

Alabama Baptist.

MONTGOMERY, OCTOBER 4, 1894.

For the Alabama Baptist.

Cahaba Association.

The Cahaba association will convene this year with the Newbern church, on Wednesday after Sabbath in October.

The representatives of our paper, boards and schools are cordially invited to attend.

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Birmingham Conference.

Woodlawn—Pastor Hobson was at Woodlawn Sunday to take part in the memorial service of Bro. R. Y. Robinson.

First Church—Good attendance; Pastor Gray preached at 10 o'clock and Bro. W. A. Whittle at night. Work in good shape; one addition by letter and one baptized.

Elyton—Good attendance at prayer meeting; Sunday-school interesting and growing. Pastor Harris preached at both hours to good congregations. Two additions by letter; one baptized.

Pratt City—115 in Sunday-school; average for the quarter 129. Pastor Wood preached to two large congregations, baptized one and collected \$25 for missions. The Wylam Sunday-school observed "Children's Day," and collected \$23.39.

Second Church—Sunday-school about an average; two well attended services. Subject in the morning, "Jesus cast out of his home synagogue." At night we observed Mission Day. The exercises passed off well. The very large congregation listened with interest as Mrs. Akin's band sang some appropriate songs, and delivered their instructive speeches. We took the regular collection for missions.

South Side—In the Sunday-school "Children's Day" was observed with deep interest. Superintendent Fowles and his corps of teachers are rapidly building up the Sunday-school. Pastor Hale preached at 11 a. m., on "Baptism." At 8 p. m., Rev. M. H. Reynolds preached an excellent sermon. Three were baptized, and four others were received for baptism, and one by letter. Four collections, one a large one for missions.

Montgomery Churches.

Adams Street—The Sunday-school observed missionary day, and had a fine attendance. Pastor Gay said, however, they would not be satisfied until the school had 300 permanent members. Two fine congregations greeted the pastor. Two received by baptism, one by letter. At night three were baptized. The church has thoroughly organized for the fall and winter campaign.

First Church—Good attendance at Sunday-school. The pastor being absent, Rev. E. F. Baber preached at morning service. One received by letter. At night the B. Y. P. U., jr., had a missionary meeting, at which there was a large attendance of the public. Dr. Eager is expected to return during the week.

West Montgomery Church—After spending some time with tent work, the church resumed its regular morning and evening services, pastor Townsend in the pulpit. At night the pastor baptized three converts. Pastor Townsend stated that he had come to the fall and winter campaign against the devil, and for the glory of God, with renewed zeal, and hoped for great victories. Asked the prayers and sympathies of all God's people for the success of his work.

For the Alabama Baptist.

The Negro—His Education, &c.

Dear Bro. Crumpton: Pursuant to your expressed wish, that I should write you concerning the educational institution which we desire to plant in the Tennessee Valley, I submit the following:

FACTS.

(a) The masses of the colored people of this country are on the Southern plantations, where the public school sessions extend through only three months of the year. Partly because they are too poor, and partly because they have not reached that condition of mind which appreciates the value of knowledge, they cannot or will not supplement the public funds, and thus extend the sessions.

(b) Therefore, for a great while to come, unless the state should increase its public school funds, the masses of the Negro race in this country must remain in ignorance, and fall heir to all the fearful consequences of a condition which imposes obligations without a knowledge to discharge them.

It is a sad condition of affairs, when, upon the one hand, our chief source of light, at least so far as concerns our relations and duties as moral beings, is our pulpit. If it be darkness, what hope have we? If it be low and vile, what shall we do? No means is so mighty, so available in the hands of God to do the thoroughly qualified and consecrated minister of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Truth in the form of the letter has much power, but truth in the form of wise and pious human life has much more power.

(c) In order to make the men we need, we must have the Christian school, the school in which the Bible is the text book and the teacher is a living example of its holy precepts, and a personal illustration of its sacred doctrines. The facilities owned and controlled for the Christian education of the colored people by the American Baptist Home Mission Society, though they are extensive, do not and cannot give a supply of leadership that will equal the demands.

(d) The several associations in and bordering upon the Tennessee Valley, have expressed their profound sense of a need of and wish for a Theological and Normal school in their midst, and are now urging me to lead in an attempt to establish the same.

(e) I feel sure that in some near day such an educational project will

enter the mission purpose and plans of the Southern Baptists, and it seems to me that the need and wish of this valley, bring before you an excellent opportunity for tangible effort and action.

PROPOSITIONS.

1. Let the plan and charter provide for a Theological and Normal school; for although its chief aim is to impart ministerial education, still the time will no doubt come when the growth of the school and the good of the denomination will call for facilities with which to supply a normal course of training.

2. That the management of the institution shall be so planned and so conducted as to develop appreciation and responsibility in the colored people themselves. That is to say, associate them in the governance of the institution to the extent of the financial support they render.

There is, as you know, such a thing as bestowing strength that tends to weakness; there is a help that begets helplessness. What the Negro needs above all else is manhood with which to work out his own destiny. Calling him into co-operation with you acquaints him with your sort of manhood, your skill in business, and the like. In this you draw him where you wish him to be, and where you have close relations with you he sees with your eyes, hears with your ears and wills with the strength of your heart. You can find a plan for co-operation.

MY PURPOSE.

I shall go immediately to work to see what I can raise among the colored people. And, with the advice of Rev. Oscar Haywood and other brethren, I shall seek to obtain a desirable piece of ground. Indeed, necessity is laid upon us to rise up and proceed at once to work to better our condition. No harm can come of such a course of action upon either party, since, if you should think well to adopt our project, both parties can unite to formulate a scheme that will bring security and satisfaction to all concerned.

Praying that God will grant his approval to our idea, I remain as heretofore your brother in the life and hope of the gospel.

C. O. BOOTH, Chaplain State Nor. School, Normal, Ala.

We give this paper and its writer our cordial endorsement.

OSCAR HAYWOOD, A. E. BURNS, A. G. MOSLEY.

Trip Notes.

THE HARRIS ASSOCIATION.

It is always a pleasure for me to meet with this enthusiastic little band of Baptists. I met to-day at the depot, where the railroad, at Hatcheechubee, I hate to try to spell that name, but it looks well after it is written, and when you know the kind people there, it will have a peculiar charm about it for you.

Bro. Carter, in the absence of the moderator, called the body to order. The writer preached the introductory sermon. The Harris day before a long-suffering lot of Baptists, and they bore without a murmur all the talk Bro. Whittle and I inflicted upon them. At times they actually seemed to enjoy it. The financial secretary of the college has a wonderful way of making himself at home; he made motions and voted at the Harris like he was one of the body.

Bro. Bellamy, of Wyandotte fame, from Seale, was made moderator, and Bro. S. J. Boykin, clerk. The pastors of the body are brethren Carter, Benton, Schramm and Hamner. Since the last meeting Bro. W. A. Whipple, who had been very useful in that section, died. Appropriate memorial services were held, at which a number of brethren spoke of the excellence of the departed brother.

While the letters did not show the usual liberal contributions, still it was gratifying to see that they had done something in spite of the hard year. Probably the most liberal church in Alabama, according to numbers, is Owichee. Bro. Jim Nuckolls looked happier than I ever saw him when his letter was read. It showed that the church had collected nearly double the

tion. This is due very largely to the persistent, faithful efforts of a few of the members. Bro. Underwood, the pastor, could not be present.

Girard reported a pastor's home erected, and Phenix City showed contributions to every object fostered by the denomination. Bro. Hamner, of Seale, who is a new man in these parts, was introduced to the body by preaching an earnest sermon on missions.

All the questions usually coming before our associations received due consideration.

Bro. White was endorsed by the association, and adopted as its beneficiary at the Howard. When the question of temperance was up, an earnest brother made a touching appeal to the boys and young men to avoid the first drink. He told how he was led off by bad associates and went from bad to worse till he lost his position, could get no business—down! down! till God reached down, by the help of a good wife and a godly minister, and rescued and saved him. He truly portrayed the dangerous influence of the decent, moderate drinker. Said he: "No boy was ever led off by a drunkard; no, they loathe him. But it's the respectable moderate drinker that leads the boy astray. I knew an Alabama congressman, a man of great influence. I was an officer on the boat

on the Chattahoochee on which he often traveled. I saw him take his drink at the bar, and I said, 'Well, if it don't hurt a man like that, it won't hurt me.' We have seldom heard a more touching, earnest appeal.

Bro. Whittle gave us two sermons which will never be forgotten by those who heard them. The one on the law was especially impressive. We fear that much of the lawlessness in our country to-day is due to the fact that there is but little preaching on the law. Beginning with law in the family, the preacher, by argument and illustration, laid upon his audience in a way they will never forget the obligations of law, human and divine.

Bro. Benton is the pastor at Hatcheechubee, and rich, nobly did he and his people and the citizens generally perform their duty to the association. If the brethren only believed it, they are quite able to maintain preaching for half the time.

On Sunday I was left to occupy all the time. Three services covering three and a half hours in five hours, and a ride of a hundred miles, is a pretty good day's work. After finishing my map lecture, a brother uttered these encouraging words: "My brother, I know you got awful tired saying the same thing over and over again, but you have no idea how the people need the things you are saying, and how they enjoy them." Thank the Lord for good brethren who will speak a word of encouragement to the tired and discouraged preacher.

Many a preacher has gone to his grave for the want of such words.

In a house packed almost to suffocation, while the roar of a heavy rain almost drowned my voice, I preached to the negroes in the afternoon. What an inspiration they are to a preacher! If they don't love to hear him, they have a wonderful way of making him believe they do. We believe they are honest about it, and our white preachers should avail themselves of every opportunity to preach to them. I never miss a chance to serve them.

W. B. C.

For the Alabama Baptist.

Opening of Cox College.

LaGrange, Ga., Sept. 25. The Southern Female College begins its fifty-second session under brilliant auspices. The old girls are back as usual, and many new ones have entered. The same faculty, including Miss Alice Cox, continues with the college. Among the improvements recently made is the introduction of steam heating, and a valuable addition of books to the library. The number of seniors in the full course is increased.

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Time and Place of Meeting of Associations.

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Judson—Saville, Barbour county, Thursday before 1st Sunday.

Salem—Harmony, Pike county, Thursday before 1st Sunday.

South Bethel—Pine Hill, Wilcox county, Thursday before 1st Sunday.

Clear Creek—Union Grove No. 1, Winston county, Friday before 1st Sunday.

Harmony East—Buckhamton, Harrison county, Ga., Saturday before 1st Sunday.

Lilley (Central)—Spring Hill, Bibb county, Friday before 1st Sunday.

Muscle Shoals—Moulton, Lawrence county, Friday before 1st Sunday.

Carey—Mt. Prospect, Randolph county, Tuesday before 1st Sunday.

Unity—Mt. Zion, Chilton county, Tuesday before 1st Sunday.

Calhoun—Oxford, Calhoun county, Thursday before 1st Sunday.

Georgiana—Union, Coosa county, Thursday before 1st Sunday.

Antioch—Corinth, Choctaw county, Friday before 1st Sunday.

Etowah—Fairview, Etowah county, Friday before 1st Sunday.

Alabama—Antioch, Butler county, Friday before 1st Sunday.

Harrison—East—Mt. Carmel, Jefferson county, Saturday before 1st Sunday.

Big Bear Creek—Burleson, Franklin county, Saturday before 1st Sunday.

Marion—Salem, Fayette county, Saturday before 1st Sunday.

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Tusculum—Tusculum, Lee county, Tuesday before 1st Sunday.

Madison—Pleasant Mount church, Madison county, Friday before 1st Sunday.

Coosa River—Talladega, Talladega county, Wednesday before 1st Sunday.

Haw Ridge—Enterprise, Coffee county, Wednesday before 1st Sunday.

Cahaba—Newbern, Hale county, Wednesday before 1st Sunday.

Centennial—Perote, Bullock county, Thursday before 1st Sunday.

Harmony Grove—Guthrie, Marion county, Friday before 1st Sunday.

Marion—Liberty, Jefferson county, Friday before 1st Sunday.

Zion—Bethel church, 6 1/2 miles east of Georgiana, Sat. before 1st Sunday.

Warrior River—Friendship, Marshall county, Friday before 1st Sunday.

Eufaula—Clayton, Barbour county, Tuesday before 1st Sunday.

Silvers—Centre, Cherokee county, Tuesday before 1st Sunday.

Geneva—Friendship, Geneva county, Wednesday before 1st Sunday.

Belling Springs—Bethesda, Cleburne county, Wednesday before 1st Sunday.

Cullman—Cullman, Cullman county, Thursday before 1st Sunday.

North River—Toscaloosa county, Thursday before 1st Sunday.

Sulphur Springs—Mount Joy, Blount county, Thursday before 1st Sunday.

Cedar Creek—Belsham, Cleburne county, Friday before 1st Sunday.

Marshall—Shoal Creek, Marshall county, Friday before 1st Sunday.

Spring Hill—Spring Hill, Crenshaw county, Saturday before 1st Sunday.

Pea River—Bethlehem, Coffee county, Saturday before 1st Sunday in Nov.

OBITUARY.

Died in Brewton, on the morning of the 17th of September, 1894, after a lingering and painful illness of nine months, from the effects of grippe, Mrs. Stella wife of Hon. E. M. Lovelace, daughter of Mr. Bryant Martin, formerly of Union Springs, and now of Escambia county, near Brewton. She was about thirty years of age, had been a Christian of amiable character, and beautiful life, and a consistent member of the Baptist church since she was seventeen years old; united with her devoted husband, amid joyous smiles, and in the most happy wedded life, more than one year ago. Alas, for human calculations! Too late! Human hope has scarcely formulated into a perfect and relatively perfect life, before it is snipped, leaving the soul in darkness and desolation.

Her married life, for some months, was all that the perfect husband could promise or the most visionary bride had a right to expect. The last few months of life, though confined for the greater part to her bed, was like a vision of heaven, and she was able to see and hear, and to cheer the support of the Divine Spirit chased away the gloom from the sick chamber, and wiped away the tear-drop from her dying eyes.

The whole household, relatives and friends, feel that there was a seeming prematureness of death and disappointed hopes, and that the first time were upon to give up a child, and two loving sisters, enduring the pang of bereavement by the thought of the resurrection, and the hope of a future meeting when Christ comes.

R. H. CRUMPTON.

Deacon B. T. Easberry.

Was born April 9th, 1848, and was called from labor to rest, September 8, 1894, aged 46 years and 5 months.

He was twice married; on Dec. 17, 1868, to Miss Margaret Lenoir, with whom he spent 18 happy years, when she departed with him. On the 20th of December, 1887, to Mrs. Mary R. Wilson, who shared with him life's sorrows and blessings till the day his spirit winged its way to God who gave it.

Two of his daughters had preceded him to the glory land, a noble companion, two affectionate daughters and a son, all of whom he was permitted to see baptized into the fellowship of his church, and he, also, an aged father and mother, and many other relatives who mourn their loss.

He professed faith in Christ and was baptized into the fellowship of Mulberry church in August, 1874, and was ordained a deacon of said church about two years before his death. He was a leader in his church and community, respected and loved by all who knew him. He loved his church, and was always ready to respond to every duty required of him.

A good man indeed has fallen. Oh! how he must miss him. But our loss is to him eternal gain. His faith in God was firm. He feared not the approach of death, as he often told me he was ready and willing to go when the Master called. To him death had no terrors. He "Slept in Jesus, blessed sleep."

From which none ever wakes weep. Sleep on, dear brother, till the trumpet's sound shall break thy sweet repose. To his sorrowing loved ones we tender sincere sympathy, and commend them to him whose love and mercies are over all, and who is a present help in time of need.

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