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TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS

For many weeks, possibly several months, we have indulged you in the matter of your subscription. We are now sending out statements to all who are in arrears, and to these we desire to say a few words:

1. If we did not expect you to pay promptly, we would not ask you for the money. We have indulged you to the utmost limit. None realize the closeness of money more than we, when we have been carrying the names of 2,000 subscribers on our books for several months, paying cash at the close of each week for heavy expenses incurred in running the paper, and that, too, during one of the hardest money seasons in the history of the country.

2. We expect those who have asked us to wait till fall, to forward their subscriptions at once. We have paid out cash for you till we can pay no longer, and now we desire to know if you will be as kind in returning promptly as we were in continuing the paper promptly. You remember that a newspaper is not carried on like many merchants in years gone by "on credit" but on cash. When all accounts are paid, we pay cash for all typesetting, mailing, postage, insurance, rent, machinery-power, paper, etc., hence the necessity of subscribers paying promptly in advance.

3. Those who are in arrears, and who desire their paper discontinued, must pay for the time it has been going to them. The law of Alabama and the United States will protect the newspaper man against any who have taken the paper out of the office and who may endeavor to act dishonestly. If you have been receiving the paper 12 months, you are due \$2.00; if 9 months, \$1.50; if 6 months, \$1.00; if 3 months, 50 cents; if 1 month, 25 cents; if 1 week, 5 cents. We insist on these figures, and ask for nothing but our dues.

4. We have been honest with you, doing the best we could for you. We believe our subscribers are honest, with the exception of a few who, after receiving the paper for a while, until a statement is sent out notifying them of their dues to the paper, stating that they "have never told us to continue sending the paper," thus showing clearly that if they intended to be honest they would have sent us a card to that effect, or would have asked the postmaster to notify us to discontinue the paper to them. In the main, we cannot complain of the treatment received from thousands of subscribers, who reply promptly to our statements, and who help us not only to meet our obligations. It's the dishonest subscriber that causes the trouble. There's no denying the fact that we have been honest with you.

5. Hereafter we shall send out statements a few weeks in advance notifying subscribers when their time is out, and they do not renew by such date we shall drop their names from the list. We are forced to do this in order to protect our interests. Hereafter we have been lenient with many, but we are compelled to have a uniform rule, and shall live to the line. It is impossible to know five thousand or more people and all their circumstances and conditions. All subscriptions must be paid in advance. We have credited many heretofore and have been the losers thereby. It is a bad precedent to establish.

6. In order to make cost of collection as small as possible to us, we ask that subscribers send their renewals by postoffice money order, postal note, registered letter, check on any Montgomery bank, or by New York exchange. A good per cent is deducted on all local checks, and it costs us from 5 to 10 cents on local checks when deposited. And especially should brethren remember this when we have been sending the paper to so many until they were able to forward their renewal.

Please read the above remarks, brother, and help us at this time. We have waited patiently on you, and it's now "your turn" to do what you can for us. Send to the Alabama Baptist, Montgomery, Ala.

The *Age-Herald* is kind enough to say that "The Alabama Baptist is a marvel of successful journalism."

One of the candidates announced for the legislature from Jefferson county was recently indicted by the grand jury for embezzlement. The Birmingham *News* says he was acquitted of the charge, but the impression of his guilt has not been wiped out.

The grand jury of Wilcox county, in their report, said that prominent citizens in various communities were engaged, contrary to law, in selling intoxicating beverages. It is burning shame that merchants who are classed as "the best citizens" will lend their business credit toward breaking down the laws.

The foreign influence is seen at work in several of our Alabama cities. Labor clubs hold frequent and often regular meetings on Sunday. Monday's Birmingham *Age-Herald* tells of the meeting of "The Labor Club of the Democratic Party" in that city on Sabbath last. Christian citizens should discontinue any such movement.

This is an age in which the talents of young men are appreciated. It always gives us pleasure to say a word in their behalf. None can we commend more highly than Mr. Fred S. Ball, late stenographer of Messrs. Tompkins & Troy, who has begun the practice of law in this city, after having passed a most creditable examination. Mr. Ball is president of the Young Men's Christian Association, is a bright and talented young man, has many warm friends, and his prospects are flattering. In his chosen profession we wish him abundant success.

A cordial reception was that given Rev. W. M. Harris, the new pastor of Adams Street Baptist church. The members of the church and congregation and friends had a well filled pantry awaiting him on Tuesday, and on Sunday two large congregations greeted him. Bro. Harris is well pleased with Montgomery, and the people are in love with him. He is a live, earnest pastor, and his preaching is of the highest order. His sermons are deeply spiritual and we believe the Lord will prosper his work. A cordial welcome to him from the Baptist brotherhood of Alabama.

A BROTHER writes: "Politics are getting lively in our country. Candidates are numerous and are beginning to circulate among the people. Oh! how it hinders church work. The members become absorbed in politics, bad feelings are engendered and a general indifference prevails. I fear." There's the trouble. Members of the church too often forget their church

views and grow indifferent of their souls' highest interest, in their chase after supposed relief and blessings. A year of political excitement does more to retard the work of the gospel. Why? Because they will ignore their religious views and neglect their church duties. The Lord help his people to be faithful.

The intelligence of the critical illness of Rev. R. E. L. Harris, of Crawfordville, Ga., was received in this city on Monday morning last by his brother, Rev. W. M. Harris. The prayers of many in this city are with the anxious relatives as they eagerly wait for the good news of a change for the better from the bedside of the afflicted one. God grant, if in accordance with his will, that he shall not be called upon so early after the death of a dear sister—only a few weeks since—to mourn the loss of a devoted young brother. The Lord restore him to health and may the brother be spared many years to garner sheaves for the Master.

The Christian and temperance people rejoice that Congressman Miller, the speaker of the House of Representatives, who was elected from Georgia, was the fortunate candidate. Mr. Miller was the man who, in one of his speeches in Texas for the whiskey men, said, pointing to Dr. Carroll, who had annihilated his arguments, "Sir, hell is so full of preachers of your sort that their legs have to hang out of the windows."

In the issue of the ALABAMA BAPTIST of Aug. 16, 1921, Dr. Rufus C. Burleson, president of Baylor University, said, concerning this episode:

"The whiskey rabble about, deeming it a far better argument than rotten eggs, so they used at San Antonio and other great whiskey centers. It was for such services as this that Speaker Carlisle, the attorney of the Kentucky liquor dealers, appointed him on one of the most important committees in Congress, though every Texan knows that he is the weakest of all the Texas congressmen."

On the other hand, Speaker Crisp is said to be a "temperate and Christian gentleman." The Alabama delegation voted solidly for him all the way through.

Our experiences are valuable only as we learn lessons from them.

Every preacher wants to be successful, not only in winning souls to Christ, but also in training those who have been won, that their lives may honor the Master.

The season of the year is on which is fraught with many temptations to church members. In the country the harvest is gathered, and the people spend more time around the towns and in social pleasures; in the towns and cities, the cold evenings invite to frivolity of all kinds. The people have more leisure, which gives Satan more opportunity to work. Many pastors dread to see this period come, fearful that the recent converts will go off into sin and lose interest in the cause of religion.

One reason there is so much "falling away" of new converts is because, not that they have never been regenerated, but that the preacher and the older members forget that such are but "babes in Christ." Were parents and guardians to neglect the physical wants of their children, like the pastor and members neglect the spiritual needs of the "babes in Christ," we would have thousands of physical monstrosities walking this earth. As well expect a babe, unaided, to learn how to walk, to speak and to work correctly, as for these new creatures in Christ to know how to walk, what spiritual food to take, and what exercise to undergo, without assistance. Of course, these are going to fall many times after we have aided them all we can, but remembering that it is the duty of those of experience to help the ignorant, the duty of the strong to help the weak, and the duty of the mature to help the immature, we should faithfully instruct and tenderly warn the development of the spiritual character of these "babes in Christ" is a very important and essential work. Pastors often forget the words of Christ to Peter, "Feed my lambs." A well instructed and active church member has little time for the trivial affairs of life.

This ordinary church member looks at the pastor and says, "My! what an easy time he has." This remark, which is of common occurrence, shows the conception some people have of the work of the gospel minister. Because he holds up his head and greets the world with a smile, the ignorant think him unacquainted with the practical affairs of life. To that class his is a life of ease, and he is but a "gentlemanly pastor."

In the place of the honest preacher does more studying than a half dozen lawyers. He must study the Bible, and he must read a great many other works in order to keep posted, and to provide himself a real teacher. He does more visiting than all the physicians of the village or town. He seeks to cheer the sick in every home. Owing to his information and wide business experience and observation, he is constantly being consulted about the business and domestic affairs of life.

Then the spiritual condition of the people is one of the burdens that is rolled upon his heart. He realizes that Christ has made him the under shepherd, that he is to watch for souls. His soul is bowed down because of the wickedness of the people. Night after night he lies awake, praying God to show him how to reach the ungodly with the message of "salvation are they are out off."

Again, the cold and indifferent professor makes the pastor go sick at heart. To see a man or woman claiming to have been bought with the precious blood of Christ, seeking the company of the evil doer, or throwing their "holy duty" away, makes the man of God feel like giving up.

Brothers and sisters, let us remember that the pastor is carrying the entire church on his heart, is the hardest worked man among us, and needs our sympathy and our prayers.

Board of Ministerial Education in Trouble.

Brothers, we are in debt; we need money; we need it now. It is necessary for us to raise \$1,800 by the first of February next. We rely confidently on the pledges made at Enola and before. We are not able to pay what is past due. It will require \$600 to do this. We beg that brethren will move in this matter promptly. We are reluctant to make this appeal, but the urgent necessities of the case compel us. We beg that you will relieve us.

Yours in earnest,
W. C. CLEVELAND.

We have forty young men to provide for. We have received nothing since the convention.

This paper and the *Forum* will be sent to any address one year for \$4.00. The regular price of *The Forum* is \$5.00 and of the *Alabama Baptist*, \$3.00. We are glad to be able to make the above reduction for the benefit of our subscribers. The *Forum* is considered the liveliest and the strongest magazine of current politics and live subjects.

FIELD NOTES.

Read our list of books and Bibles and order your Christmas gifts.

Rev. J. F. Register preached for the Geneva brethren the 5th Sabbath in November.

Dr. Newman has decided not to accept the editorship of the *Alabama Christian Advocate*.

The Optika Drug Co., long spoken of as the principal blind tiger of that town, has failed.

The Greenville Baptists, young and old, are earnestly at work to complete their new church.

The postoffice of Rev. Geo. E. Brewer is Alexander City, Ala. Correspondents will take notice.

Bro. H. C. Sanders writes that he has 133 pupils in his school at Notasulga, and "will they come."

Rev. P. C. Drew's postoffice is now Hade City, Fla., where he has located as pastor of College Street Baptist church.

The treasurer of the Central Committee begs the associational vice presidents to send in their reports by the 1st of January.

Rev. W. P. Stewart, of Harris' Cross Roads, Ga., and Miss M. E. Brooks, of Columbia, Ala., were married on the 24th ult.

Miss Beulah Henry, of Selma, was married to Mr. B. E. Milton, of Pine Apple, Nov. 27th. A happy life is wished for them.

It is with pleasure that we record the fact that brother W. Y. Browning has so far improved in health as to be able to preach regularly.

Rev. W. G. Curry, of Livingston, is taking subscriptions for building a new Baptist church at that place. Success to him and his church.

Rev. J. G. Lowrey began his work at Calera last Sabbath. His postoffice is changed from Blocton to that place. Correspondents will observe the change.

So far there have been issued nearly 2,000 naturalization papers to foreigners in Jefferson county during the past few weeks. They are getting ready to vote.

In advance we extend congratulations to Miss Lillie Ward and Mr. Jno. Parker, who are to be married at the home of brother W. C. Ward, Birmingham, Dec. 15.

Married, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. D. J. Hargrove, on the 1st of December, by Rev. J. T. Yerby, Mr. S. H. Browne to Miss Eugenia Hargrove, all of Tuscaloosa county.

The ALABAMA BAPTIST and Demorest's Family Magazine will be sent to any address one year for \$3.50. Demorest's is one of the best magazines published, and its regular price is \$2.00.

We acknowledge the receipt of an invitation to the marriage of Miss Lillie May, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. P. Harvey, to Mr. W. Con Bell, which happy event is to occur Dec. 18th. Our congratulations are extended.

We join in mourning the death of Rev. J. E. Holmes, D. D., pastor of the Savannah Baptist church. A few years ago he preached the baccalaureate sermon for the Jackson, and made many friends while on that visit.

We welcome to Montgomery, brother Jos. Norwood and family, of Ft. Deposit. Brother Norwood has for some years been superintendent of the Baptist Sunday-school, and his pasting on Sunday last was very affecting.

Married, at the residence of Mrs. Bar-Tape, in Brookwood, Ala., on the evening of Nov. 22nd, Mr. L. E. Freiley and Miss Lucinda Bar-Tape, Rev. J. G. Lowrey officiating. May heaven's richest blessings alight upon them.—L.

Dr. Joseph Shackelford made the people of Morgan county such an able representative that they are anxious for him to again represent them in the legislature. Brother Shackelford is not only capable, but honest and true.

J. P. Shaffer, Rev. J. W. Hamner leaves the Liberty Association and settles at Lumpkin, Ga. We regret our loss, but since it must be so, we commend our young brother to the care and fellowship of our Georgia brethren at Lumpkin.

We have received a neat little booklet "Souvenir Calendar for 1922," containing a list of the American Baptist Publication Society's graded series of Sunday-school periodicals. It is handsomely printed and is truly a beauty in design and make-up.

Bro. J. H. Curry, of North Port, writes: Our Sunday-school "Rally" was pleasant, interesting, and I think profitable.

We meet again Thursday and Friday before the fifth Sunday in January, with the church at Cottontale. "Come over and help us."

E. B. Teague, Columbus: Not steadily occupied on the first Sunday in the month, and Saturday before, I would engage with any church for that day, convenient of access by rail, for reasonable remuneration, provided too much pastoral visiting be not required.

J. L. Jones, Brundidge, Dec. 7: Married, near Brundidge, on Dec. 2, 1921, Mr. W. A. Blackman to Miss Jennie Pierce—J. L. Jones officiating. Both parties are members of the Baptist church, and we bespeak for them length of days, happiness and usefulness.

The Adams Street brethren are enjoying far better than Christmas gifts, strong, deep, spiritual sermons. They believe they have splendid "Christmas presents" in the persons of Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Harris and their three interesting little children.

Miss Minnie Anderson, one of the teachers in the Normal College at Jacksonville, was called to Brundidge last week by the death of her father. Brother Anderson was an exemplary Christian, and beloved by all his neighbors. The bereaved have our deepest sympathies.

Congratulations to Rev. R. M. Hunter and Miss Rosa Gilley, who were married in Lowndesboro on the 8th inst. Earnest, warm-hearted Christians, we pray God's richest blessings upon them. They are deserving of each other—the highest and best compliment we can pay them.

Jno. P. Shaffer: Mrs. Sarah Florence Powell died at Roanoke, Ala., on the 30th day of November. Mrs. Powell was a daughter of Rev. Wm. T. Davis, of Lineville, Ala. She was a Christian woman and member of the Baptist church. She leaves her husband and four children to mourn her death. She was buried at Roanoke.

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Mrs. Francis Daughdrill, of Old Spring Hill, Marengo county, is a mother in Israel whose memory still retains many pleasant incidents of childhood. She is now eighty-seven, but remembers when a child of twelve years having heard the sainted Dr. Basil Manly, Jr., preach a notable sermon at Big Stephens Creek, Edgfield District, S. C., her native State. The text was Rev. 22:2. "The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nation."

J. B. Perkins, McKinley: Eld. G. W. Webb has been appointed by the Bethel and South Bethel Baptist Associations as collector, and I mention the fact through the Baptist to urge pastors and churches of these two associations to think of the importance of this work and take collections at once for it. Send money from South Bethel Association to Wm. A. Parker, Thomasville, Ala., and from Bethel Association to the writer at McKinley, Ala.

On last Sabbath the West Montgomery Baptist church had upon the Lord's table only unleavened bread and unfermented wine. This vigorous and spiritual young church hopes her "older sisters" will follow the example and in a like from their common services.

Light headedness and foolish levity, Master Townsend, the pastor's wife, made the wine from the pure grape, and will gladly furnish any one with receipt for making same.

The Florida Baptist Witness, among other complimentary things about the Baptist press of the South, says that "The Western Recorder, Baptist Courier, the ALABAMA BAPTIST, the Reflector, the old Index, the Arkansas Baptist and the Texas Baptist and Herald, are feeding their thousands with the purest of doctrine and are improving every way. We feel the warm hand-grip of friends. And last, but first, they are, without exception, preachers of a sound gospel."

Brother Editor: Somebody may think it presumptuous in me to write suggestions about the centennial meeting, but I know well enough that the committees in our associations will take them into consideration. I am sorely perplexed. Some brethren will differ from me; well let them "suggest." Suggestions are now in order. We all want to do the best thing in the best way.

I would suggest that you keep standing in the paper the names of all the best literature on the subject, with the price.—W. B. C.

W. B. C.: We had a good convention at Enola, no mistake about it; but how many delegates did we have? Only a few over one hundred. This little squad wanted us all to fling up our caps and shout, "Hurrah for us!" now and then under the most favorable circumstances. We may have a larger attendance than this in November. If we want a select few at these meetings, we had better continue to meet as well known to all the people of this State. The following local country, Ky., the South admit it is a failure, and it is well. The ladies find a club house a dreary place in the day time.—Birmingham News.

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The recent pastor of the Baptist church at Bainbridge, Ga., is missing. His name was Wm. Osborne. He came to Alabama about a year ago, bearing a letter from a Baptist church in Kentucky. He claimed to be a "genuine Baptist," placed his letter with the Adams Street church a few weeks, and shortly withdrew it, and connected himself with the church at Bainbridge. The letter presented to the Adams Street church a proposition to be from "Oak Hill Baptist church, Cumberland county, Ky.," which stated that he was "in good standing and full fellowship." He married a young lady at Bainbridge, but has since deserted her and she is now applying for a divorce. Undoubtedly Osborne is a fraud. He has light, or sandy, hair, light eyes, neat in appearance, about 6 feet tall and has a very "slit tongue." Where is he?

The Baptist Teacher, published by the American Baptist Publication Society, will have, for 1922, at least four pages of reading matter, which is practically an enlargement of the paper. It will have a new and tasteful design. In the editorial department, a new feature, with the title of "Editor's Drawer," will be introduced, for replies to questions. Also a new feature with the title "Library Notes," for the help of library committees. In the lesson department, in charge of Rev. W. Taylor Smith, A. A. of Manchester, England, another feature appears, which will explain "Orientalisms" in the lesson. This most valuable teachers' journal is supplied at 50 cents per annum in clubs of five or more. The Publication Society furnishes sample copies free of charge on application.

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The first church feels grateful to God for his goodness. In the past two years nearly 400 have been added to us. We give off liberally and frequently to the other Baptist churches of the community, and yet we have over 650 members. Our congregations are always large, enthusiastic, really inspiring. We are growing rapidly in grace and giving. At the evening service our house is often unequal to the demands of the congregation. In the near future we must rise and build. But it would be unwise to attempt this until the present money stringency is past. My purpose is to build about a fifty thousand dollar tabernacle for the people. If we had such a house, the first church congregation would often now be fifteen hundred or more. When we have built such a house of worship, and the Southside has finished its splendid building, the Baptist cause in Birmingham will be so thoroughly established as to be able to do all necessary in the establishing and maintaining of mission stations about us. Birmingham for the Baptists has been my motto ever since I came to this city with these good people, and I believe I shall see this city a great Baptist center.

It is a joy to our hearts to have so many new ones to our church. But after baptism, what? The training of these is a very important work. Now comes the necessity of developing these for God whom he has added to us. Dead churches are not dead because their members have not been converted, but because the converted ones have not been drilled in church work. To take a large congregation and train it in church work is a great task. Brethren, no church work in the bounds of the Southern States is more important to-day than that of the First church of our city. It is an exceedingly difficult job. I feel that Birmingham is a pivotal point in Baptist affairs in this section, and that this is the crisis period. If in the years to come we are to be strong, much must be done quickly. I often feel the millions weight of the heavy work. Bro. Hale and myself have a tremendous work upon us. Brethren, it's making us old while yet young. But in these crisis periods it is often the case that somebody must be sacrificed. Brethren, pray that the work may succeed. The workman can easily afford to go down if only Zion prospers.

W. L. PICKARD.
Birmingham, Ala.

CHRISTMAS GIFT TO MISSIONS.

What could be fitter this Centennial Year, than for each of us to celebrate the anniversary of our Savior's birth by a generous gift to missions?

While remembering our other "loved ones," why not remember Him who "loved us notwithstanding all?" What a joy it will be to hear from his lips, in that day, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me." How much more radiant a day Christmas will be to us if we have the Master himself with us as a sharer in our gifts and festivities! How it would sweeten and sanctify all our other joys and gifts! Not a child or a grown person in any of our homes but may be happier this Christmas because of such a gift, and thus help to make many a heathen home happy as well.

Bro. Bell, in the Foreign Mission Journal, says that each member of every Baptist household in the South, at breakfast, on Christmas morning, give something to Jesus. Will you not do it? Will not pastors, Sunday-school teachers, officers of missionary and Sunbeam societies, and parents take hold of this matter and work it up?

A week of prayer for missions, beginning Sunday, January 3rd, is to be observed by the women's missionary societies all over the South.

The Foreign Mission Journal recommends that the three Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention jointly call upon the churches of the South to observe the first week in May next, by special prayers for the power of the Spirit upon the Convention which meets the next week; upon the churches at home during the next conventional year, and upon the missionaries and mission churches in foreign lands.

THE BLIND

Receive Their Sight, the
Lame Walk and the
Deaf Hear.

Dr. C. W. Greenfield has been
totally blind for three months, has
had his sight restored. The following
is his own account of the way in
which he was cured:

GUTHRIE, Ky., Sept. 9, 1891.
Messrs. DuBois & Webb, 191 1/2
First Avenue, Birmingham, Ala.:
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began to fail me. I immediately ap-
plied to eminent oculists for relief; for
eighteen months they treated me with-
out a particle of benefit. Finally,
about three months ago, I went total-
ly blind, and, as a last resort, I pro-
cured an Electropoise, which, very
much to the gratification of myself
and family, has restored my sight. It
has also greatly benefited my wife
and daughter. My wife has been a
subject of paralysis for more than two
years, and my daughter a sufferer
from inflammatory rheumatism for
more than twelve years. All this has
been effected in the last two months
by the Electropoise. I am the poss-
essor of the only one in existence,
and it could not be reproduced, the
wealth of the universe could not pur-
chase it. I consider it the grandest
invention of the age."

Truly and gratefully yours,
C. W. GREENFIELD, M. D.

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The Life Work of Educated Physician,
IS AN INSTRUMENT FOR THE
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BASED on new theories of the
cause and cure of disease, it deals with
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of the body and the gases surrounding
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adds to the vitality and only assists
nature, in nature's way, to throw
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ACUTE CASES of all kinds are
cured in hours by its random use.

One-tenth the intelligence and per-
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Wherever the test has been made there is
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you fast in its clutches it will break its grasp;
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very little effort in public speaking would
result in distressing hoarseness, so that I
had serious fears of permanent disability."

"Besides, I suffered with dyspeptic
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possible to obtain relief. I was induced by a
friend to try King's Royal Germie ner, and it
gives me great pleasure to say that its ef-
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in respect to the fact that it is also a 'ger-
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"Catarrh, bronchial irritation and dys-
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"One of my sons who has long been a suf-
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lief from his old enemy."

In cases of fevers attending colds it will
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cine will be sent, freight or express prepaid.
Price \$1.00 per bottle. If a preparation
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for less, you have reason to suspect that it
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"Oh, what an untidy room! Skip
about, little ones, and set it in order."
"I don't like to tidy rooms," said
Elsie, with a pucker on her pretty
forehead, as she turned the pieces of
her dissected map this way and that.

"I think it must be ever so nice to
keep plenty of servants," said Ruth.
"Yes, indeed," said Bessie, "just
like Mrs. Marshall."

Elsie brought a pout to her lips to
keep company with the pucker in her
forehead, and looked as doleful as a
little girl whose face seemed made
somewhat for smiles than frowns could
look.

"Do you think you would be hap-
pier with nothing to do?" asked
mamma.

"Yes, I'm sure I should," said
Elsie.

"And I," said Ruth.

"But," said Bessie thoughtfully,
"I don't know. Mrs. Marshall never
looks half so nice and pleasant as
mamma, and she says her servants
batter her all the time. Do you think
they'd bother you, mamma, if you
kept them?"

"I don't know, dear. I never tried
keeping more than one, except these
little bits of ones here," pinching Elsie's
cheeks, and giving Ruth's head a pat;
"and as they are not always
willing little servants, perhaps they
bother me."

"It's a shame," said Bessie, run-
ning to kiss her mother. "I do love
to do things for you, mamma. Hurry,
hurry, let me help you, quick as I can!"

And the little maids flew about un-
til the room was in good order.

"But," said Elsie, as mamma set-
tled herself to some sewing, and the
three gathered around her for a talk,
"I was reading the other day about
the little king of Spain—he's only a
baby, you know, mamma, and yet
he's a king! And he has ever and
ever so many servants—all just for
himself."

"I once knew some little girls who
kept a great many servants,"
"Tell us about them, please, mamma.
How old were they?"

"Well, about as old as Elsie, and
Ruth, and Bessie."

"How many did they have?"

"You can count up as I go on.
There were two bright-looking ones,
always dressed alike, in blue, brown,
or gray. Their duty was to keep on the
watch for what ought to be done."

"Didn't they ever do anything
themselves?"

"Not much but that. It seemed
to keep them busy if they attended to
their duties; but sometimes they were
negligent, and then of course the work
of all the other servants was thrown
into confusion."

"I'm sure it was little enough to
do," said Bessie.

"Then there were two more, whose
business it was to listen to what their
little mistress' mother or teacher told
them, and let them know what it
was."

"It seems to me," said Ruth laugh-
ing, "they must have been a lazy set,
so many to do so little. Any more,
mamma?"

"Two more, always dressed in red,
who told what the others heard."

"It took a long time to get to it, I
think," said Bessie.

"When these had settled upon any
thing to be done," said mamma,
"there was a pair of lovely little fel-
lows, always wearing dark, stout
clothing, who carried the little girls
to where their work was to be done."

"Oh, oh," laughed Elsie, "what a
queer set you are telling us of, mamma;
were the little girls lame?"

"I hope they did their work well
when they got to it, after all of that
fuss," said Ruth.

"They surely ought to have done so,
mamma said, 'for they had no less
than ten little servants to do it for them.'"

"Now, mamma, do tell us what
you mean," said Elsie.

"I mean," said mamma, "that lit-
tle Blue Eyes and Brown Eyes and
Gray Eyes ought always to be on the
lookout for anything to be done for
those whom we love."

"Oh, I see and ears to listen!"

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ry): I tell you what we might do,
love. We might pass our winters in
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Lv. Selma 5:40 am 4:30 pm
Ar. Benton 6:15 am 5:05 pm
Ar. Whitehall 6:35 am 5:25 pm
Ar. Labor 6:47 am 5:35 pm
Ar. Montgomery 7:30 am 6:15 pm
Ar. Montgomery 7:45 am 6:30 pm
Ar. Cowles 8:45 am 7:35 pm
Ar. Chehaw 9:00 am 7:50 pm
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Ar. Opelika 9:55 am 8:45 pm

Via S. & W. R. R. N. B. R.
Lv. Opelika 1:05 pm
Ar. Dadeville 2:35 pm
Ar. Alex. City 3:35 pm
Ar. Goodwater 4:35 pm
Ar. Childersburg 4:45 pm

Ar. Columbus 3:25 am 11:50 am
Lv. Columbus 4:00 am 12:20 pm
Lv. Columbus 10:50 am 3:17 pm
Lv. West Point 10:55 am 3:22 pm
Lv. La Grange 11:25 am 3:52 am
Lv. Newnan 12:05 pm 4:24 am
Ar. Atlanta 1:30 pm 5:50 am

Via Georgia R. R. No. 8 Ar. No. 5 Ar.
Lv. Atlanta 2:45 pm 6:50 am
Lv. Atlanta 7:00 pm 1:00 pm
Ar. Atlanta 8:15 pm 2:15 pm
Ar. Atlanta 9:30 pm 3:30 pm

Via Central R. R.
Lv. Atlanta 2:15 pm 6:50 am
Ar. Macon 10:50 pm 10:25 am
Ar. Savannah 6:15 am 5:00 pm

Via W. & A. R. R.
Lv. Atlanta 6:18 pm 7:50 am
Ar. Marietta 7:10 pm 8:40 am
Ar. Cartersville 8:13 pm 9:45 am
Ar. Dalton 10:10 am 11:40 am
Ar. Chattanooga 11:40 pm 1:00 pm
Ar. Cincinnati 6:00 pm

Via Piedmont Air-Line
to New York & East
Lv. Atlanta 6:00 pm 7:10 am
Ar. Spartanburg 8:13 am 2:53 pm
Ar. Charlotte 4:50 am 5:30 pm
Ar. Danville 10:55 am 11:55 pm
Ar. Richmond 3:30 pm 5:50 am
Ar. Lynchburg 12:40 pm 1:50 am
Ar. Charlottesville 2:55 pm 3:05 am
Ar. Washington 7:35 pm 7:00 am
Ar. Baltimore 11:35 pm 12:25 am
Ar. Philadelphia 3:00 am 10:40 am
Ar. New York 6:20 am 1:20 pm