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CLIPPING AND COMMENTS.

It is appointed unto men once to
die—but when, where, and how, is
known only to God, in whom we
live; and although we cannot
lengthen our days, we may greatly
shorten them, notwithstanding the
number of them is set, so that be-
yond that bound we cannot pass.

President B. L. Whitman, of
Colby University, has been elected
president of the Columbian Uni-
versity, at Washington.

It is announced that he has accept-
ed the position. Whether the Col-
umbian will continue to be popular
with Southern Baptists depends
largely on the degree of President
Whitman's sectionalism. But we
expect him to be wise.

There is a legend that Satan once
assumed the garb of a friar and
went about preaching the gospel.
When asked by an astonished monk
how he, the arch-enemy of souls,
had come to turn to the work of
saving souls, Satan gave the an-
swer, "There is nothing so harden-
ing to sinners as preaching without
unction." He was preaching the
gospel without the anointing of the
Spirit, hence damning, rather than
saving, souls.—Ex.

It is a source of sorrow to the
honest preacher to feel that he must
preach because the appointed hour
for the sermon has arrived, and yet
he is without consciousness of unction
from on high.

Consistency may be a virtue, and
again it may not be. It were bet-
ter to be inconsistent, by turning
from a wrong course to a right one,
than to be consistent with evil do-
ing. Changing one's mind for a
better mind, is preferable to being
of the same wrong mind from the
beginning.—S. S. Times.

The late Senator Toombs was
once interrupted in a speech by an
opposing senator who declared that
the Georgia senator's position was
not consistent with his previous
course. "I shall not try to prove
that I am consistent," replied Mr.
Toombs, "but I will show that I
am right at this time." No doubt
men knowingly remain on the
wrong side rather than bear the
charge of inconsistency. But it is
better to be right than consistent.

The Baptists throughout the
North are a people who believe in
bringing things to pass, and they
keep an eye on *results*. They have
their work and their workers well
in hand, and do not trust to mere
mass meetings. Everything and
well-nigh everybody is organized,
and hence the vast amounts raised
by them for the spread of the gos-
pel at home and abroad.—Religious
Herald.

Quite a number of Baptists in the
South believe in thorough organi-
zation, but there is quite another
number who are ever ready to ex-
claim against "too much machine-
ry." An army, a political party,
nor anything else in which the ef-
forts of men are needed has ever
succeeded without "machinery,"
that is, thorough organization. But
experience and facts are nothing to
men who have a hobby. When the
Baptists of the South are well or-
ganized they will do twice as much
as they now think they can do.

For the Alabama Baptist. S. B. C. Committee on Methods of Work.

At the last meeting of the Southern
Baptist Convention the following
resolutions were adopted:

That a committee of seven be ap-
pointed, three of whom shall be the
secretaries of the boards of this
convention, the duty of which shall
be to hold a meeting as early as
practicable, at some suitable point,
to consider, in connection with the
secretaries of the State boards, how
we may better reach the masses of
Southern Baptists, and bring them to
more thoroughly co-operate in the
work of the convention, and that
the expense of the committee be
divided between the boards.

2. That the committee just or-
dered be instructed to arrange for
an early consolidation of the Foreign
Mission Journal and the Home
Field.

At the call of Dr. J. B. Gam-
brell, chairman, the committee met
in the lecture room of the Second
Baptist church, Atlanta, Ga., on
Wednesday, June 19, at 9 a. m.

There were present: Dr. J. B.
Gambrell, Ga.; Chas. Manly, S. C.;
C. I. T. Tichenor, Secretary of the
Home Mission Board, and the
following secretaries of State
Boards: W. B. Crumpton, Ala.;
A. G. McManaway, Ark.; J. G.
Gibson, Ga.; J. W. Warder, Ky.;
E. O. Ware, La.; C. Durham, N. C.;
T. M. Bailey, S. C.; A. J.
Holt, Tenn.; M. D. Early, Texas,
and Wm. Ellyson, Va.

Drs. R. J. Willingham, Sec. F.
M. Board, and T. P. Bell, Sec. S.
S. Board, being absent on account
of sickness, the committee recog-
nized Bro. Wm. Ellyson and Dr.
J. M. Frost as the representatives
of their respective boards, and em-
powered them to act with the com-
mittee as such.

The committee was organized by
the election of Dr. J. B. Gambrell,
of Georgia, as chairman, and O. F.
Gregory, of Maryland, as secretary.
Several hours were spent in hear-
ing statements from the secretaries
of State boards of the difficulties of
arousing "the masses of Southern
Baptists to interest in and contri-
butions for the work of missions,"
and also the plans of work pursued
in their respective states.

The reports showed that while
all have the same end in view, viz.,
the training of the churches to
evangelize the world, and the neces-
sity of endeavoring to get every
Baptist believer to contribute to
this end, yet the views of the
convention in providing for the
meeting was made evident. The
two days' session of frank and
brotherly criticism of methods, and
suggestions for improvement, all
felt to be helpful, and would tend
to unify our methods.

MISSIONARY JOURNALS.

The following committee was ap-
pointed to submit a plan for con-
solidating the mission journals of
the Home and Foreign boards;
Brethren C. Durham, W. B. Crum-
pton and E. O. Ware. This com-
mittee submitted a report, which
was discussed for nearly a whole
day; and after many amendments
the following was at last adopted:

1. That the Foreign Mission
Journal and the Home Field be
united and published as a live and
vigorous mission journal, representing
all the interests of the Southern
Baptist Convention.

2. That a committee of three be
appointed to make all necessary ar-
rangements to carry out the above,
and if satisfactory arrangements
can be made for its publication and
management with the Sunday
School board, the publication of
this journal be given said board.

This committee is Drs. J. B. Gam-
brell, C. Durham and B. H. Car-
roll. It was distinctly understood
that this committee confer with the
Home and Foreign boards be-
fore concluding arrangements.

PLANS OF WORK.

After discussing various plans
submitted by a special committee,
the following recommendations
were adopted:

1. A committee of three, con-
sisting of Drs. J. G. Gibson, J. W.
Warder and L. T. Tichenor, were
appointed to devise one or more
plans of systematic beneficence
adapted to the condition of our
churches, and designed to secure a
contribution from every member of
every church; these plans to be
submitted to the State boards for
their approval and adoption, and by
these boards recommended to the
churches.

2. In order to secure the adop-
tion of these plans by the churches,
State boards are requested to em-
ploy every proper means, among
which we recommend—

1. That a system of Institutes for
our pastors and deacons and such
others as may be induced to attend,
be held in each state, designed to
increase the knowledge and stimu-
late the zeal of our brethren in all
the work devolving upon our
churches, and especially in the
work of giving the gospel to the
whole world.

2. That each State convention or
General association appoint a com-
mittee on co-operation, whose duty
it shall be to press the plans for
systematic beneficence adopted by

their respective states; and where
no general plan is in operation, to
formulate a system, and have it
adopted by the churches.

3. By holding popular meetings
at suitable times and places for the
purpose of enlisting our brethren
more zealously in the Master's
work, and leading them to adopt
business methods in their mission
collections and every part of church
work.

4. That the associational meet-
ings be made more practical, that
executive committees of the most
earnest and practical brethren be
appointed to see that all the
churches are brought into co-opera-
tion in the general work of the de-
nomination.

5. To use our denominational
press and such tracts, leaflets and
other forms of literature as may be
conducive to the enlightenment
and elevation of our brethren, and
that the editors of our state papers
are requested to press these great
interests to the front.

6. That the secretaries of the
Southern Baptist Convention be
instructed to supply the secretaries
of the State boards with such tracts
as they need for distribution.

7. That the churches be urged to
encourage, control and direct the
Woman's Work and the training of
the young people in harmony with
all organized denominational work.

8. The boards of the Southern
Baptist Convention are requested
and expected to zealously co-op-
erate with the State boards in their
efforts, and by their moral support
and by their financial aid, when
needed, to do all in their power to
make effective the plans of these
State boards which they have put
into operation.

9. That as representatives of our
State boards, we assure the secre-
taries of the three boards of a hearty
welcome at any time in our states,
and of our earnest co-operation in
the prosecution of their work.

The attention of the committee
was called to the following report
adopted at the session of the Southern
Baptist Convention in 1888:

"We might maintain as a cardinal
principle of Baptist polity, recog-
nized in article II. of our Constitu-
tion, that the convention may ad-
dress itself through its boards to all
the churches, as freely as the State
organizations may do, limited only
in the one case as in the other, by
the will of the churches themselves;
but recognizing the paramount im-
portance of avoiding any appear-
ance of conflict, and of securing for
the Convention the widest possible

path of brethren who are charged
with state work, we recommend—

1. That such state organizations
as prefer to devise and execute their
own plans of raising money for the
boards of the convention be regard-
ed as the agencies of the convention
for raising the quotas of their
respective states, and in case it
shall at any time appear to either
board of the convention that any
state will probably fall short of
raising its quota, it shall be the duty
of the said board, in co-operation
with the State board and the vice-
president, to employ such means as
may be deemed best to supply the
deficiency."

SPECIAL PRAYER.

Dr. Gambrell was requested to
prepare a short address to the peo-
ple of the South, requesting our
brethren to continue instant in
prayer, and to unite with us and
each other in making the week be-
ginning July 21 a season of special
prayer for the outpouring of the
Holy Spirit, and for the power of
God to be given to his people that
they may do the work appointed to
their hands.

O. F. GREGORY, Sec.

We are continually on the verge
of losing our patience as we read
the so-called "liberal organs." As
a matter of fact, what is so rare
as liberalism amongst libertarians? Hear,
for instance, the Nonsectarian (lib-
eral) pleading for "honesty in re-
ligion," as if that were something
upon which the libertarians had a
patent and all the rest of us were
deprived of the privilege of being
honest in religious matters even if
we paid a royalty. Honesty in re-
ligion has been exemplified since
the days of Abraham and there are
honest men today—more than ever
before. Men are continually chang-
ing their religious views because
they desire to be honest with them-
selves and others, but it must not
be overlooked that millions of peo-
ple are just as honestly standing by
their convictions and principles
long held, because they, too, are
honest in religion.—The Standard.

Long ago liberalism showed it-
self to our perception as the most
illiberal and intolerant of isms.
Frequently there is a degree of soft-
ness and gentleness about it, but it
is only the velvet glove that covers
the iron hand. "One doctrine is
just as true and good as another,
and every one should be allowed to
believe and act as he pleases," says
liberalism, softly, but it adds in
hard undertone, "and if you do not
accept that, you must be crushed as
being too narrow, intolerant and
dishonest."

Genius may at times want the
spur, but it stands as often in need
of the curb.

For the Alabama Baptist. To the Brethren and Sisters of Alabama.

As we enjoy our Christian homes,
and whatever of this world's goods
we may have; and as we think of
our duties as Christian men and
women; and as we direct our be-
nevolence towards the various in-
terests which we are fostering, al-
low me to humbly beg you to re-
member our preachers on the field,
who have not enjoyed the privi-
leges and benefits of college and
seminary training.

Do we esteem these servants of
God as much and tenderly as we
ought? Have we earnestly and
faithfully sought to ascertain the
actual measure of their importance
to our denomination? By a knowl-
edge of which alone can the real
measure of our duties towards them
be justly determined.

Brethren, sometimes I fear that
we have not. It is so easy and nat-
ural for us to become localized, and
thus forget the wants and worth of
other regions and other men and
means.

If we should refuse to be temper-
ed and colored by our environment,
and should we seek to do valiantly,
we may not know what to do, for
the best, for want of information.
Even benevolence may hinder rather
than help, when not intelligently
administered.

Now let me ask, what have you
done for these ministers on the
field, above referred to? Have you
given them books, or reviews or
magazines, or religious newspa-
pers? Have you given them any
money? Have you really done any-
thing for them to help them better
prepare for their wonderful life
work? Have you known the de-
monization to extend any sort of
measure of help to them?

Did you know that these same
men are in charge of more than two
thirds of our churches, and that
upon the wisdom or unwisdom of
their administrations depends the
success or failure of Baptist affairs
in Alabama more than upon all
other human agencies? If this is
true, these men are very important
to us and to our Master's cause.

If these churches are important to
the Master's cause, then we ought
to exert ourselves in the equipping
of their pastors for their important
life-work. What can we do to help
them most? When known will we
do it? When?

A faithful and loving answer to
these questions, I think, would
please the Master who has called
these men to the ministry.

result in a great quickening of our
cause in Alabama.

Affectionately,
Dadeville, Jno. P. SHAFER.

For the Alabama Baptist.

The Behavior of Judson Girls.

That was a nice tribute to Judson
girls by Brother Underwood in the
last BAPTIST. The compliment is
well deserved, too. Their good be-
havior in public is often remarked.
Doubtless parents are surprised and
delighted to observe the improve-
ment in the conduct of their girls
who have been in attendance on the
Judson.

Speaking of the behavior of girls
in traveling, a brother furnishes
the following incident. He didn't
know where the girl was from, or
where she was going. It would be
well for girls to know their con-
duct is observed. READER.

Two girls were talking as the
train was waiting for breakfast.
A gentleman sitting near took out
his pencil and wrote down the fol-
lowing exclamations from one of the
girls: She said "Oh!" thirty-eight
times, or be caught that many on
the fly. Many of them escaped.

He estimates that he lost about
thirty exclamations before he be-
gan, and after he started he be-
gan to count half. But here is the
memorandum: "Dear me! Oh my!
Did you ever! It was so sweet!
The dearest thing! The sweetest
place! It was so lovely! I like him
so much! It was too bad! I thought
I should die! Oh, I like to a melted!
It was perfectly awful! That will
be so nice! Did you ever! Oh, it
is the sweetest place! Oh, Mary, how
lovely time! Indeed, I would!
Oh, the people were so nice! Dear
you ever! Oh, it was so bad! Oh, the boys
were so lovely! Oh, it is so sweet!"

For the Alabama Baptist.

In Florence Association.

Bro. W. S. Brown and I have
just returned from a two weeks
trip among the churches of the
Florence association. I am giving
a part of my time to the mission
work in this association. This trip
was made to try to arouse the mis-
sion spirit. We began the work at
Gravelly Springs, in the western
part of the association; organized
a Sabbath school at this place, and
visited Wright and Waterloo.
The latter is a town of about three
hundred inhabitants on the Tennes-
see river. There are a few Baptists
there. They have a lot, but no church.
The probability is there will
be one here at no distant day.

We came back by Liberty, my
home church, where Bro. Brown
gave us two excellent sermons, and
re-organized the Ladies Aid Soci-
ety. Our next appointment was
Union Grove, in the eastern por-

tion of the association. The church
at this place is very weak. We
spent a pleasant Sabbath with Mt.
Union church, which, although in
Alabama, still belongs to the In-
dian Creek association and is co-
operating with the State Board of
Tennessee. Rev. F. G. Posey is a
member of this church, and is one
of the most lovable men I ever met.
We spent a day and night in his
pleasant home. He did everything
possible to help us. If we can
capture Posey we can get Mt.
Pleasant church.

From there we went to Wilson
school house, where I think we will
organize a church. There was
once a flourishing church here, but
Oscar and Aske, two prominent
Baptist preachers of this commu-
nity, went over to the Campbellites
and the members with them. It
is a great resort for the young,
and we have some good material to
begin with.

We visited Pleasant Valley and
Martindale, two churches that are
very weak. At Pleasant Valley
we have but few members. We
visited Rodgersville, a small town
where we have a house, but scarcely
a Baptist in the neighborhood.
We closed at Rodgersville.

We traveled about one hundred
and thirty miles, preached eighteen
sermons, delivered several Sabbath-
school talks, organized three Sab-
bath-schools and one Ladies Aid
Society; took collections at every
place. Not all we could desire, but
very well considering that in
many places they have never been
taught to give.

Bro. Brown piled up the Scrip-
tures on the people in his sermons.
The people treated us kindly. The
Mormon Elders are operating in the
eastern portion of this association.
These people need the pure gospel.

Shall we give it to them?
I am going to follow up the work,
with help from Bro. Brown, when
the protracted meeting season
comes. Will begin about the third
Sunday in July at Wilson school
house. J. O. A. PAGE.

Notes and Comments.

How sad it is that the board can-
not employ our young preachers
from the Howard and Seminary
this summer. Because of the hard-
times we are compelled to decline
this appointment. I earnestly hope
that pastors where these young men
are will be able to employ them.

How little that is; but God knows
the heart of the givers, and will
add his blessing.

A sister at Calera got after me
because I had not noticed a contri-
bution from her church. Well, it
was too bad! The good sisters and
the Sunday-school had done their
best, and raised \$15, which was in-
deed liberal for that church, but it
came in just before the convention
with about two hundred other let-
ters and none of them were noticed.
God bless our struggling churches
which are trying to help.

"A Gude Word for Jesus Christ."

You remember John Carmichael,
and his first sermon as pastor of the
Free Kirk of Drumtochty? It was
the week before that first sermon.
"He would be careful to say noth-
ing rash, but it was due to himself
and the present position of theologi-
cal thought, and he might have to
quote once or twice from Ewald."
You remember also his old aunt,
who was acting "mother" to him
in place of the one who died five
years before. She is afraid of John.
So she calls up his mother's dying
words, these: "I cannot see ye now,
John, but I know ye there, an' I've
just one other wish. If God calls
ye to the ministry, ye'll no refuse,
an' the first day ye preach in yir
ain kirk, speak a gude word for
Jesus Christ, an', John, I'll hear ye
that day, though ye no see me, and
I'll be satisfied."

How it rings in his ears—"speak
a gude word for Jesus Christ."
And you remember what became of
that great sermon which was to
shake Drumtochty; you saw it burn
on the hearth. And you remem-
ber that night of struggle and
prayer? Yes! And the wonderfully
sweet word of Donald Menzies, as
he walked home from church the
following Sunday: "There was a
man sent from God whose name
was John." Somehow, for a long
while I have lived in the sweet at-
mosphere of that chapter in "Be-
side the Bonnie Brier Bush." Sure-
ly that is poor preaching—no
preaching—which does not begin
with and end with—say, that is not
saturated with "gude words for
Jesus Christ."—Rev. W. H. Geist-
weit, in The Standard.

It was Jonathan Edwards who
quaintly said, "The soul of a true
Christian appears like such a little
white flower, as we see in the
spring of the year, low and hum-
ble, opening its bosom to receive
the pleasant beams of the sun's
glory; rejoicing as it were, in a
calm rapture, diffusing around a
sweet fragrance; standing peace-
fully and lovingly in the midst of
other flowers round about, all in like
manner opening their bosoms to
drink in the light of the sun."

There are a few "gushing breth-
ren" among Baptists also, who
think they are sighted unless they
are frequently "gushed" in the
newspapers.—Baptist Flag.

These brethren are sometimes a
source of worry to the editor. He
does not wish to wound their feel-
ings, and yet he does not wish to
be made their trumpeter, when he
knows there is nothing to "blow"
about.

"Blessed be the Name! She is dy-
ing as she lived—calmly, peace-
fully, trustfully." Another letter told
of her triumphal entrance into the
life above.

A brother writes from Warrior:
"Why do we never hear from our
church through the ALABAMA BAP-
TIST? Is it because our pastor never
writes?" Warrior is one of our best
churches, and pastor Williams ought
to tell the readers of the paper
about his people.

A young lady sends \$1 and says:
"I have been waiting, thinking I
might be able to increase my offer-
ing." That is right. Don't wait.
Send on what you have. We need
it right away. And then by delay
you might tempt the devil. It
would be such a good chance for
him to whisper, "What's the use
for you to send in small amounts?
It won't do much good, and besides,
you need it."

A sister sends a contribution and
says, "I have but little hope of our
church, but I want you to know
that a few of us are still true." Yes,
and God will yet give you the
victory over all opposition.

A preacher forwarded a collection
from a poor church of which
he was pastor. A few days later
two sisters sent me a small contri-
bution with the message that they
were not present when the collec-
tion was taken. What do you
think of that kind of spirit, reader?
I think it would soon take the
world for Christ, if it prevailed ex-
tensively among the churches.

A good contribution from Clay-
ton and the following note: "This
all came through the envelopes, and
the plan is working well." Yes,
and it is so strange that all the
churches do not adopt it. I have
just ordered 10,000 more printed.
These will be given to all who will
faithfully try them.

Here is a letter from a sister at
Cuba. It was not intended for
publication, but it is so cheerful and
heartily I cannot refrain from pub-
lishing it entire: "We are still try-
ing to do something for missions,
so we send you another dollar. It
is very little, I know, but you do
not know how we do love to send
what we have. I have seven little
children in my class, and we give a
little every Sunday—one egg. I
never loved, or in fact, I never
knew much about our duty as mis-
sionary Baptists until I began to
take the dear old ALABAMA BAP-
TIST. I wish I was able to send it
to all who are not able to take it, I
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PROF. P. H. EAGER, of Texas, brother of Dr. Geo. B. Eager, of this city, has accepted a professorship in Mississippi College at Clinton.

ASSOCIATION LETTERS.—We can supply clerks of churches with letters to the association. Price, three for five cents; twenty cents per dozen, cash, in money or stamps.

Now that the corn crop has received the necessary work, and cotton is pretty well on the way, we suppose our subscribers who are in arrears can give some attention to that matter. It is quite important to us, brethren, and we hope you will at once do your best for us.

BROTHER, were you appointed at the last session of your association to make a report, or do anything else at its next meeting? If so, don't disappoint the brethren and delay the business by failing to be ready when the time comes. Perhaps it is not too soon to begin to make preparation.

THE Baptist women at the North have for years had general missionary boards of their own. For some time it has been said that it was not best for the brethren and the sisters to have separate boards working in the same territory with the same object in view. Of course there would be more or less confusion. At the recent Baptist anniversary (convention) at Saratoga action was taken which it is hoped will finally result in the consolidation of all the boards, that is, in the disappearance of the women's general mission boards. The same facts exist among the English Baptists, and they have also recently begun to try to bring the separate mission boards together. From all this Southern Baptists may take warning, and continue in the straight path.

Now that the protracted meeting season is near, we would request brethren who may write reports of meetings to be brief. We would be glad to have each good meeting reported for our columns, but it is seldom necessary to write more than the bare facts. It is not necessary to tell the exact date of the arrival of the visiting preacher, nor the number of sermons preached by him and the pastor. It is not necessary to give the previous history of the church. It is not necessary to write a glowing eulogium upon the visiting preacher or the pastor—a few words of honest commendation will be sufficient. Long reports crowd out other important matter. The public is interested only in the facts. As a rule, a postal card or a page of note paper is all that need be written. But be sure to tell us about the meeting, brethren, and do it at once, please.

For years past there has been a desire by many brethren here in Alabama to dispense with the reading of the letters from the churches to the association. There is an uninteresting sameness in the letters, and the reading consumes much valuable time. But still there was a desire to hear from the churches, so that their condition individually and the general condition of the work might be known. So it has not been easy to decide what to do. This matter has given trouble to our brethren in the West, also, but it looks as though they have found a solution of the difficulty. We learn from the Standard, of Chicago, that "the Ottawa, Ill., association has established a good precedent in the matter of the

annual church letters. Upon a black-board the statistics from the churches, secured in advance, are written and tabulated before the congregation, and the results are set forth, as might be imagined, prove an inspiration and a help." Now, brother clerk, go to the association with your black-board. You can make one with things that will fold up, or have a strong piece of cloth painted black. The idea is a good one. We like it.

SOME of the Georgia papers recently had an account of some unpleasantness in which Dr. B. F. Riley was involved as occupant of the chair of English in the University of Georgia at Athens. Putting together what was said by some of the secular papers and by the Christian Index, it would appear that Dr. Boggs, chancellor of the University, who is a belligerent Presbyterian minister, desired to have Dr. Riley removed for reasons of his own. In this he enlisted the board of visitors for a while, at least; but when the board of trustees, who alone had power to act, investigated the matter, they reported in substance that they had confidence in Dr. Riley when he was elected professor of English, and they had found no reason for a change of that opinion; they still honor him as a gentleman and a scholar. We believe Dr. Riley is the only Baptist teacher in the University.

"THE Bible and the Monuments" is the title of a book placed on our table by the publishers, Pitt & Dickinson, of Richmond, Va. Rev. Eldridge B. Hatcher, pastor of one of the Baptist churches of Norfolk, is the author. He is a young man, but began quite early to use his superior opportunities in investigating the subject of which the book treats. The object is to show that the inscriptions on monuments, on the walls of long fallen public buildings and on stones and clay tablets in the East sustain the Bible record of times and events, and especially those parts of the record that have been attacked by skeptical critics. Not only this, but those inscriptions also throw light on many passages in the Old Testament whose meaning is obscure. One point of attack is particularly well defended, viz: as to the duration and extent of the Hittite nation. The book does not claim to be an exhaustive treatment of its subject, indeed it may be said to be rather sketchy in some chapters, but it will be of great interest and value to any one who desires to obtain more light on the verity of the Old Testament. We pronounce it a good book. Send one dollar to the publishers, and the book will come to you.

On the first page will be found a report of what was done by the committee of the Southern Baptist Convention which met in Atlanta last month. We commend it to the thoughtful and prayerful consideration of the Baptists of Alabama. Let us hope that much good will result from the meeting of that committee. The recommendations on the matter of "co-operation" we regard as quite equal in importance to anything else said or done at that meeting. Indeed, that subject was the leading one before the committee. It appears that the Baptists of England have also been impressed with the necessity of co-operation, as shown by this paragraph which we copy from the Examiner, of New York:

The income of the English Baptist Missionary Society exceeded that of last year by about \$12,000; the total income being some \$300,000. The year began with a debt of \$70,000; it was determined not to make a special effort to remove this, but, instead, to try to bring up the giving to the actual amount of the outgoing year by year. So a "personal visitation" of all the churches was planned for, the whole country being divided into districts, and well-known brethren helping the officials in executing the plan. The benefits of the service are already evident, while the larger results will be shown during the coming year.

THE OPPORTUNITY! Here is the opportunity for churches, mission societies, B. Y. P. U. and individuals to get the literature they need at small cost.

THE ALABAMA BAPTIST and Foreign Mission Journal one year for \$1.65. Clubs of five or more can get the two for \$1.60.

THE ALABAMA BAPTIST and the Young People's Leader at the same price as above, at present. The Leader contemplates some improvements, which may increase the price. Better send now. The Leader is published by our Sunday-school Board at Nashville for our young people. It is not a mere child's paper, but has attractive, stimulating and instructive reading for youths and young men and women. Every member of B. Y. P. U. and other young people's societies should read it.

FIELD NOTES.

W. A. Parker, Thomaston: Received two members here in June.—[And Bro. Parker sends us a new subscriber or a renewal every now and then.

We received by the same mail, but too late for this issue, two sketches of Castleberry church. We will make them into one and publish it next week.

The time and place of meeting of the associations will be found on the fourth page. If you detect any errors, brethren, let us know at once. Cut the list out and preserve it.

Abbeville Times: The Baptists of this place will begin their protracted meeting on the 3d Sunday in July. Pastor Preston will have the assistance of Rev. Mr. Shelton, of Montgomery.

Report from Bro. Clarence Smith, Fredonia, came too late to be of interest now, except the facts that brethren W. H. Dawkins and Robert Wheeler have been elected deacons of Bethel church, and that Bro. Smith will preach at Langdale on next Sunday morning, the 7th.

S. J. Ansley, Sheffield: Please change the address of my paper to this place. I have accepted the charge of the First Baptist church for the summer.—Rev. A. J. Preston, of Abbeville, is assisting Bro. Comstock in a meeting at Furnace Hill church, and the Lord is blessing them.

H. C. McBrayer, Aubrey, Texas: Please find enclosed \$1 for my renewal. I love Texas, but I love Alabama more, and especially the dear old ALABAMA BAPTIST. We have some good papers in Texas, but I have been reading the ALABAMA BAPTIST so long it seems that I can't give it up.

Correspondent, Birmingham: Next Sunday is to be a Baptist day, it seems, at the Alabama Chautauqua at Talladega, as Dr. J. B. Hawthorne is to preach in the morning and Bro. W. A. Whittle at night. Both of these distinguished gentlemen are to lecture on Monday.

The Olathe correspondent of the Jacksonville Republican says that "Rev. B. B. Nunally preached an able sermon at Oak Bowery last Sunday." We do not doubt it; neither do we doubt that our readers would like for Bro. Nunally to tell them the Baptist news in his territory and the country round about.

W. J. Ruddick, Stanton: Deacon died June 29. He was a good man, and had been the faithful superintendent of the Sunday-school for several years. He was buried Saturday evening as the sun was sinking in the west; a large congregation was present to pay their last tribute of respect. We tender our sympathy to his bereaved family, and commend them to the God of the fatherless and the widow.

Demopolis correspondent of the Advertiser: The new Baptist church that has recently been erected in the place of the one burned last fall was dedicated Sunday with suitable ceremony. The dedicatory sermon was preached by Dr. A. J. Dickinson, of Selma, and was one of the best sermons ever preached in Demopolis. He spoke of how the church needed the "endowment of power," compared it to Samson shorn of his locks. Rev. Mr. White assisted in the service. He also preached at night.

We were unfortunate last week in failing to insert some articles. Bro. Anderson gave us on the train a paper containing program of an institute to be held at Roanoke, but the paper was mislaid. Bro. Raynes sent us an invitation from the church at Farill to the churches of Cedar Bluff association to hold a fifth Sunday meeting there, but that invitation, and also an obituary notice sent by Bro. Lindsey, were covered by some other papers not wanted for immediate use. We regret these mishaps, and plead previous good character so far as that may help the matter.

Remitting money for subscribers, Bro. A. E. Burns says: "It seems to me that I send in very few subscribers, but it is not my fault, as I bring the paper before every congregation I meet, if opportunity offers." Bro. Burns has done very well for these times, and we appreciate his kindness. There are two obstacles in his way; one is, the people have so little money, and the other, that he has not the time to talk to them individually about the paper. Perhaps there is a third obstacle—many Baptists do not care to read a Baptist paper.

A. G. Moseley, Huntsville: A fifth Sunday meeting of the North Liberty association was held for three days with Locust Grove church, Madison county. Representatives from ten churches were in attendance, and the meeting was

interesting and profitable throughout. Subjects pertaining to church work were discussed, and the delegates returned to their respective churches with new interest in their upbuilding. The visitors were entertained with that hospitality that only a prosperous country community can display. Rev. A. E. Burns, representing the State board was present, and did valuable work.

Secretary Crumpton very thoughtfully suggests that pastors call on the ministerial students to assist them in protracted meetings and other work, if they have it, and also to see that the young brethren receive remuneration for their services. We heartily second the motion, and hope that pastors will take pains to act upon it. But where are the young preachers whose services may be had? Many pastors do not know. If each of the young brethren will send his post-office address to this office, we will insert it in the paper, and also keep it for reference.

A. B. Metcalf, Ozark: I have just closed a meeting at Smyrna church, near Dothan, Henry county. The meeting lasted six days, the church was greatly revived, and ten new members added, seven by baptism and three by letter. I was assisted by Rev. R. Deal, who preached earnestly and faithfully until Tuesday night.—The church at Smyrna is building up and I feel very much encouraged with my work there as pastor.—I have served that church since October, 1894, and I was never among people who treated me with more kindness than do those at Smyrna.—One of the new members gave me the money to have the ALABAMA BAPTIST sent to him. May God's blessings rest upon these people.

W. J. D. Upshaw, Lineville, June 26: The outlook at Millerville is quite encouraging. We had a most delightful meeting last Sunday. The Sunday-school lesson was missionary, and immediately following, we had a splendid reading from missionary tracts and then an old-fashioned missionary sermon. Our people were thoroughly awakened in the work. One good sister who had a two dollar and a-half gold coin at home, resolved during the sermon to give it to the cause of missions.—Allow me space to thank those good ladies at Millerville for their many kindnesses shown me, but especially for the beautiful quilt presented me sometime ago. We are truly grateful that the Lord will bless this church greatly.

J. W. Cabanis, Arlington: I moved into this community eighteen months since, and I am the only Baptist in it. My work in part has been very pleasant. Of course the financial condition of the country, and the lack of spirituality on the part of some of the members make it unpleasant so far as the finances of the church are concerned, but let us labor and look for a better day.—Within the last eighteen months I have organized one church, baptized twenty-five converts, assisted in the ordination of twelve deacons and married eight couples. Now, brother Editor, if you can find a preacher who can beat that, send him down, and to him I will extend my hand and bid him God speed.—God bless you and the dear old BAPTIST.

Some weeks since the Ministers' Conference of this city began a movement to insure the enforcement of the local law with reference to gambling, open saloons on Sunday and other forms of evil which have long been a stain upon the moral character of the city. So far the conference has attempted nothing that might be called sensational. Its influence has been used merely for the enforcement of laws already in existence. These efforts have thus far met with gratifying success, so that it is said to be quite a difficult matter to obtain a drink of intoxicating liquor on Sunday from a saloon. Dr. Eager, president of the Conference, recently issued an address in which the statutes affecting the matters specially within the view of the Conference are set forth, and a fact is also given which shows the difficulty in the way of the selection of police officers who will enforce the law. Every citizen should support the Ministers' Conference in the effort to purify the moral atmosphere of the city by the rigid observance of law.

E. S. Moncrief, Phenix City: We have just closed another meeting of one week's duration at Westside church, resulting in 8 for baptism and 9 by letter, and making over one hundred that have united with this church in the past five months.—The church has paid the last dollar of its building debt, and we expect to dedicate it at 4 o'clock in the afternoon of the 3d Sunday in July. We would be glad to have all our brethren and friends pre-

sent. The sermon will be preached by Rev. W. H. Smith, of Columbus. It will be a good sermon.—Our Sunday-school numbers about 200. Our prayer-meeting is well attended.—Five months ago this church owed \$400 on building. They have paid it and bought a carpet and 16 new pews. We have raised nearly \$800 in six months. Some have acted nobly.—The cause at large is getting on well. Judge Cumbee at the First church is doing a grand work.—We are going to try to send you a list of subscribers soon.

Montgomery association meets with the church at Hayneville, Lowndes county, on Tuesday, July 16th, 17th and 18th. All the chairmen of committees have been notified to have reports ready, and blank letters have been mailed to all the clerks of the churches in this association. Get ready, brethren; you know your committee; your clerk has the letter form, and knows the number of delegates you or church is entitled to. There should be 108 delegates present.—Live delegates—as live as the gospel can make them. Come with a determination to say something or do something for the advancement of the Master's kingdom. The first association to meet, let us be leaders in the race before us. Onward and upward should be our course. It is essential that this be the best meeting in our history as an association. It will be if you say it shall be. Come praying and with a mind to work. Let your contributions for minutes be more liberal.—J. C. POPE, Clerk.

Sidney Catts, Fort Deposit: We were gladdened on Friday, June 21 by a visit from Bro. S. O. Y. Ray, who preached a strong gospel sermon on the text, "Paul plants, Apollos waters, God gives the increase." These three divisions were dwelt upon, and not a Christian present but felt as we listened that we should plant more seed of the gospel for the reaping by and bye. Sunday night Bro. Ray returned from Mt. Willing and delivered his map lecture on missions. I know our people enjoyed this very much indeed from what they have since said. Bro. Ray is a strong preacher, and makes the points dwelt upon so plain that he is easily understood. He speaks much of the doctrine of the Scriptures as we believe it, and thus is a tower of strength to every church visited, confirming the faith of the weak and giving new strength to the strong. He is gifted with the power of winning people to his way of thinking by a persuasion at once pleasant and yet powerful. His work through this section is very helpful, uniting the churches and overcoming prejudices, and we hope to see him come around again.

There was a large and enthusiastic meeting at the First Baptist church, on Monday night last, to further consider the organization of a Montgomery Baptist Union. Delegates were present from all the churches, and many members also. On motion, all members were invited to vote on propositions, that might be submitted. A committee of one from each church was appointed to prepare constitution and by-laws, the committee consisting of J. G. Harris, G. W. Ellis, W. B. Holmes and A. L. Bayne. A motion was adopted to go into permanent organization, but this was not completed. The committee reported constitution and by-laws, a part of which was adopted, and the remainder referred back to the committee, the secretary, J. B. Collier, and the pastors of the churches being added to the committee. A number of earnest speeches were made, and the enthusiasm manifested gave promise of an active organization and effective work. It is hoped that the interest will continue. Another meeting will be held at the First church on Monday night next. Let the Baptists of the city go to that meeting prayerfully determined to assist in helping on the good work.

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There is an abundance of material here for work. I find many families where not one belongs to the church, and in numbers of families the wife is a member of some church, but the husband and children are not. As far as I have been

For the Alabama Baptist. Evangelistic Meetings in Selma. The minister's conference of Selma, composed of the Baptist, Presbyterian and Methodist pastors, several weeks ago arranged for union meetings. The place agreed upon is a large warehouse, which when fitted with seats and platform, formed a most excellent tabernacle, seating 3,000 or more people. The meetings began the first Sunday in June, Dr. A. C. Barron doing the preaching and Prof. P. W. Bush, the sweet gospel singer, leading the music. These brethren are connected with the National Evangelization Society, whose headquarters is in Baltimore. The churches of the city closed on Sunday nights and people of all denominations thronged the tabernacle. In two or three instances the attendance was estimated at 2,300 to 2,500. A chorus class of 200 voices gave a volume of song which was truly inspiring. The interest was deep at the beginning and well sustained, in spite of the fact that Dr. Wharton's coming was delayed by the deepening interest of the meeting in Wilmington, N. C. In fact the pastors of that place tried hard to have him released, so as to give another week there. Before Dr. Wharton came, which was last Sunday, the Christian people had been much revived and some seventy-five persons had professed conversion. Many others manifested a concern about salvation.

Last Sunday night (23d inst) more than 3,000 people crowded the tabernacle to hear Dr. Wharton's first sermon. It aroused the deepest interest, and the meeting has grown daily in power. A large number have given their hearts to Christ. The meetings are still in progress, but will close on next Sunday.

Dr. Barron has gone to Charlotte, N. C., to begin a meeting in the auditorium of that city, a house accommodating, it is said, fully 5,000 people. Like the meeting at Selma, this is a union meeting, but there, as in Selma, our Baptist pastors take a leading part. Pastors A. J. Dickinson and J. E. Barnes were very helpful in Selma. Indeed, the fellowship of the churches of Selma is lovely, yet no one seems to make any sacrifice of principle. Dr. Dickinson, as your readers know, has a lovely church and wields a wide influence. Pastor Barnes is doing a fine work, but this fall will go to the Seminary at Louisville. A. C. B.

Selma, June 26. The Associational Meetings. There are seventy-four associations in the state. This includes the Macedonia and Southeastern, having churches in Mississippi, the Geneva and Elim with churches in Florida, and the Harmony (east) which extends over into Georgia.

One association meets in July, four in August, seventeen in September, forty-five in October and two in November, leaving five in the list of "unknown." Of the October meetings fourteen meet the first week, same number the second week, ten the third week and seven the fourth week.

I request that brethren will examine the list and let me know at once of corrections that need to be made. I would suggest that the list be preserved by brethren doing agency work, as we will not ask the paper to publish it in full again. I would greatly appreciate it if some brother will forward me the minutes of the associations marked as "unknown."

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Bro. Glenn expects to be with me on the 3d Sunday in July, and it is our intention to organize a church and conduct a protracted meeting immediately after. We organized a prayer-meeting Tuesday night.

I will be at Cardiff next week, and Brookside the week after, working those fields as I have this, then I will come back here the week before the third Sunday.

The field is broad and the labor is great. Pray that God may shower his blessings upon the field and work. J. W. O'HARA.

Blossburg.

For the Alabama Baptist. "Close Communion."

"Wherefore, whoever shall eat this bread and drink this cup of the Lord unworthily shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord." (1 Cor. 11:27.) "For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body." (1 Cor. 11:29.) "Unworthily" is where the emphasis rests; and not "worthy," as commonly used.

The former is an admission of qualification, having reference to manner. The latter has no connection with it.

The qualifications are, (1) belief, (2) baptism, (3) the proper elements, (4) to "show the Lord's death till he come." (1 Cor. 11:26.) (5), in a church capacity composed of baptized believers.

The Scripture quoted, and the logical conclusion drawn are "close," and I plead guilty to the charge rather than being "guilty of the body and blood of the Lord," or suffer the "damnation" threatened.

Thousands of Baptist people do not know what it is to eat and drink "unworthily," to say nothing of the misguided thousands of others, and for no other reason than that the things of the Lord are too unpopular to be pressed.

The force of religious circumstances may demand the reverse; but the force of religious truth will not permit it.

W. R. WHATLEY, Alexander City.

The Judson and Mathematics. A gentleman who had a daughter to educate asked me if the Judson teachers put much store on mathematics for girls. I told him I was a trustee of the school; that I asked Mr. Averett when he first visited the Judson with the view of becoming its president, if he believed girls could take as high mathematics as boys, and if he believed female schools should teach mathematics as faithfully as male schools? His reply was very emphatic and in the affirmative. I told him candidly I would not have voted for him if his answer had been less emphatic. The Judson's teacher of mathematics is a graduate of Mary Sharp College in Tennessee, when that institution was at its best, and those who are familiar with its history know that the education there given was equal to that of the best male colleges.

I have before me a letter from a Judson graduate, of the last class, asking me to get her a position as assistant in some good school and she says, "I prefer to teach mathematics."

W. B. CRUMPTON.

For the Alabama Baptist. Dr. A. J. Gordon's Books.

It has been charged that Baptists are not as appreciative of their men of learning as some others of the Lord's people. If this charge has ever had any foundation in fact, it is rapidly being removed. Our scholarly men have not been given to writing as have the Presbyterians, and hence the products of their learning have not remained to subsequent generations. The American Baptist Publication Society is meeting this denominational want with commendable zeal. The works recently issued from its presses are worthy of the highest praise and a wide circulation. Among them are three little books by the late Dr. A. J. Gordon, "The Ministry of the Holy Spirit," "How Christ came to Church" and "Elements of Christian Character." Every Baptist preacher in Alabama ought, if necessary, sell his coat and buy the first of these, and if possible the other two.

Dr. Gordon has long been a leader in missionary work among American Baptists. The secret of this wise leadership comes out in these books. He writes as a scholar who knows what he says not only by erudition and study, but by personal experience, and there is a concreteness about his treatment which I have nowhere else found. If a pastor before beginning his protracted meeting work during the summer, would get and read these books, I can but think that his usefulness would be doubled and his own spiritual life increased by power from on high. I loaned my copy to a Presbyterian lady, and she read it three times and wants to get her friends to read it. It is one of those books which mark an epoch of higher and holier living for the reader. It is sound to the core, and bears you into the very presence of God. I almost feel like saying that if you will get and read these books and do not feel that your spiritual life is quickened, I will pay for them myself. I have written this with the hope of inducing many pastors to get these books, which will cost him only two dollars, not so much in the interest of the publishers, though they deserve it, as in the interest of the readers who will be so richly fed.

Selma. A. J. DICKINSON.

For the Alabama Baptist. Ray's Ramblings.

I was at Rutledge on the third Sunday, Bro. W. C. Avant is pastor. This is the stronghold of anti-missions in Southeast Alabama. As a consequence our church is weak, but they have some noble spirit among them, and the cause is on the up grade. Bro. Avant is the leading preacher in all this country. One very pleasant feature of the meeting was the addition to the church of Miss Juddie Avant, who will be a valuable worker. This is the last of the daughters of the pastor, the rest having been saved in the past. The visit to Rutledge was very pleasant to the visiting brother.

Sunday night I was with pastor Baber at Luverne. The day had been rainy, and the congregation small, but the service was very pleasant. This is a promising field, and will some day be one of the best churches in the state. I spent a very pleasant night with Bro. Howard and family including Uncle Will. The next night I delivered a map lecture at Rutledge to a small audience, which was considered by some of the people as radical, but it did good.

Tuesday morning, by request of the pastor, I baptized Miss Juddie Avant. Then, in company with Bro. J. F. Sims, I was off for Chapel Hill, where we found a good congregation awaiting the delayed preachers. Bro. T. T. Dobbs is pastor, and is one of the best pastors I met on this trip. Bro. Kolb, was also with us, to the delight of the brethren. He has been near death's door for some time, but is now to all appearance on the way to health again. May the Lord grant him restoration to his work and the cause. We had service again at night, and after a pleasant night spent with Bro. Dobbs, we were off to Damascus, where I preached to a small attendance. Then again at night at the house of Bro. Roach, where we had a large number. Then, in company with Bro. Kirksey I started for Honorville, where I found a small congregation. At night I preached again to a large audience. I met the pastor, Bro. Bailey, and Brothers Tom Morgan and Davidson. This is a good community, but they are not doing some things they ought. How they do need a good meeting house, and a good school, both of which they say they are going to have.

Young Bro. Morgan carried me to Greenville, where I spent a pleasant day with Bro. Harris and his family. The brethren in the state will rejoice to know that the saloon trouble in this church has at last been settled by the exclusion of those who were engaged in it. This was a mill stone around their necks. They are on the road to greater usefulness.

Friday night and Sunday night I preached at Fort Deposit. Bro. Catts is doing a fine work here, and has a noble band around him. Saturday night and Sunday I was at Mt. Willing, where I preached to good congregations. This ought to be one of our strongest churches. They are very helpful in their work. Bro. J. B. Powell is the pastor, and they had many pleasant things to say of him. They have one of the best high schools here I have seen in the state, over which Prof. Garrett presides. I am indebted to Calvin Hinson and family for much kindness in many ways. They expect to send their daughters to the Judson next session. After a hot ride to Fort Deposit, another sermon, and a night spent with brother Catts, I was off for home.

S. O. Y. RAY.

For the Alabama Baptist. District Meeting.

The third district of the Central association will convene with Olive Branch church, Coosa county, on Friday before the third Sunday in July inst.

Preaching at 11 o'clock, by N. O. Dobbs. The body will meet at 1:30 for permanent organization.

Query: Has the church of Christ the Scriptural right to tolerate dram drinking as a beverage? C. J. Bentley and E. W. Powell.

2. What is adoption, and when does it occur? J. D. Hughes and T. A. Kelley.

3. Why is it our duty to send the gospel to the heathen? N. O. Dobbs and T. P. Moon.

Second day. The body to meet at 8 o'clock for devotional exercise led by J. H. Norrell. Preaching at 11 o'clock by E. W. Powell.

GEO. W. DAVIS, A. T. STANLEY, GEO. W. WARD, Committee.

For the Alabama Baptist. At the Orphanage.

We are obliged to have a cook room. The ladies of our church here have secured money enough to purchase a cooking range, but we can't set it up in our present kitchen; and besides, during this wet weather it is impracticable to keep water from draining into the cellar. This, if it should continue, might cause sickness.

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Meeting of State Board.

The annual meeting of the State Board of Missions will take place in the basement of the First Baptist Church in Montgomery on Tuesday, July 9th, at 11:30 a. m. It is an important meeting, and all the members are earnestly requested to attend. W. B. DAVIDSON, Secretary.

Montgomery Churches.

South Montgomery.—During Sabbath-school services quite a number of children present, with a good class of young people. In the absence of the pastor, Brother J. B. Shelton preached an excellent sermon, which was highly appreciated by a good congregation.

Clayton Street.—The inclement weather caused a small attendance at the Sunday-school. Pastor Thompson preached at both services. Morning text, 1 Cor. 7:31. At night a large congregation was present and listened attentively to the sermon on the saving power of Christianity from Luke 19:16. Baptism at the close. Three united with the church on Sunday night, June 23d.

First Church.—On account of rain the attendance at Sunday-school was small. Dr. Eager preached at 11 a. m., text Mark 9:1. At close of the sermon church went into conference, and indorsed the movement to form a Union of the Baptist churches of the city, and appointed delegates to attend a meeting of all the Baptist churches in the lecture room of the First church Monday night to perfect organization. At night Dr. Eager read the 3d chapter of James and made a most excellent talk, speaking of the tongue in relation to gossip, slander, calumny. The Doctor never enters his pulpit without being fully prepared to interest, instruct and edify his hearers, and his sermons (if possible) are growth more and more interesting.

Adams Street.—A hard rain of three hours duration prevented the usual large Sunday-school attendance, but over seventy of the faithful worshipped the storm and rendered for service. Good attendance at 11 o'clock service, when the pastor spoke on "Christ our refuge." Two received by letter. At night house crowded and a splendid service; pastor took as a text "To-day;" twelve or fifteen asked for prayer; one joined by experience. The B. Y. P. U. have fitted up a handsome room in the basement of the church for their meetings, which are largely attended every Tuesday night. The Red Bridge mission is flourishing. Delegates appointed by the church to attend a meeting to form a Montgomery Baptist Union.

Birmingham Conference.

East Lake.—Bro. Foster being absent, Prof. Giles preached at morning service. No service in the evening. Sunday-school small on account of rain.

First Church.—Good congregations. Pastor Gray preached at both services. The interest and attendance both increasing at the prayer-meetings, Wednesday evenings. There were visitors at the morning service on Sunday from Massachusetts, Nebraska, Illinois, Missouri, Tennessee and elsewhere, which shows the metropolitan character of Birmingham.

Southside.—At 11 a. m. pastor Hale preached on "Elisha;" at 8 p. m. from "Is thy heart right?" if so, give me thy hand and get up in the chariot with me." Monday night, July 8, Prof. and Mrs. Guckenberger will give a Grand Sacred Concert in the church, and will have charge of our music next Sunday. Wednesday night, July 10, Dr. Hawthorne will lecture in the church on Courage. On last Friday night the choir gave a splendid sacred concert to a crowded house, and a collection of about \$50 was taken.

Second Church.—Very rainy day. Sunday-school small; morning service not largely attended; subject, "The troubled soul's refuge." A very good congregation at night; subject, "The twelve rebaptized at Ephesus." Prayer-meeting well attended Wednesday night.

Since one brother of the Birmingham Ministers' Conference complains that his report was not just as we would have it, permit the secretary to say, for the good of others, that each minister writes his own report and it is not corrected unless by the editors. J. T. SAYELL, Sec. Min. Con. [The editor seldom makes a change in a report. Now and then clearness, or good taste, requires some modification of a writer's language. An editor must keep a strict watch over his columns.—Ed.]

Woodlawn.—Pastor Hobson preached at both services. Subject at 11 a. m., "An Object Lesson on Humility." Matt. 18:2. Sermon at night was the last in the series on Colossians.

Dolomite.—Ministers' and laymen's meeting convened on Thursday night; sermon by Bro. W. A. Hobson. Meeting continued through Sunday. Attendance good. Preaching by brethren Hobson, Gray, Williams and Lloyd. Essays or addresses by brethren Sayell, Johnston and others. It is hoped that good was accomplished.

Warrior, fourth Sabbath.—Large Sunday-school attendance.—Pastor preached in evening to large congregation. Baptized 14 in the afternoon. Restored two. At night gave way to Methodist brethren, who were, with co-operation of Baptists, carrying on an interesting meeting.

Williamsburgh.—Preaching Saturday night and Sunday by pastor W. A. Connell. Both services very interesting. Quite a number on Sunday manifested interest in the prayers of Christians. Saturday night subject, Discipleship; on Sunday, Administering to those who are not able to provide for themselves. Regular time of meeting, 2d Sunday morning and night. A live Sunday-school and a prayer-meeting.

Pratt City.—Pastor Wood has been sick for several days. His pulpit was occupied by brother Thames at both houses. A large congregation of young people greeted the visiting brother at night. Both sermons were practical and were enjoyed by the people. The members are working to paint the church and make some other improvements.

For the Alabama Baptist.

The Orphanage.

Will the brethren remember that it is impossible for me to feed this large family of destitute children unless they send the means with which to do it? Let more of the churches, Sunday-schools, &c. do as the Ladies Aid Society and the Children's Mission Society of Clayton Street church, Montgomery. For nearly two years they have not failed to send a contribution nearly every month.

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JNO. W. STEWART.

How Alabama Stands!

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD S. B. C. RICHMOND, VA., June 1st, 1895.

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"Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come."—1 Cor. 16:2.

R. J. WILLINGHAM, Cor. Sec.

OBITUARY.

One of our men is passing away, Aunt Jane LeRoy departed this life Monday, June 24. She was sixty-four years of age, and had been a member of the Baptist church for 40 years. She was always ready to go to her church, she leaves three children, five step-children, two sisters and one brother to mourn her loss. Grieve not, loved ones; mother only sleeps. She was a patient and sweet woman, but bore it patiently, and passed away as quietly as a child falls asleep. Sleep on, dear Aunt, until we shall meet again. R. J. WILLINGHAM, Cor. Sec.

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Death has again visited our ranks, and has laid down a beautiful, innocent and sweet little girl, Mary Kate, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Davis. She was seemingly well, and very playful at noon, but before the rising of the morning sun she was cold in death. Mary Kate was very bright and smart to have been so young. Her little voice is hushed on earth, but raised in heaven. Weep not, mother and father, she only sleeps. So live that on the great resurrection morn you may meet your sweet one in heaven. May this stroke of Providence prove an effectual means of leading some who loved her to Jesus. God bless the bereaved. S. P. LINDSEY.

Did, on 3d of June last, little Joseph Boardman Watson, son of John and Nancy Watson, of Furman. He was born July 1, 1894. A bright and sweet boy in the family on earth has been plucked by the Great Gardener and transplanted in a fairer clime above. Sorrowing parents, sisters and brother, he is not lost to you, but awaits your coming on the other shore.

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The subject of this sketch was born in Jasper county, Ga., 46 years ago, and died on the 2nd of May, 1895, for the wife of Bro. T. N. Johnson, of Phenix City, and daughter of A. D. Robinson, deceased, of Chambers county, Ala. She leaves two daughters, a husband and four sons to mourn her loss. For 30 years she has been a member of the Baptist church, and living monument of the reality of religion and the grandest type of Christian womanhood. It seemed that her highest ambition was to do others good—never so happy as when others were happy. She died in the full triumph of a living faith. Even when the shadows of death began to lengthen around her, and she could no longer speak, she smiled and pointed up to heaven, indicating her desire to meet her loved ones in the life to come. She died a member of West-side Baptist church. E. S. MONCRIEF, PASTOR.

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W. B. C.

There is a good story told of old Dr. John Brown, of Haddington, a goodly minister of the last century. Speaking to a farmer of his congregation one day, who was desirous to put one of his boys into the ministry, and having fears that the lad was not in all respects adapted for the office, he said: "If he has no knowledge he may get that; if he has no learning he may get that; if he has no Hebrew and Greek he may get that; if he has no grace of God he may get that; but if he has no common sense he will never get it."

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Very truly yours,

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Meetings of Associations—'95.

Montgomery—Hayville ch, July 16, AUGUST.

Florence—Pleasant Valley church, near Center Star, Friday before 1st Sunday, Troy—Salem ch, Brundidge, Fri. before 1st Sunday.

Mobile—Bay Minette, L. & N. R. R., Thurs. before 2nd Sunday.

Selma—Carrollville ch, Tuesday before 3d Sunday.

SEPTEMBER.

Shelby—Jemison, Chilton Co., Wednesday before 1st Sunday.

Tuscaloosa—Flatwoods ch, Wednesday before 2d Sunday.

Elm—Sullivan church, Escambia county, Saturday before 2d Sunday.

Coosa River—Childersburg, Wednesday before 2d Sunday.

Pine Barren—Forest Home, Butler Co., Wednesday before 3d Sunday.

Harris—Philadelphia church, near Smith Station, Lee county, Thursday before 3d Sunday.

Liberty (North)—Mt. Zion ch, Madison county, Thursday before 3d Sunday.

Bethel—Nanafalia ch, Fri. before 3d Sun. Bethlehem—Enon ch, Wednesday before 4th Sunday.

Radford—Bible Grove ch, 3 miles north of Randolph, Bibb county, Wednesday before 4th Sunday.

Cedar Bluff—Mt. Bethel ch, Cherokee county, Friday before 4th Sunday.

Sulphur Springs—Harmony ch, Blount county, 6 miles from Reid's Gap, L. & N. R. R., Fri. before 4th Sunday.

Mineral Springs—Liberty ch, Jefferson county, Friday before 4th Sunday.

North River—Samuels ch, 3 miles east of Jasper, Saturday before 4th Sunday.

Belling Springs—Mt. Olive church, Tuesday after 4th Sunday.

Tennessee River—Pleasant ch, Jackson Co., Friday after 4th Sunday.

Birmingham—First City, Tuesday before 1st Sunday.

OKLAHOMA.

Union—Forest ch, Pickens county, Tuesday before 1st Sunday.

Central—Rockford church, Choctaw county, Wednesday before 1st Sunday.

Brighton—Livingston ch, Sumter county, Wednesday before 1st Sunday.

Salem—Good Hope ch, 2 miles west of South Bethel, Jackson ch, Clarke county, Thursday before 1st Sunday.

Justus—Shelbyville ch, Henry county, Thursday before 1st Sunday.

Liberty (Central)—Hopewell ch, Hale Co., Carthage P. O., Fri. before 1st Sun. Macedonia—New Prospect ch, Washington county, Friday before 1st Sunday.

Muscle Shoals—Bethel ch, Lawrence Co., Friday before 1st Sunday.

Harmony (East)—Shiloh ch, Polk county, Ga., Friday before 1st Sunday.

Yellow Creek—Shiloh ch, Lamar county, 6 miles north of Vernon, Saturday before 1st Sunday.

Rock Mills—Paran ch, Randolph county, Saturday before 1st Sunday.

Troy, Thursday before 1st Sunday.

Cherokee County—Caledonia ch, Cherokee county, Saturday before 1st Sunday.

Clear Creek—Blossing Grove church, Walker county, Sat. before 1st Sunday.

Unity—Fellowship ch, 6 miles west of Plasterden, Tues. before 1st Sunday.

Liberty (East)—Farmville ch, Lee county, Tuesday before 2d Sunday.

Columbia—Selma church, Henry county, Wednesday before 2d Sunday.

Calhoun—Oak Bowery ch, Wednesday before 2d Sunday.

Newton—Newton church, Wednesday before 2d Sunday.

Weogulka—Bethlehem ch, Shelby county, Thursday before 2d Sunday.

Alabama—Siloam church, Crenshaw Co., Friday before 2d Sunday.

Antioch—Boguslova church, Choctaw county, Friday before 2d Sunday.

Cahaba Valley—Friendship ch, 9 miles south of Ashville, Fri. before 2d Sun.

Etowah—Antioch ch, St. Clair county, Friday before 2d Sunday.

Harmony (West)—Hephzibah ch, Saturday before 2d Sunday.

New River—Macedonia ch, 4 miles south of Fayette C. H., Sat. before 2d Sunday.

Big Bear Creek—Crooked Oak ch, Colbert county, Sat. before 2d Sunday.

Tuskegee—Pleasant Grove ch, 6 miles west of Salem, Tues. before 3d Sunday.

Carey—Ashland ch, Clay Co., Wednesday before 3d Sunday.

Cahaba—Ephesus ch, Wed. before 3d Sun.

Haw Ridge—Mt. Liberty church, Dale county, Wednesday before 3d Sunday.

Centennial—Midway ch, Montgomery county, Thursday before 3d Sunday.

Cherokee—Friendship ch, 8 miles north-west of Collinsville, Thu. before 3d Sun.

Warrior River—Mt. Tabor ch, Thursday before 3d Sunday.

Zion—Zion ch, near Leon, Crenshaw Co., Friday before 3d Sunday.

Harmony Grove—Eldridge ch, Friday before 3d Sunday.

Barbacoche—Antioch ch, Randolph Co., (Neches P. O.), Sat. before 3d Sunday.

Enfauca—Center Ridge ch, Barbour Co., Tuesday before 4th Sunday.

Cullman—Hopewell ch, Thursday before 4th Sunday.

New Providence—Loverne, Crenshaw Co., Friday before 4th Sunday.

Mt. Moriah—New Prospect ch, 30 miles northeast of Tuscaloosa, Friday before 4th Sunday.

Cedar Creek—Liberty Hill ch, Cleburne county, Saturday before 4th Sunday.

Geneva—Adoniram ch, Saturday before 4th Sunday.

Concord—Mt. Pleasant ch, 9 miles east of Chapman, Sat. after 4th Sunday.

NOVEMBER.

Pea River—New Hope ch, 5 miles east of Victoria, Coffee county, Wednesday before 1st Sunday.

Marshall—Bethesda ch, Marshall county, Friday before 1st Sunday.

UNKNOWN.

Mad Creek—North Alabama—South Eastern—Tallapoosa River—

Miss Sawyer, who is poor, was introduced at a lunch party to Miss Taylor, who is rich, and was coldly received. Miss Sawyer is bright and knows her own antecedents and Miss Taylor's also. She was unabashed, and spoke cheerfully: "I'm so glad to meet you. I've often wanted to. It's so funny—my name is Sawyer and my grandfather was a tailor; and your name is Taylor and your grandfather was a sawyer. Mine used to make clothes for yours, and yours used to saw wood for mine."

He—And would you think of me much if I were to go away?

She—Much? I would think even more of you.

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Thin Places.

"There! my darling is done for this week—every hole is mended." "And the thin places?" "Thin places! Why, auntie, I never look for thin places! There are always holes enough to keep me busy."

"When I was a little girl," said auntie, "I had a dear old grandmother, who taught me to mend and darn, and with the teaching she slipped in many a lesson about higher things. 'Look out for thin places,' she used to say, 'it'll save thee a deal of time and trouble. A few runs back and forth with the needle will save a half hour's darning next week. There are a few thin places in thy character,' she said one day, 'that'd be better attend to—little failings that will soon break into sins.' I did not quite understand her, so sweetening her talk with a bit of chocolate she carried for the bairns, she said: 'I see thy mother picking up thy hat and coat; putting away thy rubbers

again and again. I hear these sometimes speak pretty sharply when some one interrupts thee at thy story reading. I heard thee offer to dust the parlor several days ago, but thee forgot it, and today thy mother put down her sewing to do it."

"I felt so ashamed that I never forgot about the thin places after that, though I'm afraid I did not always attend to them at once."

"Why, Aunt Mary! If you had not said grandma, I'd think you meant me! There are my rubbers under the stove, and I promised mamma to dust the sitting room this very day! But I don't quite understand what holes she meant."

"If you can't find your things and you are in a hurry, what might happen, Grace?"

Grace colored and her eyes fell. "I did get real mad about my grammar. I was sure I had put it in my desk!"

"And you found it on the divan! Then if you promise, and do not perform, does it not lower your notion of truthfulness, and so give Satan more power over you?"

"Why, auntie, dear, I went right up and tidied my room!"

"I don't understand, Grace."

"I thought you knew," said the girl in a shame-faced whisper, "I told mother I had tidied my room (for I promised I would) when I had forgotten it and was ashamed to own up. O, I see how thin places become holes, and I mean to look out."

"With God's help," said auntie, softly, and Grace, giving her a hug, ran to put away her rubbers and dust the sitting-room.

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9:34 am	Spring Valley	5:44 pm
9:36 am	Passing Place	5:41 pm
9:48 am	Littleville	5:29 pm
9:57 am	Good Springs	5:19 pm
10:07 am	Russellville	5:10 pm
10:18 am	Darlington	5:01 pm
10:34 am	Spurce Pine	4:47 pm
10:44 am	Phil Campbell	4:37 pm
10:57 am	Bear Creek	4:14 pm
11:15 am	Haleyville	3:57 pm
11:25 am	Delmar	3:47 pm
11:43 am	Natural Bridge	3:30 pm
11:56 am	Lynn	3:18 pm
12:12 pm	Navoo	3:03 pm
12:27 pm	Oakland	2:50 pm
12:35 pm	Sargassos	2:42 pm
12:42 pm	Gamble	2:35 pm
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2:50 pm	Ar. Birmingham	12:20 pm

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SOUTH BOUND.		No. 58	No. 56
Leave Montgomery	7:40 pm	7:40 pm	7:10 am
" Troy	9:13 pm	9:13 pm	8:56 am
" Oakridge	10:10 pm	10:10 pm	10:10 am
" Bainbridge	11:10 pm	11:10 pm	11:00 am
" Thomasville	12:27 am	12:27 am	12:05 pm
Arrive Waycross	5:25 am	5:25 am	5:35 pm
" Jacksonville	7:55 am	7:55 am	8:15 pm
Leave Montgomery	7:40 pm	7:40 pm	7:10 am
" Dupont	9:13 pm	9:13 pm	8:56 am
Arrive High Springs	10:10 pm	10:10 pm	10:10 am
" Port Tampa	11:10 pm	11:10 pm	11:00 am
Leave Montgomery	7:40 pm	7:40 pm	7:10 am
Arrive Waycross	5:25 am	5:25 am	5:35 pm
" Savannah	7:55 am	7:55 am	8:15 pm
Leave Waycross	5:25 am	5:25 am	5:35 pm
Arrive Jacksonville	7:55 am	7:55 am	8:15 pm

NORTH BOUND.		No. 57	No. 53
Leave Jacksonville	6:00 pm	6:00 pm	8:00 am
" Waycross	9:05 pm	9:05 pm	10:38 am
" Thomasville	10:05 pm	10:05 pm	11:38 am
" Bainbridge	11:10 pm	11:10 pm	12:46 pm
Arrive Oakridge	12:27 am	12:27 am	1:40 pm
" Troy	1:40 am	1:40 am	2:40 pm
" Montgomery	2:55 am	2:55 am	3:58 pm
Leave Port Tampa	7:10 pm	7:10 pm	7:30 am
" Tampa	8:00 pm	8:00 pm	8:00 am
" High Springs	9:45 am	9:45 am	9:05 pm
Arrive Dupont	10:27 am	10:27 am	7:43 pm
" Montgomery	11:45 am	11:45 am	8:45 pm
Leave Savannah	6:00 pm	6:00 pm	7:55 am
Arrive Waycross	9:05 pm	9:05 pm	10:35 am
" Thomasville	10:05 pm	10:05 pm	11:35 am
" Montgomery	11:10 pm	11:10 pm	12:43 pm
Leave Brunswick	6:00 pm	6:00 pm	8:00 am
Arrive Montgomery	11:45 am	11:45 am	8:45 pm

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