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For the Alabama Baptist. The Ordinance of Baptism-The Act-What is it?

BY J. J. D. RENFROE.

In discussing the baptismal ques on in two newspaper articles, as have undertaken to do, it will be impossible to notice every tern through which the subject may be carried, or to be elaborate in the statement of the argument on any part of the in-

In this article the reader's atten tion is invited to consider the action of baptism under the affirmation that, mmersion is the only form of bap tism known to the Word of God, and therefore immersion is essential to the administration of the ordinance.

In support of this position I appeal to four kinds of arguments, any onof which, if fully made out, is suffi cient to settle the question:

1. The philological argument-the meaning of the word baptize. 2. The symbolical argument—the design of the ordinance.

3. The local argument-the places selected for its administration, 4. The literal argument-the na

ture of the text of the Scriptures. I. Then, first, let us consider the philological argument—what does the word baptize mean? And pause to reflect for a moment on the essential importance of this inquiry. Baptism is an ordinance of the New Testament, enjoined by the Head of the Church to be sub-nitted to by all his disciples in all countries and in all ages. The great commission reads, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospe to every creature; he that believeth and is baptized shall be saved." "Go ye therefore and teach all nations. ing them Lo. . . I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." And so at Pentecost the command was, "Repent and be bap ized, every one of you." Now, can t be supposed that in enjoining this dinance on the disciples, John the aprist, or Christ, or the Apostles, or he Holy Spirit, used a word of ver used by a wise and benevnent in ordaining a new to be observed by all the know what is mean

ance, and only three or four imes without reference to it, and in these instances it had regard to the "washing" of certain articles, and the washing was evidently such as preserved the uniform meaning of the word. So that it is pre-eminently and exclusively the word selected by infinite wisdom, to establish and represent an ordinance which was to stand forever in the kingdom of Christ, and to be submitted to by all God's people. Will any man dare say that infinite Goodness and Wisdom would have chosen a word of questionable sense?

How, then, are we to arrive at its meaning? Are we not to do in regard the signification of any other word? Baptizo is a Greek word. Is it not our duty to go to the Greek Lexicons, learn their rendering and abide by their decision? Greek Lexicons are prepared by learned Greek scholars called Lexicographers. If I understand the position of Baptists, they are willing to risk the whole question of the action of baptism on the meaning of the word as defined by these lexicons. If more be demanded by our opponents, we then appeal to what other learned men have said about it, and on this subject we never quote from a Baptist. If still more be required, we then appeal to the use of the word in classic Greek; and then finally we appeal to the Word of God, to find that the definition which in perfect harmony with the accumu-

lated scholarship of the ages. And now, as my space is limited, I will quote only a few authorities among those which I find in my own

library. Liddell and Scott in their large lexicon renderadoso, "To dip repeatedly." And in giving the signification of the ten or a dozen cognates of this term, they do not mention a single word which is not in perfect harmony with dip; and the idea of sprinkling or pouring is absolutely out of the question in any part of their rendering. It is wo thy of at although the first edition of Liddell and Scott, issued in New York, n ed the phrase, "To pour upon," as the seventh definition of baptizo, yet in the second edition it does not appear, nor has it appear- examine. How, then, is it possible ed since; showing that its absurdity was conceded, and that it was con-

Groves' Lexicon says, "Baptiso—
To dip, immerse, immerge, plunge."

Greenfield's Lexicon says, "To dip, immerse or plunge in water."

2. I hat baptism also is a symbol of the death unto sin and the spiritual life, seems to be indicated in such passage es as those submitted above, where demned and set aside.

the lexicons as meanings of this word, it is because the idea conveyed is the result of immersion. As has long been declared by one of the greatest Pedobaptist scholars, "Sprink ling and pouring are out of the question" so far as concerns lexicograph lical testimony.

Of the flesh," so he is "burted with the fact thet "fear came upon every side, chair in baptism, wherein also he is soul," and the apostles "were in favor with all the people."—Acts 2:41-47. It would be impossible to find better conveniences anywhere for immersion.

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And now, reader, suppose that just at this point you should open such a by beautiful anticipation, the final book as the second volume of Calvin's resurrection of the believer who renstitutes, and, on page 491, read, ceives the ordinance, "Else what The very word baptize signifies to shall they do, which are baptized for immerse, and it is certain that im the dead, if the dead rise not at all? mersion was the practice of the an- Why are they then baptized for the cient church;" and you should also dead?" I am aware that some writ founder of the Presbyterian church, have said some things that are inconof the greatest learning-a man claim ed for both Congregationalists and text. Dr. Adam Clarke save and sa Presbyterians, and find him saying I think correctly, "As they (believers) that this word means "to dip, plunge, receive baptism as an emblem of

or immerge into anything liquid." and see that he further says that water, so they receive it as an emblem "all lexicographers and critics of any of the resurrection unto eternal life, note are agreed in this," what would in coming up out of the water; you think about it? And then sup thus they are baptized for the dead, pose you find that it is easy to produce not less than one hundred Pedobap tist authors who testify the same things in purport, what will you think about t? Will you not conclude that when the New Testament uses the words baptize, bapism, baptizing, it means immerse, immersion, immersing? Sometimes it has been insinuated dinance. Is this of any importance? that the Baptists have not had sufficient learning to manage a question of such philological difficulties. But

if this were true (it is not true), it Enon, near to Salem, because there would be a complete reply for us to was much water there." Is not the remind our opponents, that on this "much water" given as the very reassubject we have never needed any on why that place was chosen? I such learning; the learning of Pedo- know that the margin of the new baptists and the scholarship of the version reads "many waters" instead

If we concede, as many Pedobs tists contend, that it is a sign of regen ration, surely regeneration is a com-

piritual cleansing from sin - our | And consider the baptisms in the be symbolized by an outward act places to have immersed so many as It is said that the New Testament | Pentecost. While it is true that |espeaks of the Holy Spirit being rusalem had no river-the Jordan bepoured out," and that this is the ing at the nearest point about fifteen piritual idea which is symbolized in miles away, and we attach no imporbaptism. We answer, yes; all the tance to its brook Kedron, yet it was water in the Jordan or in any other one of the best watered cities known "place of wa'er" has been poured out to Eastern history. Every well-tofrom the clouds of heaven, but the do Jew had a suitable place for abluan immersion, and so we find the nected with his home, yet in this case best scholarship decides that the red will; and says to the red with his home, yet in this case said water in bodies. The effect of we will attach no special importance the Holy Spirit on man's heart fills to these domestic bathing places; nor but I will not pause for that purpose; him and embraces him with its hal- to the reservoirs so common in all for certainly Baptists always baptize lowed influence. The Spirit is said that city and country. to have been poured out on the day | There were in the city of Jerusa- certainly never baptize without water; to this word as we would in seeking of Pentecost; but "it filled all the lem a half dozen pools covering we always have water and plenty of house where they (the Christians) large areas, supplied by the winter it, so that we, above all people, bapwere sitting," "and they were all fill rains and by a system of aqueducts, tize with the use of water. And ed with the Holy Ghost." Can any- and holding mexbaustable supplies of therefore, in either rendering of the thing short of an all-embracing ordi | water.

nance symbolize this? There are 1. The Pool of Bethesda (John 5: Diction tries of the Greek language, three great Christian facts symbolized, 2), according to the measurment of as we think, by the ordinance of bap | Dr Robinson in his Researches, was | Philip, as stated in the 8th chapter of I. And first of all and above all, it Here then was an open expanse of sion as a statement can be made. No into his eternal purposes, and forward by the apostles." He pleads earnest symbolizes the burial and resurrec water in Christ's day, covering fully Baptist minister in reporting a bap- into his unchangable designs. When ly for the rite though and adopts the member of this body and have never knowledge, of this church that the tion of our Lord Jesus Christ. Read an acre of ground; and the impotent tismal occasion through a newspaper we were regenerated by the Holy spirit of the Council of Trent, which lost my interest in her welfare. the passages in Rom 6: 3 5; and Col people bathing there is proof that ever states his work more explicitly Spirit, it certainly was his good pur- declared that "The holy synod adopts 2: 12; and 1 Peter 3: 21; and reflect it was free for a purpose of that sort, for immersion than does that account pose to carry on the work thus begun all the books of the Old and New on them; can the right use of baptism and therefore free for baptism. be dissevered from its significant 2. The King's Pool-sometimes reference to the burial and resurrec- called Solomon's Pool (Neh. 2: 14),

the Holy Spirit gives to this word, is bim." Here is the inspired definition prepared a more convenient and ap It would be easy to quote quite a ed the Upper Pool in the Highway the jailer is equally in harmony with with the unchangable righteousness by baptism and justify the practice. Let us take, as an illustration, two the strictest regard for integrity and number of the most famous Pedobap of the Fuller's Field (Eccles. 2: 6; the doctrine of immersion, They Dr. Chalmers, Presbyterian, in his feet long and 218 feet wide at one for the apostle spake unto him the for his Sou is unchanged, so is his tist authors who so understand it. Isa. 7: 3; 2 Kings 18: 17.), "is 316 came out of the prison into his house, 30th Lecture on Romans 6th, says, "less Christ, by death underwent "Jesus Christ, by death underwent "less another large basin of water" "Here the was another large basin of water in his house; then they went out for his son. His great goodness embrathe past, and the past, and the church with 150 members is spiritual instructions.

WM. O tois sort of baptism—even immersion which could hardly have been Letter baptism, for after the baptism, for after the baptism, for after the baptism. under the surface of the ground,

to preserve the emblematic sign with-

2. That baptism also is a symbol

out the symbolic act?

4. The Pool of Siloam, which also Acts 16. whence he soon emerged again by resurrection. We, by being baptized had connected with it a smaller reserinto his death, are conceived to have voir (Isa. 8: 6; Neh. 3: 15; John 9: baptism to be baptized with, and how all things to the present and eternal apologists for infant baptism though Suppose twenty others give 50 cents made a similar traslation." John 7, 11.), was large and abundant in am I straightened till it be accom- welfate of those who love his name, they would have their congregations per quarter and thirty give twenty-Wesley in his Note on the same pas- water, and was used as a washing or plished! he had reference to his believe that tradition brings it down five cents per quarter and the resages says, "It alluded to the ancient bathing place, and was every way ferings, and surely he did not mean purpose. nadner of baptizing by immersion." Adam Clarke says the same. George Whitefield says the same. Martin

Luther the same; and indeed nearly 240 feet long." all authors that I have been able to 6. The Lower Pool of Gihon (Isa. 22: 9; 2 Chron. 32: 30.), Dr. Robin

son describes as "592 feet in length, and 275 feet in breadth," and as ev ery way adapted to the purposes of

So abundant was the water supply of Jeru alem that in all the sieges to tism doth also now save us by the to make the calculation. The above three are the only lexi one disciple is spoken of as "rising to which that city was subjected its resurrection of Jraus Christ from the cons that I have by me; but it is well newness of life," And especially water never failed. Some of the dead,"-a figure drawn from the cons that I have by me; but it is well newness of life." And especially newness of life. And e

place where they could go down into where 3. Baptism also seems to symbolize. the water and come up out of it. bapt That was surely a suitable place for mers

The apostle preached to Lydia and she was converted on the river side you whither she and others resorted for nege prayer, and she was baptized immeremember that Calvin was the great ers attempt to explain this away, and diately. That was a suitable place than for immersion. It is entirely con- it to what would you think about it? And sistent with the drift of the apostle's sistent with the account of the jailer's mit then if you open the work of Moses argument, and dishonoring to the baptism in the same city to suppose on t Stuart on Baptism, a man confessedly apostle as well, in that they fasten a that he was baptized in the same river. blind superstition on the spirit of the Acts 16:74, 33.

Dr. Adam Clarke sava and as There is not a single case of bap-

ment where water for immersion was not conveniently located. And when death in voluntarily going under the we find the first Christian ministers | ted. in constant use of such places, we that must conclude that it is a powerful so c argument for immersion.

IV. The literal argument-the nature of the text of the Scriptures on The three following verses seem to confirm this sense." Does not the baptism, must conclude this article, And this has been anticipated in a large degree by the views submitted under the former three inquiries; for the meaning of the word baptize, the places selected for its administration. importance? "John was baptizing in textual statement touching baptism

does say something about baptism, tance attaching to this is, first, in that converted one, and what grace is The want of defi II. In the second place, let us and mentions baptism as a reason Jesus walked not less than seventy necessful resis miles to be baptized. The spirit of of the bout baptizing in the Jordan? It to go so far on foot to

the cleansing, the purifying can only said that there were not suitable up straightway out of the water." expectations both in heaven and in but tradition to rely on, these antago- last the numerous Italian Bishops, by tion, let him feel the assurance of a And think of the infinite solemnity earth, only to be disappointed? which comprehends the entire man. the three thousand on the day of of that moment when the Spirit of

preposition en should be rendered in; with water as well as in water; we Greek preposition, the literal sense is in our lavor,

The baptism of the Eunuch by 360 feet long, and 130 feet broad. Acts, is as literally in favor of immerthe Eunuch; the latter believed; they with him there is no variableness or relate to faith and let him be accurst that the spirit of missions which has where he is not known; therefore, came to water; the Eunuch asked for shadow of turning, we may be assur- ed who willfully rejects the tradi- so long characterized this body still

tion of our blesssed Lord? And does was about "fifteen feet long by five or baptism; they both went down into ed he has not abandoned his design, the symbol? "Burial with Christ by ing it, says that "if Providence had they both came up out of the water. Our affections change with the supbaptism"-"buried with him in bap- designed this place expressly for im Would any Baptist wish to state it posed worthiness of a million of their church-members all the churches of the State would best known he is most beloved. tism," "wherein also ye are risen with mersion, there could hardly have been differently? Would any Pedo baptist the objects upon whom they are bestate his sprinkling or pouring in that stowed, but God never loved us for claiming their belief that the New our mission work would go for in our pastor, as a true and faithful

that it would be a sprinkling of suf- Let us therefore have "strong con- The advocates of infant baptism be- quarter. The sum of these contri-5. The Pool of Hezekiah (2 Kings ferings -that it would be anything solution, who have fied for refuge to come irritated when asked by Bap butions for the year would be \$126. 20: 20.), "is about 144 feet broad, and short of an overwhelming of suffering. by hold upon the hope set before us." tists why they do not admit infants to Now take Greenville, with 150 their mistake from the following anand therefore the idea is in perfect

harmony with our views. We have already seen that those

Paul says, "All our fathers were popular criminals.- Gue. The word baptize, so to one Spirit." "And as many of the least of the

ments which I have submitm will arrive at the conclusion mersion is essential to baptism. untial that without if there is no

have agreed to furnish another article on the subject of baptism.

that "he was baptized in the Jordan," to save! Is it like him to begin a

2. He is mighty. All power is in my beloved Son in whom I am well torces of the universe, whether human, angelic or satanic, whether in In perfect harmony with this it is nature, providence or grace. And "ne worked all things after the coun-John said, "I baptize you with (in) seconts and the waves are his mes-water." It is easy to show that the second He uses the nations as his his the power to shut the mouths of seed of believers are members of the

or to quench the fisme of every heat relies on tradition, of course. He ed furnace that would consume them, never once questions the baptism of eth his children, so the Lord pitieth It is only the infant question that them that fear him. "He loved us, contains no "specific texts." Dr. and gave his Son for us. "We love Ingraham Kipp, an eminent Episcohun because he first loved us." "He palian clergyman in his book, "The commendeth his love unto us, in that Double Witness of the Church" adwhile we were yet sinners, Christ died mits that "we do not find this rite for us." His goodness reaches back explicitly set forth and commanded by Luke. Philip preached Christ to unto the day of Jesus Christ, As Testaments and the traditions which the last meeting, I was pleased to see Elder J. O. Hixon, in a community our worthiness, for we never possess. Testament does not enjoin the church- ward; and it could easily be done by minister of the Gospel, guiding and The literal story of the baptism of ed any in his sight; but being clothed es to receive infants into the church a little systen,

said that they returned into his house. security of all his children. His wis- Fathers, or any fragment of ancient and suppose ten of these members dom comprehends, his power con- tradition for over two hundred years should give one dollar every three When our Savior said, "I have a trols, and his goodness subordinates after the death of the apostles. These months." That they can easily do.

E. W. W.

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> ern courts are called "Courts of Justice." They are rap dly degenera ting into escape valves for wea toy or was dipped in wine and forced down

s silent and swift as a weaver's thread

As light as the breath of the thirtle down

By the dusty way of life? There are only a few swift years—ah, let

No envious taunts be heard; Make life's fair pattern of rare design, And fill up the measure with love's sweet But never an angry word! -[National Respository.

Infant Baptism.

Editor Alabama Baptist: The ser- member of that church by death or is able carnality. 2. Groveling carnalmon you published some weeks ago excommunicated or regularly dismissive. It will not be maintained that on the subject of infant baptism is ed to another church." Was there tier customs and sanctions of the church members will persevere, that admirable as far as it goes, but to my ever a bolder heresy put in the form past. 5. The fluid nature of society design of the ordinance, and the professors of religion will remain mind there are stronger arguments of a book? If any church of ancient and its influences. North, South steadfust—but that those who have against the practice of this rite, than or modern times ever enforced such East and West are all one community dinance. Is this of any importancer places selected for its administration, or modern times ever entorced such least and west are all one community of modern times ever entorced such least and west are all one community was contained in the sermon referred a church government I have never now, closer together in their community and which no doubt was left out the literal story of baptism in the word of God. Baptists may safely the dead, will be kept by the power for want of time. I was born and ciplining a young man for immorality were the centers of adjoining counassume that all and every part of the of God, through faith unto salvation." raised in the Presbyterian church before he makes a profession of reli-"The fowls will gather up the seed and my ancestry on both sides for gion, or that he be allowed a vote, or ty reformed, and in a few hours, like in the Scriptures, is in harmony with that fall by the wayside;" "those that more than a hundred years back have to take a seat at the Lord's table, strikes rushing prairie fires, the worst influin the Scriptures, is in harmony with immersion, and many passages cannot be otherwise expounded without vious be otherwise expounded without vious bence to the text.

In the Scriptures, is in harmony with that fall by the wayside; those that fall upon the rocks will wither away; have a seat at the Lorus table, strikes that fall upon the rocks will wither away; have a seat at the Lorus table, strikes the ordinary mind as being on par with the so-called infallibility of the Pope, or confession and absolution as practice.

I am the only "stray sheep" in the flock. I became convinced at 19 or confession and absolution as practice. philological phase of the question true learning is uni-On this question true learning is universally on our side, and confessedly so. In the New Testament, the word baptize means to im nerse; and so the duty of every meaning of the word makes it the duty of every man and woman on the earth who loves Christ to be immersed. Yea, the meaning of the word makes immersed and so the immersed. Yea, the meaning of the word makes immersed and confessedly in the New Testament on the carth who loves Christ to be immersed. Yea, the meaning of the word makes immersed and confessedly in the New Testament of the story uniformly make that the public mind, is the mighty was nothing at the age of responsibility, and before the Jordan? And does not the ead to the Jordan? And does not the read the Jordan? The comparison of the unit was ten years after this convection in the story uniformly make that the more laborate reading and before the work and the worker. It has been gravely said that impression on the mind of the unit was ten years after this convection in the story uniformly make that age of responsibility, and before the does not the ead to the Jordan? And does not the read the Jordan? And does not the read the comparison of religion. These conclusions I are relived at from elaborate reading on the story uniformly make that the gravely make that age of responsibility, and before the does not the age of responsibility, and before the work and the worker. It was ten years after the public mind, is the might was nothing arriving at the age of responsibility, and before the work to the first maintains the idea of the was nothing and the was nothing arriv

of make them members. It is simply public ratification of their memberhip," and "when they arrive at the ge of responsibility, should they be

just as much a member of the par-

There being no scriptural authority doubiful what authority they should away from him, as far as you can joining this custom on the church.

front rank of the Presbyterian church | bership than the Catholics have for the disgrace. The parents taught He uses the nations as his says in his defence of Infant Baptism the mass, the adoration of the saints, the daughters and sons; the girls wicked, touch not mine anointed, contain any specific texts which in so holding the cup in the Lord's sup- merchants and farmers taught seekand do my prophets no barm." He many words declare that the infant per, transubstantiation, indulgence ers of situations, that drunkenness is every lion who would harm the sainis, church in virtue of their birth." He The scribes and pharisees attached road to drunkenness; therefore, young

in Christ's day which the Mosaic Law in. 3. He is good. "As a father pitis adults on a confession of their faith. did not contain, and this human invention-infant baptism, will also be Elmore County, Ala.

The Alabama Association.

The minutes of this association are before me. For many years I was a

While reading, with more than ortions." A number could be mention- prevails. The churches that com- of our pastor as a minister of the ed but here are two representative pose it are recommended to raise not Gospel and as a citizen of our county,

from the very hands of the apostles. maining forty give but ten cents per

the communion table, as they have members and suppose 15 of them ecdote.

It is a popular fiction that our mod-rn courts are called "Courts of Jus"superstition." This superstition he with their obligations to the Master says was carried so far that the bread or the wants of the world.

What a heaven earth would be

the throats of infants, and that in

I. T. TICHENOR.

tion by Baptists to infant baptism, came "to say my piece," that these who practice infant bap-tism do not treat their children as if ed and rendered occur

bey were members of the church, sort I have ever were. Miller takes high ground and little. But I made of sea language that can't well be mis-

them by their parents when dedica- ways being in place and never

ted by baptism, let warning, admonition, suspension or excommunication curred to my mind to give the points ensue." This learned divine goes of the closing speech, which were further and says that every child is to consider: I. The work to be accomplished

ticular church in which the dedicato- with its difficulties and discouragery fite took place as any adult mem- ments, particularly in the fact that ber, and as amenable to church dis- the natural vantage ground is occucipline, and "can only cease to be a pied by the opposition. I Fashion

at a pity it is ty. 2. Your first and great appear

wish in the soul, to awaken joyous for the practice, and having nothing ascribe to tradition, and that only at But if he falls into circles of temptaologians within the last fifty years about that the council give equal au- he will more than likely rise up to a God descended upon him, and the his hands, whether in heaven, earth, who have had the nerve to assert that thority to tradition with the Script- sense of heroism and come out not voice of the Father said, "This is or hell. He has power over all the bible contains one single line en-D. D., in his work on Roman and be put on sobriety. This was the Dr. Samuel Miller, Professor of Evangelical churches. The truth is, saving clause in days of the unre-Church History in the Theological our Pedo-Baptist churches have no stricted circulation of stimulants. Seminary at Princeton New Jersey, more Scripture (and not as much) To take a dram was not the disgrace, John in the river of Jordan. And sel of his own will." The winds are his whose learning placed him in the for infant baptism and church mem- but the danger. Intoxication was and worship of the Virgin Mary. disgraceful; habitual dramming is the great importance to an oral tradition man, in neither case can you come

> And now, "What of the night?" A long and gloomy one. The day will break. Light will shine. Time brings changes. God will rule. Work and wait.

Mt. Carmel Church.

WHEREAS, It has come to the lished certain things that might injure

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directing all his acts and words with

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Perhaps those youth who are satis-

the same historical evidence for in- give one dollar per quarter, 30 of There was a boy in school ence fant communion that they have for them 50 cents per quarter, 40 of them who was very lazy. He would sit on e t when Adam was a day old would infant baptism. Dre Miller admits 25 cents per quarter and the remain-

establishes infant baptism also speaks part of any one. They are insignifi-of infant communion. The learned cant compared with the blessings they

"That's just it," said the master; "I want you to do something." So with some people. They think

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ALMOST every paper in the State having omitted an issue during Christ mas week, we are deprived of the means of furnishing to our readers the usual column of Alabama news The accumulation of an unusual number of communications during the last few weeks forbids the insertion of our General and Foreign news Next week we hope to resume the publication of all these items to which we expect to devote special attention in order to furnish the readers of the paper with the cream of the news at home and abroad.

More than once, it has been intimated that the professors in the Seminary at Louisville exercise an undue influence in placing the young men who have been instructed by them.

It seems to us it would be strange if churches looking for pastors did not communicate with these brethren whose business it is to prepare men for the pastorate, and who have the best opportunities for knowing the any, in the progress of the cause of tion, and present them as established Christ. It would be stranger still, if verities, accomplish much as religious the churches when requested, and yet | matters of faith, and are to be pro stranger if they felt no special inter- | claimed dogmatically. est in the men whom they have trained and whom they know. The professors are men and must meet the responsibilities incident upon the position they hold among us as brethren. part of many ministers to present Nothing has come under our obser- them have relegated some of these vation that leads us to believe that | fundamental principles almost into they have done anything more than the realms of the forgotten past, So assistance when requested to render it by churches looking for pastors.

An intelligent brother said to us, "Five hundred Baptist churches are organized every year in the United States." Not quite ten every week more than one a day. In the same conversation he said, "Our Seminary sends out every year twelve men who enter the pastorate, six full graduates. and six who have taken an irregular course." A majority of these newly constituted churches are in the South and a majority of these brethren coming from the Seminary remain in the South; but what are so few among so many? Aside from churches lately constituted a number of important pulpits in Alabama are vacant and others are threatened with the loss of ministers now occupying them. It is said that there is a growing demand on the part of the churches for an intelligent, cultured, educated ministry, and it is said that there is an increas scarcity of effective pastors. If these things be true (and let him who knows better question them) and if it has been decided that theology is to be taught only in the Seminary, and that denominational colleges are to render no assistance in supplying the defi ciency and meeting the demand, we confess to a feeling of despondency and discouragement as we survey the present and look to the future.

We apprehend that the "indefinite postponement" will not prove to be a "final disposition" until after further effort has been put forth by anxious men who have studied the situachurches, and who believe that deprepared to meet the demands.

gy", of "Orthodoxy," "Heresy," "Creeds" and "Advanced thought." Much that we hear is confusing and tends to create doubts in regard to almost everything religious. In some of the Sunday-school periodicals issued and tends to create doubts in regard to lation to which it has attained—near-sunday and tends to create doubts in regard to lation to which it has attained—near-sunday and those two churches, have just had a glorious meeting in our church."—Rev. T. W. Hart, Tuskegee. This is cheering. Write Association and those two churches, have just had a glorious meeting in our church."—Rev. T. W. Hart, Tuskegee. quarters there seems to be an espe- ly a quarter of a million copies per cial dislike to creeds and an earnest effort to cast discredit and contempt upon the formulated religious beliefs tions. Its price is 12 cents a year of all the past. And those who would for the monthly, and 24 cents for the thus rob us of the foundations upon which we have stood, and upon which our fathers stood, offer nothing upon applying to the Society, Philadelphia,

egotiations and inquisitive doubts hat remove anything like certainty

A creed is a system of principle which are believed or professed. A lding without a foundation, like a overnment without a polity. hurch without a ereed is like a State without a constitution. A Christian ailure, if after the work of two thouand years, it has established no system of principles that may be formuated into a creed.

Certain well-defined doctrines undery the superstructure in every effectve organization among men. The unwavering fixedness with which these doctrines are believed, and the earnestness and efficiency with which they are inculcated and propagated tion resting upon them.

The doctrines of the Christian reli ion are of greatest importance. Fa al results follow the disbelief of the fundamental doctrines of Christianity

The doctrines of human depravity, by faith, the resurrection, and a general judgment of future rewards and unishment, "Christ crucified " as an expiation for sin, the Deity of Christ, and the sovereignty of divine grace, the efficiency of the Holy Spirit and the stability of Christian hope, are among the leading truths of Divine Revelation, and they are the vital principles of Christianity, the fundamental basis upon which the whole system stands. To disbelieve these is to reject the religion of the Bible, to question these is to question the religion of Christ, and to doubt these is to doubt the Revelation given in the Scriptures.

These great fundamental truths furnish material for every correct religious creed. They need to be proclaimed through the pulpit and the press if they are to be forceful and largest number of young ministers effective. Only those who hold them and who feel as deep an interest as with unwavering strength of convic these brethren should refuse to assist teachers. Many religious truths are The discussions of the "New The

ology" by "Advanced Thinkers," the

unsatisfactory results announced by

"specialists" and the failure on the

what was right, and to be expected much so that some of them have ceasin recommending men for pulpits | ed to be operative factors in the creed seeking occupants. The good sense, of many orthodox ministers and wisdom and piety of these brethren members. The discrediting of creeds are recognized, and their opinions, and the flippant ridiculing of "orthosuggestions and recommendations doxy" have not failed to have a pow have great weight with the churches. erful, though it may be an uncon If this were not so they ought not to scious influence upon pastors and hold the positions they occupy. people. While ordinary men may They have no right to withhold their | not argue with specialists upon disputed points, yet they may, and they ought, to proclaim with unwavering confidence, and press with profoundest earnestness the fundamental truths of the Gospel. A man in doubt as to the truthfulness of his proclamations cannot speak confidently, earnestly or effectively. No man ought to occupy the position of religious teacher who has not a well defined creed, a carefully formulated system of doctrines which he believes with unquestioning confidence. A Christian preacher without a creed is like a politician without principles, he first one thing, and then another, and ordinarily is nothing in the end. A church without a creed is nothing better than a club instituted with no higher purpose than occasional enjoyment and entertainment. Such an institution cannot command the respect, and does not deserve the support of serious people who have righ ideas of the true aim and end of life. If the Bible furnishes no system of principles and no set of truths that can be formulated, and if at this late day it needs to be rearranged and reconstructed by specialists who are divided as to positive results, and who present very many questionable negatives, we are, indeed, in a deplorable condition, religiously. As a church. The Sawyer Bros., a revelation to the human race, the Bi-

> of the Sunday-school periodicals issunonth. Dr. Griffi h personally edits it. Fine paper, attractive engravings, and first-rate articles, form its attracthat has not yet taken it can obtain a Tuesday January 7, at 7 P. M. A full full supply for one month, free, by attendance is requeste

"Brethren James A. Whitfield and Wm. Carter have been amply repaid Dr. Graves has a hard editorial on for their efforts in behalf of their new the Unity Arsociation of this State. church. They called Bro. Jno. D. access, has baptized four into the case I know nothing except as it me hurch—a son of Bro. Carter, about be gathered from Bro. McCord grown, and a son, a daughter and a letter. And on that representation dister-in-law of Bro. Whitfield. There of the affair it would seem that Da have also been four accessions by Graves is correct in his opinion without principles. Christianity is a ready felt by the entire community and many are expected to join soon as the result of his protracted meeting. The church is alive to missions and last Sunday agreed to raise one dollar each to aid the Board."-M., Calera, Dec. 8th - "I am glad to know that the ALABAMA BAPTIST is rapidly gaining favor throughout our land. I hope to do more for it the coming year than ever before."-W A. Bishop. We are glad to read that. We know that you can do a great deal for us, and we need your help

FIELD NOTES

and the help of all our pastors. give force and power to the organiza- "My heart rejoices in the precious neetings you have had in Alabama The Lord has been mindful of us also and has blessed us with some good meetings. We had twenty accession o the church of which I am a mem ver."-E. S. Park, Tennessee -"I have in contemplation an article regeneration, redemption, justification on Christian giving, more especially as to what amount of our substance we owe the Lord. I believe that I am well nigh committed to the 'fifth system.' What think ye, my brethren? am I right or not?"-W. A. Bishop. You are certainly nearer right than wrong. "I have just gone through the ALABAMA BAPTIST of this week. I am delighted with it. I write to thank you for your editorials, both on Sunday schools and Advice to pastors. They are wise and timely. I am not forty five nor fifty; but though younger than either of these ages, yet we young men also need to be exhorted to read, think. study, if we would grow and not 'tell one tale and rust out. And E. B. T. gives us a good article also. Again thank you for the present issue

> es and have been called to two oth the laborers few, but who now prays the churches lorgotten thus to pray?" -W. A. Bishop, Carthage .which about sixty dollars were receiv-Their push and energy have Law." I think the sentiment therein dotalism," this self-same association contained, and so forcibly expressed, might have the "passible intelligence" should be echoed by the press to ask him if he is not tinctured with throughout our country. Especially something worse when he talks about does it become the prerogative of re "Dr. Hiscox's Church Directory be-

your paper." - Wm. Henry Strickland,

ligious journals to speak out in no ing a standard authority with Amer. Dr. Renfroe, in referring to those o uncertain sound and condemn the ican Baptists." It is safe to venture us who, have written against the admoral turpitude of an act so antago- the opinion that the Unity Associa- visability of establishing, at this time, nistic to the laws of our land and the tion is sufficiently intelligent to de a chair of theology in Howard Col teachings of Holy Writ. Although ny that Dr. Hiscox or Dr. anybody lege, uses this strong language 'scen so oft," let us not "pity" much else is "standard authority" among "Every argument submitted by the less "endure and embrace" by the sym- true Baptists. No Methodist has 'other side" has been puerile and sopathy or silence of the religious ever claimed more for their Discipline phistical, except the single argument press."- Y. M. Rabb. Evergreen .-We have learned with sadness of the with Methodists. A standard authorextreme illness of Mrs. J. E. Cham lity in religious matters is an authoribliss, of Eufaula. For some days ty having positon to settle ecclesiasner recovery was dispaired of, but ical and doctrinal questions, and we are pleased to know that she is therefore the creed or the test of a now much improved and considered creed; and outside of the New Tesbeyond danger. "The people tament, the Unity Association in have been kind, exceedingly kind, to Alabama may afford to deny the exus since we have been here."-Rev. C. P. Fountain, Greenville. Dr. American Baptists. And after all the Gwin visited his sister (Mrs. Chambliss) during her recent severe illness. -Judge B. M. Stevens, Judge of Probate of Coffee county, is soon to be ordained to the Baptist ministry He is a brother of fine parts and will nize a new church, but no such coundoubtless do much good. "I cil can be found in the word of God have a very fine body of young men | nor is such a council common among belonging to my church."-Rev. C. P. Fountain, Greenville. Miss that such a council is not at all nec-Maggie Crumpton (daughter of Rev. essary, but it does not deny the uni- it not violate the parliamentary rule B. H. Crumpton) was so unfortunate versal practice of having a minister which prohibits one member from as to break one of her limbs just a at the constitution of a church. It

has our sympathy. The Christ- tist practice. mas Cantata given by the Evergreen Baptist Sunday school was a grand success. ---- Prof. Riggan's Inaugural Address at the opening of the Semi ary is pronounced excellent by cometent judges --- Greenville church has recently had two valuable accessions.-Prot. Park, the Principal of the Baptist Female School there, and Dr. Whittington an eminent young dentist. Fountain's eyes twinkle with genuine delight as he talks about his thrifty mercantile firm of Evergreen, will soon remove to Anniston. When Bro. McCord says, "I heard that it for him deliberately to write and pubble is a failure if we have yet to wait they leave Bro. Crumpton is going to was said at the Association that these lish in a religious newspaper such lanuntil those who are engaged in taking sustain a heavy loss, but they will baptisms were all valid, because I was guage about a number of his brethren it to pieces, shall reconstruct it, be- prove a valuable acquisition to the an ordained minister." But who in this State, -ministers and laymen, fore we can understand what it teach. church at Anniston. Map out said it? He only "heard" that it who, in so far as they have expressed The failure is all the more po- work for them Bro. Smythe. was said, for he was not present, but their opinions on the subject of this tent when we consider the differences They can stand a great deal of it. did the Association say it by a vote theological chair, have done so temamong the reconstructors, and count Among the evidences of success in of the body, or was it only said by perately, cautiously, and with Christion and who think they know the necessities and the demands of the necessities and the necessities and the necessities are necessities and the necessities are necessities and the necessities and the necessities and the necessities are necessities and the necessities and the necessities are necessities and the necessities and the necessities are necessities are necessities and the necessities are necessities and the necessities are necessities are necessities and the necessities are necessities are necessities and th lief is that when the modern destruc. Profs. Thispen and Park are doing Baptist As ociation to be charged fered, and who however erroneous bath in November I assisted Bro. J. ces. This law, however, was copied tive reconstructors shall have fallen excellent work, and their schools are with stultification on account of what their views, ought to be supposed to L. Eddins in the organization of a by Moses and is called the "law of nominational colleges may be made and faded out of memory, the grand effective in sending forth ministers old Book given of God, which has been blessing the world so long, will D. Inzer's address is changed from of the body was except as it is indigo on conquering and to conquer un- Eden, Ala., to Bells, Texas .--- cated in Bro. McCord's letter, but his

us more fully about it, Bro. Hart.

State Mission Board.

The regular quarterly meeting of

T. M. BAILEY,

Cor. Sec. and Treas.

this Board wilt be held in Selma on

ville was a grand thing."-"We Association and those two churches, objection to them I would earnestly J. J. D. R.

One self-approving hour whole years outweighs —Pope.

in responce to a letter from the Rev. but he says some things severely an

some things that are not justified by the facts before him It appears that the Unity Associachurches which applied for membership with the body, because only one minister participated in the organization of each church; the association holding that two ministers are necessary to organize a church these Testament and the practices of the Bapists will sustain any regular minister in the organization of a church: and therefore if there were no other reason for the rejection of these two churches, it seems quite clear that he association should have received them. Thus far we have no control versy with Bro. Graves; but let us notice a few of his remarks in treat- are not at hand. Of course they are ing the subject. 1. He says, "The action of that association in Alabama is very strange

A Hard Editorial.

In the Baptist of December sand

on its intelligence; still it might mod- they convert," "Repent and convert," talks to them about a church being 3:19, etc. constituted without a minister, they may have intelligence enough to ask ology, that the writer predicts, with for the chapter and verse to justify so much enthusiam, is, I presume, unsuch an assumption. True he refers | called for. The activity of the subto the passage, "Where two or three ject, in conversion, has constant are gathered together in my name been preached by the ministers with Matt. 18:20; but the Unity Associa- gathered from other forms of expresthree" must have been baptized by a | ing at least. trust all Alabama Baptists read minister so it is reasonable to con-Nashville, Tenn, Dec. 21st .- "I clude that if constituted into a church the stretching forth of his withered now have the pastorate of four church- at all it must have been by the same hand, on the part of the man whom agency. True also he quotes his fat Jesus healed on the Sabbath day. ers. The harvest truly is great and vorite passage from Tertullian, "When there are three there is a the Lord to send forth more laborers | church, though they be laymen;" into his vineyard? Have not the but the association might insist that 'The Ladies' Aid Society of Nanafalia ster for they must have been bap- "almost fatalistic kind of Calvinism," Graves triumphantly inquires, "From ed No ladies except those of the same | what source, pray, do ministers yet into a Latin passive. spirit of Christian enterprise can equal | their authority?" this association may grown, in large measure, out of a pro- what source, pray, do the churches calls the "fearless theology of intertracted meeting held last summer, get baptized?" And if he insists that pretation,"-not speculation. Every when some valuable material was the churches baptize the other church- tendency of this sort will lead back brought into the church."-W. H. es, they may ask whether this is done to the received meaning of "the De Wit. Permit me to express without a minister, and if he declares words which the Holy Ghost teaches. my hearty approval of the position that it is, then let him show the chap. And advocates of the dynamic theory taken in an article in your ter and verse. And when he says will find themselves taxed to distinpaper over the signature of that "this Alabama association is al- guish between the meaning of an

> istence of any such a standard among quotation which Dr. Graves makes from Hiscox's Directory does not teach the doctrine which is set forth in this assault on the Unity Association. It speaks of councils to recog-Southern Baptists. It further says

day or two before Christmas. She is only Dr. Hiscox's opinion of Bap But then Dr. Graves also says. "This Association also stultified itself in endorsing the ordinances as administered by these churches as valid. and with the same breath pronouncing the organizations themselves no charge. To charge a Baptist Asso ciation of honest Christian men with "manifestly stultifying itself," is about as hard a charge as could be made. and the facts as stated in Bro. Mc-Cord's letter do not furnish the in secular life?

A Serious Misrendering.

thorized version of the New Testa- such a battle, this "puerile" brother Mills as pastor, who, with his usual J. M. McCord. Of the merits of the Commonwealth, an English exchange, ment, pointed out by the Christian can't be led, or lead anybody. from which the Religious Herald copies in its issue of the 20th Decem- He is justly esteemed one of our ber, The editor of the Commonwealth says: "We would refer to pel, and a leader in all our denominaletter. Bro. Mill's influence is al- touching the main question involved; to Beza's Latin version, to the French he, are generally looked up to as Martin Luther's German translation, tional enterprises. And, such men as and every preacher ought to go if tered into the most holy place within version most approved by Protest- guides and patterns in all Christian afraid to let it be known that they exants, and the Italian version of Dio proprieties, as teaching and practicing pect to stand on the side of temperatonement for the sins of the people, dati. By all these alike we find our that which tends to promote peace ance, ought to be there. There are at that moment the words "It is fintion rejected two newly constituted tradicted. Such texts as Matt. 13:15 brethren. It has seemed to us, in Bezz, "Lest they convert themselves;" "Repent and convert yourselves." this expectation of him as a minister, and make some grievous mistakes." throughout all such texts by the Ger- mate Christian and brotherly criti- help guard agaist mistakes. man and French translators. Only cism, and given just ground of comchurches were rejected. The New the Latin Vulgate and our authorized plaint and grief to a number of his version, it is in effect stated, among concerned, in the passive voice, "Lest they be converted;" "Repent and be verifying these statements; the versions with the language of which I am acquainted, except the authorized version and the Canterbury Revision,

> reliable. Any one at all acquainted with the Greek may see, in a few minutes if it is a passibly intelligent body that the verb concerned is always in Well, I take it that the Unity Associ- the active voice, active intransitive; ation would not be forward to insist literally rendered "convert," "Les estly claim to be "passibly intelligent." or turn, "turn again," as the Canter-It is a body of plain men, with no bury revisers translate. The party theologians or ecclesiastical scholars converted is active, not passive, in in the sense which the schools attach the matter. See Matt. 13:15; 18:3; to the learned; still when Dr. Graves Luke 22:32; John 12:40; Acts 28:27;

The revolution in evangelical the there am I in the midst of them." whom I have been associated, as tion might insist that as the "two or sion and the scope of scripture teach-

A favorite illustration has been

Nevertheless, this substitution of the passive for the active verb, in relation to conversion, was the greatest and the gravest error committed by though the "three" be laymen they King James's translators. Our writer may have been constituted by a min- conjectures it was due to Knox's church gave a dinner yesterday, from tized by a minister. And when Dr. and to reverence for the Latin Vulgate, which renders the Greek verb

It is gratifying to note the general have the temerity to reply, "From tendency toward what Isaac Taylor B. F. R." on the subject of "Lynch | ready no little tinctured with sacre- author and the exact meaning of the words he employs.

Personal and Christian Courtesy.

a recent article in your paper than that it is "Standard Authority" expressed in the fear, that the existence of such chairs might be prejudicial to the interests of the Seminary at Louisville.

PUERILE AND SOPHISTICAL.

Now, "puerile" means bovish. childish, trifling; and, "sophistical, means falaciously subtle, not sound. It carries with it, also, the idea of unsoundness which is known, and therefore false. The arguments of brethren then, have been denounced ley to our association was enjoyed by not only as knowingly unsound and all; and we believe was the means of falaciously subtle, but boyishly and awakening a deeper interest in the triflingly so. We are then criticised enterprises of our denomination. The ble. as being not only ignorant, but wick- Executive Board for missions in this edly stupid.

Suppose this language were employed by one brother, in characterizing the argument of another, on the floor of our Convention, would using language in debate which is personal and discourteous towards

Suppose Dr. Renfrod, in private conversation with any brother, who has written on the "other side," as he calls it, were seriously to characterize the suggestions of that brother as puerile and sophistical, could he hope churches." This is a very severe to do so, without giving just cause of offense to his brother, well calculated to produce enmity between them? Has not language, not more offensive, for the worship of God. frequently led to serious and sometimes fatal results between gentlemen

shadow of a basis for such a charge. And, does it make it less offensive, in Dec.

nominational interest is up for con. tracted the meeting until Tuesday. sideration and settlement, which of A precious revival was the result, and different and distinct. The moral We hear much of the "New Theology", of "Orthodoxy," "Heresy,"

Creeds" and "Advanced thought."

The first report of the Missionary Cash \$31.00. Good.—We learn that "the Christmas tree at Planters—that the body endorsed the baptisms, but the two is the church with the two is the two is the church with the two is the church with the two is the two conclusion and action; or, in a way, calculated to produce animosity and county, where I preached ten days to fication by efforts of his own; that he alienation between brethren, and con- a church of which I was once pastor. needed not only a rule of duty but a sequent injury to the cause? And The church has had no preaching for Savior as well. "The law contained particularly in reference to this theo- a long time, and was in a lifeless con- in ordinances" was a method of logical chair, is it not well to deliber. dition. During the meeting we had teaching the way of salvation by the advise the Association to receive ate the question cautiously as one six excellent accessions, all by bap-redeeming work of Christ, the chief them; and not to doubtful disputa of local and general denominational tism. The church is in condition for feature of which, was the offering of interest; to encourage its intelligent cultivation I hope Rev. P. L. Mosely slain animals. Now all that is meant and candid discussion, in all its will take it in charge. phases, unmixed with prejudice or Last May, Rev. J. L. Bryars and ed the law contained in ordinances," passion, or personal abuse, to the end I constituted a church near Stockton, is that he abolished that particular that we may do that which is wisest with seven members. Now they method of teaching how a sinner To be happy we must be true to and most to the interest of the Master number seventeen and the work is may be saved. He did not abolish

denounce one another as sophists and triflers, and to "fight the question out I have been exceedingly interested at all hazards," as has been proposed misrendering, found in the Au- by Dr. Renfroe to be done? Into

It is becoming here, to disclaim any cause, who can go, ought to be there. need of a Savior and were directed to reflection upon Bro. R's motives. ablest and best ministers of the gosauthorized version diametrically con- and good will amongst men and and Acts 3:15 are translated by having for some reason used the language excepted to, he has violated that the extremists will get control The very same expression is employed and transcended the bounds of legiti These people ought to be there to most holy place and indicating that brethren, who are among his best all those best known, render the verb friends and admirers. We do him the charity to suppose it was perhaps hurriedly and inadvertently done. converted." I have not the means of As his criticism was public, so is this one made. LAYMAN.

From Verbena.

Dear Baptist : Our church at Vera good move and reflects credit on the originators. We have as pastor Brother, J. L.

I hompson, a young man of the Howard stamp, already known to readers of the BAPTIST. He gives us half of his time, the other half being given to the Deatsville church. We are proud of our pastor. He has served us three months, and, by the faithful discharge of his duty, has endeared himself to his little flock. He preached a missionary sermon to-day, and intended taking a collection for that object, but by previous arrangement, of which he was uninformed, this was postponed until the first sabbath in January.

Brother Riley's idea of "genuine, inctious preaching" was fully demonstrated in Brother Thompson's discourse. He instructed and moved his hearers by his forcible exposition of the missionary doctrines of the New Testament, by the simple array of facts regarding modern missionary work, and by his pathetic peroration, alluding to the dying Savior upon the cross satisfying the claims of divine justice, all for sinful man, and urging us, as proof of our obedience to the

spirit of the age.

work.

apostolic injunction to lay by some thing, according as God has prospered us, on the first day of the week. Our churches need a revival on the subject of missions, organized effort, regular collections, and encouragement of children in missionary work, are among the first steps to be taken. The small sums taken separately, but aggregating a good total, that are squandered during the holidays should be turned into the missionary treasury to be used in sending the "bread of life" to distant heathen lands. Let our churches be aroused on the subject and good will follow.

Verbena, Dec. 16th.

From Cahaba Valley Association.

J, M. K.

Dear Editors: I feel safe in saying that the Baptists in this section are awakened as they never have been before to the great work before them for the next associational year. The visit of Brethren Cleveland and Baiassociation, in concert with the State Mission Board, have addressed them selves to the work at once, and have secured the services of Bro. J. A. Glenn as missionary to fabor in our bounds. We shall be very much surprised if Bro. Glenn does not accomplish a great work in the Cahaba Valley Association. B.o. Glenn will commence his missionary labors in Dec. We hope the brethren will give him

their hearty co-operation. We are sadly in need of more comfortable houses of worship in our section. Many of our church houses are without stoves or ceiling. cannot hope to accomplish a greatdeal while these things exist. We

completed a new house of worship. They will worship in it 1st Sabbath Success to the Baptist.

H. E. HARRIS. Olio, Nov. 23rd.

Items from Bro. Jones.

Dear Brethren: I have been hold- which eternally existed. have been honest in their convictions? church near Monroeville, with thir- Moses." He also gave a syllabus of Suppose, again, any matter of de- teen constituent members. We pro- the moral law in the Ten Command

brethren, who differ in opinion, to Wilson Station, Ala.

Temperance Notes.

A COVENTION. In the city of Tuscaloosa, on January 22d, will be held a temperance County temperance alliances and the one real sacrifice for sins by Teevery temperance society ought to be sus Christ. So on the great day of represented. The Sabbath-schools atonement, the victim having been a class of men who say, "I am for temperance and for prohibition too, but there's great danger just now

I have lately learned that the whis key men do not get up petitions for them to sell whiskey, but ask the citizen to sign a paper certifying to their good character. Of course he does not give his reason for wishing said certificate and the amia' le citizen does not ask, but it serves the whi key man the same as a peti ion. The innocent citizen, who is frequently a church member, had faint bena is now building a parsonage suspicion what the paper was for near their place of worship. This is but he was only signing a certificate for a man of whom he knew nothing wrong. Mind you, it was not a

CERTIFICATE OR PETITION, WHICH

A CONVERT AMONG THE LADIES. I once wrote the ladies down as against the prohibition movement, because they did not declare for prohibition in their families, but would make the wines and the egg-nogs and hand them around, especially the nog and this sacrifice being offered, the on Christmas, I was disappointed "law contained in these ordinances" about that writing. I made sure it no longer service ble were necessariwould raise a disturbance; that the ly abolished. good sisters, some of them at least, would rise and resent the charge. But they didn't-did not worth a cent-and I am afraid the case, is worse than I supposed. A brother heard me express my disappointment about this and came to cheer me He said that I had converted his wife by that letter. That the declaration had been made that no eggnog should be had in her house henceforth. I am wondering now, coming week.

THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE LAW. Master's command, to do all in our do, even in a Christian community. power to push forward the missionary Men violate the law in the most shameful manner, and Christian men We want more system in missionary | will not put themselves to the trouble to have them prosecuted. If one The present plan of most churches man in every community had the s to let the matter rest until just be- courage to have these rioters of the fore the associational meetings and law prosecuted for every violation, then make a public attempt to raise a they would soon give up the traffic. few dollars from individual members. One case, or one fine is nothing; they Now this is not in keeping with the can afford to pay that and continue the traffic.

LEGISLATING MEN INTO HEAVEN. A good man, a Christian man, well informed man on most subjects, lately told me he was opposed to try ing to "legislate men into heaven. That is what he calls our attempt to we could have the legislation we want, a good many would have a barrier removed which stands very much in the way of their getting to heaven. The law prohibiting gambling, the law against the use of obscene and protane language in a public place, the law against cruelty to animals-indeed all law, which restrain men might as reasonably be called at temp's to "legislate men into heaven. That brother missed it badly. If he had called it legislating crime out, legislating money into the public treasury, leg slating taxes down, legislating happiness into thousands of amilies where misery now is, legislat-

ing prosperity to our country, he would have been exactly right. But let us be watching the on

all the prohib tion laws passed possi erations of the present laws wherever a weak point is discovered reasure it up, and at the proper time see that it is covered by an amendment; then, if we tail in getting our prohibition laws, we will have somehing to fall back on. W. B. CRUMPTON.

Shields' Mill, Dec. 24th. The Law Contained In Ordinances

J. M. PHILLIPS.

Paul in his letter to the Ephesians,

the abolition of "the law of command- is the Lord's and the fulness thereof; ments contained in ordinances" as the world and they that dwell thereone of the results of the atoning in." But some brethren are waking certainly ought to have good houses | work of Christ. Now what is meant by this? It certainly does not mean Greensport Baptist church has the moral law, which is the expansion of God's will in relation to the character and conduct of his rational creatures. The moral law has always existed, and must always continue to exist. Its obligations are eternally ever since. I predict a prosperous binding whether men recognize them | future for him and his fair bride. or not. As the discovery of a new law in nature does not create it, so the revelation of the moral law in words, was only declaration of that

ments. The function of each was From there I went to Covington that man could not attain unto justiwhen it is said that "Christ abolishnature, and carry our age along with to do? Will it help the cause for still going on. S. W. Jones. one precept of the eternal law of righteousness. He did not even so

much as tone it down. He himself submitted to all its requirements, satisfied all its demands, and so was holy, harmless and without sin.

By the bloody offerings of the old convention. Every friend to the dispensation men were taught their ought to send their Superintendents; slain, and the high priest having enpossible. The lawyers who are not the temple with the blood of the slain victim for the purpose of making an ished" (ell from the lips of the expiring victim on calvary; when sudde ly "the vail of the temple was rent in twain from top to bottom," exposing to common eyes the mysteries of the the work of the Aaronic priesthood was now forever terminated. Henceforth the work of atonement was transferred to the most holy place on high." "For," says the apostle, "Christ is not entered into the holy place made with hands, which is a igure of the true; but into heaven it-If now to appear in the presence of od for us.

> The law contained in ordinances as improved the whole system of the ewish ceremonial of worship. These were a pictorial primer through which the people were taught the necessity of a Savior; this law was a schoolmaster to bring them to Christ, "But Christ being come, a high pricet of good things to come " " heither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entereth in once into the holy place, having obtained ternal redemption for us.". The object of these sin offerings was to shadow forth the real sacrifice of Christ,

From the Muscle Shoals,

Dear Brethren: I have again taken he field as missionary in Muscle Shoals Association, but our Board has very wisely divided the association into three districts and sent out three missionaries. They assigned me to the great Tennessee valley, between Decatur and Tuscumbia. There is not a more important field in North the day before Christmas, if that good | Alabama. There are eight railroad sister will stay converted through the towns, besides the many country neighborhoods, in this valley, and but few have preaching. Decatur I find this a most difficult thing to and Hillsboro have the services of our brother, Jos. Shackelford, D. D., while the other six towns have at resent no preaching. However, fown Creek Station and Tuscumbia no doubt will have regular preaching soon. But Trinity, Wheeler's, Courtland and Leighton have no Baptist preaching at all except an occasional service. Courtland has a splendid louse rotting down for lack of a roof to protect the building. Leighton has a house of worship partly owned by Baptists. There ought to be a Baptist church at Trinity. A better people never lived than the people in and around that place. It is six miles from any Baptist church.

Our Methodist hrethren have a church in each of these towns except Wheeler's. Some of them are doing very well, while others are doing no

A man whose heart is burdened with the worth of souls passing slowly down this railroad and seeing the men and boys wasting their time and in wicked pursuits, spending their Sundays lying around the public laces, could not refrain from heaving a sigh and dropping a tear of sorrow.

I have just been working at Town Creek this week, getting up the fund to repair our house of worship there, The brethren will commence the repairs immediately.

J. I. STOCKTON. Trinity Sta, De . 15th. From Bre. Adams.

Bro. Editors: The Lord has done great things for us, whereof we are glad. I was called on to assist in several protracted meetings during the months of September and October, and I spent six weeks in this work. As the result of these meetngs there were thirty accessions by baptism, and the churches were revived and had many reasons to thank the Lord and be glad. But a great deal remains to be done on the part of some churches. Some have no Sabbath school, raise no mission fund,

up and making an onward move in their church work. In Bibb County, Nov. 19th, 1883, united in marriage Mr. H. F. Head and Miss L. E. Selman. Two years ago I baptized this young man, and have watched over him as his pastor

give nothing to indigent ministers.

May the time hasten on when the

language of the Psalmist will be the

Oakmulgee, Ala.

and chap, and 15th verse, refers to sentiment of our hearts: "The earth

When You are in Trouble.

S. M. ADAMS.

Don't be dismal! Your liver is torpid, perhaps, and you may be said to be bilious. The way to help you out of the difficulty is to take Brown's

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The troubled, the weary, the despondent, the nervous, the debilitated and the bilious find rest, repose, refreshment, and reconstruction in the use of that prince of Tonics, Brown's Iron Bitters. The druggist charges a dollar a bottle for it. 10

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A Boston paper is in "favor of women vo ing if they want to," A Western

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half month or \$240 for the year thousand who could give \$20 each.

The health of our former beloved Will you not, in view of these facts. able to attend the meeting of the body; and our venerable brother J. M. Pay- to me at Rome, Georgia, or through

pleasant session, and though we ally realize the fact that there is hard work before us, yet we ice to know we have some brethand sisters who are fully alive to noble work, and so you may conwe say, we want you to attend our next session and see for yourselves Please just write it down in your minute book—"We are pledged to go in person or send a good substitute to the New on Association next ses.

you would be delighted by coming at least once—we have such a beautiful well watered and healthy counhave been greatly blessed. try, and one that is so rapidly devel-This makes it necessary for a us to have a live and efficient evan- last few years, and we know him to that the lame back, the strange

We think furnishing homes for pasors is a step in the right direction. God speed the day when every Baptist pastor in Alabama will be exclusively and fully devoted to his busi-W. J. HATCHER

department, ordered its immediate tion by the Home Mission Board.

2. Appeals from weak churches and mission stations are constantly called to the advertisement, in another being made for help. They ask for loans oftener than for gif s. For ex imple: Vallence street Mission, New the largest business in their line in the Uni-Orleans, Eufaula, I. T., Baton Rouge and Tampa Missions, and many other places of importance at which church es will never be erected without aid from the denomination. We have at east fifty worthy applications now on

free to all who apply for it, will be found of practical value to all who desire to purchase 3 Other denominations have church extension funds and they are giving aid to weak but promising communities and taking possession of bear?" The mother replied that she had nevthe territory that should be occupied er heard of such an animal. The child insisted that they sang about it at the Sundayby the Baptists. The Episcopalians have \$70,000 in their building fund. By extending aid they secured last year the erection of twenty-rine houses of worship, and have promised to build one hundred and thirteen during this year. The Presbyterians and the little cherub awakes as "bright as a have a similar fund which they use

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, button." It is very pleasant to taste. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays successfully for the advancement of their denomination. The Congrega all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels. tionalists have \$130,000 for this purand is the best known remedy for diarrhoea, whether arising from teething or other causes. pose, and they are adding \$100,000 more to it and propose to build two cleaned out in an incredibly short The house-fly can only see a distance of hundred churches next year. The thirty-eight feet, but that never bothers him | Southern Methodists have just begun any. He always manages to keep within to raise a similar fund, and the Bishops recently assessed the several con-WHAT YOU WANT. - There is scarcely a ferences \$36,000 for this year and family in our city but needs such a remedy as \$60,000 for the next. The northern the famous Seven Springs Iron and Alum Mass. It is not a patent medicine, but is Baptists have \$256,000 in their church edifice fund. They built ninety-sevthe "salts" of mineral water. An infallible cure for Piles, Sore Throat, Chills and Feen churches last year and propose to

-stimulated them to raise in the ag-

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the field becomes self-supporting and

3. The fund is not exhausted or

calls a pastor and sustains him,

gregate \$140,000 among themselves

ver, Chronic Constipation and Chronic Diarbuild two hundred and fifty this rhœa, etc. Made by Landrum & Litchfield Abingdon, Va., and for sale at 50 cents and year. \$1.00 per bottle. For sale by all first-class Is i Is it not time for Southern Baptists to begin work in this line? Shall we "Another railway through our town; that's be left behind and outstripped by othgood; where is the proposed terminus?" said | er denominations? If Christian pity Western man recently. "I don't know for for the needy will not lead us to the certain," was the answer, "but I presume, thorough endowment of this departlike the most of them, it will go into the ment, perhaps church pride will spur hands of the receiver.' us up to compete with other denomi-DON'T MISS IT!

nations in spreading our principles Indian Creek, Wells' "Rough on Rats" Almanac, at druggists, or mailed for 2c, stamp. E. S. and in establishing our churches in Juds the world. WELLS, Jersey City. II. Mission money cannot be more South West Liberty, wisely or successfully expended than Mount Carmel, Anything for Rhyme. In a Devonshire churchyard is found this rare epitaph:

by giving aid in the construction of Mud Creek. "Here hes John Meadow Who passed away like a shadow. churches, by gift or loan, to weak Mobile Baptist Union, Zion. N. B. His name was Field, but important centres. but it would not rhyme." 1. The promise and prospect of a SKINNY MEN. gift or loan will move the community

"Wells' Health Renewer" restores health and vigor, cures Dyspepsia, Impotence, Sexual Debility. St. Customer (who has lost his umbrella): "I

see you have a sign up, 'Umbrellas recovered.' Could you recover mine? I lost it about a week ago.'

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"My dear," said a sentimental wife, ome, you know, is the dearest spot on ad; "It does cost about twice as much as time.

orify God with his money. r. By helping to build a house of Men do not take stork elieve it will succeed. 2. They demonstrate their sympahe weak church which they id this is pleasing to God.

They give proof of their love to Jesus, for they provide a temple is which his name is to be praised. IV. Lastly, the money, bow raised I. It is to be raised by special con-ributions from the Baptist denomina ion in the South. The rich mus heerfully and every one must give

as, viz: A and most successfully promote the

ah the Board, and there | Finally-In order to meet present plished good, and the same body and their personal obligation in the sea gives up its dead." of from the Board at matter. Surely we have twenty men the same missionary in the South, each of whom could the cause of the lost of the City of Boston?"

The City of Limetick, in almost precisely the same latitude, a few days later, found.

docerator, Rev. P. M. Calloway, give as much as your are able to the aying become so feeble, he was not support of this department?.

Remittances can be made direct er was unanimously elected moder-the usual channels for forwarding for. All things considered, we had missionary funds. Yours in Christ,

G. A. NUNNALLY, Sec. Ch. Bldg. Department.

ntly expect to find us at our post Whereas, Bro. A. L. Blizzard has Joing. Brn. Editorsto prove what been called to another field of labor,

n. "We think it would pay you and Resolved, That we accept the res-Brn. Editors if you have ignation of Bro. Blizard with deep revisited Dale Co., the home of gret, because his connection with us Newton Association, we think as pastor for the past two years has

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Resolved and, That we recommend Bro. Bilzard to the Baptisi de-

ath., That in Bro. Bliz-let and I feel specially a because I believe rhead as pastor, we looke one of s severing his connection with church as pastor, we looke one of best pastors this church has ever ever had, and that we anticipate

taketh away the sin of the world." Resolved 5th., That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the ALABAMA BAPTIST for publication, that they be spread upon the church book, and that a copy be forwarded to Bro.

Adopted by the church in conference Saturday before the 1st Lord's day in Dec. 1883.

R. J. BISHOP, Mod. W. C. ADAIR, Church Clerk. I. L. GOLSON, W. C. ADAIR, H. E. WALLACE, G. W. TAYLOR. Committee.

Frozen Pumps.

When a pump tube freezes solid do not pour in hot water in the common way with the hope of thawing. The hot water will stay at the top, and that will be the end of it. But procure a lead tube or any other kind of pipe, place the lower end directly on the ice in the pump, and with a funnel pour hot water in at the top. The weight of the water in the pipe will drive it hot against the ice, the pipe settling as fast as the ice melts, and the whole will be

A brave man is he who overcomes that which may some time overcome him - John B. Gough.

Association Minutes 1883-Wanted.

I want for the use of the Convention the following Minutes, Will some brother whose eye may fall on this, mail me a copy at once, and greatly oblige,

BENJ. B. DAVIS, Secretary, Box 2, Eufaula, Ala. Arbacoochee, Newton. Pea River. Big Bear Creek, Rock Mill, Salem, Sandy Creek, South Eastern, Sulpur Springs, Taliassa. & Ten Isl'd Clear Creek, Tennessee River, Tallapoosa River, East Liberty Town Creek, Tuskaloosa, Tuskegee, Union, Yellow Creek,

MARRIED.

At the residence of the bride's father, on where the church is to be located to the 25th of December, by Rev. W. Wilkes, do their best in raising funds among Mr. J. J. Crow and Miss Mattie A. King. themselves. The northern Baptists Also, on the morning of the 14th of Octa their chilting blight over her happy, pure, by lending \$43,000 to ninety-seven at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. K. churches-less than \$500 to the church J. Thomas and Miss Alice Kirkland. Also at the home of the bride's father,

Mr. S. M. Haney and Miss Laura Bennett. Also, at the home of the bride's father, Mr. Davis Collier and Miss Ella Averett, All of economical measure. For in nine Talladega county. Ala. On the evening of Dec. 23rd, at the resi-

dence of J. B. Foster, near Bear Creek, by John McClurkin, E.q., Mr. Edward Dees and Miss Bettie Riley; all of Wilcox county. absorbed by the single use, but being only loaned, is soon paid back and used again in assisting another community, and thus becomes a perpetual | Mothe E. Bell.

and permanent treasure, repeating On the 20th of December, at the residence you know, is the dearest spot on and multiplying its blessings for all of Mr. Geo. Bilbrey, by Rev. W. W. Kidd, Mr. Miles Kashatt to Miss Bettie Bilbrey; III. In no way, perhaps, can a Chris- all of Shelby county.

Finally—In order to meet present demands we need \$20,000 immediately. This amount could be raised to the south to avoid the possibility of ice-bergs. The City of Boston, however, under the as missionary in the destitution within her bounds last year and account the great need of this work, and everything was tained to the south to avoid the possibility of ice-bergs. The City of Boston, however, undountedly want to the north. Her boats, the preservers and raits were all securely lashed; and when she went down, everything went with her, never to re-appear until the

The City of Limerick, in almost precitive same latitude, a few days later, for the sea full of floating ice; and I have no doubt the City of Beston collided with the

ice and sunk immediately."

Gaptilla Marray has been in command of the Alaska ever since she was put in command of the Alaska ever since she was put in commission and feels justly proud of his noble ship. She carfles thousands of passengers every year, and has greatly popularized the Williams & Gunen line. Remarking upon the brunsed and healthy appearance of the Capseem to be a very great physical trial.

"No. But a person's appearance is not al-ways a trustworthy indication of his physical condition. For seven years I have been in many respects very much out of sorts with myself. At dertain times I was so lame that it was difficult for me to move around. I could searcely strengthen up. I did not know what the trouble was, and though I performed my duties regularly and satisfactorily, yet I felt that I might sowe day be overtaken this. It king our church has lost a faithful and deviced member, the community a bright and shibing light, and her relatives a fond and loving friend.

Resolved, That we will cherish the memory of our sister in our hearts, and dedicate to her memory a page on our records.

Resolved, That we extend to the bereaved the day following crilly and desp. This continued until last December, was prostrated soon after leaving Queen and for the remainder of the voyage was helpless, patiful sufferer. In January last, a friend who made that voyage with me wrote

mea letter anging me to try a new con-treatment. I gladly accepted his pa-and for the last seven months thorough and business-like attention to recovery of my natural health; and

him, so strong in all its outlines and yet so renial, and thought of the innumerable exposures and hardships to which its owner had been exposed, he instinctively wished all who are suffering from the terrible rheumatic troubles now so common might know of Captain Murray's experience and the means by which he had been restored. Pain is a common thing in this world, but far too many endure it when they might just as well avoid it. It is a false philosophy which teaches us to endure when we can just as readily avoid. So thought the hearty Captain of the Alaska, so thinks the writer and so should all others think who desire happi-

ness and a long life. Sacred to the Memory of Alma

Hannie, Oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. B Hearn, who was born Jan. 1st, 1869, and died at their residence near Gaston, Ala., on the evening of the 6th of December; and her remains were carried by relatives and friends to Salem graveyard and placed beside her little brother who had gone before.

Sad indeed is the task to record the early

demise of one so fair, so bright, so gentle, and so necessary io the happiness of a large circle of relatives and friends. The bereavement of death has seldom been

so deeply or universally felt by an entire community as upon the occasion of the passing away of Alma Hearn. Death is saddening come when it will, but the agony of soul to give to its cold embraces the young and lovely, and one around whom the tendrils of our hearts clong with a

tenacity the gave cannot sever. It seems but yesterday we saw her at home and at school, cheerful, happy, singing all the while. To-day we sadly realize that never again will her loving presence gladden our hearts nor her sweet smiles brighten the now desolate home. No more will her voice be heard on the play ground; school will be

sad without her. In the Sabbath-school she took the greatest delight, and the last Sunday she was present she seemed to enjoy singing more than ever. We have been associated intimately together for the last two years as teacher and pupil. As a daughter she was loving and obedient, always thinking of the comforts and the enjoyments of her mother. As a sister, she was kind and gentle, and by her affectionate and amiable disposition, had

singularly endeared herself to all with whom During an illness of two weeks her sufferings were great, but she bore them with patience; she was indeed hopeful to the end, but her trust was in the "Rock of Ages"and without a murmur she surrendered her

Just blooming into womanhood, with a fu-ture seemingly bright and happy before her. But, devoted parents and loving relatives, mourn not for the sweet idol of your love, she has only gone before to prepare a home God doeth all things for the best. He in love and mercy has taken her in the spring

time of her existence, ere the sorrows and disappointments of this world had thrown young life. One by one the leaves are falling, Fading, falling, day by day

And in silence heaven is calling. One by one our friends away. Shady Bower, Dec. 10, 1883. A FRIEND, "The life of Christianity," said Lu-

ther, "consists in possessive pronouns." It is one thing to say, "Christ is a Savior," it is quite another thing to say, "He is my Savier and my Lord." The devil can say the first; the true with recreation and amusement. Christian alone can say the second.

Sense shines with a double lustre when it is set in humanity. An ab'e and yet humble man is a jewel worth or in registered letter. a kingdom.

Pleasant Grove, Pickens Co., 1883, Martha B. King, after

of this notice was born in

C., Feb 37th, 1816; professed and joined the Baptist church h year, and lived a consistent the same until her death. Her ewas Martha B. Curry, relative d brother, Eld. J. H. Curry, of In her twentieth year she was ringe with Mr. Williamson R. whom she lived most happily. and took him home. As a neigh-King acted a faithful part; was respond to the various demands her as such; as a friend she was and true; as a parent she acted parr in training her children for and as a sister in Christ she ever y both precept and example, the of a Christian. She was devoted of her desier, and during her sickness she often durings her willingness to depart and by will shrist.

he hight before her death she called a would see bedside and told her that she would see be at home in heaven. Her afdiction though protracted, were borne with patients and great fortitude. She has left make relatives and friends to mourn her undeath. In her death Forest Baptist church has lost one of her most efficient

Alas! thou art gone, how sorely we will aiss thee! But since thou art gone to be with the pure and the blest, we will improve from the inspiration of thy pious example, and look forward to the day when we shall meet thee on the shining shore.

Dearest sister, thou hast left us; Here thy loss we deeply feel, But 'the God that hath bereft us; He can all our surrows heal."

JAS. G. THORNTON. committee appointed by Fores tist church, for the purpose of drafting resolutions as a tribute of respect to the memory of our deceased sister, Martha G. King, report the following: Whereas, It has seemed good in the wis-

dom of our Heavenly Father to remove from our midst our beloved Sister Mariha B. King, calling her June 30th, 1883, to that judgment which awaits all living, and knowing that he doeth all things well, and believing that she has passed from a world of sin and sorrow to one of eternal happiness, therefore, be it Resoured, That in the death of Sister Mar-

the B. King our church has lost a faithful

Resolved, That we extend to the bereaved relatives our deepest sympathy, and for consolution we would point them to our Heavenly Father with this admonition, "Be ye Realist That we send a copy of this to

the Alabamian Baprist and West Alabamian L FRER. JOHN UPCHURCH, A UPCHURCH, J. L. MARQUIS, NOLAND, PHILIP NOLAND, Committee.

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Say, what is life? 'Tis to be born;
A helpless babe to greet the light
With a charp wail, as if the morn
Foretold a cloudy noon and night;
To weep, to sleep, and weep again,
With sunny smiles between—and then?

And then space the infant grows
To be a laughing, sprightly boy,
Happy, despite his little woes, Happy, despite his little wors, Were he but conscious of his joy? To be, in short, from two to ten. A merry, moody child—and then?

And then in coat and trowsers clad To learn to say the decalogue,
And break it, an unthinking lad,
With mirth and mischief all agog:
A truast oft by field and fen,
And capture butterflies—and then?

And then, increased in strength and size To be anon, a youth full grown,
A hero in his mother's eyes,
A young Apollo in his own;
To imitate the ways of men
In fashionable sin—ard then?

And then, at last, to be a man, To fall in love, to woo and wed! With seething brain to scheme and plan To gather gold or toil for bread; To sue for fame, with tongue and pen, And gain or lose the prize—and then?

And then in gray and wrinkled eld, To mourn the speed of life's decline; To praise the scenes our youth beheld, And dwell in memory of lang syne, To dream awhile with darkened ken. To drop into his grave—and then?

Carrier Pigeons.

Dr. Harvey J. Philpot, in a letter to the London Daily Telegraph, writes as follows: "I have made valuable! use of the carrier or homing pigeon can army during the Revolutionary this is not really necessary, as I would as an auxiliary to my practice. So War. It was during the winter of easily are these unqualified assistants' 1777 78, the very gloomiest period reared and trained that I am surpris of the war. The soldiers were suf ed that they are not brought into use fering greatly from privations, and by the profession I belong to. My many were getting discouraged. The modus operandi is simply this: I take English people were proposing meas out half a dozen birds massed togeth ures of settlement of the difficulties; er in a basket with me on my rounds, but the brave general who was at the and when I have seen my patient, no head of the army had faith in the matter at what distance from home, I success of the cause, and would listen write my prescription on a piece of to no terms of peace which did not include an acknowledgment of the around the shank of the bird's leg I independence of the colonies. Then generally throw the carrier up into bribery was tried, and General Reed the air. In a few minutes it reaches home, and, having been shut up fasting since the previous evening, without much delay enters the trap-cage tween the two countries. His reply connected with its loft, where it is at to the proposition was: "I am not once caught by my gardner or dis worth purchasing; but the king of penser, who knows pretty well the England has not money enough to time of its arrival, and relieves it of buy me." And Mrs. Baily smiled enits dispatches. The medicine is im- couragingly upon her earnest-faced mediately prepared and sent off by boy whose dark eyes kindled with the messenger, who is thus saved sev- true patriot fervor, as she added: "I eral hours of waiting, and I am en hope, John, you will always be loyal abled to complete my round of visits to the cause, and that there will never sions, Falling | Should any patient be very sick, and | be money enough in the world to buy Steknoss, St. Vitus I am desirous of having an early re you. Your name may not go into port of him or her the next morning, history alongside the patriot of 1777. I leave a bird to bring me tidings. A but truth and loyalty are worth more short time since I took with me six than a name in history."—Faye Hunt pair of birds. I sent a pair of them ington, in Pansy. off from each village I had occasion to visit, every other one bearing a pre | The Christian at Work scription. Upon my return I found all the prescriptions arranged on ray desk by my dispenser who had already made up the medicines."

Two Fables.

A cat caught a sparrow and was about to devour it but the sparrow

"No gentleman eats until he has first washed his face."

The cat, struck with this remark, set the sparrow down and began to wash his face; on which the sparrow inviting their entrance, flew away. This vexed pussy ex-

tremely, and he said:-

and wash my face afterwards." Which all cats do even to this day.

fly away with the cats? And now I this. think of it a civil question can not give offence." St the sparrow finished her breakfast, went to the eagle, majority? What will you be?" and and said, "May it please your majesty, the young man canvasses the various I see you and your race fly away with trades and professions, and naturally the birds and lambs that do no harm, littlects the one promising to be the But there is not a creature so malig. cariest and most remunerative; and of the South the young growth of nant as the cat; she prowls about our the tather assists him to become pronests, ears up our young, and bites firment therein by advancing means, off our own heads. She teeds so and giving gratuitous advice. daintily she mu t be herself good eat. But what aim is extended to girls wild plum, the maple or the birch do ing. She is lighter to carry than a growing up in the home circle, beyond in the North. Catawba grape wood lamb, and you would get a famous a possable education and a few ac ripens as well as that of the Concord grip in her lo se fur. Why do you complishments? not feed upon a cat?"

worm's skin on your beak, my child?" The girls? oh! they will marry.'

The sparrow cleaned his beak upon his bosom, and said, "I should like to come when necessity will impose upsee the worm that made that com- on them the labor of providing for sylvania.

"Come forward, worm," the eagle said. But when the worm appeared, and imprudent life partnerships bethe sparrow snapped him up and ate cause they have no sure means of humor, from the common pimple or him, after which he went on with his support; while if they had trades, or eruption to the worst scroful i.

Couldn't Be Bought.

John Baily was hurrying home from school when Mr. Giles hailed favorite "Jewel" pattern or in the "Royal. him, Mr. Giles was the proprietor

Mr. Giles' call, and stood waiting. "How would you like a chance to Have you any more?" earn some money nights and morn-

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end of books and papers to be bought with the money he should earn; but his hopes sank as rapidly as they had risen. He had not thought of the I don't think that I could come,"

"Why not?" asked Mr. Giles surprise. "I thought you would jump at the chance. "So I did, at first; but come think of it, I couldn't." "But why?" and as Mr. Giles in sisted upon an answer, John said: "I can't help you, because I don't want to betray the cause which I am pledged to fight for." "Cause? Pledge to fight for? What

do you mean?7 "I mean the temperance cause. can't sell beer, Mr. Giles." "Oh, that is it. Well, John, I won't

ask you to sell beer; you may confine your work to the grocery department."
"I don't think that would do either," replied John. "It would be bad, anyway, and hurt the cause. guess I can't come at all."

But Mr. Giles persisted, "I will pay you well," he said; and finally as John became more decided in his re fusal to entertain his proposal he offered him large wages, and John growing desperate, said, "Mr. Gues, I am not worth much, but I am not for sale, what there is of me," and with that he said good afternoon and hurried home to tell his mother the story of his interview, and get her he can milk in his Sunday closes

When he had told her, she said, "John, you make me think of Gen eral Reed."

"Who was General Reed?" asked John, who was not very well up in history.

"He was an officer in the Ameri-

Have an Aim in Life. BY E. R. CLARKE.

education of women is their appa rent lack of an aim in life.

How few, on arriving at maturity, resolve to follow any particular vocation, or profession. From unthink ing, careless, happy girlhood, they pass to mature womanhood, unmind ful of the many avenues of business

Farmers' sons early determine whether they will be agriculturalists, "As long as I live I will eat first or fit themselves for some other oc cupation more congenial to their tastes; while the daughters appear Here is another cat and sparrow to think that, ultimately, they must marry; and but few begin life with young seedlings do. If we cut off a "I wonder," said a sparrow, "what any predetermined purpose. And the eagles are about, that they don't they are not entirely to blame for

> The father says to his son: "What | the pith brown or black, and the rest are you going to do on attaining your

"Ah," said the earle, "there is to provide for his daughters' future for supplies of such stock since comsense in your question. I had the presperity, by educating them to be munication has become rapid and diworms to hear this morning, asking prictical bread-winners for them- rect; and both sections benefit by the me why I did not breakfast upon selves, and he would look both shock. measure. I have had striking evisparrows. Do I see a morsel of ed and indignant as he made reply:

their physical needs.

Many times, girls contract hasty were even efficient and skillful housekeepers they would always find employment that would be remunera-

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Worcester" square shape, the former at \$20 of a sort of a store and saloon coma set, the latter at \$22.50 a set for 140 pieces, bined. He kept a stock of groceries Martin Luther when Satan came to ula. made up as follows: 12 each Dinner, Break- and flour and a few other articles, and him, as he thought, with a long, black

"Ves, I must own to them all. So the foul fiend went his way and as the transplanting of oaks and nut brought another long roll, and Mar-

PARM AND HOUSEHOLD.

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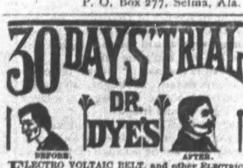
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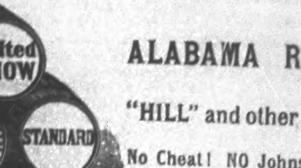
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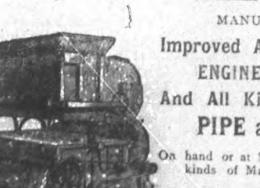
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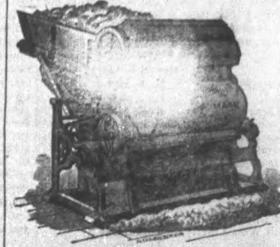
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