





# Alabama Baptist.

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The ALA. BAPTIST, Montgomery, Ala.

THE Kentucky Baptist, which recently suspended publication, re-appears with the announcement that it has a good financial foundation, and has no fears of another lapse. We are glad that our brother has risen again, and will rejoice at his prosperity.

A LEADING French paper is somewhat disgusted with London because it has so few theatres in proportion to population. The fact is cited that in other cities, especially French and Italian, there are many more theatres to a given number of the population than in the great English metropolis. It may be that the Londoners are too much engrossed with the serious pursuits of life, but the fact is that London is the financial and intellectual center of the world—a position which it could not have reached if its people had been given over to frivolous amusements.

We are not able to say precisely what Dr. French does want, but he tells quite plainly some things which he does not want. If his "don'ts" are not sound we have been unable to discover it. Take him one day with another, he is about as near to a safe level as any man we know; and even his attitudes are not dangerous. By the way, we notice that the Messenger, a paper printed at the Institute for the Deaf, throws a little joke at Bro. French to this effect: A young lady in Talladega was asked if she would attend service at the Baptist church to-day? To which she replied, "No; I don't understand French." It is a good sign when soldiers indulge in little pleasantries about their commanders and rule holds good as to people and the pastor.

WHEN a young preacher says he would rather chase "live uncertainties" in the pulpit than preach dead certainties, it is probable that one of the liveliest uncertainties he will ever chase will be to find a congregation that will be willing to sit by and watch him while he does it. It is a pretty good thing yet to preach the gospel instead of guesses.—Standard.

That is just as true of older preachers as of young ones. For a while it has been thought to indicate a progressive mind for a preacher to take up with something new in Scripture interpretation or something else connected with the Bible; but as the great mass of Christian people prefer the old paths, the "progressive" finds himself before long without a satisfactory constituency. Then he discovers that he has made a mistake, and it is ever afterward a heavy weight to carry.

THE letter from Miss Kelley will afford pleasure to the reader because it is written in the racy, running style of an intelligent woman, and also, and perhaps chiefly, because of the interest which many of our readers feel in the writer as Alabama's latest contribution to the Lord's service in foreign lands. Perhaps some will be impressed as we have been, that the bright, cheerful spirit which is manifest all through the letter is a marked exhibition of the effect of consecration to the service of God and man in making one happy under circumstances which otherwise would produce sadness. A young and attractive woman, in the bloom of life, going away from home and kindred and friends, to devote her life to the good of strangers, is a heroic thing to do, yet, it is glorious. And the Lord sees it all, for she goes in his name.

## FARE TO THE MEETING AT SELMA.

Secretary Wm. A. Davis made application to the proper source for reduced railroad rates for those attending the meeting at Selma of the Board of Directors of the State Convention. In response to that request, Mr. M. Slaughter, assistant commissioner of the Southern Passenger Association, writes as follows:

I am now authorized to offer you rates of a fare and one-third on the certificate plan, as explained in circular, form 14, enclosed herewith, for persons attending this meeting; certificates to be signed by W. B. Crumpton, Secretary pro tem, Montgomery, Ala., and rates to apply from points in the state of Alabama.

Persons coming from points at which through tickets to Selma cannot be procured, should be instructed to purchase tickets to Montgomery, Calera or Anniston (as may be most convenient) and re-purchase to Selma, taking certificates from both agents from whom tickets are secured. The certificate obtained from the agent at Montgomery, Calera or Anniston (as the case may be) will be honored at Selma for the reduced rate returning to the point at which it was secured, and the other will be honored for the reduced rate returning, thence to the starting point, if presented on or before February 16, 1895.

In another document it is stipulated that reduced rates will be given only on condition that fifty full fare tickets are purchased to that meeting.

A QUARTERLY report of the treasurer of the Woman's Central Committee is printed on the fourth page. It makes a good showing for these times. Banks may break, and cotton come down to less than five cents, and congress fail to enact laws for financial relief, but the Baptist women of Alabama go on raising what money they can, and sending boxes to the frontier missionaries, thus presenting an example of "patient continuance in well-doing" that is worthy of praise and emulation. It is cause for thankfulness that one part of our membership does not give up in despair.

At a recent ordination, Rev. W. E. Stevens, in giving the charge to the church, remarked that a minister's standing in the community is very important; that unless he pays a hundred cents on the dollar he is below par. If, however, he only gets eighty cents, he cannot pay a hundred. The congregation saw the application.—Journal and Messenger.

That is a matter that ought to be pressed upon the conscience and the pride of every church just as often as it may be necessary. It is not very uncommon to find that a preacher's good influence has been impaired because he did not meet his financial obligations promptly, when the cause of his failure was that his church or churches had failed to keep the promise made to him. To agree to pay a certain sum, and then pay only two thirds or three fourths, would not be regarded as honest in an individual, and why should it be thought of differently in a church? The word of a church should be as sacred and as binding as the word and bond of its best member. Many excuses are given for failure of the church to pay the pastor, but it is very rare that one is presented that meets the requirements of justice and honor.

BRO. BEALL presents a strong indictment against the deacons for failing to shear the sheep after the pastor has fed them; that is to say, for failing to collect from the members money for missions and other purposes after the pastor has shown the necessity and duty of giving. There is no question that many deacons are derelict in duty in that matter. Indeed, some of them appear to think that it is the pastor's business to do the collecting, the "shearing," if it is done at all. And some of them may not feel quite sure that any one ought to do it.

But some one may come forward with one or two objections to the indictment found by Bro. Beall sitting as a grand jury. He may demand proof that the pastor has fed the flock—that he has discharged his duty in showing the needs of the master's treasury and the duty of the flock to supply what is needed. And he may also inquire if the Scriptures do not say that the pastor is the overseer of the flock (which includes the deacons), and if it is not only the duty, but the right of an overseer to see that the master's commands are obeyed by all, both great and small? These inquiries might cause a little "furry" in the court, but they would probably result in showing whether the empty treasury should be laid upon a timid and negligent overseer, or upon indifferent and unscrupulous deacons.

The president of France receives 1,200,000 francs—\$240,000—a year.

It was a grievous surprise to us to receive the following clipping from the Geneva Citizen of recent date. We had heard nothing of Sister Moseley's illness. May that grace which Bro. Moseley has so often commended to others be sufficient for him in his great sorrow:

DEATH OF MRS. REBECCA MOSELEY.—Our entire community were shocked and saddened on Sunday morning by the announcement of the death of Mrs. Moseley, wife of the much loved pastor of the Baptist church. Mrs. Moseley has been with us but a few months having removed from Ocala here, and had, because of her gentle Christian life, been endeared to the circle of her acquaintance, and the church of which her husband is pastor.

Words are superfluous in a great sorrow like this, but we may say, that as a wife, she came up to the full measure of her responsible position in all these duties.

The largest attendance we have ever seen gathered around the grave in Geneva, attested the sincere feeling of sympathy and love for the deceased and family. Mrs. Moseley leaves a husband and family of seven children, and friends and kindred throughout the state to mourn her death.

## FIELD NOTES.

Those who expect to attend the meeting at Selma on Feb. 12 are referred to the invitation by the First church through its pastor.

Rev. J. M. Wright, Compton: Since the meeting of our association I have organized one church, baptized fifteen persons and received nine by letter.

J. H. Riffe, Citra, Fla.: Please announce that I expect to return to Alabama in due time to fill my pulpit at Burnt Corn the 1st Saturday and Sunday in February.

Rev. W. R. Whetley says he will formally present the ALABAMA BAPTIST to each of his churches. He is an old friend of the paper, and we expect good results from his talks in its behalf.

Rev. W. L. White, of Clinton, Greene county, is at the Seminary at Louisville, and wishes correspondents to take notice. Be sure to come back to Alabama, Bro. White, when you get through at the Seminary.

As such as is said about hard times, our good sister R. J. Lovelady, of Nauvoo, sends us five dollars on subscription and takes a place on the Honor Roll. If any man can beat that, he now has the opportunity. All may speak at once, if they wish to do so.

Rev. J. L. Thompson, Gurley: Received one for baptism yesterday. Have accepted the pastorate of West Montgomery church, and will begin my work there as early as practicable.—Bro. Thompson will be welcomed back to his former home. He will be a valuable accession to the Christian working force of the city.

Pastors I. A. White, of Orrville, and W. S. Brown, of Florence, are among those who shrink from the appearance of sounding their own trumpet; but if they will send us some news notes from their important fields we will take care of the trumpet. If they could spare the time, they could write something besides news that would be acceptable to our readers.

Dr. Powers, the Episcopal rector of this city, preached in Troy some time since, and a Baptist layman, whose initials we recognize as those of Rev. Joel I. Murphree, made comments thereon in one of the local papers. Dr. Powers has made reply, but the rejoinder of the Baptist layman shows that the Doctor is unfortunate in the antagonist into whose hands he has fallen. We need not add anything more. Bro. M. is amply able to take care of himself.

Western Recorder: We have received a copy of a tract by Dr. J. J. Taylor on Peter, which is a fresh and vigorous discussion of the question at issue as regards Peter between Romanists and Protestants. We have also received a tract by Dr. G. B. Eager on pastoral duties, which is a helpful setting forth of the practical work of a pastor, and at the same time it is wholesome reading for church members generally. We hope these brethren will write more. What is the use of having such men, if we do not get the good of them?

Western Recorder: We offer our heartiest congratulations to the Rev. W. D. Gay, of Montgomery, Ala., on his marriage. Jan. 21st, to Miss Mary Belle Scott. It is not usual to congratulate the bride, but simply to offer her one's "best wishes for her happiness"; but, knowing Bro. Gay as we do, we offer our heartiest congratulations to his bride. Happy, indeed, is the woman who has such a man for a husband. Bro. Gay is pastor of the Adams street church, and was most efficient and popular before marriage. What may we not expect now?

J. P. Shaffer, Dadeville: Bro. Dickinson says, "I am very sorry that Drs. Shaffer and Roby got hurt in a recent attempt to 'pile on' your unworthy dust." Thanks, Doctor, for your sympathy, but I feel very well. Our friends may read the salve on whoever they think needs it most. Not a word said to me in the ALABAMA BAPTIST by the Doctor was at all offensive, and if anything that I said was rude, I most humbly beg your pardon, Doctor, for I did not mean to be so. I will now bid adieu to men and things touching Dr. Harper's teaching for a few years, with the hope that we all may know each other better then. I leave my book setting.

J. G. Lowery, Clanton: We had splendid services last Sunday week. A very precious communion service followed the sermon. At night Bro. Mize preached for us a good practical sermon.—On Monday night we met and organized a B. Y. P. U. with about 30 members. Our work is encouraging, and we hope to enlist and train our young people in Christian work.

servicing five churches this year. In addition to the four I had last year, I have taken New Salem, six miles from Clanton; preach to them at 11 on Sunday, and after preaching here at 3 p.m. and return to preach here at 7 p.m.

G. D. Benton, Hamilton, Ga.: Last Lord's day I was at Hyram, Russell county, Ala., where we had good services both Saturday and Sunday. I agreed to serve the church there before perfecting my arrangements to move to this place. I thought surely they would relieve me of the promise when I told them I had moved a considerable distance from them, and that it would necessitate no little expense in the way of wear and tear of horse, buggy and person, and also of time; but all my argument was to no effect. They propose to hold me to my contract. As I believe in honesty and veracity, it seems I will have to continue my services among them.—We had six valuable accessions to the church, three males and as many females, and have a good prospect for others soon. We are well pleased with our new home.

James Bryant, Benton: Bro. W. J. Elliott has just closed his second year's pastorate with Mt. Gilead church, Lowndes county. In that time the Lord has abundantly blessed and strengthened our little church. To show what has been done we will say that at the beginning of Bro. E's pastorate we had only 29 members enrolled; now we have 44, among them some very active young members. It will be well enough to add that 20 were received by experience, and 4 by letter, dismissed by letter 8, died 1. Taking into consideration the population and material of the two places, Mr. Spurgeon never accomplished a greater work in the great city of London, in the same length of time, than has been accomplished through the preaching of Bro. Elliott. We have called indefinitely to serve this church.

C. H. Lesly, Jenifer, Jan. 20: The weather to-day was not very favorable, but we had a very good congregation at our church, Coldwater. We have a good Sabbath-school run by the young members. We get our literature from the Baptist Sunday-school Board.—We had ordination services to-day. Bro. J. T. Comer was ordained to the full work of the ministry. Bro. A. A. Hutto, from Howard College, preached the ordination sermon. It was a treat to us to hear Bro. Hutto. Brethren T. Stephens, B. Henderson, J. Burns, W. W. Jones, A. A. Hutto, N. Stephens and myself constituted the presbytery. Bro. Hutto's text was Heb. 5:4. He made a plain, practical sermon. The charge was given by our pastor, Bro. Noah Stephens. Bro. Comer was reared in our midst. We know him to be a worthy, consecrated man. He lost his wife and one son last year. He is more determined to give himself to the ministry.

HAVE YOU written your representative about your desire, that he shall use his influence and his vote to break the power of the saloon? If you have not, do so at once, please.

Brother Underwood says all his churches will take monthly collections, using the envelopes. Others are doing the same thing, and we are getting some charming reports in the way of checks and postal orders. Brethren, the people will forget the mission cause if you ask for contributions only once a quarter.

One of our missionaries writes: "We have decided to profit by your wider experience and by the envelope plan, as so often recommended by you." If the sisters would take hold of the envelopes and see that one is put into the hand of each member about Friday before collection Sunday, they could in this way do a greater work for missions than in any other.

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## A Good Letter on Hard Times.

That was a good letter the other week from Brother Shaffer. It put the case clearly. If our cribs and smoke houses were empty now, as they have so often been in the past, and we had the money to buy these things; but this money is in another form, and we are crying hard times.

If the "flush times" described above were here, we would be giving to missions, ministerial education and every good cause; but, brother, hasn't the Lord any claim on the contents of your crib and smoke house? Will you let your minister and missionary suffer, and the young preachers quit college, and while your cribs are full of corn and you have meat and syrup to spare?

"Beware that thou forget not the Lord thy God. When thou hast eaten and art full, and hast built golden houses and dwell therein; and thy silver and gold is multiplied, and thou say in thine heart, my power and the might of mine hand has gotten me this wealth. But thou shalt remember the Lord thy God, for it is he that has given thee power to get wealth."

In the place of "silver and gold" suppose you put "provisions." It is far better than silver and gold. Since God has blessed the country with an abundance to live upon, don't let us go back on his cause in the times of greatest need.

## In Word and Deed.

"Cheer up and do the best you can." The Lord be with you to guide and give you success." These kind words are from brother Shaffer. Two letters came from him, each with a good contribution. Words of cheer and money to cheer that's it. Words by themselves are appreciated, and cheer the spirits, but how much better when accompanied with some cash. Brethren and sisters in the Lord, let me hear from you.

## REGULAR BAPTISTS.

The following is from Abbeville: "Brother Preston took charge of the church here January 1st and organized a missionary movement. Please put us on the Regular list and send us some envelopes."

That's good news. I am drumming now for new recruits for the Regulars. Some deserted during the hardest times we have had, but we will pardon all who come back and take the oath of allegiance, if they will promise to "never, no, never again" go back on regular collections every month in church and Sunday-school.

"We have been using the envelopes, and are more successful with them than with any method we have ever tried." A postal order for \$5.45 accompanied this letter. That's the way a poor country church works its missionary contributions.

An associational treasurer sends the money which was paid to him last fall, and says: "I have been waiting to get a minute of the association so as to know how to divide it." It is frequently the case that the boards are kept out of the money for mouths on this account. The treasurers are not to blame. If the associations would make one man both clerk and treasurer, then this difficulty would be obviated.

A young preacher went into a territory where there was great need of pastors, and soon had a field of labor. He writes, "My field is a hard one, but God will be with me, I know, and give success to his word." Any earnest man can find a field if he will hunt for it.

"You may think I have forgotten you, but I have not. You will get contributions from my field regularly from now on." I was getting to be a little despondent about you, brother, but your letter makes it all right. Thank you for the assurance.

Brother Dunaway sends a contribution and adds a P. S.: "If you want me to do anything, write me." That is the way to put it. Such helpers as D. cheer the heart of a secretary.

SALLIE TEAGUE. Her father writes, "I cleared a little patch which had been growing weeds and gave it to her. She wants it to go for missions." The letter contained a postal order for \$1.50. We want 1000 girls in Alabama who will do as much in this year of our Lord 1895.

When I was in Barbour county I gave some envelopes out to a small congregation at a country church, and asked them to take a collection the next Sunday and send it to me. They did so, and the brother sending it says: "This is more than our church paid all last year, put together." Now that a move is on them we look for regular collections from this time on. They have found how easy it is to give.

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probably, than anybody in the state, and should not be allowed to make this sacrifice after he has done his work faithfully.

"Don't care if I do, as I have a bad cold." This was the remark of a legislator when he was asked to take a drink on the train, and he was a church member, who stands high in his community. I am glad to say he was not a Baptist. I was astonished to hear the remark. The other man wants to be United States Senator from Alabama. Think of it! A would-be United States Senator carrying a flask of liquor in his pocket as he travels!

PROHIBITION PETITIONS are coming in, I hear, in great numbers. Some have been reported to me. If the Legislators will do what the best people want them to do, and what their own consciences tell them ought to be done, they will give the saloon a blow from which it will never recover. But so many representatives of the people do not represent the best interests of their constituents. They are planning to be returned or to reach some other political office, and they are afraid of the liquor element. Be sure to know how your Representative votes on these questions. Write to him and let him know you are thinking about him and anxious that he should use his influence against the saloon.

## Hearing from the Appeals—A \$300 Response.

It is distressing to send out appeals, and nothing but the most pressing need could ever make me do it. I know the brethren get weary of them some times; but it is so pleasant to see how most of them regard the appeals. Letter after letter is reaching me, all expressing deep concern for the cause, and most of them contain a contribution or a promise to aid right soon. One brother sends \$300 with a "God bless you and the work."

Brethren, don't wait for the church collection; send on your own contribution and then urge the church to take a collection, and report what you have given to the treasurer.

## Ought I to Go?

Brethren are asking this question about attending the meeting of the Board of Directors in Selma on February 12th. Of course I can not tell brethren what they ought to do, but I am sure it is a very important meeting. The Convention does not meet till next November. The Judson bonds are past due. The Trustees have the promise that the school will not be disturbed till July, so as to give ample time for the denomination to do something. I am told the Howard bonds fall due in April. To say nothing of the cause of missions and of ministerial education, it seems to me the condition of our colleges calls loudly for a conference of brethren if we would save these institutions to the denomination. It may be that I am mistaken about the importance of this conference. What do the brethren think about it?

## To the Brotherhood.

This is to notify Baptists that John W. Trotter is an excluded minister from New Bethel Baptist church. Demand has been made of him for his credentials, and he refuses to give them up. Any ministerial work he may perform will be illegal and out of order. This done by order of New Bethel church, while in conference.

## The Topic Cards.

Dear Brother: There have come many inquiries to us regarding Topic Cards for Young People's devotional meetings, as prepared by the Young People's Leader. The editor of the Leader met with an unfortunate accident during November, and has not been able to do any work until about a week ago, and so the preparation of the Topic Cards has been unavoidably delayed. We regret very much that this has been so. Will you kindly give me space enough to say that the list for the first six months of 1895 has just gone into the printer's hands, and will be ready for distribution at once.

## A Correction.

Dear Baptist: Your printer last week made me say "use all books, periodicals, etc., asked by parents and others." So bent on brevity was I that I failed to make myself understood. I meant, let pupils ask parents and others for information upon their lessons, thus getting out of the books. We want fewer book-worms, more thinkers, and better parental co-operation.

Please allow me to say this also: Some parents will not buy books that are indispensable to the education of their children; then their children can never be educated by any teacher.

Keep your blood pure and healthy and you will not have rheumatism. Hood's Sarsaparilla gives the blood vitality and richness.

## Some Things We Do Not Want in Alabama.

We do not want any more dis-trict Associations formed simply to please some one's notion. We have more now than we have counties. Seventy-four are enough.

We do not want any more small and dependent churches within easy access of large and successful ones, to which earnest Christians might easily go if they would try.

We do not want any more licen-tiates or honorary ministers. Several hundred will do for one State. When God call a man to preach he will preach—at least Paul thought so.

We do not want any more tests of "the strictest Baptist." That may do after the Boards are out of debt, and when there is more time for quibbling.

We do not want any more de-nominational schools and colleges just now, but should make those we have still more widely influential for good.

We do not want any more pas-torless churches, especially in sec-tions where the brethren cannot come together for prayer and praise, or for Sunday school services, but can attend the circus.

We do not want any more Sun-day schools which adjourn for the winter while the pupils go to secular schools, with ease, during the same period.

We do not want any more "Mis-sionary" Baptists who give nothing to send the gospel to the benighted, while they have its blessings all around them, but recognize not the debt they owe.

We do not want any more "traveling evangelists," who come un-invited and without credentials, and often show themselves scamps ere they depart.

We do not want any more church clerks or deacons who are more or-namental than useful, and who think any time during the year will do to send church letters, or to collect the pastor's salary.

We do not want any more church-es that elect their pastors annually, and whose members spend most of their time canvassing the question whom they will have next year. It unsettles everything and pre-vents growth and development.

We do not want any more barn-like church buildings, when a few dollars spent in architectural design would give a suitable and attractive house of worship.

We do not want any more church sextons who leave the doors open from Sunday to Sunday so that "all manner of four footed beasts and creeping things of the earth and fowls of heaven" may lodge in the sanctuary.

We do not want any more un-converted material brought into the churches under high pressure meth-ods to give trouble later by their ungodly walk and conversation.

We do not want any more de-nominational papers, but should give our earnest support to the ALABAMA BAPTIST, and make it all we wish as our exponent.

## Talladega.

What changes fifty years do make! The first report of the Home Mission Board made to the Southern Baptist Convention in 1846, says: "Rev. Samuel Henderson has been engaged as our agent for the State of Alabama. He entered upon his labors the first of January the present year." In his first quarterly report he says, "I have visited nineteen churches, preached thirty-eight sermons, delivered fifteen addresses to as many churches, explaining the objects of the Southern Convention, and the present wants of the Board—col-lected in cash \$277.77, and secured pledges for \$558."

The same report says: "Rev. A. VanHoose, a member of the Theological department of Howard Col-lege, has recently been appointed to labor part of his time in Selma, Ala." The total receipts of the Board for this year were \$2,784.36. In the second year reports from Rev. Wm. Phelps, Marion county, Rev. Noah Haggard, Shelby county, and Rev. C. Mynatt, DeKalb and Cherokee counties, give dark pictures of destitution, and record hopeful progress.

The third annual report tells us that the Board had seven mission-aries in Alabama, but does not say who they were or where they labored.

The fourth annual report was made to the Southern Baptist Con-vention at its second session in Charleston in 1849. For the three years the Board reports mission-aries and agents 117, baptisms 1243, churches constituted 29, houses of worship built and building 24. Total receipts for three years \$35,538, of which Alabama gave \$5,154.53.

The sixth report says: "At Sel-ma, Ala., until a little more than a year ago, and from the Board was requisite to enable them to sustain worship, while a debt of \$3,500 hung over the house in which they worshipped. Now it is free from debt and able to meet its own ex-penses. The labors of Rev. A. G. McCraw, their pastor, have in all respects been eminently blessed."

The seventh annual report con-tains this paragraph: "The Convention of this State has for some years been in the habit of conducting its missions through your Board. The amount raised within this year is almost double that of any other State. The con-tribution of the St. Francis Street Church, Mobile, \$537, at one time is the largest church contribution received during the year. Two ef-ficient missionaries are laboring among the blacks, with great suc-

cess, one of them having baptized about seventy during the past year." Thus the work went on. In 1867, just after the war, the Board em-ployed more missionaries than ever before in Alabama. There were nineteen in the service of the Board, and they were employed to aid the churches impoverished and discour-aged, over large districts of coun-try.

Rev. A. VanHoose was mission-ary to Southeastern Alabama, Da-vid Lee in Alabama Association, J. H. Foster in Tuscaloosa Associa-tion, J. J. D. Renfro in Talladega and adjacent counties.

A few years after the work in the State was transferred to the State Board, especially in the Northern part of the State among the colored people, in which the two Boards are now co-operating.

I. T. TICHENOR.

Atlanta.

## A Cordial Invitation.

To the members of the Board of Directors, State Board of Missions, Board of Trustees of the Howard and Judson and the Orphan's Home, with their officers and agents, and other brethren desirous of attending the meeting called by the President of the Alabama Baptist State Convention in Selma on Feb. 12th.

Dear Brethren: It is the desire of our church to entertain you in our homes, and you are hereby invited to be our guests during that meeting. That we may do this to your comfort and without unnecessary inconvenience to your hosts, we ask that the names of those pur-suing to attend be sent without delay, and before Feb. 8th at the latest, to the undersigned committee of hospitality. Those not wishing entertainment and not sending their names as above requested, will find entertainment at any of our hotels at reasonable rates.

A. J. DICKINSON, Pastor First Baptist Church, Selma, Ala.

For the Alabama Baptist.

Notes from Brother C. Smith.

That tall and good looking brother, W. B. Crumpton, was in our town a short time ago, and lectured at the church. I was absent at one of my churches, but all who speak of the lecture were well pleased. Let me give Bro. Crumpton an invitation to visit Fellowship church, Randolph county, and drop some of his mission spirit in that community, and at the next session of East Liberty Association we will come up with the pledge for missions.

I have accepted the charge of Fellowship again the current year. The church is weak in numbers, but they know how to treat a pastor. They will finish paying the pastor's salary next meeting. I have also accepted Bethel church. This church was in a lukewarm condition when I took charge last March, but by the help of God I went to work, and with the co-operation of one or two good brethren we had a good revival in the summer, which resulted in eighteen by baptism and six by letter. I feel that God will bless this church both spiritually and temporally if the members will join hand to hand with the pastor.

God bless the editor and the brethren who may write for the paper. CLARENCE SMITH.

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For the Alabama Baptist.

## At Calera.



# Alabama Baptist.

MONTGOMERY, JANUARY 31, 1895.  
Birmingham Conference.

First Church—Largest congregations at both services we have had for months. One addition to the church; two excellent ladies baptized at night; Sunday school large and full of interest. Prayer meetings and other meetings of the week well attended. The late roll call had a good influence on the work of the church.

South Side—Pastor Hale preached at 11 a. m. on "Christ's relation to the law," and at 7:30 the second of series on "Exhortation." The "Ladies' Circle" report over \$600.00 raised during the past year for benevolence. The Sunday school raised \$247. An average attendance during the year of 220. Four good collections, one for missions.

Woodlawn—Pastor Hobson preached in the morning on "God's Witnesses," Acts 14:17. Had a roll call at the close of morning service. A large congregation and excellent singing. At night the sermon was addressed especially to young ladies, subject: "A ladies' looking glass." Scripture lesson Prov. 31:10-31. One joined by letter.

East Lake—Pastor Foster preached at 11 a. m. Bro. Whittle at night. Two good services.

Pratt City—Ninety-six in Sunday school. Pastor Wood preached at both services. Twelve dollars collected for missions. Young people organized for work, at 3 p. m.

Dolomite—Pastor Harris preached at Woodward Furnace Thursday night to a good congregation. The work at Dolomite is progressing nicely. Pastor preached at both hours. A collection was taken for the Nebraska sufferers, amounting to something over five dollars. The Ladies' Aid Society will start a box to the sufferers to-day.

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Mardi Gras—New Orleans.  
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ANNISTON, ALA.

## Montgomery Churches.

West Montgomery—Bro. J. G. Harris addressed a large congregation at 11 o'clock upon the subject of "Rolling away the stone." Mark 16:3. His words were both eloquent and impressive, finding a lodgment in every heart. The church has called to its pastorate Rev. J. L. Thompson, who will enter upon the duties of the charge in about thirty or sixty days.

First Church—Good attendance at Sunday school; collections \$5.50. By vote of the teachers the sessions of the church were changed from one hour to one hour and ten minutes, in order to give more time to teaching the lesson. The pastor preached at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning text: Gal. 5:18. Evening text: Matt. 4:17. Large attendance and good attention at both services. The church granted the pastor two weeks vacation. The pulpit will be supplied during his absence. Collections \$38.00 for Woman's Home in this city.

South Montgomery—Bro. D. C. Batchelor preached at 11 o'clock a. m. Subject, "The Resurrection." A fair attendance. The Sunday school attendance very good. Collections fine. Rev. C. Johnson, the pastor elect, will preach the coming Sunday. We hope to have a full house to greet him. The Ladies' Aid Society's oyster supper for the benefit of the church was postponed from last Friday to Friday night 1st February on account of the weather. Come out and lend a helping hand.

From the B. Y. P. U. Secretary.

Dear Baptist: May I have enough space to remind you readers that the success of our young people's movement in Alabama depends almost, if not entirely, upon the amount and degree of co-operation received from the local societies throughout the state. In order to co-operate we must first know each other, and in order for a local society to derive the benefit and receive the attention from the state department to which they are entitled, it is of course necessary that they make themselves known to us. I have prepared a form for report from local societies, which are being mailed to those whose addresses are at hand, and shall be glad to send them to others upon receipt of their addresses.

One feature of our work which demands special attention at this time is its extension, and I would here like to ask all the societies who have the movement at heart, to advise me as promptly as they can as to the condition of the field about them, and the outlook for bettering same; and I should be especially pleased to hear from those who desire to enter the work and will, if possible, see that they do not suffer for lack of encouragement. The already well organized societies could do much good in this direction, while deriving much profit and pleasure for themselves, by arranging for union meetings of as many societies or representatives from as many churches as they can bring together. Once a month between now and the convention in April would not be too often. This plan is doing much to increase the interest and enthusiasm in the Birmingham association.

Some of the Unions have responded with almost startling promptness to the treasurer's call for funds, but there was a woful lull after the receipt of two or three subscriptions, which we trust is only a calm before another and a heavier storm of checks, money orders, etc. The minutes are to appear very shortly, and the bill should be met promptly.

Asking the prayers of the brethren for the growth of our young people through this movement into usefulness for Christ in the up-building of our churches.

WALTER D. DUNLAP,  
Sec. and Treasurer.  
Birmingham, Jan. 28.

From a New Comer.

Alabama Baptist: It may be that brethren would like to know what we are doing up here at Phenix City. I am pastor of West Side Baptist Church in this city, having entered upon my pastoral work about a month ago. The outlook for the church is very bright. We have a splendid house of worship, and it is often filled to overflowing. The people seem very eager to hear the gospel.

Last Sunday morning and night we received one by letter and two by restoration. One of them, Dr. Tucker, was a Congregationalist preacher, and president of this district conference. He has been a Baptist, however, and was ordained by a Baptist presbytery, and now he has come back home, and the first thing he does is to subscribe for the ALABAMA BAPTIST. He says he loves the Baptists and never has ceased to love them. His former home was in Tallapoosa county. He is a zealous worker and a good preacher, and some church or churches would do well to put him to work. He was in good standing with the Congregationalists, and was pastor of churches, but his Bible would not let him be a Methodist. We would like to welcome some more of the erring ones. We have a great field of labor here and it is already white to harvest. Pray for us, brethren that we may have a great ingathering of this ripened grain into the garner of the Lord. Having come from Georgia a stranger I did not know a better way to get acquainted here than through the ALABAMA BAPTIST. Let everybody pull for the paper and the cause of Christ. Co-operation is the life of anything.

E. S. MONCRIEF,  
Phenix City.

## Receipts by State Board of Missions for November, 1894.

STATE MISSIONS.  
Parker Memorial church, \$3.70  
Parker Memorial church, 3.16  
Citronelle church, 3.20  
Bethesda church, Unity ass'n, 1.45  
South Montgomery church, 2.99  
Dolomite church, 5.00  
Guthrie church, 17.30  
Shiloh church, 8.50  
First church, 4.40  
Cool City church, 6.60  
Burks church, 6.00  
Ashville church, 3.74  
Cahaba Valley church, 3.44  
Sullivan church, 6.88  
Prattville church, 22.50  
Friendship church, 10.87  
Elm church, 7.50  
Gardenside church, 7.50  
East Selma church, 3.90  
Mars Hill church, 1.97  
Sunday school, St. Francis St. ch, 5.34  
St. Paul church, 2.00  
Unity association, 41.24  
Marion church, .08  
Sunday school, Carrollville, 1.65  
Provident ch, Chulala county, 11.00  
Marshall association, 6.29  
Steep Creek church, 3.00  
Belling Springs association, 26.05  
P. F. Nance, 1.00  
Provident ch, Chulala county, 11.00  
Pea River association, 5.00  
Bethel church, 4.80  
L. A. S., Dallas Ave., Huntsville, 5.00  
Forkland church, 1.00  
Prairie church, 5.02  
Forest church, 3.20  
L. A. S., 2d church, Birmingham, 2.50  
St. Paul church, Birmingham, 1.70  
Sunbeam, 2d ch, Birmingham, 1.70  
Coalburg church, 2.00  
Guthrie church, 4.00  
William Smith church, 2.10  
Brookwood church, 6.87  
Carroll Creek church, .90  
Guthrie church, 4.00  
Bethany church, 8.65  
Big Hurricane church, .15  
Tuscaloosa church, 50.00  
Abbeville church, 25.00  
Duffalo church, 5.00  
Judson, 1.50  
Valley Head, 5.91  
Ash Creek church, 1.41  
Farmville church, 7.75  
L. A. S., 1st ch, Montgomery, 15.00  
Muscle Shoals association, 5.00  
Cedar Bluff association, 25.99  
Gurley church, 7.04  
L. A. S., 1st ch, Montgomery, 15.00  
Concord church, 3.51  
Coosa River association, 43.19  
Talladega church, 11.00  
Sunday school, 1st ch, Mont'ry, 15.00  
Locust Grove church, 6.44  
Union Grove church, 2.85  
Oakley, 2.88  
New Market, 8.63  
Clearwater Valley, 1.75  
Piney Grove, 1.75  
Mt. Zion church, 10.08  
Mrs. W. O. Perry and child, 2.31  
New Bethel church, 1.62  
Eufaula association, 16.04  
Eufaula church, 46.74  
Brenton church, 7.77  
Bethesda church, 8.10  
St. Giles, 5.75  
Sunday school, Coosa, 1.03  
Collinsville church, 1.97  
Evergreen church, 10.35  
Uniontown church, 10.60  
Union association, 5.00  
Midway church, 4.23  
First church, Birmingham, 6.25  
Bessemer church, 7.76  
Coatspa, 5.00  
First church, Montgomery, 200.00  
New Market church, 1.55  
Oswatche church, 4.76  
Benton church, 1.75  
Carle and Charlie Ruff, 5.62  
Arbacoche association, 15.50  
Grant's Creek church, 2.72  
Girard church, 2.00  
Ladies Aid Society, Verbena, 1.00  
Mt. Moriah association, 2.00  
New Prospect church, 3.13  
J. T. Beale, 7.75  
Town Creek church, 2.37

Total, \$1057.35  
Receipts July, Aug., Sept., Oct., 2363.96

Total, \$3421.31

MINISTRIAL EDUCATION.

East Selma church, 4.00  
Mars Hill church, 2.70  
Catherine church, 2.70  
S. S., 1st ch, Birmingham, 20.00  
Verbena church, 8.50  
Ladies Aid Society, Verbena, 1.00  
Judson Sunbeams, Verbena, 1.50  
Orville, 10.00  
Unity association, 13.16  
Mt. Lebanon S. S. and church, 13.50  
Town Creek church, 3.58  
Clayton church, 5.00  
Mrs. J. W. Pollard, 2.50  
Steep Creek church, 2.05  
Ruhah church, 8.15  
Sunday school, Ruhah church, 6.50  
Shiloh church, 3.00  
Muscle Shoals association, 32.00  
Pine City church, 1.00  
Mulberry church, 4.19  
Waterboro church, 1.64  
Sunday school, Moulton, 2.86  
Citronelle, 1.95  
Waverly church, 2.72  
Natusala, 1.00  
Wilsonville church, 3.78  
Eufaula association, 20.00  
Sunday school, Tasso, 10.00  
Brenton church, 4.00  
Sister Springs church, 1.00  
Sunday school, Coosa, 2.50  
Roanoke church, 1.00  
Shiloh church, Lauderdale, 1.50  
Ruhah church, 8.15  
Sunday school, Roanoke, 10.00  
Evergreen church, 14.41  
Bethesda church, 8.00  
Beale church, 10.35  
Girard church, 2.50  
Crawford church, 2.50  
Union association, 20.00  
Columbia S. S. and church, 8.00  
Ladies Aid Society, Elyton ch., 1.00  
Pine City church, Eastville, 1.00  
Bessemer church, 5.40  
Sunday school, Collinre, 5.00  
Bozeman church, 8.15  
Spring church, 5.75  
Ladies Missionary Society, Selma, 10.00  
Mt. Gilead church, 1.50  
Horeb church, .55

Total, \$380.78  
Receipts July, Aug., Sept., Oct., 373.25

Total, \$756.93

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Parker Memorial church, 3.18  
Dolomite church, 5.00  
Ashville church, 3.20  
Unity association, 10.12  
Mrs. Addie Robertson, 5.00  
Belling Springs association, 26.05  
Zion association, 20.09  
New Providence association, 10.00  
Pea River association, 7.80  
First church, Huntsville, 1.00  
Elm church, 4.20  
Muscle Shoals association, 26.85  
Coosa River association, 75.83  
Talladega church, 11.00  
Cedar Bluff association, 32.11  
Eufaula association, 50.11  
Union association, 20.00  
S. Y. P. M. S., Eastaboga, 5.00  
Arbacoche association, 15.50  
Mt. Moriah association, 2.70

Total, \$325.33  
Receipts July, Aug., Sept., Oct., 1093.31

Total, \$1244.66

FOREIGN MISSION DEBT.

Bethany church, 2.00  
C. J. Bentley, 5.00

Total, \$7.00

ORPHANS.

Pligah church, 10.00

Total, \$10.00

Mrs. Addie Robertson, 1.00  
Sunday school, Town Creek ch., 2.00  
Mrs. Betha, 5.00  
Coosa River association, 5.71  
Rev. W. O. Perry and children, 2.31  
Rev. W. B. Crumpton, 1.50  
Sunday school, Union Springs, 15.15  
Total, \$45.36  
Receipts July, Aug., Sept., Oct., 38.35

Total, \$134.18

HOME MISSIONS.

Parker Memorial church, 3.16  
Union Springs, 13.95  
Unity association, 41.24  
Belling Springs association, 6.68  
Muscle Shoals association, 18.30  
Coosa River association, 54.58  
Talladega church, 11.00  
Cedar Bluff association, 12.53  
Eufaula association, 36.21  
Union association, 20.00  
First church, Birmingham, 6.34  
Arbacoche association, 20.00  
Mt. Moriah association, 3.70

Total, \$214.83  
Receipts July, Aug., Sept., Oct., 999.60

Total, \$1124.43

JUDSON DEBT.

B. Davis, 5.00  
Receipts July, Aug., Sept., Oct., 135.90

Total, \$140.90

BIBLE AND COLPORTAGE.

Unity association, 4.30  
Muscle Shoals association, 3.30  
Coosa River association, 6.23  
Union association, 5.00

Total, \$18.83  
Receipts July, Aug., Sept., Oct., 268.45

Total, \$287.28

CHILDREN'S DAY.

Sunday school, Talladega, \$21.20  
Sunday school, Collinre, 7.00

Total, \$28.20  
Receipts July, Aug., Sept., Oct., 100.11

Total, \$128.31

MUSCLE SHOALS ASSOCIATION.

MADDERA INSTITUTE, 4.70

Sunday school, Southside ch., 18.00

SUNBEAMS MISSIONARY.

Sunbeams, Oswatche church, 3.00  
Receipts July, Aug., Sept., Oct., 5.00

Total, \$8.00

BIRMINGHAM MISSIONARY.

Ladies Aid Society, Bessemer, 6.25  
Receipts July, Aug., Sept., Oct., 91.14

Total, \$97.39

ITALIAN MISSIONS.

Ladies Miss. Society, Gadsden, \$5.00

Total receipts November, \$2115.13  
Previously reported from July 15 6075.81

Grand Total, \$8190.94

For the Alabama Baptist.

Encouragement.

This letter from Bro. Burns, at Huntsville, is good reading for these hard times. It is so cheerful and bright I felt that I ought to let others know the feelings of some of our missionaries. W. B. C.

Dear Bro. Crumpton: Yours of the 8th inst. received, and contents noted. It saddens my heart to have you write in such a sad strain. It does look like things are coming to an awful pass, and the cause of Christ and missions were in a desperate fix. But no. "God moves in a mysterious way, his wonders to perform," and all things will yet work out right; for all things work together for good to those that love God.

I reached home yesterday because I was water-bound, and could not make my two next appointments. Came home feeling sad and oppressed, and then your letter, my I say! Last night was a one, and although at home with my family, I could not help feeling lonely. But after preparing a sermon on the Scripture quoted, I felt better, and this morning I am singing: "Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take; The clouds ye so much dread, Are big with mercy, and will break With blessings on your head."

It is the Lord's work, and the Lord's weather, and he has a great deal more invested in the business than I have. I am his for service and suffering, and trust that grace may be given me to enable me to even "glory in tribulations, also, knowing that tribulation worketh patience, patience experience, and experience hope."

The Primary Class of Rockford Sunday-School.

Bro. Johnson, teacher of the primary class in our Sunday-school at Rockford, Coosa county, has been so successful with his class that pastor Whatley requested him to write a description of his methods for publication. He has done so, adding other remarks which are well worth attention. Here is what he says:

On returning home from the war I chose teaching as my avocation. Becoming very much attached to children, I tried to set such examples and give such precepts that when I became old I would have no regrets to see them following my teaching. Not being satisfied with mere literary attainments, so far as common text-books would go, I made the New Testament a text-book for my advanced reading book. I have spared no pains for the advancement of all children entrusted to my care in any neighborhood where I have lived.

I learn by reading the sixth chapter of Deuteronomy and parallel passages that it is our duty as parents and teachers to teach the Scriptures to the children; and the Master commands us to teach his gospel to every creature, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, "and, lo! I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

Hence the great necessity for Sunday schools in every hamlet and every church, where we may gather in the sheaves that will glorify and honor God.

To secure a good and full attendance is the first object in the making-up of a good school; and to be successful the officers and teachers must be God loving and God serving men and women who will not countenance anything or any diver-

sions not tending to the glory and honor of God.  
I have the honor of having charge of the primary department of our school, and have held the position for the last twelve years. I regard it as the most important position in any Sunday school, as the first lesson taught to a child should be properly taught, and such impressions made upon little minds and hearts that they reach their maturity they may be safe in the embrace of a blessed Savior.

As to my method of teaching, I have no written or stipulated plan, but adopt such as will gain the love of the children and make them anxious to attend Sunday school. I do not confine myself nor my instructions exclusively to the lesson helps, but supplement the lesson with a variety of questions that will cause the pupils to read and think for themselves.

I frequently offer a prize to the pupil who will commit to memory and recite most Scripture during a quarter. Sometimes a doll to the girl and a knife to the boy; and for all that quarter I put up a Bible for all to work for.

But I give all rewards of merit at the end of each quarter. On each Sunday morning I give each scholar an ornamented ticket with verse on it, which serves as a certificate of attendance. [The rewards of merit may be obtained from J. B. Collier, Baptist Book Department, Montgomery, or from the Publication Societies at Atlanta or Nashville.] Thus I can store their little minds with knowledge that will prove a blessing to them all through life and help them to the happy Beyond. I have caused them to commit to memory the seven beatitudes and the ten commandments, together with much other Scriptures.

By the above methods, and being able to put myself on a common level with the little ones, I have been able to keep up a desire to excel each other honorably, and I believe the primary department of Rockford Sunday school is not excelled by any other primary class in the State.

Another grand lesson I impress upon them is missions. The Orphan's Home at Evergreen bears heavily upon their minds. They have made one contribution of \$1.20. [This was written Dec. 20.] Credit was given to the Rockford Sunday school, when it should have been given to the primary class. We will soon make another contribution.

There are only thirty-six when all are present in our primary class, and we have a usual attendance of from twenty to twenty-five, from four to ten years old.

W. T. JOHNSON.

MARRIED.

At the residence of W. H. Gooden, near Alpine, Ala., Jan. 10th, Mr. James M. Russell, of Coosa county, and J. G. Lowmyer, of Talladega county, were united in marriage. They are a pair of noble young Christians, both being members of Winterboro Baptist church. The happy couple left at once for the new home at Stevenson, Ala. May the rich blessings of our Heavenly Father abide upon them.

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Notice to Non-Resident.

Harry C. Wood vs. Lula L. Wood; City Court of Montgomery, in Equity.

(No. 1318.)

In this cause it is made to appear to the court by the affidavit of Jno. W. Watts, complain



