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Why This Waste?.

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BAPTIST by J. J. D. Renfroe.) TEXT:- "To what purpose is this waste?"

It was on an occasion when our Savior was in Bethany at a feast in the house of one Simon a leper, that these words were spoken. There came a woman—a lover of Jesus—one of the Marys, into the feast with an alabaster box of very precious ointment and

poured it on his head as he sat at meat. You cannot read the story as found in the gospels without seeing its transcendent beauty; but the indignant objector was there, and the plausible question was raised, "To box of spikenard was worth forty-five or fifty dollars, a costly sacrifice for a woman to make, and that too when there was no necessity for it. Jesus did not need it; the poor did need it; why such a waste? Matthew says, "The deciples had indignation," and raised this objection; Mark says "There were some that had indignation within themselves and made the objection; but John says that "the objection came from Judas Iscariot which should betray him." And all this only shows that the captious complaining of one bad man may implicate good men, and lead them for a time into the wrong spirit. But

Jesus understood the matter, and

boldly said that it was not because

Judas cared for the poor that he

urged the doctrine of waste, but be-

cause he carried the bag and had

what was in it, and was a thief at

But in the light of the usual objections to the benvolences of Christianity, I stand here to-day to urge the objection of Judas, least to ask you if it does not seem quite reasonable? I come as a citizen of state, as a minister of the gospel, as a friend of the poor, as a man in sympathy with the highest wants of the world, as a believer and as an enemy to waste, and I ask the question-and I urge that question, "To what purpose is all this waste?" I call this congreof five hundred people to answer, every man for himself, in the sight of God and in view of the wants of the world, to what purpose is this waste which our religion demands every year and every day? Here you are according to your annual custom, having called men and women away from their nomes and from the business of life. You have thirty churches in this body, and there are fifty-six white Baptist associatiods and about one thousand and four hundred churches in the State; at this season once a year they come together by delegates, leaving business, spending money, and with much fatigue and wear and tear, time is wasted, and secular life is neglected. To what purpose is this

and here are the costly church houses, and stoves, and Bibles, and their God, and then your jails will be You who talk about waste are the hymn books. And here are their useless, your court houses will only men who underrate the soul. They and agents and secretaries, who much of legislation will pass away, pulses of the heart of that minister of told the story in another part of the come to your churches and associa- and countless civil officials will have the Gospel, who gives his life in sa- State, and the people came forward tions, and plead and beg and dog after you for money, money! vance of the relgion of Christ, drive souls. As Jesus was sent into the money in his hands to be sent to her. to support all these and many more things "too tedious to mention," To what purpose is all this waste? to this business of raising money to Again I ask, what is a soul worth? together, and running over." "He What good does it do? Could not carry forward the cause of the Re- Will not anybody agree that the hap- that gives grudgingly, shall also rethe world get on very well without deemer, and let the Judas cry of piness of a soul in heaven is worth 50 ceive grudgingly." And that's the reaall this squandering of the people's waste prevail over the land, and we cents a year, or one dollar a year? son why we have so much leanness in money and time? We could use this shall see jails increase, and all other Ask those immortal spirits who have the land and in the churches. Oh! money so much better. We could places of imprisonment will also in- already been there hundreds and even what a blessed privilege to make for fix up our homes, we could dress our crease, crime will increase, and every thousands of years; and ask those that yourselves friends of the mammon of families better, we could get them branch of civil service will be de- are lost in the world of darkness, would unrighteousness! Will we ever again luxuries, we could buy tobacco and bauched; taxation will be infinitely it not be worth fifty cents a year to ask, "To what purpose is this waste whisky, and have a good time gener- more crushing. There is not one be in heaven? Very well, at this esti- of the ointment?" Will we not rather ally, and perchance we could do dollar used to support religion in mate when two million of years shall so live and give, that Jesus as he sits something for the poor, and at any Alabama to ten dollars used for tax- have passed away, one soul will have over against the treasury, will say of rate we might fill the money "bag." ation growing out of crime. Chris- had one million dollars' worth of us as he did of Mary, "She hath done To what use is this waste? Is it not tianity is the cheapest system of civil heavenly bliss! What then shall we what she could?" What a glorious ima loss to the State, a loss to our civil reform ever introduced to the world. say of the countless number of souls mortality is this! It is not a waste! It rights, a loss to society, a loss to The best way to lessen our taxes is who gain heaven for eternal ages? is a good work wrought on the body business, a loss to our families, a loss to expend money in teaching men They are company which can not be of our adorable Master. Go thou and to the world? Our present practices | the principles of virtue and religion. | numbered; and are right or they are wrong; if they We need courts, and law, and officials. are wrong they ought to be abandon- and tribunals of equity and honor, ed. If the Judases are right and all | but we must look to the influence of this is waste, we ought to get up a a pure Christianity to relieve us of universal "indignation" and put an the great civil burdens of life. Men end to this whole business, and send plead their povery and talk about these begging preachers home and the waste of religious institutions; let them be gone forever. And rest you are not too poor to pay for trifles, assured, my hearers, that the Judases | not too poor to pay for luxuries, not | leader of modern missions-that are still living; they have an unbroken | too poor to pay taxes; but the same | grandest of missionary names - Carey, succession. They are in almost every man will plead his poverty at the with which you have honored your meeting; they love to go, especially to door of the house of God, and talk own association, could you ask Carey Baptist associations, and there ob- about waste. jecting, and carping and croaking, They will tell you that it takes twothirds of the money to get one-third

That is if we care anything about what would be his answer but that of low Christ. The lives of the early their piety.

of the religion of Christ, I denlare the like," He replied, "I want socie- Can any man tell how old God is, a design in the existence of churches is a grand saving, and that put my family where they cannot the mind to attempt to think on such important it is that we shall have the Let us look into this great matter man may care nothing for himself, us. I assume that as the odour from dren, his feelings demand society for And the soul must live while God did he do? are questions suggesting Elder G. W. Mills, Text, I Cor. the roost." cious spikenard filled the house with | there is no good society where the ry aroma of the offerings of God's Where is a man worthy of the name, shall be a sacrifice of a sweet smell family a home where there are no

order of human happiness and prosthe Word of God for giving to his
tutes the grandeur of material glory.
The Baptists of the State must go

The Baptist church at 11 o'clock a. m., that I have discussed. glory, I would call upon them to ing as the Lord has prospered us is forth with their boxes of precious cessities of life. He ate and he drank, Sabbath, and Bro. Giles, of the Shel- In some churches the whole quesfear God and keep his command- no exemption from the tithing rule, ointment, and fill the land with the by Association, at the same hour in tion is left to the pastor; he converses

ments, and to make an outlay of but is in spirit a reaffirmation of that odor of their consecrated offices of friendships, he accepted hospitalities; the Methodist church. At 2 o'clock in private with the applicants, advises

withheld the Lord's tenth, national promise; and from that time he has they could not sing the songs of Zion pers him. It is not waste. The in a strange land, and where they Lord loves a cheerful giver. were made to feel the keenest stings ious disgrace.

ed is that nation whose God is the God's people, and invite you to consid- to bless the world with holy annoint- things to enjoy in righteousness and nation, but sin is a reproach unto al blessings and as leading to our say that it is a waste? No, brethren, it the Christian finds that he must ob-Protestant Germany, is the outcome of the degree of service rendered to God. The glory of the nation will be found to be in precise agreement with the degree of faithfulness in serving God and honoring his Holy Word. God has blessed our nation above them all, and from a national standpoint and for national reasons, give a tenth of all to God's cause. Woe to our land when our people and our government conclude that they House can get along without God! Alas for our country when we shall assume that the cost of religious institutions

make a political speech.

standpoint we shall see that all this is done for him? I ask, is it possible to before God. It is all right according no waste. Get your people to keep estimate the value of a soul? You ex- to God's mode of reckoning values. God's law, to remember the Sabbath amine a horse or a piece of land to It is no waste according to bank acday to keep it holy, to love mercy, to estimate its value; will you examine a counts. Bro. Bailey was pleading this do justly, and to walk humbly with soul and tell me what it is worth? great cause in North Alabama, and a be needed to settle misunderstand- that call on the vain world for help, ings, there will not be needed a peni- | and who live pr the world, and comtentiary in any state, the criminal plain about the expensiveness of recode will be quite out of use, very ligion, are utterly oblivious of the imbut little to do. But stop the ad- cred consecration to the effort to save uninvited and placed a handful of these ministers into secular life, close world so he hath sent his servants "Give and it shall be given to you, these church houses, and put an end into the world to save souls.

they often put in their powerful plea, cial standpoint it is not a waste to pay and sacrifice, and the contributions "To what purpose is all this waste?" liberally to the support of religion. of thy brethren to sustain thee?"

that it is no waste—that it ty for my family; I am not willing to and how old he shall be? It staggers in all ages. Therefore we see how without it everything goes to waste. have good social advantages." A a subject. closely for it concerns every one of but when he thinks of wife and chilits hallowed sweetness, so the saluta- religion of the Bible does not exist. people for the spread of the gospel, who would be willing to furnish his

and became a mighty people. But had bought some land and needed

IV. But I have reasoned thus far of national humiliation and of relig- from a temporal standpoint. Why should I longer detain this body with The history of the Israelites such a temporal view of this great the Gospel is there is woman by the and lifts manhood to a plane where A Better Plan Needed-Who Will is the history of all nations. "Bless- subject? Why not address you as side of man, and springing forward it can see that God has given us all Lord." "Righteousness exasteth a er the question in view of our spiritu- ing. Will any man turn Judas and in honor of God's glory." And so any people." The greatness of our spiritual home? Stand with me and country, and of England, and of look over yonder to that house not made with hands eternal in the heav-

ens! "There is a land of pure delight, Where saints immortal reign; Eternal day excludes the night, And pleasures banish pain.' "There everlasting spring abides, And never fading flowers."

In consideration of that home can we think of waste? I appeal to youthe whole American people ought to there is no waste in giving to the cause of him who hath prepared for us a place in the Mansions of that

In view of the value of the soul and the soul's eternal home, I insist most earnestly that there is no waste in all is a waste! But I did not come to our outlay for the spread of the Gospel. "Jesus who was rich, for our proposition let me remark, that if his poverty might be rich." He laid ful servants." These prayers and this we look at the subject from a civil down his life for us; what have we

"When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun; We've no less days to sing God's praise, Than when we first begun.

"Millions of years around shall roll Our song shall still go on!" Away then with this ida of waste. Away ye Judases; God help you and forgive you! Could you ask the great the question, "To what purpose was III. But I remark that from a so- the waste of thy toil and privation

'Imagination's utmost stretch.

In wonder dies away!"

"God's eternal years are her's." And so it has pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe. And it has pleased him If I were a statesman with a national influence, or if I were at the head of a nation, and wanted my people to a nation and wanted my people to a nation, and are national natio

money and service equal to the de- rule. No man will find it any waste love to man and love for God. We he was often in the society of sinners, p. m. Bro. W. N. Huckabee preached them, satisfies himself and then, mands of God's cause. Whatever to give one-tenth. It will in every should meet the responsibility like and so complied with the innocent in the Baptist church, and a call be- when the applicant comes before the might be held as relating to eternity, case be a paying expenditure. I men called of God to occupy till the demands of social life. And yet he ing made for a sermon in the Meth- church, he relates the experience for whatever the cost of the appliances knew a man to promise the Lord coming of our blessed Lord. And did not conform to anything sinful or dist church, Rev. W. H. Watson, pas- the applicant and suggests to the used, if in harmony with God's Word, that he would give one dollar for then the whole world from the rising harmful in the society of the Baptist church at Randolph, schurch what is the best course to every bale of cotton that he made. to the setting sun, cries, "Come over When seated at the table of the Phar- was sent to perform that service. I pursue. This plan has its objection-How was it with the Israelites? The first year he made nine bales and help us." The knowledge of God issees and sinners of distinction, he heard Bro. Falkner in the morning, able features too much respon-The order of God's law to them as a and kept his promise; the second and his Christ is to cover the earth, did not abruptly denounce the occa- His text was Isaiah 9:6,7. It was a sibility is laid on the pastor, especialnation was that they should give a year he made nineteen bales with the and we are parties to the glorious good sermon. I also heard Bro. ly if he be an ardent, sanguire man, tenth of their increase. So long as same force and he kept his promise; achievement. And behold how we which should forever control such Watson in the evening. Text, John always anxious to "count" new they regarded and obeyed this law the third year he made forty-six already enjoy the blessings! You love festal occasions, and always made it 6:26-40. He spoke for thirty minutes. they had great national prosperity bales, and then came the test; he and respect mother, wife, daughter, a point to submit the rules of an or- Every eye was fastened on him. sister. Look at the women of our der of righteousness equal, pure, and His analysis was plain, his arguments when they began to inquire, "To the money to help pay for it. He land. Here they are. How the Gos- exalted. He is present at the mar- strong, and his conclusions Renfroe has been pastor for a long pel has blessed these Marys and Mar- riage, mingles quietly with the people, appropriate. He made no al- time; will he favor us with an article thas. But go with me into China, and seizes the opportunity not to op- lusions to himself, lost no time in the ALABAMA BAPTIST? I hope he ruin came, and they were led off into gone on with that sort of liberality where after numberless ages woman pose the festivities of the hour, but to in making excuses, but earncaptivity where they were held as and has gotten to be quite wealthy, is hid away as the mere slave and manifest forth the glory of God. prisoners for long ages, and where but he still gives as the Lord pros- plaything of man. What makes this In the language of a great English and water of life to saint and sinner. difference? O thou glorious Gospel of Preacher, "Jesus in the only true He was followed by Eld. A. Andrews the blessed God, thou hast lifted woman to the work of Mary with her of nature. In regenerating the heart of the body was one of the most sucalabaster box! Where the Gospel is and life he regenerates the world, cessful ever held. not, woman is down-trodden; where changes man's attitude to the world. lives I would give them to this cause. Working in this cause makes us hap- est in the sight of all men; in society py. It thrills our hearts with joy here, he is to keep himself pure and unand with the sublimest anticipations spotted from the world; he must not of the joy to come. I would say to be overtaken in the world's faults; these young ministers, Preach the he is to control himself in right-doing. word, give yourselves wholly to the If the world demands that he shall work. I would say to these old min- break away from Christian restraints, isters, Continue to preach to the very he is to resist the temptation, and last. God is carrying you as lambs assert his Christian manhood. He in his bosom. You have sowed the will find that every step of a life of precious seeds in the morning of your conformity to the life of his Savior is lives, go now and sow in the evening. | elevating and strengthening. Every God will cause it to spring up and p bear fruit when you are beyond the Model brings more of confidence. skies. It is no waste to labor for more of devotion to his Master, more Christ; it is no waste to give to his of hope for the world's reformation, cause. These "tears are bottled" in and more of desire to glorify God. heaven. These labors will receive the II. And yet kindred to the above sakes became poor, that we through plaudit, "Well done, good and faith-

money given will go up as a memorial poor widow with a large family, who supported her children by her own labors in the field, came forward with tears and claimed the privilege of putting her only 25 cents into the treasury of the Lord. Bro. Bailey full measure, pressed down, shaken

do likewise. For the Alabama Baptist. Christ Our Exemplar.

The duty of obedience to the divine commandments may be conceded. even when there is not a proper recognition of the demand on us for the to a close, and I find plenty to do at his people. He is the Great Teacher | themselves to the church that they

life of our Lord ever before us. What convened with the church at Ran- dreamed," said he, "that I saw a of him, so that in me they may see a lessons to the Christian which we 6:13. dare not neglect, and lessons which Organized by re-electing old offi the New Testament. And since we Rev. H. E. Longerier, clerk; K. Wells, find ourselves in the world and living treasurer. to ordain that they who preach the on the world's bounty, the question

sense was a man of the world, a child in a few happy remarks. The session Had I ten thousand serve society and business; but in business he is to provide things honof faithfulness to the Divine

Our Young Members.

Bro. Editors: I have just returned from a very pleasant and interesting session of the Canaan Association, held in Birmingham. A good many and zealously discussed; yet my which I thought could have been more fully emphasized, namely: 'my speech," I never speak in pubing for publications. However, important questions sometimes arise which cause me to desire ability to who have never been delegates, along with the experienced and talented to use the prominent members for many who would be useful lie dormant; or if of an inquiring nature, finding nothing to do, they turn their attention to something of a more worldly character. If we desire the not wait until his name has been en-

Unity Association.

estly presented Christ the "bread"

Suggest it?

It is a question that has vexed my tions that might be asked.

tended to say, and went away from ing in "Debating Societies," &c. I need from the same cause. thought then, I think now, that that method was not the best one, especialoften in tears, and will answer any few cannot occupy it. leading question that pastor or deacon may ask then, and often answer now trying to get a pastor, and we do it just in the way the interrogator believe that with a godly, carnest, urably ceased to expect or require it. must for a time have outside help.

material in our Baptist churches and the salvation of souls. The work of young members. I say I think much of it comes in at doors too loosely tyled. The following ic; neither am I accustomed to writ- will illustrate, and it is a real case:

saw it occur: It was in a meeting of days, the feeling of excitement was running write. But to the idea. I notice that high, a good many were asking for our churches send very nearly the prayer, reported conversions were same brethren every year to the asso- numerous, "the door of the church ciation. Would it not be better to was opened" daily. A little girl came send about two or three each year forward and offered herself for baptism; no one knew her; her father and mother were not members of the members? We are too much inclined | church and were absent. The child swered in the negative, others in the mediately fixed my attention.

A young man, grown up and with lay, a likeness of its loveliness. come from God, and in the life which are ready to do something for the beard, had presented himself for exhe lived we have an illustration of the cause of Christ. Churches should amination, asking baptism; the house in me as I watched her. Not in this lessons which he taught by the word not neglect to utilize the talents of was crowded; many ungodly persons manner, but in another and a hobler of his mouth. Hence we are to fol- younger members and thus develop were present to take advantage of way, am I too, called on to labor to thirds of the money to get one-third to its destination. These agents and secretaries and boards get such large salaries—to what purpose is all this waste?

Take notice that it was Judas who made the objection in the text, and the objection in the text, and the many propose of the spikenard of the interval and the disciples glad when the worship of God many commentaries and exhibitions of the interval and the allow Christ. The lives of the early christians were supposed to be so many commentaries and exhibitions of the life of their Master. "For me to live is Christ to five is Christ to five again among men. He understood it looks and the worship of the church when he heard the minister made the objection in the text, and you must not fail to observe the success of Judas.

Now, my friends, for the sake of fairness I sometimes speak on both sides of a question, and so here all I take the side of Mary and asaling I take the side o

The Unity Baptist Association on which he founded his hope. "I am I called upon to be a revelation

was his mind, what was his spirit, dolph on Friday, 5th Oct. The in- great company of angels; they were witness, faint and far off though it be. what was his heart-work, and what troductory sermon was preached by about the size of turkeys sitting on to the glory of the only-begotten Son may be learned in the simple story of cers: Rev. J. Falkner, moderator; gation and outside world were not till, when thou shall appear, I shall

before the Almighty, and for all peo- Christian influences? If we want Gospel shall live of the Gospel shall live of the Gospel Grand of Missions, was present order," is the apostolic injunction; if W. C. Cleveland, D. D., President all things be done decently and in Christendom, opportunities are before us. The world as not abusing it; how are we to and was received in his official ca- the "decently" may be made to refer with it. It is not waste! This I pro- after we are in our graves, we must most wonderful possibilities are with- meet the obligations of secular life, pacity. He made a fine impression to the use of tobacco by Christians, pose to demonstrate by the use of sustain the religion of Christ at any in our reach. These mountains of and still conform to the example of on all. The various objects fostered and I think it may, the "in order" recost. These boys and girls will fill Alabama are rich in untold deposits our Lord Jesus Christ? And here we by the body received attention. fers, among other things, to the loose I. If we view the subject from a national standpoint, it is no waste.

In the standpoint of coming wealth. They are soon to self use the morid? Did not our bless-tendance, who were hospitably enterned, and your lovely value of coming wealth. They are soon to self use the world? Did not our bless-tendance, who were hospitably enterned and improper manner of many church-tendance, who were hospitably enterned.

the resources of heaven in held with the church at Harmony, ds, it was as the son of man commencing on Tuesday before the candidates upon their profession of the pastor and with him examine to serve ignominiously, or uselessly. How often do we hear about "the the life which his first Sabbath in October, 1884. faith; this plan is not free from object wear mass of the people;" as if the

I should like to have the best plan

Natchez a Field for Baptist

When the Master gave the great commission, we believe he intended exactly what is written, when he said, "Go disciple all nations, teachng them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you.' oll no little-How is the best way distinctive features of Baptist faith. of introducing candidates for bap- and that this observing whatsoever erimination it loses its force. Adjectism into the church? When I applied the Master has commanded, entirely tives are convenient and useful, but for membership, many years ago, I destroys the idea of nonessentials, for they are used in such excess, genercame before the whole church, was to observe and practice is obedience ally, as greatly to diminish their force. required "to stand up and give a re- to the Master, is essential, perhaps, lation of the work of the Lord upon it behooves those who hold such faith my poor soul," and answer any quest to use exertions to teach it whereever there is a door opened, especi-"Most distinctly I remember" that ally in a place where there are nearly

didn't say anything that I had in- 10,000 souls—such a place is Natchez. The whole Baptist heart of Missisbarrassed; yet I was twenty years old red to its core to redeem Catholic careful curbing. and had been in the habit of speak. New Orleans. So it has the same

Natchez has a few tried Baptists who are reaching out to their brethly with timid females and Sunday. ren, and sending forth the Macedonischool boys and girls. They are an cry, "Come over and help us." generally much moved, embarrassed, It is a large field and the struggling

Brethren, heed our cry. We are wants them to. As to "standing up" | practical pastor, a good work can be

Copying My Lord's Likeness,

Leaving my desk and books early one forenoon in Florence I wandered out into the Piazza, which was glowing in the fervent rays of the bright Italian sun, and making my way across the Arno, landed at length in the gallery of the Pitti Palace, so justly celebrated for the wondrous gems of art that adorn its walls. Having been a familiar visitor to the may we, Ac. And of his colleague place, and feeling somewhat in a pascould do nothing but sob and cry, sive, listless mood, my eye caught every purpose, while the faculties of The pastor asked her a number of sight of an artist in an inner room questions, some of which she an- whose quiet, earnest occupation imaffirmative; he submitted the matter had planted herself before a picture to the church—she was received and which, by some strange oversight, I yet if she made any profession of had scarcely ever previously noticed. usefulness of a member we should faith in Christ no one heard it. It was rather small in size and quiet Would it not have been far better in coloring, and represented ideally rolled five or ten years among the for the pastor to have had a rule re- the countenance of our blessed Lord list of names, thus saying by our ac quiring all persons wishing baptism A look of deep, unspeakable saoness tions to him, If you do pretty well to first confer with him and get his sat on the features, but the eye glisnow, through these series of years, approval? or wouldn't a committee tened with intensest yearning and why, then we will put you at some- or judicious brethren before whom compassion. After gazing for awhile thing—elect you treasurer or Sunday-school teacher. I speak from expe-amined, after having conferred with to watch the artist who was copying the pastor and having been approved, it. I could not but admire the care been still better? I have seen some and patience she displayed in adding things quite amusing and others quite touch to touch with such a watchful, exemplification of the pattern given present. There are not many who ludicrous occur in presence of large earnest, loving purpose, ever turning us in the life of our Lord. The Chris- are ready to volunteer their services congregations, where the examina- her eyes to the beautiful original, and after they become members, since tion of the candidate was had before absorbed in the task of endeavoring brance of Jesus as the Exemplar of they assure us by the act of attaching the whole church in open meeting. to reproduce, as faithfully as in her

A train of thought was awakened Because song drew less in that attention all I take the side of Mary and as sum that Judas was wrong. "Let about the society in the region has alone, she hath Judas was wrong. "Let about the society in the region has alone, she hath Judas was wrong. "Let about the society in the region has alone, she hath Judas was wrong. "Let about the society in the region has alone, she hath broken the could." True she hath broken the soul in view of its eternal career, and so the soul in view of its eternal career, and so the construction of the life which he death which he death and he to find particular time has alone, she hath broken the society and the society and churchs and schools and preacher when has alone, she hath broken the society and schools and preacher when has alone, she hath broken the society and schools and preachers. This case actual career, and so the society of the world a perpetual exemplification of the life which he death which he died, and the triumph which he gained. However far short of it the carly thurshes may have fallen, this exemplification was one of the grandest designs in their existence; and so it is the solution in private? This case actual career, and so that the society of the world a perpetual exemplification of the life which he answer to that death which he death which he died, and the triumph which he gained. However far short of it the carly thurshes may have fallen, this exemplification of the life which he alone with his bright example, and strive christian's support itself, was? The copy this artist will pocured, and he was received and the death which he died, and the triumph which he gained. However far short of it the carly thurshes may have fallen, this exemplification of the life which he alone with his bright example, and churchs support itself, was? The copy this artist will conscious of the purpose of the was? The copy this artist will some construction in the received the answer to that construction in the feath which he death which he death which he society is the Christian's support which is an extreme ca

his experience, a young man was tell- that sees not Christ, knows him not, Now I submit that these talks of Fill me with thy love, O Christ! May these young men before the congre- I ever dwell in thy heart with thee "unto edification," but rather damag- be altogether like thee when I shall ing to the cause of the Master, "Let see thee as thou art. - Evangelical

No. 48.

Abuse of Words.

AV REV. M. K. CROSS.

Words sometimes get into bad

"The great Head of the church" is almost universal in religious writing and speaking. In Paul's time it was enough to say, "The Head of the church." Why should it not be

enough now? People are often said to be "in dead earnest," or "dead in earnest." But if one is really in carnest, why is not that sufficient? What force does the word dead add to it?

People listen, we are told how often, to some eloquent speaker "with breathless attention." How long can one really listen without breathing? Is there no other word out breathless to signify intensity of inter-

How many thousand times have we been told that a thing "don't begin," when the fact is, it does begin, and does nothing more.

A new phrase has lately been started, which seems to be very popular, even among good writers, and threatens to have a long run, pic. "it goes without saying." If it goes without saying, why say it? as they always do.

The old Grecian hyperbole is a And believing this is one of the great useful and ornamental figure, in its You can safely skip one half of them, often more than half, especially discriptive and harrative works. We use superlatives when we need only positives, and positives when we need none. "The adjective so easily becomes exuberant," says the Philathe church greatly mortified and em- sippi and surrounding States is stir- delphia American, "that it needs

One of the worst abused of this class of words is "zery." A neighbor of mine often says, "very much indeed, very." The real meaning of

the word has dropped out by excessive use, and so it must be repeated. It reminds one of the Frenchman's grandissime, magnifique, pretty And here is the fine word cordial which has been made to do menial

service so long, in extending invitaand relating their experience in a done for our Lord; and that a useful tions to oxster suppers, fairs, sociasubjects pertaining to the advance- straight-forward manner, it is out of church can be built up here. But to bles, and the like, for the benefit of ment of Chrisiianity were very ably the question, and pastors have meas- build up and sustain the cause we churches, fire companies, and other benevolent societies, that its true speech was not made, or the ideas Why require what you can't obtain? We make it our daily prayer to the meaning has quite vanished from In my humble judgment we have a great Head of the church to send us a many minds. On a certain occasion more appropriately expressed and large per centage of unregenerated pastor whose work he will bless in the writer was requested to prepare a testimonial to a retiring pastor, and wrote,-- "We cordially commend him to the confidence of the churches." &c. The language was considered too weak for the occasion, and an effort was made to supplement it as follows: "We cordially and affectionately commend him," &c. That is according to Webster, "with real affection we affectionately commend," &c. Which reminds me of the good deacon who generally closed his prayer with-"and finally, at last, deacon, who often prayed that his minister might be "a long and lasting blessing for a great while to come.'

We recommend, especially to our young friends, whose literary habits are yetin a formative state, the careful study of our great American essayest, Ralf Waldo Emerson, simply to learn how many adjectives may be dispensed with without loss of strength, and with positive advantage. Also the writings of the equally eminent Thomas Carlyle, to learn how many superfluous and clumsy adjectives a really vigorous and original writer can crowd into his sentences. James Russell Lowell gives an excellent rule in his "Fable For Critics," applicable not only in writing and speaking, but in many other ways, to almost all of us. He is discribing one Who, with very good natural gifts, as a bard, Broke the strings of his lyre out by strik-And cracked half the notes of a truly fine

Ah men do not know how much strength is in poise;

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The following brethren have kindl consented to act as our agents in re ceiving and receipting for money du

Bro. M. G. Hudson, at Mobile Bro. W. S. Rogers, at Midway. Bro. W. A. Davis, at Eufaula. Bro. A. H. Borders, at Clayton. Bro. T. L. Jones, at Montgomery Bro. J. F. Fore, at Pine Apple. Bro. E. D. Creath, at Greenville. Bro. Jas. F. Edens, at Gadsden. Bro. J. T. Evens, at Warrenton. Bro. W. R. Sawyer, Evergreen,

W. P. WELCH, Trens.; E. T. WINKLER, JNO. L. WEST. Brethren desiring aid from this Board will

lege, and their bills are already due been paid before this time.

THE Unity Association made provision for the education of an excellent young man who is preparing for the work of the ministry. He will attend a good high school in Verbena. Bro. Wells will never regret his liberality. Would to God we had a thousand such men in Alabama.

To many it may appear entirely unwill reflect.

eration and careful supervision of

practice medicine, go to the legislat- missions. There is a growing interure, or to fill offices in the govern- est in education. Bro. Castleberry, ment. Within six months past we the pastor at Beulah, the church with have met more than half a hundred which we met, interested us much. earnest prayerful men of God, who We regretted our inability to convert are laboring for a support in their va- him on one point. We hope to see rious avocations, while, as best they him again. Brethren Harris, Pike, pray; it is God's to answer. can, they are filling the places of pas- and Watson are among the younger tors. They would gladly give them- ministry. We learned that there are selves and all their time to the work twenty-eight ordained ministers in the Cleveland that although the Alabama of the ministry. But they are Christian association, not half of whom are pas- Association has been badly mutilated, men and would not be regarded by tors. the Master as "worse than infidels." We were disappointed in not meet-They provide for their families, ing Judge Inzer of Ashville. Bro. to visit the sick, and to marry Bro. Falkner, a nephew of Bro. Judge wary" with incomistent Christians, proprietor of a large "Pottery." We lo, Brazil,

and to labor for the salvation of souls. In a word they perform all the duties | made us to understand the mysteries of pastors. In many cases they do not of making jugs, jars, &c. eceive two hundred dollars for serrice faithfully rendered. Some do not receive one hundred dollars. They must labor hard for "a living." The church at Beulah needs a mor They have no money with which to comfortable house of worship. buy papers, periodicals and books. ROVINGS AMONG NORTH They have little time for study and self-improvement. They find themselves falling behind, ceasing to be effective as preachers, and pastors. Many of them, after years of anxious

themselves fully to the service of the

Lord in the employ of the churches.

with whom we have talked and wept

and prayed, men who feel that they

have been called of God to preach,

who are willing to suffer and sacrifice

in responding to the call, true men who

dare not neglect the first and highest

obligation resting upon them, the ob-

ligation of providing for their own

We appeal to the people of God in

many parts of Alabama, and urge them

to improve the state of things now

existing in this connection. We may

have something more to say on this

THE Shelby Association met with

the church at Calera Oct. 13. Rev.

I. U. Wilkes, moderator; Rev. C. W.

O'Hara, clerk. The organization of

the body was completed Saturday

morning and the afternoon was devo-

ted to the consideration of the sub-

ject of missions. We were delighted

with the cheerful promptness with

which the association responded to

all the appeals made. The appor-

adopted, and a permanent colportage

fund, the P. T. Holcombe fund, was

raised in five minutes. Rev. T. P.

Halcombe is the son of Hosea Hol-

combe, for a long time one of the

most useful ministers in Alabama.

was prevented, by sickness, from at-

tending. Saturday night Bro. Lee,

who was appointed to preach the in-

troductory sermon, urged a visiting

brother to render this service. He

did the best he could. Sunday a

large congregation listened attentively

to an excellent sermon from the mod-

erator, Bro. Wilkes. Sunday after-

noon Dr. Chambliss preached an

impressive sermon. Sunday night

The association expressed itself

most emphatically in favor of a theo-

logical professorship and will do its

full share in supporting it when es-

tablished. Bro, Teague came Sun-

day evening and was with us Monday

Brethren O'Hara, Dison, and Mills

impressed us as earnest, faithful men

The church at Calera under the

Mr. Breazeale of the "Vanderbilt

Monday morning while brethren

veyance across the country.

leadership of Bro. Thomasson,

Bro. Renfroe delivered a most in

structive and interesting sermon.

nent suggested by the Board was

We plead for true, earnest men

After the adjournment of the Mus cle Shoals Association the thought was suggested that it might be a mattoil, become discouraged, and with ter of some profit to touch at some of aching hearts abandon the ministry, the centres of interest in this North and do their duty in providing for Alabama region. their wives and children. Often and again our heart has been burdened as we have communed with some of

was the first point visited. The Bap tist cause in this town is quite weak but a few faithful ones remain in the midst of a population where other denominations largely hold sway.

A delightful hour was spent with the interesting family of Prof. Moore, They are in anxious expectation of visit from Bro. Purser, as his services had been promised. They seemed to think that a visit from our evangelist would give a new impulse to the cause at that place, and we shouldn't wonder. Thence we went direct to

HUNTSVILLE where we found the city full of visitors in attendance on the Fair. This occasioned excitement enough, but when on the night before our arrival by an armed mob, and hanged in the yard, the excitement ran to a much higher pitch. This negro was one of two who had murdered policeman Street the day before, while he was attempting to arrest them. The murder of this officer occurred near the home of a black woman who handed the axe to one of the men to him fast. One of the men escaped, one was hanged, and the woman was stay in the city, threats were made that the woman should also hang, and the Madison Rifles were ordered out to protect the jail. The result was no violence was attempted.

LYNCH LAW is coming into fearful popularity in this country of ours, and nothing can be more calamitous to any country than the prevalence of such a practice. If it is right in its execution in one instance it is right in every other, and that means the wildest anarchy. The public conscience is too much blunted upon this point. No matter what men may say in vindication of such a practice, it is murder in its very essence, and cannot be raised above this criminal plane. press both secular and sacred, cannot too strongly denounce such crime as lynching.

QUE CAUSE AT HUNTSVILLE seems to be in a flourishing condition. Pastor Kone has taken on a new lease of energy since his brilliant success in capturing his attractive Virginia bride; at least this is what "they say." Ordinarily genial and sunny hearted, we thought Bishop Kone was unusually so during the few hours we were with hin. He was exuberant in his description of the progress which at the Judson. During the past we propose, through this Board to ashe was making there, and from other year she has been in attendance on sist, can there be any question as to speaks rather loftily of the ease with sources we had occasion to learn his large congregations both in his preaching and prayer-meeting service advance of time he is taking a firmer hold upon his people and town. His church last year paid \$200 to the different objects fostered by the denomination. Mrs. Kone, whom we met for the first time, seemed as glowingly interested in the cause there, as her enthusiastic husband. We learn that a quiet but profound spiritual influence is pervading the Baptist congre

perance we were obliged to leave for gation there, at all times. Quite the train in order to reach the Caha-AN INTERESTING INCIDENT was related with respect to a young most grateful to Judge Leeper and man who had joined the Baptist Ino. Lester of Columbiana for conchurch only a short while before. Without the slightest demonstration, spent the night with Bro. Carden, pasthe Chief of Police of Huntsville arose after the close of a given sermon, and offered himself for membership with the church. his own statement his life had been a most reckless and wayward one. Only one year ago he had breathed out threatenings of violence against pas-Bro. Glenn tor Kone who had baptized his sister. reminded us constantly of Bro. David who had left the Episcopal church in would be teachers. When they cease with him. We have not enjoyed a order to join the Baptists. But by fully, they have no time to work in ward. The messengers responded down and quietly talk to such a man prayers of a sainted mother. Though prayed on.
"Pray without ceasing," is the full

> Dear Bro. West: Tell Bro. W. C. she is not dead yet! There remain in the old organization fifteen churches with an aggregate membership of 250 or 800 communicants.

DAVID LEE, Mod. Town Creek, Oct. 15th.

BRO. PURSER'S SERMON.

It is but proper for us to say that Bro. Purser must not be held respon sible for any blemishes in the sermon on the first page of this paper, the first time in life we tried sat behind the preacher, to write it in full while he was delivering it; and we were surprised at our own success, finding when he closed that we had fifty-five pages of manuscript or

him, and filling it out since from memory, we will say that it is so nearthe precise discourse which he delivered that we publish it as truly his sermon. It made a prafound impression, and was followed by a liberal cash contribution. The sermon has been preached at some other as ocia tions, and it is now published with Bro. Purser's consent, though he die not have a note of it on paper, and has not seen our manuscript of Some striking illustrations which he used we did not put in, because they would have made it rather too lengthy for these columns, though he only stood about forty-five minutes in Herald editorial, but simply adminispreaching it.

FIELD NOTES.

-There ought to be a rigid en-

forcement of the statute relating to the establishment of this chair in the the protection of forests from fires. Howard, called for an expression of There has been wide spread desola- my views, amongst others, as to its tion wrought by fires during the dry advisability, I will add in this conseason. Our forests are valuable and nection, that, as presently informed, I should be protected. Rev. R. do not favor its establishment. I am P. Baker, the Methodist minister at open to conviction, however, and if Brewton, is among those who have convinced that it is best for the col. be hurtful to our Seminary, was it died of yellow fever, and W. M. Rabb, lege, and the young men we propose a Baptist minister, is now among the to educate for the ministry, it shall it? What we said was in courteous and an able Northern divine are en- convinced or not, if it shall be deembath question in the Baptist Reflector. | maintain it. The Alabama River is lower

see no unusual reports in the ALA- Cleveland and Renfroe and Hender-BAMA BAPTIST before the last, and son and Teague and many of our othyet that issue reported over two hun- er great preachers have done. While dred baptisms. If that were an av- I would say nothing against the aderage it would give us over ten thousand annually in Alabama."-Japhet. "I have a great desire a way of making preachers without to visit the churches of my former them. But there is no way of making charge in the mountain country of them if you would have them efficient Alabama. They are dear to my without previous adequate educationmemory, and many times while pe- al discipline rusing the columns of your paper tay heart is filled with joy at the tidings from the mountain regions of my bly be raised, to furnish the assistous brethren in Texas; yet we need

Churchman of New York, Protestant as it occurs to me, consider the eshe was wild and wayward, still she Episcopal papers, have consolidated under the title of the latter,—

By the was wild and wayward, still she in the How- his views on the subject involved, tablishment of this chair in the How- that was reason enough to justify that was reason enough to justify that complement of prayer. It is ours to prayer, it is God's to answer.

Strong hold on the people of Big effect of this and similar movements in other States, if carried out, on our movement. Still it impressed us that in other States, if carried out, on our movement. al education at the earliest day practicable. The money is needed now.

The attendance at the Judson, even at this early period of the session, is larger than it has been at any time for a number of years.

Calling him, and thereby pexsuading him, and in all our state in particular, and in all

Anderson in a meeting at that place. From the Religious Herald With Some Remarks of Our Own. We were quite stricken by an edi

torial paragraph in the ALABAMA BAPTIST of week before last. It was by far the most unlovely and cutting utterance that we have yet seen in that courteous and conservative journal. It was a comment on an editorial which lately appeared in this paper, on the subject of putting theological schools in our Baptist Colleges. The brother treats our editorial quite church, near Jemison, Chilton county. scornfully. He writes as if his tem-His sermons were short but brilliant. per was not serene. He flouts at instructive and encouraging. The conregations were large and attentive. our article as a feeble and ghostly Christians were edified and sinners thing. He stigmatizes what we said were warned. May God's blessings as an unseemly and impertinent interference with the affairs of the Alabama Baptists, and curtly observes that the Alabama brethren are abundantly able to attend to their own

find the letter "R." at the bottom of this pungent paragraph. Can it be establishing chairs of theology in our that it was our own cherished and State denominational colleges, Dr. honored brother, Dr. Renfroe, who Renfroe says, in a recent number of gave us the blow? When some men treat us rudely, we ascribe it to constitutional infirmities and do not take trate the fact, that they are capable of it to heart. But we must admit that, attending to their own business." Bro. when such a courtly and saintly man Reniroe attempted no reply to the as we have long supposed-and still suppose-our Bro. Renfroe to be, tered this rebuke for alledged offiserves us thus, it pierces us to the bone. It brought us to wonder what Dr. Hatcher wrote that editorial, as was the matter. We endeavored to ppeared, in courteous compliance review our ground and see what evil with my written request. If in doing thing we had done to make our brother hit us such a blow. As for his work than Rev. J. A. Howard, of ry, and violated any known rule of exceedingly low opinion of our edito-Seale. He is preaching to four propriety, we are both, perhaps, cen- rial, we, of course, must make no complaint. It may have been weak; Alabama and one just across the beg Bro. Renfroe, and others, who but we do not think it was wicked. Chattahoochee, in Georgia. We have may agree with him, to excuse Dr. So charitable a brother might have given us his pity, even though compelled to withhold his respect. He I am innocent, however, of having ought not to be too hard on his feeble

brother. As he has put the matter before his readers in terms so well suited to arouse unpleasant feelings against us, we must venture modestly to say two

brother's acrimonious paragraph.

This question cannot be settled by

a sneer. It is a matter of denomina-

tional policy, and calls for argument,

wrong, we wish to be convinced. He

TIST. Let him print his articles firs:

in the BAPTIST, and then we will copy

them, and, unless convinced by his

gest that the articles on each side be

a column in length, and that each of

articles, unless we choose to discon-

This proposition we make, no

from any taste for controversy, but

because the question at issue is one

of practical concern to Southern

Baptists, and we believe its discus-

It is but candor to confess that our

temper was not serene" when we

editorial. And we but express the

vention invited Dr. Hatcher to give

sion would be productive of good."

arguments, we will reply.

tinue sooner.

concern, particularly, as it might be As our brother has substantially charged us with thrusting the Herald into the affairs of the Alabama Baptists, we beg to remind him of several facts. Our article was written in response to a request from Hon. Jon. Haralson, the President of the Baptist Convention of Alabama. He criticism as "R." has written. Then, it must not be forgotten that we began our article by expressly stating that we proposed to deal with the not with the question of putting a chair of Theology in Howard College.

As Dr. Henderson, who suggested But grant that we had directly assailed the scheme of founding a theological department in Howard Collegewould that have been improper? If we honestly believed the movement was not wise, was it unbecoming in us to say as much to our Alabama readers? we thought that the movement would phrase, and with no thought of being -Rev. Geo. E. Brewer have my support. And, whether I am offensive to any. We could wish ed wise to establish it. I will help to

rest on Bro. Adams and his labors.

Theological Chair-Dr. Hatcher

Messrs. Editors: Referring to Dr.

Hatcher's editorial on the policy of

your paper, "The Baptists of Alabama,

as they have done before, will illus-

-Z. J. Jones, Oct. 19th.

ciousness, to its author.

For the Alabama Baptist,

The Board of Education was organized at our last Convention, hav-Blessed are the pure in heart for ing for its object the education of they shall see God." Shall see young men in our State, who are lookhim (1) in nature; (2) in providence; ing to the ministry, and who are una-(3) in glory.—We regret to learn | ble from the lack of means to educate | and not personalities. We have no of the extreme illness of Miss Dona themselves. Its object is not to furn-Hudman, of Opelika. She is a daugh- ish assistance to those whose parents | warfare; but, if Bro. R. is willing to ter of Deacon Hudman at that place, are able to educate them, or who can discuss the question on its merits, we educate themselves. For those whom the Shorter College. We hope to what is best? I think it may be safely hear of the speedy recovery of Miss affirmed of them, that they are totally away. Very well, let him do it. W Dona "What do you think of unprepared to study theology to ad- will cheerfully admit his articles to the Salvation Army and its work?" vantage, and that their greatest, press- our columns, provided he will publish Kone is a growing man, and with the We consider it a species of extrava- ing necessity, for the time, is primary our rejoinders in the ALABAMA BAP across the railroad south of Ever- ter in him, and you aid him to get an green several days ago, causing an education, you may risk him for the accident to the north-bound passen- balance, if you can't help him any "A Baptist lady in Louisiana further assistance can be supplied, let us have the privilege of writing four BAMA BAPTIST regularly and is highly where tuition is free, and, in necessi-

tous cases, board and washing thrown vantages furnished at theological schools, it must be admitted, there is

say that "we were quite stricken" by It will require all the money, under were many "cutting utterances" and We further concede that when the worthy president of our State Con-

very able and influential paper in I will not now stop to consider the Seminary; nor will I argue the injus- the whole thing was the result of an tice that may be done a good man in understanding; and was intended to calling him, and thereby persuading crush the proposed professorship in

Crumpton, of Evergreen, passed through Selma last Saturday on his male missionaries, four stations, nine-way to Uniontown to aid Rev. G. S. ty outstations, 1,717 communicants. In the second of the missionaries and ley. The church is needing the might not be seen by a learned and ley. The church is needing the might not be seen by a learned and ley. The church is needing the might not be seen by a learned and ley. The church is needing the might not be seen by a learned and ley. The church is needing the money.

I. H. DICKSON.

At Treasurer, Association.

Coffeeville, Ala.

tion-a brother who had never sought the place and never seeks any place. But he has seen it, and we hope that the editors of the ALABAMA BARrist will next week insert the entire editorial of the Herald of which complained, for we are unwilling that our noble Brother Hatcher shall have the least grounds to complain of unfairness. There is no man within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention for whom we have a more exalted regard or a fuller confidence than for Dr. Hatcher. It has not been our fortune to meet a more

As to the discussion which he suggests, we think that we would not be afraid to try it, but it seems to be not at all necessary. We are informed that Dr. Henderson has sent a reply to appear in the Christian Index; and Dr. Cleveland's editorial in this paper last week covers the questions arissue.

charming or more lovable brother.

Our brief editorial career is nearly What cut us most deeply was to at an end, as Bro. Cleveland is pretty well through with attending associations' To step forward now to engage in such a discussion, would seem to be on our part an attempt to do what may have been already done by others. Our "little editorial paragraph" was all that we expected to say in response to that editorial of the Herald; and if we have said anything that wounds Dr. Hatcher, we ask his pardon most sincerely. One remark in the above editorial makes it proper for us to say, that we are not willing that it shall appear that the much loved Herald has a monopoly of interest in the Southern

> in Howard College think that we have a careful interest in the Seminary. It is only a difference of opinion as to whether the professorships of theology in the colleges will injure the Seminary; if we believed that such would be the case, we for one would be slow to favor it; and we are free to say that it would take prudent management in both interests to prevent this. But we must think that the Seminary is too well grounded in the affections and confidence of Southern Baptists to be antagonized by any other interest. We cannot afford to embarrass the work already done, and on the other hand the circumstances are such that we cannot conclude that we need nothing more. The Herald's position is a narrow gauge view in a broad gauge paper, just as when the creation of State Mission Boards was opposed by the argument that such interests would destroy the Home convention itself would be destroyed zed forces would be the life of every general interest. Virginia had set us he example and we followed, and the results have been sublime, and the Home Mission Board has more life to-day than it has had for a long while before, not because it is in Atlanta, but because these agencies have

carry forward every interest. Let us close with the statement of not our duty to raise our voice against two significant facts. And first, it is a fact that the statistics of ministerial students in Baptist colleges at the South show much larger numbers that the readers of the ALABAMA than go to the Theological Seminary, BAPTIST knew these things; but they indicating beyond doubt that many will not find them out from our who go to college never reach Seminary; and it is reasonable to conclude that this will continue to be the case. Some go to college only one year, some two years, and a good many others graduate, who are not wish for any sharp and unbrotherly situated so as to spend any more time or money in any school of the prophets To this large class it would sure will be glad to hear him. If we are which our arguments can be swept

all harmonized, and the State work in

all the States is educating our people

to co-operate on a broad plane, and

study the Scriptures, and to get a cor rect idea of sermonizing, and syste n atic theology, and pastoral work Looking back now on our hard expemonths at the beginning with some competent theological teacher, would attend college? I contend not have been of incalculable advantage. We are far from supposing that a course in college under one professor of theology can be anything equal to a course in a theological seminary, but most certainly it is better than

The class above indicated is the class for whom we want a professor of theology in our college, and we think that this plea cannot be suc-

cessfully controverted. As a second fact we have learned from a reliable source that the graduwrote the paragraph of which the Re ates from those colleges which have a ligious Herald complains in the above chair of theology—such as William Jewell,-take a full course in the Elder J. G. Thornton preached the feeling of those with whom we have Seminary in two years, whereas it conversed on the subject, when we would require four years for the that editorial. We thought that there provided they had graduated Howard or Richmond College. bly in some other States. The truth course in the colleges would go on to

State Mission Board.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Board will be held in Selma Nov. 13th, at 71/2 p. m. It is earnestly desired that every member of the Board be present.

Persons having communications for the consideration of the Board. will please forward them to me by Nov. 10th. T. M. BAILEY, Cor. Sec'y and Treas.

Marion, Ala. New Association.

There will be a meeting at Shiloh

The Alabama Association

The Alabama Baptist Association adjourned her 64th annual session at Town Creek church, Dallas county, on last Monday, the 15th inst.

Fifty years ago (1833) the writer took his seat for the first time as a delegate in that body, at the same place. The meeting adjourned on last Monday was the fiftieth annual convocation which I have attended; only missed one session of the fifty one! O! how kind my Lord has been to me! not only in giving me health and strength to go and meet my brethren once every year, but also in giving me the continued confidence of my brethren in Christ. Nine sessions they elected me clerk of the association, and thirty-eight, the moderator.

Great changes have taken place

since 1833. Then she elected only wo officers-moderator and clerk. James McLemore was moderator and W. B. Haralson, clerk, Practically the association was an anti-missionary body. All the money she wanted was just enough to pay for the minntes, and pay her clerk. For many years the Alabama Association was rightfully called the banner association of Alabama. But, alas! she has ost that honor! In 1859 Dr. Poindexter, Secretary of the Foreign Board, met the association at Pleasant Hill. Bro. Lundy asked him what he thought of the Alabama Association. He replied, "It is the best business body that I have ever seen," and then made some very complimentary re-Baptist Theological Seminary, We marks about the moderator which I who favor a theological professorship not repeat

> In October, 1835, a missionary soiety was organized, but so odious wis the word missionary, that the society was called the "Itinerant Sociey of the Alabama Association." From that time the strife commended in earnest. In 1817 the anti-missionaries outnumbered the missionaries two to one. The contentions culminated in a division of the body in October. 1838. There were three classes of Baptists in the association: The Neutrals, the Missionaries and the Anti-Missionaries. On test questions the neutrals voted with the missionaries. By their aid we gained our point by two notes only! and thus kept the ecords and name of the Alahama As-

> It was three years after this before le missionaries got fairly to work. the neutrals would not work. They would neither go forward nor turn

But in less than ten years the a socarion regained all lost ground, and (rom 1850 until 1881, she was the most efficient association in the State of Alabama. But alas! alas! how falen! At some of the recent sessions I have been ashamed and grieved at leart at the unchristian spirit maniested in debate. I have wished that for the time, we were shut out from the world. "If the light that is in thee be darkness how great is that dark-DAVID LEE.

Mt. Willing, Oct. 17, 1883.

Dear Baptist: I have waited in in for some one to tel voi of the good meeting our pastor, Bro. Bishop, held at Bethel in August. From some cause the church, which numbered about one hundred, was almost broken up. Many of her best and most influential members had withdrawn. All this was done under the pastorate of one of the best if not the best preacher I ever heard, and a well educated man too. The fruits of this meeting were, that all those good brethrin have returned and several were received by baptism. The y be worth a great deal to have the brethren are all now in love and harmony, Brother Bishop deserves more while in college. Some of us who nev- credit than he will ever get this side er had even that advantage, know of the better land for the work he has how long it took us to learn how to done for the Master at Bethel. May God bless and forsake him not in his old age.

This leads me to ask a question of the Baptist brotherhood. Is it necessary that all the preachers should be educated men? that is, should they think they all should understand the Bible thoroughly, and that educated churches should have educated pleachers. But for country churches, give me a Bishop, a Matthew P. Smith guarantee that nine out of every two converted under their preaching will

be faithful unto the end The tourth district of the Union Association held their union meeting at Shiloh church in September. It was a very pleasant meeting indeed Brother Ray was elected moderator, and Bro. R. H. Foster, clerk. hoped that Bro. Foster would give you the proceedings of the meeting introductory sermon, also the missionary sermon on Saturday. mons were well received. Sinch read an essay on Christian literature, and gave us a speech of about one hour on the same subject, in the ALABAMA BAPKIST, as he always does when occasion will allow. You may know that the essay was a good published in the ALABAMA BAPTIST. But the Capt begged off on the ground that he never wrote for the public.

Union, Oct. oth.

Little Children.

During our protracted meeting at New Prospect, it was noticed that when the invitation was given for penitents to come to the altar for prayer, quite a number of little children always went. Some one spoke of it one morning at the breakfast table at Bro. Miller's, and remarked that they did not know what they were doing and should not be allowed for a number of years. The States of the South are represented there in unbroken succession from the Art lantic to the Chio the Chio the Chio to the Chio to the Chio to the Chio to the Chio th

ALICE B.

these earnest, humble men of God. We would do what we can for their relief. Churches owe it to God, to the cause of Christ, to themselves, to their families, to the world, to provide an adequate support for the pastors who are willing, wishing, to give

Bro. A. J. Phillips, Walnut Grove

The Board of Ministerial Education ALA. BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION. E. B. TRAGUE, Pres.; E. J. FORRESTER, Sec.

address Rev. E. J. Forrester, Secretary of the Board, at Selma. All applicants must appear before the Board for examination.

THE BOARD of Ministerial Education earnestly beg those who have promised to contribute to the support of ministerial students at Howard College, to forward the money, or at least a part of it, as soon as possible The young men are now at the Colfor the first term. Do not delay, brethren. The bills ought to have

necessary to write more on the subject of pastoral support. The instructions, the commands, in the Scriptures are so plain, so positive, We all regretted that Bro. Holcombe and enforced by arguments so conclusive, that it seems scarcely possible that any, even the careless reader, could fail to comprehend the will of the Master on this subject. Common sense accords with Scripture, and makes the necessity plain to any who

A man is called to the pastorate of a church or churches. He obligates himself to give time, and thought, and labor to the work he undertakes. He is unfaithful to God and to the charge, if he fails to meet the obligations involved in the relationship of pastor and people. He is unfaithful to God and to those whom God has made dependent upon him, if he fails to provide for his family. How can a pastor, unsupported by his people, meet his obligations to the churches, without failing to provide for those of his household? How can he provide for his family without neglecting his duties to his charge? What right, scriptural or otherwise, has a church to demand or request the services of

growing and promises soon to be one of our best churches. They are now any man without paying him for the engaged in the effort to build a house service rendered? Why is more exof worship with hopeful prospects. pected of ministers than of any other class of men? entertained us most hospitably during Ministers of Christ are the most our stay in Calera. important class among men and have were discussing the subject of temba Valley Association.

the weightiest responsibilities resting upon them. They are the leaders and moulders of religious thought. As bishops of the churches they are conservators of good morals and good society. Demands incessant, important, taxing, are made upon them. The progress of the cause of Christ is in large measure entrusted to them. tor of New Prospect church. Bro. They must look after and foster the Bailey joined us at Calera and added spiritual interests of God's people, much to the pleasure of the trip. and labor for the conversion of the We arrived Tuesday morning just in unregenerate. All the interests and time tolhear a good, practical sermon enterprises of the churches, require, from Bro. Montgomery of Ashville. and ought to have, the earnest consid-Bro. Glenn was chosen moderator. and Bro. Hood, clerk.

Pastors must be students if they Lee. We enjoyed our intercourse

Many of these men are required to R. W. Inzer greeted us most cordially. preach every Saturday and every We regretted that we did not have sunday in the year, to bury the dead, opportunity to hear him preach.

were delighted and instructed as he

Bro. Bailey was himself and pressed all the interests he represents with hi usual vigor and earnestness,

ALABAMA BAPTISTS.

The Mission of the American Pres-byterian church, in Brazil has fifteen those requesting their services, to Falkner, a most excellent man, is the churches in the province of Sao Pau-

The meeting was not held on ac count of the serious illness of Bro. Anderson at Livingston, and Bro. Crumpton returned to Evergreen Monday. Bro. Hogan closed his meeting at Vance's Station yes terday evening. The meeting cor tinued to grow in interest to its close Thirteen were added to the church. -M. M. Wood, Oct. oth -"Rev. S. M. Adams held a meeting of three days and nights, during the present month, at Pleasant Grove

a common "scratch book." We could not quite keep up with

doing a more extensive and solid so, he invaded his neighbor's territoa negro had been taken from the jail | churches in that section-three in | surable, but I more than he; and I heard from him through a number of Hatcher, and put the whole blame on sources, and every report is a most favorable one. The result of his summer campaign along the line of known that there was any impropriehis churches is, two by restoration, ty in the matter, even if the question seven by letter and fifty-three by discussed had been one of local inbaptism. Among the last named is terest, merely. It occurred to me as the wife of our esteemed brother. being one of general denominational We heartily congratulate him.strike the blow while the other held During twenty-four hours on the supposed to affect our Southern The-14th and 15th inst. there were eight ological Seminary; that there was no deaths from yellow fever in the vil- treason in the truth whether uttered lage of Brewton. Considering the in Virginia or Alabama; that Dr. lodged in jail. On the night of our few who have been left after the Hatcher was a wise and leading man panic, the mortality is simply alarm- in our denomination, with whose ing. - Evergreen raised \$120 views, on a matter of such general in a short while for yellow fever suf- moment, as affecting our policy in ferers at Brewton. Rev. B. H. this State, the brethren in Alabama asked us for our opimion, and we Crumpton reports fine meetings at would be pleased to be favored, gave it. We leave it to Judge Haral-Pine Apple and Pleasant Hill. Moved by considerations of this kind, son to decide whether or not we acted Among the accessions at the latter I invited his views, and have yet to in a manner to justify so sharp a place was Prof. Moore, son of Judge | see that either of us erred, he in giv-Moore, of Marion. In some ing, or I in having requested them. sections of the country rain has not The correctness of his opinions is anfallen since June. As a result the other matter, for which he alone is intense heat has parched the vegeta- responsible. If incorrect, he will be general aspects of the question, and tion of the fields and prematurely happy, I have no doubt, as I will be, killed the foliage of forest trees, to have them refuted.

than it has been for many years. and for several years was a student gance wholly unendorsed by the gos- training in their literary courses. If pel. The wind threw a tree a young man has the root of the matger train. Several persons were hurt, more; he will make a preacher. If writes me: 'Yes, pa gets the ALA- him go to the Theological Seminary, pleased with it,"- J., Union, -"Who was that that said the Baptists in. But, if he can't go to the Semiof Alabama are at a stand-still? I nary, let him strike out for himself, as

native State, especially when I see ance we desire, to the class of young "flouts" and "sneers" at what the disin these articles the name of Bro men of whom we are speaking. We tinguished editor seemed to consider it seems to us that it indicates a saving J. E. C. and others that are dear to could use advantageously, many times a small business that we were engaged of time and expenses; and it further me. We have many good and zeal more than we will be able to raise. more laborers in the vineyard. The fund with the support of a theological is, that, while his editorial was power-Macedonian cry comes from many professor? If there is not enough for ful, very much of its power is to be what we have to say, to teach, they ought no longer occupy the places of preachers of the Gospel. The Cahaba Valley is a ture had been subdued into lamblike of our churches are having gracious and best to let it go to the boys, to and while it takes on a general charther the state. The Cahaba Valley is a ture had been subdued that the If pastors perform their duties large association, and is moving for- ully, they have no time to work in ward. The messengers responded down and quietly talk to such a man ward. The messengers responded ward. The messengers responded that the doubted that the gy? After the interest and the benevative of the doubted that the doubted that the gy? After the interest and the benevative of the doubted that the doubted that the gy? After the interest and the benevative of the doubted that the gy? After the interest and the benevative of the doubted that the gy? After the interest and the benevative of the doubted that the gy? After the interest and the benevative of the gy? After the interest and the benevative of the gy? After the interest and the benevative of the gy? After the interest and the benevative of the gy? After the interest and the benevative of the gy? After the interest and the benevative of the gy? After the interest and the benevative of the gy? After the interest and the benevative of the gy? After the interest and the benevative of the gy? After the interest and the benevative of the gy? After the interest and the benevative of the gy? After the interest and the benevative of the gy? After the interest and the benevative of the gy? After the interest and the benevative of the gy? After the interest and the benevative of the gy? After the interest and the gy? After the interest and the benevative of the gy? After the interest and the gy? After the interest and the gy? After the the farm, teach in the school-room, practice medicine, go to the legislat
the messengers responded on the messen utterances he traced the cause of this mighty revolution of character to the "Bro, M. M. Wood is taking a very -J. T. Yerby, North Port.

Please forward to Rev. T. M. Bailey, Marion, a contribution for ministeri-

SUMMING UP THE RESULTS OF A YEAR'S TREATMENT. A lady patient in Lockport, N. Y., thus

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ontaining a history of the discovery and ode of action of this remarkable curative ent, and a large record of surprising cures in Consumption, Catarrh, Neuralgia, Bronchitis, Asthma, etc.; and a wide range of chronic diseases, will be sent free. Address Drs. Starkey & Palen, 1109 and 1111 Girard

Can a man marry his deceased wife's sister in any part of America? Not unless the sister is willing; and, as a general thing, she isn't. She knows him too well.

DON'T MISS IT! Wells' "Rough on Rats" Almanac, at druggists, or mailed for 2c. stamp. E. S. WELLS, Jersey City. Albany this season is the market of 2,000,-

ooo cabbage heads. There will be fewer when the Legislature assembles. SKINNY MEN.

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

Cat breeding continues on a large scale in Paris. Kitten heads for use as bonnet ornaments are still in great demand, "BUUHU-PAIBA,"

Quick, complete cure, all annoying Kidney, Bladder and Urinary Diseases. \$1. Druggists. It's a poor philosophy which makes a for-tune in crooked ways and then tries to smooth matters over by giving a moiety of the interest thereof in charity. The old English proverb puts it strong enough when it says, "There be those who steal a goose and give

MOTHER SWAN'S WORM SYRUP. Infallible, tasteless, harmless, cathartic; for feverishness, restlessness, worms, consti-

the giblets in alms.

On Wednesday another gun which nobody knew was loaded went off. The funeral took place on Friday, and was largely attended. 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 diarrhoea. whether arising from teething or other causes. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

When a man kicks a can of nitro-glycerine ne gets a large amount of information, bu so suddenly that it does him no good.

The drunkard swills alcohol. Wise men use Samaritan Nervine, the king of all rem-"Our child had fits. The doctor said death was certain. Samaritan Nervine cured her."

Henry Knee, Verilla, Tenn. At Druggists. The difference between a cat and a comma is, that one has the claws at the end of the paws, while the other has the pause at the end of the clause.

"Golden Medical Discovery" is warrantedto cleanse the blood from all impurities, from whatever cause arising. For Scrofula, Sores of all kinds, Skin and Blood Diseases, its effects are marvelous. Thousands of Testimonials from all parts. Send stamp for pamphlet on Skin Diseases. Address World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo,

"Is it true that when a wild goose's mate dies it never takes another?" asks a young widow, "Yes, but don't worry about that, The reason it acts that way is because it is a

A MINERAL WATER REMEDY .- The famous Seven Springs Iron and Alum Mass is no patent medicine, no quack nostrum, no "cure all," but is the condensation by strong heat of the medical properties of seven different kinds of mineral waters which flow from seven springs in Washington counts, Va., and is manufactured by Landrum & Litchfield, Abingdon, Va. For sale by druggists generally. Large bottle, \$1.00; small bottle, 50 cents. Try it.

The difficulties which lie in the way of Now, children, do you know what is the prettiest thing you ever saw in your life?" Not knowing, they could not say. The preacher gave it as his opinion that the prettiest thing was a sweet little baby boy. "Now, children, what is the ugliest thing you ever saw?" "An old man in his sins," was the reply he was fishing for, but he was stupified when the children yelled out, "A

PHENOL SODIQUE, for all fresh cuts or wounds in either men or animals, as a dressing, is excellent, while for sores of any kind on horses, its healing qualities can not be too highly recommended.—Presbyterian Journal.

The editor wrote, "The showers last week. though copious, were not sufficient to meet the wants of the millmen," and the compositor set it up "milkmen."

The N. Y. Medical Times says: "We have prescribed Liebig Co.'s Coca Beef Tonic with the most satisfactory results." Invaluable in debility, failing eyesight or hearing. malaria, billiousness, etc.

A small boy of four summers was riding on a hobby horse with a companion. He was seated rather uncomfortably on the horse's neck. After a reflective pause he said, "I think if one of us gets off, I could ride much

Shriner's Indian Vermifuge saved three thousand children from disease and death. It

is the wonder of the age. It will not de-The sword of the Spirit placed in the

hands of preachers and teaches is two-edged, nor is it meant to be a toy to play with, but a weapon to slay with and no one is justified in making it ineffectual by dulling its sharpness with garlan is of roses. -[Christian In-

Visitors returning from abroad, as well as recent emigrants, will find Ayer's Sarsaparclimation, and in removing the boils, pim-

ples and cruptions consequent upon sea diet. Its blood-cleansing qualities remedy such troubles promptly. Men are coming to understand more clearly that religion is a power in the life, for the education of character and the government of conduct; that conversion is not a thing of

a moment; that religious experience is not a thing to be proclaimed upon the street cor-ners, or in the public assembly, for the praise of men; that salvation is not obtained except by being wrought out through a lifetime of prayer and devotion of duty and service of God and truth.—Augustus Woodbury.

Sufferers from the effects of quinine, used as a remedy for chills and fever, will appreciate Ayer's Ague Cure, a powerful tonic bitters, composed wholly of vegetable substances, without a particle of any noxious drug. Its action is peculiar, prompt and powerful, breaking up the chills, curing the fever, and expelling the poison from the system, yet leaving no harmful or appleasant effect upon the patient.

To dash the bowl away,

And since, though many years have flown,

I've known no drunken day.

A sixteen-year-old Brooklyn wife wants a divorce from her seventeen-year-old husband, and the latter has no objection, because every time he get's a cent's worth of molasses candy she begs him for half.—Yonkers Gazette.

"Well," remarked a woman in a New celand village, talking to her summer carates about a neighbor, "she's the great-

FOUND IN A BOX.

Mr. John Kinsman, of Augusta, Me., writes, May 10, 1883, as follows: "I have been afflicted for some years with a severe kidney trouble, and having noticed an article in one of our papers of the wonderful cures Hunt's Remedy had performed in many cases of dropsy, bladder and kidney troubles, and finding a bottle in a box of straw packing, I concluded I would try it, and commenced to take it, when, to my surprise, I found that the first bottle benefited me so much that I decided that I would conme so much that I decided that I would continue its use, and I kept on taking it until I had used in all six bottles, and my appetite is good, all pains in the back and side disappeared, and for one of my years (I am now so years old) I am able to attend to my busso years old) I am able to attend to my business, and am strong and vigorous, as many
of my friends and neighbors can testify that
know me well. I beg to state also that many
of our neighbors have used Hunt's Remedy
with equally as good results, and one of my
friends who has just purchased a bottle of
Guppy, Kinsman & Alden, of Portland, says
he 'would not be without it at any price.'

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THE BAKER'S WAY.

Mr. Alfred Nadean, No. 62 Lincoln St., Lewiston, Me., writes us, May 14, 1883: "I have been severely afflicted for a long time with indigestion and liver complaint, and at times all that I ate so distressed me that I could not bear the sight of food. I had tried and if Old Grum's words don't bite a good many different remedies for my com-plaint, and they all failed, until one day Mr. Martel, one of our druggists in Lewiston, recommended Hunt's Remedy, as he knew of so many who had used it tere with great success for kidney, liver and urinary troubles, as well as indigestion, and upon his recommendation I finally concluded to try a him;" and surely no one will deny bottle, and commenced taking, with very little faith in it. The first bottle helped me so much that I purchased two more, and it and cured me of indiposition. I can eat all kinds of food now, and can truly recommend Hunt's Remedy as a sure cure for indigention, liver and kidney diseases." independence could a man give than

PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE.

Mr. Geo. D. Bates, of No. 32 Cottage St., Lewiston, Me., a reliable and prominent citizen, imparts the following information,

"Having learned of the valuable qualities of Hunt's Remedy in a practical manner, I suit, beg to state that I consider it a remedy of Wi great merit, and can most cheerfully recommend it to any one troubled with kidney or

When old Mrs. Bunsby had got through reading in the paper an account of the last great fire, she raised her spectacles from her eyes to the top of her head and remarked, tongue," no feeling of "indignation," 'If the firemen would wear the genuine home-knit stockings such as we make and wear in the country, they wouldn't be a-bursting their hose at every fire."

Again we call attention to the great reputation of the Baltimore Church Bells, made by J. Regester & Sons, Baltimore, Md. Evaluation and Evaluation of the Baltimore, Md. Evaluation of the Baltimore Church Bells, made by J. Regester & Sons, Baltimore, Md. Evaluation of the great reputation of the Baltimore Church Bells, made by J. Regester & Sons, Baltimore, Md. Evaluation of the great reputation of the Baltimore Church Bells, made by J. Regester & Sons, Baltimore, Md. Evaluation of the Baltimore Church Bells, made by J. Regester & Sons, Baltimore, Md. Evaluation of the Baltimore Church Bells, made by J. Regester & Sons, Baltimore, Md. Evaluation of the Baltimore Church Bells, made by J. Regester & Sons, Baltimore, Md. Evaluation of the Baltimore Church Bells, made by J. Regester & Sons, Baltimore, Md. Evaluation of the Baltimore Church Bells, made by J. Regester & Sons, Baltimore, Md. Evaluation of the Baltimore Church Bells, made by J. Regester & Sons, Baltimore, Md. Evaluation of the Baltimore Church Bells, made by J. Regester & Sons, Baltimore, Md. Evaluation of the Baltimore Church Bells, made by J. Regester & Sons, Baltimore, Md. Evaluation of the Baltimore Church Bells, made by J. Regester & Sons, Baltimore, Md. Evaluation of the Baltimore Church Bells, made by J. Regester & Sons, Baltimore, Md. Evaluation of the Baltimore Church Bells, made by J. Regester & Sons, Baltimore, Md. Evaluation of the Baltimore Church Bells, made by J. Regester & Sons, Baltimore, Md. Evaluation of the Baltimore Church Bells, made by J. Regester & Sons, Baltimore Church Bells, made by J. Regester & Sons, Baltimore Church Bells, made by J. Regester & Sons, Baltimore Church Bells, made by J. Regester & Sons, Baltimore Church Bells, made by J. Regester & Sons, Baltimore Church Bells, made by J. Regester & Sons, Baltimore Church Bells, made by J. Regester & Sons, Baltimore Church Bells & Sons, Baltimore Church ery Bell is guaranteed satisfactory and not to wouldn't fit me and would fit the break three in years. Their rich silver tones | manufacturer I thought it nothing are heard from Maine to California, and from Canada to the Gulf. This foundry is one of the oldest in the United States, being just won't get grum about it, I'll try

Mrs. Telltale, "and the way she ran on about themselves as others see them, and take cold, while tho e whose systems may have claimed. you was perfectly scandalous." "So she's make each one a present of his have become weak from any cause readily Resolved, I. That in the death of Bro. J. been talking about me, has she?" asked Mrs. recipe. And besides, I'll take a dove Sensible, quietly, "Yes, indeed she has," replied Mrs. Telltale with emphasis. "What a nice time you must have had," said Mrs. Sensible, with a sweet smile.

BRO. CLEVELAND: So many sections have gladdened the columns of your paper by reporting revival meetings that you must have sketch from us also.

We have had a series of meetings here which lasted some nine days, in which our people manifested much interest. We reeived into the church sixteen rejoicing souls-two of this number, however, replaced their letters in the church. There were twelve baptized. During the last two associational years we have received about forty into this church. Twenty-three of this

rard, in which we had five or six added to other was over sixty years of age. the church. Of this number there was one estored and one baptized. Both the churches referred to above have

sent up increased contributions to our asso-I am just from our association. It was the writer's honor to preach to (as he supposes) much the largest congregation that has as yet ever assembled in the new Baptist church at Opelika. The people were drawn there to witness the first baptismal scene that ever took place in the newly constructed baptistery. Dr. Roby administered the ordinance to four believing souls in the pres-

ence of quite a concourse of people. May successful questioning are fully appreciated by a Southern Methodist preacher who asked: great Master.

G. D. Benton. Crawford, Oct. oth.

A Spirit Draped in Mourning.

'Twas midnight, and the coming storm Had cast her shadows round me, And on a lone and lofty mount

My awe of darkness bound me. 'Twas vain to hope for human aid; They dare not face the danger-The dark ravine, the raging winds, Grim death, for me-a stranger.

So, clinging to a mountain shrub, I knelt me down in prayer; Then, groping, found a massive rock And closely nestled there.

The Storm King lashed his ebon steeds With lightning's forked spear; His voice, the thunder's awful roar, Was painful to my ear.

So swift the maddened coursers' flight They rose upon the air, And neighed and dashed in fury so I screamed in wild despair. Then lash succeeded forked lash, And in the sudden light I spied an angel on my rock

In robes of shining white. One hand she pointed to the scene Where fury seemed to reign, Then sable banners floated round

And all was dark again; Then came a whisper, soft and low, "That marks a darkened soul's career A soul with drunken sin imbued Exchanged for wine and beer."

"My brother!" loud the voice and clear "Oh, friends! release him even now!" But onward dashed the foaming steeds Below the mountain's brow. A sad smile flitted o'er her face,

And in the morning light I saw a veil of mourning draped The form of snowy white. Her wings were raised as if for flight,

Her face upturned to Heaven,
One longing look she cast behind,
Then winged her flight to Heaven.
I watched till distance shrouded her, Then rose from my retreat, When lo! in sable, misty folds

The veil fell at my feet.

Then, arousing from my mountain bed,
I found that I had slept.
And when I thought of all I'd seen,
In wild despair I wept.
I vowed to change my course of life,
To dash the bowl away,
And since, though many years have flown,
I've known no drunken day.

RIVULET.

For the Alabama Baptist Old Grum a Sore Head.

Did you ever! Why the cap fits Old Grum as nicely as a lady's glove her hand. I wonder how long he has been wearing the pattern he cut by There are some lines in his graphic picture of a sorehead which I suppose are cardinal, for I don't know that it

1. A sorehead does not know he has the disease; and evidently Old Grum feels that no grains of it are in his make up. This is the strongest evidence of the existence of the dis-

type of cacoethes carpendi?

'as sour as the fruit of the crab tree;"

4. A sorehead "makes himself pe culiarly unpleasant to those who are unpleasant to those who are so un-

to "beard a sorehead in his den?" 6. A sorehead is "overlooked on all important occasions;" and Old

Well, I'm convinced the "reign of grace" in my heart is a fact, for I have been keeping company with Old Grum for several months and haven't lost my temper yet. No "disgust," no "fiery bolts on the really like him better than I do some other folks, and I prove it by reading

amiss to return it. And if Old Grum to get all the soreheads in reach of "I've been to see Mrs. Tittletatile," said me to read his last article and see of the medicine he recommends morning and night for several years, for fear that awful disease might be se cretly preying on my vitals; and I suggest that Old Grum do the same: and remember the old latin adage, Aliena optimums frui insania.

Big Greek Meeting.

closed a Meeting at Big Creek, Tuskaloosa Co. Forty-five were added number were received by experience and to the church; thirty-three of them Safe Cure. This article is unquestionably baptism. During these two years we have by baptism. Among the number was the best and most efficient that has ever been had much to encourage us. To a town or a mother and her married daughter; discovered for this purpose, andcity pastor the above statistics may have a a father, his daughter, daughter by seagre appearance, but for a village like law and son by law. One man pro-Crawford they are gratifying.

We have also had a good meeting at Gifessed twenty-eight years ago. An-

> I began this meeting by taking up a collection for missions, which amounted to over eleven dollars, and closed by taking up a collection century," amounting to five dollars and forty cents. Other money was collected privately, amounting in all to over thirty-five dollars.

This has been one of the best no undue excitement and yet every body was interested. Several persons said that they were unable to sleep at night for joy. Many hearts were full of joy, which was heard in the "godly conversation," seen in the orderly walk, or the streaming eyes

And yet there was no "shouting." Rev. J. T. Yerby rendered very efficient service. He is a good servant of Jesus Christ. This brother has given me more encouragement in my work, than all the other ministers

of my acquaintance put together. neighborhood of this church and will probably be called on to preach to

one or two other churches. I am here to assist Bro. Hogan this week. More anon.

M. M. WOOD. Vance's Station, Oct. 15th. Meeting at Pineapple.

On the first Sabbath in October we commenced a protracted meeting at our church here, which lasted until the night of the second Sabbath. I Bro. B. H. Crumpton was with us, preaching twice a day until Friday,

ginning, both pastor and church may prove faithful to the end. To Him, D. W. RAMSEY. | man.

Forty Billion Germs.

Vanderful Theory that Concerns the Happiness and Life of

In his quiet and cosy library at the close he absorbed in a new book and she in a newspaper. Quickly glancing toward her hus-band, she asked, at a certain point in the ar-John, what is the germ theory?"

"The germ theory well yes; just look in the encyclopedia under 'Germ,' that will colain it so much better than I can." Accordingly his wife opened the book at the word named and read: Germ Theory of Disease-A theory advanced by the ablest and best investigators and scientists of the times. It supposes the surface of the earth, the air and water to be inhabited to a greater, or less extent with a suppose state of the earth, the surface of the community in which he lived. In his friendship could bestow. 2. A sorehead is a "chronic faultfinder," and what else pray has Old
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the air and water to be inhabited to a greater or less extent with a peculiar growth of
the lowest form of fungi-commonly termed
bacteria, whose power of reproduction, under favorable conditions, is so great that a
single germ will increase to fifteen million
in twenty-four hours time, and unchecked
to its increase would grow to a greater or less extent with a peculiar growth of
the lowest form of fungi-commonly termed
bacteria, whose power of reproduction, under favorable conditions, is so great that a
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3. The words of a sorehead are eight hundred tons, in three days' time, if space and food be furnished. There is no condition under which it can be said to be and if Old Grum's words don't bite like vinegar it is because the reader's palate has been seared with hot crab apples.

absent, unless it be from fire or air filtered through cotton batting in numerous layers. A single drop of water containing a germ, put into water boiled, filtered and thus freed rom bacteria, will grow murky in a day or two from the development of new germs. When it is considered that it requires about so unfortunate as to be thrown with forty billion to weigh one grain, some remote idea can be had of the capacity of germ re-production. Professor John Tyndall, in a late work, elaborately treats of the influence has done me a wonderful amount of good, and can truly recommend has done me a wonderful amount of good, and can truly recommend has described by his pen.

Some me a wonderful amount of good, and can truly recommend that I purchased two more, and it is death. For several months pregions to his death he was undevelopment of very many of the ailments able to leave his bed. During all this time most injurious to man. Professor Pasteur, be was never known to complain, but bore of germs in the propagation of disease and a eminent French seven, has carried his riginal and beautiful experiments so far, and from them deduced such practical results as

of anthrax among sheep and chicken cholera among fowls,—proving his theory that these are essentially and actually germ diseases. Grum is looked over every time he comes out in his Alabana Baptist through the lungs, the stomach and possibly the skin, but through the lungs chiefly. Once in the system, they begin to develop, poisoning the blood, invading the nerve centers, disturbing the functional activity of the great organs of the body and inducing a general impairment of the vital process. eral impairment of the vital processes. They are the cause of fevers, rheumatism, Bright's disease of the kidneys, pneumonia blood poisoning, liver disease, diphtheria and many other ailments. Lately Professor Koch, a my "charity" has stood the test. I famous German physician, has proved that consumption of the lungs is due to this cause -the presence of a peculiar germ.

When the circulation is bounding, the nerves elastic and the system all aglow with life and energy, the germs seem to develop poorly, if at all. But with weakened nerves, poor digestion or mal-assimilation of food or lowering of vitality from any cause, a change ensues, and in this impoverished and weakened fluid the germ finds a genial home and develops until symptoms of disease are distinctly manifested. This is seen in the everyday experience of all. The healthy man ties whatever they may have been, and not resists the influences around him and does withhold from his memory the virtues he contract colds. This is on the same principle as the germ theory. The germs attack any weakened spot in the body, and fixing themselves upon it, begin their propagation. It is plain therefore that it is only by fortifying the weak portions of the body that the germs of disease can be resisted and driven from the system. But this has proved almost an impossibility heretofore, and it has been the study of physicians for years how best to accomplish it. Within the past few years, however, a preparation has been attracting great attention, not only throughout the entire land, but among the medical profession and scientists generally, which is based upon Eds. Ala. Baptist: I have just sthis theory, and it may safely be said, no remedy has ever been' found which can so successfully place the system in a condition

> "lohn, say, John! does the encyclopedia advertise Warner's Safe Core?" "I should not wonder, dear, it's a grand remedy, and that pamphlet we received the other day stated that Dr. Gunn, of the United States Medical College endorsed it. At all events the wonderful cures it is accomplishing entitle it to be honorably noted among the great discoveries of the present

However the facts above stated may be the truth remains, that the germ theory of disease is the correct one and that the great remedy mentioned is the only one which has ever been found that can put the system in a condition to kill these germs before they obmeetings that I ever saw. There was tain a hold upon the body, and undermine

MARRIED.

At Waynmanville, Ga, Wed., Oct. 3, at to o'clock a. m., by Rev. T. H. Stout, Mr. Edwin II. Wood, of Troy, Ala., to Miss Cattie Beauchamp, of the former place.

At the residence of Mr. Geo. Ferguson, in Selma, Ala., Oct. 18th, 1883. by Rev. John L. West, Mr. E. D. Crosland and Miss

Nettie Goodwin. At the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. H. J. Hawthorn, on the evenof my acquaintance put together. ing of the 18th inst., by Dr. D. W. Ramsey, Mr. J. L. Reynolds and Miss Dottie F. Hawthorn. All of Pineapple, Wilcox Co.,

> In Conecuh county, Oct. 17th, by Rev. Jehn Holley, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Jno. W. Morgan, Mr. James Smith, of Monroe county, to Miss Dusda Morgan, May they ever live as man and M. A. LANE. Sepulga, Ala., Oct. 20th.

Deacon Henry G. Peterman.

Brother Peterman was born in Oglethorpe ounty, Ga., in April, 1813; was married in 1833 to Melissa Nowel, who survives him; have never been in a better meeting. | was baptized in 1839; moved to Henry county, Ala., in 1857. He was one of the constituent members of Shorterville Baptist church. He was her senior deacon, and with his usual force, zeal, and effect. filled the office of deacon and treasurer as For some time there had been a few men filled offices, with honor to himself good religious influence in the church | and great benefit to the church. He was and community, and at this meeting one of the few men whose daily example, at it was fully manifested. The church home, at church, abroad, anywhere and evit was fully manifested. The church erywhere, will do to hold up before the world was praying and thirsting for a revival and the blessing was granted. was in fair circumstances, independent so far The membership was thoroughly as the things of this world are concerned. He was, however, plain, saving industrious, aroused, backsliders were reclaimed, calculating, horest in every sense of that and sinners were converted. and sinners were converted.

The visible results were, ten by baptism, three by restoration and two by letter. Many others were deeply concerned, and we hope to see more fruit. Those who joined are all young persons, and will make useful members, I am satisfied.

I enter upon the pastoral care of this church with increased strength and hope, and most earnestly pray and hope, and most earnestly pray and never failed to meet his part promptly fifty-nine years;
and that with such a bright be and fully.

Resolved, That in the death of Brother

all-wise and all-merciful, be all the would have been missed like Brother Peter- citizen, and the family an affectionate aus-

and the latter has no objection, dectance of the poison from the given a cent's worth of molasses and harmful or unpleasant then.

In the summer of the sum of the summer of the summer

DIED-In Henry county, on the 7th of October, Mr. Joel Campbell, aged 65 years. Shorterville, Oct. 16th. D. Rockes.

DIED Little Virginia Matthews Fowlkes. This dear little child, the joy and pride of her parents, became a memory the 18th of her parents, became a memory the 18th of September, aged thirteen months. Grieve not, dear friends; your little one is in Heaven, and you can go to her.

Rehoboth, Ala., Oct. 15. D. M. A. D.

DIED—At Big Spring, Texas, Sept. 27th, 1883, of typhoid fever, Jas. Virgil Kelley, son of S. C. and A. E. Kelley, of Oxford,

He was raised and educated in Oxford, He went to Texas about three years ago, where he deported himself in such manner as to secure the entire confidence and esteem

DIED-At his residence in Henry county, Ala., on the 7th of October, Col. Richard Ala., on the 7th of October, Col. Richard Knight, in his 74th year. Col. Knight was one of the oldest citizens of this county. He held an honorable position as a good, worthy and highminded gentleman. He was a Baptist in faith, and had for years a hope in Christ, and regretted having necleared to r. Elba; A. J. Wise, jr., cierk, Victoria. Meets with New Providence church, Thursday before the 1st Sabbath in November. (Nov. 1). Christ, and regretted having neglected to be baptized. He leaves a beloved wife, daughter and five grand children behind him. May they all meet in Heaven to part no D. ROGERS. Shorterville, Oct. 14th.

OBITUARY.

Died, on the third day of October, 1883 Mr. Elijah G. White, aged 42 years. Mr. White became a member of the Baptist church in 1865, and lived an carnest and devoted Christian until his death. For sevwith patience the greatest pain and suffering and still proved a blessing to his family, saying that the thought of leaving them was very greatly to diminish the number of cases all that could make him wish to remain. He leaves a wife and six children, also a large circle of friends and relatives to mourn his loss. But while we sympathize with the bereaved inmates of his home, we have reason to believe that the departed one is even now numbered with the saints in the bright world

> Servant of God, well done: Rest from thy loved employ; The crown is gained, the victory won; Enter now thy Master's joy.

J. W. Wheeler.

above, and has already heard our Savior's

The subject of these resolutions, Bro. W. Wheeler, was born in the State of Georgia and moved to Alabama in 1868, and united with the Baptist church of Christ at New Bethel in 1879; was baptized by Rev. John F. Bruner, and fell asleep may 26th,

Since he united with the church his life has been checkered with good and evil, but let Christian charity throw a veil over his frail-

W. Wheeler the church has lost one of her supporting members, and that we deeply feel

Resolved, 2. That we bow with reverence to the will of our Heavenly Father, knowing that he is too wise to err, too good to do wrong, and makes no mistakes in dealing with his children on earth; and that we commend our bereaved sister and family to the mercies of that God who has promised to be a husband to the widow and a father to the

Resolved, 3, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our minutes and a copy be sent to the bereaved family. P. M. BRUNER.

IN MEMORIAM.

After a long and painful illness Mrs. Lu cinda Johns, relict of Leroy J. Johns, fell asleep in Jesus Sept. 22, 1883. She was born in Morgan county, Ga., Aug. 30, 1811. and married Dec. 26, 1833.

She was the mother of nine children, six

of whom survive her and mourn her loss. She was converted in early life and united with Bethlehem church, Harris county, Ga She loved her church and was strongly attached to its peculiar tenets. She illustrated in her life the gentler graces of Christianity, and yet in gentleness there was a splendid decision of character. She

exerted a heavenly influence over her children to the day of her death, and to her church she was truly "a mother in Israel." Her children have lost an elevated mother. her church a consecrated member, and society a benefactress, whilst heaven has gained another jewel for the Savior's crown of glory. Her great contribution to her church and society was a long life abounding in every good word and work, and thus sie will continue to live with us, for such godly influence can not perish.

Her death was a grand triumph over the grave, the last enemy. Her funeral took place at Fairview-church, near Pine Grove, Ala., Sept. 23, 1883. Text, 1 Cor. 15:55.57.

W. S. ROGERS. OBITUARY.

Died, near Newburgh, Franklin county. Ala., Fannie, wife of John W. C. Britnell, Oct. oth, at 2 o'clock a, m., of congestion of

the lungs.

She was born Oct. 18th, 1848, and was married to John W. C. Britnell Oct. 31, 1871. She was an affectionate and devoted wife and mother until death. She also was a consistent member of the Missionary Baptist church of Christ at Evening Shade for upwards of three years. In her death her friends have sustained an irreparable loss, but their loss of her is her eternal gain. She was conscious until death and endured her sufferings with Christian calmness and patience, and gave a bright manifestation of her acceptance with God. In health she possessed all the noble traits of a Christian. She was ever ready to administer to the wants of those around her, either in sickness or in health. She has three infant children that have out stripped her and gone before. She has left two tender children behind to mourn her loss. May the Lord help her much grieved husband while on earth to raise them up in the fear and admonition of the Lord. I would most carnestly beseech her many friends and relatives to follow the example of their much esteemed sister while in this world of sorrow, that when the grim monster Dears shall come with all his terrors they may my with the language of the poet, "Hine" me not. Come, welcome Death; I'll gladly go with thee,"

ISAAC L. GRAVES. --

band and father, We view the world with our own eyes, each of us; and we make from within us the world we see. A weary heart gets no gladness out of sun-

S. J. BURNS,

ANNIE P. SADLER, second daughter of L. V. and Lucinda Sadler, was born April 6th, 1869, and died Sept. 27th, 1883, aged 14 years, 4 months and 21 days. She was a kind and affectionate child, a faithful student of the Sabbath-school, and was loved by all who knew her. Like the sweet rosebud culled in the early morning, so has dear Annie been gathered to her Father's house. May the Holy Ghost comfort the stricken

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of the night before had come and the consider the nature of his farm; the quality, abundance, or the deficiency of his pasturage; the character of the soil; the year when he will have now if she would only so.

Lotchen was blind, and the poor, gentle, hard-working mother, as she felt herself growing weaker day by day, often wondered what would become of her children when she was come of her children when she was good girl. You need the money so much and you cannot resist six huncelless and you cannot resist six huncelless. The mass of grains or granses he should while we desire as great an increase.

Three weeks longer she went about

sake, and some day she would give only see the stern necessity and what him back again to her mother, where a future she had before her—far routine of business. Ind yet by

she often sought the church, which daughter to him, and that she little or poor, humble or ambitious, he too largely, to weigh well all the statewas not far from their humble dwell- knew how hard it was to urge her to ought to study closely what will best ments, and to remember that from organ comforted and cheered her so. She was very fond of music, and Bremer's voice sang in the cathedral and those of his neighbors. If he de- of land, cost of plants, labor of plant-

stirred than usual, at the glorious able sweetness; and to the stranger, of the breed for gentleness, their pre- be claimed as a sure crop, yet there music as it crept around her, there who was no other than the elector of disposition to disease, and the nata- are seasons when the winter has inthere came into Lotchen's heart for the parish, she became an angel of ral tendency to turn nutriment to jured a large number of plantsthe first time an unaccountable de- light, creeping into his heart all un- milk; the ease with which she is fat- springs when frosts and cold rains light as she listened to the sweet awares from the hour when, in her tened and value as a beef when she have injured the blossoms, and sumvoices of the choristers, and wonder- simple childlike beauty, she had sung is given up as a milker; the propor- mers when drought has greatly reed, while the thought which had so the "Stabat Mater" in the little tion of food requisite to keep them duced the promise of a great crop. took her breath away, what if she could learn to sing! Even her poor, sightless eyes seemed to grow bright with the new hope, as she whispered

"Can there be any chance for me? Karl says I have such a nice voice, he might prepare for a profession. and he shall not know."

down upon her knees, sobbing as if by an admission to the bar, he be- laid, and last of all, the hardihood

With these bright castles in her mind, she groped her way to the or-Strange that she had never thought whose before that she might become a singer, when her life had seemed such an in-

In vain she listened for the step of the chapel-master. He never seemed to cross her path, and it was many days before she caught the sound of his well-known voice.

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"Lotchen Bremer, and we are very poor. My mother is dead, and she left my little brother in my care, and I thought I could help a little."

"Brave child! I will see what I can do for you. To-morrow I will try your voice. Come at this hour." And they parted.

The next day, Lotchen was in her occustomed place, where the organist found her, and led her to the loit. At first he tried her on a few low notes, until she should gain courage, and then, little by little, he brought out tones more full, more rich, and when she ceases, the master turned, and placing his hand upon her head,

"You will have your wish, my thi'd. You will yet sing in this choir. Lotchen was almost wild with joy. It was late when she returned home and found Karl earnessly awai ing

She would rot tell him now. She would keep her secret well. With his assistance she propored the evening meal, he never dreaming what made the step so much lighter, or the voice cherrier. By and by he would

Six years went by, bringing seedime and harvest, summer and winter, according to the promise of God, and into Lotchen's sightless life had com: a harvest of gladness out of her newfound talent that only he could know. There was to be a solemn service

in the little church. As the time drew near, the people flocked from all quarters. Every corner of the building was brilliantly

It had become a sacred place, that little Gothic church, with its carved

old pulpit, black with age, and the their cradle is not upon the tree-top. of live stock on the farm tock the choir-loft, and the very high-back it is only birds of prey that fear dan-

stood up to sing. rich, waking the very echoes of the bound more than three fourths of all question that the excellence of the grand old church? It had been in them. Only the oriole and the wood grade is a borrowed excellence that

The words seemed to dance for very joy as she sang those victorious notes. Then came words of "peace and rest," and they always seemed to carry her away from all cold, and poverty, and loneliness, to that dear poverty, and loneliness, to that dear "With Grateful Feelings,"

The words seemed to dance for the leaves and protective coloring of most nests baffle them as effectually, no doubt, as they do the professional abortive thoroughbred of times shows the power of the blood of his race by siring with uniformity first-class stock. We mention this laster fact merely to show that in some that it is some that it

she was passionately fond. Although esced and poured her very soul into it, and when she stopped, he drew a long breath, and retired from the

When the service was over and the company dispersed, the chapel-masto leave, and taking her thin, small hand in his, told her that the stranger and we will speak no more of the of the night before had come all the

you I owe all my success, because I the produce which can be disposed use Dr. Pierce's "Favorite Prescrip-

was, too.
She would do her best for Karl's to be found everywhere, he could and that source of revenue cannot be acre, strawberries can undoubtedly

In her loneliness and desolation, assurance that she had become like a lessened, and labor lightened. Rich support, has need, before embarking

And what of Karl, with his bold, bright eyes and sinewy limbs? Was Lotchen faithful to her trust?

As soon as she had taken her new him in the University of Leipsic, that neighborhood, the early maturity, the practical truths are in themselves suf-

came a prominent lawyer in that and adaptation to the climate and quaint old city, finding his quiet happiness in the beautiful and safe regan as they were about closing it. treat of Lotchen's happy fireside,

> "Children rise up and call her hlessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her." while on high the recording angel has written, in letters of gold: "She hath done what she could."

> > The Little Red Hen.

There was once a little red hen. She was scratching near the barn one day, when she found a grain of wheat, She said, "Who will plant this wheat?" "The rat said, "I won't;" the dog said, "I won't;" the duck said, "I

won't," and the pig said, "I won't."
The little red hen said, "I will, then," so she planted the grain of

will reap this wheat?" The rat said, "I won't;" the cat said, "I won't;" the dog said, "I cialty, the introduction of Jersey won't;" the duck said, "I won't," | blood will change butter-making from and the pig said, "I won't."

The little red hen said, "I will, then," so she reaped the wheat wheat to the mill to be ground into or pig-raising.

The rat said, "I won't," the cat the pig said "I won't,"

The little red hen said, "I will, When she came back with the

The rat said, "I won't;" the cat "I won';;" the dog said, "I won'r;" the duck said, "I won't," and the pig said, "I won't."

The little red hen said,"I will, then. So she made it into bread. Then she said, "Who will bake this bread?" The rat said, "I won't;" the cat suid, "I won't;" the dog said, "I won't;" the duck said, "I won't," and the pig sa d, "I won't,"

The lattle red hen said, "I will, When the bread was baked, the lit le red hen said, "Who will eat this bread?"

The rat said 'I will;" the cat said, "I will;" the dog said, "I will," and the pig said, "I will" The little red hen said, "No you

won't for I am going to do that my-

self." And the picked up the bread

and ran off with it. The Tragedies of the Nests.

ground would run above more than ing grade, or even best of his kind, But whose is the voice so full, so half the nests, and one ten feet would for it has been demonstrated beyond grand old church? It had been in all the papers that "Lotchen Bremer, the great Soprano," was to sing to-day in Handel's "Grand Oratorio of the Messiah;" but she did not know that.

The words seemed to dance for most nests baffle them as effectually.

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much, and you cannot resist six hundred florins."

While we desire as great an increase and more ambitious aims may take of extent in fruit growing as the most look enthusiastic, we also think injury "Yes, yes—I know it all. But who in more extensive views, and look enthusiastic, we also think injury her daily work, and then sank so will comfort me when I am sorrowful scientifically to the question of imgradually that it was like night coming on—it is dark almost before you know the sun has set. All at once life time of sacrifice will not repay with whom we have most to do, does received per quart, and the number of sacrifice will not repay with whom we have most to do, does received per quart, and the number of sacrification of the prices with whom we have most to do, does received per quart, and the number of sacrification of the prices with whom we have most to do, does received per quart, and the number of sacrification of the prices with whom we have most to do, does received per quart, and the number of sacrification of the prices with whom we have most to do, does received per quart, and the number of sacrification of the question o she gave up work, and Lotchen and Karl were left alone in their dreary little dwelling, and very, very desolate

The old chapel-master could not understand Lotchen's feelings. While prises. Such regard their cattle as a town, returning, say, one hundred there was no more cold nor poverty nor sickness. But what was there in all the world that she could do? For way to the door, for it was late. On his farm greatly increased without ter what the cultivation. The young they were very, very poor, and Karl the threshold she turned and received much enlarged expense, while the anplanter, the man just leaving town could, as yet, do very little to help, the old man's benediction and the nual outlay otherwise now may be for the country to grow fruit for a suit his farm, examining closely the the gross receipts there are heavy And so she went. And Lotchen points and qualities of his own cattle items to be deducted for preparation could sing, in her own untutored way, choir; and its power was so great, its termines dairying is best for him, he ing, hoeing, mulching, picking, marexquisite pathos so touching, that must examine the question of quanti- keting, baskets, etc., and also that One day, on being more deeply strong men were awed by its unutter- ty and puality of milk; the character although as a rule strawberries may in full milk or to fatten when dry. If As we before said, we are anxious grazing is decided to be the main as the most enthusiastic to see fruitbusiness, then consider the kind of growing increase, because the health stock which the farm will best be of mankind is benefited by the free suited tor, the kind of meat most in use thereof; but we do not like to see position she resolved upon placing demand at the greatest profit in his illusive lights held out, when the real quickness of fattening at any age, the ficient to induce any reasonable per-And having chosen the law, and quality of the meat; the parts on son with but a shade of love for And in an ecstasy of joy, she went celebrated his twenty-first birthday which the flesh and fat are principally country life, to engage in its pursuits. soil. When a farmer wisely settles all of these questions, he will find he has but little time to loiter about neighboring street corners .-- Portland, (Oregon,) North-Western Farmer.

Advantages of the Jersey.

Let the Jerseys increase, because: 1. Jerseys make more butter annually compared with the food they eat than any other breed.

2. Jerseys make better butter than any other breed-better grain and county if the law is not in existence. better flavor. 3. Jersey milk is the most profita-

ble, because it contains more butter ed loose on the range; and all conper quart than that of any other cede that cattle kept up and fed, and breed; its cream rises quicker and its butter comes quicker.

4. Jersey butter brings from two wheat. After the wheat grew up and to ten cents a pound more than any was ripe, the little red hen said, "Who other, as a rule, throughout the United States; hence on ninety farms out of one hundred, where butter is a spea dead loss to a net profit.

5. Butter farming is more profitable, and healthful and refined than Then she said, "Who will take this truck farming, beef-farming, poultry

6. For every cent lost on account of the Jersey's smaller carcass, there said, "I won't;" the dog said, "I are two cents gained on account of won't;" the duck said, "I won't," and her better butter and larger annual

yield. We want Holsteins ard Ayrshires then." So she took the wheat to the for the g neral milk and cheese supply; we want Shorthorns and Hereflour, she said, "Who will make this fords for their beef; but the country wants the Jersey for her butter-so let us have an end to the opposition which this breed has met with forty years. He who specializes wins. The general purpose cow" is an impossible animal. Let each farmer decide whether all circumstances point to a beef, a milk or a butter breed, and choose his stock accordingly.-Richard Goodman in Rural New Yorker.

Improvement of Stock.

To every farmer, stock improvement is the first and greatest considcration, for therein hes the greatest profit of his farm. Much is talked and much more written in these times about mixed farming, and this is a subject that cannot be agitated too much, for it goes hand in hand with the live stock question, one hinging on the other in the general advancement of agriculture our country over. Mixed husbandry will be our theme for another article; at this time we The song-birds nearly all build low; will confine ourselves to the subject

what a glow of color was on her What a glow of color was on her covery" and "Purgative Pellets" have thoroughbred sires because they are What a glow of color was on her cheek as she closed! And to more than one in that little company how singularly beautiful she was!

Behind one of the quaint old pillars sat a stranger, who in breathless silence had it tened to every note, and who now sent a request upon a slip of paper, that she should sing in per of desertion responses of the state of t

belongs to a family that has been longest bred in the most approved and satisfactory way.

There is too much farming done at random. Failure frequently pur-Farmers are very often duped by unreliable dealers, and pay thoroughsues a man through life for want of a clear and determined conception of the object that he ought to aim to accomplish. A forcible writer in the "Library of Useful Knowledge" urges every farmer to consider the nature the reputation of their stock is at bred prices for grades, which is cal-

of your little brother Karl, and teach him to be good, that some day I may hold you both again, mine forever hold you be all my success, because I the produce which he has access, and troubles peculiar to women, should

Horticulturist.

No-Fence A Success

A gentleman in a certain section of the State, where they are trying to get the stock law, or a law to dispense with the building of fences around growing crops, says the Charlotte (N. C.) Democrat, asks us to give an opinion about the workings of the stock or no-fence law in this county. A few words can give the answer. Everybody is pleased with the law, and no one seems to be willing to farm in this No farmer could now get rails to fence in his crops if cattle were turnthe manure saved is really more profitable to the farmer than allowing stock to run at large. Since the adoption of the no-fence law in this county there has been no difficulty between neighbors about the depredation of stock, about dogging stock, or about injuring cattle, horses or Best in the United States. hogs in any way; and consequently there are no law suits of the kind in this county. In short, the stock law or no fence law is a great peace-maker everywhere it has been adopted, and is a promoter of neighborly good feeling and kindness. Experience proves that what we say about the law is correct, and bad and idle people cannot truthfully contradict it.

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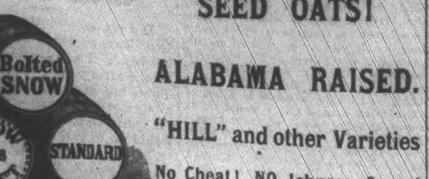
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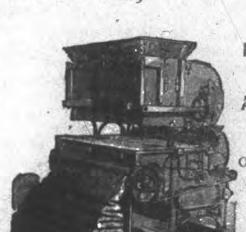
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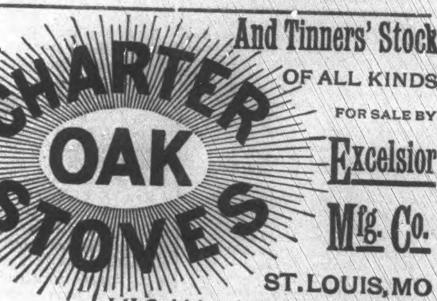
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