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THE omission of the issue of our paper for Christmas week causes quite a pressure upon us in the way of contributions from the brethren.

MANY of our churches—perhaps too many—have begun the new year with a new pastor.

We find the following paragraph in the Talladega Mountain Home.

"We note with pleasure that some of our best families, of the highest type of society, are having most delightful entertainments without wine, cards or dancing."

We have known all the time that Talladega contained a number of intelligent Christian people.

The year 1892 has ended and passed into history. Its records must stand the test of the great future judgment.

House has been the scene of mourning. Mrs. Harrison, wife of the President, breathed her last within the walls of the old mansion.

The entire realm of Christendom, with unbroken unanimity, grieved over the death of the great London preacher, Mr. Spurgeon.

Other incidents have engaged the attention of nations and peoples. This is the Centennial year of modern missions.

DR. EAGER'S PRELUDE AGAIN.

The Standard, of Chicago, quotes the concluding part of Dr. Eager's prelude on the now much discussed Sabbath question, and adds editorially: "It will be properly understood from this that it is not the Sunday closing of the Fair that Dr. Eager objects, nor to an insistence on proper regard for the Lord's day on the part of great corporations, and of the rights of employees to their day of rest from customary labors; but to legislation, whether by Congress or the state legislatures, in either behalf."

He discerns, apparently, in every such instance, an appeal to the civil authority for decision of a religious question; and in such an appeal a precedent looking in a direction dangerous to the principle that between church and state there shall be no such union, as that either shall assume to decide what belongs rightfully to the province of the other.

The writer concludes, "It is right though, most surely, that a warning be given to American Christians that in their zeal to secure proper national regard for valued Christian institutions, they do not establish precedents which a watchful enemy may eagerly make use of against them hereafter, in cases where other, and no less precious, interests may be at stake."

It was a beautiful and impressive object lesson in benevolence to witness the Sunday school children of the Baptist church of Montgomery on Christmas day, bringing their bus-

We saw, in little ones not over five years, toddling along carrying paper sacks, with supplies of one thing and another to make some poor family happy. The little room was crowded with many, very many bundles, donated by the little ones. God loves a cheerful giver. It is more blessed to give than to receive.

As the little pupils approached the door where the usher stood to receive them, their little faces were wreathed in smiles and their little hearts no doubt were full of gladness to know that "I have done something for the poor." Train up a child in the way it should go, and when it is old it will not depart from it. Many of us, perhaps, were not trained in early life to give, and hence our failure to give as we should to all benevolent objects.

The Sabbath is specially set apart by God as a rest day for the working man. If we labor six days in the week we can enjoy rest on the seventh. Hence the Christian Sabbath has been recognized by the state and federal laws as a day in which all business ought to cease. It is impossible to estimate the blessed effect produced upon a nation's health and happiness, when on the return of each Sunday, millions are set free from toil; when the ledger is closed on the desk; when the hammer rests upon the anvil and the whirling wheel in the factory ceases its busy round and rattle; when the mine sends forth its crowds into the light and glory of this new born day; and when men can rest their wearied frames, and breathe the fresh air, and unite their voices in praise and thanksgiving to the God of the Sabbath. The weary and hard worked trainmen operating trains in Alabama, turn with anxious hearts to the General Assembly of Alabama and say: Give us a law like Georgia.

We find published in the proceedings of the last State Convention, the names of 999 Baptist preachers, residing within the state. With such an army of ordained ministers, we ought to be able to carry the gospel of the Lord Jesus into every community, and conquer the hosts of sin. Let every one do his whole duty this year, and the cause of Christ will move grandly onward. What a glorious thing it is to be co-workers with our Divine Father.

Dr. J. M. Frost, so well known in Alabama, and who is secretary of our Southern Sunday school Board, has been called to the pastorate of the First Baptist church of Nashville. We do not know whether or not he will accept.

The Southern Female University, at Lake View, is now under new management, as the advertisement elsewhere informs us. Where there are so many good schools, parents may be a little confused in making a selection, but they will probably not go very far wrong wherever they may send their daughters.

THE CHRISTIAN'S RELATION TO TIME.

Prentice, long ago, wrote concerning "The Closing Year," "Tis a time for memory and for tears." The backward glance over another period of three hundred and sixty five days brings the sad reflection of numerous short-comings. True, the retrospect may be relieved, even cheered, by the presence of an occasional good deed, a season of prayer, or a special event of happiness; but, for the most part, it is saddened by the multitude of misdoings and by shortcomings in duty.

As the Christian stands upon the vantage ground of the Present and looks backward upon the eventful Past, he is able to give himself for the untired Future.

Something of this must have actuated the great Apostle to writing those stirring words which have thrilled the centuries: "Forsaking those things which are behind, and reaching forward unto those which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

In this fruitful passage seems to be suggested the statement of the Christian's relation to time. And what is that? It seems to be clearly indicated that reference is had here respectively to the three great divisions into which time is divided, viz: past, present and future.

Let us see if we cannot study with care, profit the lessons suggested by these divisions, and in the light of the experience derived from a year just closed.

What, then, is the relation of the Christian to the past? Manifestly Paul considered it that of forgetfulness. "Forgetting those things which are behind." Does this mean that we are to close our eyes absolutely to the past? That the lessons of the past are to be ignored? That its experiences are not to serve us? This is not what is meant by the Apostle to the Gentiles, for this view would evidently clash with other views of Scripture. And yet, in a very important sense the past should be forgotten.

It is certainly not to be remembered in such a way as to prove a hindrance. It is not to be recalled so as to retard the duties of the present, or to interfere with the future. The deficiency in duty in the past may have the effect of assisting to avoid a repetition of the same in the future.

But the chief difficulty with the past, brood over its failures and derive discouragement rather than stimulation therefrom.

But, by implication, the Apostle would teach that the past, whatever it has been, is gone. It can't be recalled, it cannot be reclaimed, for it is a sealed volume. No amount of brooding will affect that which has already been done, and for that reason the Apostle forgot the things which were behind. Strictly speaking, the Past cannot benefit us in the least, because it is beyond recall. Then, no matter how great the failures have been, let the Past go.

And this brings us to the relation of the Christian to the present. Drawing his picture from the Olympian crater, the Apostle represents the Christian, in the passage quoted, as being quite intent upon the accomplishment of a purpose. He is "pressing toward the mark." He is making the most of the living present. It is all that he actually has. The Past is gone, the Present is full upon him. The only time in which the mistakes of the Past can be shunned is now. If errors have been committed in the past, these can be avoided now. Thus, as the Past recedes more and more, it may become brighter by meeting in full the obligations of the Present.

Then the relation of the Christian to the Present is that of wide awake activity.

Then there remains just one other thought—the relation of the Christian to the Future. And that is one of stimulation—of animation. The object of the Christian's pursuit is in the future—"he that endureth to the end shall be saved." "To him that overcometh," finally, is the reward promised. We have seen that if the Past is to engross our attention, the Present will be neglected, and this must lead inevitably to failure in the Future.

So at the present halting place upon the threshold of a new year, we should heed the timely admonition to forget the things which are behind, and reach forth unto those things which are before, and press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

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FIELD NOTES.

Bro. C. W. O'Hara has been called to the call of Verbera church on Sabbath in each month.

Rev. W. J. Elliott will present a paper at Lowndesboro and Haynesville and another church in Lowndes county on the 10th inst.

Married—At New Orleans, La., on the 27th inst., W. L. W. and J. W. D. were united in matrimony.

On Wednesday night last, the court house, Gayleville, was the scene of a robbery.

Married—At the residence of John Cook, Dallas county, Ala., on the 15th, Mr. James G. Wright and Ella Harville; J. W. Dunaway and Miss Harville.

Reports from the churches in Birmingham and vicinity follow: At the church of the Montgomery, reports from the Montgomery church for last Sabbath.

Rev. J. F. Savell, who has been in the region contiguous to East Tennessee, has now gone to the city at Louisville.

The Beulah and Bethel churches in Tuscaloosa and Greene counties, have called Rev. J. E. White, who has accepted the call, and will enter at once upon his duties as pastor.

If your paper does not reach you regularly, please let us know it. You have an idea what the cause is, and will write us about it, perhaps we may be able to have the fault corrected.

We like the tone of the proceedings of the mission boards of the New River and Harmony Grove associations. It all indicates that the brethren know what they want to do, and intend to do it. Proceedings will appear next week.

Rev. J. B. Kilpatrick is not employed all the time in preaching, and if your church is without a pastor and convenient to Birmingham, write to him. His address is Woodlawn, Ala. Church ought not to be without a pastor.

Rev. S. O. Y. Ray, who has been appointed missionary evangelist to Southwest Alabama, by the State Board of Missions, will establish headquarters at Livingston, to which place he is now removing his family.

Bro. A. P. Majors, of Monroe county, sends us money to pay his own subscription a month before it is due, and more besides to have the paper sent to an orphan girl. If any one proposes to do better than that, let us hear him do it. Now is the time.

A. J. Preston: Married—At the residence of Mr. G. A. Clancy, Ma. Ala., Dec. 27th, Mr. A. J. Preston and Miss Gertrude Price, of Selma, were united in matrimony, in the presence of the blessings of God attending the ceremony.

NOT SAYING THAT REV. J. E. APPLETON IS AN OLD MAN, YET WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE YOUNG MAN WHO CAN STEP AROUND IN COLD WEATHER AND PICK UP A LARGER LIST OF RENEWALS AND NEW SUBSCRIBERS THAN HE HAS JUST SENT IN.

Not saying that Rev. J. E. Appleton is an old man, yet we would like to see the young man who can step around in cold weather and pick up a larger list of renewals and new subscribers than he has just sent in. Collinsville must be a good place to live in and about. From all the indications of brother Appleton's letter we think it very likely that the people up there—the Baptist people at any rate—butter their bread on both sides.

The excursion to Cuba, of which you may read in this issue, will afford a delightful trip, besides any amount of inspiration in behalf of Baptist mission work in that beautiful island. Brother, can't you go? If not, just hand the money to your wife—she can join the other ladies and gentlemen of the party, and will be in safe hands. Perhaps she has been making a great many sacrifices for the comfort of the family, and needs a little recreation.

And so Dr. Cleveland is going to Columbia, Ala. Well, we hadn't thought of that, but we know no reason why he should not go. The Baptist pastor, and a Christian gentleman, and Dr. Cleveland is all that; and if they want anything more he's that, too. But after all, we shouldn't be surprised if the Columbia folks soon get to thinking more highly of his wife than they do of him. May heaven's richest blessings rest upon pastor and people!

Dr. Cleveland's change of location may afford a solution of the question which is still discussed by some people as to which travels faster, the hub or the rim of a wheel? The Dr. goes from the hub to the rim of the state—Montevallo being very near the centre, and Columbia being near the points where Alabama touches Georgia and Florida. Now, if the Dr. gets around at greater speed at Columbia than he did at Montevallo, then the question will be settled with those who are willing to be convinced.

By private note from Rev. W. N. Huckabee, we learn that he has resigned the pastorate of the church at Camden, to take effect March 1st. During Bro. H.'s term of service the church has spent about \$800 for repairs, and the membership has increased from fifty-five to about seven. As Secretary Crumpton was once pastor at Camden and in the region around about, it might be that he could persuade the churches interested to agree to the plan of uniting and settling a pastor among them. It looks like a good opportunity. What say the brethren?

G. D. Benton, Phenix City, Dec. 16: On Wednesday, the 7th of this month, Rev. J. L. Revel departed this life at the age of seventy-seven years. Bro. Revel has long and faithfully served in the Baptist ministry, and has always maintained a good reputation as an honest, upright man. I feel that it would not be right to let his death go unnoticed. The writer preached his funeral on Thursday after his decease, at Philadelphia church, in Lee county, where his body was buried. One by one we are passing away.

W. D. Powell, Dec. 30: Let the pastors in Alabama push the collections for the Centennial. The money is needed at the earliest moment possible. We have seen that Alabama can raise her full quota by a united effort. If all would do as well as Lafayette, it would be an easy task. How many churches will agree to support a missionary in some foreign field? How many people will give a lot in some town or city? How many are praying the Lord of the harvest to raise up more men for the white harvest fields? Mississippi in her distress is responding nobly.

W. P. Stewart, Columbia, Ala., Jan. 1: Our church was made very happy last week by receiving a letter from Dr. Cleveland stating his acceptance of a call extended him by them, a short time since. He will divide his time between this and Blakely, (Ga.) churches (fifteen miles distant by rail). We feel that we are greatly blessed in securing such a man as Dr. Cleveland. Our church has been pastored, but not without preaching, since our beloved pastor, brother Burr, left us. We regretted to give up brother and sister Burr, and hope God will bless them in their new field of labor.

A few nights ago, in Birmingham, while beer was being delivered from one of the Schillinger Brewing Company's wagons, some one placed dry snuff under it and caused an explosion. The vehicle was totally wrecked and several kegs of beer ruined. The horses, strange to say, were not injured in the least. Now is the time, while the Legislature is in session, to place under every drinking saloon and brewery and liquor house, some strong prohibitory law, full of statutory dynamite, that will forever stop the sale of the accursed stuff. O that our law makers could for once rise to the point of determination and make Alabama a prohibition state!

Rev. S. J. Cats has just removed from Pleasant Hill, Dallas county, to Fort Deposit, Lowndes county. He will preach there on the second and fourth Sabbaths, and at Steep Creek church on the first and third. We have known these churches well in the past.

They are composed of strong material. Bro. Cats has been preaching to them long enough for preacher and people to understand each other, and they are doing well together. Bro. C. prepared himself for a lawyer, but the Lord had other work for him. He is a strong preacher, and is rising in the ministry. But we do not see him often enough at our public gatherings.

We have received specimens of our Convention Series for 1893 and are much pleased with them. They meet the wants of the several grades of classes in our Sunday-schools, and are excellent in themselves, and cheap in price. Dr. W. R. L. Smith expounds the lessons admirably in the *Advanced Quarterly*, making it an admirable help for advanced scholars and teachers. *The Convention Teacher* is superb; the best scholars expound the lessons in it, and the best scholars contribute to it. In fact all the publications of the Sunday-school Board are just what our Sunday-schools need. Send orders with cash to Baptist Sunday-school Board, Nashville, Tenn.

G. D. Benton, Phenix City, Dec. 16: Before this I should have sent you a notice of the death of Deacon R. E. Stockton, who departed this life a few weeks ago in Atlanta, Ga. His body was sent to Ladonia church, where the writer preached his funeral in the presence of a full house. Bro. Stockton has been a great benefactor to this church and community. The writer has lost one of his best friends, and the cause of Christ an earnest worker and a liberal giver. I trust he is now with the spirits of just men made perfect. Sister Stockton preceded him nearly two years ago. The sweet and affectionate little children are all left orphans. May heaven smile upon them.

It will be seen from brother Anderson's announcement, in another column, that the Theological Institute will be held at Calera, next time, instead of East Lake. Calera is only a few miles from the geographical centre of the state. (Clear Creek station being the exact centre) and thus the distance to be traveled by those who attend the institute will be more equally divided. Now that the weather is too cold for the preachers to do much preaching, they can go and learn how better to do it, and be prepared for more efficient work when the winter breaks. Rev. A. W. McGaha, pastor at East Lake, is quoted as saying: "Dr. Young is better qualified to teach Christian education than any man I know." Dr. Young and Dr. Parker are positively engaged to be present at the Theological Institute.

Resolutions.

Whereas, The retail and traffic in intoxicating liquor has ever been the bane of society, and against the moral and religious interest of the people.

And, whereas, an effort is being made by circulating a petition, asking the present legislature to repeal the prohibition law in Bibb county—

Be it resolved by Antioch Baptist church, in conference Nov. 26 1892 That we as a church are opposed to the repeal of the prohibition law in this county, and we earnestly petition the Hon. Nelson Fuller to do all in his power to prevent the repeal of said law.

Unanimously adopted by Antioch church. Z. J. CORLEY, Clerk.

At a meeting of Bethel Baptist church, South Butler, Ala., Dec. 3 the following resolutions, offered by J. P. Kendall, were unanimously adopted, viz:

Resolved, 1 That we regard the law now authorizing freight trains on our railroads to run on Sunday as antagonistic to the spirit of Christianity, fraught with untold evils, and unworthy a great nation over which shines the light of the gospel.

Resolved, 2 That we approve the action of Representative G. A. Joiner in introducing a bill at the present session of the legislature against the running of freight trains on Sunday, and earnestly hope the same may be favorably considered by that honorable body.

Resolved, 3 That these resolutions be spread on our church minutes, a copy forwarded to Hon. G. A. Joiner, House of Representatives, and that the ALABAMA BAPTIST be requested to publish the same.

Done in conference this 31 of December, 1892. C. C. LLOYD, Mod. J. P. KENDALL, Ch. Clerk pro tem.

Expressing love is as truly a duty as feeling love. Love gains by its expression, and he who does not express his love can never have that measure of love which is possible through its expression. Words and acts of love are needful, not in order to prove love, but to exhibit it, and to give it added strength through its exhibit. He who delights in telling God of his love for him, and in showing his love for God by acts of affection to those whom God loves, has more of love for God day by day because of this exhibition of his love. And the same principle holds good in our love for our fellows. It cannot be as great without its free expression as with it. —S. S. Times.

Catarrh Cures Considered.

Their Effects, Defects, and Differences. Catarrh medicines are of two classes—those that cure and those that relieve. Those that cure are called specific; those that only relieve are called palliatives. The number of specific catarrh remedies is small indeed; the number of catarrh palliatives is legion. The effect of catarrh palliatives is often immediate, but always temporary; they never cure. This kind of catarrh medicines includes sprays, snuffs, inhalants, gargles, and local applications of all kinds. They seem to cure for awhile, but the disease is sure to return.

Peruna belongs to the class of catarrh remedies called specific. Peruna does not palliate the symptoms, but cures the disease. It is some times slow in its action on old cases of chronic catarrh, but it is sure, and its effects are permanent. It is also an untiring remedy for coughs, colds, bronchitis, consumption in its early stages, and all the chronic diseases of winter. An excellent catarrh remedy will be sent free to any address by the Peruna Drug Manufacturing Company, Columbus, O.

Pickensville Notes. Our church here is doing well, for its numbers. We have forty members, and fifty on our Sunday school roll, all of whom come quite regularly. The school makes regular collections every Sunday from fifty cents to a dollar. Last year, ending with June, we contributed fifty-one dollars and seventy cents. Something over a dollar for each member of the school. We sent out envelopes for a Christmas offering, and on last Sabbath each one brought or sent back the envelope, the amount received being six dollars and sixty-four cents.

Our pastor, Rev. J. E. White, resigned the first Sunday in December, to take charge of Bethel and Beulah churches in Tuscaloosa and Greene counties. Bro. White has done faithful and efficient work here, and the church deeply regrets his leaving. Our best wishes and prayers go with him and his family. They will be much missed from our community.

We have a regular prayer meeting every Wednesday night, conducted by young boys from fourteen to sixteen years old. Most of these joined the church a little over a year ago, and have had the prayer meeting in successful operation ever since. We dare say no church can boast of a more youthful working membership. Our church has not called a pastor for another year yet.

Pickensville, Dec. 27th. News Items. Our state papers contain many accounts of crime, and about in the last spirit of evil is about in the last.

John Roper, arrested by detectives, pleaded guilty to robbing the train at Piedmont, and was bound over to the U. S. Court.

G. E. Kearns was fatally shot by James Moody at Brinkley, Ark., Dec. 26th. Moody's father is a prominent lawyer in Alabama.

The residence of W. H. Todd, at Guntersville, with nearly all its contents, was destroyed by fire Dec. 28th. Loss about \$5,000; partly insured.

Lilla Power, a domestic, was burned to death, at Birmingham, the night of the 26th ult. She smoked a cigarette in bed and the clothing caught fire.

Hipp and Kelley, who were confined in Greenville jail on the charge of murdering tax collector Armstrong, were taken out and hanged by a party of citizens.

Cholera is again making its appearance in Hamburg, and therefore it is that it will be brought to this country by emigrants. There is talk of stopping immigration.

At Carper, Jackson county, Tuesday night, John Ladd attempted to take James Reid's 14 year old daughter from the house and carry her away, when young Reid shot Ladd's eyes out.

Pork packers in the West report a great scarcity of hogs for future killing. To the Southern farmer this means that if he does not raise his own meat, he must pay a high price for what he buys. High meat and low cotton bring trouble.

The revolution in the states of Mexico bordering on the Rio Grande is giving President Diaz much uncertainty, and the United States has about 800 troops on this side for the purpose of arresting any persons who may attempt to go over to assist in the trouble.

Patents have recently been issued to citizens of Alabama as follows: J. A. Ellard, Birmingham, dental regulator; J. P. Row, Waterloo, tire tightener; A. Coward, Judson, centrifugal J. G. Galt, Chickasaw, coal washing machine; R. Hasson, Gadsden, planter and fertilizer distributor; J. G. Orr, Danville, portable fence.

Col. Wake Hubbel, connected with Robert H. W. of Cincinnati, and well known throughout the South, was drowned within a mile of Vienna, Ala., on Tuesday evening, Dec. 27th, while crossing the back water of the Bigbee river. A ter great trouble his body was fished up, also his valise and many valuable papers and a large sum of money.

At Leighton, Christmas, Dr. Hooks Moore and J. T. Lester had a quarrel. They afterwards met, and when about three feet apart both commenced shooting. After eleven shots had been exchanged the two men stopped to count up the damage. Moore had been shot in both arms, Lester had received a bullet through each hand, and a bystander had received one in each leg.

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MONTGOMERY, ALA., JAN 5, 1893.

WANTED!

\$500.00 For an old postage stamp. I will give \$500.00 in gold for a cancelled or uncancelled postage stamp issued by the Livingston, Ala. post office during the war (1861). If the stamp is cancelled leave it on the envelope just as received. Will give good prices for the common issues of the Confederate stamps. Look over your old letters, you may have a Livingston stamp. Address: RALPH WORMLEY, 31 N. Court St., Memphis, Tenn.

Consumption Cured.

A old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by a Past India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma, and all Throat and Lung Affections, also a radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, or having tested its wonderful effects in the power of curing cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellow men. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send the formula of this medicine free of charge to all who send me their names and addresses.

Montgomery Churches.

The Sabbath-school of the First church had a Christmas service. A great many articles for the poor of the city were brought by the children, and an offering was made for the Jamaican mission, which amounted to \$21.85. The morning service of the church also had a Christmas cant. Dr. Eger thanked the congregation for the many Christmas remembrances and his family had received. The Jamaican mission was remembered at this service, also.

Entertainment of the day.

Excursion to Cuba, Jan. 25-26.

In compliance with the wishes of many of our brethren in different sections, we have arranged an excursion to Havana that shall leave Port Tampa on the night of January 23rd, or of January 26th (as may be preferred), and take in special services that will be held in connection with the anniversary of the constitution of our first church in Cuba.

The plan is to spend Sunday, the 29th of January, in Havana, and to have the anniversary services on that day in the beautiful house which the Baptists of the South have bought, and upon which the last dollar of its purchase money has been paid.

The railroads of the Southern Passenger Association, have agreed to give us one fare for parties of ten or more, from all points within their territory, for the round trip, ticket to Port Tampa, tickets to be on sale January 20th and 21st, and good for fifteen days.

The boats give us a round trip from Port Tampa to Havana and return for \$30.00, including state room and meals. Reduced rates at the hotels in Havana will be secured for the party. Where parties of ten cannot be made up, individuals can pay local fare to points where this can be done, or purchase the "Round Trip Excursion Ticket" to Port Tampa, at about 1/3 of the regular fare, and secure the reduction on the boats from there.

It is scarcely necessary to add that we do so.

neither the board, nor any of its members, have any interest whatever in this excursion, except a desire to give our friends a delightful trip, and let them see for themselves the grand work that is being done in Cuba.

Go to work at once, and get up a party in your city, town or vicinage. Further details may be had by addressing either of the undersigned. Please let us know if you decide to join this excursion.

I. T. TICHENOR, J. W. JONES, A. D. ADAIR, Committee.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec 29, 1892.

A Christmas Box.

The beloved Baptists of Somerville did not forget to kindly remember their humble pastor, while Santa Claus was preparing his presents for the wee ones. The sweet, gentle voice of such loving kindness, will be long remembered by both pastor and companion. Could the givers only have seen the quick twinkle of bright blue eyes, and the pleasant smile of deep gratitude that was so clearly shown by the pastor's wife, as he disclosed the box, they no doubt would say, with one accord, "We are amply paid." No, not paid, beloved, only you hear the blessed Jesus say, "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye did it unto me. Come, ye blessed of my father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you."

God bless the good people of Somerville, in the benediction of their pastor.

J. SPEER, Trinity Station, A's.

Meeting of the Theological Institute.

It meets at Calera, Ala., and holds two weeks, beginning on Monday Jan 23d, and closing on Friday Feb 3d, 1893. Arrangements for the use of one of the large hotels at that place were consummated last week. The members of the institute, therefore, will have good winter quarters and hotel fare. The rooms are well furnished and comfortable; coal and grates are used. Meals will be taken by the members as guests in the hotel. Terms: Board, lodging, fuel and lights, per term, \$7.50 tuition, per term, \$3.50.

The names of Dr. D. I. Pariser and Dr. Wm. H. Young, with that of the writer, are down for courses of lectures. Others are to be heard from, and in due time the programme will be given in full. We are endeavoring to adapt this to the special wants of the situation. It will embrace the fifth Sunday in January, which will

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devoted to a centennial meeting, at which we hope to have delivered the ablest addresses produced on that subject in the country. A deep interest is manifested in this work throughout the state. We invite all our leaders to be present. We trust all the old members who can possibly do so will be present with their friends whom they may induce to come. We urge the churches to send their pastors. We urge every preacher in the state who would put on new growth in purpose and efficiency, to come. Material, method and manner will be embraced in the scope of the lectures. It will quicken inspiration along all lines of denominational effort. We invoke the prayers of the pious in behalf of this work. G. S. ANDERSON, Chairman Com.

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