





## Alabama Baptist.

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It is a matter of common knowledge to us to give this issue of our paper over to the interest of female education as a special anniversary and wrought out by our Baptist Brotherhood. It is entirely in our line to foster and encourage the better education of our people. Our readers share with us this purpose, and we believe will find this issue of the BAPTIST of profound interest, and the able contributions will be read with peculiar pleasure.

Our enterprise is the organ of the Alabama Baptists, to serve from time to time the ends they may have in view for the glory of our Lord and the building up of his kingdom. We are glad to be able this week to give this special proof of our sincere desire for the several agencies of the Convention to use our columns whenever they will be of service to them. We recognize that the secret of efficiency in every organ of the

others, is to be found in mutual sympathy and co-operation in their part. Thus only can we build up a harmonious body for Christ of these Baptists of Alabama. We desire, therefore, that the guardians of every interest of our Baptist people should use our columns as may be met at their pleasure.

It is just to say that the editor of this paper is not directly responsible for the articles appearing in this issue. Nor is the Judson as a corporation responsible for this write-up. But certain friends of that institution, who felt that it was not duly appreciated by many, have sought in this way to inform them more fully of its merits. The presentation here given the public is certainly not overdrawn, for there is no better college for young ladies in the land.

Dr. A. J. Dickinson, who informs us that he has no official, but only an "official" connection with that school, is the person responsible, "especially for all mistakes." The editor at least appreciates the Dr.'s "official" kindness.

On Monday last the new Baptist church at Letohatchie, on the L. & N. railroad, twenty miles south of Montgomery, was totally demolished by a storm. This church had just been completed at a cost of about \$7,500. The membership is small, and none of them rich. We now appeal to the Baptists over

these good people in rebuilding. They deserve our financial aid, our sympathy, our prayers and assistance. We have not heard a word from any of the members, but we feel sure of the fact that they will immediately rebuild. Our columns are open to any Letohatchie brethren for any appeal they wish to make to the brotherhood. They cannot rebuild at this time without aid, as they have just raised all the money possible to complete the building just blown down. We most earnestly appeal to the Montgomery association to make this cause their cause, and stand by Letohatchie church until it is rebuilt and paid for. We ought to do this. They are our people. Help them liberally. We must do it.

We desire to call special attention to the excellent articles on our first and fourth pages. Col. Murfee has a right to be heard above all others in Alabama on matters educational. Miss Anne Kirtley's name will be an inspiration to all Judson girls whom she has aroused to enthusiasm in pursuit of learning by her marvelous power to teach. She writes to girls a word wise and worthy of serious reflection. Miss Manly, also a skilled teacher in the Judson, has something to say to parents. Mrs. Tarrant, one of the first alumnae, shares with the Judson girls her own experience and appreciation of her grand old school. Do not fail to read Dr. Shuckford's article to his brethren on the fourth page. His wisdom so long recognized in leading the Baptist Brotherhood, will make his writing might after by all Baptists. Also, we are proud to present to our readers Mrs. Dawson and Foster, whose communications will be read with pleasure.

Our readers will see that this issue is devoted to "Our girls and the Judson." Much matter from correspondents is crowded out, but it will appear next week. We urge our subscribers to file this issue away for future reference. It is full of just such information as you will need to keep fresh in your mind. Education is just at this time much in the minds of the people. We regard this a very educative number of the paper.

Each year the Judson has been honored with the patronage of many people of other denominations. This is a compliment of which we are justly proud and which we try to merit. We will as in the past prove true to such a trust and give their daughters the very best Christian education possible. We have no desire to confine the benefits of this school to our own people, but would be glad to have others also enjoy them at their pleasure.

SOME MATTER coming in at a late hour of disturbed the calculations as to space that the pictures of the Judson's grounds must be left out. They may be inserted hereafter, possibly. Field Notes will appear next week.

The Character of a College. A college belongs to the genus of things which we commonly call social organizations. Within its walls there grows up a society composed of officers, teachers, pupils and all others who from year to year have a part in its organic life. In course of time this society

character which is the resultant of those who have wrought themselves into its social life. Thus in the course of its history there grow up standards of scholarship, morals, religious and social manners and customs which differentiate each college from every other and determine its reputation and standing in society at large. Thus each comes to have its peculiar character.

Now the character of the society of the college into which he proposes to place his daughter, and of which she must become a part in the formative period of life, is a matter of supreme moment to the prospective patron. The buildings and other temporal equipment, provided they are adequate for comfort and good work, are a minor consideration. Yet, strange to say, few catalogues furnish sufficient information with which to properly form an estimate of the character of the society which prevails in the institution they profess to represent. The quality of the social life of the college will silently and unconsciously exert more influence upon the forming character of all its pupils than all the learning of all its schools. Is that character high or low, Christian or un-Christian, vulgar or refined, vigorous or lethargic, elegant or common? These are questions of the greatest moment to the patron. As a pastor I am compelled to confess the fact that many young people suffer deterioration of character during college term, and from certain institutions this result invariably issues. They lower the quality of the steel while sharpening its edge. The character of the society of the college community in which

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### INTRODUCTION TO THE FACULTY.

In their selection of the Faculty for the Judson next session. For intellectual and teaching ability it is believed that this faculty is unsurpassed by any of the Southern colleges for young ladies.

LITERARY DEPARTMENT. Miss Bessie Bagby, of Virginia, has accepted the position of President Teacher, and will instruct the classes in Latin and Physics. Miss Bagby is a full graduate of the Hollins Institute, receiving the highest honors of the Institution, and for several years she has taught with distinguished success in some of the leading colleges of the South. She comes to us bearing the highest testimonials from such men as Prof. Chas. L. Cooke, Rev. Chas. Manly, D. D., Rev. T. P. Bell, D. D., and other leading teachers. Miss Bagby will be a notable addition to the Judson's teaching force.

REV. PAUL V. BOMAR, A. B., Pastor of Siloam church at Marion will next session teach Psychology and Biblical Literature. This announcement will be hailed with delight by all who attended his classes in Biblical Literature last session and all who have had the privilege of knowing this talented preacher and teacher. Mr. Bomar is a scholar in the true sense, a broad and deep student, and is in every way well equipped for the position which he has accepted.

MISS ANNE KIRKLEY. For the past six years Miss Kirkley has taught in the Judson the departments of English Language and Literature, Elocution and Physical Culture with the most pronounced success. The fact that she will continue her work next session will give the highest satisfaction to the

trinity of the Judson. It is a time to the institution unusually well endowed, and time has proved her worthy of every claim made for her as a lady, a Christian and a teacher. An enthusiastic teacher and student, her influence for good in the school is truly remarkable.

MISS MATTIE L. JONES, A. M., Will continue in charge of the department of Mathematics, a position she has filled with gratifying success for several years. Miss Jones adds to a very thorough knowledge of her subject rare teaching gifts, and her excellent work is highly commended by all who are acquainted with it. The Judson is fortunate to be able to command her.

MISS LOUISE VARY. The chair of Modern Languages will again be filled by Miss Louise Manly, who is well known in literary circles as the author of "Southern Literature." Miss Manly belongs to a family of great teachers, known in every part of the country. Having studied abroad for two years after completing her college course, she is peculiarly well qualified for her work.

Will teach History and Science. For many years she has aided over these classes with marked success, and has given the highest satisfaction. Her ability as a teacher has been tested and acknowledged not only in the Judson but in other important schools. Miss Vary is a full graduate of the Judson, and is an illustration of the high grade of work done at the institution.

MISS MATTIE MATTHEWS. For the past two years with such efficiency, will return and resume her duties in the same position.

MISS LOUISE BARNES, a full graduate of the Judson, will assist in the Literary department. The Judson has been fortunate in retaining the services of the same talented artist who conducted this department with such marked satisfaction to pupils and patrons last session. Prof. Edward L. Powers, pupil of Barth and Lechner, Berlin, Germany, who came to us so highly commended by his famous teachers, has fully met our expectations. He is not only a brilliant player, but an enthusiastic and successful teacher and withal a polished gentleman.

Mrs. W. A. King (Judson Institute) who has for years taught in the Judson so satisfactorily, will continue as teacher of Piano Organ and Piano. During her long stay at the Judson Mrs. King has gained an enviable reputation as an Organist and Pianist, and the announcement that she will retain her position is a guarantee that the Judson's

high standard in the Music Department will be maintained.

Miss Letta Bryan Stakely, (pupil of Madame Jean Kruger, Washington, D. C.) now abroad studying with the noted teachers of Voice in London and Paris, will return in time to resume the duties of the position she has occupied for the past two years. Several leading colleges offered Miss Stakely strong inducements to accept positions with them next session, and the Judson is to be congratulated that she decided to remain in charge of its Voice department.

Miss Minnie Gilmore (Judson Institute), who has had a few years experience as a successful teacher of music will be Superintendent of Practice, and assist with piano lessons.

It is safe to say that with this musical faculty the Judson offers advantages unequalled in the state and unsurpassed in the South.

MISS IDA M'ILLAN.

The Art Department will be presided over by Miss Ida McMillan, a graduate of the best art schools of New York and of Paris. She has for many years been a successful teacher, and comes to us with the highest recommendations of artists at home and abroad. Her recent visit to Paris and other European art centres will enable her to give to the Art department of the Judson the best methods of the best art schools of this country and of Europe.

THE HOME DEPARTMENT. Will be under the efficient management of Mrs. E. H. Phillips, Housekeeper, and Mrs. S. A. Wilkerson, matron, whose faithful services have been so much appreciated in the past.

It is hardly necessary to introduce Prea. R. G. Patrick, D. D., to the people of Alabama. When the mantle of the late president of the

guaranteeing of diplomas, but this alone would condemn it among upright, thinking people. Every self-respecting school will hold its diplomas at par and never consent to their depreciation by being bestowed upon the unworthy. Every pupil who merits them can get them; those who do not should not desire them. Nor should you desire one for your daughter until she has the attainment that merits it. This she may or may not get in the time specified. That depends on her own diligence and capacity, which is beyond the power of her tutor.

Applications for Help.

We often have applications from young ladies who are in straightened financial circumstances, asking assistance in order that they may attend the Judson. It is hard for the trustees to say no to such aspiring and worthy applicants. Yet what else can they do? They can not receive pupils at a loss, for the school has no funds to make up such a deficiency. Yet these noble girls deserve help. But whose duty is it to help them? Manifestly this appeal ought to go to our benevolent and worthy citizens. There are many men in Alabama who could help these worthy dependent girls by making to them a loan for that purpose, or a gift of an education. It would be an investment of money that would fruit in great good and yield a large harvest of happiness. If you are able to help, write to the president of the Judson and tell him you will help bear the burden of these worthy applicants, and you will be blessed in the deed.

A Note of Thanks.

We desire publicly to express our thanks to the generous friends of the Judson who nobly helped us in our recent effort to relieve it of debt. Also to the bondholders who were willing to meet us half way in relieving an embarrassing situation. Indeed, brethren, you did it handsomely, and while we have not the permission to publish your names, you will ever be held in grateful esteem by benevolent people. That debt was raised without a dollar's cost for agents, and is an evidence of what Baptists can do when they combine their energies in one earnest effort. Now that the Judson is free, thank all of our people for it and make it a yet greater power for good in the land.

ATTEST, R. G. PATRICK, CHAS. L. COOKE.

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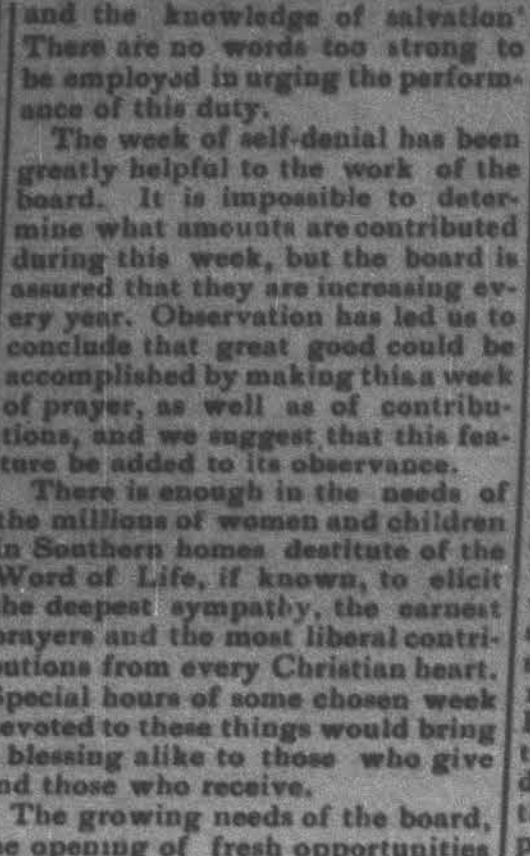
Character determines destiny; this is God's way of deciding our place in the future life.

grade of education received at the Judson. Of course you can get a cheaper education if you wish, but it is cheaper both in quality and price. Calico is cheaper than silk. If you prefer it, but it will not last so long nor be as comfortable. We offer you the same grade of learning









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