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The Southern Baptist Convention.

(Continued from last week.)

SATURDAY.

Morning Session.

The Convention met at 9 o'clock. Prayer by Rev. J. H. Kilpatrick. Pastor Venable delivered an address of welcome, which was responded to by Dr. McDonald, of Georgia.

Various committees were appointed.

A paper in regard to *Kind Words* was referred to the committee having under consideration that matter, composed of W. C. Cleveland of Alabama, J. B. Searcy of Arkansas, C. A. Stakely of District of Columbia, N. A. Bailey of Florida, J. H. Kilpatrick of Georgia, R. M. Dudley of Kentucky, W. S. Penick of Louisiana, Joshua Levering of Maryland, (chairman), J. E. Lawless of Missouri, C. Durham of North Carolina, C. Manly of South Carolina, R. J. Williamson of Tennessee, J. B. Link of Texas, W. R. L. Smith of Virginia.

Dr. Tucker, of Georgia, offered a resolution condemning the attack made upon Mr. Venable, pastor of the First Baptist church.

Referred to committee.

The committee appointed to report on the treasurer's report urged that the contributions be made earlier and larger. Adopted.

The report of the committee on

WOMAN'S WORK

was read by Rev. H. M. Wharton, of Maryland. They have circulated a large number of postals, letters, circulars, leaflets, pamphlets, etc. Their motive is twofold: For disseminating literature and in raising money.

There are over six hundred societies within the bounds of the Convention.

Dr. Broadus said that the women were working in harmony with this Convention. They have no men in their meetings and are pushing their work well without their attendance.

Rev. H. M. Wharton said the women didn't want anything said about their work, but he was going to say a few things anyhow. We need their assistance. They are the greatest helpers we have. Read the Scriptures and see for yourself how they have proved a blessing. We know that they are well fitted for this work.

They ask for our prayers and sympathies. They have come half way. This reminds me of a story told of Davy Crockett. It is said that when he went a con hunting the coons would come down the trees and meet him half way, so sure were they that he would get them. If you will allow me to say something about flowers I will say that the women are the sunflowers of the valley and we are the sunflowers.

They have put into our treasury \$18,000 and cost us a little over \$200. We can give them substantial aid. In New York there was a man who sold pies on the street corner. His rich friend came by and talked with him, and, on leaving, said: "Good-by, I'm sorry you are in this business, you have my sympathy." "Doggone your sympathy," said the pie man, "what I want you to do is to buy a pie." We must give these women our support.

Dr. Landrum, of Virginia, presented Rev. A. W. Lamar, of Omaha, who spoke of the woman's work at the north. The northern women hold the combination to one half of this great safe of treasures and the southern women the other half. We want co-operation in the work. We must all work together.

Dr. Harris desired to say a few words. Wherever the women are at work they are stimulating the churches.

Dr. Miller said they were doing a grand and sublime work.

Rev. R. M. Thrasher said that it would be a sad day for the Southern Baptist Convention to endeavor to go through the world as an old bachelor. Without the support of the women it would have to sew on its own buttons and darn its own stockings.

A number of short speeches were made on the report, which was then adopted.

The English delegates were presented at 11 o'clock, this being the hour to hear them. Dr. Hatcher introduced them. He said we should cultivate the relations of our English brethren. The Baptists of England are not so united as we. There is great opposition and prejudice against the strict Baptists. These brethren, Dr. Parker and Mr. Shaw, are strict Baptists, and we are glad to have them with us.

Mr. Shaw said that Baptists were looked down upon by the state church. They needed good Scriptural preachers. The strict Baptists are working on with God's word in their hands, though great opposition is against them.

Dr. Parker, of Manchester, then entertained the Convention in an able speech, outlining the history and condition of the Baptists in England. A large number of brethren came forward and shook the hands of these good men when the speech had ended. Sang hymn beginning, "How firm a foundation."

Dr. Broadus responded by saying that we are English. Our people were English. We just came across the water and left our friends on the other side. When he went to England he felt that he had arrived in the homes of his friends. We are not afraid of them. He would tell about a cross roads speaker in Kentucky who was at one time discussing the question of a war with England. He said: "My friends, they say England will send her navy over and take our country. I'll tell you: We'll turn the Mississippi river into the Mammoth Cave and dry up the Atlantic Ocean, and then what will be her navy? I

answer, Nowhere!" We sometimes have different views on questions, but we are all going the same way. On the western plains are herds of wild horses. How I wish I could see them! I should like to watch them as they go cavorting across the prairie, every one for himself, head erect, tail in the air, now going this way, and that, now shying or kicking at his neighbor, but all going in the same direction. That's the American Baptist.

Sang "Sweet bye and bye."

A resolution passed unanimously that delegates be appointed by this Convention to represent us at the Convention to be held in Manchester, England.

The committee on nominations reported:

Time and Place of Next meeting—J. M. Wells, Texas; N. R. Pittman, Missouri; H. H. Hickman, Georgia; G. S. Williams, R. H. Pitt, Virginia; W. A. Davis, Alabama; E. E. Folk, Tennessee.

Reports of Vice Presidents—H. K. Ellyson, Virginia; R. R. Womack, Arkansas; W. B. Dye, Florida; John F. Eden, Georgia; R. W. Merrill, Virginia; J. W. Bozeman, A. E. Rogers, Missouri.

Nominations—G. J. Holiday, Virginia; B. F. Riley, Alabama; D. B. Grayson, District of Columbia; J. C. Porter, Florida; W. H. Forbes, Arkansas; E. Z. F. Golden, Georgia; C. H. Nash, Kentucky; J. W. Hartfield, Louisiana; James Pollard, Maryland; H. F. Sproules, Mississippi; C. H. Moscov, North Carolina; J. L. Vass, South Carolina; J. H. Anderson, Tennessee; A. J. Fawcett, Texas.

On Foreign Population, Including Cuba and Indians—F. M. Ellis, Maryland; W. L. Pickard, Alabama; L. Geiger, Florida; James Keithby, Missouri; Theo Whitfield, Virginia; W. S. Rogers, Georgia; J. H. Luther, Texas.

On Native White Population—C. E. W. Dobbs, Mississippi; A. B. Miller, Arkansas; A. J. Battle, Georgia; J. L. Carroll, North Carolina; A. J. Holt, Texas; J. W. Rusk, Kentucky; S. C. Clopton, Virginia.

On Women's Report—G. W. Hyde, Missouri; M. C. Cole, Louisiana; L. S. Foster, Mississippi; G. A. Lofton, Tennessee; J. K. Fant, North Carolina; W. T. Devieux, South Carolina.

Communications were received from the Memphis Merchants' and Cotton Exchanges, extending courtesies to the Convention and requesting the body to visit them during their stay in the city. Accepted.

Rev. J. J. Taylor, of Alabama, read the report on Papal Fields, and followed with a vigorous, earnest speech. If we are to believe the testimony of such men as Dr. McGlynn regarding Romanism, then we must press our work in these papal countries. There are no people who need our labors among them more than these. One of the most terrible things is, to see people pouring out their heart's devotion to a human being.

Rev. Hugh P. McCormick, of Zacatecas, Mexico, said no one could imagine the difficulties under which Protestant labor in Roman Catholic countries. There is no difference between the pagan and the papist. Roman Catholicism is the same the world over—same in Memphis as in Mexico. It rots out all truth and corrupts every nation where it reigns. The priests of Mexico are of the vilest, most immoral set of beings in the world. The priests live with the women, and in more instances than one have priests, whose characters are as black and unclean as sin can make them been placed over large congregations of Catholics and honors heaped upon them by the high dignitaries of that church. In one instance a priest who had ruined a dozen or more women was placed over one of the largest churches in that country. He pictured the errors of Romanism in words that will burn in the minds of brethren till death shall come. He hoped the brethren would feel a deep concern in this work. The priests of Mexico are worse than the ignorant ones who compose this church. More laborers are needed in that country.

Adjourned at 12:45 with prayer by Dr. Frost, of Alabama.

Evening Session.

The Convention met at 3 o'clock. The report on Pagan Fields was read by Dr. Gambrell, of the Mississippi Baptist Record.

All pagan lands are open to Christian work. He spoke a few words about African missions. In Africa a vast field has been explored and we should be at work to enter it for the Master. If we do our duty in the interest of our churches, we will lift up this cause. He hoped for a larger increase in this work.

Dr. Rowland, of Maryland, called attention to the field in Japan. If he were twenty years younger he would offer for this field. It is one of the grandest opportunities to gain this people for Christ. American influence was already felt in Japan, and he was glad that the Foreign Mission Board was sending missionaries to that people.

Report adopted unanimously.

Dr. Burrows, of Virginia, read the report on Extension of Work in Mission Fields. He was glad to report an increase in the mission force. God is calling men and women to the work. He has heard our petitions. New fields are opening up and we must enter them. Dr. Yates, of China, regarded the field of Japan as a promising field. We have a great Backer. God will be with us in this work.

Rev. Geo. Whitfield, of Mississippi, followed with a speech of some length. We must take missions and work for missions more than ever before. The feelings that vibrate and pulsate through your hearts will be felt

through all our southern states. Virginia, or Georgia, or Mississippi could give one hundred thousand dollars to foreign missions and not be poor. Every Christian is a missionary. Christ was a missionary and traveled and preached as long as his short life lasted.

Mr. Ellyson, of Virginia, said: We have had a wonderful enlargement in our Foreign Missionary work. We have more than twice as many missionaries now than we had in 1860. Somebody has been praying to the Lord of the harvest. The Lord has put the solemn responsibility of providing for these missionaries upon us. In 1887 we gave \$86,000, and during the year 1888 up to April 30, 1889, we gave over \$99,000. We want \$150,000 next year.

Here a resolution was adopted as follows: "Resolved, That it is the conviction of the Convention that the Foreign Mission Board should receive this year \$150,000 for the proper support and progress of its work."

Rev. A. C. Dixon, of Maryland, said he believes the infidelity of to-day was several fold weaker than that of one hundred years ago. He thanked God for modern agnosticism. Men now claim to know nothing; formerly, they knew it all. We should expect great things of God. The only thing that can bind God's arm is the lack of expectation.

The report was amended by embracing the above resolution. Adopted.

Mr. Geo. W. Norton, of Kentucky, was re-elected treasurer, and Rev. Junius Caldwell, of the same state, auditor.

Dr. Hoyt offered a resolution instructing the Convention to sell *Kind Words* so soon as the present contract has expired. Referred to committee.

Dr. Eaton offered a resolution that the *Kind Words* series be continued. Referred to committee.

Rev. Mr. Venable read the announcements concerning Sunday's services at the various churches.

Night Session.

The Convention was called to order by Gov. Eagle, of Arkansas.

Dr. Tupper introduced Rev. Mr. Bostick, of North Carolina, to the Convention. He wanted to show what the grace of God had done for him. Some people ask me: "Why do you go to China? Why not to some other field?" I answer: "Because the Lord wants me to go."

When I gave myself to the Lord I said: "Here am I; use me for thy glory." I have never made an agreement with the Lord nor shown any preference for a field. I commit myself to him and ask him to lead me aright. When I am over in China I shall love to think of the brethren and sisters in America who are praying for us. We often get discouraged because God doesn't convert a nation in a day. Think of it! The entire denomination of one million of souls in America! In one province in China there are thirty millions. When you read my wife's letters and mine, think of the thirty millions of souls perishing around us. I want you to send up, constantly, earnest prayers.

A sister said: "Bro. Bostick, you look so sad. It must be a great trial for you to leave all your relatives and friends forever." I said: "My sister, you are mistaken. I have never been happier in my life than the months intervening between last December and the present time." Since last December, when my wife and I bowed down together and asked God to direct us, and said: "Lord, send us where thou wilt," my life has been joyous. I have not made an agreement with God and told him if he would make me a greater man than Yates, I would go to China. I put my strength in him and am resting on his promises.

Dr. Ellis, of Maryland, said: If there is any one subject in my thoughts that take precedence over all others, it is this subject before us. The commission of our Lord, "Go ye into all the world and preach my gospel," we should heed. This is the divine command—this is the divine order. Preaching the gospel is man's work; making disciples is God's work. The missionary enterprise is a grander enterprise than we have any conception of. The results of our labors and the money expended in foreign lands is astonishing compared with the same amount of work done here and the same amount of money expended.

Dr. Hatcher, of Virginia, said that the board had never been more affected than when Bro. Bostick offered himself for the missionary work. He was the pastor of one of the richest churches in North Carolina, and he had given up all to work for Christ.

At the close of his speech Dr. H. asked for a purse of \$600 with which to purchase the tickets of brother and sister Bostick to China. He proceeded in his peculiar way (and we must say it is a splendid one) until about \$700 were raised. He kept the audience laughing, and so long as they were in a good humor they would give and never seem to get tired.

Sang a song. Benediction by Bro. Hall, of Arkansas.

Adjourned until Sunday afternoon, when the Boyce memorial services will be engaged in.

BOYCE MEMORIAL SERVICE.

At 3:30 Sunday afternoon the Convention met in the Cumberland Presbyterian church, which has a seating capacity of fifteen hundred.

Prayer by Dr. McDonald, of Georgia. He prayed that God would heal the hearts of the afflicted family.

Opening remarks were made by Dr. Burrows, of Virginia. He said that Dr. Boyce was one of the greatest men that ever lived. He was a grand, good man.

Dr. Tucker, of Georgia, then

spoke. A great prince has fallen—a prince of the house of Israel. Doubtless the angels rejoiced as the Savior said: Enter thou into the joys of thy Lord. His toils are over, and all the joys that are promised in Revelations have been given him. Let us retrospect for a few moments. He was before us a year ago. We knew we would miss him, but we didn't know how much. Boyce is gone and the whole Baptist family is bereaved. When shall we see another like him? We don't see a Boyce in every generation. The next generation may, but we hardly will. He has built his own monument—a monument more lasting than marble and brass. He was a great business man. It was beautiful to see him lay on the altar all those fine business qualifications. I know no better eulogy for him than this: He was always what the occasion demanded. None we know who combined all the noble qualities of a great and good man. When our great leaders are living, we cannot do without them. It is when they die that we must do without them. Blessed, thrice blessed, be the name of Boyce. Sang a hymn.

Dr. Luther, of Texas, next spoke. The year 1845 is before me. What a season of happenings since then! I began this paper to place one flower upon the grave of Boyce. Though we parted in 1847, to pursue our course in different colleges, and we did not meet in a long time, yet when we did meet, what a time of rejoicing! The best part of a man's life is never written—it cannot be written. Boyce needs no monument. It is pleasant to think of a departed loved one whose character was complete. The common sense and quick perception of Boyce helped to make his work a success. Never was a woman's heart more easily touched. Many a Christian has learned from his sermons that he walked with God. The speaker closed with an eloquence scarcely equaled by any speech during the Convention.

Sang hymn, "Asleep in Jesus, blessed sleep."

Dr. Darwin, of South Carolina, said: By inheritance I have a right to say a word about Boyce. The church of which I am pastor he was largely instrumental in building. He was a great man, as Dr. Tupper has said. Judge of greatness by the strong character—strong because it was made up of noble purposes and desires. He had good thoughts, and pure. He was great because these filled his soul with a lofty purpose. A mighty purpose thrilled his soul—a purpose not merely utilitarian. It was his purpose to give to the denomination a grand college. When God Almighty has a mighty work to be done he chooses the leader. We can only see the fitness when he accomplishes his work. So it was when he chose Moses. Boyce was great because he struggled nobly and succeeded. Some of us have seen him as he brought his ship to shore. The Seminary lives to day. Let us labor for the great institution for which he labored, suffered and died.

Dr. Hatcher, of Virginia, felt unfitted to speak after others had spoken. But he felt that he had a message for the Convention. He went out to Regent Park, London, to take tea while there last October. He called to see Dr. Boyce, who sprang upon the bed and said: "Hatcher! Hatcher! Hatcher! your face is like the sunlight of heaven. I did so much want to see some 'one from America.' I think he knew what was coming. He was taking his armor off. When I left he said: 'Good-by. Tell the brethren that they have my love.'"

Sang a hymn.

Adjourned with prayer by Dr. Burrows, of Virginia.

MONDAY.

Morning Session.

Convention called to order by the president at 9 o'clock.

Prayer by Dr. Roby, of Alabama. Sang "Come, thou Fount of every blessing." Prayer by Dr. Teasdale, of Mississippi.

Read journal of Saturday's proceedings. Approved.

Prayer by Rev. L. M. Berry, of Missouri.

A few minutes were devoted to devotional exercises.

A resolution on temperance was offered by J. B. Cranfield, of Texas, and voted for consideration to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

The committee on Nominations reported.

The committee appointed on the Treasurer's report made their report. They were gratified at the increase in money received and asked for larger contributions.

The committee on *Kind Words* series reported. As the contract for the same does not expire until 1891, they are of the opinion that the further discussion of this subject is unnecessary. Adopted unanimously.

Report of committee on White Population was read. If we look over the territory of our country we see large areas unoccupied. A large destitution in our own country. We must increase our work. Adopted.

Rev. Dobbs, of Mississippi, made a speech on destitute fields in Texas. He would urge the careful consideration of the report and evangelize our white population.

Dr. Warder, of Kentucky, thought this was a very important work. The home and foreign work must be pushed together. We must co-operate in this work. One-third of Kentucky is missionary ground. The two works—home and foreign—must go together.

Dr. Nunnally, of Alabama, spoke. If a man loves his country, if he wants to see his country prosper, he must work for its advancement. He thought the work should be pushed and a lively interest taken in the same.

With these things before us we see our duty. Let us continue to press onward in this work. God help us to be faithful.

Dr. Hayden, of Texas, urged the Convention to extend its work in this state.

Rev. J. B. Cranfield, of Texas, thought the native Texas was the greatest creature alive, intelligently, mentally, and physically. He was glad that he was a Texan. He wanted to urge the Convention to press its work among the Germans, Bohemians and Italians.

Rev. S. M. Brown, of Missouri, would speak a few words about Missouri. Missouri, in the last census, had 1,000,000 population, and Texas had 1,000,000. There are about 125,000 people in one section of St. Louis.

Only one little Baptist church in the city. I have seen girls and boys. I never heard the name of Jesus. Roman Catholicism is the cause. The Bible is taken away from them and they have no other way to learn.

Dr. Burrows offered a resolution asking the Home Board to open mission stations in Arizona and New Mexico. Appended to report.

Rev. N. A. Bailey, of Florida, spoke for Florida, and asked an increase in amount for that state.

Rev. A. B. Miller, of Arkansas, wanted to say a word for that state. The people of Arkansas wanted the Home Board to increase its work there.

Rev. A. J. Holt, of Texas, said that there were 1,500 miles of frontier in Texas where missionaries were needed. He hoped the Board would enter it and press its work.

Rev. J. M. Robertson, of Tennessee, would urge the Home Board to increase its work in Tennessee, Georgia, and Alabama, where cities are being born in a day.

Dr. J. Wm. Jones said that the Board would enter all these fields and increase its work in those places just as soon as the money is sent in.

The report was adopted.

Sang "Jesus, keep me near the cross."

Dr. Griffith, of the American Baptist Education Society, was welcomed by the Convention. He felt at home in the Convention. We are brethren—Baptist brethren. He wanted to answer a question: What is the American Baptist Education Society? It is just what the Baptists of the South have needed. It was organized by Southern Baptists in Washington many years ago. It is not owned by a corporation. It belongs to the Baptist churches. The work has its departments. I have had to shed tears in refusing applications from poor churches and poor pastors. But I thank God that the Society is now going onward and upward. The whole country has been assisted when they had the money. In all its departments the receipts have been over six hundred thousand dollars. We never fail to help every worthy cause when we have the money.

A resolution expressing the gratification of the Convention to the American Baptist Education Society for its assistance to our churches, schools and pastors, was passed.

Dr. Burrows offered a resolution inviting the American Baptist Education Society to hold its next anniversary in connection with this Convention.

A spirited discussion of the resolution was engaged in, and referred to a committee.

A motion was made that two members from each state compose the committee.

Moved that it be so amended as to be composed of one member from each state. Adopted.

Dr. Broadus introduced the brethren who would speak on the Seminary, at Louisville. The work had been divided into three parts.

Dr. Kerfoot said that the Seminary, like many men, had to go West to get a home. The Seminary has over \$500,000 endowment, with \$2,000,000 invested and bearing interest. The building that cost us \$80,000 is but one wing. Dr. Boyce, before going to Europe, had already discussed the propriety of having another wing to the Seminary. Dr. Boyce's plan was God's plan.

Dr. Whitsett, of the Seminary, said that the fund was very small. Since that time it has grown to considerable dimensions. Have aided one hundred students during the past year out of a total number of one hundred and sixty five in attendance. Don't suppose the students' fund ever will be endowed; don't know that it is useful for it to be. Send your young men to the institutions of your own state and then to the Seminary. Don't let them stop when they finish school, but send them to the Seminary.

Dr. Broadus said: You all know the irreparable loss we have sustained. A great many people had gotten to think that the Seminary was sure to go, because Boyce was at the head. He had many sore experiences. The first year after the close of the war we had seven students. I remember lecturing one whole session to one student and he was blind. But we put our trust in God. Dr. Boyce used to say that we would have three hundred students in a few years, and one of these days five hundred, and that number doesn't scare me. You have a good foundation on which to build your money, and you needn't be afraid that it will sink out of sight. It was announced that two meetings will be held to-night—one at the Central and the other at the First church—both in the interest of missions.

Dr. Eaton and Rev. A. J. Diaz (missionary) will speak at one of the churches, and Dr. M. B. Wharton and Rev. Mr. Diaz at the other, the latter speaking at both churches.

Adjourned with prayer.

Afternoon Session.

Convention met at three o'clock, president in the chair.

The resolution inviting the American Baptist Education Society to meet with this Convention at its next session was withdrawn.

A quilt which was presented to the Convention by an old "grandmother," was purchased by the individual members and presented to sister W. D. Powell, of Mexico.

Thirty six dollars and seventy four cents were received for the quilt, which amount was ordered divided equally between the Home and Foreign Boards.

A resolution was offered by Dr. Williams, of Maryland, instructing the Home Board to press its work among the colored people.

The committee on Foreign Population reported. Three hundred and fifty thousand foreign population reached these shores the past year. We are persuaded that an important work can be done among this people.

Dr. Ellis said: Those of you who live in the South know something about the intense desire of the Roman Catholic Church to proselyte and win the colored people. I want to say a few words about the Chinese. If the Chinese were given the vote, politicians would take an interest in him. We should labor to save those who have come to our shores, and these will be our missionaries when they return home.

Rev. Mr. Dixon, of Baltimore, made a speech on Romanism. We have not a Protestant daily paper in America. The Romanists of this country have over twenty prominent daily papers. In preaching on Romanism you will cut right through some of your best friends. Of all the people who are hated worst by the Catholics, the Baptists are that class. What we need is to uncover the rottenness of Roman Catholicism. I have no faith in Justin D. Fulton, but if any man tells the truth about Roman Catholicism, he is the man. The reason the Catholics despise Baptists is, that they have the open Bible.

Dr. Darwin, of South Carolina, spoke on the evils of whisky, Catholicism and of infidelity. He hoped to never see our country under the dominion of these influences.

Dr. McDonald, of Georgia, said: If we are ever to win Catholics to Christ it can be done by preaching the right spirit is the spirit of Christ. I thank God that the Baptists believe in the largest liberty. Let us come in the spirit of Christ. I thank God that I am saved. What the winter blast cannot accomplish the gentle rays of the sun can do. He took an opposite view of the situation from the one of Rev. Mr. Dixon, of Baltimore. We must win Catholics by love and not by heaping upon them hot denunciations.

Dr. Hatcher said: We have heard from Luther and Melancthon—from Elijah and Elisha—both in one evening. We have heard both sides of the question, and each has been ably presented.

Dr. Ryland, of Kentucky, then made a short speech on the report.

The report was adopted.

Closed with prayer, and adjourned until 8 o'clock to-night.

Night Session.

On Monday night, at 8 o'clock, Dr. M. B. Wharton, of Alabama, and Rev. A. J. Diaz, of Cuba, addressed a portion of the Convention at the Central church.

At the same hour Rev. A. J. Diaz, of Cuba, and Dr. T. T. Eaton, of Kentucky, discussed the subject of missions, especially Cuban missions, at the First church.

Encouraging reports were rendered at both churches, after which a collection was taken up, which amounted to \$5,866.00.

Drs. Wharton and Eaton kept their audiences well entertained during their lectures, and Rev. Mr. Diaz was earnest in his remarks and happy in illustrations. His English isn't pure, but his speeches bear a marked improvement over the ones of former occasions. He is an earnest, consecrated man, and the work is prospering in his hands.

TUESDAY.

Morning Session.

The convention assembled at 9 o'clock, the president in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. J. B. Searcy, of Arkansas.

Sang, "There is a Fountain filled with blood."

Prayer by Rev. E. J. Forrester, of South Carolina.

A short time was engaged in in devotional exercises.

Dr. Teasdale made a few remarks. He had been a professor of religion for sixty-two years. He gave his heart to Jesus when he was eighteen years of age, and he would ask all young men to accept Jesus while the bloom of health was upon their cheeks.

Dr. Miller said he had heard the words of our aged brother with a great deal of pleasure. He was pastor of this church twenty-two years ago when the Convention met here, and it was with a large degree of sadness that he looked upon these memorial windows and reminded him of those who had gone on and left him behind.

Dr. Hatcher said: It is ours to watch and minister unto others. We should follow in the path of our Lord and Master.

The Baptist church was the only one that could successfully battle with Romanism. The good people will come to the Baptist church and the truth go to the other way.

The Committee on Time and Place of holding the next Convention reported Fort Worth as the place and Friday before the second Sunday in May, 1890, the time.

J. W. Carter, D. D., of North Carolina, was elected to preach the Convention sermon; J. Lipscomb Johnson, D. D., alternate. This report was supplemented with an invitation to the American Baptist Educational Society to meet with them.

Rev. Mr. Heflin, of Missouri, spoke concerning the German population in that state, to which he was a missionary. He believed more in actual work than in long speeches. The fact is, we are here and here to stay. The best way to reach the Germans is to send them the Word in their mother tongue. They are gaining ground every day. We are getting along finely, but if we had exerted ourselves like we should the German population of this country would be ours.

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The price of the *Home Field* has been reduced from 50 cents to 25 cents per year.

GERMANY has no exhibit at the Paris Exposition. The old hatred still exists between these countries.

In another place read what Dr. Broadus says about the American Baptist—how he travels, etc. See report.

SUNDAY baseball is to be tried once more in Birmingham. We hope the law will sit down hard on the promoters of the scheme.

THE Baptists of Alabama are gratified to learn from so many sources the admirable success attained by Judge Jonathan Haralson, as president of the Southern Baptist Convention. We knew he would succeed.

ADAMS Street church, Montgomery, is an example of what a church can do under the leadership of a wise and good pastor. Heretofore it has been a mission church, now its Sunday-school is raising at the rate of \$100 a year for missions.

REV. J. M. KAILIN, of this office, has preached a number of sermons in Montgomery churches lately and the brethren are well pleased with him and his efforts. He is one of our best young preachers, and is deserving of all the good things said about him.

THE *American Baptist* tells its readers that George Washington was raised an Episcopalian. He was immersed during the revolutionary war by his chaplain, Jno. Gano, a Baptist preacher. He was not a strict Church of England man, neither was he much of a Baptist.

LIKE a man, the Birmingham *Age-Herald* acknowledges that it did wrong in supporting the "pool bill," and it has shown its repentance by fighting it to the death. The *Evening Chronicle* shows its green eyes very clearly in its treatment of the *Age* and the question at issue.

ALLEN THORNDYKE RICE, editor of the *North American Review*, was appointed by President Harrison to be our minister to Russia. Before he had entered upon his duties death claimed him for its victim. How forcibly does this remind us that there is no relation or condition of life in which we can be safe from disease and death. "Be ye also ready."

Now and then the very rottenness of the Roman Catholic church comes to the surface. Dr. Justin Fulton, written a book telling why priests could never. If this book could get into the hands of Catholics it would induce many of them to leave the fold. A priest in Raleigh, N. C., was arrested on the 11th for attempting to outrage one of his members.

THE Southern Baptist Convention will go to Fort Worth, Texas, next year. This is a good move, it is believed, and we pray that great good may result from its visit to Texas. That state is, to a large extent, missionary ground, and the fact that this great body will meet there next year will cause new life and courage to enter the hearts of workers in that portion of the South.

NEVER did Baptists have more to encourage them in their mission work than now. The world is open to us. Men and women are pressing to the front, ready to go anywhere and to be anything for the Master. The Lord of the Harvest is crowning his labors with rich fruitage. How blessed the privilege to work for Jesus in these times! Brother, are you giving anything? "Give and it shall be given to you again."

SOUTHERN Baptists are rich in the possession of noble men. Rev. John A. Broadus is a scholar of whom the whole world is proud, or should be. Dr. Parker, of Manchester, England, says he uses in his college his Homiletics and Preparation and Delivery of Sermons.

MR. L. H. GRUBBS has our thanks for an invitation to visit Decatur May 29-30, on the occasion of their grand celebration. Several speakers from abroad will deliver addresses at that time, and the visitors will be treated to an old-fashioned barbecue. We hope to be present.

WE hope the brethren of Fort Worth will have a church large enough for the convention. Josh Billings begged young men, when they purchased shoes, to remember that seven wouldn't go into five. Appreciating the late condition of things, be the brethren of Fort Worth to remember that 1,500 people can't get into 600 chairs. They may try it, but the other 900 will be proof to the fact that 1,500 won't go into 600.

Those who read the report of the Foreign and Home Mission Boards will see how great work the women and children are doing. Sisters, if you have not a Mission or a Sunbeam Society in your church, organize one as quickly as possible. You will be surprised at the amount of money that can be gathered in a year. Give the little ones a chance to give to Jesus. As they give their pennies to send the gospel to others it is so easy to show them their own need of that Savior.

THE agitation on the Sunday Rest question is bearing fruit. On the Vanderbilt railroads east of Chicago most of the Sunday trains have been taken off, except perishable goods and live stock. The manager of the Boston & Maine railroad has ordered heads of departments to see that no more work than is absolutely necessary be allowed on that road. Other systems are sure, speedily, to follow the example set by the above named lines. Men are learning that God's laws are wisest and best. Men must have some rest from labor.

CHRISTIAN people have many things now-a-days to encourage them. A few years ago the great dailies were against our moral reforms, now most of them have conviction enough to speak out against some forms of sin. This thought was suggested by the fight the *Age Herald* is making against pool rooms and Sunday baseball. Let our preachers be bold in the denunciation of sins, let the Christian people sustain them in their efforts, and almost any moral issue can be carried.

DR. EDWARD MCGLYNN gives the Catholic Charity Hospitals quite a lick when he suggests that "charity does not consist in the salaried administration of a fund received from the public treasury, but in the sacrifice of personal thought and time and money for the good of others." If our readers will make a careful examination they will find that the priests and sisters who do the management of the charity (?) institutions get good pay for their services. State and city governments support many of the so-called charitable institutions of the Catholic church.

ALABAMA IN JAPAN.

Hereafter the Baptists of this state will feel new interest in Japan. Our own J. W. McCollum, of Marion Junction, has been appointed missionary to that land. He is a young man of the highest Christian character. His training has been splendid. His parents are staunch Christians, and have ever sought to live before him the religion of Jesus Christ. During his stay in Howard College he took a high stand in the estimation of the professors and students. He has graduated from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and his appointment to no noble an undertaking gives evidence of the character he has made for himself with our denominational leaders. May he who has said, "Go," sustain him amid the conflicts and labors of that far away land.

DECATUR.

It was our pleasure a few weeks since to visit Decatur. In company with our friend, Mr. S. A. Sparkman, we drove to the principal points of interest. This town had a fearful setback from fever last year, but she is still forging ahead. The Urbana Car Works and the L. & N. railroad shops, just opened, are the biggest enterprises of the town. The streets of the old town are all nicely graveled, and the new town has some of her thoroughfares graveled and all the rest nicely graded. The sewerage system is excellent. A magnificent waterworks system is about completed, and gas works will be in operation soon. Hundreds of new houses are everywhere to be seen. Never in her history has Decatur been so clean. Officials and private citizens alike are pulling for the prosperity of the city by the Tennessee. They are a brave and noble people, and will certainly realize largely of their hopes. Decatur must of necessity be a great city.

THE DISPATCH vs. SAM SMALL.

THE editor of the *Dispatch* thinks that Rev. Sam Small can find a better field to operate in than Montgomery, that there are slums in New York and London, and other large cities, where his experimental lectures will do more good. This same editor says, "We have very few men of good rearing who have spent seventeen years in bar-room debauchery." The man who is serious enough to look about him and note the many young men who are patrons of the saloons in Montgomery, who are from year to year becoming more and more enamored with strong drink, cannot fail to see the necessity of all the temperance talk, temperance preaching, and temperance reading we can get. If we have not many men among us of "good rearing who have spent seventeen years in bar-room debauchery," it is because their constitutions break down before that time, and they fill drunkard's graves. Let the editor make some inquiry as to the early training of the men who now support the saloons of this city, and we dare say he will have occasion to change his opinion somewhat. He says his early training was similar to Mr. Small's, as was also his association with him, yet he has not "given way to anything serious in that line." P'raps.

FLORENCE.

An excursion of about forty members of the Southern Baptist Convention ran over the Memphis & Charleston road to Florence on last Tuesday night, arriving in that booming city about six o'clock on Wednesday morning. From the time one's feet are placed upon the soil of Florence until the time for his departure, surprise after surprise in the way of manufacturing establishments and beautiful residences meet the eye on every side, and he is constrained to write: "The half has never been told." The delegates were conveyed over the city in some eight or ten vehicles. All were exceedingly pleased with the cordial reception tendered them by the noble-hearted citizens of Florence. Florence is situated on the Tennessee river, a magnificent stream, navigable all the year round, and for two miles along the river bluff manufacturing establishments have been established and a number are now running and putting out first class work. The character of the buildings are good, being built of stone and brick. Located on the edge of the river, these manufacturing have easy access to river transportation; then, too, a net of railroads run along the river's edge, thus giving advantages to Florence that few cities possess.

Among the attractions of Florence is a park containing over two hundred acres of land, beautifully shaded, with clear streams of water running through the entire length of the park. The new streets are being graded and put in excellent condition. A city has been mapped out that will contain a hundred thousand population, and the work is still going on. Buildings are going up as if by magic. One day you find a pile of lumber in the woods, and scarcely a week will pass before a commodious residence occupies the ground. And this spirit of progress pervades every nook and corner of this Queen City on the Tennessee.

Eleven hundred carpenters reported at a late Saturday evening "roll call," and eleven hundred competent workmen are a mighty factor in pushing forward a city to gigantic proportions.

It is impossible to speak of the various industries, upwards of one hundred, recently established in Florence, so we extend the invitation that wells up from the hearts of those grand people when they ask you to "come over and see them." One is met with the genuine southern hospitality, and wherever you may go you are sure to find words of welcome and your lot will be cast in pleasant places.

The Baptist college is progressing finely. One hundred men are at work excavating for the foundation, and everything seems "fair and lovely" for a magnificent institution of learning in Florence. Dr. Hawthorne is at his best, and Judge King has no other reason for his earnest convictions than that the Baptist cause in Alabama has taken on new life and the dawn of the morning is breaking upon that God-favored section of our wealthy state.

The foundation for the new Baptist church will soon be laid, and it is in keeping with other things we have said about this progressive city to say that it will be a handsome structure and complete in all its arrangements.

Situated as she is, Florence bids fair to rival Memphis, the pride of the Mississippi. But Florence has the advantage in many particulars. She is blessed with thousands of acres of mineral lands at her door and her quarries of stone and granite sustain no foreign relation to her interests; and then cotton is no unknown force in her dominions, as the hand of enterprise has reached out and is converting the staple into bed spreads, table cloths, etc., etc. The waters of her creeks are being utilized, and the whirl of machinery is heard along the

banks in a number of places. Steam boats and railroad lines will compete closely for their freights and the manufacturer will reap the benefits of sharp competition. Her parks, and churches, and institutions of learning, and furnaces, and manufactories, are evidences that point stronger than straws to Florence as the coming Memphis of Alabama. A city that grows from a population of 2,000 to 7,000 in little over a year has before it a future of grand possibilities and is pressing on the way to the goal of success. The future success of Florence is as sure, as much so as that of any city, and the bright hopes of that people will be realized.

Blessed with a salubrious climate, she has a population of healthy people, and it is said that the grass grows high along the path to the cemetery.

We have heard that a brother of "lukewarm in our affections" towards *Kind Words* say they are not supporting the BAPTIST. Well, that sounds funny. Three times more of space has been given to *Kind Words* than to the *American Baptist* Publication Society. Nearly every line concerning the Publication Society that appears in this paper is paid for, (and the bills are paid promptly), while we have freely given space for nearly every thing *Kind Words* wished published. Hereafter *Kind Words* must pay its way like other business concerns.

MANY Christians will do things as officials that they were private citizens they would shrink from. We reproduce from the *Religious Herald* the following to show the weakness of the position held by these official sinners: "Just now, a Georgia D. D. was telling the following to a group of delegates: 'The mayor of a little town, a Methodist class leader, had been to a circus, and his pastor was remonstrating with him. The mayor replied: "I go to the circus as mayor of this town. The pastor replied: "When the great Judge turns off the mayor on the left hand for going to the circus, which way will the class leader go?"

FIELD NOTES.

The Adams Street Sunday-school will have their picnic at an early day.

Bro. Elliott, of Pine Apple, continues to put us under obligations for his numerous kindnesses.

Rev. C. H. Strickland has resigned the pastorate of the First Baptist church at Nashville, Tenn.

Dr. M. B. Wharton, of Montgomery, has been extended a call from the First church, Birmingham.

The senior is on the road again. This week he expects to visit Alabama and other points in Central Alabama.

Bro. Stanley writes us from Tusculum that their Sunday school is flourishing. They enjoyed Dr. Burleson's lecture.

Schools needing fine catalogue and circular work need not send abroad for it. The Baptist Printing Co. will do it for them.

We are under obligation to Col. Murfee for orders for job printing. We will print his catalogue for the Marion Military Institute.

Bro. W. L. Whittle, of Texas, is on a visit to Alabama, accompanied by his mother. They will visit Greenville and other places in Alabama.

Rev. F. C. Plaster has been conducting successful institute meetings at Cross Keys. He was royally treated, and reports the work growing. Let the brethren aid him in his noble work.

Some church or churches able to pay seven or eight hundred dollars, needing a pastor, can learn of us by writing to the editors of this paper. The man we speak of is thoroughly consecrated and capable.

Bro. Pennington, of Rockford, gave us a call last week. He cheered our hearts by saying that Baptists throughout his section approved the plain manner in which we deal with the liquor and other questions.

The members of the First church, Montgomery, began holding a series of prayer meetings during the absence of their pastor. The meetings are going on now, led by Dr. Wharton. Already much good has been accomplished.

The churches of Montgomery have each been favored with a sermon from Dr. N. A. Bailey, of Fla. This brother lightened our sanctum with his presence. He is a noble worker. He reports progress among the Florida Baptists.

On Sunday morning, at the First church, Dr. Wharton gave an interesting lecture on the work of the Southern Baptist Convention as carried on through the agency of the Home Mission Board. At the close of the discourse brethren Stratford and Noble called for a vote, by raising, to protest against the possibility of resignation on the part of Dr. Wharton. The pastor expressed his appreciation of the kindness shown him. He has not yet made known his decision in regard to tendering his resignation.

Missionary Bostick, of North Carolina, made a feeling speech on Saturday night at the mass meeting. Tears were in the eyes of a large number when he was relating his experience in telling his friends and relatives farewell forever, it may be, on this earth. He is a pious Christian man and leaves one of the best churches (Durham) in North Carolina, to enter the mission work. He is one of the best young men ever sent out from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville. We pray for the success of the cause and may God abundantly bless him in his labors.

Convention Notes.

Let us introduce you to President Haralson, of Alabama.

The Southern Baptist Convention is the largest religious organization in the world.

The Alabama delegation compares in every way favorably with those of other states.

The old woman who gave the quilt was called the "grandmother of the Convention."

President Haralson suggested to those who stood in the aisles to lean towards the floor.

"Who is my neighbor?" was the subject of Dr. Hawthorne's sermon on Sunday morning.

Dr. Ford, of St. Louis, opposed the resolution relating to a day of rest for government employees.

The papers of Memphis made Rev. J. L. Thompson, of Montgomery, a "Dr." while in that city.

Dr. Williams has a "young lady" in his church who has recently passed her one hundredth birthday.

The Secretary, Dr. Lansing Burrows, has a strong voice and can be distinctly heard all over the house.

Dr. Griffith, of the American Baptist Publication Society, made a splendid impression upon the Convention.

A Memphis paper alluded to the speeches of Rev. A. C. Dixon and Dr. McDonald as "Battle of Giants."

A brother said: "There is that grand old man. Dr. Broadus always knows what to say and when to say it."

Rev. A. C. Dixon, of Baltimore, is the Stonewall Jackson or Marshal Ney of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The brethren who opposed the day of rest resolution were considerably in the minority when the vote was taken.

A large number of the old "Seminarian boys" met at the Franciscan Hotel and gave Prof. Kerfoot a royal greeting.

Mr. Ellyson says the credit of the Southern Baptist Convention is equal to that of any banking institution in the world.

Dr. Luther, of Texas, has a smooth, easy voice, and deals in beautiful illustrations and well-rounded periods.

The Cumberland Presbyterian church of Memphis is a beautiful building one of the most commodious in the city.

Dr. Tichenor, Corresponding Secretary of the Home Board, is a noble brother and gave the Convention a splendid report.

Memphis is a booming city in many respects, and especially in her woodcut pictures. A number of delegates didn't recognize their best friends.

Dr. Dobbs, of Mississippi, could have been engaged in a better cause than in opposing the passage of the resolution in regard to a day of rest bill.

Rev. Chas. A. Stakely, of Washington, is an eloquent young preacher. He captivated his audience at the First Methodist church on Sunday.

Rev. W. D. Powell, of Mexico, was present with a powerful speech. He is doing a grand work among that people, but his labor is hard and difficult.

No face is more familiar at the Convention than that of Dr. Dickinson, of the *Religious Herald*. One of the best of men and one of the best of papers.

Dr. Broadus, than whom no grander man lives among us, is always attentively listened to while on the floor of the Convention. He is brief and to the point.

Governor Eagle, of Arkansas, strongly resembles Governor Seay, of Alabama. He is a little over six feet high and weighs about one hundred and sixty pounds.

The Woman's Societies did a grand and noble work during the past year, and it is safe to say that they will nearly double their contributions the coming conventional year.

Dr. Hawthorne suggested to the president of the Convention, when the latter was making an announcement for a photographer, that the pictures from the city papers be copied into the group.

The election passed off quietly, and all were well pleased with the result. "Judge Haralson," said a number of prominent brethren, "is the best president we've ever had." Long may he preside over these sessions.

Bro. W. B. Elliott, of Fort Worth, Texas, met his brother, Rev. W. J. Elliott, of Pine Apple, Ala., at the Convention. It afforded us pleasure to grasp the hand of this worthy brother of our noble Alabama pastor.

The Rev. Mr. Dixon is not one who believes the word of God is all bread, dew, and gentle things, but is also referred to as "the sword of the spirit," and swords do not stand before a man and entreat him to let them in.

Dr. Williams, of Maryland, was present in the Convention when it met in Memphis twenty two years ago. Many faces have passed from among us, but he thanks God that so many young men have been raised up to take their places.

On one occasion, when a score or more were calling for the "question," Dr. Hatcher gained the floor, waited until he was recognized by the chair, and then said: "Mr. President, I wanted the floor to ask for the question." (Laughter.)

Rev. S. M. Brown, of Missouri, is a forcible speaker. He is well posted on the work in his state. He said there were 700,000 Germans in Missouri, and only five churches among them, only four of this number having over 100 members.

Rev. Mr. Cranfill, of Texas, doesn't think it necessary to pass any resolutions upon the paper that made the cruel truth at pastor Venable. He doesn't believe in bringing out the convention's navy to bombard a mouse. It is beneath the dignity of this great body to advertise a one horse newspaper.

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Rev. H. M. Wharton, at all times, is equal to the occasion. That was a happy hit at Florence when he replied to Judge Fields' compliment to Dr. Hawthorne. The Judge said Florence was sure to succeed, and he believed with another, that "with Providence on one side and Hawthorne on the other the city would move on to success." Rev. Mr. Wharton replied that he was sorry to hear that Dr. Hawthorne was arrayed against Providence. He had hoped that the Doctor would have Providence on his side.

Dr. Ellis, of Maryland, is one of the best orators in the Southern Baptist Convention. He is one of the finest word painters we have ever heard. The brethren and sisters of Alabama will remember the beautiful closing of his sermon in Montgomery three years ago during the session of the Convention at Montgomery.

In describing the love of God, when discussing Foreign Missions at the mass meeting on Saturday night, every one in the large audience greatly enjoyed his speech, and leaned forward to catch every word that fell eloquently burning from his lips.

In Columbia, Tenn., we find one of the prettiest Baptist churches in the South. It has for its pastor Dr. Grace. It isn't large, but it is as neat as a pin and beautiful within. With brethren Thompson and Stewart (Bro. Skipper was too unwell to go) we dropped into prayer meeting on Wednesday evening, the 15th, and heard the service, with Bro. Purser, of Troy, assisting the choir. There weren't but a baker's dozen present, five Alabamians and eight Tennesseans. The pastor was absent, and this accounts for the small attendance. This is a beautiful church in a beautiful little city. The Alabamians were cordially welcomed and enjoyed their visit exceedingly.

Digest of the Report of the Foreign Mission Board.

The Foreign Mission Journal.

The Journal's receipts have been \$2,733.46 its expenditures \$2,692.91, which leaves a balance in its favor of \$40.55. Last year the paper paid \$200 into the Board's treasury. This year it has been improved, at a heavy cost, by uncommonly fine likenesses of our missionaries, and should have circulated in thousands of families that never see it, and contributed tenfold more to our treasury for spreading the gospel abroad.

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The Southern and Woman's Work.

In 1876 the board organized central committees for women's work in most of our states. The work has so augmented that it is becoming one of the most fruitful sources of missionary influence and income. The following statistics, furnished by the executive committee of the women's societies, located in Baltimore, indicate, in part, what our consecrated women are doing for the salvation of the world, and excite lively expectation of a grand future for their enterprise:

"Amounts repaid by eleven states as paid to the Foreign Mission Board, from April 26th, 1888 to April 26th, 1889, by the women's mission societies, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, \$15,408.47." The free will offerings of the remaining states cannot fail to swell the sum to \$18,000.

The Convention should say to our Southern sisters: "Well done, good and faithful servants."

Prompted by the rapid growth of woman's work in our states, we dare to predict a similar spread of missionary interest among the children of our churches.

Dr. R. H. Graves has sailed for China. Bro. J. H. Eager and family expect to sail this month.

Dr. David, broken in health, has returned to this country with his family.

Miss Fannie E. Russell, of the Mexican mission, is at home on account of severe illness

Alabama Baptist.

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When you feel yourself gradually breaking down don't wait till you have taken to your bed. While you are still able to be up and about fight the grip in niter dose by the use of proper restoratives. The best remedy for malaria, indigestion, weak kidneys, constant fatigue, fits of dizziness, short breath and other complications of a disordered system is Brown's Iron Bitters. Its magic influence in converting a diseased and exhausted nature is most astonishing.

It is not scientific dogma nor atheism, nor pantheism, nor gnosticism, nor Romanism, that in our day and in this land is likely to quench the light of the gospel or re-erect Christ. It is a proud, sensuous, luxurious, church-going, hollow-hearted prosperity—Bishop Huntington.

Lost.—"I don't know where, I can't tell when, I don't see how—something of great value to me, and the return of which I shall be truly thankful, viz a good appetite." For "Health and strength, are blood, an appetite like that of a wolf, regular digestion, all by taking that popular and peculiar medicine, Hood's Sarsaparilla. I want everybody to try it this season." It is sold by all druggists. One hundred doses one dollar.

It was the voice of God that spoke in silence to the silent heart. And had he not worthier thought awake And every dream of earth depart.—Bullfinch.

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The work of the board has been done in Alabama, Arkansas, Cuba, Florida, Georgia, Indian Territory, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Maryland, Missouri, Texas, Tennessee, West Virginia and Virginia.

ALABAMA.

Three missionaries; one as theological instructor to the colored people. The board has agreed to assist the Alabama Convention in work among the colored people and in the rapidly populating mineral regions of the state, to the amount of \$2,000 next year.

Contributions to the board from Alabama have increased this year \$817.43.

ARKANSAS.

The board co-operates with both the Arkansas Convention and the General Association of western Arkansas and the Indian Territory. The work needs to be enlarged and pushed more vigorously in both these bodies. Arkansas, especially the western portion, is rapidly increasing in population in consequence of the development of its great mineral resources. The board has 39 missionaries in these bodies—double that number would not supply the destitution.

CUBA.

The work continues with unabated interest on this island. The statistics given by Bro. Diaz are: Missionaries, 20; churches and stations, 27; baptisms, 300; Sunday-schools, 26; teachers and pupils, 2,228. Total membership of the seven churches, 1,493. Money collected by these churches, \$2,255.70.

The board has bought for the church in Havana, a house of worship capable of holding 3,000 people. The house is located in the heart of the city, and costs \$65,000—twenty thousand of which has been paid. There are seven native preachers connected with the mission—all of whom have been baptized by Bro. Diaz. The civil government is maintaining our legal rights against the Bishop of Havana, who is seeking to destroy our work. His appeal to the authorities in Spain has been rejected, and he has declared in his official paper that Alberto J. Diaz is the favorite of the Cuban government, which grants him privileges not conferred by the law.

The work is moving forward gloriously. The hand of the Lord is in it.

FLORIDA.

The board, in co-operation with the Florida Convention, has 28 missionaries, among whom is Bro. Guild, the theological instructor of the colored people. Its work has been greatly blessed. The steady increase of the work in this state under the direction of Bro. W. N. Chaudoin is very gratifying. The state raised for the work \$3,763.88, and received from the board \$2,800.00.

GEORGIA.

Our board co-operates with the State Board in, 1st, the support of Dr. W. H. McIntosh, theological instructor for the colored people; and with the board of the Convention of Colored Baptists in the support of ten missionaries among them; 3rd, in the work of Rev. F. C. McConnell in the establishment of denominational schools and preacher's institutes in north Georgia. The relations are cordial and the work done in all these departments is most gratifying. The boards each contributed to the joint work about \$2,000.00. Georgia contributed to the board \$9,420.86.

LOUISIANA.

Our work in Louisiana has been increased during the present year. Besides the support of five missionaries in New Orleans we appropriate \$2,000 to work in the state. In no state is the mission work more promising than in Louisiana. What we have done thus far does not reach half the destitution of the people. We have, in co-operation with the State Board 26 missionaries in this state. The State Board contributed to their support \$7,857.35.

MARYLAND.

We have three missionaries in this state, two among the colored people and one to be chosen in Baltimore. Maryland contributed \$6,600 to the funds of the board, an increase of \$714 over last year. The Woman's Home Mission Society, of Maryland, is most helpful to us, having contributed over \$2,800 to our treasury.

THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF WOMAN'S

W. K. located in Baltimore, has been very active and efficient in its efforts to promote the interests of the board. The contribution of the woman's societies in the South to our board, have been during the year \$9,867.42, an increase of \$3,500 over the past year.

MISSOURI.

The board has six missionaries in this state, three among the German population. The contributions to the board amount to about \$6,000, besides \$3,000 received from a legacy Rev. G. W. Hyde, D. D., is our efficient agent in this state. The increase in its contribution this year has been a little over \$1,000.

INDIAN TERRITORY.

The work here is progressing well. While the board has not been able to meet all the demands, there are the most gratifying assurances of progress among these people. Bro. J. O. Wright says, "The churches in the Creek nation are building new houses of worship, repairing old ones and in other ways manifesting greater activity in Christian work. Leversing school is doing a noble work for the uplifting of the Indians and for the Master. It is always crowded with pupils."

TEXAS.

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fastener that the board can supply it. Bro. A. J. Holt says there are, unoccupied, forty-nine county seats, forty-one city stations, and there is a population of four hundred and fifty thousand destitute of gospel privileges.

The board has missionaries also in Western North Carolina, West Virginia, Kentucky, and Virginia.

FINANCES.

The cash receipts of the board have increased from \$48,024.17 last year, to \$69,398.83; an increase of \$21,374.66.

The increase in Virginia has been \$3,830.66; Georgia, \$1,970.67; Kentucky, \$1,902.31; Missouri, not including legacy, \$1,002.28; Alabama, \$817.43; Maryland \$724.14.

Our co-operative work has risen from \$41,164.15 to \$58,982.97, while church building on the field has declined from \$54,068 to \$27,103.50.

The board has paid during the year the funds received for Havana house of worship in previous years \$3,570.00; on first church in New Orleans, and other outstanding liabilities, about \$3,000.00, and have expended in improvements on the cemetery in Havana \$3,000 more, being a total for these extra objects of \$9,570. Of the increased contributions during the year \$14,786.77 have been for the house of worship in Havana and \$6,589.80 for the general fund—a very gratifying result since it was feared the special effort for the Cuba house would diminish the general fund.

DEMANDS.

The board will need the present year, besides the means to pay for the house of worship in Havana, seventy-five thousand dollars to meet its growing demands. The twelve hundred thousand white Baptists of the south can easily furnish us with this amount without diminishing their contributions to other objects or taxing their resources.

The wants of our people demand it, and we pray them in the name of our common Lord that they will do it.

Commencement Exercises.

Howard College.

Thursday night, 8 p. m., June 6—Final meeting of the Philomathic Society.

Friday night, 8 p. m., June 7—Final meeting of the Franklin Society. Sunday, 11 a. m., June 9—Commencement Sermon, by Rev. J. J. Taylor, of Mobile.

Monday, 10 a. m., June 10—Prize Declarations, by the Sophomore Class.

Monday, 8 p. m., June 10—Junior Exhibition.

Tuesday, 10 a. m., June 11—Alumni Address, by Rev. Washington Wilkes, of Sylacauga.

Tuesday, 5 p. m., June 11—Drills by Corps on College Campus.

Tuesday, 8 p. m., June 11—Address before the Literary Societies, by Col. Sumner Lea, of Birmingham.

Wednesday, 10 a. m., June 12—Degrees Conferred. Baccalaureate Address, by Major J. G. Harris, of Montgomery.

All friends of the college are cordially invited to attend upon these exercises. B. E. RALEY, President of Howard College.

Marian Military Institute.

Friday, May 24, 8 p. m.—Joint Debate by Franklin and Philomathic Literary Societies. Prize Declarations by Sophomore Class.

Wednesday, June 5, 10 a. m.—Junior Exhibition. 5 p. m.—Battalion Drill and Dress Parade.

Thursday, June 6, 8 p. m.—Meeting of Board of Trustees. 8 p. m.—Graduating Exercises. Baccalaureate Address, by Hon. C. D. Hogue.

You are cordially invited to attend. Judson Institute, Marion, Ala.

Sunday, June 2, 8 p. m.—Sermon, by Rev. W. L. Pickard.

Tuesday, June 4, 5 to 10 p. m.—Art Reception.

Wednesday, June 5, 8 p. m.—Annual Concert.

Thursday, June 6, 10 a. m.—Eloquence Exercises. 4 p. m.—Meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Friday, June 7, 10 a. m.—Commencement Address, by Col. Jno. W. Bishop.

Wesleyan Female Institute, Staunton, Va.

Friday, May 31—Final Celebration of Lee and Jackson Literary Society, Annual Address, by Rev. Collins Denny, of Salem, Va.

Saturday, June 1—Art Reception, 6 to 9 p. m.

Sunday, June 2, 11 a. m.—Commencement Sermon, by Bishop A. W. Wilson, LL. D., of Baltimore.

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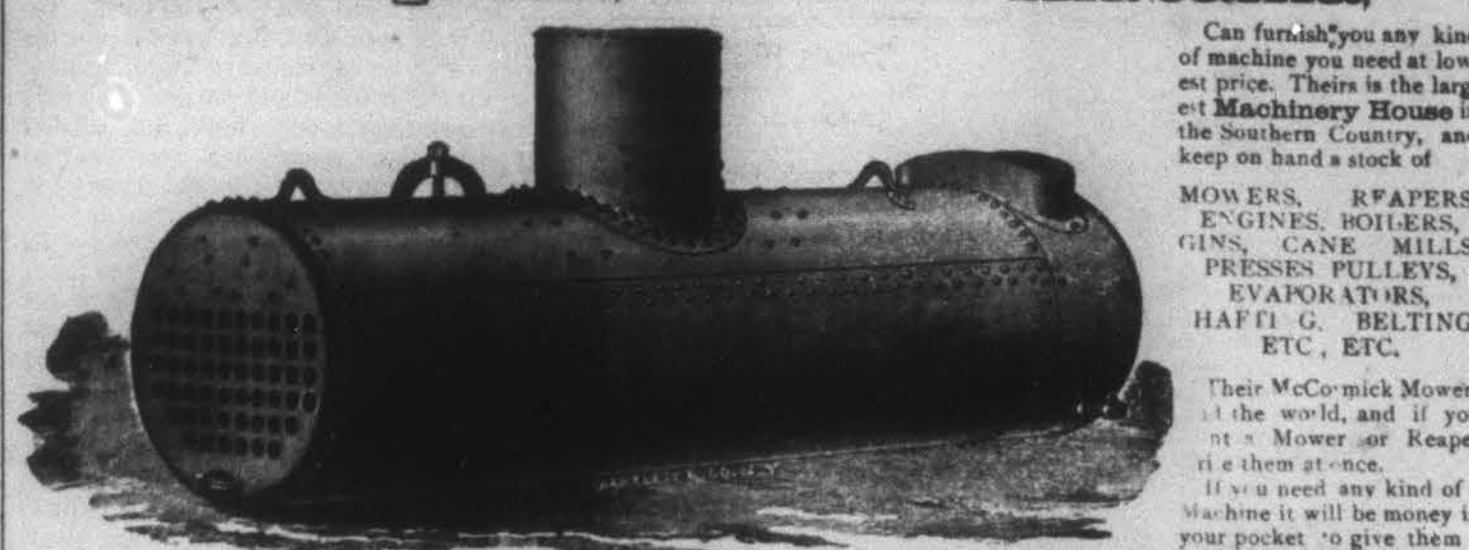
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