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Acquaintance of the Pastors of the State.

d before the Baptist Con-

eeds not to be

g one Mas the state, and I mean all of them, ring for the from him who presides over the m, should richest metropolitan church to him its re'a- who serves the poorest rural flock, well general work and a higher apprecial sponding secretary of our State Mistion of the responsibilities attaching sion Board, gave notice that a meeto different orders of service. Let ing of general interest would be held

ut pur mon fold is teaching another how to licity desired, but still the attendance are not And also let him who warns against mutual enjoyment and profit, spiritulooking back after laying hands to ally. part of the plow, remember that a faithful The pastor, Bro. J. C. Skipper, was wicked. e reasons brother is exhorting another to count unable to attend on account of severe

of Chris his divine purpose.

ns for the other, and each other's work, how was elected moderator. er execution much closer together they would be, t closer to- eral cause in the state and a better exid also to love ecution of those plans.

fortunes we are differently about things, see them dif- Mr. J. M. Poyner, of Newton, sold The cares of married life are not play young. to us are un ently. Cities are not like rural dis wise. does a friend tricts. Manufacturing cities are not the simple but like commercial cities. New growing practical results from this meeting. at we see, but compass, differ exceedingly from old east Alabama. The level pine lands verfeel. We ad and staid towns. Even one rural are easily cultivated, and with the aid ountains of the neighborhood will differ from another. of commercial fertilizers fine crops are sweet flowers Our country pastors serving more produced. Lands are rapidly appreshale and whose than one church, knew that the work ciating in value. Ten years ago many

ognized it as a ity in any general plan adopted. This illustrates the divine wisdom anized his peoasis of loyalty of Christ in making each church an ng that if they independent body and responsible ve one anoth- for the work in its immediate locali-, he also rec | ty. It is there upon the ground, ersonal con | heavenly constituted, and if sought, Hough mys divinely guided in its work. While e divine, has there can be associational organizaing personality tion, and united action as to final re. the paper and reap much of the benein which he is sults, there are independent sources of fit to be secured thereby. e am I in the that action. One spring will leap from the iron-ribbed hills of Pennsyl way to vania, another will ooze from the earts marshy lakes of the central Northin | work is done; but once united they nely they roll in harmony upon their great be their beginnings—one pours out from right, if only they could be stirred up in | the hill side, one oozes from the bot tom of the lake, one is simply the

> So can our educational and benevolent work as a denomination be united and contribute to the one great but of how different are the springs from yet their efforts in this great cause e dif- result of Christianizing our land. But

To-day congregation contributes its share, eon, and and likewise yonder small and poor uscular rural congregation brings its portion of man, no river despises the small stream ould not that flows into its channel, so the ts greatest | dropping of the widow's mite. The ect and the small offering may come with as much nd neither through whose self-denying ministry Master as he who induces the rich to

part "with his abundance." Let us remember these differences, and it will save us from many errors. Because a plan of work is happily adapted to your people is no reason He must come out occa often made. Out of this delusion (for it is nothing less) has sprung so on and mingle and talk and many alphabetical societies. They others of exterent work. are growing like patent medicine there too much magnifying Somebody said the medicine helped k, my calling, my occupa-ation? Alas these painful, covered all over with the name of ies into which we let every ill to which the flesh is heir, station betray us! Sad and for fear he has left off some he n grow honestly to feel adds to the bottom of the list, "etc." place and ours is the Some pastor adopted some plan, and and those like us are hon- placing it in the hands of enthusiastic are knaves." Even up- workers of some happy moment found rum of our legislative halls it to work charmingly; now he thinks, whose eyes attempt to and honestly, that he has found the e its great and growing wonderful if he does not think he de en lol the vision narrows serves canonization for the discovery.

lines of the horizon bound And in our general organizations, patch, his guilty client, his our boards, etc., we need to have nace or his guilded but death- them broad as to their representative we cry for some central the least study of this subject. Misupon whose top and surround takes are made that would not be whose clear and intellectual at made if the true situation were genre men could stand and see all erally understood. All the legitimate But, brethren, for us bet sources from which they derive sup-I, let each know the other, and port should mingle in the organization. ork in which he is engaged. Let us become acquainted with one

will broaden our views and en another, know each other's work, then will our views and sympath d we ever remember that it is be enlarged, then can we labor more Too low they build who build be place, but the way it is filled, harmoniously together. A thorough neath the stars,—Edward Young. be place, but the way it is filled, I harmon

rom the seclusion of his reg-

The Importance of a More Intimate that begets the approval of the Mas- knowledge of all the land, section

Mr. Spurgeon has well expressed men with men, would, I am conthe thought that he or she whose life fulfills most perfectly the will of God, has reached the highest in Christian whose wisdom and energy many an country, a united host before has reached the highest in Christian whose wisdom and energy many an country, a united host before has reached the highest in Christian whose wisdom and energy many an country, a united host before and so. Wives sometimes talk the same way about their husbands. I've to be able to go through the multiplication to go the property in the state and go the able to go through the multiplication to go the property in the state and acquaintance among the pastors of state. Three Days at Headland. A week or so before the time aphave a there would be far better views of the pointed Bro. W. B. Crumpton, corre-

who instructs the merchant in at Headland, Henry county, begingnound nember that a brother of the son "sow" good seed in good "ground." was good and the occasion one of the cost before he attempts to erect illness. Bro. Crumpton elected him

faithfully performed serves equally of brethren Smith, Campbell and B

Could these laborers know each provided for. Bro. S. J. Knowles of all this species.

towns into which are constantly flow. The town is located in one of the most ing recruits from every point of the beautiful sections of country in Southwill differ in different communities. ow the power of Hence there should be great flexibil-

> west, and yet another will drop as snow melting from the Rocky Mountains-all uniting in one great stream to feed the ever hungry sea These waters mingle not until their primary natural mission. How different in

ward movement.

The Temperance Bill.

"a great avalanche of ice."

it is melting of surface snow, each obeyident a ing a different law; yet all is water better and can flow harmoniously in a common channel.

10 ren- which this stream flows. Yonder intelligent and weathy city -each helps to swell the volume. As treasury of the Lord despises not the consecration as the large, and he, the poor are induced to part with their living, holds perhaps as dear a place in the esteem of our common

cians cannot oppose whisky because wkisky votes for them. Lawyers can not give their influence to temperance, because whisky can pay a higher fee for their influence; Business men must be neutral because they can't af ford to take sides, but still they sign all the whisky petitions that come along. So this great work is left to a that the guard care is the tendency of become in both his thinking and in both his thinking and the most come out occasion. But have failed so far to the defect is due, no doubt, to the author of this defect is due, no doubt, to the author of this defect is due, no doubt, to the author of this secure organized effort in the church they are constantly showing their care of him and his family. The beautiful many one wishes further information of the efforts of this secure organized effort in the church they are constantly showing their care of him and his family. The beautiful many one wishes further information of the efforts of this secure organized effort in the church they are constantly showing their care of him and his family. The beautiful many one wishes further information of the efforts of this secure organized effort in the church they are constantly showing their care of the beautiful many one wishes further information of the efforts of this secure organized effort in the church they are constantly showing their care of the beautiful many one wishes further information of the best loved man in the town and the best loved man in the town and of the best loved man in the town and the best loved man in the town an avalanche of ice! We must go to work. We must begin to organize for the greatest temperance fight Alabama has ever known, to be fought and won in 1894. The tide of public sentiment must be turned in our favor. Let us have an organization so broad and liberal that every true Christian and every good citizen must endorse it, and eventually gather together to fight in its ranks, regardless of religious or political belief. We have neither time nor strength to waste in side issues, or third party movements. Let us orthis broad and diversified panacea for all our troubles, and it is ganize a Christian Temperance Union in Alabama, with county, district and state Unions for the purpose of temperance instruction and agitation and organization. In union is strength. The Christian people and those citizens who desire good government and socharacter. This seems apparent upon cial purity must organize if they ever hope to accomplish any good in this great work. Let us not delay any

> Cullman, Ala., Feb. 25, 91. Too low they build who build be-

Making Jests of Sacred Things. with section, place with place, and

Thenless Seminary

Library Hall

ing turned to levity and jesting!

soused," and the like. All such nick- not see, nor hear.

self pastor protem, and appointed his W. Herring. The visitors were well be caught by the wolves." And so formation.

The subjects were discussed in an and then would no one feel that all interesting manner. Sunday schools, ticed by Baptists. The second to these historic countries, such as we other as we the work and responsibility was his—
and brotherly would cause better plans for the genother as we the work and responsibility was his—
church work were the leading topics.
third to stir sympathy unfavorably to thor moved with and studied the peo-Brethren J. F. Purser, of Troy; N. them. All such jocular figures are ple and their conditions. There is C. Underwood, of Brundidge; R. out of place as applied to the ordi- some genuine wit in the book, and a Much of the crudeness of former Deal, of Ozark, A. L. Martin, of Ab- nances of the gospel. They are il- few specimens of very fine ridicule.

We shall expect soon to hear of or others. W. W.

'A Baptist Abroad."

Eds. Ala. Baptist: The book by Rev. W. A. Whittle, bearing the above title, is before me. I beg space for a review of it.

I thought that it deserved to be of the present owners secured their read because its author was, for a lands under the homestead laws, and while, a colleague. But if personal to day they can readily dispose of them at ten to fifteen dollars per acre. gave me interest in the book, it is The country is being rapidly filled with snewcomers, and our Baptist ceived a careful reading. The writer churches must keep pace with this onof this review has read the book, page for page, and read it because the book We secured a good list of new sub

scribers. The preachers will do all The author of this book has labored they can to extend the circulation of under the difficulty of being a native Alabamian, a Baptist, and a young man. He will never get over his na tivity, his second birth made him a Baptist, and he is rapidly becoming unburdened of youth. He is a How-Why did the temperance bill fail? ard College boy, and he spent some There are several reasons, but I betime in the Southern Baptist Theologheve the chief cause was the lack of

ical Seminary. organized effort on the part of its The author deserves great credit friends. There should have been one for the mere undertaking of the trip earnest, zealous, united and unaniabroad He cut loose from the beatmous effort by the Christian people of en tracks of tourists, arranged a dif-Alabama for the passage of this bill. A majority of the people are for the to completion. His undertaking was one of large dimensions. Regardless to a sense of their duty and impressed of youth, and of not being rich, he with the necessity for such legislation. spent two years in the east, and has Is it not strange that humanity is so seen more of the world than any man take the place of the congress. With faithless to the most vital interests of of his age whom I know, and in his book he shows to others what his eyes meeting next year at Opelika. human society and the human soul? I have just been reading the minutes

of the last annual |meeting of the Ala-Every page of the book is readable. bama W. C. T. U. The efforts of Much of it is intensely interesting. these noble women should put the The style of the book is bright and manhood of Alabama to shame, and sparkling. Occasionally there is a little apparent straining after eloquent seem to have met with such a chilling words to depict commonplace things, response that one of the consecrated and occasionally a mixed metaphor members of the Union describes it as which slightly detracts from a literary point of view. For example, in the de is still growing. In spite of one dis commands fairly good congregations. Pensacola that "the convention rec-Brethren, we have not been doing scription of a certain great painting, our duty in the cause of temperance. the author speaks of it as being for ly improves. Why it is, I cannot say? Perhaps ever "stamped on the tablets of memory." Paintings are not inscribed were jammed and packed together, dollars of this amount was raised by day school literature of the American some of us are afraid of being called nor stamped on tablets. The idea of filling the square and all the back our women's aid society, five for cranks. Perhaps some are afraid of something inscribed on tablets comes streets; and they told me it was not North China and five for general endangering the fulfillment of some from the old custom of inscribing, the best day in the week to see them. cherished political ambition. Politicutting, letters on tablets with the They were there with cotton and after by referring to the minutes of the steel styles. Paintings are not in fertilizers. scribed in things, but are put on canvass. In speaking of the "Scotch largely by a fire, paid the stockholders ed, and in addition to this, Mrs L C. tew taithful Christian women, so far it has been used for centuries. Oc. in using it as organized opposition to the whisky casional sentences like the above Our Baptist people at Troy are Scottsboro church. They endeavor power is concerned in Alabama. And detract slightly from the book as a growing with the town. Bro. Purser ed to secure organization over the asbook to press. But despite some ful pastor's home, when finished, will make beyond what has been done by small defects, the author has written be as handsome as any house in the the Scottsboro church. The church one of the most readable books at all, town. Let us notice some of the character- The church is constantly growing. this year.

istics of the book. Take the chapter on 'Scotland." had a good congregation. The Sec dertaken a work of large proportions. The author went absolutely all over ond church is improving also. Bro. It is to secure the college at this place Scotland. Many travelers have mere Bowles is preaching for them every to the Baptists. The stockholders of cities of Scotland, and have proceeded their praise of his good work. Bro. us a ninety day's option on the prop- the line of fidelity. When we do to give us about fifty pages of what Sam Carroll, of the First church, is erty. I think the property is worth well with one talent, he puts two into they saw in a day's time. Mr. Whith helping them with their Sunday-school, \$20,000, and we get it for \$7,500, the our hand. When we show ourselves the spent much time in this charming and the members are hopeful for its amount due on the building. I want, faithful and capable with two, he adds land, and after being an eye witness future. Bro. Nall and his family are just here, to say that it is the oppor- two more. This is true not only of of every phase of its beauty, and all among the best helpers to the pastor tunity for our people in north Alaba ordinary business capacities and fidelthe customs of its royalty and its and superintendent. peasants, proceeds to give his readers gestive chapter. After reading this fice now. Nearly three weeks have normal college in the state. Brother sponsibilities, puts new trusts into our whole volumes on the subject.

author of this book spent forty days tions. Let us show the best collect throughout the state assist him in this trial. - Westminster Teacher. until I shuudes when I mink of the amount of account we shall have to render to God in the judgment.

WILL G. Brown.

I shuudes when I mink of the amount of account we shall have to render to Switzerland of any tourist whose WILL G. Brown. works I have chanced to see. I feit myself a Switzer and was an eye witness to the land of Tell. Oh, but you say: "It is not much, after all, to

know about these countries" My-The marriage union.—"When my know about them. It is not much to

n, by Rev. B. J. character, be he the consecrated obstacle now impeding Zion's pro known such jokes to directly come to The chapters on the "Holy Land" Christian master of the house or she gress would be removed. To this be realities. What doubly sad feel- are accurate, trenchant, frequently ow each oth the humble maid that faithfully serves end I know nothing that would conwhen their in his kitchen. I feel satisfied, my tribute so much as a more intimate frivolity bring to the heart of a sur- in shewing some things and places brethren, that if there was a better acquaintance of the pastors of the viving companion! Ah, indeed, too about that land and its people more tion of God. Some asked, "Was it deal we get all the fixtures with two Mrs. I. C. Brown, Cor. Sec., sacred and awful is the thought of vividly than some of the world not a great risk when God created any nearly new pianos, etc. What say husband and wife being separated by renowned scholars. In this he has death, to allow of such a parting be exhibited fine judgment. He has, on Death .- "I came very near kicking and questions of dispute, followed,

scientific and archæological questions, the bucket." "I began to think Old for the most part, the acknowledged Master had come to call for me." "I scholarship of the age, to which he thought the time had come to cast up has anded what he saw in a peculiarmy accounts." The first of these ex-pressions is foolish; the second is ir-Twair, can look at the same man, or reverent; the third is volatile and gid- place and see him, or the place, betdy-to say the least of either of them. | ter then most persons can. He has an Ordinances; baptism. — "Swimming aptitude for seeing things and hearing creeks." "Being ducked." "Getting things, which many persons would

naming of Christ's ordinance is simply Mr. Whittle has given some of the best chapters on Baptist history in The Lord's supper. - "Close com- these foreign lands extant. Baptist munion." "Working together, yet re- numbers, conditions, struggles and fusing to eat together." "Penning and growth are well brought out in these purpose to win if we would be suc-This is all for the Master, and when committee on hospitality, consisting feeding the grown sheep, yet leaving chapters. They will be really helpful out the lambs to perish in the cold, or to all who read them in search of in-

The book abounds in information The first is frequently intended to with reference to the real condition cast odium on this ordinance as prac- of the different classes of people in ing each other plans and their partial failure is due beville, and W. M. Burr, of Colum- logical too, as they are out of place. There are many vivid historical another. The to a want of knowledge of the general bis, assisted Fro. Crumpton in talking I love cheerfulness. I delight in sketches which will prove helpful to love and sweet field and possibly a want of sympathy and preaching and did some excellent pleasantries. Joking and jesting, in preachers as illustrations. There are love and sweet generally the great mass of workers in the red on the master. Community of the sympathize we sympathize we sympathize we sympathize we sympathize to sympathize work and generally the work wineyard of the Master. Community of the sympathize ties differ in various ways, they think work and possibly a want of sympathy work. Mrs. W. M. Burr presided at the great difficulty is we love him ferently, and consequently act differ many good books and aided us other things, nor the parting of husband and public a bright, sparkling, accurate, wife by death a sport for themselves instructive, readable book. I commend it to the Baptists of the State,

especially to the young. W. L. PICKARD.

Trip. Notes. THE CONGRESS AT EVERGREEN.

I know the brethren who attended will agree that all this scribe wrote friendship were the only thing that choir was true. "We had a royal time," was the redoubtful whether it would have re mark of everybody. The number in

attendance was not large, but the meeting was a success, looking at it sundry reasons for the small attendance. The prevalence of lagrippe all over the country, the distance, the nently before the people. Our general meetings are dependent upon our

paper for success. The meetings were continued, the place selected and a committee appointed to arrange the program. Our make a serious mistake if they do not meetings. One day before the con- tell joyfully the story of the Cross. vention, which we have had, cannot a good program, we can have a fine

There was some talk of locating the congress at some central place. There is something in the suggestion, but i the churches will pay the expenses of their pastors, as they ought to do, the present way of going from place to place is the better plan.

aster after another, the place constant. His church has raised and sent for-

peasant," he says: "These peasants eighteen per cent, and right at home Coulson accepted the vice presidency are still plodding along in the same a ready market for all they can make. of the woman's work in the Tennessee old grooves whose rough edges were Southeast Alabama certainly believes River Association, and the above is in this case. It would seem strange their fathers out." A "groove" is ex. in guano, and the increased cotton the result of her work, assisted by pected to be smooth, especially after crop shows that they make no mistake Mrs. Maggie Padgett, Mrs Alabama would utterly ignore the American

In spite of the threatening weather we | The Baptists of Scottsboro have un

WHAT OF THE TREASURY?

Wisdom in Soul-Winning.

being with a nature akin to himsel?" He breathed into man his own breath. Christ works, and we must work to save man. To win man is the great work. The subject may be looked at as wisdom in winning souls and the wisdom. There must be common sense in this work. There must be a cessful. All our associations and combinations must tend to that end. This is our work. If we are not at it we apostles did the same. Says James, may doubt whether we have been "Whosoever shall keep the whole saved. The lighthouse keeper's busi- law, and yet offend in one point, he ness is to warn others. Is it too is guilty of all." To show of what strong to say that too many have no purpose to save a soul? Did you, brother, sister, ever set about pur ten commandments found in Ex. 20, posely to save a soul? How to do But how is this, that the least transthis you must make attractive that to gression is so great an offense? Bewhich you want to win the soul. We cause the authority of the eternal God must make our Christ and a Christian life so attractive that souls will be is embodied in every point of his law, The author has given to the lived. The greatest need in the world violation of one of the commands of now to win souls is the 'living epis- God is an offense against all law, and Midway church, tle." It is surprising that the world that is, one sin weakens the entire should be puzzled when they see moral nature, so that the transgressor Christian people who lie, cheat, and is not as strong to keep any part of are envious, jealous and not happy. the law after he "offends in one point." The only reason why the world has James declares the perpetuity of every not been won is not for schools, col. point of the law of God. leges, Bibles, but godly living.

about the church, the pastor and the ed. The masses have not been reach- "Thy commandments are not grievkind of soup houses.

A finer house of worship. The house things that are pleasing in his sight" from any standpoint. There were does not draw or repel, but the people. by keeping "his commandments." Fine houses do not repel from cathe. John 3:22. drals. Fine music is resorted to. They may come, but they will not consort failure to publish transportation rates, with you. The preacher must draw. John says, "this is the love of God and most of all, Bro. Editor, the AL- Don't lay too much on him. The peo that we keep his commandments. ABAMA BAPTIST neglected to keep the ple must draw. The people must do The reason that love fulfills the law is meeting and its importance promithis by going out as Christ said and because if we love God with all our compel them to come in. People don't hearts, we cannot help keeping all the gather round on icebergs to get warm.

We must not try to win souls in a stand them professional way. We must want to if they fail to attend our congress, or to sinners. He reprobated the way 28:9 Among the last words of God's

From Scottsboro.

I desire to say a few things in regard to the work in this part of the state by our people. In the first place, I would say that the church at Scotts boro is doing very well, all things considered. Our beloved pastor, W R. Ivey, who is one among the best workers in the state, stands well with all the people of our town; therefore, Florida Baptist Convention held at ward, with what will be sent on the The wagons! the wagons! They morrow, \$20 for the first quarter. Ten the convention recommended the Sunwork in the state. As will be seen Tennessee River Association, a com-Troy's fertilizer factory, after losing | mittee on woman's work was organiz-Dicus, and Miss Susie Wood in the Baptist Publication Society in their will try to reach \$60 for mission work | Babtist Witness of January 28th.

Again, take Switzerland, that land the treasury still empty. I want to peal in behalf of the cause and our great usefulness, we must be ever as charming as a fairy's dream. The beg the pastors not to delay collec young brother, that the brethren watchful that we fail in no duty or church, Coosa association and the First Bap-

state-would lend us a helping hand, and cid in raising the \$7,500, we will Outline of a speech delivered by get the best property in the state and on Woman's Work for Missions and in the er in the state, who can do so, send MRS. T. A. HAMILTON, Pres., Bro. Ivey at least \$100, payable \$25 The subject is eminently practical. April 1st, and \$25 each year thereaf-He would be satisfied if he could get ter for four years. Bros. Hare and our thoughts fixed in all hearts to win Crumpt in have been here and know MRS. GEO. M. MORROW, Treas. souls The soul is the very incarna- what the property is worth. In the you, brethren? Can you not help us some? If you cannot aid us your-Will man ever plot against the God selves, please find some one who will who made him and introduced discord aid-and let us have this college for nto nature? This he did, and the great girls and boys. It is located at one problem is, how can he be won back? of the healthiest places to be found The reason God is so interested, his anywhere. I know if our brethren miniature has gone astray. The soul's south of the mountains could only re salvation is marvelously enhanced in alize what this property is now and value by God's interest in it. We are will be worth to the Baptists of the ambassadors for God. God works, state, they would certainly help us as much as two thousand dollars.

> Pray for us if you can't do more. L. C. Coulson.

wisdom of winning souls. It requires Does the Lord Require us to Keep His Law?

We have seen that Christ taught the perpetuity of the law of God. The

The Bible does not represent it as

Churches forget the word "go." We a hard, unpleasant thing to keep God's are told to go out and bring in per- law. David exclaimed, "How love sons; but while there is great room, no I thy law;" Paul testifies, "I delight East Liberty association, Mrs. I. M. one can say the order has been obey. in the law of God;" while John adds, ed. The masses have not fallen away ous." Every person esteems it a the masses. Our mission chapels are to please one whom they devotedly love. This is true of all who really Look at the means we use to draw. love God. They love to "do those

Paul tells us in Rom. 13:10 that "love is the fulfilling of the law," and commandments as far as we under-

Hear the solemn testimony of the save souls because we have been Bible farther: "He that turneth away saved. Put your Bible in your heart his ear from hearing the law, even preachers will make a serious mistake and smiles upon your face and talk his prayer shall be abomination."Pro. ferent plan and forged his purposes I should rather say, the churches will of some of asking every one, "Are blessed book are these: "Blessed are you a Christian?" Have respect to they that do his commandments, that Newton association, Ozark, Ala, ... \$ 13 75 send their pastors to these preachers' time, place and circumstances and they may have right to the tree of life, Pine Barren Ass'n, Mrs. C. W. Anse and may enter in through the gates Allenton Sunbeams, into the city." Rev. 22:14. Who says this? It is Jesus Christ. Rev. 1:1. He does not say, Blessed are they that do my commandments; he must therefore refer to his Father's ten commendments, the law of God M. E. STEWARD, A. M.

From Bro. Porter.

I am surprised to see that Bro. S. O. V. Ray says in his report of the ommended only the Kind Words series." The official record shows that Baptist Publication Society, as well

as the Kind Words series. Bro J. B. Moody made the same mistake in his report to the Western Recorder I have asked the editor of that paper for space to make the corindeed that our brethren in Florida

minutes of the convention, also to the Foreign Missions, ... report of proceedings as given in the Church Aid,..... Yours for truth.

I. C. PORTER. Lake Weir, Fla., Feb. 21, '91.

We are always on trial in this ma, and the state. We have over ities, but also of moral and spiritual Church aid, the state male colleges and female powers and privileges. When we do Home Missions, 9 25 Brethren, I am away from the of colleges, but we have no mixed, or anything well, God increases our re- Church Aid, 34 00 chapter I really felt that I knew more passed and I am just ready to return Ivey, our pastor, has undertaken to charge. But failure in any testing Scotch history than after reading some home. I am anxious about the re raise the amount in payments of one, brings the loss of the trusts already ceipts. It will be distressing if I find two, three and four year plans. I ap in our hands. If we would grow into

Central Committee

Birmingham, Ala, MRS. GEO. B. EAGER, Vice Pres.

Birmingham, Ala.

East Lake, Ala. Treasurer's Report. The following we beg to submit as treasurer's report of Central Committee receipts since Jan, 11, 1890, date of organization, to October, 1800; Alabama association. Fort Deposit

I., M. and A. society. \$ 96 18 Antioch association, Mrs. J. B. Hamberlin, V. P., Frankville, Ala . . . 65 75 Bigbee Ass'n, Miss Charlie Stewart, V. P. Livngston L. M. & A. Soc., 403 00 Big Bear Creek Assn, Mrs. Ophelia Henley, V. P., Russellville ch. Bethlehem Ass'n, Mrs. J. D. Nettles, V. P., Monroeville, Ala.... Bethel association, Mrs. M. A. Lee, V. P., Shiloh church,

Hill's ch, Rembert, Marengo Co... 50 21 Myrtlewood church, 43 00 Total, \$168 64

Birmingham ass'n, Mrs. W. L. Pickard, V. P., First ch, Birmingham, W. B. Union, 379 00 First ch, Birmingham, Sunbeams, 60 00 Southside ch, Birmingham, L. M.

S. S., 35 00 Sunbeams. . 04 74 Woodlawn, L. F. M. Society, 49 43 Fast Lake, Ruhama, church 591 37

liams, V. P., Eclectic, Ala., ... \$ 4 35

cosa River association, Mrs. Robt. Frazer, V.P., Talladega church, .. \$

Childersburg church, Mt, Zion church, Syllacauga, . Oxanna church.

Vernon, V. P., Cuszeta L. M. society, \$ 62 92 from the church, but the church from great delight to do all in their power Pleasant Ridge church, 16 10

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SONTGOMERY, ALA., MAR. 5, 1891. Address all correspondence to HARE & POPE,

ROMAN CATHOLIC persecution must soo of conscience will be protected.

Montgomery, Ala.

A written says, "People are ashamed of their religion as they are ashamed of their clothes, only when it is shabby. Brush it up and keep it clean, brother, and you will regard it as rather a compliment than a disgrace."

THE State Sunday-school Convention will meet in the Parker Memorial Baptist church at Anniston, April 14th, Every school in the state should be represented. The writer attended last year and received great help.

CHURCHES and brethren who have not contributed to the Board of Ministerial Education should do so now. We must have funds. Send all contributions to Geo. W. Ellis, secretary and treasurer, Montgomery, Ala.

Gov. Jones has appointed Bro. W. Wilkerson, assistant city judge of Birmingham. Judge Wilkerson is the second son of Dr. W. W. Wilkerson, of Marion, and is a graduate of Howard College. His many friends rejoice at his appointment.

observed the one hundredth anniversary of ed a monument" in behalf of evangelical Christianity which has done much to carry the news of salvation to perishing mil-

THE Southern Baptist Record says that a no religious paper belongs about four times as much to the world as to God. This seems to be correct. Religious papers tell us about the affairs of Christ's kingdom, and to be done.

ONE of the best men in the late legisla- to try it. ture was Prof. M. V. Henry, of Birmingham. His associates speak of him as being Ramsey is of special interest at this time. a man to the core. He was ardent in his We are glad to learn of the success of the

ONE THOUSAND new subscribers and 1,000 renewals in the next two months would enable us to reach a position the ALABAMA Barrist has never yet occupied. Let each preacher and earnest brother and sister, urged we should not be allowed to bear the heat and burden of the day when a little help from the many would lighten the

Why are whisky sellers and whisky be because of their Christian influence, for it is impossible for them to have much of that. It is sad to admit such things, but contribute liberally to the pastor's salary members of good families, some of whom might be offended if such men were exhalf salaries than for our churches to be loaded down with such men.

A BROTHER Wrote recently: "You may stop my paper, the Bible is good enough for me." Our bookkeeper, noting that the brother was due something on his subscription; wrote in return: "We are glad you love the Bible, there is nothing better than its teachings; and as you remember it says, 'Owe no man anything,' we trust you will remit the amount due us for the time you have received the paper." Most of those who excuse themselves from reading a religious paper on the ground that they have their Bible, do precious little studying that volume.

It is truly gratifying to know that the outlook for the Mississippi Baptist Record is so bright. The times have been hard with the proprietors of that paper, but now they have a good circulation, and back of that the love and confidence of the brethren and sisters of the state. For the past two years the senior editor, Dr. Gambrell, has given most of his time working to endow Clinton College, but since that is practically completed he will concentrate his energies and splendid abilities on the Record. We predict a yet more useful career for that already valuable paper. Every Baptist family in Mississippi should subscribe for and read the Record.

How does this strike you? "A preacher who says, 'I can't quit tobacco,' discredits the grace of God. Brother, you can quit and you ought to. Read that twice." This, from our Mississippi neighbor, should make a lasting impression on every preacher who reads it. We preach to men and women that God's grace is able to help them quit any habit or appetite, no matter of how long standing, and yet by our living we acknowledge that God's grace is not strong enough to help us quit a miserable babit which is enfeebling our manhood. He leaves us not when the storm is high, and wasting thousands of dollars each | And we have safety for he is nigh. year. "Quit ve like men," or quit claim- Oh, rest in peace, for the Lord will care. nch of the grace of God.

Dr. BROADUS says: "Only those who are eager and ardent in their undertakings, secular or religious, can expect a great blessing from on high." The world frowns upon fanatics and enthusiasts, and yet search history as we may and we find that no great fortune was ever built or fame acquired by a man unless he put his whole brain into his was a called a crank, but he turned the religious thought upside down ated the doctrine of personal faith it. Napolson Bonaparte was an ensat, and yet he was the greatest militigenius the world ever saw. The Apost Paul brightened his pathway with work Christ, and yet his one motto was, "I can do all things through Christ which strength eneth me." So would we find were we togo into an investigation of the life of every successful worker for Jesus. With faith in themselves, they builded God and faith in the god the god the same, that is, will we not be the god the same, that is, will we not be the faith where the solders of Christ are engaged in the world when their positions are discovered and their language criticised?

They have stated their position, and we feel in he heating the multiple for the faith where the solders of Christ are engaged in the head of the faith was my first visit. To was held to the these readmitted to the these readmitted to the these was held, by their constituents, allumanted by their constituents, allumanted by their constituents, allumanted to the these the double of the mid of the mid subjects over whom they preside and whose interests they must legislate. Now sin't it strange over whom they preside and whose interests they m heart and brain Into his work. Martin eart must be kept aglow with love for

WHEREVER the downfall of a young man is traced to gambling, a great cry is made brough the papers, and yet these same orcans have never a word of condemnation regular habit is to gamble. To the exammen. Good people must cease elevating such characters to office. There are now in reality a republic, where freedom | many men, both old and young, who were led to the bad by gamblers who occupied high social and political positions. These unfortunates were caught, but the real

Dr. John A. Broadus in the March num of the Baptist Teacher says:

Elisha was eminently loving and mild, to work out permanent results for Elijah's stern ministry of judgment and overthrow. He made no compromises with sin, and was ready even to punish when necessary; but he liked to rebuke gently, and sometimes it was with tears that be exhorted or warned. We often observe a similar difference in our preachers, and each has his work. Let us bear constantly in mind that the prophets were preachers, prediction being only a small part of their work; and we can understand them, and profit by their example, only in proportion as we compare them with the uninspired preachers of to-day. Elijah was a fierce reformer, like a stormy revivalist; Elisha more like the quiet pastor who comesafter. Men must be mainly useful according to their temperament; but let each one guard against 'the faults of his qualities' and the perils attending his special line of work.

the importance of pastoral work. Of course, THE Methodists throughout the world the preaching of the gospel is the preacher's great business, but a tender, thought-John Wesley, their great founder. He build- ful pastor can make preaching so much more effective by being careful to know the an unsaved soul to the Master. We bepeople among whom he lives. If he goes into their homes in times of trouble and affliction, and shows himself interested in their welfare, he binds them to him by the tenderest ties. It has been our privilege brother who takes four secular papers and to try this very work and we know its their being "first-class Baptists;" because worth. One of the sweetest memories con- first-class Baptists are first-class Christians, the visit from our pastor. Tenderly he brought before us the promises of God, and | whisky at a bar with a man who is a notowhen a professor refuses to take and read then his prayer for the comforting and sus- rions gambler and drunkard as to associate one of these papers it shows that he cares taining grace of God made the burden less very little about what is being done or is heavy to bear. Brother preacher, if you have neglected pastoral work, we beg you

THE following note from Rev. David M.

efforts to better our educational interests, meeting with our brethren at Tuscaloosa. and his school law for Jefferson county is The high endorsement that is placed upon a monument to his wisdom and Bro. McGaha and his preaching is true, to his love for his people. He was a friend every word of it. The pastor and brethren of temperance, for he believes the educa- of the Adams Street Baptist church, this tional interest has no greater foe than the city, are conducting a series of prayer ing next week. Bro. Ramsey says: "We have closed a gracious meeting at Tuscagations were large, both day and night, coming often through pelting rain. Our people are revived and are tenderly spirit nal. We had thirty-one additions, and the At our young people's meeting several have asked for the prayers of Christians There are other evidences of profound in terest among those who are out of Christ Bro. A. W. McGaha, of East Lake, did the preaching. The sermons were tender, strong, fearless and evangelical. I have heard the leading evangelists of this coun try, and not forgetting the consuming zeal of Mr. Moody, the versatility of Edward most of them are retained because they Judson, the unique gifts of the Hale broth ers, the tenderness and magnetism of H or church expenses, or because they are M. Wharton and the directness and unc tion of Culpepper, I call Bro. McGaha a great evangelist and give it as my opinion cluded. Better far let our pastors do on that were he to devote himself to holding meetings he would not be excelled by any mentioned above, unless it be the first He disarms criticism by impressing all that he is a man of God and a man

MOURNING HEARTS.

Two and a half years ago, in issue of August 9, 1888, we spoke of a little son, then may repeat, "Ephraim is joined to his about two weeks old, in the home of our idols, let him alone." senior, Bro. Hare. Our brethren, possibly recall to mind the note, in which occurred sad at the thought, that "this practice of the following: "Here's a happy wish for dancing is growing, and growing fast. the youthful preacher, and long may you It bodes no good to that body of members live to be an honor and comfort to your of whom it is said, "It's a good dancing parents, Joseph Curry Hare!"

in Verbena on the night of Feb. 26th, 1891 He was a bright child and was buried deep in the affections of his parents. He battled against disease, membranous croup, but death clasped him to his bosom and he is no more on earth. He was buried in Montgomery last Saturday morning by the side of his little brother who preceded him

about four years. O the empty little chairs around the hearths in Alabama! O the bleeding hearts of mourning parents in Alabama!

But life is only a span; yesterday we dreamed, to-day we live, to-morrow we are not. The scars upon the human heart are but impressions of the Divine finger, the signets of God's love, the monuments of his glory, the evidences of his wisdom, the assurances of the disciple's acceptance. 'Whom he loveth he chasteneth."

It nearly breaks the heart; God knows it. It crushes the fondest hopes; God knows it. It can hardly be borne; God knows it. 'The Lord is good; he knoweth them that trust

We are not alone in our hours of pain To soothe and quiet us with his love;

The loving sympathy of many will be extended the bereaved family in the rebless them and comfort them.

DANCING BAPTISTS.

We invite careful attention to the follow-

ng letter from one of our readers: Dear Editors: While attending one of the grand balls given here just before Lent, I

sic, but I suppose Baptists are getting en-lightened(?) on this subject, at least this seems to be the way of some of us.

You published a sermon by Dr. Taylor

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some months since on this subject, and our growing, and growing fast; is it right or is for the prominent men, legislators, sena-tors, judges, solicitors, mayors, etc., whose practiced? I am aware that it would take some backbone to do it; and looking at it ple and influence of such men can be in the other light, would it be worth the traced the ruin of so many of these young | cost? Baptists will be as good dancers as Episcopalians or Catholics if it is not

Now I am young in years, and am a Bap be at an end in Brazil, as that country is now in our penitentiaries and work houses tist, and may be off the track; but if you would give me your ideas on this subject through the Barrist, probably I will get on all right.

> In replying to the above, we must state: Our Bible teaches us that a thing is either right or it is wrong. We are sorry the brother who wrote the above letter was weak enough to lend his presence to an "attraction" which has thrust many thousand souls into perdition and endless wocyears of the elder prophet, and afterward The gilded ball room is but one step to the bacchanalian feast, where "familiarity breeds contempt" and morals are discount. ed and sold to the lowest bidder. The heathen dance, and rage, and pull their hair in times of rejoicing and in times of grief, and the modern ball room dancer, in his rounds of intoxicating delirium, to a degree apes those ignorant creatures in their heathenish customs.

> Going to one of these places as a "spec tator" makes the sin none the less great Our Bible tells us to "abstain from all ap pearance of evil." And if the ball room, has not, next to gambling and the bar room blighted more young people's prospects than all other sources of evil, then statis tics are untrue. Whither are we drifting For years we have been impressed with when church members grow wild and run mad about the ball, the theater, and the

> The "preacher's wife" who was present would find it a very difficult matter to lead lieve it impossible for her to do so. The "handsome deacon," "big lay members," "their wives and daughters" and "some la dies whose husbands were keeping house,' may be so-called Baptists, but we deny nected with our recent bereavement was and no first-class Christain will enter a ball room. We'd about as soon take a drink of with him and encourage him in sin by our presence in these hell-holes of sorrow and shame. Doubtless the great crowd that sat beneath the shadow of the cross on which the Savior of mankind was crucified, "and watched him there," claimed that they had no part in his death; but if nothing else condemned them the still small voice of conscience taught them that they were guilty in that they did not put forth their hand to stay the dreadful proceeding. Their

inactivity crucified the 8on of God! We have never known a dancing member church. In witnessing for the world they crucify the Savior afresh. They bring reproach upon the cause of the Master. The apostle says: "There are some who walk among you disorderly." "Withdraw from a brother who walks disorderly"-and the same is applicable to a sister. So far as walking disorderly is concerned, we have never yet been able to discern the differnce between a young lady's dancing and a young man's tippling; if one is wrong (and no fair minded person will deny that both have evil tendencies), the other is equally so, and hence both should be subject to church discipline. This is common sense and the Lord's apostles had no small amount of this great essential, in serving churches in the olden time. They stood near the cross and let the message down

with prayer and love. The supposition that "Baptists are geting enlightened(?) on this subject" and nence are dancing more, is a supposition which is founded in loose church discipline. The time has been when some churches condemned such conduct by disiplining their members who engaged in dancing, but fearing lest they be called 'unpopular' they have left the old moor ings and are drifting out on the current, courting the applause of the world, or floating down stream to failure and ruin. Over such a church the Master may weep and as in the time of the prophet, the Lord

Yes, we must admit, and we are made church." It is the funeral knell of spirit-It now gives us pain to chronicle the uality in that membership and it won't be death of the little child, which occurred long ere dead piety and a lifeless church

God forbid that the time shall ever come when it will be said that Baptists are 'as good dancers as Episcopalians and Catholics." We had rather read, a thousand times, "Failure" over our life-work, than have it said that Baptists had forgotten their God and their church and gone the way of the world. God help us to be earnest workers for his cause. God forbid that we should enter any place that we cannot go in company with our Master.

AN EXPLANATION.

It has not been our purpose to condemn honest views. We have been plain, very plain, in our language criticising the position of legislators on moral questions, whether they were church members or not.

In the late legislature there were a few should never have been nominated to positions of honor. They thrust themselves forward as "leaders," when the only way they could lead was moving toward immoral legislation. They were politicians of the kind that oppose temperance legison because it destroys their businesstheir "practice." They know full well moval by death of one of its jewels. God that a jug of whisky, nine times out of ten, causes drunkenness, a fight or street brawl-very often a murder-a trial in the courts, and it is money in their pockets, always. This is why some lawyers and politicians plead for "democracy" at the cost of morals. The politician would grow as old as Methuselah ere he instituted re-

feel no hesitancy in stating ours. We desire to be in the midst of the fight—where the soldiers of Christ are engaged in the hand-to-hand conflict. If any are offended, we are sorry; they are assured of our earnest desire to be on the side of truth

STATING IT PLAINLY.

During the legislature we "touched up" a nember for his position on temperance egislation and showed his lack of consistency. His feelings were wounded, that we had so treated him. He was sure we did not understand his situation. A friend of his, thinking we had unconsciously done a the world be otherwise convinced that the good man an injustice, upbraided us, and church is the friend and the conservator of said he could not possibly do anything favorable for temperance, because he had promised the saloon men of a leading town in his district that he would not "bother with the whisky interest." This explainer said the whisky sellers had heard that he was a temperance man, and would not let him be elected without such a promise. and that he accompanied the candidate to the place of business of each salognist, where the promise was given.

This explanation puts the brother in s worse light than he before appeared. It is presumed that, as he professed to be a Christian man, and had, during his last legislative experience, stood up for temperance, the Christian and temperance people exacted no promise of him. But, while professing to represent the whole people, he actually represented only the saloon interest, because, forsooth, he had given them his promise; and he gave them his promise because without their aid he could not have been elected. So far as the people's and his own good is concerned, he had better, a thousand times, been defeated,

OFFENSES OF THE CHURCH.

(1) What shall we do with members of the Baptist church who sign petitions for men to sell whisky? (I take the position that the man who signs the petition is as guilty as the man who sells it, because without the aid of the signer the whisky could not be sold. The need of discipline arises from the fact that there is a state of things in our churches which is in conflict with the will of God. If God is to be bonored and glorified in the church, discipline must be exercised to correct that which is in conlict with his will.)

(2) What shall we do with retail and olesale liquor dealers in our churches? (3) Will you please give in your next isne the usual custom of Baptist churches in dealing with members who are deemed to

(4) Also, whether Baptist churches have any code or rule of discipline or resolution adopted and entered on the minutes of the church conference, declaring what particuar offenses constitute disorderly conduct be su in a member subjecting him or her to distent.

(5) Also, please give your ideas of the (5) Also, please Scriptural rule of discipline, More Light.

"Offences calling for discipline," says the Standard Manual for Baptist Churches" Edward T. Hiscox, D. D.) are usually considered of two classes; private or personal, and public or general. * * Private of fences pertain to personal difficulties between individuals, having no direct refer o be of any spiritual strength to the erence to the church as a body, and not in-Public offences are not against any one person more than another, but are such as are over his death. supposed to be a dishonor to the church of which the offender is a member, and a re, lege held a most successful anniversary proach to the Christian profession. They | meeting last Friday night. onstitute a violation of the code of Caristian morals, if not of our common worldly

Forther, the Manual (which is one of the best) says: "The more common causes of this class of offences are the following: False doctrine (Gal. 1:9; 2 John 10), disregard of authority (Matt. 18:17; 1 Phess. 5: 14), contention and strife (Rom. 16:17), im moral conduct (1 Cor.5:11), disorderly walk 2 Thess. 3:6,9), covetous spirit (Eph. 5:5; Cor. 5:11), arrogant conduct (3 John 9), go-

ng to law (1 Cor. 6:6)." Dr. J. M. Pendleton, in his Manual, says: While it does not comport with the limits or the design of this volume to give an exhaustive catalogue of general offenses, it is believed that the most of them may be classified as follows: 1. A rejection of any of the fundamental doctrines of the gospel. 2. Anything that seriously disturbs the union and peace of a church. 3. Disorderly and immoral conduct in all its forms."

1. The first question we deal with is the signer of a whisky petition. It is the duty of the church to summons to account such a brother. There is no question as to his being "a dishonor to the church" and "a reproach to the Christian profession." Our brother, by way of parentheses, gives the answer to his question. It is a plain case of the "violation of the will of God," No sane man will deny that whisky is a curse to society and the church, and yet a member will sign a petition to continue this evil. The church does right when it calls

him to answer for his sin. 2. As to the "retail and wholesale liquor dealers in our churches": they should have heading of-"anything that seriously disturbs the union and peace of a church," A thing is either right or it is wrong; God's Word wrong. The whisky traffic is recognized as the greatest of all evils, and no one has the the ministry, yet he is told that he did not good of the church of Christ at heart who deals in that blighting traffic. A committee should see the offender, and endeavor to get him to give up his business of corrupting humanity; and if he fails to do so, after the church has informed bim of her intended action, then the fellowship of the church should be withdrawn

3. To the third question in the above. we refer our brother to the rules appended at the close of this article, as being the Scrip-

4. Baptist churches have only the New Pestament to guide them in discipling. We have no doubt that the term "disorderly" refers to gambling in lottery tickets, in a game of cards, or euchre, or in any other game of chance—"anything that disturbs a few days and was called suddenly hence. the union and peace of a church." "Disorderly" are those who dance, those who at- found her ready. The saddened hearts can tend theatres, or those engaged in anything | find greatest comfort in casting their burthat brings reproach upon the cause of dens on the Lord. written unto you not to keep company, if any that is called a brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a railer, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; with such an one no not to eat")on immoral conduct, says:

These terms, so expressive of immorality are used, no doubt, to denote specimen classes of wicked persons. The term fornicator, for example, is to be understood as embracing all those who commit sexual iniquities. There is no express mention of murderers, liars, thieves, etc., but they are unquestionably included, with all other wicked characters, as guilty of general of fenses which call for church action.

Offences of an infamous or scandalous character must have a peculiar treatment The church must express its reprobation of them by an immediate act of exclusion. No preliminary steps are necessary. No senitence must prevent the withdrawal of allowship. The honor of Christ and the purity of his religion are specially involved in these cases. What Paul says in re-

except drunkenness from this catalogue, but taking into account the manifold evils of intemperance, in connection with the light shed on the "temperance question" for thirty years past, one instance of drunkenness makes it the duty of a church promptly to exercise its power of excomication. No church can adequately express a suitable abhorence of such offences without excluding the offender. Nor can

good morals. 5. As to the "Scriptural rule of discipline," this question, like the third, will find an answer in the following

COURSE OF TREATMENT.

1. The first member who has knowledge of the offence should, as in the case of private offences, seek the offender, ascertain the facts, and attempt to reconcile or remove the difficulty. Not till he has done this should be make it public, or bring it pefore the church.

2. But if no one will, or can, pursue this course of personal effort, or if such a course proves unsuccessful, then any member having knowledge of the facts should confer with the pastor and deacons as to the best course to be pursued.

3. The pastor and deacons should, by the best method they are capable of devising, labor to adjust the matter without bringing it into the church, or otherwise mak-

4. But if their efforts fail, or if the case be already public, and a reproach and scandal to religion, then they should bring it to the church, and it should direct a proper ourse of discipline. 5. The church, thus having the case be-

fore it, should either appoint a committee to visit the offender, or cite him before the body to answer the charge. He should be allowed to hear the evidence against bim, know the witnesses, and be permitted to 6. If the accused disproves the charges,

or if he confesses the wrong, makes suitable acknowledgment, and, so far as possible, reparation, with promise of amend ment, in all ordinary cases, this should be deemed satisfactory, and the case be dis-7. But if, after patient, deliberate, and prayerful labor, all efforts fail to reclaim

the offender, then, however painful the ne-

cessity, the church must withdraw its fellowship from him, and put him away from 8. If the case be one of flagrant immorality, by which the reputation of the body is ompromised and the Christian name scandalized, on being proven or confessed, the hand of fellowship may be at once withdrawn from the offender, notwithstanding any confessions and promises of amend ment; but not without a trial. The church's

good name and the honor of religion demand this testimony against evil. He may be subsequently restored, if suitably peni [See "The Standard Manual for Baptis

Dr. J. R. Graves has improved sufficient

Churches," Edward T. Hiscox, D. D.1

to be at work on his new book, "John's Rev. P. C. Drew has taken hold of his

FIELD NOTES.

work at Weiumpka, Lowndesboro and Hayneville. We join the family and friends of Mr. Philip Orr, of Danville, in their sorrow

We tender congratulations to Mr. J. M Chapman, of Jackson, and Miss Dellie Barnes, of Suggsville, in their recent mar-

Bro. W. D. Gay and wife have our sympathies in the death of their infant. None but a pitying Savior can comfort their

Two hundred and one is our number on March 2nd. Things are in admirable trim at the college. Other students are expected

In "Denominational Instruction," etc. read didactic for didactive. Baptist marks for Baptist works. Cardinal principles for 'conditional principles." Distinctively for "distinctly."- W. Wilkes

this week, -Riley.

Whisky at Loango caused the serious wounding of Mr. Wm. W. Cooper. John Ammonds, who was under the influence of liquor, and who was working for the whisky cause, did the cutting and shooting. Dr. M. B. Wharton, of the First church,

to the Holy Land and has accepted the care of the Freemason Street church, Norfolk, Vs , and will enter upon his work The Verbena church and Sunday-school have a correct idea about mission money. They believe that imoney is worthless un-

less it is being used, hence their contributions are sent as soon as collected to the H. H. Shell, Geneva, Feb. 26: Married, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr.Geo. Broxson, near Geneva, Ala., on the afternoon of the 18th ult., Mr. J. B. Albritton

no place there. This comes under the and Miss Vallie Broxson. May God's richest blessings rest upon them. Bro. Hartfield writes the Reflector that ecognizes but two conditions, right and drew fellowship from the preacher who voted for the lottery and silenced him from

> commit suicide, but died of pneumonia. Bro. H. R. Schramm has accepted the care of the New Decatur Baptist church. That brother has done a capital work in Tennessee during the past two years. We

Christ in his new field. J. J. Cloud, Deatsville, Feb. 34: Last Sunday, the 22nd, was a bright, sunny day in Deatsville. Our Sunday-school was full. Large congregation in the morning. Encouraging Sunbeam service in the evening.

six new members. Valuable acquisitions. We sorrow with Bro. John Cunningham, of Evergreen, over the death of his beloved wife. She was sick with measles for only She had lived a Christian, and the summons

Rev. S. P. West, in his sermon on Sunday amusements or in a business upon which night at the Methodist church, said that a he cannot invoke the blessings of God, is church member, who opposed the temperwalking "disorderly." The word is of won- ance bill recently defeated in the general derful significance. Dr. Pendleton, in com- assembly on account of a fear of cutting off menting on 1 Cor. 11 ("But now I have the revenue from the whisky traffic was a disgrace to his church,-Marion Standard, We are of the same opinion.

> married nine couples since Christmas. Our face in his hands, all full of tears, and new enthusiasm. An analysis of his char- and was celebrated in truly churches are on rising ground. Both of thanked me with much earnestness for the acter would show him to be a born general, rioting style-if such disorder my church houses are a credit to the towns service. I think he will be converted. fearless and quick, and at the same time on the streets could be called and are in good conditions. We have not What a demonstration of infidelity comthe spiritual life we would like to see. May pared with Christianity! Truly one may ble, and thoroughly consecrated. He is the Lord bless the Alabama Barrier and live by the former, but can die only by the witty, as is witnessed by his answer to Dr. send it into the homes of our brethren.

We have a charter for a Widows' and Orcontributions that any one may feel in- men and women, and other subjects are contributions that any one may leet in-clined to give. 1, For incidental expenses; ed, and relate to all forms of Christian church life and work. It cannot fail any amount you will likely give in the next eight months. For further information, address: F. C. Plaster, Fort Deposit, 3. Permanent fund. We will duplicate in dev

A good old brother on meeting Rev.J.F. Purser, of froy, for the first time express. thought you were a little red-headed, redwhere the brother got his conception of the great apostle.

Bro. R. D. Carroll, of Dothan, sends con gratulations. He says: "It sometimes re quires a long time and a quantity of rubbing and scrubbing to get the sheep skin off the politician and to see that he is really a wolf; but get a man in politics and you will soon get the wool off him, and instead of bleating like a sheep he will back like a wolf."

W. C. Cleveland, Montevallo, Feb. 26 The church at Stanton will conduct a me morial service in honor of Bro. G. W. Mills on the fifth Sunday in March. Brethren Andrews, Huckabee, Ruddick and Adams will assist the pastor. Bro. Mills was pastor of this church seventeen years, and is held in most affectionate remembrance by

The brethren of Haw Ridge, Pea River and Newton Associations will hold a grand rally at Ebenezer church, March 10th, 11th and 12th. Bro. Crumpton will be on hand and help to make these meetings a success. Following this meeting a similar program will be carried out at Pleasant Ridge, March 17th, 18th and 19th. We hope to be pres ent at these gatherings.

There were two things clearly discernable about some of the members of the legislature just adjourned. First, that some o them bought a very select set of strainers to get rid of the gnats and yet could guly down camels without a qualm. Second that some of them had a much greater rev erence for democracy than they had for morality. - Marion Standard.

The young brethren and sisters of the First Baptist church, this city, have organ zed themselves into a Baptist Co-operative Society. This is a worthy movement and we trust will be a success and of great help to the church. We are glad to know that the society begins with a good membership, but hope ere long to report that its numbers have reached one hundred of

The Troy Messenger speaks pleasantly of Bro. Crumpton's mission sermons in that town. His sermon to children made a lasting impression. We have heard him several times as he talked to the little folks and always thanked God that he could so instruct and impress the young hearts. We believe that there will be many little ones watch ing and waiting at the beautiful gate for

is coming. We do not see how they could they need in the way of library books, req- fant church for have chosen more wisely. Dr. Wharton nisites, periodicals and lesson helps. The and worldliness of gives up his projected trip to l'alestine. and will enter without delay upon his periodical issued by the Society, commenc-The Philomatic Society of Howard Col- Street people on Sunday. Virginia welcomes back her honored son.-Religious

The"meanness" of some people is almost doesn't see how he could keep house without the ALABAMA BAPTIST, in pressing a Baptist preacher to subscribe for the paper, said: "Take it and if you don't like the paper, I'll pay for it." He took it, read it for nearly six months, never offered to pay for it, and when dunned wrote to the agent and said: "You promised to pay that bill. The agent, of course, pays the bill, but he is compelled to do a great deal of thinking

A. H. Pruett, Harris, March 2: The Sun day-school of Ramah Baptist church had a re-organization yesterday, March 1st. Owing to bad weather on Sundays, and the roads being bad, we could not get a full congregation sooner. The officers are Bro. R. R. Gary, Supt., and Bro. E. L. Graves, Asst. Supt. The writer was re-elected secretary and treasurer. Each class will elect its teacher next Sunday. We are using Kind Words literature. We will get a li brary for the Sunday-school in a few weeks, this city, has abandoned the idea of going which will be a great advantage to both Sunday-school and neighborhood.

Every one acquainted with Dr. J. Wm Jones, of Atlanta, loves him. He gave \$100 to the endowment of Chilton College, Miss., and wished he could "make it \$1000." He says: "The Lord has given me a little money the past year as the royalty on my "Davis Memorial Volume," and instead of investing it in corner lots, or booming stocks, I have made a far better investment by putting the bulk of it in immortal minds, and feel assured the investment will pay me a magnificent dividend through the ages to come." Thank God, for such senti-

Col. Hiram Hawkins, one of Alabama's most progressive farmers, called in to renew his subscription to the ALABAMA BAP TIST last Monday. He said he and his wife could not be satisfied without the paper. Bro. Hawkins is master of the State Grange, and is withal one of the best posted men in the state, especially as it relates to the farming interests. His old pastor, Dr. Wharton, says that he never had a better or more helpful member in any church than Col. rejoice at his return to Alabama, and wish Hawkins. Colonel H. is president of the him great success in winning souls for State Agricultural Society, and is determined to make the next state fair a great

A telegram from Washington, D. C., of Feb. 20th, states: After a session of eleven days the committee of the general assembly of the Presbyterian church of the United and full house again at night. Received States on the revision of the confession of faith, has adjourned. The changes made have generally met with unanimous approval. Its work will be reported to the assembly in Detroit next May, and by it referred to the presbyteries for their adoption or rejection. The changes made in the great importance, but have in no way impaired the integrity of the system of the doctrine so long held by the church.

Tallassee, from 2nd chapter Ephesians, 8th often we do not know what to do or say, against the superstition, id verse. He has been an atheist or infidel, it but the Lord tells us." appears, all his life. Now, that he is old The day of apostles is not past. I am im- which the Catholic churc and blind and bending toward the grave, pressed with the apostle to the Cubans each in Cuba. When religion he is seeking the Savior with all his heart. time I see him, I am thankful to God for tion of indulgence, it is pop W. B. Carter, Phenix City, Feb. 27: I have When I bade him good-bye, he bathed his him, and receive from contact with him day of our dedication was a

tion, address: F. C. Plaster, Fort Deposit, at the low price of six cents a copy for year, in clubs of ten and upward.

A S. Smith, East Lake, March 2: Our | how he sways an audience. He underwork at Elyton, having no representative stands the art of seizing and holding the ed his surprise at seeing a man of such at the ministers' conference, is not rejorted, attention of a multitude. At a miscellanecommanding figure. "Why," said be, "I among the Baptist churches of Birming ous assembly of some 1,000 persons under ham. You may say through your columns a tent, where Mr. Disz was conducting a faced man like Paul." We don't know that the congregations and interest bave meeting, preaching on superstition, he been increasing at the Elyton Baptist caught their ear by telling of his Catholic church for the last two months. Yesterday | cook, who was accustomed to whip her Bro. Rocket was ordained as deacon of our | idol when it did not bring the blessings for church there. Dr. Purser assisted the pas | which she prayed to it, and who one day tor and deacons of the church in the ordi- was observed to tie a string around its legnation. The ordination took place at 3 and let the image down into the well to o'clock in the afternoon. Preaching night drown, as a punishment or extortion. and morning by the pastor. The Sunday- Bro. Diaz is moreover a fine physician, school is very well attended, and has an ef- which is an invaluable qualification for ficient superintendent and corps of teach- his many-sided position. He charges noth-

Southwest Baptist, Springfield, Mo., N. B. Hogan, editor and proprietor: "From a year. He makes medical and pas the Alabama Baptist we learn of the death | calls all day, preaches usually en of Gen. C. A. Poellnitz, of Marengo county, and three times on Sunday. Alabama. This good man will ever be held only of the Lord's work; in grateful remembrance by the editor of cannot be bribed or, this paper. At the close of the civil war, in constant dange when we returned to our native state after | so than is gen a two years' incarceration at Ft. Delaware, | cernedly remi finding ourself left an orphan, cast out up | Catholics a on the great ocean of life with no one to | will go one gnide us from the breakers ahead, this child- ability, lay is hood friend came to the rescue with his ganizing th friendship, his counsel and care, and why ments of should we not shed a tear of mourning over ing a little his departure? General Poelinitz died full overcomi of years, loved and honored by the peop'e of the of his loved state. We hope to meet him has in the resurrection among the throng who have made their robes white in the blo

A. J. Preston, Perryville, Feb. 13: Pine Flat is out of debt and has some money in the treasury, after helping to pay for the pastorium. Ocmulgee is also out of debt and has almost money enough on hand to buy the material for a new church house. They have put a nice fence around their cemetery and paid their part toward the purchase of a pastorium besides, since I came here one year ago. We hope to have up a nice new church house before this time next year. Concord paid almost or quite twice as much last year for missions as she had ever paid before. They also paid their part toward the purchase of a pastorium, and paid off an old debt, paid up my salary promptly and furnished their house with a new stove, and have some money in the treasury. Each member contributes every month to a church fund. Pisgah is about out of debt. They have paid out about \$100 on repairs, etc., besides helping to pay for the pastorium. I take collections for missions at every meeting. I don't care much about plans if I can get a liberal contribution at each meeting

The American Baptist Publication Socie-We congratulate the Freemason Street ty is publishing for Baptist Sunday-schools church in Norfolk. Dr. M. B. Wharton is in all sections of the country everything rebuke sank into Young Reaper was the first Sunday-school work. He preached for the Freemason ing in 1857. As the schools increased, and their wants multiplied, the Society has steadily added to its list, until now it publishes The Superintendent; Baptist Teacher; Senior, Advanced, Intermediate and beyond belief. One of our agents who Primary Quarterlies; Bible Lessons, Pieture Lesson Cards, Our Young Folks, Young Reaper, Sunlight, Our Little Ones, and The Worker-thirteen distinct Sunday-school periodicals, with a circulation of two millions of copies each year. These periodicals have no superiors in the world. The very best talent from all sections of the country are employed in their preparation, and the best material and labor is used in their manufacture. Baptist superintendsample copies of these excellent periodi-

> stores. See advertisement in this number. R. E. Pettus, Huntsville, Feb 23: Large was the assembly and sad were many hearts last night as they listened to the farewell sermon of Dr. L. D. Bass, our former pastor, who leaves to-day in the interest of the Southern Female College, at Flerence, of which he is the newly-elected president. Dr. Bass has greatly endeared himself to our membership and the community at large during his short pastorate here, He is not only an educated Christian gen tleman, but an earnest expounder of the word of God, whose influence would be felt in any community. His wife, an elegant, lady, with her bright little children, are on a visit to relatives at Summerton, S. C. I our brethren at Florence will be patient we will soon have another good man they can call, as she has captured our last two pastors. Our B. F. society is doing a noble work for the church. They have secured an appointment with Ralph Bingham, the wonderful boy orator, to give one of his entertainments here March 3rd. Our Sunbeam society is well attended and they take as much interest as they did when Brother Hare last visited them. The church has a more interesting Sunday school and the prayer meeting is indeed a live one

VISIT TO CUBA.

Dear Baptist: At the request of Dr. Tiche nor, I furnish some impressions of on

Baptist work in Cuba. A visit to this field of labor is memora ble and inspiring. A three days' journey landed me in a new world-different climate, vegetation, language, buildings, customs, government and people. Cuba is evidently passing through a formative period. Political affairs are unsettled, religious views are changing, and a writer feels | Catholic. tion. Our Baptist cause forms a striking | manist, are feature of this era; the church dedication was historic. New Testament times are General notif seen repeated in this island. Cuba is near- | could not be er to me since my trip. I can pray for our Baptists own no heroic brethren and sisters there more it is not fit to earnestly than before, and give to the work | meeting.'

The first impression that occurs to the asked Diaz, and obtained the o mind is the wonderful Providence that has promise. Upon being informed directed the mission, from the preparation, property was ours, the Govern conversion and call of Bro. Disz till the said, W. R. W., Alexander City: Had quite an | dedication of our temple. No human wis- atre?" "Yes," replied Diaz, " interesting service Sunday evening, 15th dom could have planned nor achieved the purchase many other such pie ult., at the residence of Mr. Jake Sims, in results accomplished. Bro. Diaz says, erty, if necessary." We have

The Worker is an interesting paper for at the point of death from acclimation fecommittee appointed by the State Convention on the "Home," and of the charter members at Fort Dancelt on the Classes, and the Charter members at Fort Dancelt on the Land of the charter members at Fort Dancelt on the Land of the Charter members at Fort Dancelt on the Land of the Charter members at Fort Dancelt on the Land of the Charter members at Fort Dancelt on the Land of the Charter members at Fort Dancelt on the Land of the Charter members at Fort Dancelt on the Land of the Charter members at Fort Dancelt on the Land of the Charter members at Fort Dancelt on the Land of the Charter members at Fort Dancelt on the Land of the Charter members at Fort Dancelt on the Land of the Charter members at Fort Dancelt on the Land of the Charter members at Fort Dancelt o members, at Fort Deposit on the 1st day of ber is illustrated. Maps of mission fields, with tears, quickly turned the subject: April next. I am ready to receive any suggestive diagrams, portraits of eminent 'No: I will write, 'Died waiting on our me Hanna'(?)" Hanna is the man from whom the theatre was purchased, titles to which were so long being made good. Mr. Diaz is full of genial humor, passing easily into need to I

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first order. He should be heard in his own tongue, addressing his people, to appreciaie his Impessioned style, and to see LaGrange, Ga., Feb. 27th.