God, was ciat on." Elder Wood has been dead man wanted in this position would be there, as earnest, as liberal, as influ- for years, and Elder Weaver still lives a stay and support to the institution, ential as ever. Brethren Hare, of in an advanced life and was present drawing patronage from every quarter | Florida, and Thomasson were among of the State inhabited by intelligent the visitors. Saturday night Bro.

An eight years' course in colleges | see him. We will not forget Bro. will educate a young man out of Mills in a long time. The delegates sympathy with seven-tenths of the people, Baptists as well as others. Just now we do not need many men fifty dollars was raised in cash and who have spent so many years in preparing for work. "A little learning cal professor at the Howard College. is a dangerous thing"has been repeat- We feel assured that if this matter ed until a great many people believe had been earnestly put before all the it. We are quite in favor of getting associations this fall, there would be all the learning we can, even if that no difficulty in sustaining a first-

expensive. What is there that is worth having that does not cost? Here comes the old objection. The denomination will not support it. The denomination did support it for twenty years, and during those twenty years the college held a surer tooting than it does to-day. The establish ment of the professorship will simply be returning to first principles.

The objection of expense intimates that Baptists will not educate their ministry. We have read the signs to little purpose if we have not discovered a tendency rapidly growing in this direction. But if it be true that the denomination, when properly approached, will not provide for the education of its young ministers, it will not be long until we find ourselves behind all others and the grand enterprises now engaging us,

languishing and failing. Being somewhat familiar with the mind and the necessities of the denomination in the State, and feeling a profound concern in all the enterprises fostered by it, we write in the interest of the cause and the college. Howard College must draw its support from Baptists. Baptists must feel an interest in the college or they will not support it. They look to it for the education of the large majority of their young ministers. If it

For more than six months the attention of the denomination has been called to this subject. It has been discussed publicly and privately. It grieves our heart to think that must wait twelve months longer for the establishment of a Theological practical results. The demands of Professorship is the best thing to be the churches, the necessities of the cause cry out against this delay. as well as for the benefit of a large will not be difficult to keep our young ministers out of Howard College. They must be encouraged if they come. It is not enough to say that none have ever been turned away. They must be invited, persuaded, encouraged, provided for,

> The State Mission Board will not find a more important work than that of providing for the education of the men who are to fill the pulpits of the

THE fiftieth meeting of the Canaan Association was held with the church in the busy, bustling, growing city of Birmingham, beginning Oct. 5th. Rev. A. J. Waldrop, moderator, and in the Carey Association, his old home,

Rev. E. B. Waldrop, clerk. Only four letters from churches were presented at the opening session. Others were presented during the progress of the meeting. There

was not a full delegation at any time. Dr. Henderson preached the in troductory sermon. Pressing engage ments forbade our hearing it.

Bro. Waldrop conduc ed the busi ness of the meeting with his usual promptness, courtesy and dignity The Canaan did its duty in regard to the enterprises engaging its attention Brethren cheerfully complied wit the requests of the State Mission Board, and raised in cash and pledge es one hundred dollars for the sup in Howard College.

We were glad to meet Bro. Purser and to be reassured that we had gain ed a first-rate man in securing his ser vices as evangelist. He is devout. earnest, sensible, energetic.

Bro. Bailey, the pastor, showed us a beautiful picture of the new church building, to be erected. We hope it will not be long before this beautiful building shall grace that excellent ot already secured. The church in Birmingham needs a new building.

We have never met so many visitng brethren from neighboring assobe with our friends of former years, brethren Yerby and Eddins from the Tuscaloosa. Bro. Lee impressed us as an earnest, rising young minister. We were pleased to meet the brethren from the North River. Bro. M. Wood promises to make himself felt

before many years. We shall be disappointed if the churches comprising the Canaan Association do not fully meet all the demands made upon them.

In order to meet

THE UNITY at Randolph, we were obliged to leave

before the concluding session.

Giles came in. We were all glad to were prompt in doing all that was asked of them by the Board. About pledges for the support of a theologiclass man. The large majority of The establishment of the chair is our brethren as we have seen them, are heartily in favor of establishing a theological professorship and filling it with as good a man as can be found. We are under obligations to Bro.

Suttle of Centreville for assistance in extending the circulation of the ALA-BAMA BAPTIST He is a bisy lawver, but finds time won for the Master. And our cherished friend of many years, Capt. Pratt, was on hand. He is not a member of any church, but is one of the most liberal supporters of the church at six mile, where for a number of years he has been the Principal of a prosperous high school

We regretted that we were not permitted to hear the conclusion of Bro. Thomasson's sermon Saturday night, but the time came and we were obliged to go on to meet other engage-

espondents address him at Tusca-We have not met this fall better

Rev. D. I. Purser requests that cor-

presiding officers than brethren Falkner and Waldrop.

THE CAREY ASSOCIATION.

Our passage to and from the Carey Association last week, was made more than pleasant -- it was a travel of delight, by the fact that we were seated in the buggy with that first-rate Christian gentleman, the Rev. D. I. Purser. Though the distance is 25 miles from Talladega, and over hills and mountains, yet we reached Ashland in six hours and arrived while the brethren were scattered over the village at dinner. We failed to get there in time to hear the introductory sermon by Elder J. N. Moore, but many pleasing references were made to the discourse by the brethren. Elder Scarborough was re-elected moderator, and Bro. Bailey, clerk; they are very good officers. The moderator is master of the situation and does not lack much of having things his own way. It was especially gratifying to hear his earnest and sweeping declations in support of the Baptist interests of Alabama and of the South.

Bro. Purser and I were promptly invited to seats with the expressed expectation that we should take part with them in every part of their work. Bro. Shaffer of Roanoke, was with us, and Bro. Sisson, one of the colporters of our State Board, was also there. Bro. Shaffer is always a great power and his efforts are uniformly in the right direction. We do not understand why it is that he is not called to some strong and prominent church He is worthy and well qualified, and withal the largest and finest looking preacher in Alabama. However, when we made this last remark in the hearing of our handsome colleague, he looked a little doubtful as if he would prefer to have that question settled in the "Oak City."

The association took hold of the enterprises fostered by our State Board in earnestness and good faith. It seems to us that there has been a great change for the better since we were with that body two years port of a Theological Professorship ago. The spirit of missions and of kindred subjects was quite manifest and general. The report on missions by the Rev. M. M. Driver was-so we think-the very best report we ever heard on that subject,-full, ar gumentative, statistical, historic and rich with facts, and written in first

The whole day on Wednesday was spent in the consideratson of the liv ing enterprises brought before the body in this report, and at least one hour on Thursday. Bro. Purse. made an excellent speech on these causes, and so did several other ciations. It made our heart glad to brethren. In the midst of the discussion the body adjourned to hear Bro. Purser preach. His able sermon was directly in line with the questions before the body and helped on the cause very much. (As we sat behind him with pencil and paper we managed to catch most of that sermon, and will give it to the readers of the ALABAMA BAPTIST in a week or two.

The cash contribution at the conclusion of the sermon was over forty dollars, which we considered good for that congregation at this time. The report of the committee of finance made a very good showing; and the We arrived in time to hear Bro. body adopted the amount suggested

-two of the purest of God's servants, The meeting was harmonius, spirited, and enjoyable. The people of Ashland the county town of Clay, gave the body and visitors a real pleasant hospitality. The next session will meet with Sardis church, 9 miles south of Ashland, on Friday before the 2nd Sabbath in Oct., 1884. It met on Tuesday this year and we could see no reason for a change back to the old time, but the body did not like the Tuesday plan. An hour or two after dark on

a fine thing it is to have a friend like Captain E. J. Dean of this place; and what a good thing it is for him to have such a horse as "Charlie" and duty than this. such a delightful, easy going top ouggy as we had placed in our charge in this trip! We could not hav e better suited. We are greeful. We would be glad to make some spe- | clerkship cial mentions of brethren whom we met at Ashland, but cannot now

Thursday, Bro. Purser and the writer

reached Talladega on return. What

AMONG THE ASSOCIATIONS.

pastors of the Carey Association.

The Lord bless the churches and

Friday, Oct. 5th, having been named as the day of meeting of the Muscle Shoals Association, the writer left his home the day preceding in order to be present at the opening of that body. He had slowly settled himself into a comfortable seat when the inevitable quarantine officer pre sented himself armed with a long list of searching questions. "Have yo been at Pensacola, Warrenton, the Navy Yard or Brewton within th last twenty days?" Now "it so fel out," as the English say, that we had left the last named village only a few days before. A malignant type of what was supposed to be malarial fever was prevailing and several had already died. A faint suggestion that it was yellow fever was hooted at by Brewtonians, but that did no serve to prevent Montgomery, Green ville, Evergreen and other important points from quarantining against Brewton. A general fright was awakened all along the line of the railroad, and subsequent events have abundantly vindicated the wisdom of the points thus establishing quar antine regulations. The fact that we had been in the place within the last wenty days past barred our entrance into any of the places named. were not permitted to leave the train to get breakfast at Montgomery and thus had to fast until a p. m. when with sharpened apptite, we attacked a most sumptuous dinner at Hartsell beneath the hospitable roof of Sena tor Orr. At this point was met Rev . M. Robertson, of the Baptist Re flector, who was also en route to the Muscle Shoals. Rev. S. R. C. Adams kindly took us in charge, and con veyed us to his home in Danville for the night. Never having heard of this village we ventured to ask Bro Adams "if it was a large place." 'No," said he, "it is only a wide

place in the big road.' We found this to be a most graphic discription of the village in question, only that the "wide place" was lined with a number of thrifty business houses and comfortable residences The place of meeting of the association was still five miles away. night's rest fitted us for the work of the succeeding day. At an early hour on the following morning the vehicles and horsemen commenced to go past en route to the associa-

We reached it just in time to shake hands with a few brethren and gather up a batch of subscribers before the preaching of the

ANNUAL SERMON. This task was ably performed by Rev. Mat Lyon. It was a strong. vigorous and ringing discourse from the Epistle of Jude 3rd, verse. It was packed to the brim with wholesome thought, and was a faithful and emphatic presentation of Baptist principles without the slightest tinge of discourtesy to other donominations. The Baptists of North Alabama properly regard Bro. Lyon as their theologian, and his deliverances on any subject are taken as oracular. Oh! for more Baptist Lyons. hour's intermission followed the sermon when the brethren re-assembled and proceeded forthwith to business. Items of interest were gleaned

THE LETTERS

And all the padding features were omitted. Many of these indicated vigorous life, showing an interest in our denominational enterprises, suc cessful meetings, &c.

THE MUSCLE SHOALS ASSOCIATION Is one of the oldest of the State, having been organized some sixty-four years ago. It is quite a large body covering a vast area of territory and having about forty-five churches with a membership of three thousand. Its territory embraces the finest section of Alabama. It is penetrated by the beautiful and fertile valley of the Tennessee, than which a lovelier secstruction from the theological pro- ceedings. We have not enjoyed a to be known as "The John Wood and tion is not found south of virginia. fessor would not interfere with other day more in a long time. Bro. An. Isaac Weaverfund of the Carey Asso. This, and the sections adjacent, en- cup of water he says something to Isney, Ala., Oct. 11.

joy a wonderful degree of prosperity. Nestled in this valley are some of the most charming farms our eyes ever rested upon. The fairest index of the prosperity of a region is found in the condition of the stock. Here everybody, almost, rides or drives beautiful, sleek horses. God has surely opened wide his hand and loaded down this people with the benedictions of his goodness. Conversing with several of the pastors of this association we learned that there were churches in the rural districts, the membership of which would reach three hundred, in some instances, and yet the letters from some of these churches showed that they paid their pastors \$25 and \$50 for their services. If the Baptists of North Alabama are ever to make themselves felt they must rise to a higher conception of

THE ORGANIZATION Of the association resulted in the re a rship nd B . Sa kellerd o the THE FIRST DAY

Was only a preparatory day. Saturday came and an early hour found the delegates in their seats.

The routine usual to a Baptist association was gone through on Saturday and Monday, Education, Missions, Temperance and Sunday. schools were thoroughly discussed. ON SUNDAY

quite sick .-

we can render.---

the Muscle Shoals Association,-

early day, and pushed forward

completion. Bro. Stockton is one of

the most zealous workers of the North

Alabama Baptists. --- We heard

letter read in an association some

time ago in which it was stated that

given church had a membership

In our extended observations we

have heard of some Governors who

would get beastly drunk."- Religious

Herald. Well, yes, and it has no

just such a thing, in a most notable

instance, not a thousand miles from

of 300 with a working force of se

250 were religious dead heads. -

The seats were removed from the house to an adjoining grove where preaching was had. Prior to preaching, however, the moderator and clerk took their places near the stand, the association was called to order and the report on Sunday-schools was read and discussed. After this, and notwithstanding the hour of preaching had arrived, Dr. Shackelford ascended the stand and insisted that the pledges made the day before were unworthy the old Muscle Shoals, and begged the delegates to reconsider while the names of the churches were called again. Almost an hour was able what a prohibition sentiment consumed in this way and the sub- prevails among the people of North scriptions were greatly increased. Dr. Shackelford is a wonderful man. Notwithstanding his averdupois is not as small as that of some other men, he is as active as a stripling, and is all agog for progress and development among Baptists. As we witnessed his wonderful energy and wisdom, we sighed to think that this man was shut up in the school room reason of necessity. He ought to be as free as the winds of heaven to preach, and to perform pastoral work.

IMMENSE CONGREGATIONS istened with the profoundest attention to sermons from two visiting brethren-one in the forenoon and the other in the afternoon. Bro. Robertson, the Baptist Reflector man, is the most successful preacher in the management of a post-prandial autelling preaching than he did upon

that occasion. By Monday noon the association completed its work, and after a hasti ly dispatched dinner the delegates were on their horses or in their vehi

this office. We were glad to note the esteem in which our young cles, with their faces turned toward brother C. W. Hare is held Baptists of North Alabama, Charlie is a capital brother and is worthy the FIELI) NOTES. confidence reposed in him -"I have just closed, or rather sus-A prominent gentleman told us the sended, one of the most intensely inother day of a young man whose teresting meetings at Union church I father was quite wealthy, and who ever witnessed. imagined because of this that any Seventeen were added to the church-13 by baptism, young lady would deem it an honor restored, t by letter. Will, D. V. to have him as an escort, notwithcommence a meeting in the adjacent standing he was addicted to drunkenneighborhood on the fourth Sunday, On one occasion he offered when we expect to organize a church, his arm to a plucky young lady to We hope the Lord will do great attend her to some place of things for us there also."-Luther when she drew back and with in Norris, Mobile, Oct. oth .dignation said, "No, sir; I can't put erty church held a meeting of seven my hand into a jug handle."days and nights, beginning on Senator J. C. Orr, a prominent Bapnith Sunday in September. The tist of Morgan county, is styled "one Lord blessed us and sinners of the politicians who is not afraid convicted and converted. Twenty to speak out against whisky."united with the church-seventeen "Are you a subscriber to the ALA by baptism, two by letter, and one BAMA BAPTIST?" "Oh! yes; I subwas restored. Dr. D. W. Beard did scribed with Old Brother Cleveland most of the preaching. To God be last year at the association," is the all the glory."- J. A. Mitchell, Sipsey | way a brother replied to us the other Turnpike. --- "In your last issue, day at the Muscle Shoals. --- A in my article headed Reel Town, the policeman started to arrest a negro second word should be months inin Huntsville a few days ago when stead of years."-H. C. Sanders. the negro clutched him violently and -"After all the hurry and conheld him fast, and another colored fusion of moving, I am located at man ran up and with an axe crushed last at the Adams Street church, his skull. The night following Montgomery. I am much encourbody of men over powered the jail aged by the outlook. Our congregaforce and hung one of the murderers tions are good as to numbers and are in the jail yard. The other was still very attentive. The Sunday-school at large at last accounts. --- Brewis growing and the prayer-meetings ton is appealing for aid. Everybody are well attended. I am satisfied who can has forsakem the village, that a self sustaining church will be and it is a scene of desolation and the result of a year's work."-H. C. affliction. --- "We have a good Taul. - Brethren Jones and meeting in progres here, conducted Jackson, of Town Creek church, by Brethren B. H. Crumpton and Muscle Shoals Association, said to Dr. D. W. Ramsey. They have latheir pastor, Bro. Wear, last year, bored faithfully during the week. You must go to the Southern Bap. The church has been most thorough- him tist Convention and so proceed to ly revived. Backsliders have been get ready." With great enthusiasm reclaimed, and sinners have been con-Bro. Wear related this to us at the verted and have united with the late meeting of the Muscle Shoals. church. You will doubtless receive The disposition of churches to send a full account of the meeting when it their pastors to our great denomina closes."- J. F. Fore, Pine Apple, tional meetings is increasing. It does Oct. 13th. the pastor good and in the long run does the church good .- "If you Time of Meeting Changed. have only bread and water to eat at home I don't say that you shall take the ALABAMA BAPTIST; but if you have any meat at all leave a little of

From the facts brought to bear, the time of effecting the organization of a new association has been changthat off and tak our paper."-Rev. ed from Saturday before the 4th Sab-Jackson Gunn, at the Muscle Shoals | bath in October until Friday before Association .- "If you do not the 1st Sabbath in November. The take the paper you do your children churches desiring to enter into this a great injury."-Dr. Shackelford, at new organization will please note the Muscle Shoals Association. this, and meet with Isney church on T. M. Bailey asked a continuance Bro. S. R. C. Adams preaches every Friday before the 1st Sabbath in Nowhere he goes, and in everything he vember. By order and special re-S. M. TUCKER.

young lady shook hands with him, and he quietly asked her, 'Are you : sociation. Christian?' This led to her conviction and conversion."-Rev. R. T. Wear, at the Muscle Shoals Associa tion. We are glad to learn of the favorable auspices under which the Greensboro University opened some weeks ago. This is the Methodist college of this State and under the presidency of Dr. A S Andrews is destined to enter upon a new st Sabbath in this month. career of usefulness .-- "Some thing over a year ago Bro. West told me that if I would take the ALABAMA BAPTIST two years and it failed to make my Presbyterian wife a Baptist he would send it to me two whole years for nothing. Tell him ! had the pleasure of baptizing her entire congregation. two months ago." A brother whispered this in our ear at the Muscle Shoals Association .- One year ago I begged a good sister to take the paper and it was with difficulty old officers, Eld. I. A Scott, that I gained her consent to do so but now she tells me that she wil never cease to thank me for begging her."-Rev. R. T. Wear, at the Muscle Shouls Association .- Tuscum a Beptist church is clamorous for past r ---- Prof and Mrs. Moore, of Athens, are among the most ardent Baptists it has ever been our fortune to meet. They are particularly solicitous about their little church in Athens. - We are sorry to learn of the illness of Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Dill. They had been spending some weeks in Atlanta and had been at home but a short while before they both became sick. After Bro. Dill's meeting, we learn, he was -Dr. Tichenor, the indefatigable secretary of the Home Mission Board, passed through hat vast audience spell bound. Montgomery on the third inst. en route to Texas. The Dr. is watch ing with a keen eye that broad West ern field. Let Baptists every where rally to the support of this grand man, as he zealously prosecutes the interests of our missionary operations at home. He deserves all the aid -"What a pity it is that some preachers are so incautious in their remarks! There are some preachers whose declarations have always to be taken at a discount, because they either overstate or understate facts." This is what a wise brother remarked to us the other day on the cars. - It is remark-Alabama. Everything discussed leads to the subject of prohibition Rev. Mat Lyon not only be heves in Sunday-schools, but he believes that Sunday-schools in Baplist churches ought to be taught the missionary spirit by the children's being instructed to give. The Sun day-school of his church at Moulton sent a good contribution for the mis sionary cause to the late session o We are informed by Rev. I. Stockton that the enterprise of build ing a church house at Madison, ur dertaken some months ago, has been checked by reason of family sick ness. But it will be resumed at an

> mon will stay preached in the hearts of many persons during their lives At ten o'clock on Monday Br Purser addressed the association in a grand and telling speech on missions. At the close of his speech a permanent colportage fund of \$110 was raised to be called the Rev. W. M. Wilson fund; over fitty dollars of the amount being paid in cash, Wilson has been preaching in that association over forty years. Wilson being a poor man \$32.50 in cash was raised at once for his relief. Dinner being Brother Purser having gone the Carey Association, the brethtalking about money for the Lord's cause that a call was made for pledge es for missions, to be paid during the year, when \$161.50 was promptly pledged. Then the Finance Committee reported \$138.00 of mission money in the treasury sent up to the association by the churches and, not expended. So when the amounts were all footed up, about \$300.00 of the \$500.0 asked for by the State Mission Board from this association was contributed during the session in cash, and the remaining \$200.00 pledged by the delegates and breth ren to be paid during the year What association in Alabama will beat this work of the old Tallase hachee and Ten Island? hearty hand shaking and an earnest prayer for God's blessings upon the with gratitude at the privilege of diswork of the association, we all turned | playing the same. homeward, rejoicing over the harmonious and successful session of the association. Bro. Purser's visit, preaching and counsels among our brethren will be remembered as long as they live. May he live long to do the work of the Master, and to sow the seeds of kindness and gospel E. T. SMYTH. DeArmanville, Oct. 9th, 1883.

Bethel Association

The Bethel Association met with the church at Grove Hill, Clarke county, Ala., Oct. 4th, and was called to order by the former moderator. The introductory sermon was delivered by Eld. P. C. Drew in that impressive manner characteristic of

permanent organization was of Bro. Jos. R. Cowan, clerk.

The order of business prepared by committee appointed at the last session was adopted, bringing before the body all the interests fostered by the denomination for consideration. Corresponding messengers were in attendance from the Bigbee Association, and the representative of the State Mission Board, Cor. Sec. T. M. Bailey, who were heartily welcomed

A very able report on missions was read by Eld. W. B. Williams, which till the hour of meeting at night, when he presented Foreign Missions in that manner peculiar only to him example should be our pattern, "Not as known among us, which resulted my will but thine be done."

him about Jesus. Some time ago a For the Alabama Baptist. Tallassehachee and Ten Island As-The above named association has ust closed one of the most harmonious, enjoyable and successful meetings that it has ever been the privilege of the writer to attend anywhere. The association convened with the hurch at White Plains, in Calhoun ounty, Ala., on Saturday before the Eld. A. Scott, who was appointed preach the introductory sermon, not being in good health, the sermon was preached by Eld. D. I. Purser. Evangelist of the State Mission Board. The sermon was a forcible one, and was well received by the The theme was, "What has Christ done for each one of us, and what should each one of us do for Christ?" The associaion was organized by re-electing the erator, and W. H. Burton, Clerk On Sabbath morning the people came from every direction, and in every form of venicle, until the grounds were covered with masses of men, women and children, vehicles and anim is for a large space. being ascertained that not half he vast concourse of people present could get into the house, the seats were moved out of the house into the grove, and other seats were procured, and chairs from wagons and buggies and carriages were brought near enough to sit in and hear the preaching. Bro. Purser had been requested to preach the missionary sermon; and, after singing and prayer, read his text as follows: "Why all this waste?" and for one hour held first took up the side of Judas, and said, "Why all this waste of printing Bibles, building church houses, paying preachers, going to church, giving money to send the gospel to destitute." 2nd. He assumed that it was no waste: 1st. Because of the benefit derived from it to the nations of earth. 2nd. Because of the benefits derived from it socially. 3rd. Because of the benefits derived from it in the protection of our lives and property. 4th. Because of the value of the soul, which is the object of expenditure. At the close of the sermon a collection was taken for missions in cash, amounting to \$65.65, although the preacher warned all those who believed like udas did, that it was a waste, not to contribute anything. That vast concourse of people were then fed, and well fed, and I don't know how many baskets full of the fragments were taken off. If the Baptists were as iberal in giving money as they are hospitable, we would have no complaints to make about their contribuions. The writer was appointed to preach after dinner, but being satisfied that Bro. Purser could do the work more to the satisfaction of the people, the position was resigned in avor of Bro. Purser, and he preached to the same eager crowd after dinner. from the text, "For whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap." His theme was, "Things will come back."

The sermon hit ue all, and we fel guilty, then we felt glad. That ser

effected by the re-election of the Has opened with a larger attendance writer, moderator, and the election than last year, and students are ar-

among us.

in a demonstration of liberality very satisfactory. The subject of mir

was indeed the important one before the body, as was evinced by interest and the time devoted to different orders of mission work. Eld. P. C. Drew presented the report on Ministerial Education, and followed with an able address. While under discussion, participated

by a number, there were two other beneficiaries added and placed under the training of Eld. Drew at McKin. ley and Eld. W. A. Parker at Octagon. The Temperance cause, a report of which was handed in by R. M. Hunter, received a liberal

consideration, and from the many expressions in fa vor of prohibition the writer is of the opinion that it does prohibit Modesty prevents much being tol as to presenting the claims of the Judson, but I will say they were

presented and Dr. Bailey is asked to remember his liberal promise. For the advancement of the world of the association, twenty-three the churches composing this association at its close called for letters of dismission for the purpose of organia ing a new association, to be called South Bethel, which were granted We regret much to part, but in the interest of progress we acquiesce knowing that only a local line sepa-

rates us. We listened with much pleasure as well as profit to the earnest, instructive preaching during the session. Eld. F. H. McGill at the church and Dr. T. M. Bailey at the court house preached the missionary sermons on Sabbath.

I can not close this report without expressions of thanks, on behalf of attendants, for the happy welcome extended and the many warm-hearted expressions of feeling by the Grove Hill church and vicinity, where the entertainment was all that could be desired. Brethren and friends at Grove Hill, though circumstances now prevent many of us ever meet. ing you as then, the impress made by your kind hospitality will never grow less.

The association will meet with the church at McKinley, Marengo county, Ala., on Saturday 10 a. m. before the third Sabbath in September, 1884. JOHN W. JONES.

Jefferson, Oct. 11th.

### Liberty Association.

This body met with Mt. Pisgah church, near Nicholson's Store, Ala. on Wednesday, Oct. 3rd., and closed the 5th. The churches composing this body, with the exception of three were represented. The body is conposed of churches located in Missis sippi and Alabama. Seven of the churches in Alabama drew letters of dismission with the view of entering into the organization of a new association. Three new churches were

The former moderator, Elder I. E. Scott, being absent, Elder J. D. Stone

was called to the chair.

After reading the letters from the hurches and enrolling the names of the delegates, the body entered into a permanent organization, Elder I. D. Stone, moderator; J. L. Slav re elected clerk and treasurer. The moderafor accepted the honor conferred. and after a few pointed remarks announced the body ready for business. The former order of adopted. The interests tostered by this body are Inter-Associational Correspondence, State Missions, Home and Foreign Missions, Bible and Colportage Work, Sabbath-

schools, Aged and infirm ministers General education, Ministerial educa-Temperance and Women's consideration, and liberal responses were given to each call of the body, This annual assembly of this grand old body of Christians was attended with great success spiritually and inancially. The discussion of the subjects considered was engaged in with enthused hearts and willing hands, not only by members of the body, but by correspondents from other bodies. The following statis-

tics will show the receipts and ex-

penditures of this body during the

past associational year, (except that

some churches neglected to state the

amount paid pastors) for the various

enterprises in which it is engaged Amt. Rec'd and Expended ......\$2,833.10 " During its session, .... 123.80 The hospitality of the good Brethren and Sisters, together with the citizens in the vicinity, on this occasion, was as full and free as the big warm hearts that filled their bosoms and swelled

S. M. TUCKER.

Seminary Opening. Dear Brethren: The Seminary

opened lively this session. Eightythree registered the first day and we now number ninety five, and still they come. Alabama has seven on hand and two others are expected soon. The demand upon the Seminary for pastors is still rapidly increasing. Every day brings us the news that many prominent places in the South and West are looking to us to fill their pulpits. Alabama should have at least thirty students here this session, and as many at Howard College. J. M. GREEN.

Louisville, Oct. 11.

Howard College riving daily. The character of the

matriculates is also very promising. WE direct the attention of the churches of Liberty Association that expect to enter into the organization of a new association, to the notice of Bro S. M. Tucker in this paper.

Resignation to the divine will does not imply stoical indifference under afflictive providential dispensations. We cannot but feel the stroke of the divine hand, which is sometimes very grievous. But while we suffer, and it may be very keenly, we may very sincerely say in the spirit of true resignation, in imitation of him whose

The new Vitalizing Treatment for chronic diseases, introduced to the public by Drs. Starkey & Palen, 1109 Girard street, Philadelphia, is effecting most wonderful cures in Consumption, Neuralgia, Catarrh, Rheumatism, etc. Thousands have been relieved from suffering during the past thirteen years, and hundreds saved from death, by this new discovery. Send for their pamphlet, in which you will find all desired information in regard to a treatment which is destined to revolutionize the practice of medicine.

We have but chewed the husks of religion, which are often bitter, and never eaten the kernel until we feel that there is nothing in gladly recommended it to many of my friends Those who would be inclined to believe such our power that we would not do for God, and nothing in our substance we would not give to him, and nothing in ourselves that

we would not consecrate to him .- [Spurgeon, GET IT, SURE! Wells' "Rough on Rats" Almanac, at druggists, or mailed for 2c. stamp. E. S.

WELLS, Jersey City. Prayer with and for others must grow out of our own private prayers. In the closet. with the door shut, we learn how to speak to our Father. He prays best in public who prays best alone. A congregation, however arge, is a gathering of individual souls, "As hin water faceanswereth to face, so the heart of man to man."-[Marling.

DECLINE OF MAN. Nervous Weakness, Dyspepsia, Impotence, Sexual Debility, cured by "Wells' Health

There may be much indistinctness in the mind, something even of error; but if the truth be there, if the Scriptural knowledge of God in Jesus Christ be the one great influencing motive there, Jesus will himself be there as a Prophet, Priest, and King, and all

will be peace .- Blunt. MOTHER SWAN'S WORM SYRUP. Infallible, tasteless, harmless, cathartic; for

feverishness, restlessness, worms, constipa-

Flattery is false money, which would not be current were it not for our vanity .-[Rochefoucauld.

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

The time for debate is when we have become masters, not while we are students; and the wisest of masters are those who debate least .- [Ruskin. MUSIC EVERYWHERE.

That wonderful musical instrument, the Harmonette is advertised in this issue by Massachusetts Organ Co., 57 Washington St., Boston, Mass. It is the ideal home instrument. You can sing to it; a mere child can play it; it inculcates a love of music in old and young, and develops and cultivates the ear. The music is perfectly accurate, and the wonderful Harmonette will play any tune. At the price, \$5.00, it is within the reach of

Fully to understand a grand and beautiful thought requires. perhaps, as much time as to conceive it .- [Joubert. A \$115.00 Organ for \$49.75.

Manufacturer, in our paper a short time since. He has instructed us to re-insert it and thus give those who failed to accept former offer another opportunity. This Organ needs no further recommendation. See

advertisement in this issue. The number of postoffices in the United States, exclusive of those established within the present official year, is 46,231.

A GOOD HOME. Any one desiring a good, healthy home in

a desirable locality, now has an opportunity to secure it. See the advertisement of Jas M. DuBose in this paper. They are never alone who are accompa-

nied with noble thoughts, - [Sir Philip Sid-

Weak people should use Samaritan Nervine, the great nerve conqueror. "My wife's 3-year old nervous affliction, says Rev. J. A. Edie, of Beaver, Pa., "was cured by Samaritan Nervine." \$1.50 at Druggists.

Many Christians do greatly wrong themselves with a dull and heavy kind of sullenness; who, not suffering themselves to delight in any worldly thing, are thereupon ofttimes so heartless that they delight in nothing .- [Bishop Hall.

If you cannot procure our famous "Seven Springs Iron and Alum Mass" in your town, send direct to us, we will send to any address free of charge on receipt of price. Manufactured only by Landrum & Litchfield, Abingdon, Va., and for sale by all druggists. Its efficiency in the treatment of diseases is conceded by physicians generally. For Dyspepsia and indigestion its value is inestimable, all will admit. Price \$1, small size 50

It was said of Shakespeare that "he was not for a day, but for all time." And yet he wrote, "The rain it raineth every day," and

Shriner's Indian Vermifuge destroyed and expelled worms thirty years ago. We guarantee it to do the same to-day, to the satisfaction of every one who uses it.

He who is not earnestly sincere lives in but half his being, self-mutilated, self-paralyzed,-[Coleridge.

For bad taste in the mouth, furred and coated tongue, constipation, headache, flatulency and liver troubles take Liebig Co's

Coca Beef Tonic. If ye do well, to your own behoof will ye do it? and if ye do evil, against yourselves will ye do it?—[Koran.

Many forget that the hair and scalp need cleansing as well as the hands and feet. Extensive use of Ayer's Hair Vigor has proven that it is the best cleansing agent for the hair-that it prevents as well as removes dandruff, cools and soothes the scalp, and stimulates the hair to renewed growth and

The maelstrom attracts more notice than the quiet fountain, a comet draws more attention than the steady star; but it is better to be the fountain than the maeistrom, and atar than comet, following out the sphere and orbit of quiet usefulness in which God places us, -[Dr. John Hall.

The best preparation known in market for restoring gray hair to its ori inal color is Hall's Vegetable Sicilian Hair Renewer.

God feeds the wild flowers on the lonely mountain side without the help of man, and daily watched over in our gardens. So God ury, like its predecessors, is filled with exdaily watched over in our gardens. So God cellent articles by leading preachers, writers is a clear discussion of the causes, prevention and professors in nearly all the evangelical and treatment of this dreaded malady.

The likeness and sketch of denominations. his spirit.

ADVICE TO CONSUMPTIVES. restorer, —Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery." Superior to Cod liver oil as a nutritive, and unsurpassed as a pectoral. For weak lungs, spitting of blood, and kindred affections, it has no equal. Sold by drugaists the world over. For Dr. Pierce's pampites on Consumption send two stamps to phlet on Consumption send two stamps to phlet on Consumption, send two stamps to World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y.

For us—whatever's undergone, Thou knowest, willest what is done. Grief may be joy misunderstood; Only the good discerns the good, I trust thee while my days go on. Whatever's lost, it first was won; We will not struggle nor impugn.

Perhaps the cup was broken here
That heeven's new wine may show more clear.

I praise thee while my days go on.

E. B. Browning.

bottles in all, and have found it a medicine hi h terms. You are at liberty to use my name for the benefit of suffering humanity."

TIMELY ADVICE. I have been troubled with kidney disease and gravel for a long time, and with severe pains in my limbs and back, with inflammation of bladder. My sufferings were terrible. I tried several physicians, all to no purpose -I found that I was growing very feeble. I was discouraged, and lost faith in physicians and medicine, when a friend from Malden, who had been cured by Hunt's Remedy of gravel and liver complaint, recommended it to me, and from the first bottle I commenced to improve, and three bottles have entirely cured me, and I heartily thank my friend for his timely advice to use Hunt's Remedy, for all the pains have gone from my back, and I am in excellent condition, and I feel that a word from me may be the means of saving some friend that may be suffering as I did, before taking Hunt's Remedy, the best kidney and liver cure. SAMUEL LITTLEFIELD,

No. 1482 Washington Street. May 12. 1883. Boston, Mass. HORSE RAILROAD MEN.

Having occasion to use a medicine for general debility in my family, I was recommended by a friend to use Hunt's Remedy, as that was being used with great success all over the country. We have used one bottle with marked benefit, and find it just as represented, and a medicine of great value, and I cheerfully add my testimony in praise of Hunt's Remedy. GEO. W. SCOTON, Watchman South Boston Car Stables.

South Boston, Mass., May 12, 1883. Let us make a note of this, as a point of spiritual wisdom, never to restrain an impulse to pray. Who can tell with what treasure he is laden when the Holy Spirit in this way knocks at our heart's door?

CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe, in German, French or English, with Rev. David H. Wheeler, D.D., Allegheny pace." full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming Hon. Daniel F. Beatty, the great Organ | this paper, W. A. Noves, 149 Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y.

That which before us lies in daily life, Is the prime wisdom.

"PHENOL SODIQUE is a good disinfectant is recommended by physicians, and is an excellent remedy to keep in the house for the ordinary ills and accidents of mankind," says the editor of the Coatesville, Pa. Chester Valley Union.

The exalted qualities are apt to apear to us in clear distinctness only after the death of the persons possessing them. The fragrance of the wood of aloes is diffused only after the fire burns the sticks .- [Hindu. 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 taste. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels. and is the best known remedy for diarrhoa, whether arising from teething or other causes. I wenty-five cents a bottle,

The Bible makes faith in God a ground of belief and of action paramount to any other. The idea enters into its whole structure and tissue, and it is in vain to attempt to conceal or eliminate it .- | Mark Hopkins.

FOR Sufferers Chronic Diseases, 36 pp. symptoms, remedies, helps, advice. Send stamp--Dr. Whittier, St. Louis, Mo. (oldest office.) State case your way, sepaceow.

Whatever our social or business relations may be, we have other and higher interests. We may be gaining the whole world, or all that may be desirable in the world, but if we are neglecting our souls, what shall it profit

us!- Bishop Huntington, CATARRH CURED. A Clergyman, after suffering a number of years from that dreadful disease Catarrh, and after trying every known remedy without success, at last found a prescription which completely cured and saved him from death. Any sufferer from this dreadful disease sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to Dr. A. Lawrence, Brooklyn, N. Y., will receive

the recipe free of charge. Oh lead me, Lord, that I may lead The wandering and the wavering feet; Oh feed me, Lord, that I may feed Thy hungering ones with manna sweet Oh strengthen me, that while I stand Firm on the Rock, and strong in Thee,

LITERARY NOTICES.

I may stretch out a loving hand

To wrestlers with a troubled sea.

LITTELL'S LIVING AGE. The numbers of The Living Age for September 29th and Oct. articles: Our Rich Men, by Dio Lewis; Our revival in the church, many sinners 6th contain Dean Swift in Ireland; Ralph Waldo Emerson; an Ethical study; Memories of Ischia; Letters from Galilee; On a Neglected Book; Some Personal Recollect the Mediterranean, by Anna Ballard; The tions of Madame Mohl; The Rabbit Pest in Shakers, by Dio Lewis; Weight of the Hu- ers will join the church at our next Australasia; Japanese Learned Societies; Ivan Tourgenief; with the conclusion of "Town Mouse and Country mouse," and instalments of "The Wizard's Son," and "Along the Silver Streak," and poetry.

For fifty-two numbers of sixty-four large pages each (or more than 3,300 pages a year) the subscription price (\$8) is low; while for \$10.50 the publishers offer to send any one of by a well known lady writer, who knows the American \$4 monthlies or weeklies with what she is talking about; Our Brains and The Living Age for a year, both postpaid. Nerves, by Dio Lewis; The Check Rein, by Littell & Co., Boston, are the publishers.

The October number of The Pulpit Treas-Dr. Philip Schaff, with his comprehensive and instructive sermon on "Immortality," On the appearance of the first symptoms—
as general debtlity, loss of appetite, pallor, chilly sensations, followed by night-sweats chilly sensations, followed by night-sweats and cough - prompt measures for relief contributes a notable article on "Christian should be taken. Consumption is scrofulous Hygiene," which will attract marked attenshould be taken. Consumption is scrottaious disease of the lungs:—therefore use the great anti-scrofula, or blood purifier and strength—anti-scrofula, or blood purifier and strength—tion. This magazine must be a welcome monthly to pastors, Sunday-school superintendents and teachers, and also to family restorer,—Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical restorer,—Dr. Pierce's "Gol

ary Revolution" which caused such a sensa- Moral and Religious Education; the Office a faithful and devoted member. tion a few years ago, and which was suppos- of Parent, E, T. Winkler; How to Attract a tion a few years ago, and watch was supposed to have been thoroughly overthrown and done for, seems to be "ablaze" again, more fierce and flourishing than ever. Its "100-page catalogue, free" and "books sent to any one to be paid for after receipt and examination one to be paid for after receipt and examination.

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LETTER FROM JAMES ANTHONY FROUDE. Some time since there appeared in "Funk & Wagnalls' Standard Library' (No. 95), a book entitled "Historical and other Sketches," by James Anthony Froude, edited, with an introduction, by David H. Wheeler, D.D., President of Allegheny College. Since its publication Dr. Wheeler has received a letter from Mr. Froude, commending his workmanship. The letter is given below:

THE MOLT, SALCOMBE, KINGSBRIDGE, DEVONSHIRE, August 22, 1883. College, Meadville, Pa.

DEAR SIR: Your volume has reached me. pletely For your kind and charitable account of my pass over my innumerable faults, and you others in my profession, who may possibly you suppose yourself to find. I thank you ion of Carlyle's memoirs. When I compiete my account of him I can look confidently to a verdict in my favor; but, meanwhile, I have a bad time of it. But I will not enter further on a subject which you show you fully understand. And now accept my assurance of the gratification with which I have seen the image of myself which your mirror reflects, and believe me, Yours faithfully.

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tisher, 69-71 Bible House, New York. 25 cents a number; \$2.50 a year.

The Monthly for October is the best of its three numbers. In the interesting and varied table of contents we note the following blessed us. We had a most gracious Young Women, Ly Rev. Dr. Howard Cros- were convicted, and some ten or more by; Idol-Worship in India, by Amrita Lal Roy; Sandwich Island Sketches; Crossing man Brain, by Dio Lewis; A True Story of regular meeting. There are some Lake George, by Mrs. Lillie Devereux Blake; A True Ghost Story, by a Boston Lawyer; Open the Cage Door, Treatment of Prisoners, and Treatment of the Insane, all by Dio Lewis, will be read with interest by the philanthropic; House Drainage, by Colonel Waring of Newport; A Fine Complexion, partment, is full of variety and interest. consider it as apart from us, as an Hon. Geo. T. Angell The Hygienic De-Beer, is by one of our best writers upon this objective theme to be discussed or ilclass of subjects. Diphtheria, by Dio Lewis, to young women. The Fashions (illustrated). how does it really and experimentally Aunt Bonnybell, will be read with interest affect my soul, my peace, my assurance by the ladies, and it will make them think of present and elernal salvation .too. Our Cooking School, by Miss Julia Colman, grows better and better. Stray Thoughts, will interest and amuse.

FORD'S CHRISTIAN REPOSITORY for Octo ber has the likeness of Dr. Carey, the great missionary, and Drs. Williams of Baltimore and Paxton of Louisiana. The articles embrace-Succession, S. H. F.; In a Little died Sept. 2 1883. He professed fauth in Persuaded. J. L. Lodge, D.D.; Propositions, Relative to "The Seven," P. S. Whiteman; church, and throughout his long life was ever

A Detective's Experience.

(Buffalo, N. Y., News).

His Successful Undertaking and Escape

One morning several years ago, just as the dull gray light was beginning to show itself n the east, a small band of men might have been seen deployed about a house on Ferry street, in Buffalo. There was nothing special either in the dress or appearance of the men to indicate their intention, but it is plain that they had business of importance on hand. Suddenly a man appeared at one of the windows, took in the situation at a glance, and, swinging himself outward with wonderful quickness scaled the roof of the house. This man was Tom Ballard, the notorious counterfeiter; and armed to the teeth and fully realizing his situation, he defied justice and the officials below him. Some of the officers, knowing the desperate character of the man, proposed to shoot him until he was killed, but one of the number promptly protested, and declared that if his brother officers would assist him to ascend he would capture the man alive. Accordingly he began the difficult and dangerous task, and succeeded in bringing his prisoner to the ground The man who accomplished this task was

Mr. Thomas Curtin, the present superintendent of city police of Buffalo, N. Y. Mr. Curtin is a man who is known by every prominent detective and policeman in Amereca, and he stands pre-eminently in the front ment, by Millicent Garrett Fawcett; Ralph rank of his profession. Quiet and gentlemanly in appearance and manners, he possesses a courage, combined with marked physical powers, that make him the terror of evil-doers and the pride of law-abiding citizens. Few people can realize, however, the trials, exposures, and even privations, to which the members of every municipal po lice and fire department are exposed Compelled to be on duty at uncertain hours, subjected to the most inclement weather, and often necessitated by the nature of their duties to protracted undertakings, they endure a nervous and physical strain that is terrible. Such was the experience of Mr. Curtin in former days; and it is not surprising that he found himself suffering from a mysterious physical trouble. In relating his experience o a representative of this paper he said:

"At times when I was on duty I would feel an unaccountable weariness and lack of energy. My appetite was also uncertain and my head seemed dull and heavy. I did not fully understand these troubles, but supposed, as most people suppose, that I was suffering from malaria, I tried to throw off the feeling, but it would not go. I thought I might overcome it, but found I was mistaken, and I finally became so badly off that i was almost impossible to attend to my duties. I have known any number of men in the police and fire departments of this country who have been afflicted as I was, and I doubt not there are to-day hundreds similarly troubled who, like myself, did not know the cause, or really what ailed them?"

"Your present appearance, Mr. Curtin, does not indicate much physical debility, said the interviewer as he looked at the 220 pounds of bone and muscle standing nearly five feet eleven inches in height before him. "O, no; that is altogether a thing of the

past, and I am happy to say that for more than a year I have enjoyed almost perfect health, although I now realize that I was on the road to certain death by Bright's disease of the kidneys and travelling at a very rapid

"How did you come to recover so com-

"That is just what I want to tell you, for individual self, I can only thank you. You I believe it may be of great service to many graciously make the most of such merits as hear of it. I began the use of a popular remedy at the earnest solicitation of a numparticularly for what you say of the publica- ber of f iends in this city, and found to my great gratification that I began feeling better. This feeling continued and I gained in strength and vigor until now I am perfectly well-and wholly through the instrumentality of Warner's Safe Cure which I believe to be the best medicine for policemen, firemen, railroad men, or any other class of people exposed to danger or a change of weather, ever discovered. Since my recovery I have recommended it everywhere, and never knew a case where it failed either to cure or benefit. I would not be without it under any consideration, and I am positive it is a wonderfully valuable and at the same time entirely harmless remedy. Indeed, I see that Dr. Gunn, dean of the United States Medical College of New York, endorses it in the highest terms.'

So you experience little difficulty in the execution of your duties now, Mr. Curtin,

"None whatever. Our department was never in better condition than at present." "And do you never have any fear of some of the desperadoes whom you have been the

means of bringing to justice?' "Not in the least. Such men do not try to retaliate, partially because they have not the courage, but oftener because they respect

an officer who does his duty. The policemen, firemen, letter carriers and other public employes in this country have a particularly trying life. When, therefore, a simple and pure remedy that can re store and sustain the health of all such men is found, it should be cause for great congratulation, especially when recommended by such a man as Superintendent Thomas Curtin, of Buffalo.

Meeting at Bethany.

Bethany Baptist church, five miles west of Springville, has had a good meeting, embracing the fourth Sabbath in September. On account of the illness of his wife Bro. A. J. Waldrop, our pastor, could not be with us. We were at a loss to know what to do for a preacher, but the verdict or the church was, that we must hold a meeting, and every one said, Let us work and trust God tor Dio Lewis Monthly. Frank Seaman Publa ble-sing. We began by holding a prayer meeting Friday night. We had preaching morning and night every day for five days. The Lord were converted. Four await baptism, and I am informed that several othwho are very much interested, but heve not found peace. May God bless and save all who are truly pen-LEVI MCBRAYER. Springville, Oct. 5th.

In reading, or even in thinking about he atonement, we are so apt to stantly asking ourselves the question, What has this to do with me? and

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45. Tallapoosa River-G. W. Gregory noderaror, Dadeville; M. E. Parker, clerk Notasulga. Meets with Salem church, Fr day before the 4th Sabbath in Oct. (Oct. 26). 54. Zion-P. L. Moseley, moderator, Conecuh River; J. F. Jones, clerk, Conecuh River, Meets with Bluff Springs church, Saturday before the 3rd Sabbath in October

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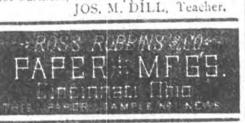
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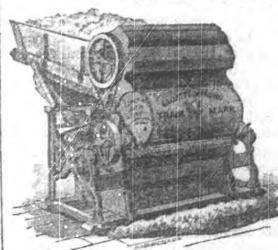
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"He wants to run us in on castor would willingly have taken the oil to get the brandy.

"No, I'm square," replied Spillit. "Take my drink and I'm with you." The boys agreed, and stood along the bar. Every one turned to Spillit, and regarded him with interest.

me a glass of water." "What, water!" The boys exclaimed. "Yes, water. It's a new drink on me, I admit, and I expect it's a

scarce article. Lemme tell you how I came to take it. Several days ago, as a passel of us went fishing, we took a fine chance of whiskey along, an' had a heap of fun. Long toward evenin' I got powerful drunk, an' crawled under a tree an' went to sleep. The boys drank up all the whiskey an' came back to town. They thought it a good joke cause they'd left me out thar drunk, and told it around town with a mighty bluster. My son got hold of the report and told it at home. Well, I laid under that tree all night an' when I woke in the morning thar sot my wife right thar by me. She didn't say a word when I woke up, but she sorter turned her head away. I got up and looked at her. She still didn't say nothin', but I could see that she was chokin'

"I wish I had suthin to drink." "Then she tuck a cup what she fotch with her, an' went down to whar a spring biled up, an' dipped up a cupful an' fotch it to me, Jes as she was handin' it ter me she leaned over to hide her eyes, an' I seed a tear drop in the water. I tuck the cup an' drunk the water and the tear. an' raisin' my hands I vowed that would never after drink my wife's tears agin; that I had been drinking them for the last twenty years, and that I was going to stop. You boys know who it was that left me drunk. You were all in the gang. Give me another glass of water, Mr. Bartender." -- Arkansaw Traveller.

#### "None Of My Business."

is a large and wealthy church; it Upon this, the tiger began to reflect matters not of what denomination. within himself: "As long as this Mu The clergyman in charge teaches his ni lives, everybody will know from people to love God and their neighbors, and the people have, apparently, fore, I must get rid of him." But endeavored to learn the lesson. They the Muni, seeing the tiger ready to are generous in their gifts to church- spring, said, "Wicked tiger, be thou work, to the poor, and to charitable a mouse again." And so it was; and organizations. It is a congregation, the mouse wan presently picked up too, in which there is much refine- by a bird, and never came down ment of taste, culture and kindly feel- again. - In Thirlwall's Letters to a ing, and hence but little gossip.

A few months ago a young lad Tin Sets in modern shapes, as well as low came to this city from the country, and found employment in a flour and feed store. He had no friends, had brought no letters of introduction. His first week in town was lonely en ugh. He worked all day, slept and ate in a cheap boarding house with twenty other lads, all "a little fast.

When Sunday came, in accordance with a promise to his mother, he went to church-his heart full of homesickness-rem mbering with a thrill of pleasure, the petry little village chapel where all the triends and neighb rs wor hipped side by side, and the cordial greeting among them

when s rvice was over. Doubtl so it would be the same in he city church. The people of G d were alike every wh re Samebody would notice the poor, strange lad, lie?" and would hold out a helping hand to him, possibly ask him to his house and make life seem a little less bare. and duty easier for him.

He went, but nobody seem d to see him at all, though the crowds of well-dressed people, when s.rvice was over, sm led and spoke to each fashionable lie. other as they passed from the doors of the sanctuary.

He was a stranger in a strange land, and felt it more bitterly in this house of God than in his boarding trons, with sons of their own. He its original matter. It is comparabrushed past him in silence.

church society," but added to him- writing part of editing a paper is but carp weighed three pounds last fall;

steps unsteady.

ward road! If somebody would to write at all." speak to him, even now, it might do some good."

She hesitated. The boy looked at are treated with unusual success apiece. her wistfully, thinking she was a little by World's Dispensary Medical Asclaims now paid. Send stamp for New Laws and blanks. Col. L. BINGHAM, Att'y since 1865 for Claims & Patents, Washington. D. C. sepaoóm. like his mother. But she hurried into sociation, But church, thinking that really it was or pamphlet. like his mother. But she hurried into sociation, Buffalc, N. Y. Send stamp raising carp in ponds supplied with

none of her business after all. In many churches are such things

What should be the motto written over their altars—the words of Jesus, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself?" or the words of Cain, "Am I my brother's keeper?"- Youth's Companion.

#### It is Better.

Better to wear a calico dress without trimming, if it be paid for, than to owe the shopkeeper for the most toper of long standing and abundant elegant silk, cut and trimmed in the

Better to live in a log cabin al your own, than a brown stone mansion belonging to somebody else. Better walk forever, than run into

debt for a horse and carriage. Better to sit at a plain table, for which you paid three dollars ten years ago, than send home a new extension, black-walnut top, and promise to pay oil and brandy," said the Judge, who for it next week. Better to use the old cane-seated chairs, and faded twoply carpet, than tremble at the bills sent home from the upholsterer for the most elegant parlor set ever made. Better meet your business ac-

quaintances with a free "don't-oweyou-a-cent" smile, than to dodge "Mr. Bartender," said Spillit, give around the corner to escape a dun. Better to pay the street organgrinder two cents for music, if you

> Better to gaze upon bare walls, than pictures unpaid for.

must have it, than to owe for a grand

Better to eat thin soup from earthen ware, if you owe your butcher nothing, than to dine off lamb and roast beef and know that it does not belong to you.

Better to let your wife have a fit of hysterics, than to run in debt for nice new furniture, or clothes, or jewelry -Selected.

#### Indian Fable.

"A base person should not be raised to high estate."

In the forest of the South once lived a very holy Muni, who, by extraordinary austerities, had gained almost unlimited powers over nature. He was also a kind-hearted man. One day he saw a crow carrying off a little mouse. He bade the crow give t up, and reared it with grains of rice until it had grown up to full mousehood. One day, as the mouse spawn in the summer; the eggs are was playing near him, it saw a cat, sticky, and cling to grass, twigs, &c., nouse," said the Muni, "be thou a spired terror, but felt none, until one day a big dog came up. Puss put up her back in horror. "Poor pussy," said the Muni, "be thou a dog." And so it was. "Who is afraid now." thought the dog. But one day, having seen a tiger prowling about, he came to the Muni with his tail between his legs. "Poor dog," said the Muni, "be thou a tiger." And so is was. The tiger staid with the Muniwho thought of him only as a pe mouse. Seeing them together peosaid: "Ah! there is the saint and the In a flourishing inland city, there tiger that was once a little mouse." what a low condition I sprang. There

#### Taught to Lie.

friend.

Says the Observer : A boy of twelve years of age, who seemed disposed to emulate the character of George Washington, in one respect at least, was brought up before the police magistrate at Jefferson Market Court recently. His mother had placed him as a servant with a lady at Long Branch, and he ran away. On being arraigned, the ustice asked,-

"Did not the lady treat you well? "Yes sir," the boy replied.

"Did she give you a good home?" "Yes sir." "Then why did you not stay with

"Because she made me tell lies. "Tell lies!" said the surprised jus-"How did she make you tell

"When people called to see her she m de me say to them that she was not at home when she was at home," replied the little fellow.

The boy was sent to the Juvenile Asylum, but nothing was done to the livy who had taught him to tell the

#### Editorship.

The Louisville Courier-Journal aptly says; "Some people estimate house. Among the crowd were kind, the ability of a periodical and the ed they swam nearly on top of the fatherly old men, sweet-faced ma- talent of its editor by the quantity of watched them eagerly, but they tively an easy task for a frothy writer to string out a column of words upon inches long and they keep pretty Nobody even asked him to come any and all subjects. His ideas may close to the bottom of the pond; that again. But he did go again, occupy- flow in one weak, washy, everlasting is where the water is about one foot ing the same seat during the winter flood, and the command of his lan- deep. How many thousands I have cured a case of chills and fever of four years' stand-Sabbaths. Some of the members of guage may enable him to string them got, I cannot say; perhaps fifty thouthe church noticed him at last, and together like bunches of onions, and sand. I expect I will have a hunasked who he was. One even said, yet his paper may be but a meager dred thousand in about one week Elixir, send fifty cents and get a bottle by express. "Somebody should ask him to join a and poor concern. Indeed, the mere from this date, June 18th. My old self, "Brother A- will see to it. It's a small portion of the work. The at this date they weigh about four none of my business." Brother A- care, the time employed in selecting pounds. Two weeks ago I put four had the same vague idea, but left it is far more important, and the fact of young carp in a cold spring and they to Brother D-, it being none of his a good editor is better shown by his have not grown one eighth of an inch selections than anything else; and yet, while their brothers and sisters The lad, finding no welcome in the that, we know, is half the battle. are two inches long in my warm pond. church, made acquaintance with the But, we have said, an editor ought to The carp must have warm water to boys in his boarding-house, went with be estimated, his labor understood grow and thrive well. I have one of them on Sunday to the park, to a and appreciated by the general con- the finest carp ponds in Lehigh Co., boat-race, and at last to a dog fight. In the fall, one Sunday, a group of drunken young men gathered in front drunken young men gathered in front drunken young men gathered in front ness, its dignity and its propriety. of the church; among them was our To preserve these as they should be Farmer will not get scared when I country lad, his face pale, his eyes preserved is enough to occupy fully tell them next fall that my six month dull from the effects of liquor, his the time and attention of any man. old carp are seven inches long and If to this be added the general super- weigh one pound. If God spares my "Is not that the young man who vision of the details of publication life awhile yet I will construct a large used to sit next to us?" said one lady, which most editors have to encoun"Poor fellow! He's on the down ter the wonder is how the fellow and deep pond where I will fatten Lien Notes and Chat. Mort-"Poor fellow! He's on the down- ter the wonder is how they find time my carp for the market. In the sec-

Cancers and other Tumors

## FARM AND HOUSEHOLD.

The European Carp. The great interest which is being manifested in Fish Culture, and particularly the propagation of carp, figures in regard to this rapidly grow-

ordinary fishes, called "scale carp;" scales in a band on each side of the body; and the "naked carp," which of the back, and a soft velvety skin on the rest of the surface. It is "na ked carp" that is most largely propagated here, though some of the two other classes were brought from Ger

The first successful importation was made in May, 1877, when 345 young carp were brought to New York. They spent their first season in ponds made for them at Baltimore, and were removed to the government carp ponds at Washington in 1878. These ponds cover about twelve acres, in the vicinity of the monu-

ment. The carp is propagated very readily. and reared with ease. A fish weigh ing five pounds lays from 400,000 to 500,000 eggs, and one of twice that weight will deposit the enormous for food. The carp, on this account, is harmless to other fish. Prof. Baird has written: "The food fish indigebeen most widely distributed in the smaller ponds and lakes, is the large mouthed black bass. This fish is very carnivorous, preying upon almost all species in the same waters. Even the pickerel is said to decrease rapidly when in contact with it. The neces sity of fish food is always a bar to a great increase of numbers among fishes, particularly in small bodies of water." Contrariwise, the carp do not decrease the number of other fish, but will supply them with food if it is thought desirable to grow them in the same waters with carnivorous

The carp accommodates itself read ily to conditions that are considered unfavorable for the growth of most "They are equally at home in lakes and streams, and in the merest puddles and ditches, and are found in the latitude of St. Petersburg as well as in Italy and Northern Africa.' To any farmer who has a small stream in which a pond may be made at a trifling expense, the growing of carp is heartily recommended. The fish is a rapid grower, and especially so in American waters. A carp in its fourth year will weigh nine or ten pounds here, while those in Europe of the same age are about half as large. It grows more rapidly in the south than at the north. In New York and its latitude the season's growth of a young carp averages not tar from three pounds.

The young carp are sent out in tin cans holding a gallon of water and twenty fish For larger shipments, en-gallon cans are employed, which accommodate 150 to 200 fish. It has been found that the autumn is the best season to distribute, as they are then better able to bear the transportation than in the spring. Those who enjoy delicately-flavored fish for the table, and can grow carp, should take the necessary steps to stock a pond and add fish-growing to the list of farm operations,

Mr. D. N. Kern of Lehigh Co., Pa, who has given considerable attention er tonics, cathartics, aromatic stimulants and blood to carp culture writes as follows to a by druggists generally.

contemporary: "My six breeding carp commenced to spawn about the middle of May. When the little carp were first hatchwater, but now they are three weeks old and some are two inches long, the on Elixir at the same time permanently relieved me of a most severe case of Piles of many years' ond summer I can make them grow so fast on corn meal and lettuce that they will weigh over three pounds

A southern farmer who has been surface water makes the following

suggestions about constructing ponds: "A dam is thrown across the lower end of a hollow; the dams are made entirely of soil or earth; this is the best material to make a dam of, and is also the cheapest. The sides of the dam should have a slope of at leads us to collect a few facts and least 45 degrees. I do not use any stone or wood (except to overflow or ing industry. A correspondent of the drain) on this kind of a pond. I try Country Gentleman gives the follow- to have no stones or pieces of wood lying around near the ponds, for these The artificial propagation and are only places of shelter for some of culture of fish is a great and growing the enemies to the fish, and an inindustry in the United States, and no ducement for snakes, craw-fish, etc., species is of more importance than to harbor near the ponds. The deepthe distinguished immigrant Europe- est part of the pond should be at an carp, Ciprinus carpio. This fish least eight feet; then it should run is being rapidly propagated in the na- out shallow on the sides all around, tional carp ponds at Washington, and or as much so as possible. It is betdistributed to all parts of the country. ter to have the shallow places in the In view of the importance of this gov- pond on the north and west sides; ernment enterprise, especially to here the sun will strike the water earfarmers who may have a pond at their ly in the day, and if shallow will disposal, or the "makings" of one, it warm it up quicker. The carp will may not be amiss to look into the his always be found in the part of the tory and characteristics of the fish. pond where it is the warmest; here It is closely related to the gold fish, they find most of their nourishment, or red-fish, shiner, and several other and it is in the warm shallow places fish common in the lakes and streams where most nourishment is produced, of America. The carp has been such as insects, etc. Toward the grown artificially for centuries, and cool part of the day and evening, the like many domesticated animals, it carp retire to the deeper parts of the has developed several distinct varie- pond (where it is then the warmest) ties. Of these there are three lead | and so do the insects that were hatching groups-those with scales, like ed or bred during the day. There should be no gravel or stone in the the "mirror carp," with very large deepest part of the pond. Spade up well the bottom of a new pand before the water is let in. Have as much has only a few scales along the top surface water flow into the pond as possible; more nourishment is in this than in spring water, especially when it flows from pastures. There should be a ditch around a carp pond."

#### Yield Of Green Fodder.

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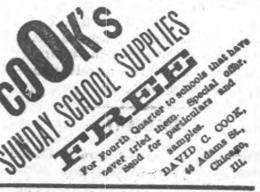
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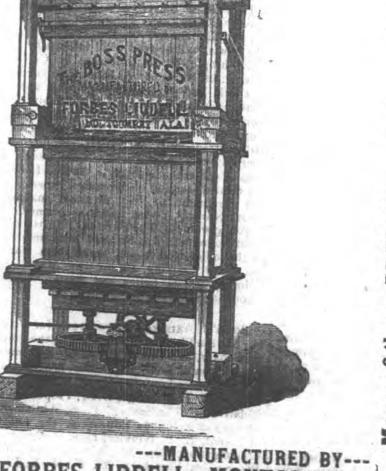
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