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LAST DAY.

The Convention was opened with prayer by Dr. Z. D. Roby. The special committee on the Board of Foreign Missions, submitted the following, which was adopted.

Report of Foreign Missions.

The imperative command of the Master "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," comes down through the past eighteen centuries upon our ears to-day, having lost none of its obligation; but rather gathering force and power as the ages come and go, and as the earth and its nations become better known.

As we look over the field our hearts are filled with the signs of joyful progress. Never before, in the history of modern missions, have the steps of advance been so marked; certainly never have the Southern Baptists had such cause for devout gratitude to God for his blessing upon our efforts in foreign lands as during the last year. And while the obligation to give the gospel to the nations exists, irrespective of what has been or what may be accomplished by the efforts put forth, but is dependent upon the direct command of our Savior alone, yet for our encouragement in this grand and blessed work, we present the following facts:

During the last year the sum of \$87,830.53 was paid into the treasury of our Foreign Mission Board, the largest amount by \$23,000 in actual cash that has ever been received by the board during the previous years of its history.

Of this sum Alabama Baptists contributed \$4,692.26, which, though far less than it should have been, is considerably more than the amount given last year, and shows an increased interest in the Master's cause.

Let us try to work up a greater interest still, which shall make our contributions yet more abundant.

The members of our churches in foreign lands, gave last year \$3,012.61—an average of nearly \$2 per member. Our native Chinese, brother Wong Yee Sang, has built in Shanghai, China, a chapel, at his own expense, costing \$1,000, in which he preaches three times a week. Dr. Yates, our veteran missionary in China, says of him: "He is a city set on a hill, and his light is radiating in every direction. He and his noble acts are an inspiration to all; and I am so thankful that it has happened in my church. The Lord be praised! The morning light is breaking."

A late letter from Dr. Yates brings the cheering news of a revival in Bro. Wong's chapel, such as has never been known in the history of the Shanghai mission before.

Should not this act of sacrifice for the cause of the Redeemer stimulate us to greater, to very much greater liberality.

God has blessed all our fields in the past year. In China, in Africa, in Italy and in Brazil the progress has been encouraging, and in Mexico so wonderful has been the advance that it recalls the prophetic promise "that a nation shall be born in a day."

In this field one hundred were reported baptized during the last year, and one hundred and fifty were awaiting the ordinance. One has gone from our own beloved State, Mrs. Annie P. McCormick, formerly Miss Perry, of Marion.

It has been stated that those states and churches, where the Journal is most freely circulated, make, other things being equal, the most liberal gifts to the cause.

We advise all our pastors to encourage their flocks to take and read this interesting source of missionary intelligence. Respectfully submitted,

T. H. STOUT,
G. T. LEE,
G. G. MILES,
B. H. CRUMPTON,
J. M. THORNTON,
THOS. GARDNER,
JNO. D. GODWIN.

The committee to consider the report of the

Home Mission Board

made the following report, which was adopted:

The Home Mission Board has, during the past conventional year, prosecuted the great work entrusted to it with evident tokens of approval.

Under the present vigorous administration of the Board the work has been enlarged from year to year; and, quoting from the recent report of the Southern Baptist Convention, we have the following statistics for the year ending May 1, 1887:

Missionaries, 251; places occupied 822; baptisms 3,923; received by letter 2,419; Sunday-schools reported 318; teachers and pupils 13,031; churches constituted 119; houses of

worship built 62; expenditure for missions \$86,827.05; expenditure for building \$35,270.15.

The contributions to the mission work of the board for the past year have exceeded by nearly \$10,000 those of previous years, and have enabled the board, without decreasing its work, to nearly extinguish a debt of \$8,500 reported in 1886.

While each department of their work has offered signs of progress, we are especially grateful to God for the report coming from Cuba. Bro. Diaz has organized three churches, baptized 325 converts, established four Sunday-schools and organized three day schools. These day schools are made necessary for the persecutions to which Baptists are there subjected.

Enlarged Plans for the Future.

So far from this board having ended its mission there rests upon it enlarged demands, which justify the call it makes for the increase of 50 per cent upon its former receipts. The wide field to which this board devotes itself is only growing wider. The first wave of wealth and population that has swept southward, tells us of that encouraging tide, under the influence of which villages spring into cities, and forest and field give place to the busy life of the people. The near future lays upon this board a work such as it has never before attempted, and places before them obligations to the Master which they cannot disregard. As the vast tides of emigration turn to these genial skies, and to its wealth of soil and mineral and timber, it is our duty through this and other organizations at our command, to see to it that the people be placed under the sweet influence of the truth as we hold it. The history of southern Baptists depends in large measure upon our home mission operations for the next ten years.

The immediate demands upon the board for the present year may be briefly stated. Among the Indians, a school at Atoka, in the Choctaw Nation is needed. Besides the smaller towns in Florida, Pensacola, St. Augustine and the Cubans at Tampa must be helped. Louisiana, including New Orleans, must have double the amount of former years, or there will be disaster to the cause.

The work among the colored people is auspiciously begun, and must be enlarged, to reach every State in the South. A house of worship in Havana has become a necessity, and the extension of the word to other cities of Cuba that thirst for the living waters of a pure faith must advance, if we be faithful to our trust. In view of all this, is not the demand from the home board a small one? And will not the Baptists of Alabama respond cheerfully and promptly to their part of the work.

We record with pleasure the success of the "Kind Words" enterprise, which, under instruction of the Southern Baptist Convention, the home board is now vigorously prosecuting. A most excellent and complete series of Sunday-school literature is now sent forth from Atlanta by the board. We recommend that our churches take it not simply because it is as good and cheap as the best.

In accordance with instruction of the Convention, an assistant secretary has been recently appointed to share with Dr. Tichenor, the labors of his office. The board is to be congratulated upon having secured the services of Dr. Wm. J. Jones, of Richmond, who, with characteristic energy, is already pressing the great work.

In view of the past record, its present pressing demands, in characteristic energy, and the new life of our southern churches, which are fast rising to better organization, we look hopefully to the future; and trusting in the blessing of Almighty God, we anticipate for the Home Board a year of success, unparalleled in its past history.

J. S. DILL,

Chairman.

Education.

The report of the committee on education was then read as follows:

Your committee would be glad to report (I) the number of schools over which Baptists preside; (II) the number of Baptist teachers, male and female, employed; and (III) the number of Baptist pupils and pupils of Baptist families attending school, in this State.

Primary schools, public and private, high schools and academies, scattered as they are over every county in Alabama, constitute much the largest part of all our denominational facilities; and if we would do our whole duty, as one of the leading Christian denominations of this great commonwealth, we must do our full share in the teaching, management and control of these schools.

Any so-called report on education,

that does not take account of the immense work done by these schools is not worthy of the name.

But such a report as your committee wishes to make to this Convention, is impossible, not because we are unwilling or unable to gather the necessary statistics, but because there are no such statistics.

As a denomination we have no disposition to court or be courted by the State, and certainly we have no maternal intentions in that direction. As heretofore, so now, we would most carefully guard against "all entangling alliances," and yet we would be truly glad if the State reports on education were arranged so as to show what the Baptists are doing in this our great State. But since we are to work in, but not with the State, your committee suggest, that this Convention establish a bureau or board of education, to which every Baptist teacher in the State be requested to report.

Howard College, and the Judson Female Institute have already presented their reports. They speak for themselves.

Here are the only two items your committee have to report.

I. In the State University; during the past two years, about one-fifth of the matriculants have been Baptist.

II. In the A. and M. college, during the last year nearly one-fourth of the matriculants were Baptists, 46 of the 185 students were Baptists. In these two State institutions 86 of our young men have been pursuing their studies.

Z. D. ROBY,
F. F. CAFFEY,
L. L. BELSHER,
R. J. WALDROP.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The discussion on the report of the committee on education was opened in an able and logical speech by Rev. E. A. Stone, of the Adams Street Baptist church, Montgomery. He held that a free public school system, controlled by Christian teachers was the only safeguard against the encroachments of anarchists and communists. He urged that while Baptists should have denominational facilities for a high collegiate education for both sexes, they, at the same time, should support the State authorities in establishing and fostering free public schools.

He was followed by Rev. A. J. Dix, of Union Springs, who advocated the radical idea of separation even in primary education, and urged that a Baptist school should be established in the shadow of each Baptist church, or within the bounds of each association.

Col. Redd, of Marion, and Rev. D. I. Purser, combated the views of Mr. Stone.

Rev. B. H. Crumpton, of Evergreen, made an eloquent and conciliatory speech, which tended greatly to bring about the wave of good feeling which subsequently culminated in making the vote to remove Howard College unanimous.

On motion that part of the report which provided for a Baptist Board or Bureau of Education was stricken out, and the following amendment adopted as a part of the original report:

Resolved, That the trustees of Howard College be authorized and requested to appropriate any property in Marion belonging to this Convention that they may see fit, to the payment of the \$1,600 indebtedness they report to this Convention.

A resolution providing that a majority of the Committee of Thirteen on removal of college shall continue a legal quorum, was adopted.

Personal pledges for ministerial education were made to the amount of \$1,100.

Rev. W. C. Bledsoe's report on Sunday-schools was read and adopted. It showed total number of pupils, 13,000; teachers, 400, within the bounds of the Convention.

Col. Huckabee, of Anniston, but formerly of Marion, in a feeling and telling speech, made a motion as representing the minority, to make the action of the Convention in removing Howard College, unanimous. His motion was carried amidst great enthusiasm and good feeling.

The sub-committee of thirteen, to whom was referred the status and disposition of the old Howard College property at Marion, submitted the following important report, which was adopted:

Report of sub-committee from the committee of thirteen on location of college.

The undersigned were appointed as a sub-committee of thirteen, on the removal of Howard College, to confer with Brethren Wilkerson and Lovelace, the grantors in the deed of the Howard College property therein described to this Convention, to ascertain what their wishes are touching the said property and its dedication,

with a request from said committee of thirteen to report to the Convention such action, as in our judgment, the Convention ought to take in reference to the property referred to, beg leave to report that we have had an interview with those two brethren and they informed us that they are not prepared just now, without further reflection and consideration to indicate what course they prefer to be taken by the Convention, if any, and can, therefore, venture no suggestion in the premises.

We recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved first, That a committee consisting of H. S. D. Mallory H. A. Haralson, and J. M. Frost, be appointed by the Convention to meet and confer with Brethren Wilkerson and Lovelace at any time that may be agreeable to make surrender and transfer of the property dedicated in said deed of conveyance to this Convention, to such persons, for such uses and purposes, and in such manner, as Brethren Wilkerson and Lovelace may desire and indicate—hereby recognizing their legal right to the property, in case Howard College shall be removed from Marion, provided, that no surrender and transfer of said dedication shall be made by said committee, until Howard College shall have been removed by the action of said committee of thirteen under the instructions of this Convention, from Marion—and, when said committee shall have made surrender and transfer of said property and its dedication, at the time and in the manner herein authorized, this Convention duly ratifies and confirms the action of the said committee as at once.

Resolved, second, that Brethren Wilkerson and Lovelace are hereby authorized, for the current year beginning October 1st next, in case said college is removed from Marion, to make such use of the property described in said deed for educational purposes, as may seem to them proper and beneficial to the community at Marion.

Resolved third, That this Convention hereby directs the treasurer of the Convention, in cases of parties who have made subscriptions in money and notes to the permanent endowment of Howard College, since the last session of this Convention, conditional upon the non removal of Howard College from Marion, if said college shall be removed, to refund to such parties, respectively, the money and notes received from them.

Resolved fourth, That the action of this Convention, looking to the removal of Howard College from Marion, does not lessen the appreciation of this Convention of the generosity and Christian liberality of Brethren Wilkerson and Lovelace in dedicating to the Convention the valuable property embraced in their said deed, and the Convention hereby repeats the expression of its gratitude to them for their munificent dedication.

J. M. HARALSON,
L. W. LAWLER,
Committee.

The report of the Committee on nomination was then adopted as follows:

The Committee on Nominations beg leave to submit the following report: To preach introductory sermon, J. S. Dill; alternate, J. H. Curry. To preach missionary sermon, W. C. Lloyd; alternate, G. L. Anderson. Treasurer, J. B. Lovelace. Auditor, W. W. Wilkerson.

Board of Directors, president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer, ex-officio members: W. W. Wilkerson, J. H. Lee, Law Lamar, Porter King, A. C. Davidson, J. T. Murfee, S. W. Averett, C. C. Huckabee, and J. B. Lovelace.

To fill vacancy in the Board of Trustees of Judson Female Institute, B. F. Ellis.

State Mission Board—J. M. Frost, President; W. B. Crumpton, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer; Wm. A. Davis, Statistical Secretary; Jonathan Haralson, W. P. Welch, H. A. Haralson, H. S. D. Mallory, W. C. Cleveland, D. I. Purser, W. G. Curry, T. S. Bowen, S. P. Fowlkes, B. F. Riley, G. S. Anderson, Jos. Shackelford, A. C. Davidson, J. D. Renfro, J. P. Shaffer, A. J. Slaughter.

To suggest programme for next Convention—G. A. Loflin, John W. Bishop, N. S. McAfee, W. C. Cleveland, J. M. Frost.

Vacancies in the Board of Trustees of Howard College—R. H. Sterrett, R. J. Waldrop, W. A. Davis, W. C. Cleveland, J. M. Frost, T. G. Bush, W. B. Crumpton, M. B. Wharton. Board of Ministerial Education—M. B. Wharton, G. W. Thomas, G. W. Ellis, G. S. Anderson, G. A. Nunnally, J. Chambliss, J. G. Harris. E. F. BAKER, Ch'm. G. E. BROWN,

J. B. LOVELACE,
J. A. HOWARD,
G. A. NUNNALLY,
J. C. HUDSON.

EVENING SESSION.

The Temperance question was taken up at the evening session yesterday and pending the adoption of the report, some warm speeches were made by Dr. Loflin and others. The report was amended by Dr. Renfro, and Dr. Henderson making it stronger.

The Convention gave no uncertain sound as to this question, but declared that the time had come when they must meet this evil at the ballot box, as well as in other ways possible.

The report on Home Missions was then read.

Rev. W. B. Crumpton made an interesting address on the question of colportage work. In the discussion it was clearly shown that the dissemination of good literature among the people was one of the most potent factors that we have. Dr. Nunnally made a stirring speech on the importance of this work in growing towns and cities. It was resolved that a special work in this line be attempted by the boards, and the members of this special committee be known as a society.

A resolution was then offered to amend the constitution, which resolution will be on the table until next year.

A resolution was then offered returning thanks to the railroads for reduced fare to the good people of Union Springs for the use of the church and unsurpassed hospitality and to the pages for their polite and intelligent comprehension of their duties, and a special resolution of thanks was tendered the Union Springs Herald for the enterprise shown in getting out a daily during the sitting of the Convention, and the many courtesies shown by it to the members of the Convention.

The Convention was then adjourned to meet in Talladega next July, 13th.

Mrs. L. L. Sayers.

Died, at her father's residence, Birmingham, Ala., June 1st, 1887, Mrs. L. L. Sayers, wife of N. H. Sayers and daughter of W. B. and S. J. Allen. Born in Nashville, Tenn., March 1st, 1866; joined the Baptist church at New Salem, Chilton county Ala., September, 1878. At her death she was a member of the Third Baptist church, Birmingham. She was a great sufferer for eight weeks, and manifested great Christian fortitude.

Yet, while the Lord is gathering to the church triumphant, others are being added to the church militant. We have received thirteen in the past two weeks. Blessed be his holy name. Bro. Sayers is left quite lonely. They were married seven years. Only one offspring, and it preceded its mother to the grave.

Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivereth them out of them all.

JAS. HOGAN, Pastor.

Mother Nancy Summers.

On June 3rd, 1887, Mother Nancy Summers, wife of Rev. Jno. E. Summers, deceased, breathed her last in the full triumph of faith, in the 86th year of her age.

She had been a consistent member of the Baptist church for about 63 years. She raised fifteen children to maturity, fourteen of whom joined the Baptist church. Nine of them preceded her to the land of spirits. Six daughters remain with a great number of grand-children, great-grand, and some great-great-grand children, to mourn her loss. Farewell dear mother, we shall soon meet where the weary are at rest and the wicked cease from troubling. M. T. JENKINS, Carthage, Ala.

"Strange to say the saloon power, although a devilish institution, found its birthplace in a Christian land. Stranger still, multitudes of professing Christians have cultivated and petted it and are still doing it. Stranger of all, professed Christian nations not only permit its existence, but license it, foster it, and protect it."

Let Christians who vote for "personal liberty" (in bottles and barrels) and then prate of moral suasion answer these questions: "Why did not Christ use moral suasion with the money changers in the temple? Why did he not regulate the measure by high license? Why did he not compensate them for overturning their tables? Was he an 'impractical crank' because he advocated extreme measures?"

Humility kneels in the dust but gazes on the skies.—Archer Butler.

Educational Address.

BY REV. E. A. STONE.

I am to discuss the report on Education. I had a very fine extempore speech written on the report, or on what I thought the report would be. I knew some of the great minds of Alabama would write it, and great minds run in the same channel. Hence my address on the report would fit. But I find myself in the position of the man who had but one walking foot, and the other was a peg. Now it is clear that the man who undertakes to direct the educational interests of Alabama Baptist will find one vigorous foot bound to walk; walk somewhere, to Birmingham, Anniston, or Montgomery. But walk it will. The other foot will be found to be a peg—bound to stay right where it is, stuck down and fixed. So I am glad I left my extempore address at home and forgot it.

It was a good address. I worked on it very faithfully for about three weeks; and used the best brain power in the State. I used the brain power of Chambliss, and Wharton, and Hare and Harris. There is none better, but I did not wish to get these good brethren into trouble, and so I concluded not to make that speech. But simply to talk a while in a plain way on two or three phases of our duty.

The General Duty Regarding Education.

All education should be Christian education. By this I mean an education in which is recognized God as the author of life, law and liberty, and the Bible as his revelation of that authority. Large margin is left here for diversity of creed, church and action. But we can never afford to forget that our fathers were Christian men, and they founded the nation on Christian principles. Education alone is not a panacea for evil. Education without God whitewashes sin, culture without Christ is only another name for gilded corruption. Greece, and Rome, and Egypt, and Japan, and China, and India stand as monuments in history to this truth. The light of Asia shown on to unregenerated hearts and only made more clear their inherent inwrought corruption. Sharpened intellects are only Damascus blades in the hands of evil men. The world needs pruning and cleaving, but it should be done by the word of the living God. "We are pruned through my word," said Christ; not by science, nor philosophy, nor art. It cannot be done by these. In this age and land we feel the rumblings and mutterings of the volcanic fires which are shaking the tyrannies of the old world. A volume of black smoke and a gleam of lurid light rolls and flashes across our heavens now and then, giving warning of what may be felt some day if these fires of hell are not quenched. Changing the figure anarchy and communism, twin sons of ignorant oppression and superstition have found a home here. They would grow to giants. Their parentage fosters the growth. How shall we bind, fetter and destroy these giant sons of death? Shall we weave festoons and garlands of flowers to hang about their necks, to bind their hands and fetter their limbs? Shall we crown them with roses and laurel? Shall we as Lilliputian pigmies attempt to subdue by such means these Drobdingnag giants? They fear no binding of education more than Sampson did the wives of the Philistines. But an education which binds the soul to God, which fetters conscience to the law of the Eternal, can and will destroy every growing power of evil. But how can all education be made Christian? By seeing to it that he who instructs is Christian. As the steel is hammered by the skilled mechanic, as none but the skilled artisan can forge the finest steel, so none but a Christian can teach Christian education, and this principle needs to be recognized in our whole system of education. Alabama needs to day a free public school in every district of the State. She needs this more than any one thing, and she can afford it. No plea of poverty should be listened to any longer. If the great western frontiers can sustain free schools in every new place then Alabama with her history and wealth can do the same. And the Howard and Judson will never become what they ought to be until the entire State, by a general system of education free and public becomes a feeder. These streams starting back in the home schools will flow by the natural law of gravitation to the college and Seminary centers, and there meeting form a stream of Christian higher education to water the whole land.

Nor as it idle or untimely here to add that this same duty devolves upon the people of the South with regard to the education of the colored people. Already the seeds of anarchy and communism are being sown among them. They are to-day citizens. They are being educated. Many teachers have been and are unwise in their systems. I need not detail these mistakes; they are apparent. A proper Christian free public education for the colored people by the white people of the Southern churches will leave the moulding and controlling influence of the negroes in the hands of those to whom God gave it—their old masters, their new fellow citizens. But let the Southern white Christian men, for another quarter of a century neglect to put themselves into living practical sympathy with the education of the negro and the mistakes will have been multiplied. The evils of the labor problem will have gotten hold, and the problems of the past will be but a sum in addition by the side of astronomical calculations in comparison.

You all have seen the picture of the Laocoon, where the father and two sons came to the altar to make a sacrifice to the gods, and the serpent, caring nothing for home, nor native land, nor divine worship, sought only to feed upon the victims and crush them to death. So the negro, rising slowly above the instincts of nature, with poor homes or none, with little honor or virtue, should not be left to become the victims of this great evil serpent. We must, by our processes of Christian education, give him homes, virtue and honor. We must seek to give him Christian education, and our hands, our hearts, and our treasure must be open to do this work and to help others in the doing of it. We can not afford, for any reason, to turn away and leave him to perish. Therevived condition from the disasters of the war tells us we can face this duty. The volumes of wealth being poured into Alabama to-day from the commercial centers of both the old and new world should be taxed for such schools, and no loyal citizen who sends or brings such wealth will murmur at it. He has been trained to know that along with such education comes peace and prosperity. Only the Shylock will demand the ducats at the sacrifice of life and blood.

Grapple as you will with the problems of to-day. I am not arguing for methods, I am only urging that the Christian sentiment of Alabama can and should demand of the State such a general provision for the free public education of all her citizens as will leave the moulding of the moral religious tone in the hands of her own people. We have speculators and oppressors of the poor who will object to such education for the sake of the paltry gain of gold, but Christ's broad minded men, Christ's men who build as high as heaven will also seek to build as broad as the race and as enduring as time.

One of the first questions asked by those who are to-day contemplating coming to Alabama is, what of her schools? Let the answer be speedily such that no one will shrink from coming because her Christian education, is not as free and full as it can possibly be made. Recently a few citizens placed upon the dome of the State capital building a half dozen electric burners. They gave more light, and with farther reach, than the old gas burners. They brilliantly illuminated whole squares. They are good to give light, but when old Sol, the king of day, mounts the heavens, the gas light and electric light die out, and a whole State, a whole nation, lives in the light of God's day. So education in the home is good; it dispenses some light; the electric light of private schools is better still, but let the light from the sun of righteousness rise and touch with his life-giving power through a system of general free popular education every home, every hamlet, every hill-top, every valley, every cabin and hut, and you have awakened the energies, divinely given, of a whole State and sent them to mingle with like energies from every other State, and to make of this whole nation a God fearing, evil hating nation, a nation throbbing with life, high, holy life; a nation fitted to grapple with every problem, and to impart blessings to a whole world.

I have, perhaps, gone far enough. My plea is that the Baptists of Alabama shall be leaders in an earnest effort to secure a full, free system of Christian education for all her people. Her liberties, her material wealth, her civil prosperity, her religious advancement, and her home life are dependent upon this kind of education being secured, fostered and developed throughout her whole length and breadth.

The great Baptist thought of the State is turning toward our college

and Seminary. They should and must be endowed, and then beyond the endowment must come the current of sons and daughters seeking a higher education. But these desires are not accidents, they are inherited and developed. Educated fathers and mothers, who train their children to seek for knowledge, and who insist upon them having local opportunities to develop this need, are the fathers and mothers who will make the Howard and the Judson, and their children will be the ones to attend its sessions.

The day should not be far distant when neither of these schools should do preparatory work, except incidentally. But from all over this fair State should come sons and daughters already prepared for college and Seminary. Then will light and glory cover the Baptist cause as a halo, and we shall rejoice in Christian Baptist educational influences all over our commonwealth; and let me add here that the question of the location of these schools should not be one of bargain and sale, nor of money purchase. If this be the thought of any heart let the Christian ministry say as of old: "Thy money perish with thee; this gift is not purchased with money; it comes by prayer and consecration, not by purchase." We cannot afford to heed the bidding of another Simon Magus. Let the broad minded Christian method of Alabama, with liberal hearts and loosened purse strings, lay upon God's altar for education the money needed for Christian Baptist education in the State of Alabama, and then the minor question of location will be but of small moment. It is not for Marion, nor for Birmingham, nor for Anniston, nor Montgomery, nor any other place, we are to work, but for God and Christ, his church, and our homes, our children, and our citizens. Such we need, such we ought to give, such I believe the Christian Baptists of Alabama intend to give to their great State.

"Slander."

Of all sins, slander is the most loathsome; all hate and abhor the envenomed tongue. We may regain the fortune swept from our grasp by mischance or fraud, but our name once gone can never be recovered. The wound inflicted by the assassin's dagger may be healed by the surgeon's skill, but there is no remedy for the impassioned sting of traduction.

"Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor," is one of the greatest commandments. A word spoken in carelessness, or in moments of excitement is seized upon and held up as the true manifestation of character, and a proof of depravity; they are often believed guilty of crimes which is not recorded against them in the sight of heaven, and the consciousness of innocence makes their suffering more acute than any punishment inflicted upon them. He who takes pleasure in soiling another's good name is destitute of every grace, and there is no single fine quality, or good principle in his corrupt heart. If all the great men were only good men, if all the rich men were only generous, if they never tried to keep down and hurt and hinder the poor that were trying to rise if they were so glad to think that they had got into highland themselves that they turned smilingly to lend a helping hand to all who were below them, how much trouble, heart-burning and discouragement would be saved. "As hard and miserable a thing as it is to suffer from pride, ingratitude, ill temper, or neglect of friends, it is harder still and more miserable to be ourselves, ungrateful towards those we ought to love and strive to render happy. If we would only adopt the 'Golden Rule,' how many houses might be the happier for our visit. Who would care for being poor if every one was kind to him. If there was no hereafter kindness and truth would be their own reward. Every heart that is from principle kind, knows what delight there is in doing friendly deeds."

H. W. Cahaba, Ala.

God Knows.

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The aching heart may well cease to throb when laid upon that softest pillow for human pain—"God knows!" The sleep that falls like heavenly dew to the music of the lullaby—"All things will be together for good to them that love God," and "Fear not I am with thee," brings strength and renewal of youth with bath for present ills. None "shadowy future" is definite and distinct to him. Whatever of seeming disaster it may hold for you be assured that it is only in seeming; that his purposes toward you must, from the necessities of his own nature, be all love and goodness. Be patient, yet hopeful, in awaiting the development of his will.—Marion Harland.

Alabama Baptist.

MONTGOMERY, ALA., JULY 28, 1887.
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The Baptists and other citizens of Union Springs gave a hearty welcome to the members of the Convention and the visitors. There was quite a large attendance, but we believe all were provided for, and most handsomely entertained. The senior was the guest of Bro. Hixon, an old college mate. It is enough for us to say that we felt at home. Bro. Hixon seemed desirous to entertain the entire Convention, and we believe he would have done so if the brethren had gone to his house. He has a heart as big as "all out doors." His estimable wife is not a whit behind him. She loves to have Baptists sit down at her table. John O. Hixon is a man of inflexible purpose in what he considers right, and there is no more warm hearted man, nor stronger and consistent Baptist.

PROHIBITION IN TEXAS.

There is quite a warm canvass going on in Texas on the Prohibition question. The election on the Constitutional Amendment will take place on the 4th of August. How it will go is very uncertain—both sides claim it. The liquor men have the advantage in money and organization, but they are injuring their cause by their bitterness and insulting conduct.
Ex-Congressman Mills in reply to Dr. Carroll, of Waco, said: "Hell is full of such political preachers, (pointing to Dr. Carroll) as him, so full that their feet are dangling out of the windows." Some of the hearers wore blue badges, which they quickly took off, when Col. Mills uttered these words. So says the Waco Daily. Congressman Crain openly declared at Dallas, that if the Amendment was adopted he should not hesitate to evade it. At Dallas, at a prohibition meeting the Anti-prohibitionists pelted the Prohibitionists with eggs.
The editor of the Texas Baptist and Herald says: "We have only one boy. The egg pelted of Prohibitionists in Dallas, Monday night resulted in his receiving a blow full in the head, raising a lump and befouling his clothes, yet we can thank the man that threw that egg in comparison with the citizen who would do him the much greater wrong of voting upon him and society the barbarism of the whisky traffic that fosters such lawlessness."
Bishop Turner, of Georgia, one of the ablest colored speakers of the South, was recently denied the right to speak for Prohibition at San Antonio, and mobbed by a great crowd of drunken hoodlums.
W. F. Farquhar and Dr. J. Eves, were jointly discussing the Prohibition Amendment at Galveston, Texas. Farquhar who had concluded his argument against the Amendment, became enraged at the remarks of Dr. Eves who favored it, and fired at him with a Pollard rifle, but missed him.
These incidents will give our readers an idea of the bitter spirit that animates the advocates of the whisky traffic. They wish to use intimidation and violence to accomplish their purpose. Let every Christian man send up a prayer to Almighty God that the right may prevail in this contest, and that the abominable traffic may be swept from Texas by an overwhelming vote of the people.

From Buckatanna, Miss., Bro. De Witt says:

This is a hard place, but there is a revival of religion, and some have been added to the church; also, he says that he has just closed a meeting at St. Stephen, Ala., and that every person in the community, under Baptist influence, has joined the church but one, and he will probably join next meeting.

BRIEFS FROM OUR EXCHANGES.

Rev. W. S. Owen has accepted a call to Pensacola, Fla.

Brown University has conferred the degree of L.L.D., on Dr. J. P. Boyce. Seventy-three persons have recently joined the Baptist church at Ashland, Clay county.

The Central church, of Chattanooga, voted their pastor a vacation, but he declines to take it.

The Roman Catholic Priest McGlynn, has been excommunicated from the church of Rome by the Pope.

Judge H. B. Folk, of Brownsboro, Tenn., was ordained to the gospel ministry at that place on the 2nd Sabbath in July.

Pastor J. B. Hawthorne, of the First church Atlanta, Ga., has suspended night services through the month of July and August.

Dr. J. D. Barbee, has been elected Book Agent of the Southern Methodist Book concern, in place of Dr. J. B. McFerrin, deceased. Dr. Barbee, is pastor of the McKindree Methodist church, Nashville, Tenn. He is a native of Morgan county, Ala.

Dr. J. W. M. Williams, pastor of the First Baptist church, Baltimore, does not think it best for churches to have travelling evangelists hold meetings with them. He says: "The best way to reach the masses, and build up intelligent, steady, reliable, efficient, strong churches, is for pastor and people to work together."

The State Mission Board of Tennessee has appointed the 5th Sabbath in July for memorial services to be held by all the Baptist churches of Tennessee in memory of Dr. C. C. Brown, the late Missionary Secretary of the Board. Dr. Brown was a noble man, and did good work for the Baptists during the brief time he was Secretary of the Board.

The trumpet of Cullman, says: "The Baptist church in this place is in a pitiable plight. The doors are about, half the time, open. Goats and sheep are in the house frequently, coal is scattered over the floor, several of the seats torn to pieces, and some glass in the windows broken out." This does not speak well for the membership of the church.

The Sixth Annual Session of the Baptist Congress will be held in Indianapolis, Ind., commencing Nov. 15th and ending Nov. 17th, 1887. Rev. A. E. Dickinson, D. D., of the Religious Herald, Rev. C. H. Strickland, D. D., of Nashville, Tenn., Rev. T. Eaton, of Louisville, Ky., are the Southern men who are down on the programme for essays and speeches.

FIELD NOTES.

The Baptists of Alabama are prohibitionists.

Louisiana will soon take up the prohibition fight.

Wm. B. Owen, of Decatur, died of sun stroke on the 19th.

The Mississippi Baptist Convention met last week in the city of Oxford.

Mr. Geo. T. McEldery has been appointed manager of the State Fair.

The great companies of Sheffield are about to consolidate their interests.

Rev. E. F. Baber did fine work as chairman of committee on nominations.

The little city of Bessemer was burned on the night of the 19th; loss \$20,000.

Mrs. W. H. Fiquet, formerly of Marion, is a noble temperance worker in Texas.

Rev. J. S. Dill is one of the brainiest preachers in Alabama, and very eloquent.

Chaple Lee, a Chinaman, has given ten dollars to have the Howard go to Birmingham.

The Standard Oil Company's plant in New York was burned on the 20th; loss \$1,000,000.

A form of slow fever has proven fatal to a number of people in various parts of Alabama.

Calera says she has no cholera, never did have, nor ever can have, or words to that effect.

Dr. Whittitt, of the Southern Theological Seminary, has finished his great book on Mormonism.

The advertisement of M. Canning, of Selma, appears in our columns. He is thoroughly trustworthy.

The meeting at Evergreen resulted in three additions to the church, besides strengthening the members.

Prof. A. S. Haralson detected several errors of a typographical nature in his article published last week.

No speech of the Convention was more enjoyed than pastor Davidson's on "the pastor and his books."

Geo. Tisdale, aged 14 years, was drowned last Tuesday, while bathing in the Alabama river, at Montgomery.

Dr. B. F. Riley is one of the most polished writers in Alabama. He is equally as good on a speech or sermon.

A brother wanted to say something to us, if we would not get mad. We try never to do that, so he said, "Bro. H., I just love you," and he squeezed our hand as if we were his sweetest, and as if we were chucky a bit.

The saloon men of Texas try to win by shot guns and pistols. They have no better arguments for their cause.

Bro. Bledsoe, Sr., is one of the most successful colporters in the State. He is filling east Alabama with Baptist books.

A sister from Cottontale writes: I feel that it is my duty, and the duty of every Baptist in the State, to take our paper.

The previous question is a political gag that our religious assemblies should never resort to except in extreme cases.

Sister Dix, of Union Springs, is a useful church worker. One or two such ladies in each church are a power for good.

Birmingham has been whooping up things since the Convention. She is determined to be beyond the reach of Anniston.

Georgia has 137 counties. Prohibition prevails in 115. License is so high in the others as to amount almost to prohibition.

Cheering news come from Rev. C. P. Fountain. Keachi College has spent within twelve months \$10,000 in improvements.

Prof. Sumner B. Foster, president of the Alabama Central Female College, was one of the handsomest men at the Convention.

There was a man in Union Springs who would not take the paper. His name was Tie, and to get even with him, we called him a cross-Tie.

Who can fail to love dear Dr. Henderson. His friends 30 years ago say he is a clear and bright in his expressions as he has ever been.

Prof. T. J. Dill enjoyed the Convention as well as many of his old pupils did. He is the peer of any teacher in the State, and wital very Godly.

Rev. L. D. Bass, a new man among us, made hosts of friends at the Convention. Our Greenville brethren and sisters must guard well their treasure.

Many thanks to the sister at Rehoboth who renews her subscription and sends us a new subscriber. If the ladies will take the field our success is assured.

Help us to run up our subscription list to not less than 5,000 by January 1, 1888, and it ought to be more, considering the large number of Baptists in Alabama.

Col. N. R. H. Dawson, Commissioner of Education, will soon go to Alaska to superintend the inauguration of a public school system as provided for by Congress.

Harper's Bazaar for August, as usual, is replete with interesting matter, richly illustrated, and the ladies will find the latest fashions, as well as other things to interest them.

The Union Association has thirty-one Sunday-schools, aggregating 1,500 scholars and teachers. We doubt if there is any better showing by any other association in the State.

We enjoy your dear paper, and hope you may be rewarded as you deserve for same. So writes a brother from Marianna, Fla., whose kind wishes we gratefully acknowledge.

Mrs. Mary Wyatt, of Marion, after several days illness, passed beyond the river last Saturday morning. She was a good and true Christian woman. To the bereaved we offer our condolences.

The Alabama Intelligence Agency is hard at work trying to procure positions for all the young men and women who register with them. If a teacher, clerk or bookkeeper is needed let us know.

Eld. John McCollom is to serve the Lord with the saints of Tusculumbia. This was our first pastorate, then it was a dead town, now full of vigor. He will try to build a new church house soon.

From Franklin, Tex., Bro. Pierce writes: I have been in Texas twelve years, but have not given up my paper, that comes as a letter from home; it has more and better reading matter than any other paper.

Rev. J. M. Thomas, one of our recent graduates, has gone to Sheffield to work. He is a noble young brother, and we hope he may have rich success in building up the cause of Christ in that new city.

How many pastors are going to set apart the second Sabbath in August as the ALABAMA BAPTIST DAY? Preach to your people on the advantages of good reading in their homes, and then press the claims of the paper.

The American Magazine for August is on our table. It is full of interesting and instructive reading. Subscription price \$3.00 a year, or 25c a copy. The table of contents for the month is of superior merit.

From Anniston a good sister writes: The article on prohibition, in your last issue, was worth the price of a year's subscription. I have to work for my money, but send it freely; also she says she hopes, now that the Howard College excitement is over, to see our pastors more zealous and helpful in aiding the sisters in building up ladies' missionary societies, as they have become a wonderful power in advancing the gospel of Christ to ruined, lost man.

From Gaston, a brother writes: I will take the paper as long as I live, and I hope my children will after I am dead; it does not get worse as it gets older, but better. Thank you, brother, we hope to improve with age. Dr. Renfro remembered to have heard father Eley preach when it was common for men to bring their guns with them to church, and as soon as services were ended take them up and go to the woods to spend the day in hunting.

When you send money to this paper, or write on business connected with the same, or letters for publication, please do not address Dr. Shackelford, C. W. Harris, or anybody else, but write simply, THE ALABAMA BAPTIST, Montgomery, Ala.

Now and then a preacher is found who would urge missions, don't preach on education, won't mention the State paper without pay, &c. Well, these are few and getting far between, but such men will be compelled to get out of the way or fall into line.

Mr. Frank McCall and his partner deserve much credit for their enterprise. During the Convention at Union Springs they published a daily containing full accounts of the proceedings. We acknowledge our indebtedness to them for so full a report.

The superior work of Howard College shows itself in the lives of the young men who have attended this institution. They make their mark wherever they go. Taught to be manly, independent and polite, it takes but little time for them to reach the front.

Prof. E. E. Ayers, director of music at the Judson, was married on the 11th to Miss Ada Underwood, of Harrisburgh, Pa. Miss Ada has been teaching vocal music in the Judson for two years, and is greatly loved by all who know her. The ALABAMA BAPTIST gives warmest congratulations.

The good work is rolling on. Thank you, brethren, for your prompt replies to our notices and the many renewals that come in by every mail, impossible to reply to all, so look at the dates on your paper and see how they are moved up, as an indication your remittances have been duly received.

The August number of St. Nicholas will compare faithfully with any of the monthlies of the day, and the present number contains, among the many excellent articles, one which is worth the price of the magazine for a year, "A Great Battle in a Forest." It is published by the Century Co., New York.

I have been a subscriber to the ALABAMA BAPTIST ever since the first year of its publication, and have also been working for the paper in my churches. So writes a brother from Jackson, Ala. If all our pastors will so work in their churches the paper will soon be in every Baptist family in Alabama.

Some of our speakers at the Convention talked as if our Howard boys leave the dead town and dead college greenhorns, knowing nothing of business and life; for one, we wish to rebuke such a sentiment. If they are so ignorant why are they so eagerly sought for positions that require live men to fill?

The world is indebted to the Baptists for "religious liberty," and today the grand spectacle is presented of every man in this land of the free worshipping God "according to the dictates of his own conscience. None to molest or 'make him afraid,' and the eleven has spread from America and almost covers the world.

The sad news of the death of deacon Jno. D. Inman, of Tusculumbia, has reached us. For many years he has stood as a strong pillar in his church. A man of genial nature he won all acquaintances to be his friends. He leaves a devoted wife with whom we deeply sympathize, and our prayer is that God's grace may sustain her.

With the June number of Harper's Magazine was begun its seventy-fifth volume. And now we have the August number before us. Contents: On the Tortugas; Hunting the Grizzly Bear; The Natives of Siberia; and many other articles of worth, and should be read by everybody; one of the best, as it is about the oldest monthly in the United States.

Our people have been urged to support the ALABAMA BAPTIST because it was our paper, and needed our support. For our part, if the pastors can't honestly say to their people, the paper will do you good, will keep you posted about denominational and other affairs and will help build Christian character, is worth all asked for it, then we don't ask you to press its claims.

Rev. B. H. Crumpton is a man who has the courage of his convictions. He believed in Marion as the place for Howard College, and believing it said it out in tones of thunder. But he was manly enough, when he found he was defeated, to fall in with the majority, and with all the enthusiasm of his nature he will work to make the Howard, in its new home, the grandest institution in the South.

Bro. T. G. Bush said he blamed members, not ministers, for not giving.

No cleverer set of officials can be found than those in connection with the L. & N. R. R. And Mr. Theo. Welch stands in the front rank as one of the most obliging of the number.

Hopewell church, Perry county, is ahead. She paid the expenses of her pastor, B. F. Files, and of her superintendent, Jno. L. West, to the State Convention. The Sunday-school paid Bro. West's expenses.

The employees of the L. & N. R. R. living at Montgomery had a grand time at Gravelly last week. The company gave them a free excursion and picnic. It is next to impossible for a strike to occur among these people, because they are so kindly treated.

Rev. O. F. Gregory, Asst. Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention, and pastor of High street church, of the city of Baltimore, will, during his summer vacation, supply the pulpit of the Stamford, Conn. Baptist church, for the month of August.

The pastors of the two M. E., two Baptist and the Presbyterian churches of this city led in a meeting for men only at the Court Street M. E. church last Sunday night. The object of the meeting was to freely discuss the bawdy house evil that exists in Montgomery. Plain, earnest work was done, and we trust good will be the result.

Yesterday the prudential committee met in Birmingham to examine the bids on the location of Howard College. Every possible honor was shown them by citizens of the city, and then the brethren of East Lake gave them a fine dinner, and showed other favors upon them: The result of their investigations will be reported next week.

The church at Marion was made happy yesterday by the announcement from Bro. Davidson that he had declined the call to Covington, Ky., and would stay with them. The friends of the Judson will rejoice at this, especially those who shall send their daughters here. The Baptists of the State are to be congratulated in retaining in their midst this valuable man.

Rev. W. S. Rogers writes: "Bro. W. E. Bledsoe has this week preached a series of sermons at Georgetown, Ga., which has won the admiration and love of our people. Deeply pious, logical in thought, analytical in treatment, clear and elegant in expression, his sermons interest, instruct and impress the hearer; Alabama had better treat him well, lest she lose him."

One good brother sends us seven names and remittances, and says, regarding the appointment of an "ALABAMA BAPTIST DAY," as for himself, he says: "I am determined from the 25th day of June to the 1st day of October, shall be an ALABAMA BAPTIST DAY; each of the ninety days shall be a protracted service for the old Alabama paper." Thank you, Bro. Dunnaway.

R. J. Fuller writes that the executive board of Cullman Association has appointed Eld. J. T. Evans, as missionary for months. The Sunday-school association was well attended on the fourth Sabbath in June, and will meet at Cullman on the fourth Sabbath in this month. Their next association will be held at Cullman, beginning on Friday before the second Sunday in October.

The Selma Association will meet with Pleasant Hill church, Dallas county, on Tuesday, the 9th of August. Parties who come by railroad will have either to come to Selma or Gulf Junction, and take the Pensacola train to Pleasant Hill depot.

Those who are coming will notify Dr. J. W. R. Hardy, or Dr. U. J. Crumpton beforehand, and conveyances will meet them at the depot Monday evening. We will be pleased to have the ALABAMA BAPTIST represented at the association.

Hon. Leroy Brewer, of Mobile, says "you should be paid promptly, and that he reads the ALABAMA BAPTIST with great pleasure, and that he will say what he can for it, and hopes all Baptists will take it in the State, that it may prosper. We need such a paper in our denomination, and all Baptists should take it and pay for it promptly. We are glad to say the brethren are fast coming to our help, and may the Lord bless you all who are working to help us promote Baptist interests to the glory of his name."

Mrs. John C. Cheney, wife Hon. J. C. Cheney, representative in the Alabama legislature from Russell county, died Saturday afternoon at their home near Oswichee, of consumption. She was formerly Miss Parramore, of Columbus, and numbered as friends all who knew her. She was a lady of very lovely character and a pure Christian, whose death is generally regretted. The funeral took place Sunday morning at 11 o'clock from the Baptist church at Oswichee, led by Rev. J. A. Howard. The brother has our sincere sympathies and prayers.

The Proceedings of the 63rd Anniversary of the American Baptist Publication Society, is on our desk, containing the able and learned addresses of some of the best men of our denomination, on the great topics of interest to all Christians, on Evangelization, The Sunday-school Work, and the Press. We also have, in pamphlet form, Rev. H. H. Tucker's D. D. L.L.D. splendid article, "An Engine of Power," a succinct history of the American Baptist Publication Society and its wonderful power and agency for advancing the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ. It should be in every Baptist library.

There are a grand set of young preachers and laymen in Alabama. Some day many years they will be our strong men. Among the preachers are Giles, McCollum, Dawson, Culpepper, Hobson, Culbreth, Ivie, Thomas, Bradley, Hunter, Elliott, Cheek, Kaplan, Stewart, the Smiths, and ever so many more. There among the laymen are Sam Welch, the Webbs, McElver, McWilliams, the Caffees, McKleroy, Rainer, Wm. A. Davis, Pruitt, Perry Fowles, and a couple of dozen others, who were at the Convention, learning how to work. Let us pray for our young preachers and laymen, that God may make of them "full fledged warriors."

A brother writes us from Pleasant Lake, Ind.: On Sunday, July 13th, Bro. Frank Morris was ordained to the gospel ministry; sermon by Rev. S. A. Northrop, of Fort Wayne; the ordaining prayer by Rev. A. Flemming, of Louisville, Ind.; and the charge to the candidate by Rev. C. Blanchard, of Wolcottville; the hand of fellowship by H. J. Finch, of Auburn, and the charge to the church by Rev. G. W. Ellison, of Wolcottville, Ind.; Rev. S. B. Ward, moderator, and Rev. G. W. Ellison, clerk. He further says that Bro. Morris is a young man of excellent promise, being a graduate of an Indiana college, and a recent student in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky.

Whatever may have been our sentiments concerning the settlement of the college question, we think that there is no doubt that the late debate at Union Springs did lasting good for the Baptists of Alabama. In the presentation of the claims of this or that locality during the heat of the debate, there were suggestions made that will work us great good. We look for such a result as a general agitation of the question of education among our people. We look for the establishment of Baptist schools throughout the State. We look for a more widely diffused spirit among our people concerning the training and equipment of teachers with which to man our coming denominational schools.

We need in Alabama the accomplishment of just these ends. Such is the policy wisdom would recommend. Already we have heard of at least one association which proposes to establish a Baptist school which is expected to bear the same relation to the association which our college has all along borne to the Convention. This fairly illustrates what we have already said. And this is only an earnest of what other associations will do. This will be the policy which will unify our people, who, for various reasons, have failed as a denomination to rally about our college. We think that a new era has dawned upon us. We believe that the agitation of the college question will do vast good. We are clearly of the opinion that the eyes of the Baptists of Alabama are opened at last to the importance of putting their imprint upon current sentiment in this great and growing State.

A Letter from Kentucky.

Dear Baptist: Although I am on Kentucky soil, I don't want you to forget, that I am an Alabamian.

I look forward with pleasure to the coming of my ALABAMA BAPTIST just as I do to the coming of a valuable letter. Why not? It is a valuable letter to me, and it brings glad tidings of great joy. It tells what great things the Baptists are doing in our State. I believe the paper is improving all the time, and of course this is due not only to the efficiency of our editors, but also to the fact that our pastors over the State now realize that it is their duty to assist in advancing the interests of their own paper.

I was glad to see the article from Bro. McGaha, (bless his dear old heart, it is just like him to hit upon such things which will tend to advance the cause in our State), why should we not have an "ALABAMA BAPTIST DAY?"

We set apart certain days in the year for the purpose of bringing before our people the different missions connected with our denomination. I am sure that all will agree that our State is doing a grand work in the State, but that its usefulness may be increased. Now in order to attain this increased usefulness, greater stress must be laid upon it, by pastor and people.

I do hope that every pastor in the State will recognize the importance of this work, and that on the second Sunday in August, in every Baptist church in the State, a sermon will be preached, setting forth why we should encourage our paper. Not only so, but that a large contribution may be

made for the purpose of sending our paper to families unable to subscribe. Pardon me for taking up so much of your valuable space, but as it has been some time since I have written to you I could not refrain.

I have a delightful location. Carrollton is a town of about 3,000 inhabitants, fifty-five miles above Louisville, on the Ohio river, and at the mouth of the Kentucky river. It is the county seat of Carroll county. My people are true Kentuckians, and do all in their power to make my little family comfortable. We have a membership of 130. We have received during the past five months 57 members; eight by letters, balance by baptism.

A few weeks ago we had a delightful meeting, and 23 additions. Bro. W. H. Smith, of Birmingham, doing the preaching. Bro. Smith is a fine preacher. The church was crowded nightly. The paper highly spoke of him as a fine thinker and delightful speaker. I hope Alabama will not allow Bro. Smith to remain out of the State long. He is too valuable to lose.

With best wishes for the ALABAMA BAPTIST, and love to my friends in the State, I remain,

Yours to Christ,
CHAS. E. NASH.

Carrollton, Ky.

Why Should We Have a Young Men's Christian Association in Our Town?

A Paper By T. G. Darling, D.D.

Dear Baptist: I have before me the above named paper, with the above question, and the first thing I find in answer to this question is on page eleven, and here it is: "There are certain things in the interest of the church itself which the church is not so competent to do. Now the question with me is, does the above contradict Christ? Let us hear him: 'Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also, and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.' John 14:12. It does appear to me that this is a contradiction of terms. Dr. Darling says the church is not competent, Christ says he that believeth on him shall do greater works than he has done, and he said 'All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth is with me,' and in John 14:14, he says: 'If ye shall ask anything in my name I will do it.' And here is the trouble, we are leaving the name of Christ out and working in some other name, and educating the people to believe that the church is not competent to do the work of the Master."

The second and last that I shall notice in this memorable paper is on page 12, here it is: "The Association is everywhere proving a side door into the church for those who will not come in at the front." Hear Christ, John 1:1, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that entereth not by the door into the sheep-fold but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber." Hear him again, John 14:6, "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father but by me."

Here is the doctrine of Christ, and of the Y. M. C. A. One declares the church to be insufficient, the other (Christ) says it is complete in him, "choose ye this day whom ye will believe."

I oppose the Y. M. C. A., first, because it is unscripural, in its doctrine, and hence opposed to Christ. I oppose it in the second place, because it has a so-called union with the church and the world, and Christ says "come out from the world and be ye separate, saith the Lord." And I oppose it for other reasons that I will make known if necessary, and in conclusion, I don't believe it is the place for Baptists to build up the Baptist church and to grow strong in faith. But, brethren, I suppose this institution of men has come here to rebuke our lethargy. If any man will follow Christ let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow whithersoever he goes.

S. M. ADAMS.

Oakmulgee, June 21st.

Isaac Errett, L.L.D., editor of the Christian Standard, is making a tour in the East, and, while in Palestine, was in a party which made the trip to the Dead Sea and the Jordan. At night they encamped near the place where the Israelites are believed to have crossed, and not far from where Jesus is believed to have been baptized. He says: "At this point several of our party went in bathing. Three of them were Pedobaptist ministers, and each immersed himself, saying, with seeming jocularity, 'Well, I have now been immersed anyway'; but I felt that under the apparent fun was a solemn, if not superstitious feeling, and perhaps a prayer that God would accept this at their hands." Nevertheless the small gentry of the Pedobaptist pulpit will continue to retain the old nonsense about the Jordan being "too swift" or "too shallow" for immersion!

Miss. Record.

Secular News.

Salvans Cobb, the novelist, is dead. One death from Sunstroke in Decatur last week.

The crops in Pickens county, Ala., are unusually promising.

Natural gas has been found near Hartselle, Morgan county, Ala.

The Baltimore and Ohio railroad negotiations are broken off; no sale.

The Terre Haute car works were burned on the 17th inst. Loss about \$100,000.

The president and his party arrived at Washington on the 20th inst. from his visit to New York.

The St. Anthony Elevator, near Minneapolis, Minn., was burned on the 19th inst. Loss over \$100,000.

The tax assessment of Jefferson county, Alabama, for 1887, has increased 300 per cent over that of 1886.

T. L. Arye & Co., cotton factors and commission merchants of New Orleans, have failed to the extent of \$500,000.

The Huntsville Independent has commenced the publication of a daily. Success to the enterprising spirit of Bro. Pettus.

The county of Floyd, Ga., recently voted on prohibition. Prohibition carried by a majority of 520. So the ball is moving.

Five children, colored, were killed by lightning, near Hillsboro, Ala., on the 20th inst.

Alabama Baptist.

MONTGOMERY, ALA., JULY 28, 1887.

The Old Folks at Home.
Or elsewhere, under a tonic now and then to sustain them in the recovery of strength, and to the delicate care of the stomach and bowels. Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, a seasonable medicine in those ailments of commonest occurrence—liver complaint, indigestion and bowels disorders; a pure botanical safeguard against malaria, and a reliable means of counteracting rheumatism. To the convalescent, it is a valuable aid in the recovery of strength, and to the debilitated, nervous invalid it yields tranquil slumber and renewed appetite—two prime factors in the restoration of vigor. Being of purely botanical origin, it is free from those objections urged against mineral remedies difficult or impossible of assimilation by the system, and which impair the tone of the stomach, which the Bitters on the contrary, strengthens and regulates. It is endorsed and prescribed by the medical fraternity.

Do not deem that it matters not how you live your life below; It matters much to the heedless crowd That you see go to and fro; For all that is noble and high and good Has an influence on the rest, And the world is better for every one Who is living at his best.

The light that lies In woman's eyes, Is a ray of her own brightness; but it is, alas! often dimmed or quenched by some weeping disease, perhaps silently borne, but taking all comfort and enjoyment out of life. That light of the household can be kindled and made to glow with its natural brightness. Dr. R. V. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription" is a potent specific for most of the chronic weaknesses and diseases peculiar to women.

In thy presence we are happy, In thy presence we're secure; In thy presence all afflictions We will easily endure. In thy presence we can conquer, We can suffer with thee; Far from thee, we faint and languish; Lord our Savior, keep us near!

—W. Williams.
If you wish to restore the bloom to your wasted cheek, and so improve your health that plumpness and strength will succeed enervation and debility, partly your blood with Ayer's Sarsaparilla. This remedy will benefit you more surely and speedily than any other.

God never would send you darkness, If he felt you could bear the light; But you would not cling to guiding hand, If the way were always bright; And you would not care to walk by faith, Could you always walk by sight.

MASON, ALA., Nov. 2nd, 1886.
Messrs. A. T. SHALLENBERGER & Co., Rochester, Pa. Gent.—Your Remedy for Malaria is the best child and fever remedy I have ever known. It is a true and fails to cure every case. Since you sent me that sample bottle I have sold over one dozen, and not a single person has taken it who has not been cured. Please send me a dozen by mail immediately. Yours respectfully, N. B. DIXON.

Now with gladness, now with courage, Bear the burden on these laid, That hereafter these thy labors, May with endless gifts be paid, And in everlasting glory, Thou with joy mayst stand arrayed.

—Latin Hymn.
Not a particle of calomel, nor any other deleterious substance, enters into the composition of Ayer's Pills. On the contrary, this medicine is carefully compounded from the purest and most effective vegetable substances. Try it.

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A Very Rare Offer.
Any one who will read carefully an advertisement which has appeared in this paper headed "Perfume by Mail" will be attracted at once by the liberal offer therein made by Fleming, Bro., Pittsburgh, Pa., who are a thoroughly reliable firm and will do all they promise in the advertisement. Look up a back number and read this advertisement carefully.

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ADVICE TO MOTHERS.
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Daughters, Wives, and Mothers.
Send for Pamphlet on Female Diseases; mailed free, securely sealed.

Dr. J. B. MACARTHUR, Utica, N. Y.
I wonder many times that ever a child of God should have been lost, considering what the Lord is preparing for him.—[Kutherford.

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On receipt of \$1.00 we will forward by express, to any address, a pound box of fine candies. Special attention to mail orders. J. M. MANGOLD & CO., Manufacturing Confectioners, 24 Commerce St., Montgomery, Ala.

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If thou wouldst find, poor soul, In him who rules the world, peace and rest; Wisdom and sight are well, but trust is best.—Procter.

Tennessee River Association.

Bro. Editor: This is to say that the place of the meeting of the Tennessee River Association has been changed from Mary Jones' chapel to Fackler, on the M. & C. railroad, between Scottsboro and Stevenson, Ala. The church is only a few steps from the depot. We will be glad to have all our friends to be with us, especially Bro. Crumpton, our Secretary, and the editor of the ALABAMA BAPTIST. Come up, Bro. S. The association meets Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in September next.

L. C. COULSON, Scottsboro, Ala.

Receipts of State Mission Board for June.

State Missions.	Amount.
Columbia church, \$ 25 95	
Center Ridge Sunday-school, 3 30	
Antioch church, 1 30	
Notasulga church, 1 30	
Fellowship church, 1 50	
Mrs. Vary, 1 00	
Trussville church, 1 00	
J. F. Pope, 1 00	
Newton Ass'n, 12 50	
Liberty Association, 350 00	
S. S. Toward, 1 65	
Liberty church, 6 00	
Sunday-school, Liberty church, 6 00	
Central Association, 53 40	
L. T. Grogan, 4 05	
Ladies Missionary Soc., Selma ch., 10 00	
Young Missionaries, Selma ch., 10 00	
Briefed Mission Band, 13 55	
Sunday-school, LaFayette ch., 13 55	
Monroville church, 6 45	
Antioch church, 1 30	
Warrior River Association, 6 00	
Crawford church, 3 45	
New Hope church, 4 00	
Farmville church, 2 50	
Concord church, 2 50	
Bethesda church, 1 85	
Clanton church, 6 00	
Hatcheechubee church, 6 00	
Guseta church, 7 75	
Bethel church, 7 75	
W. M. Soc., 60 00	
Salem ch., Woman's Miss. Soc., 5 00	
Bethesda church, 2 50	
Young Peoples' Miss. Society, 10 00	
Center Ridge church, 10 00	
R. L. Manly, 23 80	
Glennville church, 55 00	
Canan Association, 175 00	
Way Side church, 1 00	
Liberty church, 1 00	
Jasper church, 3 75	
Mobile Association, 243 60	
Weaver Station church, 10 00	
Sunday-school, Harpersville ch., 10 00	
Jack's Gap church, 80 00	
Union Association, 100 00	
J. W. Dickinson, 6 60	
Evergreen church, 2 50	
P. M. Callaway, 4 95	
Damaris church, 4 95	
Unity church, 10 00	
Mt. Zion church, 10 00	
Mt. Pleasant church, 10 00	
Roadside church, 10 00	
Sunday-school, Roadside church, 10 00	
County Line church, 8 20	
Sunday-school, County Line ch., 8 20	
L. M. S., County Line church, 30 00	
Pleasant Ridge church, 2 50	
Dadeville Sunday-school, 2 50	
Mt. Gilead church, 4 50	
Pleasant Hill church, 4 50	
Antioch church, 4 50	
Harmony church, 4 50	
S. S. Day's Band, 5 55	
Six Mile church, 4 35	
Carlton Hill church, 2 90	
Mulberry church, 2 90	
Putnam church, 5 00	
Lystra church, 5 00	
Prospect church, 5 00	
A. W. Mite, 5 00	
Allen church, 5 00	
Prattville church, 10 00	
Columbia church, 7 85	
Dadeville church, 6 45	
Ladies' Miss. Soc., Dadeville ch., 1 55	
Shiloh church, 2 00	
Prospect church, 3 75	
How Hope church, 12 00	
Mt. Lebanon church, 7 10	
Oswichee church, 7 10	
Providence church, 7 35	
Opelika church, 7 35	
Salem church, 7 35	
Bassett Creek church, 3 00	
Brownville church, 18 30	
Mt. Callaway, 5 40	
Mt. Carmel church, 12 30	
Fellowship church, 1 90	
Providence Sunday-school, 5 15	
Poplar Springs church, 25 00	
Dadeville church, 50 00	
First church Montgomery, 85 00	
Center Ridge church, 1627 01	
Home Missions.	
Mt. Zion church, \$ 9 12	
J. E. Herring, for Epops church, 5 00	
Liberty church, 5 00	
Sunday-school, LaFayette church, 5 00	
New Hope church, 1 75	
Farmville church, 1 75	
Cusseta Sunday-school, 1 75	
Hatcheechubee church, 1 75	
Mt. Zion church, 2 15	
Glennville church, 2 15	
Union church, 2 15	
P. M. Callaway, 2 25	
Unity church, 2 25	
Mt. Zion church, 2 25	
Refuge church, 2 25	
Columbia church, 5 50	
Mt. Olive church, 2 25	
Cubahatchee church, 4 35	
Opelika church and Sunday-school, 2 25	
Fellowship church, 1 15	
Center Ridge church, 1 15	
Foreign Missions.	
Mt. Zion church, \$ 9 92	
Liberty church, 3 05	
L. T. Grogan, 8 00	
LaFayette church, 5 00	
Sunday-school, LaFayette church, 5 00	
New Hope church, 2 06	
Farmville church, 1 75	
Clanton church, 2 75	
Cusseta church, 1 10	
Hatcheechubee church, 1 15	
Ladies' Miss. Society, Salem ch., 3 00	
Union church, 3 00	
P. M. Callaway, 2 25	
Damaris church, 10 15	
Unity church, 5 71	
Mt. Zion church, 4 10	
Pleasant Hill church, 7 75	
S. S. Day's Band, 1 30	
Putnam church, 62 90	
Refuge church, 1 55	
Sumterville church, 5 00	
Opelika church and Sunday-school, 2 95	
Fellowship church, 05 00	
Center Ridge church, 40 00	
Ministerial Education.	
Liberty church, 2 00	
T. J. Dill, 37 00	
Sunday-school, Nanafalia church, 2 75	
Union church, 2 75	
Flatwood chapel, 2 00	
S. S. Day's Band, 2 25	
Putnam church, 4 90	
Refuge church, 09 50	
Opelika church, 40 00	
Opelika church and Sunday-school, 40 00	
Fellowship church, 40 00	
Bible and Colportage Work.	
Silom Sunday-school, \$ 10 00	
Silom Sunday-school Workers, 8 75	
Silom church, 40 00	
Center Ridge church, 73 00	
Bible Work American Baptist Publication Society.	
Silom Sunday-school, \$ 10 00	
Silom Sunday-school, 2 75	
Sunday-school, Bethesda church, 4 25	
Sunday-school, Nanafalia church, 4 90	
Sunday-school, Antioch church, 4 50	
Opelika church and Sunday-school, 47 00	
Providence Sunday-school, 6 00	
Indigent Ministers.	
Putnam church, \$ 1 00	
Education of Colored Preachers, 49 00	
Receipts for June, \$2065 06	

Total Receipts for all Purposes for the Year '86 and '7.

State Missions, \$7389 33	
Home Missions, 3104 92	
Foreign Missions, 3262 68	
Ministerial Education, 1176 15	
Endowment Howard College, 136 50	
Indigent Ministers, 58 83	
Education Colored Preachers, 58 83	
American Baptist Pub. Society, 181 12	
Bible and Colportage, 347 06	
Church Building in Alabama, 79 05	
Grand total, \$14888 16	

W. B. CRUMPTON, Cor. Secretary and Treasurer.

An Appeal to Alabama Baptists.

Dear Brethren: Brought up in Alabama from early childhood to nearly the age of sixteen years, converted and baptized in Alabama, sent to this field, after 21 years of service under the Foreign Mission Board, S. B. C., by the Home Mission Board located in Alabama, I do not hesitate, in my present straight, to call upon Alabama Baptists to help in the work the Lord has laid upon me. For more than seven years I and my fellow laborers in the Mission to the Chinese in San Francisco, most of whom are from the South, have labored under great disadvantage because of the lack of a church building.

Mr. Rockefeller, of New York, has just made an offer of \$4,000 for such a building on condition that the whole sum of \$15,000 be raised by September 1st. To accomplish this we are straining every muscle. We must not allow this opportunity to secure a house to fail. I call therefore upon my brethren and sisters in Alabama to help me to raise this sum in the next seventy days. Let us have at least a few hundred dollars. It need not interfere with any other benevolence. Seven years in a room fifteen feet wide for a church! Is it not time we should have something better?

Funds may be sent to me at 1011 Mason street, San Francisco, or to Rev. Dr. Morehouse, Temple Court, New York City. Yours in Christ, J. B. HARTWELL.

A Back Glance at the Convention.

Eds. Baptist: This communication cannot affect the relations of Howard College, for the prudential committee will have done their work before it can get before your readers. Nor is it my purpose, in this letter, to say anything in the interest of any place in any sense which could touch the matter of location. I only wish to refer, in some brief sort, to the character of the late Convention at Union Springs, and relative incidents. Viewing the State over, it was a representative body, and so a very fine body of men. I think I never saw so many at one place who were open to conviction, and earnestly inquiring for the path of duty. It chanced that on Saturday evening I was at tea with six young men, and found that their concern over the pending question was absolutely painful to them. This was to be realized everywhere during the first two days of the session. So far as concerned the position of the alumni of Howard College it seems to me that they generally had an abiding affection for Marion, yet that they were for no place, but for Howard College. After the discussion was nearly over, a young brother said to me in tears, "I do not want to hear anything more about Marion, or Birmingham, or Anniston, but I do wish somebody would make a great speech for Howard College, and let us know what is essential to the life of Howard College." I heard several say: "I do not want my alma mater destroyed and my diploma killed." I think an opinion obtained that removal was the way to save their alma mater, had a good deal to do with the vote of the Convention. It seemed to me that the interests of Marion were not well managed in the discussion. Marion would have fared better without the amendments to Dr. Wharton's paper. The amendments drifted the discussion off into a debate between Anniston and Birmingham, and Marion dropped out of attention.

But I took my pencil to say, that the discussion was a fine display of how Christian men who differ radically about a great interest may bear themselves "in honor preparing one another." It is wonderful that there was nothing said to be seriously regretted. Christians had prayed over this matter before they met, and they entered on the subject in the fear of God and the spirit of prayer.

Nothing could surpass for beauty and sweetness of Christian spirit the conduct of the brethren from Marion. They have done many grand things in the past, and in this case they set us an example which we should never forget. Nor should we forget the point in Col. Shackabee's anecdotes. They fit the case like a glove. His motion to make the action of the Convention unanimous was singularly noble under the circumstances. Their affectionate interest in Howard College is natural, it has grown on them, and it is disagreeable to any Baptist in Alabama to think of their separation. The untired place—wherever it may be—has hardly thought seriously and practically of building a college and directing it. Whether any other place in Alabama has a Lovelace or a Wilkerson, to quit their own business and watch day and night after the college, is a practical essential yet to be tried; and

who will weep around its interests after John Lee retires?

If it finds its seat of future operations at Birmingham, while the present men live we will do our best; and may God give us successors worthy of the great task.

J. J. D. RENFROE.

Thanks.

Eds. Ala. Baptist: Please publish through your valuable columns the following contributions to the First Baptist church, Baton Rouge, La., to aid in completing their house of worship.

MOBILE, ALA.	Amount.
J. C. Bush, \$5 00	
Cash, 5 00	
Cash, 5 00	
S. A. Barnett, 2 00	
J. S. Knight, 2 50	
Cash, 1 00	
Cash, 1 00	
Cash, 2 50	
G. Robertson, 1 50	
J. D. Robertson, 1 00	
R. T. Manly, 1 00	
Cash, 5 00	
Miss L. B. Robertson's, 2 30	
S. S. Class, 34 80	
Total, \$148 80	
T. J. DRANE, Agent.	

In Memoriam.

In the death of Mrs. Emma Mann, which sad event occurred at West Point, Mississippi, June 22nd, 1887, humanity lost a constant friend and the church a faithful member. She was the only daughter of Mr. J. M. Nolen, of Selma, and was born at Talladega, Ala., May 13th, 1859. She was married in West Point, Miss., March 13th, 1880, to Robert Mann. In the morning of life professed faith in the Christian religion, and its gentle influences made her life through all the years that remained pure and peaceful, calm and beautiful. She united herself with the Baptist church, and was a consecrated member for twelve years. Patiently and uncomplainingly she bore the pain and suffering of her last illness, and without a thought of fear sank peacefully into that rest which knows no waking, hunger, thirsting, or heart-breaking. Like Mary of old, she had chosen that better path, which shall not be taken from her. She had the pearl of untold price, and held fast that "peace which passeth all understanding." She had many friends who sincerely sympathized with the husband and daughter. Upon them the weight of grief falls heaviest. "The Lord giveth and the Lord hath taken away, blessed be the name of the Lord."

HER BROTHER.

Bro. R. A. Gaddy.

Died, near Bethel, Wilcox county, Ala., July 8th, 1887, Bro. R. A. Gaddy, who was 53 years of age. Thus has passed away one of our best citizens, and a consistent member of the Baptist church. His life has been one of honesty, charity and forgiveness, and by the practice of these godly attributes he was the better enabled to quietly wade down into the chilly waters of death, fearing no evil. Among his parting words, he expressed a steadfast trust in Jesus. May God our fathers keep and comfort his grief stricken family.

Mrs. Matilda Farrior Thigpen.

On the 5th of July, 1887, Mrs. Matilda Farrior Thigpen entered into the "rest that remaineth to the people of God." For more than twenty years she was a consistent member of the church, and a devout and useful Christian. With that gentleness of manners so characteristic of the higher types of Christian womanhood, she exercised a blessed influence over her family and those whose privilege it was to be numbered among her friends.

She has left a husband, six sons, and a large number of friends and relatives to mourn the great loss they have sustained. Though she came to Keachi a perfect stranger, just one year ago, she had made many friends to love her and to admire her excellent traits of character.

The Louisiana Baptist State Convention, which met in Keachi the day after she was buried, passed resolutions expressing their deep sympathy



BILIOUSNESS

Is an affection of the Liver, and can be thoroughly cured by that grand regulator of the Liver and bilious organs, Simmons Liver Regulator. PREPARED BY J. H. ZEILIN & CO., Philadelphia, Pa. I was afflicted for several years with disordered Liver, which resulted in a severe attack of jaundice. I had good medical attendance but it failed to restore me to the enjoyment of my former health. I then tried the favorite prescription of one of the most renowned physicians of Louisville, Ky., but to no purpose, whereupon I was induced to try Simmons Liver Regulator. I found immediate benefit from its use, and it ultimately restored me to the full enjoyment of health.—A. H. SHIPLEY, Richmond, Ky.

At Cost.

Owing to the change of my place of business, and to decrease my stock, I will sell my entire stock of Crocker, China and Glassware at Cost. Give us a call and you will be pleased. D. ABRAHAM, No. 18 Court St. Will move to No. 7 Dexter Ave.

for her sorely bereaved husband. Most her children follow her as she followed Christ, that after a while the now broken family circle may be complete again in that house of many mansions. ***

The Next Year.

\$15,000 For State Missions; \$5,000 for Home Missions; \$5,000 for Foreign Missions; \$1,000 for Aged and Infirm Ministers; \$500 for Bible Work American Bap. Pub. Society; \$500 for Colportage work in Alabama; \$250 for education of colored preachers.

This is about the state the State Mission Board has prepared for the year 1887-8.

Will the Baptists of Alabama give it? Brethren, pastors, let us be up and at it now. Don't wait for the associations to assemble.

The demands are urgent, and I appeal to every lover of the cause to help roll up the amounts. W. B. CRUMPTON, Cor. Sec. Marion, Ala.

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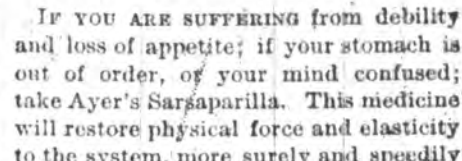
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