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Sketch of a Sermon At the First Baptist Church in this City o abbath, December 19th, 1886.

Rev. Dr. McCoy announced his text as the 20th verse of the 94th blaze with all the splendors of the ment of the Doctor is quite gratuitous. Psalm, viz.: "Shall the throne of iniquity have fellowship with thee, by the sovereign powers of the Code are mere ipse dixit unsupported by a which frameth mischief by law?" He said it was his purpose to discuss some the country. When you ask them to the following facts. To show that over work. Though the good taste think would, especially, be the result, features of the living issue now before the public; an issue which you are to regard, not as a mere movement of and the cheerless bed of the orphan. foreign work of Cuba, he says, "not sentiment, nor a mere correlation of They do not find their vindication in a single dollar was paid by the Board the best phases of human thought, or these, but they fly to the Code of your to Cuban work," If not, why does to excite your anxiety about yourself, consideration for other Christians than the best expressions of human society, State and cry, "Here is our defense!" he report to the Convention as among but I have been wondering what the but an issue which is, in itself, the Show me anywhere on earth any other the missionaries employed by the good brethren, among whom you in marine good which faithful very essence of truth, and which is defense for their traffic than that which Board "Alberto J. Diaz and Miss have been, mean to do with you. Do the denominations have supported by the gospel of Godstion of Temperance before

the people to-day. Dr. McCoy then spoke of the great force in the world typified in the language of the text as "the throne of iniquity." It means an organization in which men, forces, purposes, and deliberated plans are leagued together terests of humanity. It is the aggres gation under the leadership of all the evil powers, human and infernal, that war unceasingly against truth and make against righteousness. The high eternal interests is at the head of this vast, and ever active organization. There is a throne of iniquity against the truth in every city, town and village of our country. It commands the lovalty and services of every enemy of the truth and of the best interests of the race. It is a seat of is a death struggle between this organ ized power of evil and the gospel of the Son of God and his love for hu-

And one of the strange features of this great warfare is the fact that the evil one who sits upon the throne of iniquity employs us to destroy each other. There is not a scar on humanity that was not made by a human hand: there is not a woe, or a sorrow, that was not caused by human malice. Behind every evil deed there is an armed and deadly human hand.

with eternal radiance.

Reply to Dr. Tichener about the

Home Board

A note from the editor asks me to

fort is an appeal to awaken personal

pposition to all things, making state-

nents contrary to facts, crazy crank-

ism, controlled by personal pique

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ormer years where there was a cor-

Whenever, said Dr. McCoy, gov ernment gives civil protection to moral evil it has violated one of the fundamental principles of government and laid the foundation for its own downfall. He argued cogently and eloquently the essential truth of this statement, and lucidly demonstrated that moral evil cannot be hidden in the bosom of the body politic without breeding a corruption that must soon paralyze all its forces, degrade its estate and work the dissolution of its existence. This part of the sermon was wonderfully strong in faultless logic and striking illustrations.

Turning to the practical application gainst the Board, and, Gitteau like. of the principle in our state governstabbing the whole denomination by ment. Dr. McCoy declared that one one blow at the Board. of the greatest triumphs of the throne of iniquity 'was won when men could where the Board was a necessary be found who would fellowship with it and frame its mischief into law. One of the crying evils of our legislative history is found in the strange divorcement which men declare between their moral and political personalities. Men who are good, moral reporting work done by State organiand righteous-minded in private, domestic and social life, become, in their legislative characters, the weak and facile tools of the powers of iniquity. not know of it, cannot find it in any They are free to temporize, to comreports to the Convention in my promise, to be led into ungodly enactments by consideration of party policv. financial stress and commercial profit. The intrenchment of the misthe grand old men of God of the past erable whisky traffic within the legal walls of the Code of the State he declared to be an act of the most hostile nunciatory to the denomination, just character to all good government, to eternal truth, and to the highest interests of humanity. It made it necessary that the preacher of the gospel of tion against the Board, and nothing lesus Christ should meet, front and susceptible of such a charge, except combat the civil authority of his country. It made a conflict of desperate character between the truth and the by State organizations as their own, amount of money expended in the powers of iniquity that had thus been enthroned in all the majesty of civil not theirs. This does not im among the destitute. law. It makes infinitely hard for us ply even a wrong to fight the enemy of men, with all their funds, much less charge it. his leagued and infernal forces, be- The two Doctors are good daubers cause we must first batter down the if not painters. If I suggest a pinkramparts of the law that have been ish tint, they daub with scarlet; a soft raised to hedge them in with its au- azure hue is smeared with deepest ingust protection. Iniquity in this guise digo; a slight tough of chrome receives is never so nearly invincible as when a daub of yellow mud. All this is tist Teacher, and Graded Quarterlies, but I remember the general sentiment it finds a refuge and a citadel behind because the facts and figures stand an which have been unanimously adopt of it. And, as for Bro. Catt. Smith, C. will not forget to send them) which In another chapter of his book this vals of the very best sort. The Bro. the fasces of law and under the ermine adamantine wall before them, and in. ed by our Sunday-school. I have I have just read his card in the Field has proven the best on foot. I have just read his card in the Field has proven the best on foot. I have just read his card in the Field has proven the best on foot. I have just read his card in the Field has proven the best on foot. of our judicial authority.

tation can reach him and overcome vention was thoroughly covered by to them. him. It is through perception, emo- local organizations which could do tion and desire. The saloon seizes the work better than a general board Carrollton, Ala.

MONTGOMERY, ALA., THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 1887 upon and practices this philosophy could. Why did the brethren not ad-

with a consummate skill. Look at dress themselves to this statement inthe palatial saloon of to-day with all stead of resorting to personal abuse of its fascinations, allurements and pro- me? I have no pique against the tection. These door-ways of death Board, and never had, and the state-

wealth of the world and are guarded The Doctor says all my statements of the State and the Constitution of single fact. I want to call attention a private letter full of anxiety about more universally known. This for their defense they do not take you he did not pervert funds sent for to the desolate home of the widow. Home Missions by using them in the is given them in the law that is in Minnie Diaz, Cuban mission," and they really think it Christ-like to make our Code and I will shut my mouth embrace the results of their work

verse of God have they warrant, If you did not employ them, how are the great pressure on your whole be of order—they are not complying, so they your mission aries? If you did ing? I for one am ready to cry out to speak, with the army regulations of Dr. McCoy then spoke of the ques- employ them why did you not pay against it. I know you are willing, the great "Captain of our Salvation." tion of prohibition as one founded them?

portrayed its wisdom, humanity why is it reported to their general in following you in the great sacrifice and not to become so entangled at and Christianity, and pictured graph- meetings as State work? Why is it of self." ically his hope and faith that his not reported there as work done by Though tired, we are not conscious obliterate denominational lines, in oradopted mother, grand old Alabama, the Home Board? If it is State work, of any danger, and it is certain that der to show courtesy to others, It would one day enter the open door why does the Home Board report it we are not working harder now than does seem that there is no reason why of her high prefigured triumphs as the to the Convention as work done by during the last nine years; but all sensible Christian ministers and lay misted, and retrace our steps from brightest star of the Union of States the Home Board?

insignia of enthroned iniquity—the the corresponding secretaries of five permanently disabled himself and im-State Boards reported as missionaries periled his life by doing what the pas- writer is concerned it is no matter of cannot hide, whose judgment is sure If, said he, the blood of the martyr, employed by the Home Board? And tors ought to have done. This secre- preference with him, but a matter of and mighty. Let us not forget that we is the seed of the church, and the who ever heard before of all the mistary does not mean to do that. But conscience. His understanding of the still exercise an influence to a great death and sufferings of the heroes of sionaries employed, and work done the truth is, we cannot do the office Scriptures and his conscience, bind extent by our example and his conscience and example and his conscience and Wherever there is conflict between a cause prefigure the glories of its by such State boards being reported work absolutely necessary to be done, him to the course he pursues in these right and wrong between darkness triumphs, then the blood of the mur- as the special work of the Home and keep traveling, Will the pastors things. It is not the want of fraternal brave and patient hearts hopeful God's hand of bringing many sons always interesting and often thrilling, yet dauntless Cheves already dye the tician would these figures be in gath- secretary must direct, not do the skies with the day-spring of a glo- ering up Baptist contributions? In work. How can one man visit 1,000 other denominations. rious and righteous victory for the the Texas minutes he would find churches? As well ask how one man prohibition hosts. They are march- thirty odd thousand dollars spent in can do the work of five hundred. If ng to triumph under the white banner State work, and in the minutes of the any pastor who has neglected the of temperance and truth, and the Southern Baptist Convention the same claims of the lost reads these lines, let promise of God is gilding its folds number of thousands spent there by him consider how he is to meet God the Home Board, making sixty odd in judgment.

egates to the Convention in 1884, compensation. We are willing to go vot et the discussion stop, but if I reply to when her contribution to it was only on; but in this great work which is would entitle her to 132. or its readers this will be short

length is not needed any way, unless t was my purpose to singulge in per- entitled to 34 delegates, when her bear or do their part." Dear brother ing power to many precious souls. sonalities as my competitors have, contribution to the Convention was pastor, won't you do it, and begin at \$260 to the Home Board, and \$1,- once?" Dr. Tichenor's entrance on the field is an acknowledgement that Bro. Riley | 680.77 to the Foreign Board?

How was Florida, the same year, entitled to 35 delegates, when she It was expected that Dr. Tichenor would rise to the dignity of an argu- gave the Home Board \$67.64, and the Foreign Board \$514.34? nent, but, like Dr. Riley, the whole

How was Texas entitled, in 1885 rejudice against me, by charges of to 302 delegates, when she gave t the Home Board \$67.80, and to th Foreign Board \$4,245.08? Thi would only entitle her to 43.

How was Florida again entitled 35, in 1885, when her contribution t the two boards was only \$1,038:79? Similar questions might be asked for 1886, when Texas paid to the Home Board \$60.45, and to the Foragent to the work? Why did he not explain those singular facts and fig. eign Board \$12,690 94, entitling her 'You must keep on the go, take col up by his influence, and located in a The Old Testament Scriptures reveal ures? Why did he not tite to an ex- to 127 delegates, but reported as being entitled to nearly 400. ample in the records of the Board in

The answer will doubtless be that it was money raised and expended in espondence to the present mode of the field. Admitted. Then why ret could not be done. If any such Home Board, thus entitling those ourse was pursued in the past I do possession. And yet I am to be de- it has with what the Alabama, Geornounced as a crazy crank, stabbing gia or Virginia boards do in their own longs to the pastors. Brethren pas- I also had the pleasure to assist chapter and sixth and seventh verses

to the heart our noble President and States? A satisfactory explanation of these and present, furnishing to hating sec- things, with some substantial reasons. editors editorials blastingly de why we cannot do without the Home Board and its expensive machinery because I cannot see that which does will be far more in accordance with the dignity of the office of the Corres the field; and visit the churches, too. the servants of Christ, who I expect this Scripture that God is triple in his I have made no charge of corrupand of the cultivated tastes of Chrispersonal vituperation of one who, to by gross perversion. My only charge has been that of reporting work done say the least, is trying to have a larger thus making a show of work that was preaching of Christ and him crucified

GEO. E. BREWER.

Kind Words.

specimen copies of Kind Words, Bap- Bro. "X. Y. Z." said in his article, es will collect quarterly, using the en- such as christendom has always pro- ganize, and many can testify how of compared them carefully page by page, Notes. He is the kind of an evangel- all pastors will recommend them so atonement of Christ is in no sense vi-Take the saloon of to day, with all My whole purpose was to show that lesson by lesson, mechanical work ist I want with me, if I should have their charges, they will be pleased carious." Now can it be possible that its protection, and aided by all the the Home Board was no longer a and subject matter, and do not hesipowers furnished by the philosophy needed agency, useful though it had tate in saying that I consider them of temptation. There is but one road been in the past, and an absolute ne equal to any other similar publica. Bro. Catt. said, so I will quote it here to the will of man, over which temp- cessity until the territory of the Con- tions, and, in some respects, superior, "I am decidedly a Baptist, and will

W. G. ROBERTSON.

Letter from Bro. Crumpton.

Will the pastors and brethren read the following from the Corresponding Secretary of the Baptist State Mission Board of Mississippi?

"A LITTLE PERSONAL.

of it may be questioned, we extract a if our principles were both preached few sentences for the purpose of com- and practiced.

but should the next nine years bring I think we encourage them in their upon the great, living principle of If the work done by the Corres the same changes, you will have to disorder and are partakers with them Christian truth and humanity, pro- ponding Secretaries of the two Texas rest. If our pastors would bear and of this wrong, just in proportion to for the destruction of the highest in- ceeding to its triumphs through the organizations, the two Arkansas or- do their part it would be better for all. our affiliation with them in union individual to his family, his city, his ganizations, and the Florida Conven- I might appeal to Sister Gambrell to meetings, &c. I believe Baptists county and his State. He eloquent- tion is the work of the Home Board, help me in this war, but she persists ought to conduct their own meetings

> people have limitations. It is well members, should fall out with each every evil and unsightly walk we have with her shield unstained by this foul Who ever heard until recently of enough to remember that Bro. Walne other on account of denominational so blindly entered? There is an 'all who read this ponder the facts? A feeling and Christian confidence, in withal, until by and by, amid the joy and daughters to the fold of Christ, in and will find a warm reception among

> > thousand, when, lo! it was the same | As to ourself, we have done far less thought that I would write up a short than we wish we had; and for all we sketch of my work, thinking, perhaps, How was Texas entitled to 295 del- have done the joy has been ample that it might be of some interest to

be brief. As I do not wish to intrude \$456.31 to the Home Board and \$12. God's work and every Christian's apon the comfort of either the paper 804 29 to the Foreign Board? This work, the co-operation of every pas- vineyard, having passed through How was Arkansas, the same year, much better if "our pastors would Lord was pleased to display his say. Swedenborg, and this strategy is red examined by Jno. Cumbie: prayer b

> "A LITTLE PERSONAL" BY YOUR OWN greatly strengthened humolly SECRETARY.

When I became Secretary a brother apon them. I was aide wrote me that the pastors and churches and Central Institute by Eld. I. M. of his association demanded that the Johnston, of Sandtuck, Ala, who in-Secretary make a tour of the churches deed is a wonderful preacher of the The first proposition Mr. Rawlin at least once in every two years. An. Word, Young in the work, yet pos- lays down is, "The doctrine of three the Southern Baptist Convention: "As grace any of our city churches, he is reason and revelation." I regard this long as Bailey spent most of his time one of the coming preachers of the proposition as being repugnant to and

is what is needed in Alabama as every- eight miles from Wetumpka. where else. Of course the Secretary It is not the place to do it. It be and women of families.

tors, won't you do that? Your Secretary would visit every

see your people; but it is impossible My visit was one of much pleasure; Word, and these Committees are urged to take the lead idence, Dr. James Manning, of Warponding Secretary of the Home Board If he can help you any by corres to visit again in the near future. pondence feel free to write to him, but tian readers of a religious paper than don't require him to come to you as a mere money gatherer.

> collection plan and the use of the en-W. B. CRUMPTON.

Bro. Benton's Platform.

one next summer.

But, maybe, all have not read what in missions. Try it, brethren. not consent to engage in any sort of a the Baptist ranks. union service. My labors will be confined to Baptist churches, and to Bap-

logical, and right. I believe if Baptists would unswervingly practice such teaching, their influence would be more powerfully felt, and the cardinal principles which make them distinct "A warm hearted sister writes us from other denominations, would be Now, I hope the readers will no 'Now, Bro, Gambrell, I don't want | conclude, that I am without love and

forever. No where else in the uni- the aggregate of that of the Board? you, year by year, giving away under Master, but I hold that they are out any time, as to make it necessary to

Crawford. G. D. BENTON Statement of Work.

Dear Bro. Renfroe: As I am deprived of meeting my people to-day by reason of the constant rain.

ood brethren in the ministry, I feel

Board had no more to do with it than lecting. The Secretary can't do that, ded to them, most of whom were men plurality of the Godhead.

Bro. Cumbie, of Dadeville, who is an we read, "And it is the Spirit that for him to do the office work, survey forming the acquaintance of many of three are one." Now it follows from

my churches for work. On my last not propose to enter into argument Christian endeavor it would promite were men of note worthy to be had in isit at Tallassee, I aided in the or- here to prove the authenticity of this is normal and healthful. Pastors and everlasting remembrance, and the Read what is said of the quarterly gamzation of a Ladies' Aid Society, passage of Holy Writ; for I make no churches joining hands in this way movements in which they took a with Mrs. Annie Rushin, president; claims to classical scholarship, but am would gain warmth and strength by prominent part are sending out influvelopes. Send for envelopes and try Mrs. E. A. Flinn, vice-president; Mrs. well aware that the doctrine of the their mutual contact, and a large ences to day and are to be a power of M. J Robertson, treasurer; Miss M. Trinity of the Godhead is as old as amount of solid evangelistic laber good in all the future of our people. V. Bayzer, secretary, which we be God is old, and not contrary to revel might be done without burdening any The work is, however, not a history, lieve will prove a blessing to the lation as Mr. Rawlin would have us one unduly. The 'meetings of days," but the story of the Fythe family, church at that place. What we need think. Whether it is contrary to rea- once common and still to some extent whose members were on friendly Bro. Editor: I am an "X. Y. Z." in our churches is organization and son or not would depend entirely maintained among our country churches terms with those who were doing a and a Catt. Smith sort of a Baptist. I unity of effort, and much good work upon the kind of reason. Unbiased, es, were in the line of activity which good work whose full results they Dear Baptist: I have just received don't, however, now remember all will be accomplished. All my church and unsophisticated reason, reason velope system as usual, (I hope Bro. duced would say it is not.

> per in my congregations, it ought to find its way into every household in W. J. D. UPSHAW.

The Old Year and the New:

A new page has been turned, and still may we not gather something from the old year with which we may profit ourselves and those around us? Memory still lingers to solace and to comfort, still hovers near to avenge the njuries of the passing year, still points to it as a landmark for guidance with words of admonition. Memory's endearing tablet passes not away with the year's flight; it skulks not behind some darkened screen, but stands holdly forth, a testimonial of praise and reward to the just and innocent, and a scourge to the conscience of the evil and guilty. The dying year has been one of desolation to many happy omes, for not a whole month in any of the twelve, but has seen cold and stormy days. And yet the mist and shadows of the darkest hours, are now silently passing away. The ice fetters

have been broken and dissolved, and the furious storm loses its power to Kind readers, as we begin a new year, let us begin it with a true spirit. the proper motives and the unrelaxing energy worthy of moral creatures. Are we not more fortunate thus to have some opportunity to atone for our many omissions, to make amends for the many misdeeds we have compress forward, and around the su-

Progressive Thought on Great Subjects.

preme Ruler's throne receive the

victor's palm.

The heading of this article is the title of a book written by N. F. Rawlin, pastor of the First Baptist church of San Jose, California. It would be expected from the above caption, that the book contained profound biblical constant labor with me in the Master's thought, advanced in a pure logical manner. But so far from this, it is a tor is needed. Yes, it would be so many pleasant meetings where the restatement of the views of Emanuel sorted to, in order to disseminate the Having been ably helped by my views of their erroneous autho

I propose to notice in this different conclusion from that reached

other brother whispered in my ear at sessing ministerial abilities that would persons in the Godhead is contrary to in traveling his work prospered, but Central Association. Bro. J. has done inconsistent with the views of Bapas soon as the work in his office in some good work in the Central. It tists, and I might say all evangelical creased so that he was compelled to was my pleasure to assist him at Beu-churches, both in America and in stay in his office much of his time he lah church in a week's meeting this Europe, so far as I am able to ascerbegan to lose his hold upon the peo summer, where he has done a most tain. Is it not also contrary to the ple." Another brother suggested, worthy work. This church was gotten plain teachings of the Word of God? lections everywhere, and learn how to most beautiful community, with its one God to us, who is Jehovah. The lift a big collection." Organization level lands well timbered, seven or Almighty, and who possesses attributes becoming to his divine perfec-Bro. Editor, I am glad to say that tion. When the Lord Jesus came into must go, and will go as much as pos. Bro. Johnson trains his people to give the world he claims to be sent by this zations as its own? Simply because port it as raised and expended by the sible, but let him go to survey the to the Lord, and is bold and outspo. same Eternal Father, whom he claims field and see where the work is needed ken in the doctrines of the Bible, as his Father, "I will work the work States to a representation upon the and help the missionaries on their During my stay at this little church of him that sent me." John 9:4. This floor of the Convention, when that fields. Let the pastors do the col. there were twelve happy converts ad- in itself would establish the duality or

In the first epistle of John and fifth earnest minister of the New Testa- beareth witness, because the Spirit is Churches, wishing extra evangeliste on the subsequent history of our ment, and who has some excellent with. For there are three that bear ren and sisters in his church, record in heaven, the Father the divine person, or else he was misrep-I am still endeavoring to organize resented to the divine penman. I do fruitful of good results. The sort of John Gano, of New York. These

with the result, that is if they believe the early martyr died for naught? Can preaching for any other form of services the carly martyr died for naught? it be that Scripture so plain has for ing man, however honorable, is a des I will do all that I can for your pa- 1886 years been misinterpreted? "He cent. It may sometimes be his duty shall bear the iniquity of us all." "He to do it, but still it is a descent. The was led as a sheep to the slaughter, inferior work may be more urgent, and as a lamb dumb before her shear- but still it is a descent, -Dr. R. ers so he opened not his mouth." "He Dale.

was wounded for our transgressions. he was bruised for our iniquities." For God so loved the world that gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.' fering for another? Mr. Rawlin, by ttering these new doomas in the Bap tist church has set himself up as a far practical good sense on womanly top

by early education, yet we are con by a thoughtful study of the history tent to inquire after the old paths and hand character of each, to draw from walk in them, being assured that we their lives lessons for the women of shall find rest to our souls.

Ordination of Rev. T. N. Lucus.

Bro. T. N. Lucus was ordained to the Mary, the Mother of Jesus, the scanty Gospel ministry by solemn prayer and scriptural narrative is pieced together. the imposition of hands at Enons and interpreted so as to present an church, by a presbytery composed of unbroken story. In tracing the anal-Brn. T. B. Dison, F. M. Woods, and ogies between these friends of Christ

F. M. Woods

M. S. Stevens.

On the 12th ult. Bro. Stevens was ordained to the full work of the gospel ministry at the call of the Baptist church at Rock Mills, Ala.

The presbytery was composed Elds. Hugh Houston, Inc. Cumb C. J. Burden, and Jno. P. Sh and Ino. P. Shaffer, secretary. mon by Jno. P. Shaffer church

amined by C. J. Burden; candidar Hugh Houston; charge delivered Jno. P. Shaffet, and benediction

of piety and ability. He was edu ted at the A. & M. College, and p pared himself for the law at the State University. He began the practic of law with fine prospects, but soo realized that the Master called him t preach the gospel. Realizing that should be a man of one work, he di solved his connection with his last firm, and proposes to fully devote himself to the work of the Master May the Lord direct our young

brother, and make him eminently use ful in his high calling. INO. P. SHAFFER, Sec. Presy.

A New Method of Evangelistic Work.

The New York State Convention has adopted a plan, at once simple and practical, for enlarging the evaluation gelistic work of the churches. Take questing those who can do so to gree it gratuitously, and making a small "Evangelistic Conventions" will for District Missionaries, and Mission the Convention proposes thus to at- could only conjecture. ten such gatherings have led to res

For a preacher to exchange a

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W. N. HUCKABEE Plantersville.

thrown upon the detailed history of the subjects. In each sketch, and es-On the fourth Sabbath in November, pecially in the opening lecture on and the Old Testament heroines, the

Bro. T. B. Dison acted as modera, author exhibits to the full his careful tor, and offered prayer, Bro. No J. study of the scriptures and his sympa-Jarvis, presented the Bible and delive thy with the poetic spirit of Tewish ered the charge, and Bro. F. M. sacred history. The lessons of the Woods preached the ordination sers book deal largely with the present mon and questioned the advocate of office and duty of woman, and illustrate these questions by teachings

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For special use we want fifteen copies of our last paper, that of December 23rd, in which Dr. 'Tichenor's article on the Home Board, was pub lished. Will our subscribess return that number to us? We will remember it and reward it.

site for a parsonage. It is a beautiful ing chorus was grand:

WHILE last in Birmingham we spent a Sabbath evening and night with Capt. W. C. Ward and family. His old Selma friends ought all to call to Far up on the highlands of South Side he has an ideal homeone of those homes that you read about in romance.

As CHRISTMAS presents we had a coincidence of the coming of two charming shadows. The pictures of Mrs. Curry, wife of the Hon. J. L. M. Curry, United States Minister to Spain, sent to us by herself, and the victure of our own daughter, wife of Prof. J. R. Sampey, of the Theological Seminary at Louisville; both arrived on the same day."

WE had the pleasant privilege of taking our Christmas dinner with many friends at the home of Bro. Fe lix M. Wood, of Woodlawn, near Bir mingham. We were not surprised to see a very fine dinner, for we have participated in a countless number of Father," Possibly just then they to dinners prepared by the lady of the house before she went there. Sh knows all about it.

THE best lecture we ever had deliv ered to us on pastoral work, we received at a street corner in this city few evenings since from Dr. Wharton, of the First church. It was about 30 minutes in length, and as graphic and instructive as anything of that length could be. The Doctor seemed to be impressed with the idea that we were likely to again turn to that business. He is a genius.

On an afternoon of last week w had, at our office, a call from Rev. S. Iones, formerly of Rockford, now of Fayetteville, with his accomplished bride, recently Miss Mollie Ham, of Syllacauga, daughter of Bro. I. S. Ham. They were married on the 20th of December by Dr. Henderson, of this paper-the uncle of the bride. The lovely young lady was deeply saddened in this her bridal day by the church membership. It is our duty recent death of her mother.

WE are forced to say to our correspondents that we must have shorter articles. Thus far we have made but little use of the waste basket, but the crowded condition of our columns will not admit the publication of articles of more than two columns in length, and very few of that length. And we are not willing to publish sermon of over four columns. Now, we are making no iron rule which can not be varied, but the paper can not scripture passages to little children. find room for so much matter.

THE Baptists of Alabama will uni versally regret to learn that the Rev. Geo. B. Eager, D.D., of the St. Francis Street church in Mobile, has accepted the call to Danville, Va. We have known for three weeks that this was very probable, but for reasons did not feel at liberty to refer to it in our paper, but as we have seen it in many papers we make the announcement to our readers.

We understand that Dr. Eager will remain with his work in Mobile until the first of April. As he feels it his duty to go, we rejoice that so charming a man, and preacher, and pastor, has a field so grand as Danville to bership. With us baptism and church mand, "Beginning at Jerusalem." membership are not suspended on a

A LAST SABBATH IN MONTGO

Since we came to Montgomery, th ast of August, we have spent bu hree Sabbaths in the city. Circum stances being such that we could not meet our engagement at Lowndesboro last Sabbath, which we regret very much, we found opportunity to witness the services at some of the churches in the city. At the First Baptist church in the morning Dr. Wharton had a good congregation, and he gave them an excellent sermon from the text, "This year thou shalt die."

1st. What is life?

and. What is death? These two questions were forcible and instructively discussed in the ear y part of the discourse; and then fol owed an impressive and touching dis cussion of the propositions:

1st. This year any of you may die and. This year some of you are al nost certain to die.

ard. There is a sense in which all die daily, which will soon bring us all to the end. 4th. How infinitely important that

He made touching reference, onelusion, to the fact, that on the first day of the new year death had removed one of the most useful and

most important members of the church-Mrs. Hatchett. At 4:30 p. m. we attended a com munion service at the Adams street church, conducted by the paster, Rev. E. A. Stone, assisted by Dr. Wharton. It was an edifying ser-

At 7 p. m. we were at the Court Street Methodist church to witness the closing service of Dr. J. O. Andrew. who has been pastor here for four years, and now goes to Selma. It was a tender, sensible, and moving The enterprising and eminently suc- sermon, sustained by some of the precessful and wealthy firm, Brn. Smith cious songs of Zion, as for instance, & Marbury, of Bozeman, a few days "Shall we gather at the river?" "The since, presented the South Side church sweet by and by." and as a song of at Birmingham with a \$5000 lot as a tender friendship that with the follow-

> When the lips move not, And the eye speaks, A loving good-bye.

This service was not an inquest speeches and resolutions over the mor tal remains of a defunct pastorate, but a tearful and loving farewell between pastor and people at the close of a most fruitful work.

At the Adams street Baptist church Bro. Stone announced preaching for several evenings of this week, by Dr. Mead, of Ohio, a minister of great

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS To our excellent sister Harris Gaylesville we have to say, as touch ng her two questions:

1st. We do not know why or Lord said to Mary, "Touch me not, as it is clear that some did touch his after his resurrection. (See Man 28: 9.) Jesus seems to give a reason for forbidding it, "Touch me no I am not yet ascended to were alone and for that reason he jected; for though he was infinitel above contamination, the torgues those who might know of it were not above slanderous assaults. Possi she seemed violent as she approaches him, and he would teach her that this was no time for that.

and. We understand the passage 'Feed my lambs," to have regard to the treatment of tender believersyoung Christians. We do not under stand it as having reference to little children as such. Still Jesus was not inattentive to little children, nor would he have his ministers and people to neglect them. "Suffer the little children to come unto me. Train up a child in the way he should go." Bring them up in the number and admonition of the Lord.' Therefore if we concede that "Feed my lambs" has reference to little children, it still gives no encourage ment to infant baptism or infant to give children the bread of eternal life, to instruct them in the truths of the word of God; and this cannot begin too early. As we see their little minds begin to develop in perception and thought, we should make haste to have them know the holy Scriptmes. Timothy knew the scriptures from a child, and seems to have gotten the knowledge from his mother and grandmother. We should not We should never concede that any

which symbolizes their faith in Christ,

question of age but on a question of faith Christ. Hence if the passage, "Feed my lambs," be claimed for little children, we should not seriously object, but we should insist on the feeding, and would resist any ceremony which may supplannt the feeding.

A WORD OR TWO.

The controversy concerning the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, which we have regretted as much as any one, had its origin in a set of circumstances over which we had no control. It began in the Liberty (East) Association be tween two brethren who are held in the highest esteem and affection by us; and in some notes which we wrote and published of that meeting, we were so unfortunate as to fail to give satisfaction to Bro. Brewer and other brethren of that body who have written to us about it. His first article was entirely respectful as it seemed to us, and therefore we thought proper to publish it, but we had no idea the discussion would reach the magnitude to which it has gone. One article seemed to open the way for another. and thus it went on. But it seems that we are blamed for allowing the discussion at all, and have been rebuked through our own columns for it. There seems to be an opinion

that when the Southern Baptist Convention pronounces its judgment, that, among Southern Baptists must be the end of all inquiry on that subject. To this, we have two things to say:

ist. We yield nothing to any brother in devotion to agencies within the organized lines of denominational en-

and. Still we have been accustomed to believe that every article of faith held by Baptists, and every organization among them, and every agency. and every interest, and all their plans, and all their work, are legitimate subjects of prudent newspaper discussion. But once a controversy begins it is beyond the power of an editor to direct it. Brethren who are every way more important in the denomination than the editor, will write in their own way; and he is powerless unless he exander Campbell, a man that made closes his columns against them, and his mark on his generation, sloughed under some circumstances he can not off from the Baptist denomination. afford to do that. We are not apolo- and threw his whole energy into a gizing to any one, but are wishing our readers in Alabama to view the mat- thing the consolidation of Christenter in its proper light.

cussion, but from a source which can not be ignored, we learn that the end is not wet.

THE WORK OF THE HOME BOARD.

If any one wants arguments to sustain the operations of the Home Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, they can easily be gratified in the following array of facts, all of hat Board during our last conventional year. It supported 255 missionaries in whole or in part, who preached i 649 places, more than 27,000 serm as, to about 100,000 peoble. The missi naries baptized 3.812, received by letter 2,344, making a total of 6,256 persons. They had 326 as leaves vital piety untouchers Sunday-schools with 12,500 pupils and teachers. They constituted 70 all denominations much to commend new churches, and built 40 new houses of worship. To do this the Board had to overdraw its receipts \$8,500, which amount it asks the denomination to make up the current year in addition to the demands of the year. This must be done to keep the Board in its present working or-

Now, reader, calmly look these facts in the face, and say it we are wrong when we affirm that every missionary appointed by that Board. every sermon that every appointed preached, every destitute field he occupied, every person converted under his ministry or added to the church, every Sunday-school organized, every new church constituted and house of worship built, in fact everything done by the agencies of this Board to advance the cause of Christ, is a living, potent argument that appeals to the confidence and support of the denomination. No living agency bears more unmistakable evidences of a divine endorsement. It embodies the very spirit of the great commission. The advancing tide of emigration southward and westward is constantflinch at the proper application of ly enlarging its field of operations, emphasizing its claims upon our benevolent sympathies. It is the driv people can make a more ready or a ing wheel of our whole philanthropic more hearty application of the divine machinery, stationed as it is in the word to children than we can. We very centre of all our mission work at do not supplant the spirit and life of home and abroad to keep alive, the word with unmeaning rites and through its many agencies, the misceremonies. If they may be called sion spirit in all our churches. How tambs we do not feed them with thay far other agencies might do the work and stubble," but with those lessons of this Board if it were out of the of the word of God suited to their way, we never could determine. condition, and when they show that From a might be in the premises to a "the root of the matter is in them." must be in the conclusion, is a long we administer to them that ordinance stretch in logic. We never were a sufficient adept in guessing what a and thus on their own profession ad- sturdy oak would have been if it had mit them to church membership and not been an oak. We simply accept to all the privileges of church mem- the grateful echo of our Lord's comCHRISTIAN UNIT

Ever and anon there arises a certain type of piety, (and let us hope that it is sincere,) that is greatly con. Rev. I. T. Tichenor, Atlanta, Ga, cerned about uniting the entire Christian world in one body. The list see in the ALABAMA BAPTIST of the move in this direction has been made 23rd of December that you have felt by our Episcopalian brethren. The yourself at liberty to introduce my platform they suggest is, in substance, name, without just cause, into the their own faith. So long have they controversy that has been waging for that they have come to regard them E. Brewer, of Alabama, and the as embracing "the faith once delivered Home Board. This gentleman deto the saints." Meantime the great clares, in a telegram before me, that body of Christians moves on the even he has made no charge against the done to advance the common cause. if he had made any charge, why ago, a pedestrian turned up where we upon to defend the Secretary of an then lived, who had walked already other Board, even though the sentiposed going to Mexico to convert the to induce him to make for his brother priesthood of the Roman Catholic Secretary the swift confession, "What church in that country to the true ever may have been his mistakes of faith, and through them to reach the judgment?" While making this vica-Pope of Rome, and by converting rious confession, let me ask here, why him the balance of the job would be did he not make a clean breast of his victions as any man we ever saw, for ear of the public, that the Foreign he had given evidence of this by he Secretary was guilty of the grave distance he had traveled on foot and also in pursuing his journey in due sympathy with some of the purposes, time in the same way, as intent on his plans and principles of action of the mission as ever Martin Luther was. Home Secretary, of which he can When last heard from he had reached hardly be ignorant. the borders of Mexico; but since then, their plan of union, and that of our Secretary has good reason to know. friend thirty-five years ago, is that they only aim to unite the Protestant with the statement of the Cuban queswhole Catholic world in his sympa- unintentionally made, that, constraincredit for his benevolent regards. the truth, I shall make a statement of both is, that they put one in the pre- assertion, opposed to the misstate-

ine says: To laugh were want of goodness and of And to be grave exceeds all power-of

who speaking of something in that

Something over fifty years ago. "reformation" that aimed at the same dom upon one platform. He pro-We insist that we have done right posed the word of God as the basis of in the premises, and would pursue the union, both in faith and practice. same course again under like circum. The only difficulty about his theory stances. We had expected that this was, that it had been adopted by all issue of our paper would end the dis- Protestant denominations. So that while warring with all other sects he simply established another sect-for in the course of a few years he four it necessary to publish a formulary of doctrines called a creed, as he averred, for the information of others. The present condition of the "current ref ormation" indicates the progress this sect has made in uniting the Christian world on its platform. The which have marked the history of truth is, as human nature is at present constituted, the very best of men must content themselves with substantial unity with circumstantial variations Unity we mean in the essential ele ments of godliness, in doctrine and duty, with such shades of difference in the interpretation of God's word Bearing this in mind, we shall find in and love-that faith in the crucified One and that godly life to which God has affixed salvation. S. H.

THE MIDWAY HIGH SCHOOL.

Prof. W. T. Hendon, as was to be mas entertainment was given on Dec. from the public, and it was a source of gratification to principal and patrons. The programme embraced recitations, music, and the presentation of two dramas, "Love of a Bonnet" and "Little Brown Jug." The school, after a brief holiday, opened anew on Monday, 3rd, and we bespeak for the worthy principal a full roll.

An Excellent Lady Gone. Mrs. Mary Gwen Dean, relict of Mai. Hosea J. Dean, of Spartanburg, C., was born in London, England, Sept. 20th, 1822, and died at Spartanbusy, South Carolina, Dec., 3, 1886. loined the Baptist church at Spartanburg in 1840. Three children survive her, viz., Mrs. C. E. Fleming, of Spartanburg, S. C., Mills Dean, Esq., of Washington, D. C., and Hosea J. Dean, of Calhoun Co., Ala. We were very sorry to hear of the death of the above mentioned Christian woman and eminently accomplished lady. She was the mother of of those mentioned in this note. Her husband was in his day a delebrated Spartanburg lawyer. She was a wo ferentes." man of fine estate, and we understand that Bro. Hosea J. Dean, of Weaver's Station, her son, inherits by will her property, and will leave Alabama at once to make his home in Spartan was not responded to? Besides an

Meeting of the State Mission Board.

Tuesday, January 11th, at 7 p. m.

W. B. CRUMPTON, Cor. Sec'v.

Dr. Tupper's Respects to Dr. I. T. committee on New Missions and Mistion who would endorse this state. Board not to enter Cuba, and they Tichenor.

RICHMOND, VA., Jan. 1, 1887. Rev. and Dear Sir-I am sorry to cherished their peculiar sentiments a long time between the Rev. George tenor of its way, doing what can be Secretary of the Foreign Board. And We remember about thirty-five years should the Home Secretary feel called several hundred miles, and who pro- ments of the former be so fraternal as easy. He was as sincere in his con- brother's errors and confess, into the "mistake of judgment" of having no

When the Secretary of the Board of well, results have not been reported. Foreign Missions needs to be defend-The only difference between the late ed, he can defend himself, or be deconclave of Episcopal dignitaries in fended by his Board, as the Home But this is a small matter compared

world, whereas he, in the exercise of tion by the Home Secretary, which is a broader philanthropy, embraced the so full of misleading misstatements. thies, and hence deserves the more ed by allegiance to my Board and to The only noteworthy thing about the facts of the case, establishing each dicament of an old poet we wot of, ments of the Home Secretary, with documentary evidence. As this letter is not unofficial, I shall speak of the Secretaries in the third person.

> Home Secretary informed the Foreign Secretary, who was sick in the mountains of North Carolina, of the work of grace in Cuba, and wrote: "I call your special attention to the brother; gent. who has gone to New York for ordina-

tion. The Home Mission Society may seek to secure his services. Bro. Wood is our missionary in Key West. Hayana is in your field, and I would not like to see it pass into the hands entering the field, the Foreign Secrewe are afraid to open more fields. How is it with your Board? We are fearfully pressed. I feel much interest in Cuba, and our Board has reported on the subject to the Convention. At that time the U. S. Government did not give much encouragement in the way of protection. * * But if things are changed in this regard, and the times should improve; know not what our Board might do. the Missionary Union mistake for the "H. M. Society" above does not

This is the letter on which, the Home Secretary bases his assertion: "Dr. Tupper's letter, in reply, stated that it was impossible for the Foreign Board to do it"-to occupy Cuba. Does this assertion correspond with the statements of the letter? Does not the letter express hope that the Board would enter the field? The expected, has made quite a success of reasons he puts into the mouth of the his school at Midway. The Christ Foreign Secretary, for the "impossibility;" are forceful; but they are not 23rd, and has received much praise found in the Secretary's letter, and remind us of Minerva, full armed, springing from the cranium of Jupi-

get ahead of us.'

Secondly: On the 11th of Septem ber, 1885, the Home Secretary, enclosing a report of Bro. Wood, wrote, with regard to the Cuban field:

"We trust you will be able to occupy it at once. But, if you should not, as your last letter leads us to fear, hen I am authorized to ask your oard whether they will give their aproval to our attempting such an arangement as will enable us to hold it until you shall be in condition or desire to take it." This was a startling letter. In the worst season of the year, the Foreign Board is called upon by the Home Board, who had nothing to do with foreign missions, to enter a new field "at once," or to turnshall be in condition or desire to take Home Board, would have been amus was appointed to do; but that this Convention "seemed to think his the late E. J. Dean, of Talladega, and ing, had not some dim apprehensions Board has no right to object to, nor Board should take it," has no force flashed on the mind, though none any authority to give its assent to, the nor value, and is very misleading. dared to say: "Timeo Danaos et dona

> "To this request?" says the Home Secretary, "the Foreign Mission" Board made no reply." Do these words convey the idea that his letter acknowledgement of it, in September, in which was asked permission to retain Bro. Wood's letter for the use of the Board, on October 13th, the

sionaries. The Foreign Secretary ment of the Home Secretary? The have never uttered an adverse word wrote, at the same time: "The Board Home Secretary himself was not pression the subject. The Foreign Secrehas kept this work (in Cuba) in mind, ent. and reported it to the Southern Bap-

tist Convention in 1881. The Con- eign Secretary wrote, December 5th, Mission Journal said an error had

ber, 1885, in the interest of this Cu- the President of the Foreign Mission be given to the Foreign Board, and ban matter, and the Foreign Board Board, and, after such conference, why not the Foreign Board look out feeling it their right and duty to be as bringing in a unauthous report rece for the Indians or the: Negroes to be deliberate as they deemed best in mak- ommending that the Foreign Mission put under their charge? ing their decision, the Corresponding Board should take Cuba? How can it 2. If Cuba is given to the Home Secretary attended the Convention, as be reconciled with the fact that, when Board, why may not it be given Mexhe publicly stated to the body, to ob- an amendment was proposed on the ico? An effort in this direction has tain all information necessary for a floor of the Convention substituting been predicted. Will those best inwise decision of the matter by the Home for "Foreign" Board, the Pres formed say that the prediction is not Board. The Convention passed unan- ident of the Foreign Board, addressed, well founded? Do none covet for the imously the following without one the Convention, arguing earnestly Home Board the motto of the Home word of dissent: "We conceive that against the amendment? this Convention is able to undertake Thirdly: The resolutions of the For Christ?"

the following:

be undertaken by it at once, if it could or's sake, the honorable Home Hoard of holding it permanently.

tion, and another to the Home Secre at any of its meetings." Yet, it is on ing the absurdity of the studiously intary. Hence sprang a painful corres- record in the Foreign Mission rooms, culcated notion that all missions are pondence with the Home Secretary, as stated above, that the Home Secretary, whereby so many of the Foreign who complained of what seemed to tary, by the express authority of his Mission Societies have divided their him in the above resolutions-strange Board, requested of the Foreign funds with the Secretary of the Home to say a threat to arraign his Board Board permission to enter Cuba; and Board, as to lead an eminent woman before the Convention. The Foreign the impartial historian will not have worker for missions to pen the caustic Secretary's reasons for sending these to read between the lines of the Home words: "His sagacity is in reaping resolutions to the Home Secretary, be Mission Board's report to decide

It seemed courteous and fra- least the writer of that report. A come than the windication of truth-save ternal for me to do so; * * it seemed parison of the reports of the two the truth itself. due to you that our response to the Boards, on the Cuban Mission, will communicated to you also.

the truth?

Foreign Board who were considering

In the above not one tithe of what

is recorded and filed in the Foreign

Mission rooms, on this subject of the

Cuban mission, is given. But whatsis

ments of the Home Secretary about

Now, that there be no misunderstand

ing of the position of the Board of

2. It was done because it was resubject of the Cuban mission.

** * An earlier response was im- Florida Convention? The Convention practicable. * * I am aware that you agreed to await the answer of the Foreign requested an answer at once, but such Board until the Southern Baptist Com a request could not have precedence vention. And strangely enough did it of the uniform custom of our Board sound when brethren from Florida with regard to the conduct of its busi- declared, on the floor of the Southern ness. * * This was a matter that re- Baptist Convention, that it was the lated to our territory, and we had the wish of the Florida Convention that right to take such time as was needful the mission should be committed to for a judicious response.".

Only a word or two of comment the mind of the Florida Convention Evergreen,

1. Why should the Home Secretary sion that recorded its unanimous vote. Rock Mills, be grieved—as he was most grievous that the Foreign Board should take ly as the prospect brightened of our the work? And had it existed, would Board taking the Cuban mission, when this honorable body have thus change his Board proposed to hold it only un- ed its mind and given no notice to the til our Board could take it?

2. How could he say, as answered their proposition in good faith? What above "To this request the Foreign influence changed the minds of inal Board made no reply?" How could viduals of Florida it is not for us to he say this, when, in one of the pa- say; but we know that there was feat, pers of the "painful correspondence," on the part of some, that Cuba going occur these words: "If the time had to the Richmond Board might allengt it over to the Home Board. The not passed for a 'direct reply, we from Florida the patronage of the final clause, "to hold it until you would not hesitate to say that, in our Board at Atlanta. Our simple point is opinion, each Board should confine that the statement of the Home Secreit," implying superior resources of the litself to the work its name indicates it tary, that the President of the Floridae Home Board assuming, temporarily or permanently, charge of the Cuban

2. How could he say in the ALA BAMA BAPTIST of December 23d: "In written is sufficient to refute the state November [1885], Dr. Tupper attended the Florida Convention. This body the Foreign Board, and that is all that urged him to occupy Cuba. He replied was proposed. he could not. Then the Florida Convention resolved that it would itself organize a mission in Havana and sus-Foreign Missions, let it be asserted tain it antil the next meeting of the that that they did not covet Cuba, as The regular quarterly meeting of Home Secretary was informed that his than it aintil the next meeting of the that that they did not covet Cuba, as the Board will take place in Selma on communications had been presented Southern Baptist Convention?" Is the evening before to the Board, who there a Christian gentleman that was ready for the orders of the Convenhad referred them to their standing in attendance on the Florida Convention. The Convention ordered the

tary congratulated the Home Secreta-

Mission Society-"North America for

So far from refusing Cuba, the Foreign on his new work. The Foreign

vention reported against it then, to Senor Diaz, in Havana, requesting been committed, but it gave a frater-Things seemed to have changed since information of the field in view of the nal God-speed to the novel enterprise. that time, and who knows but that the proposed relation of the Foreign And perpetual silence would have Lord calls us to go up and possess the Board to it. His reply was not re been observed, but the Home Secceived. But he told the Foreign Sec retary's article, in the ALAHAMA BAP-Was this not a virtual reply even to retary at the Southern Baptist Con- rist, so full of misstatements, forces the fequest" of the Home Board? vention that he had responded the the rupture of the self-imposed si-And in view of this language, held by same month, and that he had express lence, and demands the publication the Foreign Secretary, October 13, ed the opinion in his letter that the of the facts as proved by the records. 1885, how could the Home Secretary, Cuban mission should be in the hands. To none is this publication more painwith good conscience, impress the of the Foreign Board; and he was will- ful than to the writer; but, "before public mind, in December, 1886, with ing to express this opinion in the Const pleasure is duty." the idea that the Foreign Secretary vention. He expressed the same opin. And now, since the silence is thought it was "impossible" to enter ion to others. That, however, is broken, let us face some of the conthe way. As to the refusal of Cuba, sequences of this new departure of Prominent members of the Florida how can the statement be reconciled the Convention: Convention urging the Foreign Secre- with the fact of the committee of the it. If foreign fields are to be given tary to attend that body in Novem- Convention asking a conference with to the Home Board, home fields may

this work at once, i. e., the preliminal eign Board, quoted above, were not 3. The hame of the Home Board ry or provisional work, to go and pre- reported to the Convention as was in- will be soon regarded a misnomer, to pare the way, to lay foundations, to tended, because the Home Secretary be changed to suit its changed work. throw up breastworks, and to hold the construed them as a "threat" against And with the confusion of work which fort till the Foreign Mission Board of his Board-a threat of what? What must follow, will begin the confusion the Southern Baptist Convention can had his Board done? Such an ide? of ideas about missions. The absurd come to the rescue, which we hope never entered the brain of a member idea will be taken up that missions will not be later than the next meet- of the Foreign Boards How it entered are one-an idea that stultifies ing of the Southern Baptist Conven- the brain of the Home Secretary the the organic division of the Convenexpert casuist may decide. In the in tion into Home and Foreign Boards; The Foreign Secretary stated the terest of peace, the action of the Flori that violates the distinction between difficulties in the way of the Board's da Convention alone was reported to home and foreign, which is ineradiimmediate acceptance of the work, the Southern Baptist Convention with cably fixed in the human mind; that but promised an answer, which he the words: "The means of doing all flies in the face of the unbroken prehoped would be favorable, at the that Providence indicates should be cedent of the Convention from 1846 Southern Baptist Convention, accord- done are in the hands of God's ped to 1886; and that has no other value ing to the terms of the report adopted. ple; and the question of duty in the than to lead to the equal distribution First: On August 3rd, 1885, the On December 7th, the Board passed premises is respectfully submitted to of mission funds among several dethe wisdom of the Convention." In partments of missions, while some de-"Resolved, 1. That the field in Cuba the report of the Home Board on "the partments, because ten or a hundred seems to be ripe for missionary effort, Cuban Mission" appeared several religiones vaster and more needy, may and the appeals are certainly very ur- erences to the Foreign Board. The justly demand ten or a hundred times Home Secretary was informed at the as much assistance as other depart-2. That this field properly belongs Convention that this report misrepre ments. Confound Home and Forto the work of this Board, and would sented the Foreign Board. For home eign Missions; let the plea be for "missions" only, and the heathen of see its way to do so, with the prospect should retract the misstatements of China will be sacrificed for of the their report, at the next meeting & heathen at our doors." 3. That this matter be referred to the Southern Baptist Convention of others." Not dreaming that the the Southern Baptist Convention at its And should it not direct its Correct tary will adjudge this a "mistake of I doubt not that the Home Secresession next May, and that the Cor. ponding Secretary to beware of the dam, judgment'-a mistake of judgment in responding Secretary be instructed, in ger, if not the discourtesy of attempts preventing him from thrusting the tary replied, August 13th, freely, the annual report, to represent to the ing to report to the Convention the Foreign Secretary in front of the darts thus: 'Cuba, being out of our coun- Convention that this Board regards affairs and views of the Foreign Boards of Bro. Brewer as a shield for his own try, belongs, as you say, to our part, this field as legitimately its own, and The Home Secretary says: "The breast; a mistake of judgment in stopwill undertake the work if so in- Home Mission Board did not ask the ping his assertions that the Foreign Southern Baptist Convention for Cuba Board refused the Cuban mission, as A copy of this action was sent to nor intimate a desire to have it. The a justification of the Home Board havthe President of the Florida Conven- question never came before the Board ing it; a mistake of judgment in show-

where he has not sown!" But our ing requested, were given as follows: whether Cuba was not desired, by at best judgment is that nothing is better

This is the first criticism on the Florida Convention * * should be readily decide the question: What is conduct of the Home Secretary made by the writer outside of the Foreign Fourthly: The Home Secretary says Mission rooms; and the severest ever garded as the most complete and sat- the President of the Florida Conven- made there is this: "Many are my obisfactory reply which I could make to tion, "seemed to think his Board ligations to the Home Board; but the your official communication on the should take it." But what was the ac greatest is for the occasion its Secretion, the unanimous action, of the tary has given for infinite patience." I am obediently

Your humble servant: H. A. TUPPER Association Minutes Wanted

the following associations, and would be thankful to any brother who can send him either. If you can furnish, please mail at

the Home Board! How did they get which had no existence after the sea Indian Creek,

Statistical Sec'y, Montgomery, Ala, Clear Creek Macedonia, Pea River, Sandy Creek Town Creek, Yellow Creek,

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wado Miles, Oberlin, Ohio.

Ayer's Pills are a superior family medicine. They strengthen and divigorate the digestive organs, create an appetite, and remove the horrible depression and despondency resulting from Liver Complaint. I have used these Pills, in my family, for years, and they never fail to give entire satisfaction.—Otto Montgomery, Oshkosh, Wis.

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a short prayer, commit yourself into the hands of your faithful Creator and when you have done, trust him with yourself, as you must do when you are dying .- [Jeremy

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181 Pearl St., New York. No school is more necessary to children than patience, because either the will must be broken in childhood, or the heart in old

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"Consumption can be Cured." Dr. J. S. COABS, Owensville, Ohio, says.

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Improve the good opportunities that are offered you and you will receive more money for your labor. Hallett & Co., Portland, Maine, will mail you, free, full information and upwards a day and live at home, when ever you may be located. You had better write to them at once. A number have church made over \$50 in a day. All is new. Capital not required; Hallett & Co. will start you. Both sexes; all ages. Grand success attends every worker. Send your address at once and see for yourself.

The more we sink into the infirmities of age, the nearer we are to immortal youth. All people are young in the other world .-

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A life of indolent ease and sensuality, the use of highly seasoned animal food, and alcoholic drinks are the predisposing causes of Gout. When aware of its presence in the sys- is not a good time for pastoral calls, tem lose no time in procuring Salvation Oil. It kills pain. Price 25 cents a bottle.

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Rheumatism is primarily taused by acidity of the blood. Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies the blood, and thus cures the disease.

> I fondly dream it needs must be That, as my mother dealt with me, So with his children dealeth he. -J. G. Whittier.

The latest riddle out: Why was my baby's last attack of croup like this paragraph? Because it was very short, and ended with that wonderful cure, Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. One must know whither he would climb

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If we would know a person's Christian orth, we must mark his walk rather than

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See advertisement in another column.

FIELD NOTES.

Georgia, a position which he has flings between brethren differing on a held for more than twenty years. He subject should be ruled out. adopts strong commendatory resolufaithful pastor.

The First Baptist church in Nash ville, recently licensed Bro. W. C. Cleveland to preach the gospel. He is a nephew of Dr. Cleveland of Birmingham, and a young man of

Rev. S. M. Brown, field editor of the Central Baptist, accepts the position of Secretary of the State Mission Board of Missouri Baptists as successor of Dr. Yeaman. The Baptists of Missouri are reported as doing

The Baptist Flag, of St. Louis, declares itself, in hearty sympathy with the State mission work over there, under the present management. Something new.

the State Board of South Carolina are sermon, by a vote of a large majority made on the recommendation of the of the congregation, it was agreed to associations. This plan has been in have moonlight Bible meetings operation for years, and has given through winter, in view of meeting ofgeneral satisfaction. So says the tener than moonlight nights in spring

to the marriage of our friend David beginning with Genesis, taking the Miss Kate Lee Mouston, of Corinth, what my plan. We have had one Miss, on the 29th of December, meeting; and though it was the night

church at Damascus, in Butler county, Ala., having decided to settle in Bible meetings, in addition to stated McKinley, Marengo county, his monthly preaching by the passors of church at Damascus honored him with the two churches, we hope to keep warm-hearted resolutions, deploring their own loss, and earnestly commending him to the brethren where he goes. The document is signed by showing how you can make from \$5 to \$25 W. C. Y. Moseley and Joshua Barmoderator and clerk of the

Bro. Wesley H. Stewart, of Louina, Ala., sent us a strong article in support of Bro. Brewer's position before the East Liberty Association on the Home Mission Board, but all his positions have been taken by Bro. Brewer in this paper, and we do not want many more to know it, that there is not think its publication would accomplish good.

The Baptist church at Evon, in Pike county, sends a paper stating that "Rev." R. H. Cheshire stands excluded from that church for heresy, holds a letter, and refuses to give it ley of the Rio Grande in quest of

Rev. J. C. Hiden, pastor of the First Baptist church of this city, has recently received invitations to preach for churches in our State, and it either. The Warburton avenue church, New York, wants him to supply them for the last three Sundays in January, and he has accepted the invitation. The church at Danville, Va., wants him to supply their pulpit for three months. The church at Sulphur Springs, Texas, and the First Baptist church of New Bedford, Mass., have both called him as pastor. - Lex-

ington (Ky.) Express. licensed some time since to preach find it difficult to bring their Sabbath- live to such an age, that she would and promising licentiate, and would fection. Its adaptation to the end for trouble to wait on her, neither did she field.

Lectures at Howard College.

The Ministerial Board has arranged for a fortnightly course of lectures, to be delivered by competent men, before the theological class at the colbefore he sets up his ladder.-German lege. The first of these lectures has already been delivered by Rev. I. T. Tichenor, D. D. The next lecture will be delivered by Rev. E. A. Stone, of Montgomery, Friday night, Janua the lives of those about him. He is ry 14th, subject, The True Spiritualism. On the 28th of January Rev. J. E. Chambliss will lecture; subject earth and transplanted in the garden of Mr. Benjamin Perry and wife of

people may be invited to attend. M. B. WHARTON, Pres't M. B. Brierfield.

Good Suggestions.

Dear Bro. Renfroe: I point my pen towards Montgomery to write you a letter. I must watch myself that I don't back it to Talladega. I feel like I've got a book in me, but must. Bigbee Association, . . . Mt. Zion church, . . . content myself, and save you a bur- Pratt Mines, . den, by simply giving a preface and introduction, promising to never write. E D Rushing, Mt. Lebanos, the book, except to be by scraps from | J Zollar, New Hope, ... North River Association, . time to time as occasion and proprie- Ladies' Miss. So., Talladega ch,

You are right about a surplus of writers as compared with contribu-WE desire to call special attention tors-readers. I don't allude so much to the card of Hudson & Perryman, to the number of writers as to their Cusseta church,. Birmingham, Ala., in the business of voluminous articles. It does happen, buying and selling real estate, bonds but rarely, that a subject is such as to Oxford church, and stocks, and in negotiating loans justify more space than a column; on commission. Mr. Perryman is still more generally, a half column is betof Mobile, but Mr. M. G. Hudson is ter. I speak my own jedgment, permanently located in the city of made up by experience in reading. Birmingham, office in the Alabama I seldom read a long newspaper arm-National Bank, and from personal cle. I never do, except it impress me knowledge of him, we can recommend at the start as decidedly practical, and him to our readers as a first-class bus- written by some one who stands beiness man, and a Christian gentleman. hind his subject, giving it the prominence which as practical uality demands for its own sake. My obsermands for its own sake. My obser- Antioch church, vation is, that other people are the Mt. Gilead church, The Rev. J. H. Glazner, of same way about long, wordy articles. Broomtown, Ala., has resigned the Long sermons, too, are inadmissible. Sardis church, across the State line in as a rule. Sarcasm, witty cuts and

over 400 persons there. The church scribers. In every community there seems to be a class of settled religious Six Mile church, . . . tions in his favor. Bro. Glazner is paper readers, and a larger class of When you lie down, close your eyes with a good man, an able preacher, and a secular paper readers among our Baptist brethren. In some Baptist families other than Christian periodicals L. M. Bradley, are a sort of household gods! These

road movements somewhat, but the train will start out again to morrow for regular running, reaching us at 6 p. m., and leaving at 6 a. m. We are alive. Church matters are rather dull. I hope enough good members may move in, as the town advances, to bring up old Mt. Zion church to Chestnut creek church, something like her former tantage Shiloh church, ground. Some are soon to move in and we look for others. The dangers and duties attendant on public progress and enterprise, was my subject the fourth Sabbath ult., in our church here as that day was unem-All appointments of missionaries by ployed elsewhere. Pursuant to the and summer. I have been appoint-We return thanks for the invitation ed to lecture on scripture subjects, 1886, and wish them great happiness. of the advent of our first passenger Rev. G. W. Webb, pastor of the train, yet the attendance and interest exceeded my expectation. With these our religious interest somewhat

> In looking over my keepsake letters the other day, I espied one, a very long one, a very affecting one Bible and colpertage, . . . (as you may guess, bringing team to my eyes on a re-perusing it.) from our dear Graves. I decided no to stir Grand total, your feelings by sending it it you. It is a volume of elevated Christian sense. My hope for his future was strengthened by it. Good

a most interesting book. Alas, that church in 1834, and died in her 68th he could not live!—EDITOR.]

My brethren at Mt. Pleasant, She has lived to see them all profess County Line and Dadeville will please Christ; and they have reared families accept my sincere thanks for a substantial Christmas gift-a very hand- converted and joined the church. She

Affectionately your pastor,

"It appears to me that the Ameri J. M. Deveneau, of Anniston, was can Baptist Publication Society will the gospel. He is a worthy brother school literature much nearer to per- become helpless and give her children be pleased to enter some destitute which it was designed in the several desire to linger long in pain, and so it field. We can commend him to such departments of Sabbath-school work ing sunshine wherever she went, thus is a marvel of success."-J. H. De making every person happy, and en-Votie, D. D., Secretary of Mission gaging in every good word and work.

> 14:13, after which we buried her by Infant son of E. E. and M. J. Lethe side of her husband, near this

noir, was born April 27th, 1886, and place, to await the resurrection morndied November 10th, aged six months and fourteen days. Like a flower, he only lived a short while, to bloom in beauty and give a sweet fragrance to not dead, but only taken from this county. Ala., Nov. 17th, Sister Nancy not yet known. These lectures are of heaven, where he will live forever. M. B. Bowden. She joined Town nearly all popular in their character, and it is hoped that they may be little sisters, a bright star in heaven spoken in the church, and that all the spoken in the church, and that all the spoken in the church, and that all the spoken in the church are spoken in the church and that all the spoken in the church are spoken in the chu

Receipts of State Mission Board for November.

Providence church,

C H Park, Mt. Pisgah, .

Harmony church, . .

Selma Association, .

Cahaba Association, .

Northport church,

Harmony church, .

Salem Association,

Antioch Association

Cahaba Association,.

Northport church, . . .

Harmony church, . . .

Salem Association,

Carlton Hill church,

Mt. Gilead church,

Plantersville church

umterville church,

Center Ridge church.

M. McIver,

Cahaba Association,

erbena Sunday-school, South Bethel Association,

Cahaba Association, . . .

Shady Grove church, . .

Cahaba Association, . . .

Bigbee Association, . . .

Montgomery Association,

Northport church .. .

Home Missions, ...

Foreign Missions ..

Ministerial Education,.

Not reported heretofore, .

Education Colored Preachers.

Church Bullding in Alabama

Receipts from July to November

American Baptist Pub. Society.

W. B. CRUMPTON.

Cor. Secretary and Treasurer.

Mrs. Alcy Ivey.

A very valuable member of the

Glennville Baptist church fell asleep

in Jesus at the home of her daughter,

Mrs. Garland, near this place on the

Mrs. Alcy Ivey was the daughter of

oth, 1800, was married to Barna Ivey

year. She has raised twelve children

and they have arisen and "called her

blessed," "her husband praised her."

and many of their children have been

lived to see the fourth generation.

She was beloved by all who knew her,

and I have heard it time after time.

that a better woman than she never

lived. She did not have an enemy in

the world. She enjoyed good health

up to the time of her death and then

was only sick a short time. She had

often said that she did not desire to

Our loss is her eternal gain. I

evening of Nov. 14th, 1886.

Church Building in Alabama,

Misses Anderson,

American Baptist Pub. Society.

Shady Grove Sunday-school

Northport church,.

Indigent Ministers.

\$ 38 16

\$ 35 65

\$ 726 50

elma church.

Antioch Association,

Boiling Spring Association, . .

Salem Ass'n, Mexican Missions, .

Cusseta church,

Boiling Springs Association,

Providence church,

Ladies' Miss. So., Center Ridge ch,

Sunday-school, First church Troy,

S. S., First church, Troy,

Ladies' Miss. So., Center Ridge ch,

Home Mission

For Cuban Missions.

Ladies' Miss. So., Center Ridge ch.

Sunday-school, First church, Tray,

Selma church,

Cahaba Association,

has, during his pastorate, baptized I find it very difficult to get subare their special Sunday reading!

The snow has thrown back our rail-

abreast with our growing business ad-

W. WILKES. [We would have a melancholy pleasure in perusing that letter, Bro. Wilkes. That precious, idolized boy was the best letter writer of whom we ever knew anything of his age. His Malachi and Mary Davis, and was letters to us while he was in the Val- born in Lenoir county, N. C., Dec. health, at 23 years of age, would make Dec. 12, 1816; joined the Baptist

Card of Thanks.

JNO. P. SHAFFER, Roanoke, Ala.

A Marvel of Success.

Board Georgia Baptist Convention.

H. R. SCHRAMM, Mrs. Nancy E. Bowden.

Died, at her residence in Butler-T. E. MORGAN.

Fifth Sunday Meeting.

The next fifth Sunday meeting of the Shelby Association will be held with the Brierfield church on the E. T. V. & G. R. R. a commencing Friday before the 5th Sunday in January,

Friday, 10 a. m. The necessity of home religion. T. M. Fancher, M. E. B. Jones, and others. i) a. in Importance of prayer 6 60 meetings in our churches, C. W.

50 00 O'Hara, Jusse Taylor, and others. 2 p. m. Duty of church members to 3 20 young converts. J. M. McCord, T. 8 os B. Dison, and others. 3 p. m. The best method of getting

41 15 our members into hearty sympathy with our shurch work; W. C. Cleveland, D. D., W. W. Kinkland, and p. m. Are Christians justifiable in desecrating the Sabbath? R. W. Cobb

I. N. Walker, and others. Saturday, 9 a. m. Devotional ex-9:30 a. rh. Reflex influence of mis gions on our churches E. B. Teague, D. D., H. C. Reynolds, and others. 10:30 a. m. How to keep an an in-\$ 84 44 terest in the Sunday school work. E. W. North, R. H. Pratt, J. L. Peters,

and otherse 2 p. m. Woman's work in the church, G. T. Lee, D. S. Lightcap, 17 oo and others.

3 p. m. Importance of religious pe-3 65 riodicals. W. J. Ellion, H. Griggs, and others.

7 p. m. Is the social dance an evil? E. B. Teague, D.D., O. W. Ward, 1 00 J. C. Jones, and others.

13 75 Sunday, To a. m. Ordination of \$ 117 79 deacons in the Brieffield church. It a. m. Preaching.

Appointments for preaching will be made by the 'paster' and deacons of Brierfield church. Brethren of other associations are

1 00 invited to attend. We want to see 2 50 every church in the association rep-2 50 resented. All who expent to attend 3 20 will please soud their names to W. I. 2 50 Elliott, Brietfield.

J. M. McCoro, Chin'n Com. Sow good services; sweet remembrance

will grow from them .- De Stael. To a small cubful of or strained HONEY add 2 teaspoontuls PERRY DAVIS

4 teaspoonful of the mixture & you your Cough

or Cold. Sore Throat and Dintheria.

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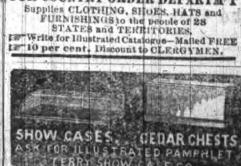
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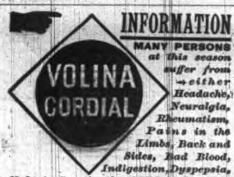
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Not Belonging to the Flock. After they had been gathered togeth- ages, always contriving, when he pos- grieved. er and were being driven off the moor, sibly could, to spend at least the it was observed that there were some month of December in North Harbor. paid no attention whatever to these week with him, and a right merry Sunday?" wandering strangers, urged forward time they always had. though they were, by the barking dog, they were not the shepherd's, the gen- merest beck and call such a bright ing disposition, and all at once, glanc-

out directly that they do not belong home near by and open the Captain's "Don't feel bad, little mumsey! I'm here, and they will go of themselves.' roomy old house, then fires would be the feller'll stay at home, 'cause I love !

from us, but they were not of us; for the way of sweeping, dusting, cleanif they had been of us, they would no ing and baking. doubt, have continued with us.'

Being a Boy.

One of the best things in the world to be is a boy. It requires no experience, though it needs some practice to be a good one. The disadvantage of the position is that it does not last ong enough. It is soon over. Just as ou get used to being a boy, you have to be something else, with a good deal more work to do, and not half as much fun. And yet every boy is anxious to be a man, and is every uneasy with the restrictions that are put upon

There are so many bright spots in the life of a farm boy that I sometimes think that I should like to live the life over again. I should almost be willing to be a girl, if it were not for the thores. There is a great comfort to a boy in the amount of work he can get rid of doing. It is sometimes astonishing how slow he can go on an errand. Perhaps he couldn't explain himself why, when he is sent to a neighbor's after yeast, he stops to girl was laden with all the good things in place in their proper corner. cruel, but he wants to see if can hit would not like to visit such a place? deserves a prize for his bonny, willin' em. It is a curious fact about boys

But, say what you will about the the general usefulness of boys, a farm without a boy would very soon come o grief. He is always in demand. In the first place he is do all the errands, go to the store, the post-office, ilated food indicated in all weak and inflam- and to carry all sorts of messages. He would like to have as many legs as a It has been the positive means of sav- the same way. This he sometimes tries to do, and people who have seen him 'turning cart-wheels' along the side of the road have supposed that he was amusing himself and idling his ime. He was only trying to invent a new mode of locomotion, so that he could economize his legs and do his his errands with greater dispatch. Leap-frog is one of his methods of getting over the ground quickly. He has a natural genius for combing pleasure with business .- Charles Dudley Warner.

The Faith of Little Hans.

The following touching story, told by a writer in Harper's Young People, is about a letter found by one of the clerks, a young German girl, in the Dead Letter Office at Washington:

The young girl had worked her way down through a large heap, and was beginning to think of lunch, when she came upon a peculiar little envelope addressed in German to "Jesus in Heaven;" she tore it open hastily, and found a soiled sheet written all over in a child's cramped hand. Some of the words seemed blurred with tears and she could scarcely make the mout Here is the translation:

"DEAR JESUS: I have prayed so hard to you, but I guess you could not hear me so far off, so I am going to write, you a letter. We came over a big ocean when it was summer time. My mamma has been sick all the time. Can't you send her something to make. her well? And, dear Jesus, please send my papa some work to do, so he can buy us some warm clothes and

somethidg to eat, and please do it uick, for we are cold and hungry! Nobody knows I am writing to you. thought you might send us some-

thing for a surprise. HANS BRAHM. P. S. - My hands are so cold I can't

Katrina's eyes were filled with tears | side the cellar window. s she came to the end. She sat for some time with the letter in her hand: us boys did it," said Willie, "but I as she folded it, she resolved to do don't mean to again." something to make the little boy happy. She said, "Whatever his parents same as he did last time," observed may be, this beautiful child-faith must Fred. not be destroyed." That evening, after dinner, she told several of her "your father says he has three sons, friends about the matter, and they any one of them old enough and ing: "Oh, mother! mother dear! I've

little Hons, comfortable clothes for who will perform this easy work for in a moment what pleased him so. the father, and toys enough to make the benefit of the entire family. I the boy believe that the Christ-child should like to see all my boys perfect- a perfect wretch, because he went to did not live in Germany only. At the very top lay a crisp ten dollar bill. As soon as the box left the house, Katrina she added, half reprovingly. soon as the box left the house, Katrina she added, half reprovingly. wrote a letter to Hans. She told him w'Well, I shall have no time to-day his letter had been received, and that nor to-morrow," said Willie. Jesus had sent one of his servants on earth to help him, and that a nice box have," said Fred.

was an its way out West. Not long after there came a letter I guess don't mean to," remarked Harof warm thanks from the father. He ry, imitating his brothers' decided tone explained how they had been in the and manner. country but a few months, and had

not yet found work.

er came, telling of fairer prospects too.' and brighter days. One thing they Further declarations of independ-assured Katrinb—"that they could ence were valiantly put forth concernnever forget her kind letter and gen- ing their negative intentions after their erous help in their time of saddest need."-Messenger.

We shall know as we are known said he was going to drive into town or in the next." when we love as we are loved. We that afternoon with his wife, and two shall live the life of God when we are of the boys could go with them. As

Christmas at Uncle Will's.

BY MRS. HARRIET A. CHEEVER,

It was not every Christmas that

Then he asked, But why do you ever Uncle Will was expected home. The shepherd answered, 'They will daughter, would go from their cottage her ear, and his cheek against hers: 'No, you couldn't, John, where he said: 'They went out on," as Mrs. Wismer expressed it, in there'll be room for me next time."

> When he first landed, Capt. Thompson would take great delight in carrying to the house a goodly supply of sweets, nuts, and luxuries of various so, packing his valise. he would start mother's fond, gratified look when he off, making visits of a day or two, on yielded came back with friendly his five or six brothers and sisters, and warmth into his young heart. one child from each family would be Uncle Will's.

> ing till night the company could hoot | And to work he went with a will. and toot, and drum and train to their Sally, the Scotch servant in the kitch-

If Uncle Will had any favorite ways," that two will be a great dealer slower among his brothers and sisters, per- Daylight was fast waning when the in doing anything than one. Boys haps he could not help confessing to last layer of sticks was exposed to have a great power of helping each other do nothing.

himself that it was his youngest sister, view, and Fred's long task was nearly other do nothing.

Mrs. Jarvis. And certain it was he ended. The boy was warm and tired, Harry; but then, he loved all his new pile conveniently near the cellar nephews, and neices, too.

Another Christmas week was apwas making a brief visit at Mrs. Jarwheel has spokes, and rotate about in on short trips to five other homes, Harbor a few days before Christmas. where preparation for the usual holiday frolic would be well under way. in turn? Before he sailed away again, each of the other boys not invited now, would spend a few days at North Harbor; but at Christmas five or six read: cousins would be there, and on Christ-

that night at least.

not yet know herself. best till two days before Christmas," does the work, he is to be my boy, said Will, as soon as the boys were by and guest through Christmas week.

"Or the one that minds the quickest," suggested Fred. Or the one that don't tease the

a most trying little tease. One morning, just after Uncle Will's ly exclaimed in alarm:

visit, a load of wood was put in Mr. erable discussion among the bays as an' whativer will his mither say?" to who should move it over to the corner where it belonged, as it must in rushed Willie and Harry, in haste be neatly piled after being duinped in- to bestow some peanuts on self-deny-

"I helped move it last time any of "Pa better hire some one to do it

"No," said Mrs. Jarvis decidedly,

"And I'm pretty sure I shan't

"And I'm sure I don't want to, and said:

rangements for an early start, quite an altercation arose as to which boy should remain at home. Willie thought he ought to go, as he was the oldest, Harry because he was the youngest, found Uncle Will Thompson in his and pa didn't hire a team to drive to delightful home at North Harbor. town very often. But Fred declared ter drunkard. His family had disown- little benefit; I had small faith in it. To my Uncle Will was known to most per- he had no notion of being left out in ed him, and would not recognize him surprise, I derived benefit from the first close One evening a gentleman went out sons as Capt. Thompson, for he sail- the cold because he happened to be when they met ham. Occasionally he My cough less me, also the soreness of my

"Little sons!" she said, gravely, "little sons, have you so soon forgotamong them which did not belong to Then it was his custom to invite three ten the sermon on the Golden Rule his filock. The shepherd, however, or four nephews to spend Christmas you thought so beautiful only last drink."

Uncle Will had never married, but Fred sullen, while Harry left no doubt swered: further and further from their rightful declared himself a jolly bachelor, quite as to his conclusions, as he trotted off 'If I thought you cared, I would companions. At last, thinking he as well off, as to children, as though for his coat, hat, and mittens. But but there is a great gulf between you must have been mistaken in supposing he had several of his own, for at his Fred had a very tender heart and lov- and me.' tleman pointed to one of them and faced company would come trooping ing at his mother, he saw what Willie said: "Are those your sheep?" And he to the house, making the old place had seen before him, tears in her ring with their merry shouts. When- gentle eyes, and it was too much for not separate them from the flock? Mrs. Wismer, his housekeeper and her he whispered, with his mouth close to tleman?

This reminds one of the words of built and there would be "great goin's you, and we can't all go, and p'raps were tears in the man's eyes now. "That's my own good boy," said his mother, lovingly. And the tender

> "Bet they'll most freeze before they kinds; then he would enjoy the quiet get back," he said to himself, in lieu and warmth of his own snug fireside, of any other comforting consideration and the nice fresh food, so different which occurred to him; but with his from the fare on ship-board. But after next breath he added, "but I don't a few days the roving nature of the want anything to spoil the time, parsailor would make him restless, and ticularly for mumsey." Then his

> "Wish I could do something else to invited to spend Christmas week at please her," he murmured. "Whew!" he exclaimed suddenly, looking up at The old house at North Harbor was the clock, as some new thought struck filled with 'curious things from all him; "here tis only two o'clock. I've parts of the world, the furniture was a great mind to tackle that wood pile! quaint and exceedingly comfortable, wonder if I couldn't get the whole while in the storeroom were dainties stack of it moved before they get dear to the childish taste, to which back? Then she'd give me 'nother the young guests could help them. those beautiful smiles and love looks, selves as they pleased. From morn- I know. Jolly! I'll try it, anyhow!

heart's content, and when the time en, paused at the steady strokes, as for departure came, each boy and the pieces of wood were deftly flung stone the frogs. He is not exactly they could possibly carry. Who "Weel, now," she said, "the lad

> was very fond of her three fine boys, but in a few moments the last of the -Willie, his namesake, Fred and load would be on top of the grand

> stairs. As Fred was removing the fast few proaching, and Uncle Will Thompson pieces, a something that looked like a letter came to light, lying on the floor vis' home. From there he would go of the cellar. With boyish curiosity he picked it up, but it was so dark he leaving the usual invitation to some could not make out the singular look delighted child, and arriving at North ing name or direction on the somewhat crushed and soiled envelope. He thrust the letter into his pocket and worked bravely on until the last Willie, Fred and Harry Jarvis had bit of wood had been transferred to each spent a week at Uncle Will's, the new pile; then going up stairs he and now the eager question in each could just see by the light at the boy's heart was, would Uncle Will be- kitchen window to read what was gin with Willie again, taking each boy written on the envelope, which he had produced at once.

> > 'To the Lad who Finds Me.' Hastily tearing open the packet, he

"My dear boy,-Willie, Fred, or mas night, other young people of the Harry: Your mother happened to say village would make quite a gay, large to-day in my hearing that in a day or party in the wide old-fashioned parlor, two a load of wood was to be put in for Uncle Will always had a room full the cellar which would probably cause some effort, possibly some sacrifice, on But Uncle Will, for some unact the part of at least one of her boys. countable reason, hung back when it But I understand the work involved came to naming his particular guest must be done by some of you. Your for that year from the Jarvis house. Uncle Will learned long years ago the hold, and he actually went away only useful lesson that only through selfsaying their mother would name the denial and manly effort can anything right boy at the right time, unless like success be achieved in life. Now, some personal discovery was made be- if all my Jarvis nephews, or if two of fore she had a chance to do so. And them, work the same length of time strangest of all, when they begged in removing the load of wood, I think their mother to end the trying sus- you will have to draw lots to find pense and tell them which was the which one shall spend Christmas this fortunate boy, she replied that she did year at Uncle Will's. Should one boy work longer than the others, the in-"I bet it's the one that behaves the vitation is for him. If only one boy

> Your affectionate uncle. WILLIAM THOMPSON.

Fred gave a shout the returning family heard through the closed doors most," put in Harry, at which the old- down on the road. Then he turned er boys laughed heartily, Harry being three somersaults, standing so long on his head at the last one that poor Sal-

"Weel, weel! the lad's gauged Jarvis' cellar, and had excited consid- strange at summat, an' no mistake!

Just then the door burst open, and ing Fred. But to their dismay he ir. formed them he was "too chuck | o' glory to come down to chawing peanuts," while Sally muttered again The wark were too sair hard for the bairn.'

As soon as his mother entered the door. Fred rushed up to her, exclaimwere eager to help her make up a box. strong enough to place that load of got the letter! I've got the letter! I It was ready in a few days. There wood, little by little where it belongs. moved the wood to please you, and were some flannels for the mother and I shall leave it with you to decide found it!" and his mother understood

That night Willie Jarvis went to bed other. Harry said if he'd "only a-been 2 Covered Dishes, 2 Casserbles, 1 Soup Tutelled about that letter there was to port, I Butter Dish, 12 Cups and Saucers, 12 the end of it, he'd a moved the wood After Dinner Cups and Saucers together, his own self."

But when papa heard the story, he

earthly reward or not. Self-denial and of 156 pieces at \$20.00 a Set. "Very well," said Mrs. Jarvis; "the manly effort, as Uncle Will says, are wood must be removed within the the only guarantees of success in life, As the weeks went by, another letnext three days, and by you boys,
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Sets will be delivered to any point contigussured Katrinb—"that they could assess the set of the set Then their mother added, in

loving way: "Be sure and remember one thing mother left the room, and there the my boys, all faithful effort and every true, loving act will be sure of a re-The next day, at dinner, Mr. Jarvis | ward some time, either in this world

Whatever happens, let us not be too Terms Cash, wholly taken up with the love of God. he left the table to go and make ar- busy to sit at Jesus' feet.—Aitken.

Saved by Kindness

We will call him Jim, for I do not remember his name. He had lost all respectability, and was a common getwith a shephere to collect his sheep, ed the seas on quick, prosperous voy- the middle man. Mrs. Jarvis looked would get a job at the stables where shoulder and said:

Jim, I wish you would give up the There was something very like But Willie looked determined and quiver of the man's lips as he ar

> 'Have I made any gulf, Jim? Think a moment before you answer.'

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