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## ALABAMA BAPTIST.

Dr. DOWNS, of the Christian Index, tells of a pastor who on resigning gave

"Brethren, my reasons for leaving you are these—1. You don't love me; if you did, you would pay my salary. 2. You don't love one another; if you did, there would be more weddings and less fighting among you. 3. The Lord does not love you; if he did, there would be more funerals." In such a state of mind the pastor was wise to depart.

PROFESSOR PATTON, of the Rochester University, says: "Churches here, as in the older countries, sometimes put on airs and assume to themselves great importance. It was, I believe, in New York a little while ago that a young and high Episcopal rector, when introduced to a Baptist minister, said, with the manner familiar to us who have studied the creature: 'Sir, I am glad to shake hands with you as a gentleman, though I cannot admit you to be a clergyman;' and the Baptist minister replied in his simple way: 'Sir, I am glad to shake hands with you—as a clergyman.'"

On the first page we print, under one general head, expression from three brethren on the subject of the affiliation of Howard College with Chicago University. The heading given by each writer to his article is retained. Dr. Teague, as is his wont, discusses the matter of affiliation with the inquiry apparently in his mind, Will it really improve the education that may be obtained at Howard, or will it merely make a greater show, without real foundation? Bro. Stewart

## FIELD NOTES.

The Baptist Sunday-school at Centerville had a pleasant picnic.

The Birmingham Association will meet with the Woodlawn church Sept. 26.

The ladies of Russellville Baptist church gave an ice cream supper on the night of July 28.

The Louisiana Baptist convention will meet at Mount Lebanon on Friday night, 18th inst.

Rev. B. F. Britton recently conducted a protracted meeting at Riverside, St. Clair county.

Rev. Dr. Headden, of Rome, Ga., was expected to come over and assist in the meeting at Cedar Bluff, last week.

The Talladega Mountain Home of last week reports that "Rev. Geo. D. Harris is having a fine meeting at Lincoln."

The meeting at Hayneville resulted in the addition of two members by letter, and a deep impression on the community.

Married—At Woodlawn, Ala., July 27, Mr. William A. Stone and Miss Ella Mae McGee. Rev. W. A. Hobson officiating.

The Guntersville Democrat says that Rev. W. B. Crumpton, a prominent Baptist divine, visited that place and preached two sermons.

Bro. W. B. Carter writes us that he is enjoying his vacation in part by preaching for Poplar Hill church, Prospect, Tenn., in a protracted meeting.

We are pleased to receive the Shelby Sentinel, which has been revived at Calera by Mr. N. A. Graham, its former publisher, who makes a good paper.

A correspondent of the Centerville News says that when he was at Woodstock recently "they were putting the finishing touches on the Baptist church."

Buena Vista correspondent Monteville Journal: There were 25 additions to Concord Baptist church. Some pretty hard cases were converted and baptized.

The Huntsville Mercury is calling on the ministers of that city to unite with it in breaking up the gambling rooms. It is a pity if it has to call very loud or very long.

J. W. Stewart, Evergreen: Mrs. Cannon's health has been almost wholly restored, and all our orphans are in better health than they have been since they came to us.

We are gratified to learn that Rev. Jeff. Falkner's health has improved since he went up to Randolph county. We hope it will not be long before he is fully restored.

W. B. C. Bro. Buck in writing about Salem, "A Remarkable church," could have added that it believes in systematics, too, and by this means, though it has less than fifty members, it has given to Christ's cause nearly \$300 in one year. Nothing pays like systematics.

Bro. Malcomb writes us that the meeting at Castleberry was still in progress on Monday last. Rev. B. H. Crumpton was assisting pastor. Three had joined by experience, and the church was rejoicing in a season of refreshing from the presence of the Lord.

Bro. W. C. Buck informed us, too late for last issue, that Bro. Sandlin's meeting at New Decatur resulted in 24 additions to the church—6 by letter and 18 by baptism; making 34 additions since Bro. S. began work there. Some were converted at the meeting who would join other churches.

Do not feel disappointed, brethren, if your communications are abbreviated a little. We are pressed for space, and besides, a writer is sometimes mistaken as to the interest, or importance, or propriety of some of his lines. The editor does the best he can according to his judgment.

Warrior Index: Rev. T. F. Hendon, of East Lake, filled Dr. Wilkes' pulpit at the Baptist church here Sunday, and Rev. M. L. Williams, of this city, filled it Sunday night. A full house greeted each of the young brethren, and a very interesting discourse was given to the congregation on each occasion.

Lafayette Sun: The meeting at the Baptist church increases in interest each day. Large crowds attend upon every service, and great good is being accomplished. Several have made profession of faith and joined the church. Dr. Lane is doing the preaching morning and night. He is a fine talker and a number one preacher.

We received several newsy short letters from the brethren which would have been glad to publish this week, but they came too late. Brethren, please bear in mind that when anything more than a postal card reaches us on Tuesday morning, unless we are expecting it, it is a mere chance if we can make room for it in the paper for that week.

Dr. Averett introduces the new teachers of the Judson this week. Those who have daughters to educate are specially interested in this matter. We think it may be safely said that the Judson has in the past been specially fortunate in the selection of teachers, matrons, &c. The same care and discrimination have been exercised this year as in past years.

her 1st. Now, brethren, you will accept this liberal proposal. We are quite sure if you will read paper for three months you will allow yourself to do without it.

The Columbia Breeze announces that the fat men and the lean men that town would play a game of ball one day last week. It also says that Dr. Cleveland would act as umpire of the game. Brethren, smile, but remarks are not in order.

W. B. C. Look at the minute your association, brother, and what amounts were asked of your church for missions and mission education. The meeting of the association is near at hand. Suppose you get pledges, to be paid at next meeting. Try some way to get it up. Don't let it go by default. The boards are depending upon bringing up the amount asked. If a church where a conference was appointed to 'pro rate the amount among the members, and the conference went to each member and asked them if they were willing to pay amount asked. Brethren, do one honest, fair trial before you join the Association.

W. H. Stewart, R. 1, Jackson, Ala., writes us that he has been away from us three weeks, engaged in protracted meetings, but our people have the pleasure of listening to the five sermons during that time. On the fifth Sunday Dr. J. P. Stewart preached a very able sermon. A large and attentive congregation. Bro. Brewer filled Bro. Smith's point here on yesterday afternoon, and at night. With the rain, he had good congregations, and his sermons were very much appreciated. Rev. S. is always glad to have a visit from such godly men; but brethren S. and Brewer being old laborers in the part of the Lord's vineyard, they go. May God bless them and allow them to do much more work for him yet.

T. R. L. Seal: Our new pastor, Bro. Reynolds, with his family, arrived last week and are keeping near the Baptist church. Before arrival the ladies of the Baptist church had not only made everything about the premises, but had filled a large pantry with substantialainties, and it will be a long time before Bro. Reynolds forgets his position. Bro. R. completed his four years course at Howard College this summer, and as I am informed, received no assistance except from his own earnings. He will of course be a member here, and his contribution to the gospel ministry will be a great help.

Notes from Zion Association.

Dear Baptist: It is not my intention to give a full report of the work in this association, as I have not been here long enough to be fully acquainted with the work.

I took charge of the Andalusia church on the first Sunday of June, 1893. I give half of my time to this church. I learned when I moved here that the brethren and sisters of this church know how to receive a pastor so as to cause him to appreciate their kindness.

A district meeting of the association was held with this church. It began on Saturday before the fifth Sunday in July, and closed Sunday night. While the attendance was not as good as was expected, yet it proved to be a blessing to all who attended. Revs J. M. Robinson, P. D. Bulger, J. W. Moseley and Ed. T. Albritton, Esq., took an active part, and gave us many helpful words. Sunday was a precious day to all. The saints were comforted and strengthened in the faith, and sinners were made to inquire for the way of salvation. I hope to see even greater results from this meeting in the near future.

It was my pleasure to visit Conecuh River church on Monday after the 4th Sunday in July, and preached two sermons, and baptized six, three of whom joined that day.

Andalusia. W. K. RED

We clip the following from what is said in Our Home Field, the organ of the Home Mission Board at Atlanta, about Rev. F. C. McConnell, the new assistant secretary of the Home Board:

Brother McConnell was raised in the mountains of north Georgia, entered the mercantile business at an early age, and was achieving splendid business success when he felt himself called of God to preach the gospel, and wisely sought the unrivalled advantages of our Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He won his diploma as "English Graduate" of the seminary, and was preaching with great power and success when, feeling the need of a classical and literary course, he entered Mercer University and took its full diploma. As pastor at Gainesville, Ga., as leader in work among his native hills, as a leading factor in the establishment of high schools, and the conducting of institutes for preachers and students for the ministry; as a widely popular evangelist, and as one of the most efficient leaders among Georgia Baptists—Bro. McConnell is unquestionably one of the most useful men we have.

## Huntsville.

This has been a grand and glorious day for the Baptists at Huntsville and vicinity. Whilst we were organizing the Dallas Avenue Baptist church here, the saints at Mount Zion, ten miles away, were dedicating their new house of worship which they have just completed. Bishop J. W. Hilliard, at Mt. Zion, justly prides himself on having the largest membership of any Baptist church in this section of the state. Their new house is more modern and commodious than the old. In our organization here to day, Rev. J. L. Thompson, of the Mary Sharpe College, Winchester, Tenn., Rev. W. R. Ivey, of the Scottboro Normal College, Rev. J. C. Hudson, of Florence, and Rev. J. F. Savell constituted the presbytery. Brother Thompson preached the sermon, Bro. Hudson read the articles of faith, Bro. Ivey offered the closing prayer for the new church, and Bro. Savell was secretary. The ceremonies were most impressive. Sweet and inspiring music was rendered by members of the Enoch church, assisted by Mrs. Dr. A. W. McGaha, of East Lake, with Miss Mary Glenn at the organ. There were thirty who went into the organization, and ten under the watchcare of the church till they can secure their letters—some of these the most active church workers in this part of the state. Rev. J. F. Savell was unanimously elected to the pastorate of this church, R. P. Whitman clerk, and R. E. Potts superintendent of the Sunday school. Bro. Ivey preached one of his best gospel sermons at night. He enjoys the distinction of having preached the first sermon in this new house.

Our Sabbath-school was organized the first Sunday in March, and at our county Sunday-school convention, two weeks ago, reported the second largest average attendance in this county. We desire to express our undying gratitude to those members of Enoch church who have so kindly and fraternally aided us in many ways in encouraging and establishing the interest at this church. May God abundantly bless them and build them up in the wish of every member of the Dallas church. Bro. Ivey brought with him his wife, who is an educated and most amiable Christian lady. Bro. Hudson is here in the interest of the ALABAMA BAPTIST and Western Recorder.

Dr. W. B. Crumpton has been up and spent several days with us. He delighted us, and we hope we did the same for him. He says our interests are at last beginning to grow in this section of the state.

In our new church we want to start right by adhering to the word of God, and by the word of God, to the world.

Answers, it is evidently Scriptural, and its object is to inform and strengthen all Christians, and especially to instruct the young people and children in the Word of God, that they may thereby understand the plan of salvation and be led to Christ in early youth.

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A vote of thanks was tendered the good people of Bethlehem and adjoining community for the hospitable manner in which they entertained the delegates and visitors.

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## A Million Stamps for the Orphan's Home.

Miss Georgia Pope has undertaken to gather a million cancelled Columbian postage stamps for some northern firm, for which they propose to give \$300 for some charitable institution. She has undertaken it for the Baptist Orphanage. Who will help her by sending all the cancelled Columbian stamps they can? Send stamps to Miss Georgia Pope, Wilsonville, Ala. J. W. STEWART.

## Evergreen.

Bro. Gable's Ordination.

Ala. Baptist: On the 25th of July, in company with Brother S. M. Gorton, of South Pittsburg, Tenn., and at the request of the Baptist church at Bridgeport, Ala., I assisted in the ordination of Bro. J. F. Gable to the full work of the gospel ministry. Bro. Gable is a Howard boy, and I must say he stood the best examination I ever heard. He is as sound as a man of his age can be. The Baptists of Alabama may well be proud of him. He is preaching for the church at Bridgeport. During the Colporteur meeting there, the Baptists got about thirty-five accessions, and more to follow. The cause there has greatly improved. L. C. COULSON.

## Scottboro, Ala.

In Cahaba Association.

The Cahaba district meeting convened with Bethlehem church, Saturday, July 29th.

Rev. J. R. Wells conducted devotional exercises. Bro. J. N. C. Brown was elected moderator, and Bro. B. F. Gray, secretary. J. W. Dickinson not being present, we had no introductory sermon.

Query 1. Is Christianity declining? If so, what is the cause?

There was difference of opinion among the brethren as to whether it is declining. Answered, that the apparent decline in many churches is caused by the world getting into the church, through imprudence and eagerness in the reception of members, resulting from a desire to excel other denominations, the fear of offending if any should be refused, and other causes.

2. What is the church, and what are its duties? Answered, the church of Christ consists of all those on the face of the globe, who have complied with the gospel terms of salvation. And the duty of the church is to follow Christ in godly living, in looking after the sick and needy, in edifying and strengthening one another, in leading and training the young Christians, caring for the old, and contributing our personal efforts and our means to the spread of the gospel—to be lion.

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## On the fourth Saturday in July our beloved pastor, Rev. R. Deal, commenced a series of meetings.

Rev. P. L. Moseley, of Ozark, preached Sunday night, and continued to preach until Friday morning, when the meeting closed. Bro. Moseley is an able minister. Never did the people of Charlton have the privilege of hearing the gospel preached with such earnestness and solidity. The church was greatly revived, and brotherly love and friendship reign supreme. The Lord added to the church 24 members—9 by letter and 15 by baptism. I never witnessed a meeting so grand and glorious. There was more spiritual life and talk about here than ever before. It seemed that all Christians who attended the meeting were blessed, and regretted to leave. Oh! what a pleasure it is for all Christians to rejoice together!

I am truly glad that the time has come when all God's children can come together at our protracted meetings and rejoice in the blessing of God, regardless of the name of the church to which they belong. I know there has been much good done here, and we ask the prayers of all Christians that the blessings may continue.

Our prayer meeting and Sunday school are both increasing. We have prayer meeting on Sunday and Wednesday night. I will add that most of the members added to the church at our meeting by baptism came out of our Sunday school.

M. A. SMITH.

## Charlton.

Our meeting at S. outside Chapel closed after ten nights preaching, with fifteen additions.

We have a neat chapel 45x30 feet, which seats 200 people. We are very proud of it. Work moving up along all lines, I think. Twenty-eight additions to the church since my coming. Many of our people are away now. I leave for Kentucky to day for my vacation. Feel now that I am an Alabamian. J. G. BOW.

## Eufaula, Aug. 7.

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## News Items.

Crops in Lowndes are fairly good. Good rains have fallen in Wilcox. There are fifty prisoners in the Wilcox jail.

Good rains in Pickens make the crops look well.

It is feared that the rains came too late for Morgan county crops.

It looks as though Hawaii will be annexed to the United States.

Con. Sheehan, one of the wealthiest men in Meridian, is dead.

Prof. H. C. Sanders will be principal of the school at Brewton.

Good reports from the crops in Conecuh and Covington counties.

Good rains appear to have fallen in nearly all the counties of the state.

Conservative estimates place crops in Talladega at about three-fourths. About Uniontown corn is reported two-thirds and cotton three-fourths.

Samuel F. Gholson, a prominent citizen of Marengo, died last week.

A storm damaged corn and blew off many ears at Greenville last week.

The fair crop prospect creates a more hopeful feeling in business circles.

Greenville feels sure of at least one canning factory by next vegetable season.

The crops in Marengo, taken as a whole, are reported to be below an average.

The state and county fairs in Monroe, general and special, is \$130 on the \$100.

Crops are good about Alexander City, Dadeville, and in other parts of Tallapoosa.

A great many people went on a visit to Texas on the low rate "harvest excursion" trains.

The first bale of new cotton received in Montgomery came from Dale county, Aug. 2d.

A fire at Brewton, last week, destroyed several small stores, but the loss was not very great.

In some parts of Blount county early corn is a failure, but cotton and late corn are promising.

Abbeville, the county seat of Henry, will soon be connected by rail with the Midland railroad.

G. N. Whisenant, of Monroe, lost his house by fire, and his neighbors helped him to build another.

Three daughters of J. B. Mitchell, of Talladega county, were married at the same time one day last week.

Miss Delina Alexander, a native of York district, S. C., died recently in Shelby county, aged ninety three years.

The Columbia Breeze says there will be more corn and cotton raised in that section than will be needed there.

About 800 negroes have gone from Birmingham to Kansas to take the place of white strikers in the coal mines.

It is said that Gov. Fishback, of Arkansas, has an affection of the brain which will unfit him for the duties of his office.

Quincy for silver bullion last Friday, an advance of 1 cent and 1 mill over previous price.

There was a great tumble in the meat corner in Chicago last week; prices went down and a great deal of money was lost.

The Secretary of the Interior continues to suspend dishonest pensioners. He was recently buried in effigy in Ohio for doing so.

The failure of a large bank in Minneapolis caused no excitement, as it is known to be fully able to pay up as soon as it can collect its money.

Gov. Tillman, of South Carolina, does not like the way the whisky men treat his detectives, and says he will order his officers to shoot somebody.

Troy Democrat: We have heard quite a number of farmers say the past week that they never had finer cotton crops, and that corn was splendid.

James G. Gent, of Gee's Bend, Wilcox county, and his daughter died of typhoid fever within a few days, and other members of the family were sick at the time.

Members of congress have different views as to what kind of silver bill ought to be passed, but say they are willing to do whatever is best to relieve the present trouble.

The depositors who took their money from the Akron, O. Savings bank, and caused its suspension, have decided to put the money back and let the bank resume business.

The First National Bank of Birmingham closed its doors because depositors drew all the money out, but the bank is solvent, and will probably resume business again in a few days.

"Little Tiger," the Seminoles' chief in Florida, is "much mad" because a white man whipped his boy, and has gone to see the governor about it; he threatens to make war if he is not paid money for the insult.







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