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The Force of Habit.

An essay read before the recent Sunday-school Convention of the Unity Association by Miss Mary I. Thornton, and published by request. That all habits have a force, need not be questioned. We have only to observe human nature-how mankind

Habit results from the repetition of the same act, until we become so accustomed to it, that its performance requires no mental effort, and scarcely attracts our attention.

act from habit-to verify this.

We cannot prevent the formation of habits, still we have much in our for the exercise of this power. Our minds are given us, but our habits cient force to destroy it. So life is are left for us to form. However, made up of many little habits, and our object is not to go into the phi- the littles combined form the great losophy of the formation of habit, but bulk. If we look well to each one to show their force and strength when formed, the sum total will be right,

mankind act more from habit than re- are made up of fractions. flection, hence," says he, "results a A spark of fire is a little thing, yet that many things are to be done and nificent building to ashes. One leak abstained from solely for the sake of will sink a ship and one broken link

A few years ago this whole conti-honorable habit will forever leave its nent rocked to its very cefter on the impress and work its influence on the question as to whether human slavery character. The habits we are formshould be permitted to endure on its ing may be very small, perhaps unbody, a slavery for this life, which is growing wider and deeper and strongwhich one steps when he forms a bad habit is a slavery not only of the body, but of the soul and of the Spirit; a slavery not only for this life, but a slavery that goes beyond the gates in old age govern without finite eternity, for "we shall be judged sesses, the greater his facilities for the Warrior, and may some day be according to the deeds done in the adding to it. So it is with habits an important point.

or and happiness, or sink him to the act strengthens that part of the mind. lowest depths of vice, shame and mis-

Few people form bad habits deliberately or wilfully; they glide into them by degrees, and before they are aware of any danger, a habit is formed which is more soul-wearing and lifedestroying than an Egyptian bondage. A young man, for instance, visits

the drinking saloon to spend his leisure time, takes a little beer, plays dominoes, checkers, or something of glitter of bayonet. the kind, "just to kill time," as he says, without seemingly to realize that he is becoming a confirmed drunkard tled for years before he could emanand a professional gambler. He does cipate himself from the use of opium anot intend to become either. He is He voluntarily went into prison merely playing for "innocent amuseone may form this evil habit in the whom he had hired to keep the drugshun gambling under any other form, and there are to-day many who are the shrine of lotteries. But this, like some degrading habit as Coleridge the "innocent" card play, is the ves- was. Their desbot may be opium or tibule to the labyrinth, and when it may be something worse, but so once in he will find it difficult to get completely are they under its control

grows, the desire increases, until he rushes on regardless children cling and cry for bread, yet he heeds them not, for the in cobwebs, has him

and iniquity that he can look, without the least particle of sympathy, upon such scenes as the Roman persecutors and heathens formerly feasted upon, in which men and women were torn in pieces by wild beasts.

The voice of conscience is silenced and the feelings of humanity have lost their power. Yet when he began the "innocent amusement," as it is called, or the "lottery business," he had no thought of becoming thus uncivilized, or being thrown into a state of utter barbarism. Shun the monster in all his borrowed and deceptive forms if you wish to be free from his clutches.

"One step and then another, And the longest walk is ended; One stitch and then another, And the longest rent is mended; One brick and then another,

One flake upon another, And the deepest snow is laid. So the little coral workers,

By their slow but constant motion Have built up those pretty islands In the distant, dark blue ocean;

And the highest wall is made:

And the noblest undertakings Man's wisdom hath conceived By oft repeated effort Have been patiently achieved. would have been sufficient to make it M. Alcott.

A little-tis a little word, But much may in it dwell;
Then let a warning voice be heard,
And learn the lesson well,
The way to ruin thus begins,
Down, down, like easy stairs;
If conscience suffers little sins,

Soon larger ones it bears, A little theft, a small deceit Too often leads to more;
'Tis hard at first, but tempts the feet
As through an open door.

Just as the broadest rivers run

From small and distant springs,
The greatest crimes that men have done
Have grown from little things,"

Life is made up of little things, and the little habits of youth accumulate into character in old age, and lasting in eternity

formed, and are highly accountable infinite attrition of particles, yet all human power combined is not suffi-It is the minutes misspent that waste habits acquire the day. It is the pennies wasted strength, become deeply rooted in the that squander the dollar. To many mind, and give bent and inclination fractions are "vulgar" in more senses to its power. Dr. Paley says "that than the rule implies, yet all wholes

> will sever a chain, so one mean, diser with every passing hour, blighting or blessing as they roll.

Habits are not formed in a day. In youth, they make not much figure. in middle age they gain ground, and of the tomb, and reaches out to an in- The more stock in trade a man posgood or bad. Every wrong One's happiness and usefulness de- act weakens that part of the mind and the more easily can we perform

> Many commence a habit saying give it up." Yet how many ever give it up? Av, how many? Some may do so, but greater courage is required than has ever been exhibited on the field of battle, amid the thun ders of the cannon, the roar of deadly conflict, the gleam of saber and the

Coleridge, one of the subtlest intel lects and finest poets of his time, bathired a man to watch him night and ment," as it is termed, but to this so- day that he might by force be kept called "innocent card playing" may from tasting the pernicious drug. Yet be traced the grossest injuries result- he had acquired the habit to such an ing from gambling. The beer is soon extent that he broke resolution after exchanged for a stronger drink, and resolution, wasted his substance and card playing for the his health, neglected his family, and table. Or perhaps even laid plans to cheat the very man legalized lotteries or fancy stock brok- from him, and bribe the jailor to ers. Thousands who, at first, would whom he had surrendered himself pay a willing tribute to the tyrant at as completely under the dominion of that they seem bound body, soul and spirit. Wife, children, home, relatives, honor, and the hope and prosof danger and reckless of conse-pect of heaven itself, all flee before Friends may persuade, the the fell destroyer. Habit has much to do with the habit of drink. It has been said that some will be drunkards in spite of almost everything that can be done for their relief; while others, He has become so steeped in sin no matter how surrounded, never will drink, but solely because they abstain from touching the insiduous poison, and we believe that those having the strongest predispositions to drink, if steps were taken in time, would be

> Father, do you consider the force of the habit your child is forming? Mothers, do you realize that those small habits which the little one is now forming, will become slowly, almost imperceptibly, but at length decidedly formed, and that the individual will acquire those traits by which he is distinguished, and which bear directly upon his happiness and welfare? They may seem of but little consequence, yet the most powerful forces of nature are those which act silently and imperceptibly. Remember, 'just as the twig is bent, the tree's inclined." Let a twig become quired its growth, and all the rigging

is madness and death.

This only serves to illustrate the force of the habit that your child is form-He will form habits of some kind, for "the youth, says Disraeli, "who does not look up will look down, and the spirit that does not soar is destined, perhaps, to grovel.'

Let him then be taught to look upward and press onward, to form pure, noble and upright habits, and at the end he shall stand a fair temple, honored by God and man. (

MARY J. THORNTON. Knoxville, Ala.

Revival Notes.

Dear Baptist: I desire to gladd

After the Convention at Birmingham I went to Wheeling Mines to finish a meeting commenced there by Bro. S. R. C. Adams. Several joined some by letter and others by baptism. This church was organized in the spring, and although a small church it has fitted up a neat house of worship without any help outside of the community. Their efforts are worthy of imitation by more favored commurule of considerable importance, viz., it often serves to bring the most mag- nities. I fear they are now without a pastor, as Bro. A. J. Waldrop then spoke very seriously of resigning. This field, it seems to me, is a very important and promising one.

From this place I went to Williamsburg church, which is without a pasrofitable meeting of six days. There are very few people living in this community, but some of the best of God, followed our Savior in baptism. This church is two miles from where the Kansas City railroad crosses damaged to be occupied. We will be Bishop, Fuller Goldsmith, or report

find all things in readiness for a re- have sustained heavy losses which pend very much on the character of which helps us to do right, until we vival at Bethel church. We had here they must meet—our own homes posit Friday morning, where they must meet—our own homes posit Friday morning, where they must meet—our own homes posit Friday morning, where they must meet—our own homes posit Friday morning, where they must meet—our own homes posit Friday morning, where they must meet—our own homes posit Friday morning. his habits; they will either exalt him can commit the worst of crimes with a gracious outpouring of the Holy must be repaired, and in many into the highest pinnacle of virtue, hon- out feeling a regret; but every good Spirit. Twelve were baptized and stances this will be a considerable two restored. This church is now in drain. Last year when both the better working order than it has been churches were seriously damas

> ed there in time to preach to a crowd- too great. ed house at night. The constant work of four weeks and the intensely we continued to meet twice every day until the following Sunday, when I ter. This is a noble band of brethren in its influence in the community.

Closing Sunday at 11 a. m. I left or home on Monday, hoping to spend this week resting, but on reaching New Hope church, where I went and assisted Bro. Ino. C. Foster until

Thursday, He had a good meeting. Friday, August 27th, I went to Bethel church, to find the "Baptist hosts" of the Union Association gathering in the annual Sunday-school Convention. The convention was organized by electing C. Richey moderator, and W. G. Robertson clerk. Every thing moved on smoothly, and the meeting was interesting and profitable. The regular appointee failing to put in an appearance, Bro. J. S. Dill, of Tuscaloosa, gave us a very fine sermon on Sunday at 11 o'clock. Sunday evening, in company with Bro. Dill. I went to Beulah church where we began a meeting of days. Bro. Dill did some of his best preachgram called him to the open grave of of his members. I closed this meeting Sunday with the 11 o'clock service. Eight joined by experience, and we expect three or four more at God give you the means and the willour next meeting. Bro. Dill won the ing hearts. affections of all who heard him. saved from its inevitable end, which

Bethel, Forest, and Beulah, all in the Union Association, constitutes my present field of labor and it affords me pleasure to be able to say that they are all growing in interest in all of our beneficent work, and the spirit of "internal improvement" is very pat-

ent in all of them. The great need of our country churches is pastors, men who will devote themselves purely to the interests of these churches. Lord give us more men with that faith which worketh by love!"

M. M. WOOD. Hickman, Ala.

crooked and remain so until it has ac-bodies; but they cannot be hidden, and have a power all their own, the of a navy could not then straighten it; greater for the unconsciousness of the dist church. yet a bit of cord, applied in time, humility which gives it grace.- Louisa

grow up a tall, straight, beautiful tree. An Appeal for Help for the Shattered Bantist Churches in Charleston, S. C.

known to your readers. The condition cannot be described, nor imagined. It is safe to say that every building in the city has sustaine ome damage, a great number them are ruined beyond repair. The houses of worship did not escape, and among these the buildings of the Cit adel Square Baptist, and the First Baptist church, were very seriously damaged. The north and west wall out of plumb, portions of which wil have to come down; the remainder of the steeple, left standing after last year's cyclone, is badly broken and must be taken down at once, as it endangers the body of the church and the neighboring houses; the plaster is badly broken and in a falling condition; the organ and furniture are badly

The portico of the First church demolished and the hanging fragments are dangerous; the wall on the northeast corner is badly cracked, a portion of which must be taken down; most of the plaster is broken off and the remainder must be removed; the furniture and organ are damaged and broken: the lecture room wil have to be torn down.

One of the best architects in the city tor. Here I held a very interesting has examined these buildings, and cost of repair alone, at the ordinary price of labor, will be very heavy, people in Jefferson county live here, far beyond our present means. We Two interesting granddaughters of must take steps at once to repair, for Calvary Williams, a faithful servant it is impossible to obtain any house or suitable room in which to worship, as all the public halls are too badly compelled to appeal to the great Baptist brotherhood for assistance in this Leaving this place I came home, to hour of sore distress. Our members the cyclone, our people bore the bur- three for each church and one addi-At 1 p. m. on the third Sunday I den themselves without calling for left for Forest church in Pickens outside asssistance. We cannot do county, sixteen miles away, and land- that now, the individual losses are

At a joint conference of the two churches last night, it was decided hot weather had well nigh exhausted that one of our pastors should take my strength, so that when I found the field and visit some of our sister that Bro. J. H. Curry would not be churches in the interest of both with us I felt like "giving up." But churches, to plead for our common cause, the other pastor remaining at home acting as pastor for both flocks. baptized one and received one by let- Bro. Stakely was commissioned to start at once. Of course it will be and sisters, and the church is growing impossible for him to visit very many places. In the meantime, we must earnestly solicit the loving help of the many churches and individuals throughout the land. We beg the pastors to plead our cause before their people, and let the contributions be sent to Rev. A. J. S. Thomas, Charleston, S. C. The amount re ceived and collected will be divided between the two churches according

> riends for assistance to repair these sight of the fact that there are people in our midst who may be suffering for the necessaries of life. These are being cared for promptly, as contritheir relief. But, as already stated, we must begin work on our churches for us to occupy.

please help us at once. And may

CHAS. A. STAKELY, Pastor Citadel Sqr. Baptist Ch. A. J. S. THOMAS, Pastor First Baptist Church Charleston, S. C., Sept. 7th, '86 Letter from Catt Smith.

lives near the place, was with me dur- ters are now closed on this subject, him we should have been without our freshness-Christ himself.

pod it is to have a father in Is-

the second wife that he has of vice. and he is quite young yet.

Methodist brother to give them a lot. on the side of sobriety. To God be all and undivided praise.

The Alabama Association.

The Alabama Association meets pecially to the editor and proprietor and all delegates passing by Fort Deposit for the families of drunkards. to the association are requested to call on R. M. Burt, Ernest Wright, M. prayer meeting Thursday night, or at

tional for every twenty five members over one hundred. Dr. Renfroe will be on hand. Be

sure to send a large delegation. It is very important, - Educational and other interest will be before the asso-F. L. PLASTER.

The Duty of the Church.

REV. C. A. PIDDOCK, MIDDLETOWN

What position ought the church to take on the temperance question? We do not hesitate to say that it is the duty of the church to boldily attack the vices of the age, not only the sin of intemperance, but all other vices. This is called an easy going age, and it is often said that the church winks at the sins of the day. The charge is made that there are members of our churches who are occasionally seen master is not Christ, but alcohol. It upon by the joint conference last services, are seen going in and out of of Light," while Chaucer, in In appealing to our brethren and all such persons are a shame and dis-

must, by their conduct, illustrate and

intemperance. at once, because they are dangerous, What is the duty of the church toand the longer the work is delayed, ward the open saloon, the gin-mill, its darkness, the founders of modern ing here until Thursday, when a tele- the greater will be the cost in the end; and the grog-shop? I do not hesitate philosophy, Descartes, and Bacon, and there is really no house at present to say that Christians are called upon and Locke, the foremost minds of the to oppose these avenues of ruin by all eighteenth century, the century of un-Men and brethren, everywhere, the powers that God has given them. ballot and by personal influence, to that in sheer intellectual force tran-I had a good meeting at Childers- this subject of temperance alone. We law kindlier while more just to the burg; thirty-eight united with the Bap- shall be very glad to let it alone when criminal, our prisons more wholesome tist church, twenty-five by baptism, it is willing to let us alone; but when while more deterrent of crime, who I learned of several others that ex- it stands blocking the way to heaven, have accomplished the liberation of pect to join. Six that were convert- and keeping multitudes away from the slave, who have made us coned will join the Methodist church, Christ, we dare not let it alone; for scious of our duties to savage peoples one will go to the Presbyterians. All God will require this blood at our abroad and to our lapsed at home; the Christians cheerfully co-operated with hands. There are, in this city, many men who in these centuries have been me in the service and rendered most young men who are in great peril; foremost in doing good and in guidefficient help, and enjoyed the meet- shall the pastors and churches fail to ing to nobleness the mind of man, and Beautiful souls often get into plain ing. I received one old brother who warn them before they become bound Bernard and Francis of Assisi, John had been a backslider for forty years. hand and foot by a terrible appetite? Howard and Mrs. Fry, Wilberforce Several come to us from the Metho- The church is not aroused to the ext and Livingstone, surrounded by the tent and enormity of this evil. It is noble band of all our good samaritans,

nsellor. His prayers and ex- traffic, or because some wealthy pew- have constrained us to our work." ns were so strong that I found holders will be offended. If this is "What think ye of Christ?" we cry to leaning on them for support. so, let the ministry shake off all such the great masters of music and song, unworth shackles and stand up squaregive such help. I wish we ly for the right. I shall be slow to speech of the "Oratorio," and filled believe anything contrary to the faith-B. F. Giles dropped in, and fulness of any minister of Christ, but any nature has known, and they for me one sermon in his earnest, it seems as though the lukewarmness answer but bid us read the names of the commencement of the of the ministry in general is a source their supreme Bro. Wilkes also gave us of great regret. I trust the time is "St. Paul," "Redemption," and know mons, one a funeral service. not far distant when all Christians will that but for Christ t array themselves against every form which the modern has far transcend

church toward the liquor dealer? We ment. I thank God for the have nothing against him, as a man. and the people for their but our warfare is against his busi- holiness, pity and suffering; the sculp- up and providing for the destitute of ness. We claim that his business is a tors who have chiseled the shapeless the town. And many times citizens church had thirty-nine mem- damage to society, and an unmitigahen we commenced the service. ted evil; a business that no human be- only speech to be the living man made mittee to do like work. All concede They had promised to pay me \$200 ing should be engaged in; a business perfect; and their great leaders, from that this has been the worst winter we for pastoral work this year. They that is the wreck of millions of souls famed Giotta through Fra Angelico to have had for many years, and not a are now encouraged to build a par- and the ruin of thousands of homes. Angelo and Raphael, to Rembrandt single case of destitution has been and locate a pastor in their The church of God can never have and Rubens, send forth the response, brought to the attention of the author nidst. A Presbyterian brother pro- any sympathy with the saloon; but it "He has been the soul of our art, our ities, and not a case is known by our posed to give them \$50 and shingles calls upon all dealers to give up this dream by night; our joy by day, to citizens. igh to cover the house, and a soul-destroying business and come out paint him worthily were the highest, In the past where a case of destitu

church toward the drunkard? The deemer, Son of God yet Son of Man, of his wages, when he was fortunate becoming a drunkard. With the ter- of all our good, ideal and inspiration themselves. The truth is prohibition rible examples we have about us, with of all our right and righteousness, and has been a blessing to the poorer with the Hopewell Baptist church, at the bleareyed wretches that daily reign over the hearts and in the lives class of Bartow county. The poorer Mount Willing, on the 8th of Octo- walk our streets, the man is to blame of men. - Principal Fairbairn. ber. The brethren of the church at who will, in any way, tamper with that place extend a hearty welcome to strong drink. It is the duty of the of the ALABAMA BAPTIST. Convey- show them the beauty of a Chrisance will be furnished from Fort De- tian life. I presume there is not a posit to those coming by railroad, and church in this city that is not caring way. There are doubtless many children in these families that should be D., recently published in the Religious themselves at the Baptist church at taken away from their drunken pa- Herald. These sermons my home. They can reach the asso- homes. I have a great work could, highest praise and commendation and defending prohibition, it is desirciation in good time from Fort De- be done by the Young Men's Christ from eminent divines and laymen in ed to keep entirely clear of personal will find a committee of entertain- tempted in our city. The churches of the exhaustive and lucid presenta- any for conscientious convictions. ent awaiting them. Let all the are not doing the work that is needed tion of the doctrine, policy and prac-

> do this work. I believe it is the duty of all Christians to declare themselves against the present license law; and to vote only for men who are pledged to prohibition. The time is not far distant when all true temperance people will join the ranks of the prohibitionists. We are fighting a winning battle, and

What Think Ye of Christ?

The great heart of the world is just,

and, turning from the ignorant and

are sure of victory. - Secretary.

rancorous men, who fight with the poisoned weapons of savages or slaves, I cry across the ages to the mighty spirits of the Christian centuries, "What think ve of Christ?" The man of sad, lone spirit, of face so thought, who imagined the strange is said that some who are the loudest circles of the Inferno, and yet saw as to the proportion unanimously agreed in the responses and fervent in church in open vision the celestial "Mount the saloons. If this is the case, then quaint English guise, and Shakes peare, "Fancy's sweetest child," and grace to the church, and ought to Milton, whose voice had a sound as either repent, or else be excluded of the sea, and Cowper, and Cole from its membership. The formal as- ridge, and Wordsworth, and many sent to a creed is not enough, but men other bright spirits follow in his train -make answer, ."He was the soul of adorn the Christian life. Let the our poetry, our inspiration and our butions are coming in every day for church tabor faithfully with the er- joy." "What think ye of Christ?" we ring, but boldly denounce the vice of lask the men of thought, and out of belief, Leibnitz, and Newton, and It is the duty of all Christians, by the Berkeley, and Kant; the thinkers, too, oppose the sale of intoxicating drings. scend all the other men of this centu-The saloon could not exist to-day in ry of conscious wisdom, Schelling and this city if it were not for the votes Hegel, and they altogether confess and influence of those who are nomi- and acknowledge "the Christ stands nally members of churches. Then let alone, pre-eminent, only Son of God all lovers of God and humanity vote among men." "What think ye of for the prohibition of the traffic. It Christ?" we ask the great pailanthrohas been said that ministers should let pists, the men who have made our

marble into forms so noble as to need were appointed to act as a relief com though, alas, most hopeless feat of tion was found it was found also that What shall be the attitude of the man." O, yes; thou Christ the Re- the man of the house spent nearly all inebriate is to blame for being such. stand forth in thy serene and glorious enough to make them, for whiskey No man has any right or excuse for power, leader of our progress, author and allowed his family to take care of

Literary Notes.

Baltimore announce that they have in press and will publish at an early date tist Doctrines, by I. L. Burrows, D. g our young men. Some of us tice held and believed by Baptists.

> tory in due order, and in conformity thing that is decent and good. to the best and latest researches. pointing out clearly the connection of an agreeable evil. He does not wait one another, relieving the work of goes out to seek them. He entraps the dryness as a more summary freeing it from sectarian partiality, that once in they will stay, and his and limiting himself to well established profit be secured until death releases udgments and conclusions. By the them. Have the people no refuge use of different sorts of type, it has against this iniquitous traffic? Have been practicable to introduce a con- the wives and children no shield siderable amount of detail without against this most damnable traffic? marring the main current of the Are these wolves to prowl among men narrative, or making it too long, very valuable feature is the append- ed? Has the world no right to protect ing of lists of books at the close of the itself against this worse than plague several periods, to aid the reader who would pursue the study further.

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"Frames and feelings" have an inherent tendency to subside into flat ness, duliness, staleness. There Our most esteemed Bro. Kidd, who said that the mouths of many minis answer with one accord, "Without only one unfailing source of unfailing

The truest advocate of total

sort of wine which every person ea-

class of women and children look like they have plenty to eat and wear, and wear contented faces, a state of affairs never known while whiskey was in reach of the honest but weak laborer .- Cartersville Courant

THE CORRECT VIEW Let it be distinctly understood that in the discussion of the local option uestion, we propose to avoid person alities. Facts and arguments may and attracted ions; but opinions are matters of lerents and provided with suitable wide attention, and recieved the gitimate controversy. In presenting

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> As he is a passive nuisance—he is men and boys into his toils, knowin A and boys unchecked and unrestrain "There is one way, and one way only. Prohibition of the sale of toxicants is the world's only hope All other plans have failed. This alone has succeed Prohibition rightly en

WORK UP THE TEMPERANCE Now, while there is no great polit cal issue before the people, is the time to push your temperance work In this tempanerce reform we are like a company of men who want to build a bride across a great river. They have first to build a coffer dam, to get a This is an excellent history of solid foundation on which to build men will go for party, right or wrong. time to work. You can now appeal to the better feelings of men, get them to consider, to see the evils growing out of this nefarious traffic, and to set themselves as an impregnable moun tain against the advance of this common enemy. To the front!- Western

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Montgomery. ORDINATION.

We spent Spent Saturday and Sur day, the 11th and 12th, at Ruhamah now the "city" of "East Lake," six miles from Birmingham, with Dr. Cleveland, to redeem a promise made two months since, to assist in the ordination of our young brother W. H. Smith to the office of an elder. The Presbytery was composed of the Rev. D. I. Purser, Dr. W. C. Cleveland. and the writer. Bro. Smith is a graduate of Howard College, and has two years in the Seminary, and returns to Louisville to complete The examination was thorough and entirely satisfactory. We heard two sermons from Bro. Smith. He is already an "able min ister of the New Testament." He has spent the summer as a most ac ceptable evangelist in the Tallasse hatchie and Ten Islands Associations where sixty-three persons have been baptized in connection with his work and he is to hold two other protracted meetings with them before h leaves. For thirty years we have occasionally visited Ruhamah, and hav always had a pleasant time with them. The congregations on this visit were very large. The meeting was protracted, with Bro. Purser to assist the

REGENERATION.

An esteemed minister, who is also a teacher, writes us for a statement of our views of the doctrine of regeneration, and informs us that in this request he represents a number of others in his community. This is not only a doctrine of the very greatest importance; it is both difficult and ontroverted, and an editorial of ordinary length is not sufficient space for intelligent answer; nor could we at the greatest length render an answer satisfactory to the captious mind nor solve all the difficulties of the most trusting. Neither the tongue of an angel, nor the pen of a ready writer, can expound that great change in the soul of a sinner, which makes him "a partaker of the divine nature" -"a partaker of God's holiness. The soul is dead in sin, and the best that we can say is, that regeneration is consequent on the contact of divine life with the soul-the implantation of the life of Christ in the soul of man under the direct agency of the

the process of the soul's salvation. to which God has affixed the bliss mortality are brought to light in the that putteth it off." believes, but Christ is "exalted to grand as in the hour when he lays Lazarus would be the sufferer by it. give repentance," "the goodness of aside an armor that bears the traces

God leads to repentance," and Jesus of constant use, and exclaims in holy TUSC ALOOSA ASSOCIATION. is "the Author and finisher of our rapture, "I have fought a good fight. faith:" and it must surely be then I have finished my course, I have that that godly sorrow which works a kept the faith, and henceforth there is genuine repentance flows from a godly laid up for me a crown of righteo principle planted in the heart. And ness, which the Lord, the righteou therefore we have not been able to re- judge will give me at that day." It is sist the belief that regeneration is the the hour that witnesses his last confirst principle, the first thing as to flict, and when he is on eye of realiztime in the process of applying salva- ing all that Christianity can mean, and tion to the soul of a sinner. All the infinitely more than imagination can

natural conditions. All the growth faith and piety can supply, death is an "enemy." It is so represented in blessings, and trials attendant on its God's word. And then its dread accompaniaments invest with additional conception or generation; and thus awe and solemnity. Lord Bacon says we maintain that however sublime the that men fear death as children fear to Christian life and the Christian char- go into the dark; and as that natural acter, that life and character were be- fear in children is increased with tales, so is the other. A finger may be tor-And hence it seems to us quite ab- fured until the pain is well nigh intolsurd to assume that any ordinance or erable, and we some times think of ceremony is essential to regeneration, death of death as if that pain were and that regeneration as to time must diffused through the whole body, when occur under the administration of any the fact is, our sensibilities to pain are act within the power of man. Such mostly placed on the surface of the soul both as to time and fact under vital organs are the least sensitive to the control of man, and a second par- pain, the very organs involved in the ty at that, to be administered or with- last struggle. And moreover, when held at the pleasure of the priest; and one dies of disease, this very disease it matters not how generally the priest has so blunted our sensibilities that br minister may be willing to perform the article of death may be as painless the acts of his saving rites, it never- as falling asleep, for is not this the fatheless puts God's regenerating agen- vorite expression of God's word to cy at the option of a man, and thus indicate the death of the righteous? The old Latins, pagans though they

of the process of giving life to a soul. were, had a proverb to this effect, God's seal is not water, nor bread and "that the pomp of death was more wine, nor imposition of hands, but terrific than death itself." ["Pompa the Holy Ghost by which ye are sealed mortis magis terret, quam mors ipsa." unto redemption. This sealing is the Yes, they are the accompaniaments of first work and the completed redemp- death that give so much terror; the midnight vigils, the silent tread of atending friends, the suppressed sobs of loved ones, and the parting moment-then the funeral obsequies, and could only spend one day in the re- the cold damp grave to which the body is consigned—all these, we repeat, show death in its most terrific pot at midnight of the 8th we were form. The poor beggar that falls by the high way, whose death is not witnessed by a single mortal, is so different from all this. It scarcely produces a single emotion when his body is found, and yet he may have been a "prince in disguise." His death, like that of another Lazarus, may have brought angels from the skies to witness his last agony, and bear his emancipated spirit to his home in heaven where circling saints and angels wel-

come him to their companionship. There is not a passion, or emotion or an earnest conviction of which man is capable, but what has been, many instances, more than a match for death. Patriotism, how often has it summoned its votaries to the point of danger, and sacrificed whole hecatombs of victims to defend the sanctities of home! Love, what dangers has it not dared, what terrific forms of death has it not encountered and fell signed to Dr. Nunnally, who present- in the struggle to vindicate its cherished the claims of the Howard Endow- ed object! Anger, fierce, rampant, ment in an able speech, which was vindictive anger-what death has it received with hearty good will by the not dared to gratify its malignity! association. Bro. Nunnally is a cap- Honor, how many thousands have. ital agent. He received at the Shelby bared their bosoms to the deadly misin cash and bonds something over sils to preserve it! And more than all, seven hundred dollars, which was re- Christianity-what scores of millions garded as quite a success. We had of martyrs has it not enrolled on its an opportunity to present the claims sublime registry! So that, not only in of our paper, and obtained a very the estimation of Christians, but of good list of subscribers, and got many men of the world, there are things far

So sum up all, let us say that a man may so live that when the last sumnight train, to visit our family in Tal- mons comes, he may say with old ladega. The Rev. G. T. Lee was Simeon, "Now, Lord, lettest thou thy moderator, and Rev. W. C. O'Hara, servant depart in peace, for mine eyes clerk. Our "side notes" will give have seen thy salvation!" For it is in some farther insight into the charac- the death hour and around the tomb ter of the meeting. While at Colum- that Christianity pours its sweetest biana we were greatly astonished to beams and marshals its most precious receive a telegram re-sent from Mont- promises. "Precious in the sight of gomery, calling us to Talladega to at. the Lord is the death of his saints. "This mortal shall put on immor

"JESUS WEPT."

There is something of mystery in

this expression of John, recorded of

tion to his county and city, and a personal bereavement to the writer. We Jesus at the grave of Lazarus. He were with our family only about five knew what he was about to do. He hours, and then left for the meeting knew that those sad hearts around him would soon be made glad by the resurrection of their brother and friend. Why, in the prospect of such a happy change in their feelings, is it said that "Jesus wept?" Perhaps those source than were suspected by those who witnessed them. For it is not difficult to suppose that to his comprehensive soul there were heights and depths connected with this miracle far beyond their capacity. The miracle was as necessary as the crowning evidence of his divine nature. It was the miracle of his life, and hence it had to be operated. Why, then, in the immediate prospect of making weep? Well, it may have been that he was about to call back a happy spirit from the abodes of the blest, and once more imprison it in its house of clay, subjecting the good man not only to the temptations, trials, sufferings, &c., another death. In his view, it is not unreasonable to suppose, it would be voucher, and one restored, and others a calamity to call back a spirit from will join at the next meeting: spirit and it is life, and life and im- eth on his harness boast himself as he a world where the spiritual warfare years came under the influence of the would have to be renewed. So that. although there was a divine necessity

esting protracted meeting at Spring carry out the evelope system. May Hill church; the hearts of Christians the Spirit of the Lord lead us and were greatly revived. There were crown our efforts with success. five accessions to the church. Elder J. M. Chisom is the pastor, and is an able and zealous worker in the vine-

Moore's Bridge. Revel, J. A. Howard, and Dr. S. W. was much revived, and many seemed the preaching. There were fifteen salvation. Elds. Wm. Whaley and and able in the Master's cause. - G. D. Burton, Crawford, Sept 10. I have just closed a meeting of sev-

which I was assisted by Rev. C. R. McCord. The result of the meeting was a general revival among the membership of the church, two additions M. Musgrove, Pastor, Cullman by letter, one by restoration and sixteen willing converts were baptized by the writer. The Lord be praised! -Rev. J. W. Rogers, Julian, Sept 10. Junction. Thirteen were added gracious revival followed. Twelve he gives to Christ in all his sermons all. Among them are young men of fine intellect, whom he hopes soon to

see enter Howard College. "We have a season of rejoicing publishing the gospel to all the brethren Stewart and Lennaway These two young men did faithful and It was decided to memorialize our earnest work. The Lord blessed us next legislature to secure the passage in giving us six precious souls as a reof a general "local option" law on the ward, who were baptized vesterday: hiquor traffic. This was the outcome one was an old lady of about sixty of the discussion of the temperance years of age, who up to this time had lived in a Pedo-baptist church.- Robt. M. Hunter, Camden, Sept. 13.

A very interesting revival meeting has been in progress at the Midway Baptist church for the past two weeks. conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. H. Patterson. Up to Sept., 20th there have been 14 additions by experience. 3 by letter, and one by restoration. The church is greatly revived, and the interest unabated. Rev. T. E. Chambliss assisted the pastor about three days .- Wm. C. Jordan, Mid

One of the neatest papers in th State is the ALABAMA BAPTIST. Dr Renfroe, one of the ablest divines of the denomination has just assumed the co-editorial and managers department and there are few more polished writers. Our friend I. Gid Harris is the proprieter and editor. who is also a gifted writer and a fine orator. Success to the ALABAMA BAPTIST .- Tuscaloosa | Gazette, Septem ber 16th.

Bro. John P. Shaffer writes: At our egular monthly meeting at County Line on Sept. 11th and 12th, eight were received by baptism. Also he says: Embracing first Sunday, held six days meeting with Mt. Pleasant sixteen were baptized. Elders Inc. F. Bledsoe and Ora Dawson were with me from first to last. Bro. Dawson, after a little rest, goes to S. B T. Seminary. May the Lord bless the young man and make him emi nently useful.

began on the 4th inst. and closed on the 13th inst. We had a gracious outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and twenty-five were added to the church by baptism. Bro. S. R. C. Adams of Danville, Ala., preached for us We had the earnest sympathy and cooperation of our brethren of other denominations. A subscription in cash and pledges was made for our new Association, Pine Level church, 16 church building. Brethren pray for by baptism, 2 by letter and i restored; us, that God, who has so graciously Centennial Association, Macedonia, begun a good work among us, may continue the same until the day of Perote, 1 by baptism; Mt. Pleasant, Jesus Christ .- Rev. E. G. Musgrove,

Bro. W. J. Elliott, of Brierfield, Have just closed a meeting at Sa- Baptist church, sends us the followlem church, Coosa county, which ing names as having contributed to Paster J. D. aid in building their new house of Hughs was aided by Bro. Nelson two worship, and as more help is needed days; Bro. Haisty also preached for many others, it is hoped, will send in us. The church was much revived, their contributions: Six Mile church and twenty-one were, on profession \$0.05, Jemison church \$4.40, Shelby Association \$6.05, church supper at and one restored to fellowship. - W. Brierfield \$76.20, James Bryant, Benton, \$1.00. Miss Alice Alay, Ashby, Commenced a meeting with Mt. \$1.00, Rev. W. W. Kidd, Childers Gilead church, Bibb county, on Sat- burg, \$1.00, T. J. Martin, Harpersville, \$2.50, also C. H. Florey \$2.00. gust and closed on the following Dan'l McRae \$2.00, C. F. Elliott Thursday; result was 6 additions to \$2.00, E. N. Caldwell, \$1.50, W. H. the church by baptism. Also held Kidd 50 cents, J. S. Elliott 50 cents, C. M. Elliott 50 cents; total \$110.20.

ville, Ala., and says: We have had a most pleasant and I hope profitable session of the Cahaba Association. Brethren Burton, Waldrop, Inzer and tism, four by letter, and four by good work; also, Bro. Crumpton, Men bath we had rain, which caused our the glory.- John A. Lowery, Bibbville, preciated, and his plans were adopted

During a meeting at Hopewel

church in Cullman county, near Hanesville, commencing Aug. 218 yard of the Lord .- J. B. Wilson, last and closing at the water on the morning of the 27th. There were Have just closed a good meeting of five baptized, and three more were interest; had assistance of Bro. J. L. approved for baptism. The church Harris. Bro, Howard did most of deeply concerned about the way of accessions to the church, thirteen by A. Adams did good service in the experience and baptism. Bro. How- meeting. In these meetings no one ard has won our hearts; he is earnest | was invited up to a mourners' bench, or anxious seat. for prayer; a few times invitations were extendend to these who were anxious to become en days with Bethlehem church, in Christians to come and give us their hand and return to their seats. This was without singing, and at each time quite a number came forward.-P.

Pastor Curry was assisted last week in a meeting of days here by our young Bro. McCollum, of Marion Bro. J. N. Webb, of Mt. Bethel the church by baptism. Bro. McC. church, Broomtown, writes: Our as- has made a lasting impression upon sociation closed on Sunday, and we this people by his earnest, consecracontinued the meetings, and a most ted manner, and the great prominence were added by baptism and four by A rather remarkable sate exists in this letter, and two more joined at the last church. Of the thirty-four or five hour of service, making eighteen in baptized into our fellowship during the last thirteen months not more than six are adults, the remainder ranging in age from ten to fifteen years. These young converts are always found at our weekly prayer neetings, our Sunday-school, and our Saturday and Sunday service. Can any one doubt but that they will be pillars in Gods church in the near future?-C. C. Jones, Furman, Sept.

On Saturday before first Sabbath September I commenced a meeting with Concord Baptist church. The meetings were held in a large saw mill, as the church building was too small to seat the people. The results of the meeting were nineteen acces sions, sixteen by baptism and three by restoration, and many others will soon join. I made an appeal for means to build a new house, and the mill owners, one a Presbyterian and the other a Catholic, gave us all the lumber wanted and twenty dollars in money besides, so the house will soon be built, and we will have a nice or gan in it. Concord was pastorles and almost extinct prior to this meeting. My labor as an evangelist i Elim Association will soon close. am trying to find pastors for churches.

Need one now at Milton, Fla., also at Concord. Will not some brother write to me, or to G. W. Curtis, Milton, Fla .- S. W. Jones, Elim Asso. Evangelist, Wilson Sta., Ala.

I forgot to say above that at the

Our Envelope Plan.

it can accomplish wonders, especially

It amounts to but little to have the

envelopes distributed among the

members of the church unless they

are followed up and closely attended

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of contributing in this way. If all do

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pastor will find that the envelopes

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laid away, and not thought of when

the time comes to use them. Follow

the matter up and after a while the

whole church will wheel into line and

upon the system, let the system rely

determined hand the winter will not

have passed before you will have

made large collections. Dear breth-

ren, let us press this matter.

than to talk about it .- [Moody.

upon you. If grasped now with

Pastors are going to be disap-

Wetumpka, Sept. 12th.

in church collections:

J. J. CLOUD.

A Great Revival. This has been a glorious day with the Baptist church at Wetumpka. This morning at nine o'clock I had the pleasure of baptizing thirty-six happy converts in the limpid waters of the Coosa river. And to-night, after a sermon on the Lord's supper, all these new converts united with the church in the holy communion. It was a most lovely and soul-rejoicing service. "The Lord has done great things for us whereof we are glad.' We have had a wonderful meeting

During a meeting of days, which The church has been greatly revived. Every church in the city has been greatly benefited. I suppose there has been about eighty-five or ninety conversions. Out of this number forty-seven united with our church. There has never been such an outbefore. Our dear Bros Thomason did the preaching. He is the prince of evangelists. May God bless him wherever he goes. close of our meeting to-night we received five more for baptism.

Brieffield, Sept. 17th.

Bro. I. A. Glenn writes from Ash-Branham were present from the Canaan Association, and done some who did effective work. On the Sabsion occurring. On the following Monday we had a fine meeting. Bro. Crumpton's presence was much apwith great unanimity, and all the pas-

We the committee appointed by the A single verse written on paper. moderator on programme, beg leave now yellow with age, hangs on the to report as follows:

Parker and W. B. Jackson. ngs and Sabbath-schools, by J. A.

uctory sermon; Bro. Daniels, alter-The next district meeting to convene with Shiloh Baptist church, Saturday before the fifth Sabbath in October, 1886.

W. V. VICE. Chairman.

Unity Baptist Association.

To the delegates to the Unity Baptist Association to be held at Clanton, Ala. Oct. 2, 1886:

I am authorized to say that the L. & N. railroad will sell tickets to delegates to Clanton, Ala, at full fare going and one-third fare returning, provided there are twenty-five or more delegates in attendance. Delegates should purchase regular tickets to Clanton from the agent at the starting point, and at the same time cure from him a certificate (to be furnished by the agent) showing that a time, thought much on the subject of regular ticket has been sold. certificate will be endorsed by the clerk to the effect that the party was a delegate and in attendance. Upon the presentation of this certificate and his eyes rested for a few moments within twenty-lour hours journment of the association to the agent at Clanton, he will sell special return ticket at one-third fare. Be sure to get the certificate from your now by heart," replied the general, agent at your starting point. The E. T., V. & G railroad de-

clines to make any reduction. T. M. HENLEY, Clerk U. B. A.

September rath

Scottsboro, Ala

very good meetings in the bounds of Valpy's verse. At the end of that our association. Many have been time the physician who had attended converted to the Lord and joined the General Taylor wrote to Lord Roden church. At Mt. Zion, Mt. Pisgah, to say that his friend had departed and other churches, the Lord has in peace, and that the last words greatly blessed We had a good which fell from his dying lips were meeting at Scottsboro church, notwithstanding there were no conversions. Bro. Enoch Windes, of Winchester, Tenn, did most of the preaching, and he is a good, sound gospel minister. His manner of presentation of truth is very unique. When you have heard him you have heard that that will do you good for the days to come. I will send you something after our association, which meets at Mt. Nebo church on the 28th inst. It is about fifteen miles from the railroad, and but little chance for conveyance, except at too great ex- Dr. Valpy's simple lines. "They pence. In my judgment the brethren have been God's message," he said,

make a very grave mistake in voting the associations to such out of the way places. I know the brethren memory, after days of darkness and around such churches want the body distress, by the Holy Ghost the Comto meet with them, but we ought to forten. consider by all means the good of the many and not so much the desires of L. C. COULSON. the few.

Scottsboro, Sept. 15th.

Readyl Ay, Ready!

Certain characteristics of Moravian missionaries attract our attentioncharacteristics which result from the prevailing type of piety, as well as the social condition and habits of the church at home. So fully is the duty of evangelizing the heathen lodged in their current thought that the fact of any one's entering personpouring of God's spirit upon this city ally upon that work never creates surprise; it fails in with the acknowledged obligations and general expectation; for no one is ever urged to undertake the foreign service, nor is urgency ever required. The answer of Ledyard, on his return to England from an expedition, and on being at once sought for the African Association, will always remain historical. To the question, "When will you be ready to get out?" he replied, "Tois a small thing, but morrow morning. So, too, Colin Campbell asked only twenty-four hours before starting to India. But the former was habituated to distant travels, and the other to military exigencies. At Marienborn, Zinzendorf sent one day for a Marovian brother, and said to him, "Will you go to Greenland as a missionary tomorrow?" The man had had no previous intimation of the matter. appointed missionary to China, and Evangelist. was asked when he could be ready to start, he answered, "To-morrow." Promptness of obedience to any call it will do the heart of the pastor good recognized as from God, so far from to see how regularly and cheerfully being exceptional and awakening surthe people contribute. But don't rely prise, is habitual among the Morav. ians. It is a settled conviction that the most abject and the most remote of our race are within the line of that covenant which embraces the ends of the earth that such are not beyond the redeeming efficacy of Christ's quiet, profitable work for the Lord. blood; and hence are to have a place in Moravian prayers, and, if possible,

Thompson, D. D.

walls of a nobleman's study in Eng-1. The duties of churches to pastors land. It has a remarkable history and pastors to churches, by Brn. Geo. and has, in two notable instances, at least, been blessed of God to conver-2. The importance of prayer-meet- sion. The verse was originally com-

A Silent Preacher

posed by Dr. Valpy, the eminent Huckabee, S. T. Jackson, and A. scholar and author of standard school books. He was converted late in W. A. Parker to preach the intro- life, and wrote this verse as a confes sion of faith:

'In peace let me resign my brea h, And thy salvation see: My sins deserve eternal death. But Jesus died for me."

On one occasion the eminent Dr. Marsh was visiting the house of Lord Roden, where he held a Bible reading with the family. He mentioned De Valpy's conversion by way of illustr tion in the course of his remarks, an recited the verse. Lord Roden was particularly struck with the lines. wrote them out, and affixed them to the walls of his study, where they

Lord Roden's hospitable mansion was often full of visitors, among whom were many old army officers. One of these was General Taylor, who served with distinction under Wellington at Waterloo. He had not, at that This religion, and preferred to avoid all discussion of it. But soon after the paper was hung up, he went into the study to talk with his friend alone. upon the motto. At length Lord Roden broke the ice by saying, "Why, general, you will soon know that verse by heart." "I know it with emphasis and feeling.

A change come over the general's spirit and life. No one who was intimately edquainted with him could doubt its reality. During the follow ing two years he corresponded readily with Lord Roden about the things which concerned his peace, always Ala, Baptist: We have had some concluding his letters by quoting Da those which he had learned to love

> A young relative of the family, an officer lately returned from the Crimea. also saw it, but turned carelessly

> Some months later Lord Roden received the intelligence that his young acquaintance was suffering with pulmonary disease, and was desirous of seeing him without delay. As he entered the sick-room the sick man stretched out both hands to welcome him: at the same moment repeating of peace and comfort to my heart in this illness, when brought to my

> > Jesus Loves Me.

Visiting at the house of a friend the writer learned the following incident which is worthy to be placed in the list of contributions from the young. The mother of the family, while moving about with her household duties was softly singing to herself the words which we rejoice to know many a mother has learned to sing: "I am so glad that Jesus loves Out in the hall was little Johnnie, an interested listener. At last the idea, or an idea got into his head: and he began to sing it, but with a variation. He sang: "I am so glad that Jesus loves ma." And the little fellow is not alone. What a large chorus joins in his song. It seems sometimes as if the whole world had learned to sing, Jesus loves ma. But who shall teach them this divine shibboleth, Jesus loves "me." There is no great difficulty in saying that lesus is the Savior of the world. Multitudes make this confession, and do not rise above the level of a heathen religionist. But it requires a divine wisdom and an eye touched by celestial fingers to be able to say, he is my Savior. That is a fine story told of Gen. Wallace, that he examined the records of Christianity, and discovered that Christ was the Son of God, was the Savior of the world, was the Savior of Lew Wallace; and the result was Ben Hur. This last discovery alone will take a man into the mount For just a moment he hesitates, and with God, will give him fellowship then answers, "If the shoemaker can with Christ and with the Father. finish the boots that I have ordered This will rouse every energy in human of him by to-morrow, I will go." nature and make a new man. It will When William Chalmers Burns was tian poet. J. E. W., in St. Louis

MARRIED.

At Corrinth church, on the rith of September, Mr. J. T. Trawick and Miss Zilliam Dennis.

At Mill Town, Ala., on Sept. 1st. by Ret. Jno. P. Shaffer, W. I. L. Hood, Esq., of Ashland, Ala., to Miss Imogene Disharom, of Chambers county, Ala.

The Baptist church in Talladega, on last Sabbath evening extended a unanimous call to Dr. G. A. Lofton. It is a great deal better to live holy in Moravian personal efforts. -A. C. of Daulton, Ga., to become pastor as successor to Dr. Renfroer

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development of the plant had its beginning in the germinating seed under of the child, whatever the agencies, full development, was antedated by gun in the regeneration of the soul. an idea places the regeneration of the body for our protection. The rules the Spirit and grace of God out

tion is certain to follow.

SHELBY ASSOCIATION.

Pressed for time as we were, we tion of our friends. Send names and cent session of the Shelby Association money to the ALABAMA BAPTIST at at Columbiana. Reaching their dedelighted to find deacon Parker with horse and top buggy waiting for us. and in a few minutes we were resting in a most comfortable room and bed. We need only add that we fell in love with that family whom we had not met before. Thursday was a day of all work in that association. The subjects of family religion. Sundayschools, and ministerial education received earnest and spirited attention. The discussions of these subjects were quite able. Young brother Hubbard, of Verbena, was adopted as the ministerial student of the body, and one hundred dollars was pledged to sustain him in Howard College. had considerable conversation him, and believe him to be a first rate candidate for the greatest of all work, and all that we heard from others about him was entirely favorable. The hour of 11 o'clock a. m. was as-

promises of assistance in the early fu- more to be dreaded than death. ture. After preaching for them Thursday night we left on the midtend the funeral of Hon. S. W. Bowden, and were much pained and tality." troubled that we received it twenty five minutes too late to board the train. His death is a universal afflic

DEATH. Solomon says, "Better is the day of one's death than the day of one's tears of Christ came from a deeper birth." This of course refers to the Holy Spirit; and this is a mystery not death of the righteous. To be born less profound than the generation and and to die are two events that always pro-creation of a human being in nat- awaken a most lively interest. At our birth we enter upon a scene of moral But our friend informs us that it is probation which is to decide the desnot an exposition of the meaning of tiny of a deathless spirit forever. At the word regeneration, nor the na- our death, presuming that we have ture of the fact, after which he in- honorably met our obligations, and quires, but the time when it occurs in acquired those dispositions and habit Then let it be conceded that regener-heaven, we pass from a world of sin those sad hearts rejoice over their ation is the work of the Spirit of God, and death into one of holiness, peace, risen brother and friend, did Jesus and therefore an act of the sovereign and unending blessedness. By how pleasure of God; so that whatever much then a state of holiness and else the sinner can do, he can do eternal happiness is preferable to a nothing affecting the great transaction state of turmoil, suffering, and a perwhich makes him a new creature in petual warfare with innumerable foes Christ Jesus, or which forms Christ in by so much is "the day of one's death of this life, but also to the pains of him the hope of glory. Granted that better than the day of one's birth." he hears the word of God and is be. How impressive and suggestive is the gotten of the gospel, but the word is admonition, "Let not him that gird- that world of ineffable blessedness, to who had not attended church for collections to be small, some confu-

cospel. Granted that he repents and Never does the Christian appear so for the miracle to be wrought, yet Rev. R. H. Blake. To God be all

On Tuesday, the 7th of Sebtem the old Tuscaloosa Association met at Pleasant Hill church, ten miles north east of Tuscaloosa. Bro. J. T. Yerby preached the introductory ser from a Thess. 3: 1. It was a clear, forcible, earnest presentation of prayer in its connection with Christian growth and activity. Surely all who heard it must have formed the reso ution, "I must pray more!" The body was organized by the election of our brother, Rev. T. M. Barbour. as moderator, Bro. J. T. Yerby being 'stated clerk." All but two or three churches were represented, and they sent their letters. We are sorry to say that the letters from the churches indicated very little, if any, growth either in numbers or contributions to our benevolent enterprises. The subjects of missions, temperance, education, and periodical literature were all ably discussed. The presence of Bro. Crumpton, Corresponding Secretary of our State Board, and Bro. Giles. of Howard College, gave a lively in terest to the objects they represented. Bro. G. G. Glover, of the Central Female College, was also present, nstitution. The missionary

and spoke a few timely words for that was preached on Wednesday at 11 o'clock by the moderator, Bro. Barbour. Text: 2 Tim. 2: 10. The aim of the sermon was to show that Christian activity in publishing the gospel all originates in God's purpose of salvation for his elect. The speaker was happy in combining the divine and human agency in the great work Rockwest. The pastor was aided by

the "envelope system" was adopted, and we must think that this is an advanced step. If the pastors will only see to it that their churches are furnished with them, and see that quarterly collections are taken up, we shall double any previous year in our contributions. Something over a hundred dollars was pledged to sustain one young man at the Howard hav-

ing the ministry in view. On the whole we had a most pleasant and profitable meeting. neighborhood and church gave the delegates a most royal welcome. The next meeting will be held with Tuscaloosa church, when and where we shall hope to have a number of our

brethren from other bodies. S. H. FIELD NOTES.

During a series of meetings at Wetumpka, fifty-two converts united with the church by experience, and were baptized by Bro. J. J. Cloud, evangelist Thomason doing the preaching. In the Baptist church in Talladega, on the evening of the 16th inst., Prof. J. R. Sampey, of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and Miss Annie Renfroe, daughter of our ed-

The new edifice of the First Baptist church at Lynchburg, Va., one of the finest in the South, costing \$80,ooo, was dedicated on Sunday, Sept. 12th, Rev. John A. Broadus, of Louisville, Kentucky, preaching the

dedication sermon. On the fifth Sunday in August Bro. J. D. Hughs was ordained to the gospel meeting by a presbytery composed of elders L. H. Hastie and J. T. Nelson at Salem church. Hughs is a young man with a good mind and deep piety. - Z. S. B.

Bro. B. M. Bean writes, Summer Revival Meetings: At Montgomery 12 by baptism: Liberty, 6 by baptism; 3 by baptism, 5 by letter. Total, 60. Warrior, Ala.

-Post Oak, Ala., Sept. 15th. of their faith, received for baptism,

R. Miller, Coosa county, Ala. urday before second Sabbath in Auan eight day meeting with Friendship church, Perry county, resulting in 22 accessions, of whom 21 were by baptism, and one restored .- S. M. Adams, Oakmulgee Sept, oth.

We closed an interesting meeting at Dry Hill school house, in Bibb county, on Sunday, 5th inst. were added to Siloam church by bapmeeting and were bantized. I was assisted by elder N. H. Williams and

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Letter from E. B. Teague, D. D.

Very interesting protracted services at Harpersville, Ala., beginning fifth Sunday in August, and continuing over succeeding Sunday. Preaching mainly by W. C. O'Hara and Prof. Giles, of Howard College. One sermon by W. W. Wilkes, sermon and exhortation by Bro. Devine, and several last by pastor. The brethren seemed to come to us in the fulness of the blessing of the gospel of peace. God owned and blessed the message in the marked edification of the church and the conversion of sinners, so that there was great joy in that village. Baptized thirteen, received by letter five. Others will seek membership there or elsewhere. The preaching, almost all, was directed to the answer of the question, What must we do to be saved? in the expectation that the "words which the Holy Ghost teacheth," on that subject, would be so shown to inquirers as to reveal Christ to them, by the instrumentality of the word and the agency of the Spirit,

Howard College Column.

The Working Force. We want every pastor in the State to take hold and work for the How ard Endowment. Come, brethren, fall into line, divide the labor and

cause does not succeed he is responsi ble. If we succeed, the success is due ure is due to them who decline to to come over here some time and work. So choose your place and let meet some of my liberal brethren."it be with the workers.

B. C. Bennett. F. A. Jackson,

G. S. Anderson, The Women Never Fall Some women said to us let us hardly waited for a reply before some of them went to work. They organ ized Howard Endowment Societies every female member paying one dollar annually, and they take men as honorary members on the same terms. Some have already begun and are making good progress. The way to begin is for some good, active woman, kind and honor God, to canvas the membership of her church, securing a pledge of one dollar from each member, male and female, payable on demand or during a certain month, then record these pledges in a little memoin which they are made payable. Then at the first of each month let this good woman call to her aid two

and collect the pledges and then for ward the same immediately to me. The ladies whose names appear below have been appointed to do this work in their respective churches, and if any who have not received blank pledges, will write to me, stating about how many they will need, I will torward them without charge and

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" H. L. Perkins, Clayton Whether there be lawyers they shall fail; whether there be professors they shall cease; whether there be philoso phers they shall vanish away, woman never faileth. Her busy brain is ever devising, her cunning hand is ever executing, and her hopeful heart

is ever praying. Some Sample Letters. "I am a Howard boy, just through last June, and here are my notes. my own money, but I think I shall be able to pay them before they are

due."-W. M. Webb. (That's the kind of a Howard boy to be. Help your Alma Mater, boys, Bro. McGaha was right in his letter to the BAPTIST. Call the roll and let every one give as he has been made able by the Howard.)

"I may pay more cash than first installment. I will remit after 13th of September."-J. N. Suttle. (That is exactly what we want-

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of co-operation, just such as every

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(He is the right kind of a man, and Control better he knows where to find peace and pleasure, viz, in helping us endow

Howard College.)

"Enclosed find the cash to cover my entire subscription."-T.A. Nettles. (He will be ready again next year.

Who will do likewise?) this way. I will take care of the Big-bee Association for you. I want you to come over here some time and B. F. Riley.

before Christmas.)

Howard."- Jno. W. Stewart.

security he gives. If all would give in infancy. J. F. Hartley is the only one of her children that is left to by this measure soon the \$1,000,000 would be in the treasury.)

"The college is too grand an agency for good to be kept back longer. It has accomplished much in the past, and will do a grand and glorious work in the years to come if all will do their

duty."-J. B. Lovelace. (True, every word of it. Where is the laggard? Who is holding back? who is refusing to help? Surely every man will respond as soon as he has the opportunity. And reader, I give you the opportunity now. Just write me what you will do. I may not see you before you are dead or the opportunity closes. Many a man, intending to do something for the Mas-ter, has died waiting for the agent to in that eternal home beyond the come around.)

Crumbs from Clayton. The village of Clayton broke a loaf a few days ago and sent the Howard some crumbs. They are building a new house of worship, but cheerfully, 1886. He was born August 15th, is agreeable. Price 50 cents at Druggists; by randum book according to the months in a few hours, placed \$475 at the 1815. Bro. Hicks was licensed to disposal of Howard College. Clayton is courageous, cautious and consistent. Where is the next town with no broader boundary and equal proportion of purse and liberality? G. A. NUNNALLY.

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Oakmulgee, Sept. 17th. Mrs. Frances M. Hartley (What more can I ask of him or Died near Blocton, Bibb county, Ala., any pastor in the State? If all would on the 3rd of April, 1886. She prodo this we would have the endowment fessed faith in Christ about 52 years ago, and united with the Baptist "I have nothing under heaven but church, and has since been an hummy character and good health, but ble faithful follower of the Lord Jesus God being my helper I will pay \$250 Christ. She was married to Frederto the endowment of the grand old ick Hartly about 46 years ago, and was the mother of four children. Her (These are bold words, but what a eldest son died in the war, two died mourn her loss. She died in the 79th

year of her age. Her brother, JNO. D. LETCHER. Obituary.

Died, at Hamburg, Ala., Aug. 22, Bennie, son of Banjamin and Ger-

trude Randall, aged six years. One more flower lost from earth. One more soul waked in heaven. Bereaved parents, deem him not unmerciful who saw fit to take your Bennie away.

"Our Lore hath need of these flowerets gay, He giveth and he hath taken away." Shall not heaven seem more near,

more dear, now that your little one is there? Be comforted! Your Bennie HAYFEVER

Rev. I. M. Hicks.

The messenger death called Bro. HAY-FEVER Hicks from labor to rest July 20th, A particle is applied into each nostril and preach July, 1956, and was ordained to the full work of the ministry in December, 1862. His style of preaching was like that of our fathers, and he gave his life to the churches he served with small compensation; was away from home at the time of his death, and preached on Saturday night before his death on the following Tuesday, from the text, Matt. 6: your letters and they will never spoil 33-"First seek ye the kingdom of God and his righteousness, all these things shall added unto you." A man of great energy, laboring on his farm, and for many years teaching school in the summer months; he was no idler. He was once elected tax collector of Bibb county, now long ago and was a faithful servant of the pub lic. Now his labors on carth are ended, and I say to his companion,

children and friends, weep not, for "In that pure home of tearless joy, Earth's parted friends shall meet With smiles of love that never fade,

And blessedness complete. S. M. ADAMS. Oakmulgee, Sept. 17th. Associations for 1886

Selma, Providence ch, Dallas co., 3rd. Cedar Bluff, Mt. Bethel ch, Cherokee co., 13 SEPTEMBER. Troy, Shiloh ch, Pike co.. 3d. Bethlehem, Salem ch, Monroe co., 4th.

Tuskaloosa, Pleasant Hill ch, Tuskaloo Shelby, Columbiana ch, Shelby co., 8th. Bigbee, Sumterville ch, Sumter co., 9th. Mt. Carmel, Cedar Grove ch, Madison co. Cahaba Valley, Hopewell ch, St. Clair co.

Cherokee, Mt. Zion ch, DeKalb co., 14th. liberty, north, Mt. Zion ch, Madison co., Coosa River, Weaver's Station ch, Calhoun farmony, east, Shiloh ch., Polk co., (Ga.) Pine Barren, Pineville ch, Monroe co., 18th. Liberty, east, Providence ch, Chambers co.,

22nd. Bethel, Canaan ch, Wilcox co., 24th. Canaan, Springville ch, St. Clair co., 24th. Centennial, Mt. Carmel ch., Bullock co., 24. Etowah, Union ch, Etowah co., 24th. Town Creek, Poplar ch., Marshall co. 24th. Boiling spring, Ramah ch, Coosa co., 25th. Indian Creek, Hopewell ch, Hardin co., Mulberry, Rehoboth ch, Bibb co., 25th North River, Pleasant Grove ch, Fayette

Sulphur Springs, Sulphur Springs ch, Bloun co., 25th. Union, Unity ch, Pickens co., 25th. Tennessee River, Mt. Nebo ch, Jackson

Central, Wayside ch, Coosa co., 29th. Bethel, (south,) Elam ch, Clarke co., 30th OCTOBER. Judson, Abbeville ch, Henry co., 1st.

Muscle Shoals, Hartsell ch, Morgan co.,
Elim, Elim ch, Escambia co., 2nd.

Macedonia, Oak Grove church, Washingto co., 2nd. Rock Mills, Union Grove ch, Heard co., (Ga.) 2nd. Salem, Spring Hill ch, Pike co., 2nd. Tallassahatchee, Cross Plains ch, Calhou Unity, Clanton ch, Chilton co., 2nd.

Yellow Creek, Pleasant Grove ch, Marion co., 2nd. Columbia, Columbia ch, Henry co., 7th. Harmony, west, Enon ch, Bibb co., 7th. Alabama, Hopewell ch, Lowndes co., 8th. Cullman, Beech Grove ch, Cullman co., 8th. Mobile Union, Union ch, Mobile co., 8th. Antioch, Corinth ch, Choctaw co., 9th. Big Bear Creek, Bethlehem church, Colbert

co., 9th. New River, Fayetteville ch, Fayette, co., 9 Newton, New Hope ch, Dale co., 9th. Cahaba, Friendship ch, Perry co., 13th. Tuskegee, County Line ch, Lee co., 13th. Weoguska, Coosa River ch, Coosa co., 13th. Warrior River, Beulah ch, Marshall co., 15. Zion, Pleasant Home ch, Crenshaw co., 15th. Clear Creek, New Prospect ch, Winsto co., 15th. Arbacoochee, Antioch ch, Randolph co., 16 Mud Creek, Mt. Ida ch, Walker co., 16th.

Tallapoosa River, Tallassee church, Elmore ufaula, Ramah ch, Barbour co., 21st. andy Creek, Adoniram ch, Geneva co., 23d. outheastern, Palcstine ch, Mobile co., 23d. Harris, Browneville ch, Lee co., 26th. NOVEMBER.

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you begin to be and do before you

not suddenly begin to be an apple

some scrape or other, answered him,

"No, I won't; what you do as a boy

ing over new leaves, but I notice that

after all not a great many new leaves

crook that you see in the twig, you

will find years after in the branch,

only grown larger. As the boy once

gets fairly started he will probably go

through life. If he begins lazy, he

will die lazy; if he begins tricky he

will leave off tricky; if he is slily the

first fifteen years, he will be silly the

Now I do want that these lads

should get started right. You under-

stand I am not asking you to give up

the fun and jollity of life, but there

as well, and you want to begin to be

getting on the earnest and manly side

of them. You cannot afford to live

only on the surface of things. On

the surface you will get what is sunny,

and you want that; but you want not

only what is sunny and funny. If

the sprout has grown a little way it

is going so keep you from being top-

root keeps the tree from being blown

down by the wind. When you stand

by the river on a bright, breezy day,

you see the little waves flashing and

playing in the sunshine, sporting out

in the bright sun exactly as you do

amid the happy, jolly things of life;

but don't forget, my young friend;

that down beneath those sportive,

flashing waves, there is a deep, slow,

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Enter Nelly and Clara. Anna, Why girls, how do you do? I am so glad to see you." Grace, "And so am I, (kissing them.) When did you get back?" BY C. H. PARKHEUST, D.D. Nelly, "Last night, and I told ma we must come over to see you girls his afternoon, the very first thing we

Grace, "Well we are so glad you have come. Had a delightful time

Clary, Oh yes, indeed; but seems so good to be at home again. tree after it is a dozen or fifteen years Anna Well now what is the old, but it is an apple tree after that latest and best thing you have to tel time because it had begun to be one

us about your visit? before that time, and all the way from Nelly, "O! the latest and surely the start. A young fellow whom his one of the best things to tell you of companion was trying to draw into was the mission band entertainment, given last Sunday night, at the church Aunt Mary's folks attend."

Grace, "Tell us about it. Do!" "Well to begin at the be-Last winter one of the ladies there, a teacher in the Sundayschool, said she didn't see why they couldn't have a boy's and girl's mission band there, just as well as in some other places. And she invited the boys and girls to meet at her house on Saturday afternoon, to talk the matter over. About a dozen of them came and organized a band sure

They all agreed to try to earn all the money they could for it, for the

Aunt Mary was there, and she told are a great many earnest things in life them about the different ways, the told of boys and girls earning money. They elected Mrs. Brown, president, and one of the larger girls treasurer,

and one of the boys secretary. Then the president gave them little barrels, the cutest looking affairs, to save their money in. The six months you have got to have it fed also out were up last week, and Sunday A plant needs sunshine, but you know recitations, and singing and a short momical household of small means to address by the pastor, all were something about missions. And then they mitted with more or less of grace or includence glass leading to further 6 30 2 00 2 00 Anniston to 24 11 00 4 29 won't live on sunshine. If you address by the pastor, all were somehave seen an acorn sprout after it is

had the barrel opening. planted, you have noticed that when There were about twenty boys and divides, and part of it grows up into girls who took their barrels up to the the air and sunshine and becomes the table in front. Nobody gave their tree, and the other half grows down names, but just the way in which the into the ground and becomes the root money was earned was written on a Now it is that down there that I want slip of paper, and tucked into the

for you; you my call it root, or call it top of the barrel.' Clara, "O! weren't some of those strength, or call it manliness, or call too comical!" it Christian character, any other name Nelly, "Yes, one slip read, 'taking you like; it is what is going to make

a success of you if you succeed; it is good care of baby one whole after-what is going to build you up into noon, five cents. Saved candy money handsome manhood little by little, as five cents. Sold rags ten cents. Another slip reported, 'planted, the root builds up the tree: it is what raised and sold potatoes, two dollars. pled over by temptation, just as the One said, picked and sold blackbermore than six or seven, had hemmed

a dozen towels for a lady." Anna, "Well wasn't that cute?" Clara, "Yes, and one boy had sawed and split stovewood and earned a dollar, and a girl had made some edging and sold it, and another had earned ten cents for washing dishes

every meal time for a week." Anna, Dear me, if I had asked any pay for such work I'd want more than that. Maybe though it was not

for a large family." Clara, Well how much do you think they had all together?" delightful contribution to The Indepen-Grace, "Can't. guess. About six dent, describing "A Sunday-school at Home" in his childhood, mentions or eight dollars?"

Clara, "No, sir! Fifteen dollars the evening song and prayer service, and a half! One of the larger girls and then beautifully and tenderly had helped a dressmaker a little, and "Beyond the 'Holy Place' was the another had gathered strawberries 'Holy of Holies.' For fifteen years for some one and some boys had that I can remember, it was my carried water for harvest hands and Montgomery, Ala., and before the General that I can remember, it was my carried water for harvest hands and Land Office, Washington, D. C., will receive mother's invariable custom to take had earned money. And he knew the children into her own room after who each one was, who had gotten the regular Sabbath evening song and their money in these different ways. Of every description Bought, Sold, and Ex- prayer I have described. In the Several five cents were saved from moonlight, we followed her, and

darkness, in the twilight, or in the candy money." Grace, "Oh dear, I wish we had a there, seated together without a light, band here too. But I don't suppose she would talk in a tender way, about anybody would think we could. They eternity and duty, about our faults as would say that it is all foolishness for children, her anxiety about us, her children to undertake such things, or intense desire for our salvation, how that we are too much scattered. I we ought to be more patient with each know just about what they would say.

other, more gentle to each other, I suppose everybody helped that more cheerfully obedient to father, mission band along. more guarded in our speech, etc. Clara, "Well you needn't suppose Then we knelt together, and she any such things. Auntie told me Assists Teachers in procuring suitable po- prayed; and how she could pray! that only a few encouraged them Living with God seven days, and when they first started. One lady through all the nights when she said her girls didn't have time to brought us her children to the mercy attend such meetings, and yet she'd

seat on the Sabbath evening, was not let her girls lie around and read the heaven opened, and did not the place New York Ledger, and such papers as seem holy ground, and can any one that. And another one said she didn't wonder that her children cannot rethink it was ladylike for young girls call those scenes without a thrill and to hold meetings of that kind, and flood of tears, and a vow of renewed that very woman has been sending her girl off to town to take lessons of Let us add one to the questions: an elocutionist so that she can learn

Who shall say that the tremendous to recite in public." power and usefulness of the Bishop of One old gentleman with a big farm pettishly. Chautauqua is not due principally to good house and fine carriage, said he

ful. Just think of that, a man who they could have found a great many goes around with tobacco in his mouth nicer ones, even among the weeds."
half of his time, talking about giving "But this thistle did them such half of his time, talking about giving a little to the missionary cause making

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he lectured her about being so flippant "Well, I never could suspect that having taken twelve bottles, within the last twelve months, the scrofulous eruptions have entirely ceased, and the goscesses have all disappeared, except the unsightly scale, which are daily becoming 'smaller by degrees, and beautifully less.' I do not know what it may have done for others, but I do know that in my case, Hood's Sarsaparilla has proved an effective specific indeed. As an evidence of my gratitude I send these facts unsolicited, and I am ready to verify the authenticity of this cure, by personal correspondence with any one who doubts it." CHARLES A. ROBin talking about things in the Bible in so small a thing could save a nation," that way, and then got up and went said Minnie thoughtfully. - The Young out to look after his cattle, before Churchman. she got time to say anything more." Nelly, "Yes, and they had one or

two there who thought charity ought | tionings of our spirits than Christ has to begin at home and stay there too. furnished! Show us a better ideal of This statement is confirmed by W. J. Hunt-ry, druggist, of Lockport, N. Y., who calls the raised, but these boys and girls made us better testimony of the life beyond up their minds to go to work in a the grave than he has borne! Ah! for

band, and they did it too." could get up anything of the kind that he has come himself to be the here? I would be so glad if we way, we will not give him up for any Sold by all druggists. \$1; six for \$5. Made

But we are scattered a good deal "Tisn't like it would be in a.

"Why, it is only a little village where Aunt Mary lives, and only Anna and Grace sitting, reading. just a few Baptists live in it. She just said 'Where there is a will,

> there is a way,' and will carried the day there." Grace, "I just believe we could if we would try real hard Mamma wouldn't object, that is one thing certain. Let us show the big folks we can do something in that line, even

I am sure we have a nice Sundayschool, and I think we can get several of the boys and girls to go into this the one for president to help us along. I know she is favorable to missions, because I head her say one day, she was half ashamed because our church. did so little for anything but our own church afiairs, and not so dreadful

much for that." Nelly, "Yes, she's just the very one. I am so glad you girls are in favor of this thing. I kept wishing temperance ranks, that Sunday night that we could get up something of the kind. Grandma said that she thought the young folks in our churches ought to be kept busy at some kind of Christian work and then there wouldn't be so many backsliders, and I guess she was

up treasures in heaven, and I and learned the story of his fall. about it. I believe she will be real glad we thought of it."

The other girls, "All right come Grace, "The Haw River Mission Band begins its onward march."-In-

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"I know of one instance, however, where the task was made not only endurable, but actually attractive. A friend, the wife of a country minister, had a large family of children, and those old enough to be of much

assistance were boys. "To the average boy dish-washing is by nature particularly obnoxious, and the boys of this household were not unlike others, but they rose to the situation with a cheerfulness which can hardly be too highly recommend-

with a decisive little nod which they understood well enough as a signal to home begin clearing the tables.

it would be a Sunday-school hymn, one would join in and then another the end comes the better for all con-and as it was a rule that no one should cerned. sing who did not work, the little army of volunteers soon became quite as numerous as could be desired. As

the dishes rattled the voices would rise higher and louder; now Johnnie must have his favorite song, now James must have his, and before any one had time to grumble over doing girl's work, or even to realize that the work is disagreeable, the dishes would be washed and wiped and put away, and mother at liberty to attend to other necessary duties, with nerves refreshed rather than wearied by the

chorus of young voices." All this seemed to me eminently proper, and the scene suggested was in pleasant contrast to the pictures memory called up of some households. There the young people attended to the dishes, but with much sad wrangling that was by no means musical. was prepared to endorse the writer's

robbed of half its weariness.'

How Scotland was Saved.

the sharp, prickly thistle. This made tily what she saw in that picture which her cry with pain at first and pout made her look on it so particularly. with vexation afterward.

as a thistle in the world," she said, must die for loving yours." The story

these holy hours with the sainted didn't want his grand-daughter (an so much of it, that they engrave it on ately signed the pardon of Lord Pres-

good service once," said her mother, "that they learned to esteem it very highly. One time the Danes invaded dent girl and she asked him, 'Grand- Scotland, and they prepared to make pa, do you know what the last two an attack on a sleeping garrison. So verses of the last chapter of Matthew they crept along barefooted as still as says? . He said, 'I don't know that I possible, until they were almost on exactly do,' and she handed him the the spot. Just at that moment a Bible opened at that place. He read barefooted soldier stepped on a great the verses and said, 'Oh well, wasn't thistle, and the hurt made him utter a the Savior talking to the disciples sharp, shrill cry of pain. The sound there, and not to folks who live now.' awoke the sleepers, and each man She told him 'Well grandpa, he said sprang to his arms. They fought Lo, I am with you always even unto with great bravery, and the invaders the end of the world. The world were driven back with much loss. So, hasn't ended yet, and if those disci- you see, the thistle saved Scotland ples are living yet, they must be get- and ever since it has been placed on

Find us a better answer to the ques-

There were plenty of objections manhood than he has given. Bring four thousand years the world tried Anna, "Well do you suppose we in vain to return to God; and now negation. - W. M. Taylor.

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Such was the condition of things when I moved to a distant city in the old home. I had heard nothing of James Dunton during my absence, and supposed him still working in the

Could it be possible that this was the same man? On inquiry I found it to be true. James Dunton had beabstaining for three years. He had not simply gone back to his old way, but had fallen far lower, until the

the birthday of a lady friend. Wine when the hostess approached and mail, \$17, including text-book. Address for offered me a glass of wine. I begged her to excuse me from accepting it, but she answered somewhat petulant-

"I should think you might drink once with me in honor of this occa-

As I said something about the a.m. p. m. p. m.

"Oh! I beg your pardon. "I had supposed that Mr. Dunton was man enough to drink a harmless glass of wine without fear of becoming a drunkard."

This stab at my pride, in the presence of others who had no scruples about an occasional glass, had its effects, and with some light remark in reference to the excuse I had been making, I took the wine and quickly drank it. This led to another, and then to another, for I wished to show the lady that I had sufficient manhood the mother would turn to her boys to drink several glasses of wine if I chose. The result was, I was carried beastly drunk. After that begin clearing the tables.

If they (the boys) showed any distance of the cold cravings came back ten-fold I tried to fight against it, ably commenced to sing; sometimes all forsook me, and I became recksometimes a popular air with a cheery, my manhood I had lost all. I feel ring, but whatever the song there was now that my fate is fixed and there no resisting mother's voice. First is no help for it. The sooner that

I tried to encourage him to hope for better things, but he would not

As I went away I thought of the wonderful influence of woman, and how sad that it should ever be put to lead men downward, when it might do so much towards lifting them up. .. The loss of manhood through life, and of soul through eternity, are too weighty matters to be trifled away. - C. L. Hill, in Ex.

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