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Self-Denial Nobler than Self-Indulgence.

Just as surely as it is harder to clainber toward a mountain summit for its look, than it is to move leisurely along the lower level or to slip to a depth ing point, than to be satisfied with below it. Nor is it only because o. the gain which is clearly before one in the air and in the outlook of the mountain summit, that the upward nobleness in the very choice of a selfdenying effort in preference to selfindulting ease. Other things being equal at is nobler for a man to constrain and deny himself than to give himself unrestrained indulgence. Apart from the question of objective results, it requires more character, and it more tends to the development of character, for a man to resist his love of ease, and to act contrary to the course of the Rechabites? his tastes and impulses, than for him to do that which is in accordance with all his natural preferences and long-

the world are as one. Everywhere and always the man who denies himself, who refuses self-indulgence, who mortifies himself by abstinence, by privation, by rigorous severities of any sort, is on that very account given a higher place, in the estimation of his fellows generally, than the man who lives a life of luxury and indulgence. Even among the more degraded heathen peoples of the world, as well as among those of highest enlightenment and culture, the man who intelligently refuses to accumulate riches or property, who of choice decides to five a life of penury and privation, who deliberately subjects himself to bodily suffering and endurance, who, perhaps, refuses to have a home of his own, fasts oftene lashes himself with a scourge of cords, clothes himself with a flesh-torturing garment, this was in opposition to the tendence lies down on a bed of spikes, or holds up an arm determinedly until its very muscles stiffen and shrivel in their unrelieved extention-such a self-denying devotee as this is likely to be looked up to as a holy man, or, at all events, as in some way a superior person, as no man is looked up to because of any freedom of self-indulgence, or any earnestness and zeal and success in mere material accumulations. If, indeed, a decision must be made between the personal merits of the rigidly consistent monk, hermit, darweesh, fageer, or ascetic of any order, on the one hand, and the conversely consistent libertine, voluptuary, or pleasureseeker generally, on the other hand, the world is prompt and hearty in favor of the one who is self-denying, rather than of the one who is self-

A similar view of the superiority or the greater nobleness, of self-denial, self-mortification, self abnegation, in contrast with self-indulgence, selfgratification; self-enjoyment, is found fellows. reficeted in the teachings of the Bible, both in connection with the assurance that ultimately the truest objective gain to one's self is through the surrender and forgetfulness of self, and in connection also with the primary and more elementary truth that self nature, and that self-seeking is unworthy of a man's truer and better self. Precept and illustration comn the Old Testament and in the New, No better example in this line could perhaps be given from the Old Testament record than that which is furnished in the incident of the self-denying Rechabites and their commendation, which has recently been the sub-

The Rechabites, descendants of Jonadab, were rigidly total-abstainers and tirelessly consistent nomads, in accordance with the injunction of their sturdy and stalwart ancestor. For their fidelity in this line, they were commended of God, and were promised honor and reward accordingly. In the recent popular study of their him whose we are and whom we story, there were two extremes of serve, is an essential element in the comment to be noted. On the one mand, it was chained that out to supply double that number this friend or friends whom you will pray mendation of their course was an imprequirements of the Rechabite nomadary are said to be ruined, together with less under its responsibilities; tortured another done about all it was fairly He has no right to supply double that number this friend or friends whom you will pray to supply double that number this friend or friends whom you will pray the fairly He has no right to supply double that number this friend or friends whom you will pray to supply double that number this friend or friends whom you will pray to supply double that number this friend or friends whom you will pray to supply double that number this friend or friends whom you will pray to supply double that number this friend or friends whom you will pray to supply double that number this friend or friends whom you will pray the first to supply double that number this friend or friends whom you will pray the first to supply double that number this friend or friends whom you will pray the first to supply double that number this friend or friends whom you will pray the first to supply double that number this friend or friends whom you will pray the first to supply double that number this friend or friends whom you will pray the first to supply double that number this friends to supply double that number this friends the first to supply double that number this friends the first to supply double that number this friends the first to supply double that number this friends the first to supply double that number the first the first to supply double that number the first to supply double the first to supply double the first to supply double the fir hand, it was claimed that God's complied enjoining of the universal duty life:-total abstinence from all that of total abstinence. On the other can intoxicate, the shunning of wealthhand, it was insisted that they were commended merely because of their lar instance, the spirit which promptfilial obedience. That the absolute ed the Rechabites to be self-denyingly duty of total abstinence was no more faithful to the wise injunctions given example than was the duty of perpet- life, and is inseparable from the duties ual nomadic life, would seem to be a of Christian discipleship. - Sundayfair and logical inference. But that School Times.

it was not alone for their filial obedience that the Rechabites were approved, would seem to be also evident in the light of a moment's reflection. If, when Jeremiah had invited purer air and its more extended out the Rechabites to drink wine in the temple-chamber, they had indulged in wine-drinking to the full, and then below one's present plane, so is it had asked the prophet to secure for nobler to struggle upward toward the them some home of luxury, where commanding heights above one's start- they could settle down for personal enjoyment and indulgence, saying, as one's existing level, or to slide down- they did so, that their ancestor had ward easily from that plane to a plane laid it upon his descendants to drink wine whever they could get it, and to have as easy a time in life as was possible, with the least personal toil and endeavor, does any one suppose that struggling is nobler than the down- the prophet would have held them up ward sliding; there is a measure of as an example to the self-indulgent people of Judah, and that the Lord would have promised them perpetuity and permanent honor as a tribe, be cause of their drinking and self-seeking at the command of their ancestor? And if such an idea as this be in itself an absurdity, is it not clear that the nature of their obedience to authority, the elements of the divine approval of the State. The Cincinnati and St. as well as the fact of it, entered into There is no declaration in the Bible

text that Ionadab was the founder of

an order of ascetics, or that he changed in any degree the traditional On this point, as on many another, customs and habits of life o "e peothe word of God and the thought of ple of whom he was for the t ae the Bed'wy stock. Then as now, as we have reason to suppose, the Bed'ween were of abstemious lives, and were accustomed to shun a settled life. Jonadab, however, was for a time, while the associate of Jehu, an observer of the vices and temptations of a life of luxury in the ease-loving city. The disclosure appears to have shocked him. Going back to his people, (who were in danger of yielding to the fashion of their surroundings,) ne urged them to remain Bed ween forever; to continue in the ancestral ruts: to abjure wine-with its power over the appetite; to count themselves as pilgrims and sojourners in the world; to avoid even permanent plantations,-lest they should become wealth-seekers and ease-lovers. All of the age, to the temptations of the hour, and to the natural instincts of To adhere to such counsel would demand self-constraint and self-denial. It is not said that Jonadab exacted any vow from his people, or that they made him any specific pledge on the subject. It is only declared that he enjoined upon them this life of self-denial as a duty, and that they nobly adhered to the restricions which he pointed out to them as desirable. For so doing they deserved credit; and for so doing they had the Lord's commendation. It was their filial adherence to their father's inunction of self-denying absterniousness, that was the immediate cause of their being held up before Judah, and

It is nobler now, as it was in the days of Jehu and of Jeremiah, to deny one's than to indulge one's self; and without a readiness to exercise selfdenial daily, even to the extent of the restrictions of the Rechabites, there is no possibility of serving God ac ceptably in city or in country. Says a greater than Jonadab, to all who would hear and heed his word even Jesus Christ, our Lord and Master: bine for the enforcement of this truth, "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me;" and again: "Whosoever doth not bear his own cross [and to bear a cross involves], and come after me cannot be my disciple. . . . So, therefore, whosoever he be of you that renounceth ject of our international lesson study. not all that he hath [and so practices self-abnegation], he cannot be my disciple." There is, obviously, a great deal more than filial obedience covered by the example of the Rechabites, and the requirements of our

so held up before the world, as exam-

ples worthy of imitation for all time

to come. Not merely because they

were obedient, but because they were

self-denying in their conformity to the

wise injunctions of their ancestors,

were they thus honored above their

Lord from his principles. Intelligent self-denial, for the sake of the right, and at the command of noblest Christian manhood. This self-denial may-it often does-deseeking, and a pilgrim-life on earth. However this may be in any particuto the very existence of the Christian Jottings from Florida-

Eds. Ala. Baptist: For one and half years I have been traveling pretty extensively in this State, and during this time have seen and heard many things wise and otherwise.

The first town of any importance visited was Chipley, a pretty, clean (excepting a bar-room or two) growing little town in Washington county, on the P. & A. R. R. This place is named in honor of Col. W. D. Chipley, the husband of a noble little Baptist lady, extensively known in South Alabama as one of the pillars of our cause in Pensacola. As yet we have no church in Chipley, though the prospects are encouraging. The

us. They have a neat, commodious building considerably on the way toward completion. Col. Chipley offers to give \$100 towards building a Baptist church.

From Chipley I went something near fifty miles south to St. Andrew's Bay. Just now this is the most extensively advertised place, I guess, in Andrew's Bay R. R. and Land Co. have laid out a large city, fronting the Bay, and running back one or two miles. They have gotten up a beautiful pamphlet, highly illustrated, describing the country as being one of most enchanting loveliness. Since visiting St. Andrew's I have decided that a pretentious city with its broad, streets and avenues, with its bays and lakes and groves on paper does not look altogether as it does in the woods. The city of St. Andrews is yet in the woods. It is true the Company have succeeded in getting ip quite a boom for their place by circulating thousands of their pamphlets. They have, I was informed, sold be tween six and eight hundred lots to persons mostly from the North and Northwest. Hundreds of those purchasers (many of them with their families) are now on the Bay in painful suspense and anxiety. The Railroad and Land Co. begun the construction of a road from St. Andrews to Chipley, but the enterprise failed some time ago, and the people, believing nat their city(?) depen

railroad are now much troubled

While at North Bay, I attended serrices at "Grassy Point church;" and what do you think, Brn. Editors, the pastor(?) brought a keg of rum with him to his appointment, sold a little on Saturday and opened up bright and early Sabbath morning, and failing to sell out before preaching hour, forced the son of one of the brethren (poor boy wanted to attend church) to continue during services. Just as soon as I learned the state of affairs I went to the pastor and delivered to him on of the best temperance lectures which I was capable. He listened patiently and manifested sorrow and said, "I'll never do so again." After praying that God might help him closed my temperance service with him. He saw several brethren and asked them not to blame him for what he had done as he had intended no harm. The people on the bays evidently love rum. I attended a genuine Florida wedding on East Bay Christmas Eve night and the good mother of the bride (who was a Baptist also) got "tight" and danced all over the place. They being a little too tight for me down there I traveled about eighteen miles north Christmas day and stopped in the evening with a Baptist brother. About night a jug and a few bottles of rum came in, quite a crowd of neighbors assemsuch a Christmas night as dragged to bed like hogs. It was vast majority of us, are, so to speak, pi

Christmas night. town of Ouncy, the county town of the full blessedness of giving. all means, to look after.

times wherever you go.

Please excuse the length of this you did not realize the fact that you to it that they have fair play. They true manhood.—Baptist Weekly.

communication. Up to this time 1 have had but little opportunity o writing. I try to remember the ALA-BAMA BAPTIST to old Alabamians when I meet them. A few have promised to subscribe. A. T. SIMS. Gainesville, Fla.

Some Earnest Words of Counsel.

We publish with pleasure a letter sent us by a good brother in East Alaabama. It is written by a man of blessed memory, Judge M. J. Wellborn, who late in life became a minister of the gospel. Though written eighteen years ago, its burning words will still do good. "HAMILTON, GA., Aug. 29

My Dear Young Bro. : doubt that your late note is most welcome, and that I enter deeply cheerfully into all vour embarrassments. Having halted, much prayer and frequent fastings, over the question of my own duty in respect to the Christian ministry, for six years, it were strange if I could not feel for you in your troubles on the same subject. Your connection with the church (at Society Hill) I recall. From the impression there made, as also from the contents of your letter under notice, I entertain a cheering hope that your heart has been, through riches of grace in Christ, renewed unto holiness. Without this, call to the ministry can be entertained. This point, the regeneration of the heart by the Holy Spirit, being accredited, is a call to preach the gospel recognizable? Here in the inquiry, we would do well to examine the three chapters of Paul's first letter to Timo-Studay it praperfully; especially remembering that God calls the Christian minister to his work, witnessing the call by his Spirit's action on the spirit of the minister called. Do you feel it your duty to preach? Would it be pleasurable to you to preach or honoring to Christ and beneficial to your fel-

Note the Scripture cited, "If a man desire the office of a Bishop he desireth a good work." Yet, if called,

a sense of personal insufficiency. worthiness, would also co-exist. This day do I recollect the terror the responsibilities of the ministry produced within me-yea, still at times impresses

Secondly, personal conviction should in some degree be referred to brethren familiar with us. What do they who know us best, and sometimes hear us, think of our aptness to teach? Remember, if we are to preach, we must have auditors: and we may no be the best judges of our qualifications to be most useful in this form of divine service. The Savior is entitled to our most efficient services in whatever form, (it may be as deacon or door keeper). "Lord what wilt thou have me to do?" is the question.

Finally, listen to intelligent, candid brethren, commune with your own heart in prayer much, and finally, in fastings and prayers, go often to God in the premises.

I shall be pleased to correspond with you at your will. Sincerely, your brother,

M. J. WELLBORN."

Another Letter for the Sisters.

I am very thankful that Sister Lydia has sympathized with me—and I trust | that honorable body "that this gues that we may soon have some good tion ought not to assume political words from some other sisters also. character." And thus politicians gen She is surely paying her tithes into erally insist that it ought not to as we had! Mine host, and several oth- the Lord's storehouse, and has proven sume a political character. Are we ers, got so drunk they had to be him faithful to his promises. But the to understand them as meaning that quite cold and the jollification contin- pecuniary dependents, we have no in- the back seats, or to no seats at all, ued until just before day. So you come of our own of which to give the into silence, to keep it out of politics? can infer how I spent and enjoyed tenth, and as we must give, how is it to That is the question which I want to be done? I do not propose to give my reach. Indications of that character The Baptist cause is quite weak in way, but will await a better method frequently show themselves far south Central and West Florida. In the from some sister who has experienced of Ohio; and often when a prohibi

tionist is brought forward it is some Gadsden, a place of much business My own heart has been much mov- one who barely holds that sentiment importance, and with a population, I ed of late on another line of work, and -one of those accommodating spirits suppose, of near 3,000, we have no I want to talk to my baby sisters par- who will keep his sentiments to himchurch whatever. This place, with ticularly. Will you listen to me a lit- self on that subject. How is it on the Chipley, St. Andrews, and Newnans- tle while at a time? I may not say other side? Answer-The strongest ville, all important and growing cen- anything you have not heard before, friends of the liquor traffic are selected ters, the Baptists of Florida ought, by sometime in your life, but I do want for official positions, as in Ohio, where to make you feel more than you have they have taken charge of the whole Florida has just passed through the before. Why am I troubled about legislature to "keep it out of politics." coldest spell of weather ever realized you? Because I have seen so many I have no complaints to allege against by the "oldest inhabitant in these Christian women bending wearily un- the Alabama Legislature. That honparts." All the oranges on the trees der life's burdens, chafing and rest- orable body has in one session after many broad acres of cabbage and oth- by fears and agonized by the suspense asked to do. Prohibitionists have no itly sanction what his conscience diser vegetables. There are many "blue" attending its vicissitudes, when they one to blame but themselves. And I people in the land of flowers just now. could have laid all these burdens upon am in sympathy with your platform You can meet with the cry of "tight Jesus and found rest and grace; and I on this subject published in the last would gladly do something to save issue of the ALABAMA BAPTIST. I This town is rapidly improving. you from their experience and help yield nothing to any man in party de- Straightforwardness and outspokensweepingly enjoined by their approved to them by their ancestor, is essential Many nice residences and commodi- you to bring your burdens to the cross. Votion, or in the wish to keep this ous brick business houses are going When you gave your hearts to Jesus, question out of party politics, but I science and honest action. And they they were so full of love and joy that insist that prohibitionists should see are, nevertheless, indispensable to one. Appointed crosses are real bless—Rev A. C. Davidson in Circular of

"babes in Christ," and have the power if they will only asinted by the physical condition who are avowedly prohibition

until the loving, pitying heart very timid. But I only want to call father, sends a flood of-afflic- attention to the lessons in Senator av be-and floats them out Sherman's speech. sea of a life of usefulness. hall you do? Just what a baby can. You must have regular il food, and if a healthy growhild of Christ, you will get so y that you will CRY for the sininking of what some one said to ing the day, or what you will to-morrow, and then kneeling r bedside, sleepily "say your " It means that you so desire w more of Jesus that you enjoy

have exercise too, not "grow in grace," and i I would like to continu o you, taking up one means th at a time that I might, by ore specific, be more helpful. Sunday, sometime during the end ten minutes, just ten mininking of your present Chris measure yourself, and see nall and weak and ignorant you God's sight, and if you do this you have received a start in direction from

you need with more earnestness

ou ever asked your earthly fa-

Your sister, NELEH. it out of Politics.

election to the Senate of the United

States. I am especially struck with

what he said on the subject of tem-

perance and prohibition. Let us note

carefully an item or two. Speaking

of prohibition he says: "It is the

sentiment of fully one-half of those

composing the two great political par-

ties" of the State of Ohio. I suppose

that Mr. Sherman knew whereof he

spoke, for as he mentioned that this

was true of both parties it cannot be

assumed that he was unfair in his state-

ment. It was expressed in support

of the position taken by him that pro-

hibition is a rapidly growing senti-

ment throughout the country, and

that it cannot longer be ignored, and

that proper legislation is essential to

And yet he further said: "The pro-

hibition party has not a single repre-

sentative on this floor." I suppose

that this remarkable statement is also

true; and if true, think of it! "Fully

one-half of both the great political

parties" in that State hold the prohi-

bition sentiment, and yet they "have

not a single representative" in their

And still Senator Sherman tells

legislature!

keep it out of party politics.

the word babe was used, it sure- sert themselves. This may be easily chosen because it expressed done by faithfully watching their ine condition of the newly regen- terests in beat meetings and in nomi-Your spiritual life in its pu- nating conventions. A country pasweakness, and its needs, is tor said to me recently, "Many men be. Do try to realize this truth, who will vote for prohibition do not not think that you have a sup- want it to succeed. Many things in love to last you through life. their conduct show that they would here so many Christian lives be pleased to see it fail." I do not inded and remain useless, beat- know how much truth there is in this, he storms, and parched by the but I do know that prohibitionists are

J. J. D. RENFROE.

Wanted--Manhood. There is a wonderful lack of man hood and consequently of out-spoken ness in the world. The defalcation and robberies of moneyed institutions milk of the word. That does in years past would most of them not ean that you will read a chap- have occurred if the men entrusted with the Bible every night while you their affairs had simply had manhood enough to do their duty. But owing to a cowardly fear of being thought suspicious and over careful they have not made close investigations, and have aflowed policies to be followed which they inwardly disapproved. g about him more than eating the And this they did, though they knew st confection, and that you go the evils which might follow their negand ask him for those things lect and silence.

In church relations men are constantly manifesting a want of manproposed which they believe detrimental to the best interests of church, an act of discipline may be necessary to its purity and good name, or a man of determined will may try to force a severe measure, or perhaps even excommunication without reaand such men will know that wrong is being done and not say one word. Many a pastor has been driven from his position for the want of a man with enough conscience and courage to defend him against mean and unworthy assaults. There are church officers who for peace sake will allow the greatest wrongs to be

done and make no protest. In councils it is often almost

sit silent and allow ignorance and un-

istry. In committees there is often

tions and they will be adopted with-

out dissent, and no sooner do the

members separate than nearly every-

and propriety of the action they have

have the pre-eminence count on this

weakness as an important factor to the

success of their plans. If they initiate

measures, propose changes, or make

a nomination for any office, and they

are sure to do such things, they are

surprised at opposition. They expect

every one to accept their opinions

without question and to vote accord-

men with a determined spirit can car-

conventions, religious assemblies,

financial, or educational institutions

An expression of dissent they regard

as treason or conspiracy and seek to

punish it as such. If, perchance, a

man ventures to express a difference

of judgment he is set down as "im-

practicable" or called a "crank" and

if it be possible to drive him out and

prevent his unwelcome interference

Nevertheless, men have no right to

accept any trust, to be in any society,

the nominations they support. But

if any trust is committed to him he is

thing which others would hide it is his

duty to bring it to light. If he does

not believe a course or a nomination.

There are a good many gatherings

Dare to do right, dare to be true,

ness do not lead to popular favor, but

they are often essential to a good con-

in future it is sure to be done.

their points whether in political

In this way often, one or two

hail with delight the effort now

Crampton's Envelopes.

being made by Bro. W. B. Crumpton, Cor. Sec. of your State Board, to inchurches of Alabama.

So far as I know this is the first ef- hind Newgate, where the Scottish fort to in roduce a general system for patriot Wallace was so ignominiously this purpose. Some pastors have already adopted a system for their own churches but no general plan, that I ligious persecution suffered the toram advised of, has ever been attempt- tures of a fiery martyrdom, because ed to indice all our churches to systhey could not bring themselves to

system there can be easily secured all pilgrim called Rahere, whose monuthe funds needed for all departments ment still remains the principal ornaof Christian work. Wherever it has ment of the choir, in obedience to a been fait fully tried the most gratify- vision made to him in his journey to ing success has followed. The Second church in Atlanta adopted such a sys- Norman style, and bears on its front tem two years ago, and raised the first; that aspect of hoary mouldiness that year ove \$2500, or \$5 per member. sufficiently attests its antiquity. The This year they have raised above date 1123, in the reign of the first \$3,000, Ar \$6 per member.

The church in Columbia, Mo., adopted such a system, and 175 members raised over \$1,000 for missions, and more than \$1,800 for home ex-

Frequent collections of small sums year \$72. There are a thousand churchthem can do far more. They can One Hundred Thousand Dollars every God grant that they may do it.

Atlanta, Ga.

Our Children's Day.

Historic London.

NUMBER 7.

Perhaps the most interesting of all historical memorials in London is the church of the old Priory of St. Bartholomew the Great, in a remote corner of the famous Smithfield, bewas-part of a divinely revealed reli-This, I am sure, is the great need gion. The old chapel, with its of the churches, not only of Alabama, lamentably desolate and dejected little but of the entire country. By such a churchyard, was built by a pious Rome. It is in the substantial old Henry, stands prominently above the

Among the more frequented historical sights of London of course nobody will neglect the Temple and its elegant round church; and let no one who sets foot on that venerswell the aggregate. A church of six- able floor forget to pry into a dark ty members giving each one dime per corner on the left side of the commonth would contribute during the munion table, where the memorial slab of the learned, wise, and patroitic es in Alabama that by the adoption lawyer and statesmen, John Selden, of a simple plan and working it effect- lies unworthily concealed from public ively, can raise this amount. Many of view. Why should not the gentlemen of the Inner Temple bestir themmake Alabama's offering to the Lord selves and plant this illustrious man as prominently somewhere about their classical courts and gardens as John Stuart Mill and Brunel have been planted on the Victoria Embankment? But if the moral charm of the Temple To all Baptist Sunday-schools, Greeting: Selden, its poetical charm Thirty-six years ago, the Board of tionably lies neither in the winged American Baptist Publication horse nor in the bannered lamb that Society sent forth its first appeal for are made everywhere prominent, but concerted action in prayer and gifts in the Fountain Court. Here let the by churches and schools, on the stranger, weary of the fret of the second Sunday in June, for the pur- Strand and the smother of the Under-

heartily responded to our appeal, enlivened with the twitter of happy blessing. Grateful acknowledgment whom, in their simple "Children's Day," which rolled up perfect contrast could be conceived over \$18,000.00 for the good work to a legal type of the place; here let for Sunday schools to do for their the greatest stream of bustling life in The echoes from that day are full of soothing, perhaps, and certainly much pleasure and satisfaction.

Already the notes of preparation being made as to what the programme when it will be ready, etc. In reply we gladly state that the work of preparation on our part has been going on for months. Hymn writers and musical composers have been at work; selections for recitations have been made; some new, fresh, and good material has been gathered; a large stock of paper for programmes has been ordered; an immense quantity of individual envelopes with neat illustrative engraving are being printed: the "Annual Letter" of the Secretary, to Sunday-school boys and girls, old and young, is being made ready; and full suggestions and details are being worked out by an experienced and capable hand; the intention being to do everything possible to make this the great day of the face. Many, oh! so many, need a sit in any council committee or board, year in all the Baptist Sunday-schools ray of sunshine. Help by duing if they do not intend, whatever the in our land. Our material will all sonal discomfort or annoyance, to be ready for delivery early in April, do conscientiously their duty, without and will be furnished free to any regard to the action and opinions of school on the single condition that at others. "In the multitude of counsel- the time named a contribution be ors there is wisdom," and a man ought promptly forwarded to the American to carefully consider the reasons they Baptist Publication Society, for the present for the course they favor or extension of its Sunday-school work.

Please do not wait to send for samevery man who belongs to any church ples. The service will be sure to or society ought to seek its good, or please you. Send your order early, to C. C. Bitting, D. D., Missionary bound to use it as he believes for the Secretary, 1420 Chesnut street, Philabest interests of those whom he has delphia, stating the usual attendance undertaken to serve. If there is any upon your school. Be sure to give written. Your order will be filled year, and shall hope that their offerings will not fall below \$25,000.

May the blessing of God rest richly in which it would not be amiss to sing B. GRIFFITH, and the gifts.

Never leave your way to seek a

Sunday-schools have grandly and vivid green shade of the plane trees. until the annually recurring day is birds; here let him recall the playful looked forward to with keen delight, memory of Charles Lamb and Oliver as one of receiving as well as of giving Goldsmith, two human beings than is made of the seturns of our last and wayward lovableness, no more own and only Sunday-school Society. the world, cultivate a peace more of the nymphs or of Trophonius in for the present year will be, and classical Greece. - J. Stuart Blackie in Cassell's Family Magazine.

The Pastor's Greeting, 1886.

The new year is now before us. . In infinite mercy God has spared us and preserved us through the past. He has had a wide purpose in it. What shall thy new year be? What shall it bring? What and where shall close? Ah, God only can answer these questions. in part, however, by determining by faithful than in the past. One and all, let us lay us out for are many. Help by wearing a happy mention of the loving ways of God to you. Help by sending your religious papers, after you have read them, to somebody who has none. Many homes and hearts in this way may be aided to bear life's burdens. The cup of cold water doesn't lose its reward. Help by prayerfully reading your Bible, and as opportunity offers. tell others of its help to you. Help by regular attendance upon all the services of the Lord's house and by earnest prayer for God's blessings to name, postoffice, and State, clearly be there. Help by giving of your money according as the Lord has proposed a wise one he ought courte- promptly. Nearly 2,500 schools re- prospered you. We are but his ously but firmly to declare his views, sponded last year. We shall be glad stewards. Help by selecting some by taking your part in all the public services-singing, praying and giving testimony. Do you help, whoever upon this effort, both upon the givers else may fail. Let us make Siloam church this year under God an untold power for saving and helping men. Let us bring in all the tithes into the storehouse. Let there go up a mighty cross, nor go out of your way to avoid cry while we put in a mighty effort.

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FOR CHRISTIAN VOTERS.

"While as a church we do not propose to enter into any partisan or political contest, yet as this great moral question enters into the politics of our their correspondents. The authorities country, it is the bounden duty of all Christians to vote as they PRAY; to been willing to place a mouth-piece of hundred. In sending them, count take the government from the control the instrument in their prisons, and the words and you can tell exactly of the saloon; to demand that drunk- otherwise connected them with their ards and rakes and libertines and barroom bullies [and gamblers] no longer make laws for a Christian people, but that men of sober habits and temperate lives shall fill all positions of public honor and trust; and to require the rigid enforcement of all temperance and prohibitory enactments," [by Judges, Solicitors, Sheriffs, May- of writing to them. The presumption mittees. These we insert free to any ors, and Aldermen, who are neither drunkards nor gamblers, nor in league with such, but are sober and moral. in spite of the Telephone! -Resolution of Methodist Conference, at Union Springs, in December, 1885. TO PROHIBITIONISTS.

State to provoke you to complicate dicament of the old poets their hope of success. Our hope is

to steer the average --issues. We have no right to subject it to the very influences which invite disaster. We have no right to excite political animosity against the movement. Keep it where all temperance men of all parties can come to its support without sacrificing their political opinions. This is our path to suc-S. H.

AND WE TOO!

So many good things are reported in the papers as to kindly gifts sent to many pastors in Christmas holidays, that we must say, last though not least, that we were made the recipient of a fine suit, cap a pe, by some ladies of our old charge, the Alpine Baptist church, as a parting gift. Then our Northport sisters a little in advance, complimented us with a fine overcoat, and some of the brethren with a splendid beaver. So we were thoroughly equipped for the "blizzard." Friends are better than money.

PRE-MILLENIALISTS.

Our Bro. G. D. Benton, whom we have long known and loved, will excuse us for the present from writing the article he suggests. At our earliest convenience we will say something on the subject. The "Pre-millenial" or "Post-millennial" reign of Christ on earth are topics we have never taken time to consider. We have seen so many "schemes of prophecy" set aside by the event" that we have come to conclude that not until pre- an overseer of moneyed corporations, dictions become history can we know anything definite on such subjects. Still we will at an early day submit- port the prospects, so as to see just some views with great deference on

"Pre-millenialists." OUR THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS.

mortgaged to the merchant, his mer-We understand that there is barely syndicates before a seed is planted, so money enough in the treasury of our that the screws are brought down on Ministerial Board to meet the ex- the planter, and he is left penniless penses of the Howard Theological and in debt at the end of every year. students till the first of March. A For how can he pay forty or fitty per sufficiency has been pledged to cent for advances when he is not makcarry them through the scholastic ing eight per cent on his capital? Put tion will be held at Danville on Satyear, and the appeal now comes to this in your pipe and smoke it. brethren who have made these Still further, the policy on which next, having been changed to that the "Declaration of Faith" and pledges in the middle of the year to we are animadverting reverses the place by order of the Moderator with send in the amount promised, or these whole machinery of barter and trade consent of the Moulton church .students will be sent home, because it in this-that the merchant carries the Moulton Advertiser.

COLLEGE.

The concert that came off at this nstitution on Friday evening, the 5th of February, was creditable alike to eachers and pupils. It was intended to indicate the proficiency the pupils had made in music, rather than to show off the teachers, and the packed audience was highly delighted with the istration can achieve success in any community, Dr. Thomas and Prof. know what we say when we affirm that a diploma earned under their ad ministration will mean all that it ex-

SAD THING THE TELE-PHONE DIDN'T DO!

Prof. Norman Fox, in a late number of the Baptist Quarterly Review maintains that if the telephone had been known in the Apostolic days, we might have had no New Testament! How fortunate this discovery was not ago! Dean Swift once wrote a parnhlet entitled. "Considerations why Parliament should not abolish Christianity," and among these considerations was this, that the great wits(?) of trade, Christianity being the butt of rejected manuscript nor for the opinions ex- their ridicule. Now if we had no New Testament, it would take away onecriticism" of this age! And who can think of such a calamity without a shudder! But then, come to think of it, there were some difficulties in the Apostolic age that might have interfered with the operation of the instrument between the sacred writers and that imprisoned them might not have would have taken the pains to have connected the "isle called Patmos, in the midst of the sea, with the "seven churches of Asia," so that John could have "telephoned" them instead is that we could have had some of the reasonable extent. Pauline epistles and the Apocalypse

Excuse us, reader, for this little batch of badinage; there are some things put forth by the 'New Theology" so utterly absurd as to defy all Don't allow the liquor men in this argument. They put us in the pre-

prohibition with politics. That is "To laugh were want of goodness and of The wonder is that such a work as

> to set us all a laughing at the puerilities of the "higher criticism." S. H.

say for what it is worth.

tween what he makes and what he

pays out for such advances, and es-

timate what he is worth, and he can

tell with reasonable certainty how long

it will take him to reach bankruptcy.

Now, brother farmer, put this in your

Again, the average cotton planter

eht policy, nothing more nor less than

who send their agents out during the

summer to inspect their farms, and re-

how little the growing crop will be

worth to the farmer. The farmer is

chant is mortgaged to these moneyed

pipe and smoke it.

such absurdities, unless the purpose is

A WORD TO FARMERS. Mingling with farmers, mineral men ruary. - View. and merchants for the last ten days, we wish to offer some suggestions to our farmers which we think important. We know that ministers are not cred-

ited with usual business sagacity, and that when they assume to give advice, choice. or even to offer suggestions on business affairs, such advices and sugges-

It is reported that there is in Dooly tions are received at a pretty heavy discount. But on this occasion we shall take all such risks, and say our for which he received the total sum of four dollars

Our best managed farms, by our most industrious planters, do not yield eight per cent on the investment. Advances to make the average crop are usually made at not less than forty not doubt that an advertisement in or fifty per cent. All a man has to the ALABAMA BAPTIST pays. do is to calculate the difference be-

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in the South is, according to the presequipped for this work. - Chronicle.

At a meeting of the ministers of the city yesterday it was decided to invite Sam Jones and Sam Small to come to Selma immediately after Moody and Sankey shall have finished their work. The Central City would give a rousing welcome to these evangelists.-Selma Times.

of the Muscle Shoals Baptist Associa- ingly, on Sunday, January 17th, we urday before the 5th Sunday in May church organization. They adopted

is the policy of the Convention and farmer instead of the farmer carrying The Kev. James W. Dickinson re- phia; and, as a representative of this the Board to contract no debts. We the merchant. This converts what signed the pastorate of the Grove church your pastor gave them the life the confident belief that they will ought to be the most independent class Hill Baptist church last Saturday. right hand of fellowship—a recognizapromptly respond. We cannot afford of our people into the most depend. He has served the church ably and tion, as far as it goes, of this new to dismiss these young men right in ent, the mere servants of their cred- faithfully for about six years, and body of Christians as the Citronelle the midst of the year for the want of itors. It emasculates them of their only gives up the position from a Baptist Church of Christ. The church the means that can be supplied with manhood, blunts their moral sensibil- conscientious conviction that he can then elected a clerk and three Truschurches will take the matter in hand. ities, crushes out their energies, and be more useful elsewhere. Many tees, designing to complete its election Brethren, act promptly and relieve the thus entails upon the country a harvest regret that the step taken has been of officers at its next monthly meeting. S. H. of that kind of dishonesty that comes deemed a duty. - Democrat.

ALABAMA CENTRAL FEMALE of a general prostration of our agri-

would enable him to hold his cotton, justice. - B. F. Riley. and thus control, to some extent, prices, "Pay as you go" is the grand Foster must and will secure it. We this two years, and you will be inde-

SUBSCRIBERS who order their papers looking at date following your name on the paper.

LETTERS addressed individually go to one part of the city while letters for the paper come to another. If you want communications to reach made eighteen or nineteen centuries the paper promptly and receive attention address them simply to THE ALABAMA BAPTIST, Montgomery, Ala. There have been several delays from a failure to observe this request.

SHAKESPEARE credits Julius Cæsar with having said: "Of all the wonders that I yet have heard the strangest is | Fort Deposit. that men fear death." Had Cæsar lived till now he would doubtless have perance Platform has received cordial said that the next strangest is that endorsement from press and people. men will write to newspapers and As stated two weeks ago we believe fail to give their postoffices, not it best to keep prohibition apart from mentioning defaulters who refuse to politics because that is the Georgia pay for their paper after reading it plan and we consider Georgia as befor six months or a year.

THE brethren seem to think we words in obituaries beyond the first what the cost will be. We are perbrethren to publish the very gospel fectly willing to insert one hundred they sought to suppress. And it is words free, but for words in addition not very likely that these persecutors to that number please send us the money with the order, otherwise we shall reserve the right to condense every obituary to one hundred words. This rule does not apply to resolutions of churches sent us by clerks or com-

FIELD NOTES.

The Statistical Secretary lacks the Minutes of only eleven associations to complete his file. Can you furnish either? Look at his list in another

Bro. J. J. Porter will begin a meet- and is much beloved by the member- parents find it to their interest to place

the Baptist Quarterly Review should yield its pages to the dissemination of of their church, recently destroyed by ceptable. - John D. Letcher, Woodfire, at a cost of \$21,475.

Rev. L. G. Skipper has accepted the call of the Clanton and Verbena just now among the churches. Rev. Baptist churches. He will preach at Dr. Frost has been giving a special Clanton on the fourth Sunday in Feb- course of Sunday evening lectures to

The champion walker in Alabama among Baptist preachers, we suppose is in Chambers county. Though owning a horse and buggy he frequently the divine origin of the Bible" with walks eight miles to preach from

county, Georgia, a Baptist preacher who has served a church for a year and a half, often walking twelve miles,

If our readers knew how many answers we have received to the advertisement, "Teacher Wanted," which appeared a few weeks ago, they would

Rev. Z. A. Parker has been appointed general agent for the American Bible society for Alabama, in place of Rev. Mr. Holcombe, who has been transferred to Mississippi and Louisiana. Mr. Parker is splendidly to keep out of it.

I have learned that I was misinbeen secured through the kindness of formed with regard to the accounts the Alabama Land and Development For all this the farmer is mostly to paid into the ministerial fund of the Company and the Mobile and Ohio blame. There is not a farmer of or- Bigbee, Association by brother J. R. Railroad, in a very desirable location, dinary industry in our country who Lakin and J. W. Jones. The former on which it is proposed to build a could not make his farm self-sustain- had paid \$12.00 and the latter, \$2.50. house of worship as soon as possible." It paralyzes energies in every direct Jesus was precious then and altogether Harmony, West,

is possible and do all in his power,

From Glennville, Russell Co., Ala.

Eds. Ala. Bapfist: I suppose that

an item from this part of the Lord's

vineyard would be of some interest to

your readers. This village I am told

was a very flourishing place before

We can boast of as many pretty

her department.

Dr. Jno. A. Broadus is to preach sionary from China, delivered two religion; it baffles penal reform and But D had I died in my sins, I should the commencement sermon for the interesting lectures Sunday, Feb. 7th, obstructs political reform. Very few be this day in hell sixty-four years in central truth of political economy. schools at Marion on 3d Sabbath in one in Jackson street church, and one people have an idea of the enormous hell! and there to stay forever and whole entertainment. If the first or- Quit going to the store—patch up June. Let brethren from all parts of in the St. Francis street Baptist church. cost of this traffic. The great increase ever; and then I have enjoyed so your old clothes live at home. Ten the State go up to Marion on that Other lectures are to follow, and in the manufacture and sale of intoxi- much happiness in serving the Lord times better wear a thread-bare coat occasion and hear our greatest promise to be instructive, entertaining cating liquors means a corresponding my God, of all which I would have than a thread-bare reputation. Do preacher, and see our schools at the and profitable to all." best. Let us make it a grand jubilee The Sunday school of the St. ity, and crime. In the United sin.

> A monument has been placed over creased in numbers, until on the last 1875 were reported as \$900,000,000 have been so unfaithful. As a min-Carey, stopped should never fail to remit the the grave of the late Rev. James Strat- day of January, there were two hun- while bread cost \$500,000,000 and ister of the gospel I have been unamount of back dues at the rate of ton Paullin at Clayton. It was dred and fifty-four present. Quite a meat \$300,000,000. Public educa- faithful. I could have preached five Harmony, west, twenty cents per month. You can erected jointly by his family and large number of scholars and teachers tion cost \$85,000,000 while Christian times the number of sermons, and tell exactly what the amount due is by friends, the Clayton Baptist church have joined the Bible and Prayer missions, home and foreign, cost preached them ten times better, had I. and Sunday school, the churches of Union. Altogether the interest in \$5,500,000. It is full of evil without prayed and studied as I ought. As the Eufaula Association and the Ma, the work is most cheering, and grows resulting in a single benefit sonic fraternity. The monument is a from week to week." model of neatness and beauty.

Bro. Porter has been preaching here for several days and has had the best attention of the entire community new pastor, this week. Bro. Por will be at Lowndesboro on the first Sunday in March. The interest gotten up last fall in this section of the Alabama Association is spreading and the future is full of hope.-

We are glad to know that our Teming in the best condition of any State in the Union from a temperance standpoint. We have something else on are doing but right in charging for the the subject this week, see first article

which department of the paper they read first and the invariable answer is us the news in Baptist circles, either left of which we can boast. on a postal card or a sheet of paper. Brethren, why will you not do this? help your paper immensely. Try it.

Bro. W. G. Hubbard aided by the erary department is taught by Mrs. writer recently held a meeting with N. V. Paullin, who possesses all the Mt. Carmel church, Bibb county, qualifications of a good teacher, havwhich resulted in the reviving of the ing high literary attainments, and bechurch membership and the addition ing an excellent Christian woman. of six young ladies by baptism. Bro. She instructs her scholars in etiquette Hubbard has the care of five churches, and religion, as well as in books, and tions. Bro. J. T. Yerby has the care The Macon, Ga., Baptists have of some churches in this section. He closed a contract for the rebuilding is an able preacher, popular and ac-

There is unusual activity in Selma young men. His sermon on the "Testimony of the Human Heart' was vigorous and eloquent; and las night he handled the "Argument for legal skill. The Young Men's Chris tian Association has been recently re organized and is working zealously Moody and Sankey are to be here next month, from the 14th to the 17th, and so the atmosphere seems full of gos pel songs and good advice. - Adver

Judge Randolph of the Probat Court of Montgomery county, recent ly refused a liquor license becaus the applicant has "persistently and uniformly violated the statutes of Alabama and the ordinances of the city by permitting disorderly negroes to go in and out of his bar on Sundays. at all hours of the day and night. Good for the Judge. The temperance leaven spreads, and it is getting harder every day for men in the liquor business to prove themselves of good moral character. By the way, the law should not allow men of "good moral character" to engage in the grading and men who can prove good moral character ought to be compelled

The following items we clip from the interesting February number of the Mobile Baptist Union, the excellent monthly edited by pastors Eager and Hamberlin:

"At the close of the year we mus tered twelve substantial names four males and eight females-with their letters, ready to constitute a regular The ministers' and deacons' meeting Baptist church at Citronelle. Accordassisted them in completing their "Church Covenant," published in the Baptist Manual of the American Baptist Publication Society at Philadel-A lot, 95 by 300 feet, has already in the service of Christ. -[Mrs. Ellis, my soul. I shall never forget that whom he hath not seen. -[Macde

increase in pauperism, idiocy, insan- been deprived had I continued in occasion. What do the brethren say? Francis sweet church has steadily in States the expenditures for liquor in

"In view of the proposed co-opera- long enough to see the sale and use sons. I lament these things but I tive efforts during the visits of Moody cease and not a drop be sold in the can't recall my time again. and Sankey, special services will be United States. May God help the held in St. Francis street church be young men to cut loose from this We expect Bro. T. W. Hart out member of the church attend when it the humble prayer of

Rev. I. U. Wilkes.

At a special conference held in New Shiloh church, Perry county, Ala, on have been sick much of the time, dant grace for support under it. "My Sunday, Feb. 7th, 1886, the following preamble and resolutions were unani-

the war. It had two fine colleges, ed, Be it male and female, and many wealthy people lived here, but since that time much to give Bro. Wilkes up, and es lieve that by the grace of God I have R. A. Mosely, jr, the cruel hand of war has swept away pecially under such circumstances, been instrumental in bringing some We have asked numerous brethren the property, the two institutions of and in accepting his resignation, our learning have been destroyed by fire, prayer to God is that he may be re- the glory. many of the citizens have moved to stored to his former usefulness, and the FIELD Notes. We spend consider other places, and death has caused that he may yet have the rich blessings am commanded to do, I would only erable time on this column but we many others now to be sleeping under of this life and the bliss of heaven in have done my duty; so that if I am could make it very much fuller and the sod, and many buildings have the life to come. We commend him saved it will be by grace through more interesting if the brethren gen been devastated. Notwithstanding all to all as a worthy minister whose abilitation, and that not of myself-not of erally and individually would write this Glennville has yet some things ity to preach the gospel is seldom works. If I have ever done any

young ladies as the next village, of It will not trouble you much but will being a dry town, and of having as the minutes of this church, that a copy good a school as any village. The lit- be sent to Bro. Wilkes, and that a BAPTIST for publication.

L. M. BRADLEY, Mod: W. T. Pierson, Ch. Clerk. The Christian Woman's Work.

lady possessing many Christian graces,

of the church in November. Though grand, and noble mission, to fill; a ly things have a sendency to trans- the lessons of Kind Words are well tew in numbers all the members seem mission as important and noble in its form men's hearts into their own sim- adapted to the capacity of children, willing to work. We have organized nature, and efforts for good, as ilitude-to assimilate them to their a weekly prayer meeting that meets that of man though in a different field, nature; and upon those whose religion every Wednesday night, and is largely a field that the Master has assigned is mere pretence, they produce their attended: when it rains as well as her in life's battles. And most espe- full effect. How many has the Lord when it is fair, if the bell is rung we cially is there an important trust com- caused to prosper, and as riches in- Grades: always have some present. We have mitted to the wife of the faithful min- creased," they "set their hearts upon preaching on the second Sunday and ister of the gospel of Christ. She has them;" and when called upon to give, Saturday before, and the fourth Sun- her battles to fight, her trials to en- they turn away sorrowful, saying: "I day and Sunday nights in each month. dure, and her crosses to bear, which don't believe in missions and the We organized our Sunday school the need that boldness, firmness, and pa-like." Just under this test of their loysecond Sunday in January (that cold tience, which can be had no where alty to Christ, they fail to compre- Answers, for the youngest scholars. day when it seemed impossible to else but in a life and fellowship with hand the Master's question, (to more leave the fire). We organized with a meek and lowly Savior. I want to Simons than one) "Loyest thou Me Sunday-school Instruction features of only a few; but that number has in- say a word to my sisters in the grand more than these." A real saint, when the paper will be maintained. It will creased until on the fifth Sunday in and glorious work. Could I meet prosperity and abundance flow around continue its advocacy of missions January we had forty. Our highly many of you to-day I would perhaps him, will earnestly endeavor to sup- temperance, and the interests of the esteemed merchant and Christian gen- find you at home with hearts bowed press any workings of pride, and to Southern Baptist Convention and its tleman, Capt. E. C. Perry, is our su- under your weighty responsibilities. preserve humility and lowliness in Boards. But its chief aim will be to perintendent, and is taking hold with We have much to comfort us if we are heart and life. God's people have lead the young to Iesus. vim. This is the first time Bro. Per- but faithful. Let us strive to enter seen, and still see, too much of their The price of these publications has has ever been Sunday-school su- into the spirit of the work. Let us own hearts, too much of this world been reduced, and the Weekly may perintendent, but he is a zealous pray to God for grace to help us bear and too much of the divine excellence now be had, in clubs, for fifty cents a Christian, and when he undertakes our part of life's burdens. At the reg- and loveliness of heavenly objects to year, and the Semi-Monthly for twenand of course success must follow. We have also organized a Ladies husbands who are expounding the temptations and dangers accompany sons for each quarter of the year, with Aid Society. The sisters intend to blessed truths of the cross, that they, ing it, as well as the obligations and other helps for teachers and scholars. help in every way they can to further too, may have the spirit to help them, responsibility which it occasions, and per annum, twenty cents.

you an idea of the work we are doing and walk down the path of life, and here. We ask your readers to pray for bear some humble part in the cause of us that the Lord will prosper his cause such a dear Savior. here and souls be converted. H. R. SCHRAMM

Glennville, Ala., Feb. 12th. A Chance to do Great Good.

I am in great need of a fund to buy tracts for gratuitous distribution. What a world of good there is wrap ped up in these little four page books! Dropped into the hands of a person it may change the whole course of his

talk to men about their souls, they can give a tract. Who will send me something for this good work? W. B. CRUMPTON.

Whatever talent I have I may

The Whiskey Traffie.

every way, by self-examination, prayer Plantersville.

and personal effort, to prepare the way of the Lord, in his own heart and in the community, that we may not fail of a blessing and that the coming of these devoted men of God may not

> mously adopted. tor of New Shiloh church, has in a great measure lost his voice, and on

Resolved, 1st, That we regret very forty years their moderator. I be-

Resolved, 2nd, That this preamble and these resolutions be spread upon copy be also sent to the ALACAMA

Dear Baptist: I see so many things

I like the ALABAMA BAPTIST more hearts of sinners. Oh! what a blessed mility and self-abasement. Truly they lessons only, per annum, each ten and more, and hope soon to send you privilege to be permitted to place our consider themselves as stewards of cents.

> *Ashville, Ala. From a Father in Israel. Dear Brethren in Christ; When the

L. A. H.

patriarch Jacob was introduced to the king of Egypt, Pharoah asked him, "How old art thou?" I have frequently been asked the same question. I am this day, Feb. 4, 1886, eighty. one years old.

In reviewing my past life I see Many Christians say they can not many things for which I feel inex pressibly thankful; and many things which make me mourn and lament. How thankful I ought to be that I did not die an impenitent sinner. 1 was in my sixteenth year when I sought and found Jesus precious to hath seen, shall not love his God possible. Address

November Sunday evening and Thursday following, when I felt assured Eds. Ala. Baptist: The traffic in that God, for Christ sake, had forintoxicating liquors is at the bottom given all my sins. More than 64 tion; it neutralizes to a large extent lovely. And the more I have learned Rev. J. W. Davis, returned mis- education and silences the voice of of him the more lovely he appears.

> Bet I mourn and lament that I pastor I could have visited for religious I earnestly hope that I may live conversation ten times as many per-

There are many other things for words are foolish and sinful. am thankful that, although I does not remove it, furnishes abunduring fifty years I have attended by grace is sufficient;" that is enough. the mercy of God, fifty-three annual Let great sorrow come, the greater I met at Town Creek in October, of heaven .- Zion's Herald. 1882 have gone to the spirit world. that account tendered his resignation And I am thankful that I have had to this church on Saturday, Oct. 3, the confidence of my brethren who

> But after all, had I done all that good I give God all the glory, Amen DAVID LEE.

Mt. Willing, Feb. 4. A Test of Christianity

It has pleesed God to place all hi people in this world in a state of trial he first tries, then crowns them. - Jas, deemed their pledges, please remit at 182. No man can determine whethet his graces are true or false until Birmingham, Ala,, as the Board must which, to them, shall be what fire is meet expenses of young men in colin your columns which interest and to gold - Job 23:10. Worldly success, lege preparing for the ministry? Or console me in my humble work for olitward enjoyments, riches and hon- some at least will leave for want of department is taught by Miss Lucy the Master that I feel constrained to ofs try men's hearts and reveal their means to go through the session. Glenn, a highly accomplished young offer a few thoughts. I have just fin- thoughts. Some may fancy the fire ished reading Dr. Wharton's New of prosperity to be designed rather for and qualified to instruct any pupils in Year's sermon in the ALABAMA BAP- comfort than for trial; but scarcely TIST of Jan. 21st, from which my soul anything more clearly demonstrates This is a very healthy locality, and has been fed and my heart has been the falseness or soundness of religion a pleasant town in which to live. The inspired to attempt a greater work for Prosperity occasions in some men a people are well educated, very kind the Master than ever before. There stupid forgetfulness of God and negand sociable. If we had a railroad seems to be an opinion in some quar- lect of the duties of religion. They Glennville would again become a ters that woman can do nothing in the fall asleep in the lap of abundance. advancement of the cause of Christ in and dream not that there is a God to I will say something concerning the the world. To this I would humbly be shonored with their substance," patronage of all Baptist Sunday Baptist church here. I took charge reply that she, too, has a mission, a and precious souls to be saved. Earthular hour of preaching let us lift our be easily elated or long satisfied with ty-five cents a year. hearts to God in prayer for our dear worldly prosperity; they consider the and to carry the work home to the feel the motives there furnished to hu- Lesson Leaflets - Containing the some subscribers. This letter gives hands in those of God's chosen ones God, to whose care much has been The Child's Gem-Containing the committed, and from whom therefore, lessons in a simple and easy forth with much will be required. The true test pictures and reading matter suitable of discipleship is erouched in the fol- for infant classes-per annum, single

keep My words." How can one claim each, twenty-five cents. business with the sublime end of bring- accompanied by the cash.

JOHN SPEER. Trinity Station, Ala.

ing the world to Christ!

God, like his body, the light, is all man can see God and live; and he sure to give the name, postoffi

I need the following Minutes for 1885 Mud Creek. Town Creek, Warrior River,

Montgomery, Ala Bro. W. B. Crumpton needs the following

Mount Carmel, Mobile Baptist Union Mud Creek, Sandy Creek, Town Creek, Troy, Warrior River,

No Escape from Sorrow

Weogufka;

Sorrow will come; it is the portion of all; from it there is no escape. It is not a mere accident, an occasional visitor along life's pathway; it is, says F. W. Robertson, "the very wood which I am profoundly thankful to which is woven into the warp of life. God I never took his holy name God has created the nerves to agonize in vain, nor have I ever spoken a by, and the heart to bleed, and before word since I was seven or eight man dies almost every nerve has thrillvears old. Profanity has always ap ed with pain and every affection has peated both wicked and foolish. By. been wounded." But the gospel amply provides for sorrow, and while it meetings of the Alabama Baptist the triumph of grace; and under the Whereas, Rev. I. U. Wilkes, pas- Association. All the delegates whom power of grace the greater the reward

Coosa River Association,

At the last session of the Coosa Riv-1885, and the same has been accept have been delegates. They elected er Association, the following pledges me nine years their clerk, and then were made for ministerial education; INDIVIDUAL.

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	T. M. Draper,	O
	G. S. Ham,	O
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S	W.T. Smith,	CC
d	J. S. Kelly,	O
9	D. F. Weaver,	O
	Samuel Welch,	O
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d	Joseph Nunnelly,	2
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	Mt. Zion, (Calhoun county),	O
	Munford,	O
	Spring Creek,	O
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once, to T. L. Hudgins, Treasurer, are examined by something have money by the first of March, to

> ABNER WILLIAMS, Mod. Coosa River Ass'n. Oxford, Ala., Feb. 13th.

To the Southern Baptists,

In order to increase our circulation we will send specimen copies of Kind Words, or of The Gem or of the Quar terly or Leaflets, to those desiring to use or introduce them. We solicit the schools and families, feeling sure that and that its reading matter will be ad

The Lessons will be decidedly im proved, and will include Three

Explanations and questions with out answers, for the elder scholars, 2. Questions and Answers, for in termediate scholars.

2. Lesson Story and Questions and The Mission, Denominational and

The Quarterly-Containing the les

lowing: "If a man love Me he will copy, fifty cents; clubs of ten or more, to be a child of God if he disregards The reading matter and pictures of

the divine command to "give?" Let Kind Words are aqual to those of any us adopt the motto of an excellent other; and its advocacy of the objects man: "Gain all you can; save all you of the Southern Baptist Convention can; give all you can." The Lord has makes the paper a desirable one for ten the time when men shall ply their our children. Send on your orders-

HE VERY PARTICULAR. + First, always say precisely which edition you wish, whether the Weekly, Semi Monthly or Monthly; but if you wish the Lesson Papers only, say so very about us, and prefers to shine in upon plainly. Secondly, say how many us sideways; we could not endure the papers you wish, and the length of power of his vertical glory; no mortal time you desire them. Thirdly, be who loveth not his brother whom he county and State, as plainly written as

S. BOYKIN, Macon, Ga.

Man's unhappiness, as I construe, comes of his greatness; it is because there is an infinite in him which with one can coutrovert. But because that sentation of Bible by Brog Dison. all his cunning he cannot quite bury under the finite. - Carlyle.

world contains seven wonders, but the eighth made his appearance at the Capitol. It was a poor benighted man limping with rheumatism who had never heard of Salvation Oil. It is

In the intimagies and friendships of these fifty years, I have found that the purest, sweetest and noblest of my friends were those who kept nearest to Jesus, -Ex-President Hill.

THOUSANDS are born with a tenden cy to consumption. Such persons, if they value life, must not permit a they (Paul and Barnabas) had or-Cough or Cold to become a fixture in dained them elders in every church and the lungs and chest. The best known remedy for either is Hale's Honey of Horehound and Tar. 25c., 50c., & \$1.

Persons called to much active work must study how to make their devotions short, frequent, and fervent. [Coulburn.

Many persons habitually suffer from headache, more or less periodic, strange nervous sensations, indifferent to food, and an indescribable depression of spirits which they can assign no reason for. Malaria in the system is often the real cause, and one dose Shallenberger's Pills will work wonders. A few more doses will remove all the trouble.

oulding a new Buddhist temple at Kioto Japan. The women of Japan have contrib-uted their hair, out of which a ton of popes has been made. The ropes are to be use in hauling timber to the site of the temple. Being entirely vegetable, no particula care is required while using Dr. Pierce's "Pleasant Purgative Pellets." They operate without disturbance to the constitution, diet, or occupation. For sick-headache, constipation, impure blood, dizzīness, sour eructations from the stomach, had taste in mouth bilious attacks, pain in region of kidneys, internal fever, bloated feeling about stomach,

"Pellets." By druggists. Go and teach all nations; consult neither the course of the rivers nor the direction of then? Timothy, a young minister of the mountain ranges. - Go straight on, go as the thunder goes of him who sends you; as the creative word went, which carried life things to faithful men, and not only into chaos, as the engles go, and the angels.

rush of blood to head, take Dr. Pierce's

D. M. Ferry & Co., the well known Seed men, of Detroit, Mich., announce that they are on their feet again and ready and anxone of their old customers and from as many new ones as feel kindly disposed toward them. They are in condition to fill prompt ly every order with new seeds of the best

was destroyed by fire. It was filled with eyer gathered under one roof. Their books and papers were all saved, and every person who had ordered seeds of them will be supplied with his usual stock. They had large mantities of seeds in their warehouses on their seed farms, in the hands of their growers and not yet delivered, and on the wayfrom Europe, which, together with their fully stocked branch Seed Store in Windson, Ontario, close at hand, and the free and vigorous use of the telegraph and cable, enabled them to secure a new stock in a remarkably

Before the fire was subdued they had se their energies to their customers' interests. In thirty days from the fire they were in perfect working order again.

When we consider the magnitude of their iness, the appalling destruction of prop erty at the most unfortunate season of the year, we doubt if the annals of history furnish a case of such rapid recuperation. Such energy deserves success

Dr. Maclaren, in the Expositor, says "The signs of love are joy in the company of the beloved, sweet memories and longings if parted, eager fulfillment of their lightes wish, a quick response to the most slender association recalling them to our thoughts. Have we these signs of love to God?"

ADVICE TO MOTHERS. MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and as the best remedy for diarrhoea. 25 cents a bottle.

Sin in our hearts has the power of concealing itself from our notice, as the cuttle fish colors the water about it so, that it cannot be seen. It makes us dead to the heavenly vine message being to us nothing but a

Have you heard of Dr. J. H. McLean's Tar Wine Lung Balm? It is really wonderful how rapidly it cures Coughing, Throat, and

Let patience have her perfect work, and bring forth her celestial fruits. Trust to God to weave your thread into the great web, though the pattern shows it not as yet.-

Glenn's Salphur Soap heals and beautifies, 25c. German Corn Remover kills Corns, Bunions, 25c. Hill's Hair and Whisker Dye-Black & Bown, 50c.

The colored sunsets and the starry heavens, the beautiful mountains and the shiring seas, the fragrant woods and the painted thority. Saul of Tarsus was baptized THE SOUTHERN BIVOUAC for March At the residence of Mr. B. F. flowers, they are not half so beautiful as a soul that is serving Jesus, out of love, in the wear and tear of common, unpoetic life.-

Bronchitis is cured by frequent small doses of Piso's Cure for Consumption. That which mellows and ripens, that with

that which gives the rich bloom of a divine manhood to the spirit, is the frost, the frost of care. Thank God for the sunshine of life, thank him also none the less for the ripening frost .- [Moravian.

Usefulness Better than Glory.

Our highest place is where we can best serve God. The wheel is half under water and the pilot house high on the hurricane deck. Under water is the highest place for the wheel. The pilot house would be an obstruction under water, and the wheel a burden on deck. In the church we are to learn to seek not prominence, but usefulness. - There is an exercise, the ministry of the hollow drum, which consists in much sound and little sense. We are to be real teachers of the ignorant, and builders-up of the dependence. P. M. MUSGROVE. saints; and to that end there must be thorough knowledge in our mind as H. Spurgeon.

Questions of Ordination and Bap-

conflicting opinions; so much so that the imposition of hands. will set a bottle of Dr. Bull's Cough at present there seems to be danger of Syrup in some handy place you will producing divisions. All these ques behalf of the church, consisted of is the case, it does not follow as a conshould be with him, and that he might speed. send them forth to preach, and to heal sickness, and to cast out demons." Acts 14: 23: "And when had prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord on whom they believed." Who ordained those elders in every church? Paul and Barnabus. Who were Paul and Barnabus? Ministers of the gospel. Then the first ministers that we read of being ordained in the Acts of the Apostles were ordained by ministers, and this was done by those two ministers in every church where they had been. I next notice what Paul said to two young ministers, Timothy and Titus. He refers to the ordination of Timo thy in each letter he writes him, in one place saying that it was done by a presbytery, and in the other place, that he, Paul, had taken part in it. He also tells Timothy, 2 Tim. 2: 2, "And the things that thou has heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who also shall be competent to teach others." Who did Paul tell to do the gospel. He was to commit these

strong and solemn the charge given by an inspired apostle, Titus 1: 5, "For this cause I (Paul) left you in Crete, that you should set in order the things that are wanting, and ordain elders in every city as I had appointed you." Where did Paul, or probably the largest stock of assorted seeds any other apostle, ever tell a local church to ordain a minister? A church may call a man to ordination, and invite a presbytery of ministers to ordain him, but suppose when the presbytery examine him they refuse to ordain him? A long time ago, but within my recollection, this thing was done sometimes. I have not heard of a case lately. If the presbytery recured new quarters and were devoting all fuse to ordain him, will he be an ordained minister? I can almost hear

you think no. Then he is not an or-

dained minister until the presbytery

competent to teach others. How

pray with and for him, and lay their hands upon him, Well, that is the way the Book fixes it. Another question. Some say the local churches administer baptism and the Lord's supper, and that no minister can officiate in administering either, without a local church is present and gives that minister authority to so administer, or that the church must request him to baptize for her, and in that way the church administers baptism. In this, as in the ordination question, we must be governed by the of it, to every Sunday-school teacher other possessions 547 iron mines, 4 had need for him. Blessed are the teachings of the New Testament. John voice, so that, like the Jews of old, we look tize as well as to preach. The disci- Teachers' that may apply to other duces daily 21/2 miles of rails, 1,500 stupidly about and say it thundered—the direcorded in the Acts of the Apostles, it was at Jerusalem on the day of Pen-

mascus that we know of at that time. of a letter from Thomas Jefferson re. Mr. C. H. Miller, of Marengo coun-Afterwards Saul went to Jerusalem to lating to the Kentucky Resolutions of ty, and Miss Maggie E. Watts, of Welcome Chorus, by W. S. Tilden. join the church, the disciples did not 198. In the same article will be given Wilcox county. May theirs be a life High School Choir, by Emerson & want to receive him, but Barnabus an exact reproduction of the official of prosperity. out which there could be no golden fruitage, vouched for him, and they did receive copy of these resolutions as adopted him. There was no church at Ces- by the Kentucky Legislature, which area when Peter baptized Cornelius copy differs in manyparticulars from the and his friends, and no church at usually accepted version and a paper Philippi when Lydia and the jailor descriptive of the Teche (La.) Country were baptized, and so on through the Fifty Years Ago. Paul H. Hayne Book. I come to the conclusion from has prepared for this number an acthe reading of the Book that ministers count of the defense of Fort Wagner, of the gospel baptized then by virtue in Charleston Harbor. His descripof their office as ministers, and if they tion of the desperate assault made by baptized then by virtue of their office, the Federal troops under Col. Shaw, why not now? Where is the inspired and its repulse, is very graphic. R. authority to change the divine order? M. Kelly has written an interesting I think just here is where the trouble sketch of John Williamson, Botanist comes in with the non-intercommun- and Artist, which will appear with ion advocates, a mistaken view of the numerous illustrations. authority of local churches. Minis-

Lay hold upon Christ with both well as utterance in our mouth. - C. your poor, empty hands. - Elizabeth is really a religious history of New member of the Baptist church, and Prentiss.

ters have authority not admitted by

the extreme advocates of church in-

Ordination of Rev. F. M. Woods,

On the third Sabbath in January, Eds. Ala. Baptisti There are ques- 1886, at Dogwood Grove church, tions being agitated by Baptists in Ala., Bro. F. M. Woods was set apart some localities upon which there are to the gospel ministry by prayer and

tious have grown out of local church brethren T. B. Dison, I. N. Walker, independency. That each local church and S. Carleton. The examination is independent in attending to the was conducted by Bro. Carleton; praybusiness in its own proper sphere, no er by Bro. Walker; charge and pre-

The occasion was solemn and imsequence that a local church has au- pressive. Bro. Woods has reached The popular idea has been that the thority to do all that is required to be middle life. He has strong, decided done in the kingdom of Jesus Christ. convictions, and enters into this great Those occupying the extreme view of work, eager to do something for his local church independency, maintain Master. Our brother is a good man, that the church ordains ministers, and has fine natural qualifications for sold by all druggists at twenty-five With Baptists the New Testament set- his work, and is earnestly seeking tles all questions on this subject. What those higher qualifications, which are does it teach? Mark 3: 4: "And he necessary to success and usefulness. (Jesus) ordained twelve that they The writer heartily bids him God-I. U. WILKES.

Rev. J. E. White.

At the regular conference meeting members of Beulah Baptis church, Greene county, Ala, held on Saturday before the first Sabbath in February, the following preamble and

resolutions were adopted: Whereas, Our Bro. J. E. White who has labored so earnestly, faithfully and efficiently the past five years, has accepted a call to labor in another field, thereby severing his relation with us as pastor, and the ties of Christian love which have so endeared him to us, therefore be it

Resolved, 1. That it is with deep regret we give up his valuable services, which were so well calculated to continue the advancement of the cause of the blessed Redeemer in our midst, and that his loss will not only be felt in our midst, but by the whole denomination of our county, he, with one exception, having had the charge of every Baptist church in the county for a number of years.

Resolved, 2. That we cherish and revere his able sermons, judicious this? Some local church? No. Who, counsel, and hold in high admiration his devout Christian character, and in his new field of labor invoke upon the blessings of our Heavenly to faithful men, but to men who were Father, praying that he may be spared for continued usefulness in the cause of our Master.

Resolved, 3. That our loss is their

Resolved, 4. That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our minutes, and a copy sent to Bro. White and the ALABAMA BAPTIST. By order of the church,

E. H. LAMB, Clerk. Literary Notes.

Cassell & Co. have just published umbers one and two of Cassell's Na tional Library under the editorship of Henry Morley. The volume is very handy and is low price, ten cents. The subject of the first number is My Ten years' Imprisonment, by Silvio Pellico, and the second is Child Har-Other volumes will follow week ly and the annual subscription is \$5. The subjects treated of are History, Biography, Religion, Philosophy, Dis covery, Enterprise, Plays, Poems, Tales, Natural Science, Natural History, Art, and Political Economy. The Library should have a wide cir

TEACHING AND TEACHERS, by the Rev. H. Clay Trumbull, editor of the Sunday-School Times; 390 pages.

Price \$1.50. this book, after a careful examination pitals; that Herr Krupp owns among dren. His seat is vacant; the Master of our country, as being an able and sea steamers, about 500 steam engines, dead who die in the Lord. the Baptist was sent from God to bap- exhaustive treatise on "Teaching and and 50 miles of railway; that he proples of Christ baptized. If there was than Sunday-schools. One's interest bomb-shells, and untold quantities of ever a church present when any per- in it never flags, for the gifted author other things. The colossal hammers, son was haptized among all the cases brings to his task a clear head and an the belching furnaces, the frightful earnest heart. It would be a vast abysses of molten steel, and the asbenefit to every Bible reader, every tounding weapons of war and of peace tecost. Philip went down to Samaria teacher of day as well as Sabbath- here manufactured, give the reader an and preached, and when the people school, and to every minister of the impression that this is a kingdom believed he baptized them, both men gospel. It is full of wise counsels, where the work of Titans is done by and women. There was no church and what some of our editors are pygmies, and where Dante's awful imat Samaria then. Soon after he went pleased to call "sanctified commons aginings are excelled by actual realiout and found the Ethiopian eunuch, sense."- For sale by Rev. J. E. preached Jesus to him, and baptized Chambliss, Union Springs, Ala. By

him, with no church there to give au- all means, send for a copy. by Ananias, with no church at Da- will contain a fac simile reproduction

> ZINE for March well sustains the rep- May, 1836, and was married on the utation of this favorite family month- 8th of May, 1851, at the early age of in proportion. ly. The opening article is "The Or- fifteen years. She had for some time igin of the New York Churches," and previous to her marriage, been a York city. It is profusely illustrated maintained this connection until her

tract the attention of the naturalist. feathered species. "Dilettante Days" takes us into Holland, and shows us A. Rand contributes a short but interesting article on "Anselm," great work on the Atonement is a standard even now. Two additional Parables, three more Sacred Musicians, the continuation of "Paulina." the conclusion of "Love's Harvest," several beautiful poems, and an abund ance of short larticles, all go to make up a very interesting number, while the illustrations are unusually fine.

THE QUIVER FOR MARCH. The Quiver for March opens with a novel paper descriptive of some notable weather cocks. One of these vanes recently made in London for a church at Hamburg cost nearly \$1000. 'Ve gave me to Eat" is the su

title of a paper on the Glasgow Poor Children's Dinner Table, which followed by a song, words and music, "O Worship the King." A story in two chapters, "A Strange Client," begun and ended in this number. very sensible article by Rev. Geo. Everard is on "Some Mistakes about Prayer?' 'Distinguished Service in Suffering," Chaplain E. J. Hardy, of Her Majesty's forces. The second and concluding installment of "The Story of Wm. Penn," in the series 'The Conquests of Peace," "The Three First Chapters of Human History" are more particulary adapted to Sunday reading. The second installments of Rev. Hugh Macmillan's article "About a Pottery Mound," and Rev. Wm. M. Stratham's "Songs Prison," are of more general

\$1.50 a year in advance. The immense Krupp works at Es- she rests in unimagined bliss, in the sen are rigorously closed against vis- Paradise of God. itors; the outside world has therefore been unable to learn much of the renowned establishment where the most terrific engines of warfare are made for Germany and her friend. At last a determined Vankee has penetrated into this mysterious realm of the mod ern vulcan, with full privileges of confiding his discoveries to the rest as a soldier, being a military comof mankind, and the result is mander in the Seminole war, always a deeply interesting article in the ready to do service for his country.

March Harper's, called "An Iron He joined the Missionary Baptist City beside the Ruhr," by Moncure church at an early age and served as D. Conway, with an abundance of il- a deacon for indre than forty years; lustrations. In describing at length built several churches almost unaided; such an attractive field for the first always at his post, ready to contribute time, it is not strange that Mr. Con- to his pastor; was a beacon light in the way reveals some startling facts and church teaching others by precept and conveys much rare information. The example to contribute of their means curious processes of steel-working are to the support of the gospel and the graphically depicted. It seems that relief of the poor. Late in life he the Krupp guns, which have elevated moved to Alabama, spent several Germany to the highest military rank, and by whose reputation alone the Mountain, Marshall county, connect-Essen works are generally known, engage but a small part of Herr Krupp's Mt. Carmel, where he built a magnifattention. Two thirds of the work is icent house of worship as his last devoted to the arts of peace. His es- charitable donation to his church. He tablishment is said to constitute the departed this life the 19th of Novemlargest business in the world dependent on a single individual. We can appreciate this partly when told that it covers over 500 acres, employs more than 20,000 hands, includes colonies of 4,000 laborers' houses, with resolved that we extend our sympa-We can unhesitatingly recommend churches, schools, stores, and hos thies to his bereaved widow, and chil-

MARRIED.

Watts, Feb. 3rd, by Rev. A. A. Sims, A. A. SIMS.

OBITUARIES.

Obituaries of one hundred words will be inserted free. For each word over one hundred, two cents will be charged. Remit with order for publication. Count the words and see just what the bill will be; also, include money for extra copies at five cents each if more than ten are wanted, otherwise six cents each. If money is not enclosed, we reserve the right to condense to one hundred words.

Mrs. Serena C. McMillan.

Died, on the 18th of January, 1886 at her residence, Mrs. Serena C., wife of Mr. Neil McMillan, of Monroe

She was born near Bellville, in FRANK LESLIE'S SUNDAY MAGA- Conecuh county, on the 8th day of

with views of the city at different pe- death. Although her husband was a riods, several of the early and now Presbyterian, this fact was never perdestroyed church buildings, and por- mitted to mar in the slightest degree. traits of eminent persons connected the beautiful harmony of their united with them. A curious article, enti- lives. In the early dawn of womantled "Fish Out of Water," with its hood, she yielded her heart to the Sastill more curious illustrations, will at- vior, and with cheerful, loving obedience, followed whithersoever he led. Her devotion to her family was unstinctive Architects" treats of the bounded. "Her children rise up and call her biessed," and their tender and

reverential love, proves how faithfully some views there. The Rev. Edward and untiringly she discearged the du ties of a Christian mother. She was the attractive center of the home cir-cle, radiating sweetness and light upon the daily arties of life. But the beneficent influence of her pure selfsacrificing spirit was not confined within the limits of the family circle. Her home was noted for its generous. unostentatious hospitality, and not only friends and acquaintances, but the wayfarer and the stranger, were alike the recipients of her cordial well

come, and kindly ministrations. She won, unconsciously, the respect and love of all who met her. It needed but one glance into her clear, gentle eves, to recognize the beautiful, brave spirit emerined within that frail body. many years her life was one of extreme physical suffering, but she was never heard to utter a murmuring word. During her last illness, when an acute pain would sometimes wring an involuntary moan of anguish from her lips, she would quickly smile and chide herself for what she termed her weakness, and even when the near approach of death had stilled her voice, her loving glance and smile still strove to impart comfort to the griefstricken hearts of the loving group around her. The sorrowing, desolate husband and ten children lament the 'sweet and rare and tender presence," which ever strove to make life beautiful for them, and which has vanished from their sight; but there is unspeakable comfort in the knowledge that she is 'not lost but gone before. The Savior whom she loved and trustinterest. Cassell & Company, Limited, gently called, "Child, thine earthed. New York, 15 cents a number, work is ended, come up higher," and

General Ira R. Foster.

He was born in Spartanburg, South Carolina, in 1811, where he was educated moved to the State of Georgia, where he spent most of his life, filling many prominent positions; distinguished himself as a statesman, also years in Gadsden, then moved to Gee ed himself with the Bantist church at ber, 1885, at Gadsden. Truly a good man has fallen. Be it

Resolved, By this dispensation of Providence we have lost one of our most refficient members. And be it

J. T. Evans, L. D. EUBANKS. HENRY TEDDER, W. M. FOSTER, Rev. J. M. Brown,

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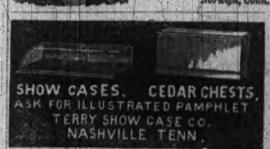
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> Ellice Kent looked incredulous. "I am subject to his will; he is not ubject to mine.

"Yes," she half assented, "but I would like to have one perfect an-

"If you can say, if it be true, that there is one day in your life that he knows nothing about, that he does not know all about, then he is not omniscient, omnipotent. If there be one event that he cannot control. one prayer that he misses through inability to catch it, then he is not

"Oh, of course," was the startled murmer, "but I never bring him down "You never bring him up to

What is the use of our praying, then?" somewhat impatiently.

for our own sake, not for his who understands us better than we underceive Good's will. You may pray for ever and you will not get anything excepting his will. The work of the Spirit is tuchange us, not to change God's will or his works. They are perfect enough. The Canaanites ly, and always felt sorry when he had tried next, and he got up all right. were not changed, the wild beasts were not destroyed, their chariots and horses not taken from them, but the Israelites were made strong enough to conquer them. Our circumstances are not changed; we are poor and not made rich; many things are wanting to be with them; quite as gave Hal an angry push just as the litnot made rich; many things are against us; but we are made equal to them all. The enemy, is not made less strong, but we are made

Ellice looked serious. "I pray a great deal for some things to be changed.' "And for yourself to be kept

"I never put it that way." God gave the children of Israel the Promised Land, but they had to conquer it themselves. He fought see, Harold did not just mean to flatly Poor little Hal! you may well wish for them by fighting in them. Supfor them by fighting in them. Suppose Joshua had fallen on his knees and prayed after this fashion: O Lord, I beseech thee take away the Lord, I beseech thee take away the chariots and horsemen, take away the giants; make them yield up the land to perhaps, or Frank Lawson—would gled up to the surface twice, so that

Ellice laughed. of faith and courage then? What

miserable milk and water , creatures we should be if our prayers were answered as we pray them! The man with the withered arm was bidden to do something with it. Do you suppose the strength would have been put into it if he had answered, Lord, it is withered; I cannot put it

"But, you see," was the hesitating reply, "I do not care so much for called "Harold, Harold, Harold!" so lost all sense of suffering, and as he

land he had given them. Still, I time our little man was altogether too his doings good and bad, but more much taken up with what Jack Hardie his doings good and bad, but more believe that a deep religious experience was telling him, to hear anything less particularly the bad ones, seemed to desire; God comes into the heart and takes out selfish desires and uses them. We go to him for small blessings and find him so lovely and wise that we desire him and his will and forget that we wanted anything else. He is about as big as our never to disobey his dear, fond mothbaby, but nothing like so fat, and he er again. But wasn't it too late now? Isn't that a perfect answer?"

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"Good deeds," once said the cele- rush for the stern, where they expect- ing in a triumphal procession. brated Richter, "ring clear through ed to find the rope ladder by which An hour afterwards when Master heaven like a bell." One of the best they would climb on board. But, Harold had got rid of the uncommuch to their disappointment, no ladder they dead to much to their disappointment, no ladder they dead to much to their disappointment, no ladder they dead to much to their disappointment, no ladder they dead they see, and no way of put on a warm, dry suit of clothes. says Mrs. Mary Hinson, of Montrose, climbing up except a thick rope that Jack Hardie told him how, when he Kansas, "and everybody thought she dangled over the side, reaching quite fell plump into the water, the boys was going into consumption. I got down to the wharf,—the truth of the had all shouted out for help; and her a bottle of Dr. R. V. Pierce's matter being that the sailors, getting how the mate of the Roseneath had Send me one more dozen boxes Farmers' 'Favorite Prescription,' and it cured rather tired of the boys' frequent in-sprung out of the cabin at the first cry,

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Mrs. Owen, at the top of her clear,

ot be master and. Godto be servant, you do not en-you command him; you do not en-treat him, pray to him. The heart after all that I have said to him too. Tope. So he clasped the rope tight in his brown fists, twined his strong legs by the gnawing worm consumption. But it can be made to release its hold treat him, pray to him. The heart lasting impression upon him. And around it, and up he went, not very that prays acceptedly is ready to re- with a feeling of uneasiness she could fast, to be sure, but gaining a bit at and stop its gnawing. Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery" will if not shake off, the troubled mother every wriggle, until, at last, he "Golden Medical Discovery" will went back to her housework, sighing reached the bulwarks, and the boys taken in time, effect perinanent cures, over her boy's disobedience.

> heedless and forgetful as he was affect the man had let go from the wharf, and tionate and obliging, sturdy little Hal was olinging to the rope.
>
> was just the kind of boy to make a mother whose only child he was no any harm, but he came prett less anxious than proud of him. And doing dreadful harm all the same; for in these lovely summer days, when his push was such a hard one that it nobody wanted to be indoors between loosened unlucky little Hal's hold daylight and dark, except to eat their upon the rope, and with a cry of

of her orders to stay near home. You water. Hal over the garden fece; and, as glimpse of his pale, frightened face for "Where would have been the need sure as they did, it ended in the little a moment, the cruel current dragged faith and courage then? What fellow's forgetting all about his mothin down again, and the horrid salt

for she had been making a cake, and gave up trying to save himself. He reply, "I do not care so much for faith and courage to do as I care for things to be changed. It may be a shameful truth, but it is the truth."

"Then you are only a little way along. I suppose all the Israelites wanted was to get the Canaanites out of the way. But God wanted to make them worthy to dwell in the land he had given them. Still, I

> "I'll bet my boots, Hal, you never saw what a naughty, thoughtless boy saw such a funny little chap in all he had been, he felt sorry enough face, too, -and he jumps around, and What! up in the sun talks away at the fellows, and sits up more, and sitting on the solid yellow

year-old boy could resist such a tempneath lay right across the end of the Bewildered little Hal couldn't, at wharf, and was being fed with long first, understand what it all meant; yellow sweet-smelling deals that would and when his father, catching him up make houses in England some day. in his arms, pressed him passionately Please send half dozen boxes Farmers' higher in rank an official is, the bigthe huge planks sliding through the out crying, and hid his wet face on bow-ports into the dark mysterious his father's shoulder. In this fashion The boys stood for a while watching to his breast, the little man just burst hold, and then there was a general he went back home, the boys follow-

ing thus to put a stop to their coming "Harold, Harold, Harold," cried a house. The boys looked pretty children of God are doing now; they strong voice, her anxiety increasing takes a good deal to stop an enter- and getting them down in the Book "We put our prayers into words as no answer came back, "Mercy prising boy when his heart is set on of Life. They are not waiting for the stand our own words. If you want gone down to the wharf again, and would see if he couldn't climb up the gave him a cheer as he called out, not only in consumption, but in at Now Harold Owen was not really a "Come along, fellows; it's not so hard; cases of chronic throat, bronchis bad boy. He loved his mother dear- you can all do it." Frank Lawson and lung diseases. grieved her; but he was such a Then Charley Wright followed. And thoughtless little chap. Eight years now Master Harold thought he would old last October; stout, cheery, and try his luck. So, too, did Jim Nor- deal in a very narrow space. brave; full to overflowing of animal ton; and when Harold got the rope

> Of course, Jim did not really mean meals, poor Mrs. Owen had her fright down he dropped between the

come along, and get to talking with his terrified playmates caught a er's commands, and going off to the water rushed into his mouth, as he wharves, where sometimes he stayed opened it to cry for help. His father so long as to give his mother quite a had given him some lessons in swimming that summer, and he tried to put That was exactly what happened them in practice now, striking out this glorious July morning, when Mrs. bravely with plump fists and sturdy Owen, missing her boy's shouts from legs, but of course such swimming as the front garden, ran out to the door, that could not help him, and he sank her bare arms all white with flour, deeper and deeper. Then at last he noisy than a steam engine. | come up clearly before him, and as he

on his hind-legs to eat nuts and crack- deals, with his companions crowding ers. Oh! I tell you, he's lots of fun!" | round him, laughing and crying, and This was part of Jack's account of a patting him on the back, and acting very interesting monkey belonging to so comically, while all the time the the black cook of a large ship then at water is dripping down off his clothes. the wharf; and it was the promise of and making a puddle at his feet, and showing him this monkey-what eight he does feel so uncomfortable underneath his blouse. And who is the tation? that had lured Hal away strong man standing near, just as wet from home. Down to the wharf they his handsome bronzed face full of them, and there they found half a pride and pleasure? And isn't that dozen other youngsters much about their own age, all evidently bent on the same errand. The stately Rose he looks like a ghost?

and put the rope in the place, think- waiting to take off his coat, had diver

how very near he had come to losing his life, and looked into his darling mother's face streaming with tears of joy and gratitude, which, but for the brave sailor, would have been tears of bitter sorrow, he gathered up his little features into a most determined expression, and said: "Mother, I'll never disobey you Thus did his mother get her wish and Master Harold his lasting impression, which many a time saved him from falling again in disobedi-Our Name in Heaven. Two years ago a friend of mine

sides Mr. and Mrs. Owen, a dozen

or more of the neighbors had run in

that was in London was going back to America. She went to Liverpool with a party of American friends, and they were talking about what hotel they would stop at, and decided to go to the North-Western. The hotel was full, and as they were starting to find another, they said to my friend, "Are not you going with us?" My friend said, "No, I am going to stay here." "Oh, no," they said, "you cannot stay here." But my friend said, "I am going to stay." "How is it?" "I have got a room, " "Where did you get it?" "Why, I sent my on board. The tide was high, and name on ahead." She had telegraphthe great black hull of the ship tow- ed a few days before and secured a ered above the wharf like the side of room. And that is just what the blank at first; but then you know it are sending their names on ahead

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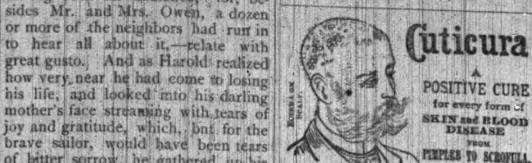
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