

Substance of a New Year's Sermon by G. A. Lofton, D.D., Talladega.

before, I press toward the mark for the prize -Phil. 3: 13. 14.

looked behind to see how far he had the sun till our race is run. ward.

Thus Paul represents himself. He ture, not the past, which inspires and Thank God for the future yet before two had paid in full the amounts had not "attained"-"apprehended" animates to great endeavor. No mat- you. Reach forth unto it, as Paul promised. They have nearly one hundred dollars on hand with which to into the kingdom. We are now in He had not reached the ter what we have been, or done, we did, stretching every nerve for its -as vet. proximate perfection of the best fin- can't afford to stop and sit down. We progress in development and achieve repair the chapel." He reports a ished career, however perfect as com- are soon forgotten, if we let the future ment, and fixing your eye upon the drouth during the fall months, which pared with others. Contrary to the go; and more than this, no man's goal of an everlasting prize, press, caused almost a complete failure of views of modern perfectionism, he character, or calling, is complete if press, press for the final mark. crops. The people will undoubtedly felt that he could become wiser, purer bis life work is left an unfinished job. suffer for food during the winter and Some Letters to the Secretary. and more useful-win a brighter and It takes a whole life, characterized by spring. Our church at Tsing Une more starful crown. He was not sat- a progressive development to the bit-A brother pastor sends \$11.35 from have recently bought a house and reisfied with all his past attainments in ter end, to complete the purpose and his church and Sunday-school, and paired it as a chapel, and have moved grace, nor with all his past achieve aim of human existence. A grand in. They are having good opportuadds: "We tried the envelope plan; it ments in work. He would forget, work is often ruined, and had as well nities for preaching, and are happy. worked well." The striking part is, therefore, the things behind him, never been begun, by the unfortunate They have been without a chapel for the Sunday-school collection is larger and reach forth into grander devel- close of a man's career. Death may three years. They have had two rentthan that from the church. I think opments before him; still press on for stop a work begune but if zeal and ed houses torn down by mobs. . I hope the prize of his high calling of God in purpose characterized its beginner up the following letter from another part their own house will fare better. do rejoice to see our members in their district of the Canaan Association Christ Jesus. Ilis course was unfin. to the hour of its close the work will, of the State will explain this: ished; and he discovered that sancti- ordinarity, perpetuate itself in some "This is from my piney woods poverty, abounding in liberality. fication was a progressive growth in other man, thus impressed by the church, \$2.85. I like to use the en Rev. W. J. Hunnex, Chin Kiang, is in Switzerland, resting. He writes: January, 1887, commencing Saturday wisdom, holiness and effort, until we work itself and the character of its velopes. I find out who contributes reach, the fullness of the stature of a originator. Not so with unfinished to our mission work by their use, and "I have not been idle since we came morning before at 10 o'clock. The here, as I have given three addresses following programme will be observed man in Christ Jesus, if, indeed, we jobs picked up and laid down by the can try to educate those who do not. can ever reach it here below, save by faltering, vacillating creature who I find that many of our older members on China-its needs and claims. Two starts well on life's course, hut stops, approximation. do not like the evelope plan (in fact of these were given at the Internation-Hence, Paul could not afford to sit or turns back. they do not like mission work.) I am | al Young Men's Christian Association down upon what he was, or had done, Paul reached forth unto the things depending largely on my young mem- Headquarters, and the third to the lagreat as it was! His heavenly calling of the future, even forgetting the bers: they seem willing to do what dies of the Young Women's Christian could not be fulfilled short of the end things behind him. Thank God for they can. It is my aim, with God's Association here. At the first of these wind, subject: The effect of the con of life's course. The prize could not the future which even lies ahead of help to raise in my churches the meetings there were present nearly be expected, if, however close to the every man; and thank God for his amounts asked for by the association." 200 young men." goal, he should cease to press. Look- promises to us, if that future is im-There is tood for reflection here: Rev. C. W. Pruitt, Tung Chow, ing unto Iesus, the author and finish- proved and utilized, however short, 1. Its a "piney woods church." says: "I have lately assumed the pas-Some brethren tell me the envelopes toral care of the two churches of our conducting fifth Sunday' meetings er of his faith, "the faith," and who Let us pick up courage upon this held the crown of righteousness in his point. The time may be short, the will do for the city churches, but not Board in this province, the aggregate Revs. D. I. Purser and G. D. Staton. hand, at the end of the stadium, the day far spent and the night at hand, for the country, but it is demonstrated of whose membership is about 150. apostle determined not to flatter him- but God will prosper and bless the that they will do as well in one place There is a little nest of these disciples, self with the perfection of his race, so work of even the "eleventh hour" as another, if the people are willing to belonging to both the churches, about and James Hogan. far and so well run. He resolved to man who will enter the vineyard. try and the pastor has any missionary 20 n.il:s from Tung Chow, which I hold on, hold fast, and hold out with Yea, he will give him the "penny zeal about him. took occasion to visit last week. patience to the glorious end. He of the whole day laborer, if he is only 2. The old folks don't like the plan, These brethren, though seldom hearkept his eye on Jesus, and upon his faithful to the end. Discouraged but the young people do. I will not ing a sermon or receiving a pastoral prize, like the needle to the pole. By Christian heretofore, sluggard, thou comment upon this. I got into trouble visit, he found as earnest as the averand by, he exultingly shouted, "I man about to stop, here is encourage with some old folks last fall about cer- age American under similar circumhave fought a good fight, I have fin- ment for you all. Reach forth unto tain remarks I made about this en- stances. I observed among their heath- schools? (Sunday morning 9:30 velope business. But I am not re- en peighbors a much better spirit than o'clock.') Rev. J. M. Huey. and T. ished my course. I have kept the the things of the future, and let the faith." The time of his departure present and the past go. The future, W. Long. sponsible for all that the reader of this I expected to find. Persecution, exhad come, and he was ready to be de- however brief, is full of hope and may think about a certain set of our' cept in rare cases, amounts to little. livered; and, at the end of his great work and growth. Let this be your readers who stand against all prog- But there is a hoary custom which holds and glorious conflict, he could look mighty inspiration. ress, who will not remember that all these heathen neighbors in the grip over to heaven and see Jesus, the 3. The last lesson of Paul's figure "things ain't like they use to was." of a vise. What we need is more righteous judge, holding his crown in is the animating motive to the race of There are several other points in this men who can go amongst these peohis hand, ready for the great torona- the glorious prize at the end of the brother's letter worthy of attention, ple and warm them up by the touch tion day. The point of hi lest at course. It is not the prize of salvabut this is enough. I will say though, of love. tainment-apprehension, per ction- kion, but of reward. The evidence this brother is going to succeed with Rev. J. W. Joiner, Whunghien, al had been reached, only at the end of salvation is that we are on the race. his churches because his heart is in luding to the difficulties of the work of glorious and beautiful life. "We and that we run it to the end. Salvahis work, and he has a head full of in morth China, savs: "I believe there tion by grace put us on the race; and done, good and faithful servant." ommon sense has been a work done here in this end Herein we learn a few important Jesus, the sinner's friend, will bring Another letter from a deacon in a of China which will require far more us to the end. There is no doubt lessons: country church: "I find tit the best time and effort to undo than was nec-1. We are to forget the things be- about this, but the evidence of resystem I have ever seen. More mem- essary to do it, and still it must be unhind us, no matter how lofty our spir- demption by grace is that we get on bers are reached by it. It reaches done before the gospel can save these ington county. A full representation itual attainments, no matter how sub- the track and run out to the end. I some who would otherwise contribute people. The impression has been of the board is desired, as some imlime our achievements. We are we stop on the way permanently, or nothing. It gives a certain amount made, the Lord knows how, that the portant business is to come up before never to be satisfied with what we are turn back, we are but ostensible of work to some who would not know gospel is a money making and power- the Board. The introductory sermon doing or have done for God. There is racers. We climbed over the wall they were members did we not have getting machine, if only a man can will be preached by Eld. S. M. Tuckno furlough, much less a discharge in and got on the pilgrim's way without the distribution and collection of en- get at it right. When this idea can be er at 11 o'clock Saturday. The fol-God's service. The older and the God's grace, and without the qualifivelopes. We like the plan very much." | worked out of them is more than man lowing subjects will be discussed durbetter we get, the more we have done, cations for successful running to the He wrote me to send him 1,000 en- can tell. Now, I write this not bethe harder we should press for the end. Every true child of God will cause I wish to find fault, nor is it velopes. The money for all our Boards prize of our high calling. There is run out to the end somehow, poorly because I find pleasure in dwelling dividually in sending the gospel into comes regularly from this church. no stopping point on the race course, and ploddingly, it may be, but he will I have another word from Bro. Dill, upon detects, but to let you see what the world. / Opening address by Jono time to look back, no time to get up, or get on, again, and at last of Tuscaloosa: "The church adopted a field of thistles we have fallen heir seph Gresham, Sr. pause and survey our surroundings. run out to the end, whether he loses the envelope system of the State Misto from which to gather figs. So if 2 The best method of enlisting The race course for the crown of glory his reward or gains it. He may "sufour gathering is extremely slow be not every member to contribute to the sion Board and is pleased with it. knows no such conduct in the racer. fer loss" and get out "by the skin of surprised, and we will try not to be cause of Christ. Opened by Eld. T. Our collection for Ministerial Educa-And yet, how many professed his teeth," he "saved so as by fire," tion brought in nearly double our usudisheartened, the Lord strengthening E. Tucker. Christians are stopping to trouble with but he will get there. al contribution for this purpose, and us."

Forgetting the things Behind Us, not to stop to trouble with anything, grace for every trial, and then gives us Tidings from Our Foreign Fields, for various purposes. The above figgood or bad, which may be behind the crown of reward, as well as the us. Jesus says, "Let the dead bury salvation by grrce. Yet, by God's

their dead." Put your hand to the grace we win the prize, nevertheless; "Brethren, I count not myself to have ap- plow and look not back, neither stop and we shall be filled with its joy and prehended; but this one thing I do, forget-ting those things which are behind, and to look at the sun, in order to see the be crowned with its glory when we are reaching forth unto those things which are time of your short life's day. Sun- rewarded with it. It will be better of the high calling of God 'in Christ Jesus." down is the time to stop the plow, un- than going to heaven empty-handed. Brethren, the meaning of this text, hitch your horse, and go home to rest.

The apostle drew a splendid figure We have no dinner time of day. We to-day, is "Go forward!" Let us toof himself from the Olympic Games. eat and drink as we go, but we plow day simply bury the past, so far as it The racer pressing for the prize never on to the end of the row, nor look at does not constitute a motive to future progress and a hope of our glorious

run, nor how close his antagonist was 2. The text presents us the sublime reward. Remember your high callupon him. He looked neither to the motive in the race, which arises from ing of God in Christ Jesus, and let us right, nor to the left, at the multitude the hopes and prospects of futurity determine to honor God by a fidelity that gazed upon the contest and before us. Pauls reached forth unto we have never shown, and to wear a shouted the triumph of the victor. the things before him, stretched him- grown bright and full of the stars of Relieved of every besetting obstacle, self upon the race which still lay spiritual conquest. Let 1887 be full and every retarding weight, schooled ahead of him. The glory of growth of prayer and praise and work for in the regimen of the abstemious con- and work ahead of him was sufficient Jesus. Some of you may finish your tender for prizes he ran with patience to arouse his zeal and energy for infi- course this year. God may have althe race before him, ever keeping his nitely more than he had ever attained, ready said of some of you, "This year eye on the goal and the crown ahead, if possible. The love of future pro- shalt thou die." Let us, then, redeem and, pressing every nerve and muscle gressive development gives mighty the time and fill up the measure of and energy of his body, he stretched impulse and inspiration to the true this brief span with an abounding and himself for the mastery and the re- and enterprising-heroic-Christian. fruitful labor in the Lord, knowing It is pursuit, not possession, the fu- that no labor in the Lord is in vain.

From Foreign Mission Journal.

CHINA. Miss Sallie Stien, Canton, writes fire consuming a number of houses round hers, while hers was saved although "the fire got within three yards of me, and I could see the flames as if they were peeping around the back corner of my house."

Dr. R. H. Graves, Canton, says: 'I again have to face the question of going to the United States. I am very reluctant to go as long as I can do my work here, but if two years' rest will enable me to do efficient work again, ny judgment tells me it is best to go. My eyes trouble me-the sight ben juite dim-so that I can use them but little. They will probably not be better until I get strong. I hope we may soon have a young man here to help in the work."

Rev. E. Z. Simmons, Canton, speaking of the recent purchase of a chapel of their own, by the Shir Hing church, says: "Out of 47 members, 45 had subscribed, and all but

ures apply to Bahia local church. The Bahia mission includes three churches, 5 ordained preachers, t centiates, and 126 members. Behold. what God hath wrought! Three were baptized recently in Maccio. We have several hopeful cases here. An at-

tempt to blow up the church with a bomb, during services, failed. Threats of violence are common. ITALY. Rev. J. H. Eager reports the death

of Mrs. Basile, wife of the pastor Naples. The evangelicals of Naples have been most kind and attentive to our fond old brother and his daugh terring, this time of special affliction. Two of our evangelists have been left widowers within a month's time. May the "God of comfort' comfort them in their affliction! Oc tober 18th Master Geo. Taylor Eager

#### was born. MEXICO

Rev. W. D. Powell writes Nov. oth: We have now been twelve days in the mountains. More than twenty candidates have been received and five baptized. Others are pressing Rayones, a town of three thousand inhabitants. No wagon, buggy or wheeled conveyance, can come within thirty miles of the place. The outlook is fine. I have three Mexican brethren with me. The growth of the work is so marvellous, that we must soon have more native helpers. Is there not some wealthy brother who would support a man, until next?

> Fifth Sunday Meeting. The Second meeting of the central will convene with the Pratt Mines Baptist church on the fifth Sunday in 1st, Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, address of welcome by the pastor Bro. J. C. Hudson; response by some

Fifth Sunday Meeting. dred and friends in Alabama, with whom, had it been the will of God, I Programme for the meeting of should have been delighted to live first district of the Canaan Associa tion, to be held with Central church. beginning Friday before the fifth Sabbath in January, 1887. Introductory Sermon, G. A. Chum

2. What is it to be a Christian. L. Thurman, J. M. Pressley and L. Watson. a. Saturday morning at 9 o'clock.

The obligations resting on us as Baptists to educate young ministers, J. T. Herring, J. P. Pearson and S. R. C. Adams

4 What is the best method of raising funds for the cause of Christ? G. T. Green, R. L. Watts and W. B. McCombs.

5. Wherein are we as Baptists different from other denominations? S. R. C. Adams, I. W. Dorman and R. W. Inzer.

Sunday-school mass meeting Sunday morning at 9 o'clock. Come brethren and help us. M. T. BRANHAM,

On part of Com Work of the Colored Baptists in

Alabama.

Mr. Editor: Please allow me space in your paper to state the nature of our work. The colored Baptists of the State are supporting a university located at Selma, Ala., in which we are educating our ministers. We are also doing a State mission work, which includes the Sunday-school

education of the ministry is an imation given, in regard to the day of the portant feature of our work, for it is, week upon which each day of the

Very truly,

Letter from Bro. Catt. Smith. Bro. Renfroe : Baptist churches are and die; but many of us will still live slow to learn that business shape together in the New Terusalem, "the should be given to all business transcity of the great King," the home of actions. For instance, a church calls all the saved. I am sure that the a fastor, the matter is purely a church time is very short until we shall meet act. She also votes to raise a given again; and, while I cannot say that I such to pay for pastoral work, this, am tired of life, I do not regret that like the other, is a church act, and my stay here will be brief. The fu- the church should be held responsi ture, so crowded with glories and ble for it, in the moral and religious bliss, is just a little way ahead; and, world, equally as much so, as an inat times, I almost wish myself done dividual is for his contracts, so that with time. But for the opportunity when the church fails to meet her obwhich' time affords me of glorifying literations, she will naturally drop to God. I should be anxious to depart. Her proper place in the public scale Wishing all the readers of the ALA- of estimation. It is all wrong that a BAMA BAPTIST a happy New Year, Serson who professes to know the and a happy life succeeding it, I am Lord should be held responsible for his debts, in the public mind, and be-A. S. WORRELL. fore the courts of the land, except his church debts.

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Literary Notes. Now I assume that a person is mor-Talmage Daily Calendar for 1887, ally bound to meet his religious obpublished by the Brooklyn Magazine ligations. But a great many decide is worthy of a notice in our paper. Is cause there is no law of the land by The design of the board was made by which their property can be made re-Mr. George R. Halm, the portrait of sponsible for their church debts, they Dr. Talmage by Sarony, of New do not grow uneasy about the York, specially for this Calendar. If matter. Consequently to honor the contains a leaf for each day of the Lord with the first fruits, is the excepyear with an extract from the sermons tith rather than the rule the rule beof Talmage. The price of the Calen- ing to give the remains, if there be dar is 50 cents. It makes a very use- any, to the Lord's cause, and if there ful gift. is ho remainder, the matter is passed. The preacher is the only one that suf-The Emerson Calendar for 1887 ers. If the pastor resigns there is Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston another preacher ready to take his fifty cents. This Calendar is on work. Our attention is also given to plan entirely new, the chief features place, whether the church has paid up or not. The retiring pastor is defeated the importance of temperance. The of which are the additional informain his collections, and can not meet his debts, because the church sits lown on him. But he is the only year will fall, the consecutive number disgraced in the whole business. of each day of the year, the days on Now, in order to get at the root of the matter, and let the disgrace rest where it should, I suggest, the birth of famous men, ecclesiasti 1st. That no minister should accept the pastoral charge of any church, until she has arranged to meet her obigations to the former pastor. and. That Baptist churches are the quardians of these interests, and evening stars. should hold each member in her fel The decorations include an excellowship to account for his or her lent portrait, and the symbolic pinepromises, just as surely as any court tree also appears in the design. of the land does. Not to proceed border of conventionalized pansies against the property of the members. runs across the top, and the coloring but to exercise her disciplinary funcis as admirable as the sentences which tions, even to the exclusion of a memthe Calendar contains. ber, who does not stand square to Chautauqua Gem Calendar, with their obligations, and financial promdoubtful, I think, whether there is Sunday-school golden texts and daily ises. another portion of the western conti- Scripture promises, for 1887, com- I think, sir, when the ministry rethese lands is becoming known, and day of the week, and that the quota- intended by the Savior to be. they are rising in price very rapidly. tions are on the same line of thought. Another great end would be accom Corn, cotton, wheat, oats, barley, &c., This is an entirely original and new plished. At present we have through grow with great luxuriance, and the arrangement, and one of great helps sympathy towards our old preachers. yield is enormous, when the seasons fulness. This Calendar is not only made some little effort to make hit. The present year has been un adapted to readers of the C. L. S. C. amends for the careless management usually dry, and yet the cotton crop course of reading, but to members of tof churches in former days, by raising the Young People's Society of Christ an Indigent Ministers' fund, but if tian Endeavor, also to Sunday-school these suggestions were adopted by our been produced, the crop has well teachers and Christian workers gets churches, there would not long exist erally. Retail price, in box for mail the necessity for such a fund, for I Everything seems to be plentiful ing, 50 cents: Anderson & Kruns, dare say, that if all the pledges made here, and the people generally appear No. 7 Bond Street, New York City by the churches to these brethren, in the prime of life were redeemed, they A BEAUTIFUL BAPTIST GIFT. would have the comforts of life. One of the very best and mos And further, the men of the world popular Baptist books ever issuel would have more confidence in the from the Baptist press of America 3 "Grace Truman, or Love and Prin. religion of Christ. We have a very small opinion of the man that does not iple." by Mrs. Sallie Rochester Ford. 75,000 copies have been pay his debts, and what may we exsold. It will be sent, with any name pect the world to think of an institu tion that does not meet its obligations? embossed with gold letters on the If any set of men need encourageback, for \$1.50. "Ford's Christian ment on this earth, it is the ministers, Repository, and Home Circle," 150 and I know of nothing more discour-Baptist Monthly, edited by Dr. aging to them than the present loose-Mrs. Ford, \$2.50 per year. "Grace ness among the churches, just on this Truman," and the "Christian Reput point of failing to meet their obligatory," for one year, for \$3 ob tions to the pastors. If the churches "Lydia, or the Power of Truth," would stand by and sustain the gifts instructive serial by Mrs. Ford, com that God has blessed them with, that menced in the November number is the ministry, the warfare with the The November and December num world and Satan would be much lightbers sent free to all new subscribers

denomination. the things behind them! Thousands Salvation is not the question in we hope to double our contributions BRAZIE. sponsible for the efficiency of the min-The Texas Baptist and Herald has Rev. E. A. Puthuff, Santa Barbara, istry? Opened by Eld. W. H. De brood over the past, or else congratu- volved, except in evidence or develto all objects. I think churches which now. Address S. H. Ford, St. Louis, er. If the Devil can be put out and been much improved of late, both in late themselves with what they have opment. God holds out a fadeless reports that church in better condition witt adopt this system, and work it faithkept out of the church, his outside in ance and matter. The propriaccomplished. Some are nursing its crown to the successful racer. This fully, will be surprised at the results. than for years. Outlook encouraging 4. To what extent is the ministry fluence will be much easier met. etor, Dr. S. A. Hayden, seems resorrows, its misfortunes and failures, is the animating motive of reward to Good literary schools are greatly need-A brother in a town church writes. responsible for the development of A useful little pamphlet, and solved to bring his paper strictly to a Just one other thought and then I raking among the smoldering embers fidelity. It is perfectly right to strike ed. Baptists ought to supply them the churches? Opened by T. W. after using it successfully in his Sunprinted in excellent style, is "Lessons cash basis at the beginning of 1887. am done. The calling and paying of for lost hopes, and a multitude are for such a prize. It is not a matter day-school: . "All that is needed to now. and Golden Texts for 1887." It is Hall. This, it seems to me, is the only fair a pastor is a church matter. Then opening forever the old wounds of of selfishness, nor of ambition, else make your envelope system a grand Rev. E. H. Saper, Rio de Janeiro, very useful compilation, embracing 5. The duty of every Christian to method of running a paper; and if a why do members deadbeat the church grief and grievance to see them bleed God had not held out the motive to reports for October, three professions success, is a live man to introduce list of the lessons and Golden Text exercise an influence, and to put forth people will not support a paper on a by long explanations to the pastors, afresh. Some are even penitent, and us. After all we look for 'our starry of faith, three baptisms, twenty-three them." Yes, a "live man," or woman, every effort to win others to Christ. for each Sunday, a Calendar, Chron giving the reasons why their subscripcash basis, I think it is safe to assume yet never repentant of sin; while oth- crown; the crown of life and right-Portuguese and nine Englishs ervices. ological Tables, and the Ten Com where the men will not give time and Opened by J. W. Granade that they will not support it at all. tions are not paid? It is a matter ers are ever reveling in the fleshpots eousness, at the hands of a righteous Rev. Z. C. Taylor, Bahia, writes attention to it. They need, too, not a mandments. A teacher could not de about which the pastor has, and wants All the brethren will be expected Texas assumes the right of supplyof Egypt, as they call to remembrance judge, not as a matter of merit, but of that the Bahia church celebrated its simple introduction, but a continued better than to put a copy into she to take part in discussing these subing her own Sunday-school literature. nothing to do. You can not make a their half renounced pleasures and grace. We give God all the glory, hands of each scholar. It is neatly 4th anniversary, Oct. 15th. The reand persistent following up. jects. Preaching will be arranged debt with one party and settle with Brother Kit Williams, with the aid of treasures. This is even a thousand both of salvation and of reward. We sult of our four years' work in Bahia These are samples of the many letprinted by the American Baptist Pub by the deacons of Union church. another, unless the third party has pastors Hanks and Spalding, is pubtimes worse than stopping to pause deserve nothing, and we owe all to shows 93 baptized; present memberters I am constantly receiving, and I lication Society, 1420 Chestnut St. purchased the debt. This the pastor T. E. TUCKER. lishing a good paper, with graded lesover, or to be satisfied with, past at God. We are but unprofitable seram publishing these extracts that ship 69, some having been excluded, Philadelphia. has not done. So your settlements, It is the crushed olive that yields, sons, &c. It is announced that a tainments and achievements. It is vants, even when we have done our churches and pastors may be encoursome having died, and some dismissbrethren's should be made with the The true Christian is like the not thus that Paul teaches us. We duty, done the best we could. God the oil; the pressed grape that gives large publishing house, under the di-forth the wine, and it was the smitten rection of Dr. Hayden and others, ed to other churches. About 6,000 aged to give them a fair trial. church, and I will guarantee that if which pursues his noiseless track, and rection of Dr. Hayden and others, are to lay aside every weight, and the saves us by grace, puts us on the race Bibles have been sold, and 100,000 rock that gave the people water. So W. B. CRUMPTON. you settle with the church, she will everywhere leaves the effects of his will be opened up soon in Dallas, the besetting sin, in order to run with pa- course, gives us the power to run, tracts, books, papers, sermons, invi- it is the broken, contrite heart that is beams in a blessing upon the world settle with the pastor. tations, &c., published and distributed. most rich in holiness and most fra- Atlanta of Central Texas. tience the race set before us; and then prompts us to press with vigor on, He that has no character is not a I often think of my many dear kin- around him.-[Luther. Goodwater. CATT. SMITH. when the race is under full headway, keeps us faithful to the end, gives us man; he is only a thing.-[Chamfort. Amount raised by the church \$1,500 grant in grace.

brother to be appointed by the Chairnan of the meeting. ition of the church upon the preach ing of the word. Rev. W. C. Cleve-

land, D. D., and G. T. Green. 3rd, subject: The best method o 4th, subject: Duties of members to their pastors. Revs. W. A. Hobson 5th, subject: Duties of Christians i tegard to the cause of temperance.

(Saturday night). R. W. Beck and R. I. Waldrop. 6th, subject: What are the best methods of conducting Sunday-

Preaching Sunday morning at o'clock by Rev. W. A. Hobson. Brethren will please take notice the appointment of this meeting, and be sure to be on hand, and let us try to make the meeting interesting as well as profitable.

G. G. MILES, Chair'r Com. Antioch Association.

The meeting of the executive board of Antioch Association and district meeting for fifth Sunday in January will be held at Union church, Wash-

1. The part to be taken by each

3. To what extent is the church re-

impossible for us to succeed without an educated ministry. We have been trying for some time to carry on this which the moon is new and full, the work under the great difficulty of anniversaries of noted events, and of financial embarrassment. And as our school is supported by donations cal and civil days, information rerom individuals we ask our white specting rates of postage, and measbrethren and friends to give us all the ures of length, weight, and capacity; aid they can. We will be thankful also dates of the eclipses during the for it, in whatever way, it may suit year 1887, and of the morning and them best to give it.

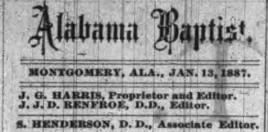
M. TYLER, Pres't, Col. Bap. State Convention Letter from Texas.

The longer I remain in Texas, the better I like it, albeit the portion of the State in which I reside is very far above the average. Indeed, it is

nent that contains as much good land piled by Miss M. A. Barney, con- Juses longer to co-operate with the in a body as we have here in eight or tains a leaf for every day in the year. churches in this neglect, the churches ten counties. This land is black, and Each leaf contains, choice selections will feel the disgrace, and when they very rich, the soil varying from one from the best of American and Eng- begin to hold their members to acto ten or fifteen feet in depth. It is lish poets and prose writers. This is sount they will feel it, and the evil claimed that some of these lands have the third year of the C. L. S. C. Cal-will in a great measure be remedied been in cultivation for thirty to forty endar, and is a great improvement, and many, yea, very many of our pasyears, and that, though no tertilizers over former issues. The leading featiors would be relieved, and would have been used, it is quite as produc- ture in the new calendar is that they vote a vote of thanks, that the churchtive as it ever was. The value of scripture promise is given for eachings had come to be, what they were

in this portion of the State has been enormous: and, though so much has nigh all been gathered and sold. contented and happy.

The Baptist cause in this state is making very rapid progress. Bro. A. J. Holt, the financial secretary and superintendent of missions, is a man of great energy and efficiency, and through his efforts, well seconded by a large number of zealous and nious Baptists throughout the State, the Baptists are rapidly possessing the field. Bro. Jeff. Ray, State Superintendent of Baptist Sunday-schools, is doing a magnificent work in his line. Many thousands of Texas children are thus gathered into Baptist Sunday schools, and many of them will, doubtless, be attached to our church, who else would drift into some other



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A STATEMENT.

Possibly it is a matter of surprise to the readers of the ALABAMA BAPTIST to learn that I have accepted the call of the Southside Baptist church in Birmingham, and have already entered on my work as pastor of

THE DEACON'S OFFICE. CHARGE PREPARED FOR THE ORDI NATION OF SOME DEACONS.

Dear Brethren: Deacons are selected by the popular voice of the church to take the place of office bearers in the house of God.

Men are called to the work the ministry by the Holy Spirit, but to the deacon's office by the popular favor of the church; and therefore in is the greatest honor which a church can bestow on one or more of her

When we consider the fact that the New Testament provides for but two offices in the gospel church, and that one of these is the deacon's office, it once rises to a position of very at great magnitude. It is an apostolic office-I mean, it originated not with Christ in person, but with the necessities of the case under apostolic appointment. I say "with the necessities of the case," for it was suggested the most significant circumstances. and as an absolute necessity. A more sublime point has never occurred in the

onward movement of the kingdom of Christ than that which distin guished the infant church in the de cade which gave rise to this office I wish I could speak at some length of those times when the "reign

grace" began to overturn the effete formalism of an antiquated system. and when the law of the new king dom commenced its address to all the world, and when the church began to realize that it comprised a government. and that, as that government dealt with men, it must have its secular as well as its spiritual departments of clining it.

The church of Christ is God's poor house-God's Lazaroni. Among her early converts there were many of the poor; widowhood and orphanage began at once to cling to the promises and seek the blessings of the church. While the bounty which was gathered in the Jerusalem church was not meant to be a permanent policy, it created the necessity for a permanent office. "And in those days, when the

was multi

as long as the pastor and deacons administer the duties of their offices in harmony with the best interests of the

church, an appeal to church authority is unnecessary. And thus very many things rest in the hands of the constiutional officers of the church. We, however, should not forget that

the church has the right to call us to reckoning at will. And the officers should claim the right to submit stated reports to the popular assembly as a vindication of themselves, and that

the church may see that the official work is being done. It is especially the work of deacons to assist the pasor in the administration of ordinances. For the administration of baptism they should see that every preparation is

made, and every assistance rendered. that this most beautiful rite may be performed decently and in order. Baptists are justly obnoxious much of the criticism which is pronounced against them for their care-

less administration of this sublime or dinance. It is the duty of deacons and pastors to see that there is no oom for this criticism

And we are sometimes equally chensible for our carelessness in idministration of the Lord's supper. After all, I think we make less of this ordinance than any other people. Why is this? We suffer criticism to drive us into embarrassment.

It is the duty of deacons to serve his table with wise preparation, prudent execution, and grave and dignified bearing. It is their duty with the pastor to see that the whole membership approach the Lord's table, or

render a satisfactory reason for de-You will observe that I have said ger comes to him. So true is it that

othing of that graphic delinaation of the graphic character of the deacon in the summons comes. It comes to the one of the Epistles to Timothy. The deacon should read that passage often ed plans; it comes to the lawyer while and make a personal application of it preparing his brief; it comes not into himself.

All that is said of the deacon in the jecting his crop; it comes to the phy-New Testament shows that he is to be sician at times while prescribing for pre-eminently a religious man, a his patient; it comes to the minister in Christian man, a man of faith, and a the round of his sacred duties. No man sound in the faith, above re- obligation, however imperative, can

THE KNOTTY QUESTION.

Dr. Tichengr's Response to Dr. While we have no sympathy for Tupper. lawlessness, yet there is a limit to the Rev. H. A. Tupper, D.D.

forbearance of oppressed labor, and DEAR BROTHER-I am in receipt c it is not safe for capitalists to tamper an advance copy of your article enwith that limit. It has already given titled, "Respects to Dr. I. T. Ticherise to those communistic and anar- nor."

chial combinations, and those labor You and I, my brother, have been strikes that have already cost the placed by our brethren in position commerce of our country hundreds which render it impossible for us t of millions of dollars. Money is not engage in a controversy with each king when brains, and bone, and mus- other without such injury to the cause cle combine to contest its right to of Christ as would grieve the heart of rule. Power, in this country, wheth-

every true disciple of our Master. er political or material, follows ma-Such controversy, could we see all its jorities in the long run. And once sad consequences, would be enough dissolve the sympathy, the good will to bring us both with sorrow to the and confidence between capital and grave. labor, and nothing can save our vast Profoundly impressed

monied monopolies from utter bankthought, I feel that fidelity to my Savruptcy. The only hope of these moior, and the welfare of dying men. nopolies is to inspire the respect and forbid me to make reply to the many confidence of that labor that has made them what they are, and on which article.

they are to depend for the future. I know that failure to correct mis The whole interests of the country takes you have made and misappreare bound up in keeping labor and hensions under which you labor, may capital in hearty sympathy. When prove a serious detriment to my repu-

this respect and confidence turns to tation among some of my brethren, hatred and revenged it herds and may embarrass the work of the no prophet to predict the on-coming ruin. Board with which I am connected. If the men who compose the vast syn-But no consideration of self, no temdicates are wise, they will, on all porary injury to my Board, can inproper occasions, accord to their emduce me to do what. I am sure, would ployes whatever is due to "men of bring sorrow and shame to the great like passions with themselves." Baptist brotherhood of the South,

S. H. DEATH OF MRS. NANCY HAM. Perhaps one of the most striking things about death is its surprises.

There is scarcely one in a thousand who is not surprised when the messen-"in such an hour as we think not,"

merchant in the midst of his unfinishfrequently to the farmer while pro-

by the brethren taking part and interesting themselves in the work.

Fifth Sunday Meeting

is being checkered by failroads. New

towns are springing up all over the

country. People are rapidly settling

here from nearly every clime, and in

a few years St. Clair county will stand

second to none in point of population.

and these people must have the gos-

pel, and the Cahaba Valley Associa-

tion is doing comparatively nothing

towards giving them, the gospel.

gathering in the interest of missions.

We also request that collections be

taken in all the churches, and as

much money brought up as can be

raised. Pledges that liave been made

for brethren Ralls and Lovell that

have not been paid should be paid

then Brethren, if any of you are

not inclined to come, go to God in

prayer and ask to be led by the spirit.

PROGRAMN

Preaching at 7 p. m. Friday by H.

and how

Hence the need of action,

Association Minutes Wanted.

My purpose is to make an earner Will you allow us, through the col imns of the ALABAMA BAPTIST, to appeal to the pastors, all of the pas tors, of our association, to come call the attention of the brethren of ward and take part, talk up the meet the Cahaba Valley Association to ng, and have all the brethren to com meeting that has been called by the Executive Committee, to be held with with you. It is proposed to hold th meeting for the fifth Sabbath in Ian New Hope church, Eden commencing on Friday night before the fifth Sab- Mud Creek, uary with the church at New Hope on the G. P. R. R., and I am. bath in January, 1887? The object of this meeting is strictly in the interpastor of said church, instructed by he church to extend an invitation to est of missions. This association is all that will come. They will meet composed mostly of churches in St. hearty welcome, by the church and Clair county, numbering about 2,300 members, in a rich and fertile coun-

ommunity. Come, brethren, if the try. Our valleys abound yearly in meeting proves a failure it will be our fault. If we could realize the interest rich harvests of the golden grain exercised by our devoted committee and the fleecy staple. The hills and we surely would bestir ourselves mountains are laden with untole quantities of mineral. The country

Then think of the sacred interest in trusted to us by the Savior. Brethren, study and pray over the and grievous things contained in your matter, and come to New Hope and let us advise and work together. There will be a programme published in due time. We would be glad to

have some visiting brethren come over and help us. J. A. GLENN. Ashville.

### Texas Letter.

Having promised so many of t dear brethren and sisters in Alabam to write when I got home I have con cluded that, with your consent, would make one letter answer for all. Please insert the following in your valuable paper and do them and myself a kindness. Beloved, you know not how glad I am to write this loveletter to you all.

I started home from Alexander City on the first day of December with the intention of stopping a day or two with my aunt Brooks, near Dudleyville, where I arrived the same evening. When my time was up it commenced raining and freezing. It beng seven miles back to the railroad, concluded I would wait a day longer, when it commenced showing, and instead of a day or two it was eight days before I could get back to the railroad, and still the whole country was covered with frozen snow. I left

of cold, and I know not whether I

Secretary needs Minutes of The Statistica e following associations, and would b hankful to any brother who can send him either. 'If you can furnish, please mail at WM. A. DAVIS.

Sec'y, Montgomery, Ala Statistical Irbacoochee. Clear Creek. Carey. Macedonia. Svergreen, Pea River, Indian Creek Sandy Creek, Town Creek, Vellow Creek Southeastern Froy, Zion.

Receipts of State Mission Board for

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important is it that we act at once. Consequently this meeting was called. Mt. Carmel church. ittle Sandy church, and we urge that every minister in arev Association. the association, and every minister Cusseta church. who has charge of churches in the asellowship church, Cherokee Associat sociation, be present In fact, ev-Antioch church, erybody is invited. Brethren, come one, come all, and let is have a grand

Ruhamah churdh elma church, L Little Sandy church. anafalia church, ... anafalia Sunday-scho rovidence church. Carey Association. usseta church. Fellowship church,

Ministerial Education

B. Ralls; in the afternoon by H. E. Harris. At o a. m. Saturday the meeting will be called to order by Hon. J. W

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have inflicted upon me until it shall be the pleasure of the Master, in some way, to vindicate me without imperiling his cause,

If such vindication delay to come, day by day, I shall look up to him and say, "Master, I wait thy time. If not here, then hereafter bring forth my righteousness as the light and my judgment as the noonday." If I could see you face to face, and

you would allow me to do it, I would take you by the hand and say, without one harsh accent upon my tongue, or one unkind feeling in my heart, my brother, you have greatly misunderstood my words and actions and have

I will endure, as patiently as I can, whatever of wrong your utterances

church. For this change it is unnecessary to state more than two reasons.

1st. My connection with the ALA-BAMA BAPTIST as my chief work was not sufficiently remunerative to furnish a support for my family. Four months of toil and anxiety and meager income convinced me of this.

and. Southside is a very important field. It has seemed to me that it was the will of God that I should enter it. I have done so, looking to him for the gracious presence and help of his Holy Spirit, and will give heart and energy to this work.

After the facts were all before us Bro. Harris agreed with me as touch ing this step. My name will remain with the writing force of the paper for the present.

J. J. D. RENFROE WE trust our readers will tolerate the notes of our address on the deacon's office, which was prepared for an ordination service at the Adam's street church which was expected there last Thursday evening. It is in substance that which we have delivered on several occasions as a charge to new deacons.

DR. TICHENOR'S article in this issue of our paper will close the controversy on that subject in our columns. We bespeak for both of the Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention the warmest and most hearty support of the Baptists of Alabama. Whatever may be the differences of opinion touching the questions handled in this discussion, there should be but one opinion concerning the demands of the great work which has been committed to their charges and an in creased and universal liberality should come up from the churches for their support, and at the earliest practicable day and continuously.

### ORDINATION OF DEACONS. practical application of the system

power of darkness" that culminated in their first duty will be to serve the ta mons, so objectionables to some, are try, as pastor of this church. I examafter Jesus. May God in his provi-On Sunday, the 19th of December, and Nancy Henderson, was born in the tragedy of Calvary. ing, and all who attended felt the ble of the poor. This will appear in dence spread his wings of love us to understood by all to involve baptism, ined him on his religious experience, a presbytery, consisting of Rev. J. H. Talladega Dec. oth, 1841, and died But there are people whom we all spirit of missions. his heavenly kingdom. which, after all, is the great point of great force when we remember that a call to the ministry, and doctrine. Foster, D.D., Rev. W. S. Hender-There have been many cases of sickat her home, as we said, near Sylanow of whom we can say that while All being satisfactory we proceeded church keeps house for God; the denominational divergence. JAMES M. ROSSELL. son, and the pastor, S. Henderson, cauga, Talladega county, Ala., ness among the students since the bethey live the cause of Christ will be San Saba, Tex. to his ordination, by prayer and imwhole household of faith is a family It is emphatically . Saptist ground 22nd, 1886. met at the Northport Baptist church bodied in them. With a singleginning of the session, but we thank position of hands, Bro. Ray made here, and one may preach to his a community of interests, and "the to set apart the following brethren to Ordination of Deacons. God that our lives have been spared. ness of purpose and a consecration heart's content Bestist doctrine, the ordaining prayer. I delivered the poor ye have with you always, and the deacon's office of said church: J. From Bro. B. H. Crumpton that mark their every day life, their faith, and practice, and no timorous and that the brethren, with but few whensoever ye will ye may do them charge to Bro. Hamner and the Complying with a previous appoint W. Brown, W. R. Brown, John Harcharacter and conduct often provoke listener, candidate for place, position, and popularity, and having a comproexceptions, have been enabled to conchurch, The presbytery, church, and good." And it is an interesting fact I feel that it were but a just tribute ment, a presbytery consisting of Elds. din, and John Bealle. Having been the mere laggards in this cause. Protinue their studies together. that Christ has constituted his churches to the affection of the sisters of the E. White, W. H. DeWitt and W. other Christians present gave the hand deprived of several deacons recently, mising conscience for the sake of soposing and keeping prominent before Virgil Haynes Maxey, of Texas, with but one salaried officer, the pasof welcome into the full work of the Evergreen Baptist church to publish. B. Williams met the Nanafalia church, cial advantage, "dares to molest him, one by death, and others by removal. their minds the great objects that student at the Seminary, is preparing tor, and such other ministry as the or to make him afraid. Gospel ministry. A hymn was then to ordain to the deaconship Brethren through the columns of our paper, and recent accessions to our memberbrought Christ into this world, the for the press a book entitled, "An In oriental Jericho, once on a time, church may use and assist. It is a sung, and Bro. Hamner pronounced Jacob Williams and Charlie Westthe reception of \$50.00 as a Christship to the number of about forty insalvation of our race, their lives are here was a school of the prophets. Expose of the Stage." He is well acgovernment of wonderful economy. the benediction. brook. A sermon was preached by mas present. Noble women these. creasing the demands for proper at-At and near Nicholsville, is a commuresplendent with every virtue that can quainted with his subject, having had The pastor's table will demand the We trust the Lord will be with him the writer on "The Deacon's Office." would like to write more, but am nity of Baptist preachers, consisting of tentions both of pastor and deacons, vindicate the divine origin of religion. considerable experience as constant attention of the board of d make him a useful laborer in his The examination, which was thorough, DeWitt, Williams, Miles, and in bed sick. In mystic communion with "the powt was decided to call the above the pastor there, and then, Bro. W. Being a talented Christian gentleman. deacons. There is no other vineyard. With my best wishes for was conducted by Bro. White; the I wish also to publish the ordinanamed brethren to that service. The the success of our ALABAMA BAPTIST, charge and prayer by Bro. DeWitt; I am yours in Christian love. Charge and prayer by the writer. These will attract others; if so, we extend to either way, it will doubtless be for ers of the world to come," they are thing so remunerative to your church tion of Rev. Sidney J. Catts to the sermon was preached by Rev. W. S. living and acting as in the very as that of keeping your pastor as free full work of the ministry, I was wait-Henderson, the scriptures were read shadow of the judgment scenes. Nay, as possible from the perplexing ques new deacons are promising brethren, and expounded by Dr. Foster, the oring for some information I wished bethem a hearty welcome Christ lives in them and they in him, good reasons: ... The book will be pubtion of an honorable support. And fore publishing, but have been too We are all pleased here that Bro. and will in all likelihood make effidaining prayer was offered by the as if they were but so many incarna-Renfroe is managing so well our State lished early in the spring, and Thone the creation of the deacon's office From Bro. Glenn. unwell to conduct the necessary corcient officers in their church. Bro. pastor, and the service was concluded tions of his very spirit, for Peter says the parents in our State will purchase organ. May the good Lord bless you shows that it was intended as an as by the church extending the hand of respondence. A more promising Williams is an old member, and is of such that "they are partakers of Dear Bro. Renfrom The Executive all there. E. WHITE. it, as soon as issued, for their own sistant to the pastor, to release him young man has not been ordained in Committee of the Cahaba Malley Asnow where his zeal and piety can be recognition, pledging its sympathy sakes and for the sake of their chilthe divine nature." O, to be swayed from the whole burden of secular Alabama. May God bless him and sociation held a meeting recently and used for his church. Bro. Westbrook Unrivaled in its Work. and co-operation in the work to which dren. and thrilled by such a divine life, how, OTIS M. SUTTON. church work. And as it originated his work. is a younger member, but doubtless these brethren had been called and the writer and Bro. Montgomery were it lightens the burdens, sweetens the "The grand old American Baptist A truly Christian church is the in the midst of a serious difficulty in loves his master's cause. Also, at the same time, Bro. P. invited to take counsel with them. It solemnly set apart. The whole .serafflictions, and reconciles us to the abiding-place of peace. Love pre-Publication Society has always been the church, and as demanded by that Hamilton was ordained deacon. I was decided to try to hold meetings W. B. WILLIAMS. vice was impressive, and held a large disappointments of this life; by pointsides over it. Its atmosphere 'is perunrivaled in its work but it is now difficulty, the board of deacons are am sure he will make a model one. every fifth Sabbath in this year with congregation in thoughtful attention vaded by a spirit of tender sympathy Nicholsville. ing to the awards of heaven! Reader, surely outdoing itself. Such publicaproperly the pastor's cabinet, his adwhich moves its members to enter Brethren Riley and Fortune assisted some church in the association, for to the close. It is hoped that the accan you say, "for me to live is Christ?" How often do we look upon God as tions as its Sunday-school Lesson into each, other's joys, sorrows, hopes visers, his aids. cession of these worthy brethren to in the ordinations. For the very emphasis with which you the purpose of making an earnest efand fears. There is no strife in it, our last and feeblest resource! We go Helps and Papers for 1887 ought, The pastor and his cabinet are sub My health is wretched, I covet an fort to work up our association in re- to him because we have nowhere else and surely will, command the attepthe deaconship of the Northport can say this is the emphasis with no contention for church offices, no ordinate to the church, and the cabichurch will mark a fresh era in its hisinterest in the prayers and sympathies gard to the interests fostered by the to go. And, then, we learn that the tion and patronage of our people." which you can conclude the sentence icalousy, no affectation of superiority tory, giving a new impetus to our net are subordinate to the pastor, and of the apostle, "to die is gain!" of my friends and brethren. because one is richer or socially Denomination. The committee can storms of life have driven us, not upon -Rev. G. W. Hyde, Pistor Lexington S. H. they ought to obey him as such. And church work. S. H. higher than another. Its members B. H. CRUMPTON only make their meetings interesting the rocks, but unto the desired haven. Baptist Church, Mo. are all one in Christ Jesus.

plied, there arose a murmuring, "The Grecians murmured." It is wonderful how the wisdom of God has made so many good things grow up out of the murmurings of oppressed humanity. The distressed minority cries out, and God leads to the selec-

number of the disciples

tion of the agencies of relief. I shall take it for granted, brethren, that your church has placed you before us because of your near approach to the character here described, "Men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom."

SERVE TABLES.

It is your business, it is the design of your office to serve tables. And I insist that there is more in this than seems usually to be understood by our Baptist churches and Baptist deacons. The common, inference is that it means that the deacon is to serve three tables: To look after the poor,

to look after the pastor's wants, to look after the Lord's table. Very well, all of this is good, and I have something to say about it. But I assume that the table service of the deacon's office goes deeper and compre The tahends much more than this. bles of the money changers in the tem-

ple in our Lord's day are suggestive of a money exchange, and the literature of the age indicates that table was frequently used then in nearly the same sense with which we now use the word hank. With that view the deacon's office is the exchequer of the independent church of Christ. complete subordination to the church the board of deacons has charge of the financial affairs of the church. And therefore it is a position of dignity and authority, for office without authority is an absurdity. And one of the first duties of the board of deacons is to see that their church has a wise financial system. And in the

ach, above suspicion. stay the stealth life, a pure speech, a pure conscience: monster one moment. His business who will rule himself and will is with us, not with our professions rule his house. "And they which or relationships, and no plea, howevhave used the office of a deacon well. er sacred, no argument however popurchase to themselves a good degree | tent, can stay his hand an instant. He and great boldness in the faith which answers all with the blow that sends us dumb from the chamber made teris in Christ Jesus."

rible by his presence.

LIVING TO CHRIST.

These reflections are suggested by the death of Mrs. Nancy Ham, wife "For me to live in Christ." of our brother, G. S. Ham, of Tallaow many professing Christians can dega county, Ala., and youngest sister this be fairly said? Of how many can of the associate editor, of thi maper. it be truthfully affirmed that so long

She died quite suddenly and unexas they live that Christ will have depectedly at her home on the 22nd day voted, earnest representatives on of December, 1886, leaving a be earth? Taking the entire professing reaved husband and nine children to Christian world into the account. deplore a loss that none but God can what proportion of them will repair. In early life she gave her missed when they drop out of the heart and life to her Savior, and up anks? To be a Christian amount to the day of her death she ever exto something. A great poet has said emplified those gentle, modest traits

A Christian is the highest type of man." of piety which are woman's chief His whole after life is expected to vin- adornment. Perhaps no mother sucdicate the sincerity of his first proceeded better than she up to the time ession of that honored name, so that of her decease in impressing those when profession and conduct harmonvouthful virtues and amiabilities ze he becomes an essential factor in her children that make a religious hose moral forces which are to subfamily all that they ought to be. In due this world to Christ. But failing visiting this household, one would be in this by contenting himself with the often reminded of that picture of doform while destitute of the power of mestic contentment and happiness in godliness, he becomes a hindrance. "which no one commanded, and yet stumbling stone to the very cause every one obeyed." And yet all this which above all others he professes was done so quietly, so gently that the to love. Our Lord puts this strongly ear was never stunned by a loud, much when he says, 'If the light in thee less an angry word. For thus it is in be darkness, how great is that darkthe kingdom of grace. The very vir-The darkness is the more intues that constitute the ground of our tense from the moral position of the most poignant grief when such an one party. If he were in the world we dies, is the ground of our hope of a glorious immortality. When the protoshould expect nothing but darkness: but being in the church our disapmartyr Stephen fell under the shower pointment is all the more humiliating. of stones, the church militant "took When we look for one thing and get his body up and made great lamentathe very opposite, how it bewilders tion over it;" but we may well suppose that the church triumphant cele-Judas among the twelve was the brated his entrance into heaven with chosen instrument of Satan to intro duce that dreadful "hour, and the exultation and joy.

Mrs. Ham, the daughter of John F

misconstruced my Opelika Thursday, the 9th of Decem As in the sight of my God, I say to ber, suffering myself to be persuaded you, that I have never intended to by a Mr. Ely and the ticket agent of wrong you personally or officially and the Sundown route to come, through a calm review of the things about New Orleans, risking 75 miles of bewhich you speak assures me that what ing drowned, of which let me caution I have said is true, and what I have all who wish to come to Texas.' I lay done is right.

Your brother in Christ, I. T. TICHENOR Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 5th.

Ordination of Rev. Jno. D. Hamner

shall see a well day before spring, if then. We changed cars four times, At the request of Chalcedony church, Tuscaloosa county, Rev. J. missed connection twice, and were . Ray and myself, met at their house kept in New Orleans till we were so of worship, on the second Lord's day crowded as really to have no pleasure in December last, for the purpose of in living. The route is not to be examining Bro. John D. Hamner, compared with the Vicksburg route, with a view of ordaining him into the if it is a little crooked; then the runfull work of the ministry. He had ning is nothing like so smooth as the been a licensed preacher for several Vicksburg, or Memphis, either, years, but from some cause did not am just able to write, though my mind

is not as I would have it, but lest enter fully into the work. some may be desponding I sit up He shrank from the great responsi bility on account of a feeling of atter to write this, to thank you all for your unworthiness and incompetency. He kindness to the old man, if a Christian has recently, however, been made to one of the least. Yet to God be all "woe is me if I preach not the praise. Many of you, brethren and gospel." This church is very near sisters, asked me if I would come where he lives has seen his Christian back next spring. I told you it was Hope, Nanafalia, and Lower Peach dependent on home matters, how walk; has enjoyed his, services recently, which seemed to be blessed to their spring may open, and how my health good and to the conviction and conmay be. I cannot now say. My in- four by baptism. Many good pastors tention now is to go to Louisville to version of sinners. Having the utmost confidence in him as one called the Southern Baptist Convention, and Compared with other fields Baptist if it possibly can be done I will see of God to the work, they called him to be their pastor, and then called him you all again in the summer and fall of next year, if the Lord is willing. to ordination.

Now, as Bro. Renfroe's paper and indeed refreshing, and calls to mind Bro. Ray preached on the above named, day, the ordination sermon patience are precious, just let me say to the passage, "Behold how good and one and all, my old heart has been from 2 Tim. 2:15, Bro. Hamner havmade glad at every church and aping preached on the day previous. pointment to find the children of my from "Lord, what wilt thou have me dear old brethren and sisters walking to do?" Acts o:6.

in their footsteps as they follow Christ, I acted as chairman of the presbyand more than once was I made to tery and Bro. Ray as secretary. Bro. Marcum, in behalf of Chalcedony, praise the Lord Jesus Christ by findchurch, presented Bro. Hamner, with ing my own dear children in the Lord a view to his ordination to the minis-

Inzer, chairman the executive committee, and opened with an address by Bro. Inzer, after which the body will be organized by electing a chairman and secretary. The programme will then be ordered by the body until 11 a. m. on Sabbath, at over in New Orleans sixteen hours, which time Dr. Geo A. Lofton, of and at Rosenberg twenty-two hours. Talladega, will preach. Come, brethlosing time enough to have been home ren, with money, plans, &c., to suband well of it. But I am here, sick mit for our future work.

we hope he will come.

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aided us, too numerous to mention.

N. A. Hond **Ministerial Education Southe** Bapt. Theo. Seminary for the Committee. **Fuscaloosa** chuich.

P. S.-Bro. Renfroe's invited, and \$ 133 81 American Baptist Pub. Society LaFayette church,... . \$ Interesting Letter. LaFayette Sunday-school, Ruhamah church,. Opelika church,. Nearly eleven months have swiftly passed away since I came to Maren-

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Little Sandy church.

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\$ 50 95 go, and to the South Bethel Associa-Indigent nion Association, \$ 7.72 tion. It is a vast, rich field, white Bible and Colportage Work. unto the harvest for earnest workers. Infon Association; . 5 00

During the past stimmer and au-Receipts for December, \$ 687 43 M. Dickenson, Receipts from July to De who is sound in doctrine, intensely State Missions, \$3517 22 a Home Missions. 1132 25 'true yoke-fellow," I have been hon-Foreign Missio

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Louisville Letter.

preachers here are like 'Carter's oats. Christmas week is over and gone To one who for years, was the only and last night the wild bells rang out Baptist pastor in an entire county it is the old year and rang in the new. The brethren of the Seminary have enjoyed the holiday festivities, and how pleasant it is for brethren to are now ready to begin their work dwell together in unity," for it is good with renewed devotion. A splendid time is this for good resolutions, and As at our district meetings, on ev among this consecrated band of minery fifth Sabbath, so at our last asso-

isters many times the prayer is offered. ciation, a special appointment O to be more consecrated! made that a doctrinal sermon be, The regular monthly meeting of the preached at the next meeting of the Students' Missionary Society was held body. Of course these doctrinal serin Dr. Boyce's lecture room this morn-

holding on their way, following hard



### MONTGOMERY, ALA., JAN. 13, 1887.

That Yellow Complexion ess; biliousness means a perverted liver. Some of the bile has gone wrong and entered into the blood instead of going into the bowels, where it was needed to do its legitimate work For the want of it in the right place you suffer constipation, and because of its presence in the wrong place yon suffer jaundice. Nothing will cor-rect that perverted liver and restore it to right habits so effectively or so readily as Compound Oxygen. This is not a drug. It is easy and pleasant to take; simple in its op-eration, and certain in its results. It has proved a blessing to sufferers from liver roubles and other chronic ailments. If you have symptoms of a disordered liver or of impure blood, or of failing digestion, you will find Compound Oxygen the remedy most sure to restore the diseased organs t healthy action. Drs. Starkey & Palen, of 1529 Arch street, Philadelphia, Pa., publish a work of nearly 200 pages, entitled Compound Oxygen-Its Mode of Action and Rein which many cures are reported, They mail the work free to applicants.

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The Lord talks to us as if we now knew all about his goings and doings; and so we do as far as all practical purposes are concern ed. He says: "Whither I go ye know." He is not gone to a place unknown, remote dangerous. He has only gone home "Whither I go ye know."

Stop that cough, by the use of Ayer's

Lord Jesus, if they would make men "Consumption can be Cured." Dr. J. S. COABS, Owensville, Ohio, says: "I have given Scott's Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil with Hypophosphites to four pa-tients with better results than seemed possi-and more is true in regard to serving ble with any remedy. All were hereditary cases of Lung disease, and advanced to that God. Those that worship him must stage when Coughs, pain in the chest, fre-quent pulse, fever and Emaciation. All these cases have increased in weight from F. Mallalieu. 16 to 28 lbs, and are not now needing any

Where there is peace, there is God.-George Herbert.

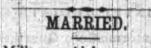
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Send for Pamphlet on Female Disease

DR. J. B. MARCHISI, Utica, N. Y. For truth it is ever the fitting time; whe waits till circumstances completely favor his undertaking will never accomplish anything. -[Luther



At Milltown, Alabama, on the 28th of November, 1886, at the residence of Mr. Wm. Denny, by Rev. Geo.

E. Brewer, Mr. John T. Heflin, Jr., of Louisiana was married to Miss that was enough. Carrie Denny. 'The best wishes of many friends follow them to their Departed this life, on the first romantic home on the Tallapoosa.

January, 1887, at her home in the At LaFayette, Alabama, on the city of Montgomery, Ala., Mrs. Mary 10th of December, 1886, at the residence of Mrs. C. Wilkinson, an aunt E. Hatchett, wife of W. T. Hatchett, of the bride, by the Rev. Geo. E. and daughter of the late Leonard Brewer, Mr. Wm. B. Nichols and Marbury, of Coosa county, Ala., in

Miss<sup>®</sup> Carrie Towles were joined in her 63rd year. marriage. This couple were among She was born in Edgefield District, the most popular of this town full of South Carolina, came to Montgomery

county in infancy, joined the Baptis church in New Orleans in 1847, and At LaFayette, Alabama, on the for forty years was a consistent, 26th of December, 1886, by the Rev. devout Christian, giving in her pure Geo. E. Brewer, at the residence of Mr. Lusk, Mr. R. L. Stevenson was life, and particularly by her patience and resignation in her prolonged ill married to Miss Etta Poe. These ness and intense suffering for over a parties live near Providence church;

Chambers county, Ala. At the residence of the bride's father, Col. C. C. Smith, Felix, Perry county, December 12th, 1886, by L. M. Bradley, Mr. Robt. J. Price and

Miss Bettie Smith.

ed by us in the death of Bro. Bishop. and more is true in regard to serving 5th. That we extend to Sister Mary Bishop and her family, our condolence do it in spirit and truth.- [Bishop\_W. and warmest sympathy in this their sad bereavement. It is always easy to say a rude 6th. That a copy of these resolu thing, but never wise .- Stacy. tions be spread on the church book with a suitable page of memorial, and Singular Beginning of Family that a copy be presented Sister Bishop,

Worship. and same be sent to the ALABAMA BAPTIST with a request to publish. I was reading the other day of a worthy but poor and ignorant couple who went to a gospel meeting, and met with Christ. They returned home rejoicing that they had found him, and Leonard M. Tucker. Died, Nov. 28th, 1886. Leonard

M. Tucker, third son of Mr. T. E. Tucker, aged sixteen years. Leonard possessed a bright and apt mind and generous disposition, his name was enrolled on the Sunday-school list. though, by reason of affliction his several times, he cried, 'Hurrah for presence was often denied, yet an Jesus!' It was all he could say, poor fellow, but it was from his heart, and opportunity to engage with others in the study of the Bible afforded him

bright beyond.

Silas.

pleasure, as was evidenced by an intelligent and appreciative recitation. Many days and hours of pain were Ó his portion here, but such testimony is left loved ones, that when the messenger, death, bade his spirit take its flight, it found acceptance in the

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R. M. BURT,

### Deacon Thomas Kinian Mullins

Was born in North Carolina Jan. 16th, 1809. In Greensboro, Greene county, Georgia, he married Amelia Brockman December oth, 1830. He oined the Hebron Baptist church in 1845, and in 1849 moved to Pike county, Alabama. In a short time after settling in Pike county he joined year, the consoling evidence of being Antioch Baptist church, and afterwards, about the year 1852, assisted in organizing the first Baptist church A few days before she fell asleep of Troy, of which he remained a memin Jesus she said it seemed as if the ber until the organization of the gates of heaven were already opened second Baptist church, where he con-



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and, for the past year, have not found it necessary to use any medicine whatever, I am now in better health, and stronger, than ever before. -0. A. Willard, 218 Fremont st., Boston, Mass.

I was troubled with Scrofulous Sore for five years; but, after using a few bottles of Aver's Sarsaparilla, the sores healed, and I have now good health, Elizabeth Warnock, 54 Appleton street, Lowell Mass Lowell, Mass.

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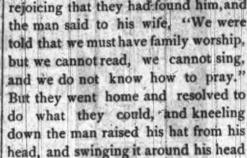
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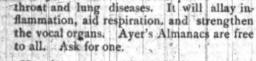
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pared for the people of God."



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for her, and it was with joy she spoke At the residence of the bride's of meeting a beloved daughter who father, Perryville, at 4 p. m., Dec. had gone before her. 20th, 1836, Mr. John A. Fuller, Jr., She leaves a husband, whose com-

formerly of Perry county, now of fort and source of delight she has Magazine, Arkansas, and Miss Bettie been for forty-five years, and six H. Smith The newly married couple children to mourn their irreparable will leave Alabama, Jan. 5th, 1887, loss. But they mourn not as they

for their home in the West. May joy and peace profusely flow, In the way they may be called to go; Till life with joys and strife shall end, Then their souls to glory ascend. L. M. BRADLEY their works do follow them."

"Who would live always, away from his Near Cotton Hill, Clay county Ga., Tuesday, Dec. 14th, at 4 p. m., Away from yon heaven, that blessed by Rev. T. H. Stout, Mr. Edgar D.

Callaway, son of deacon Jno. H. Callaway, of Clay county, Ga., to Miss Georgia D. Boyett, daughter of J. J. Boyett, of Randolph county, Ga.

On Sabbath, Dec. 19th, at 9:30 a. m., at the residence of the bride's

father, Mr. J. A. Shepherd, of Clay county, Ga., to Miss Vickie Harris, of Clay county, Ga., Rev. T. H. Stout officiating.

On Tuesday at 10:30 a. m., the doctrines of Christ. "He rests from 21st of Dec., 1886, at the residence his labors, and his works follow him." of the bride, near Moulton, Ala., by He left a large family, nearly all of Eld. Mat. Lyon, Eld. Robert T. Wear to Miss Mittie, daughter of the He will be greatly missed in his

late John Y. Shoemaker, all of Law- church as well as at home. May God rence county, Ala. . At the residence of the bride's

father, near Yantley Creek, Choctaw Co.; Ala., at 3 p. m., Jan. 5th 1887, Mr. C. W. Powell to Miss Nannie J Phillips, Rev. J. D. Cook officiating. Resolutions of Bethel Baptist Church on

May their wedded life be as beautiful and spotless as the carpet of snow that covered the earth the day their

ty when the lives of its public men destinies were made one. may be thrown fearlessly open to the world to challenge its closest scrutiny On the evening of Dec. 29th, at with a consciousness on the part of

the residence of the bride's father, H. Clay Parker, near Starlington Butler Co., Mr. W. Leyseth and Miss Kate M. Parker, Rev. A. T. Sims, officiating.

Doing our Utmost for God. Few Christians do their utmost for tion, none of a departure from the

God. This is true of them in their self-imposed restraints of a refined and individual capacity. It is true of the lofty sense of honor, and none in aggregate of Christians. It is true in which either the tear of man or the regard to giving and doing. Few seductions of ambition tempted him

give to the extent of their ability; to a deed which could destroy either many do not give up to the measure his own self-respect or the respect of of self-indulgence in needless luxu- others for him. Of all ministers we ries. Few toil in the Master's service have known, there are none whose with the diligence and faithfulness lives teach more imperatively the great they employ in worldly matters, moral power which public virtue gives, These are the confessions that the than that of the lamented Matthew,

The people of God on earth are re- Resolved, 1st. That in the death of sponsible for results, and for the rea- Bro. Bishop this community has lost son that within their easy reach are one of its best citizens, the ministry of facilities sufficient to enable them to Christ one of its most wise and zeal ous laborers, and our church one of

tinued his membership until his death, which took place December 3rd, 886. After the death of his first wife he married Mrs. Eliza Battle. Thus has passed away one of our noblest citizens and most faithful Baptists. He imbibed and practiced the loving admonition of the blessed who have no hope, "Blessed are the Savior. "Ye are my friends if ye do dead who die in the Lord, from whatsoever I command thee." His henceforth, yea, saith the spirit, that generous loving hands were ever open they may rest from their labors and to the cha i ies of the poor. He lived an exemplary Christian, and had implicit confidence in his creator, and died in the full triumphs of a living

faith. It was truly encouraging to sit by his bedside and listen to his expressions of unlimited confidence. Born November 21st, 1817, died December 6th, 1886, being 69 years Master on earth was to reconcile to old. He was a consistent member peace and love two brethren at variof Elim Baptist church from 1838 to ance. His influence as a Christian the day of his death, and was for was seen and felt by all with whom many years a deacon. "He used the came in contact. Peace be to he office well, and purchased to himself, his ashes. a good degree, and great boldness in

His pastor, 1. B. H. RYDER.



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He that hath no bridle on his tongue, hath no grace in his heart .- St. Jerome.

and. That while we have no desire 50 or neglect. Diligent in business, fer- to conceal any of the faults of human vent in spirit, serving the Lord, nature, that may, at any time, have These are the three characteristics manifested themselves in the life of that ought to mark the lives of all Bro. Bishop, we do most cheerfully professing Christians. Idleness, when declare that he had by divine grace one has health and strength, is beyond, attained to as many Christian virtues the range of apology. Laziness is a as were ever found in any man of our sin; there is nothing of the Christ acquaintance.

spirit in it or about it. Zeal for God 3rd. That we recommend his life as and his cause, fervency of spirit in all a Christian, a citizen, and a minister, enterprises that have relation to the as worthy of imitation to each in his advancement of the kingdom of Christ calling. on earth, must be possessed by all 4th, That we endeavor with Chris-

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Marian, anxious to be assured she did. Bessie's nod had a merry lift of the eyebrows with it, which, though it eyebrows with it, which it, which eyebrows eyebrow The spot was pretty enough, great Sometimes when mother has been

But all this and even the glorious when mother or sister is doing someanthems of silvery throated birds were thing for you, you call out, "Come, My cough was so severe as to produce hem-"Aunt Alice, what a happy girl," lost upon the boy sitting on an old hurry up?" just as if you were speak orrhages, at the time I began to use it, and said Marian, after her visitor had log with his face buried in his hands. ing to one of your boy companions. the relief was so great that I shall ever feel gone. "If I were deaf I should be "It is no use," he murmured, Sometimes when you are rushing out grateful to you. MRS, E, SIMS, the most miserable creature in the heaving a deep sigh, which might to play and meet a lady friend of sold by druggists. 25 cents per bottle, world. But I don't believe she minds have risen from the overburdened your mother's just coming in at the Prepared by H. Mozley, M. D., Atlanta, Ga. it at all. Only think of her saying, heart of a man of fifty; but it was door, you do not lift your cap from pitiful indeed to see a boy of fifteen your head, nor wait a moment till

little, acts-these gentle acts-which Mrs. Arnold had very little of this make gentlemen. I think the word She says I could learn easily, and world's goods. One acre of ground, gentleman is a beautiful word. First, that she will teach me. She could which she and her son cultivated in man-and that means everything figure could be seen flitting back and hear once-she was made deaf by the summer, gave them a scanty sup- strong and brave and noble; and then port and enabled them to save a few gentle. And that means full of these among tree branches, now in full The novel quality in this acquaint- dollars to help them through the little kind, thoughtful acts of which I have been speaking. A gentleman!

of herself from her own occupations The learning was in itself exciting, the to make it necessary for George to feel so glad and proud! I met one fingers were so perverse at first in pay a small tuition in order to attend the other day, and I, have been hap-"She is so dainty, Aunt Alice," she aid, "so full of graceful motions. forming than piano practice, and small, but was a great deal to him

and his poor widowed mother. His greatest desire was acquire

ly a ledge lingering and hiding in a bank of pebbles, and then finally diswas also general conversation. But with doubt and bitterness that would appearing beyond a clump of birches. he exclaims, 'How much wasted pow-

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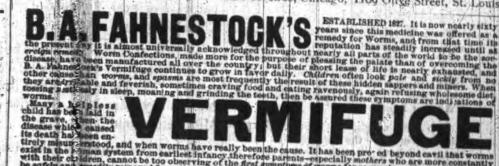
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Marian often said, "Bess hears have been far more becoming to a A capitalist comes along and sighs as in her prettiest toilet, she went across with her eyes and fingers." And hardened infidel. to the gray house to make the visit it really seemed as if all the other Whom have I on earth beside Thee-"If this young girl proves to be as of its sensibility to the helpless ear, A little strange that such fitting nice as she looks," mused Aunt for if she did not hear, she at least words-words, too; which he had

less. She torments me with her dis- one storm after another seemed de- moment when they were most needed. content, and her incessant desire for termined to make the world gloomy,

horses, and causing them to plunge let er which she had been thinking mental or moral power, gathers it up, and rear so dreadfully that it was about writing for several days, and and directs it toward the best ends overturned. Both girls were hurt, George told her he would mail it, as Marian's ankle being sprained, and there was no work to be done that

suffering to pity and bewail her George

But that was not the only wholesome effect upon Marian of her friend's society. Bessie always had such good cheer of manner, although that his mother's declining years That brook is hurrying away, splash-ing and dashing, one crystal ripple minroring the next, rounding graceful-

senses rallied to give a portion each Whom in heaven but Theer

frozen day, and a runaway team for assistance and guidance: George

"When I went in to see her," she

of pain, she was more troubled over

She was cheerful, of course.

Please give me a pencil, auntie, and

had not at first occurred to Marian,

luck is because she never frets."

you than herself."

let me write to her."

said, "although suffering a good deal come?"

"In every way," said Marian, with

"Yes, she is sunny hearted. If she so much in trouble. allowed things to vex her, she might "I might as well give it up and Such "little" things, do you say? make everything about her unhappy." content myself with the idea of being. Yes, to be sure; but it is these very "Her easiest way to talk is with an ignoramus all my life." her fingers. She showed me how.

The windows she most frequented, apparently those of her own room, ad delicate draperies, and her pretty forth, about as visible as a bird sickness."

sight, and now only suggested by ance led Marian on with ever-increas- winter. some movement or hint of color, ing interest. She learned the finger Their humble home was unfortun. Every boy, may be one if he will, Marian's eyes would wander in spite alphabet, and became quite expert. ately just far enough away from town Whenever I see a gentlemanly boy I

said, wso full of graceful motions. Just as soon as they are settled I shall call upon her."

"Very well," her aunt replied thinking it would indeed be a delightful thing for Marian to have a companion of her own age so near at hand

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A Strange Language.

way. Mrs. Oliver and her niece

Marian had learned indirectly that

they were people of refinement, and

that the name was Weatherly. It was impossible not to take note of the

new comers, especially of the young

girl who went out and in, and who

often sat at the window with a book,

or a bit of needle work in her hand.

She was evidently the daughter of the

house.

A new family had just moved into

the large gray stone house across the stand."

Marian was all impatience for the intimacy to legin, although she did not wish to appear so. She allowed a suitable time to elapse, and then,

of ceremony.

Alice, and she watched her niece, understood. "I hope Marian will grow less rest-

change and excitement."

In abcu half an hour Marian returned. She came up the steps with great deal of flurry, and began a half-breathless speaking as soon as

she entered the room. "Of all strange and awkward visits ever made, that wis the strangest nd awkwardest."

"Strange? In what way?" her aun replied with surprise.

increasing emphasis. "Why, my child; I can hardly un-

many times it happened that she was might be free from toil and care. shut away from the very happiest "Mother says pray when I reach deep cool recess, then flowing out part of young people's pleasures. the Red Sea, but I am about losing again to chatter away as it meets a Music was a sealed book to her, as faith in such things," thought George

Just at the opening of winter, when found an echo in his heart at that

an accident happened. Marian and great source of all help?" Down by siasm, its intense vitality. Save, de-Bess were out driving one bleak, the old log George knelt and prayed

attached to a heavy truck dashed into had not intended going to town until their carriage, frightening their own Saturday, but his mother answered a

poor Bessie's right arm broken, be- afternoon. sides many bruises and a severe shock As he left the post-office. Harry pute, who stimulates his sense of dut

the character of Bessie's injury she soing to start to school Monday.

Marian wrote several notes daily, might as well be twenty. We've had

and Bessie dictated replies. But a hard time since father died, four

and helpless, how could she talk? Well, I know of som ing. Why, with her left. Both were Come with me, and let us see father.

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It was a long time before there know you always got the prize for

could be any of the old-time visiting reading. Well, sir, this is the best

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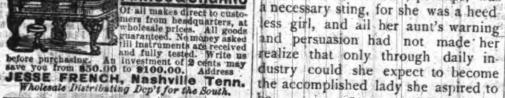
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derstand you. Were you disappointed in the young lady hersel?" friend. "N+no, she is lovely. But Aunt "Now she can neither write nor year we have ever had. A number Alice, she can't hear?"

"Do you mean she cannot hear at speak at all." But Aunt Alice reassured her.

"Yes, I mean she cannot hear the oudest sound, not even thunder. She told me so. Isn't it dreadful?" "But how did you talk with her?" "She had a little tablet, and-we wrote. It was rather embarrasing,

auntie, for you know I have such brown hands, and I hate to write." Aunt Alice could hardly repress a with her right arm bound in splinters years ago." with her right arm bound in splinters years ago." Well, I know of some ing. smile. Marian's handwriting was one of the things she chose to be care-

ess about. But she said gravely: "There was one advantage, at east, in that style of conversation you could not well interrupt each

and when she found that even in this at night. There is something the new calamity Bess had a resource, matter with his eyes; I believe he said, other.' "But how silly it looked to write, she said: "I do believe that Bessie's good way, and he wants to hire some good 'It is a pleasant day. Are you pretty

well?' And that was all I could think of." "And what did she say?" "Oh, she said charming things,

first, the 'i' or the 'e.'"

back and forth. But as soon as the thing I ever thought of. You'll get girls were able to sit up, each was to go to school yet, old boy." and all in the flash of her hand. rolled to her special window, and George obtained the position with-there they could nod and smile to out difficulty, and gave such entire said she had seen me at my window, and had so wished to know me. seemed to her like a princess, I had each other and chat together. such coal black hair, and my high

Here Bessie's mode of speaking had salary, which enabled him to pay his an advantage over spoken words. tuition and assist his mother also. bay window was like a tower. She Through the clear plate-glass of her would fancy to herself I was a priswindow Marian could easily read the attained an exalted position in the oner, and wished she could be the letters made by her small white world, he loved to tell young Chrisknight to rescue me. And she laughs so very sweetly."

fingers. And when Marian by chance tians how he had found a shining lapsed into careless spelling, her path through every Red Sea of diffi "Then why do you call your visit friend and monitor made the correct- culty .- Christian Advocate. strange and ankward?"

"Why, auntie, to go calling, and ing letter with a smile. not have a word spoken. Besides, "You never have to scold me now Send for dur book containing valuable in- I'm almost certain I spelled 'receive' for being discontented, do you, Aunt Alice?" said Marian.

remember in either word which comes "If you look it up now, perhaps

this will fix it in your memory." A Priceless Discovery at Sea. There was a bright pink spot on

each of Marian's cheeks as she got the dictionary. Her self-doubt made her wretched; but that, perhaps, was necessary sting, for she was a heed less girl, and ail her aunt's warning and persuasion had not made her realize that only through daily in-

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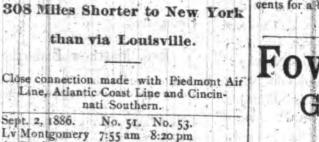
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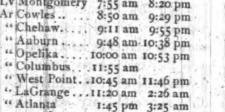
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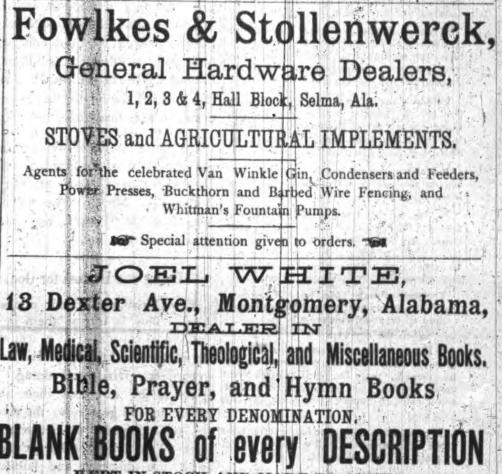
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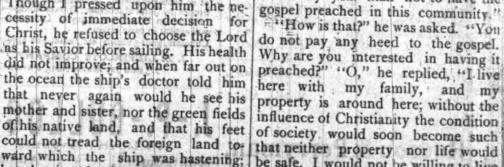
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