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## For the Alabama Baptist.

Our Educational Institutions.

In facilities for furnishing a broad

and thorough course of education

Alabama, in the number of its in-

stitutions at least, is well equipped;

and yet the work is by no means

satisfactory to the thinking mind

which has sufficient advantages to

enable it to know what a complete

course of education includes.

Where the trouble lies, and the re-

moval of the difficulties, furnish a

problem which our people must ul-

timately solve; and the sooner the

better. A careful and impartial

consideration of the matter leads

me to believe that we are endeavor-

ing to fit too many wheels in the

same place. The conception of

our educational system, as I under-

stand it, seems to me to be good;

but the trouble arises from a de-

parture from the original plans of

the structure. My notion of the

plans and purposes of the state is

derived from the work which the

state has undertaken. It has un-

deraken common school work,

university work and scientific and

industrial work. High school and

college work it has never expressed

any intention of doing, seemingly

leaving that for others to do. This

policy on the part of the state

strikes me as eminently wise. It

leaves room for religious and de-

nomination education, which the

state cannot furnish, just at the

very period in the life of the boy

or girl when it is most needed.

After passing through Christian

high schools and colleges, the pu-

pil's moral and religious character

is fairly matured, so that there is

more probability of avoiding the

absorption of irreligious ideas and

tendencies so often attendant upon

secular educational institutions.

If it be objected by the

enemies of denominational institu-

tions that the state should furnish

religious instruction, I demur. At

one of our district associations some

years ago a resolution was intro-

duced urging that the Bible be

taught in our public schools. I op-

posed the resolution. I desire my

boys and girls to be taught the

Bible, but I desire at the same time

to know who is teaching it, and

what interpretation is being given.

If it be objected that this may be

done by the various denominations

in connection with state institu-

tions, I submit that it cannot be

so well done when the student may

be under religious influences one

hour, and subjected to irreligious

and too often atheistic influences

the next, as when the pupil is

wholly surrounded and controlled

by religious influences.

The great question, and at the

same time the most practical ques-

tion is, how to make the most of

what we have. The answer to this

lies in the operation and co-operation

of the various institutions. Let

each institution do the specific

work for which it was created.

One of the best ways to have peace

and prosperity in a community is

by every man "attending to his

own business." It is by no means

a bad rule for our educational in-

stitutions to follow. I hold also

that each institution will have as

much as it can properly perform, if

it will do that. A violation of this

rule has produced two harmful re-

sults. 1st. It has produced friction

and jealousy between various in-

stitutions which ought to be natu-

ally co-operative and helpful. 2d.

It has narrowed the course of study

furnished in the state, so that stu-

dents are attending the University

of Virginia and other universities,

when they ought to be able to find

all they need here in our own state.

Thousands of dollars that ought to

be spent at the University of Ala-

bama are going out of the state be-

cause of lack of proper facilities at

home. Now I maintain that the

University of Alabama ought to be

able to do as good University work

as any other state university, with

the \$25,000 per year income, along

with its receipts from tuition, etc.

Its patronage would be increased,

when it sought the good will of

the colleges. The colleges would

then become feeders to the univer-

sity, and the colleges could, and

doubtless would urge their gradu-

ates to attend our own university.

The same principle ought to be re-

garded by many of the so-called

colleges of our state. We have too

many cross-road "colleges" that

are doing work of bare mediocrity

for high schools, which ought to

change their names to high schools

or academies. In the very nature

of the case, they can never be any

thing more than high schools, and

their boasted claims are both a

farce and a swindle. Of all the in-

stitutions of human origin, an edu-

cational institution ought to be the

most honest and candid. I am a

sincere friend to all our institutions,

whether of denominational, state,

or private ownership. They are all

contributing to the betterment of

our civil, social, moral and reli-

gious conditions. All these insti-

tutions belong to the people of Ala-

bama, and the institutions and those

connected with them must not

for one moment believe that the

people belong to them. They are

our servants, and must work where

we put them. If they will do this,

each one taking its proper place,

our state can easily furnish all that

is furnished elsewhere, and at the

same time avoid friction and jeal-

ousy, and keep Alabama money in

Alabama. If necessary to do uni-

versity work, let the University of

Alabama increase its charges. Merit

will bring more patronage than

cheapness in the long run. I

suggest an educational conference

for the sole purpose of arranging

and adjusting the curricula of the

various institutions. Let the con-

ference be composed of representa-

tives from both the faculty and the

trustees of the various institutions.

Of course this could not be done

perfectly, at least for some time to

come, but by a proper understand-

ing and agreement, the encroach-

ment of one institution upon the

territory of that of another grade

and the friction consequent thereon

could be reduced to the minimum.

The field to be occupied by each

of our institutions is of equal im-

portance, and no one institution

ought to try to do it all. If there

is to be educational monopoly, let

each institution monopolize its own

proper sphere. Let no one think

for a moment either that any in-

stitution will or can do properly

the work for which it was not

created, and for which some other

institution was created. The pur-

pose for which each institution was

created has necessarily moulded the

institution, so that it is fitted for

that work and no other—that is,

if the institution has been properly

directed.

Now, if the foregoing views are

right, then there is no other insti-

tution so well adapted to the needs

of our Baptist boys as Howard

College, until they are sufficiently

advanced to enter a real university.

Its creation was with a view to

furnishing Christian and denomina-

tional training along with and

interwoven with a regular college

course, and the conduct of the col-

lege has been along that line from

its very creation. And the most

natural and reasonable supposition

is, that no other institution is so

well fitted to do for our boys just

what is needed to be done. The

religious and denominational train-

ing which your boy will receive at

Howard will be cheap at any price.

He will come out not only a man,

but a Baptist man, the highest type

of manhood on earth, possessing the

Baptist idea and imbued with the

genius of our denomination, and

with a denominational character

well developed. If you make the

mistake of sending him to any other

institution until he has passed

through Howard, he may pass out—

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT.

EDITED BY W. A. HOBSON,

East Lake, Ala.

SOUTHERN UNION TOPIC.

Sept. 26.—Alternate Topic: The

Rich Fool. Luke 12:16-21.

THE OCCASION OF THIS PARABLE

furnishes a striking introduction.

Jesus is giving instruction to his

disciples as to how they should de-

pend themselves when brought be-

fore the magistrates and powers,

when a man came to him out of the

multitude, saying, "Master, speak

to my brother, that he divide the

inheritance with me." As to

whether the claim is just or not, no

thing is said; but our Lord refused

to interfere in the matter of dis-

puting worldly property, and mov-

ing at once to the higher spiritual

realm, not of outward law and juris-

prudence, but of inward principle

and spiritual disposition, he pro-

ceeds to warn, not only the irate

brothers but all present, against

the sin of covetousness. Does not

covetousness lie back of most dis-

agreements and lawsuits about

property? Remove covetousness

from both parties, and there will be

no need of a "judge or a divider



# Alabama Baptist.

MONTGOMERY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1897.

Correspondence Course. (Anderson's)

Annual Announcement.

The fifth term of the Correspondence Course in System Making will begin Oct. 1st, 1897, and close May 1st, 1898. The expense to Alabama preachers will be \$1 per term—the cost of stationery and postage. To those outside the state the cost will be \$1.50 per term. On the receipt of the above amount the name will be enrolled and instructions and a full supply of stationery forwarded. Send on your names, brethren, so as to begin work promptly on the first of the term. We hope to reach every part of the state this year. Faithfully,  
G. S. ANDERSON,  
Auburn, Ala., Sept. 1, 1897.

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There are two women out West who claim to be Baptist preachers.

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About half the lamp-chimneys in use are Macbeth's.

All the trouble comes of the other half.

But go by the Index.

Write Macbeth Pittsburgh Pa.

## Montgomery Churches.

Clayton Street—Both services were conducted by the pastor. One received for baptism and one baptized since last report.

Adams Street—How does Adams Street church work? It is often asked. Sunday was a good day with us; two additions, one baptism. Sunday-school still better. Mrs. Tarrant's class has greatly helped in their individual rooms of untold value. At night people had to stand in the vestibule to hear the lecture by Pastor Gay on "Jerusalem." The Ladies' Aid Society at the church had a financial success of the month picnic, as they did of the trolley car party two weeks before. The Ladies' Aid Society at the Park gave a delightful tea at their meeting Thursday, which netted them a neat sum. The Ladies' Aid Society in North Montgomery had an enthusiastic meeting on Tuesday. The Sunbeams had a large meeting Sunday afternoon, about fifty present. Two of the Young People's Union went out to hold a meeting and there were seven conversions the first Sunday; last Sunday three. The beautiful "Rebecca" will be rendered by a large chorus in November, if they can get ready. The electrical apparatus which showed the magnificent views in the pictures was invented and made by our superintendent of Sunday-school, B. A. Blakey. He is a genius. The B. Y. P. U. meetings on Tuesday nights and prayer meeting on Wednesday nights study the Bible consecutively. Pastor has worked this way in all the services for many weeks. Sunday morning is given to exposition of Genesis. The choir, assisted by Bro. Martin's cornet and Bro. Blakey's clarinet, have given us sweet Christian music, led by Dr. Geo. W. Thomas. We have received members almost every Sunday for nearly four years. Although we are at work, there is great room for improvement, and we need the prayers of our sister churches. The tent meetings in North Montgomery were a success, chiefly in reclaiming backsliders; there were several conversions. Bro. David Menge was highly complimented. He came to us from the Methodists, and is a strong Gospel preacher, speaking solely the language of the Bible. He would make a good evangelist. Mrs. Tarrant's Girls' School opened under most favorable circumstances last Monday. Write to Rev. Wm. D. Gay for information.

## For the Alabama Baptist.

Liberty (East) Association.

This body meets with Dadeville church on the 5th of October. Brethren representing denominational interests will be entertained free, and will be very welcome. Dadeville is situated on the Columbus and Western railroad between Opelika and Birmingham, and 30 miles north of Opelika.

J. P. SHAFFER, Moderator.

## For the Alabama Baptist.

Bro. Bentley's Notes.

Ed. Ala. Baptist: My home has been dead since my last note by the death of my mother, who died on the night of August 23d, after enduring for a long time severe afflictions. Father and mother are both gone now, and I, even as the years go by and I grow older, feel more and more the need of their superior counsel. Our Father in Heaven promises yet Holy Spirit guidance; let us follow on.

Brother J. L. Gregory gave able help in our Ashland meeting in his good Gospel sermons, each of which was enjoyed by us all. My cousin, O. P. Bentley, of Goodwater, was also with us for a few days and helped us much. Although not many new members were added, those of our membership who attended the meeting were greatly helped, and all felt like praising God more and more in days to come.

Spring Hill yet feels the good effect of our August meeting. A good Saturday night prayer meeting, and the framing for a new and large church, are some of the manifest effects of God's grace in my hearts here.

On account of sickness in my own home and in the community at Millersville we have not yet held protracted services there more than a few days. Brethren Harvell, Allen and O. P. Bentley continued the meeting a few days in August, as I was called to my mother's dying bed after preaching one sermon on 4th Sunday.

At Bethany we had good services and baptizing on last 2d Sunday morning. Brother and Sister Mullins came into full fellowship, and we rejoice over them.

My work is not yet laid out for another year, but will be soon, I suppose.

Some cash will come in soon, and then you may look for some from me for subscriptions.

C. J. BENTLEY.

## MARRIED.

At the residence of the bride's mother at Rehoboth, Sept. 12, 1897, Mr. Albert Fisher and Miss Jose Cathcart, both of Rehoboth, Ala. Rev. H. C. Sanders, officiating.

Ireland is threatened with the worst famine which has visited that unhappy country in a long while. Continued heavy rains have rotted the potato crop, and grain is so high that people will not be able to purchase bread.

For the Alabama Baptist. Tribute of Respect.

Mrs. E. C. Brown.

It is with emotions deeper than words can express, that your committee undertakes to discharge the duty required of her by the Baptist sisterhood of our state. To write in biographical sketch a tribute of respect to the life of such a woman as was our dear deceased sister is no easy task. Not that there is not sufficient material, but that there is too much for a paper so short as this must necessarily be.

Sister E. C. Brown was the daughter of the great and good D. P. Bestor, D. D. Most of her school life was spent at the feet of her learned father. That brilliant intellect, which was hers by inheritance, found a teacher competent for its training in that man whom she loved to honor. Mary Ann Bestor married I. C. Brown in the year 1850. From this happy union were born eight bright children, five of whom, with their devoted father, are left to mourn their irreparable loss.

While at Sumterville and Livingston she was an earnest worker in the churches. Remembering to East Lake, she continued her work for the Master. In the year 1889 she was appointed by the state convention Secretary of Woman's Work. In this capacity she served with marked success, giving satisfaction to the majority. But, like all other good causes, the one she so warmly espoused was opposed. Ministers at first, not a few, opposed her laudable efforts; and women, too, stood in the path of her success. And yet God was with her; and she and her noble cause won friend after friend from the opposing side till almost all had been won over to woman's work.

But Sister Brown is with us no more. She is gone, and her work follows her. We shall miss her wise counsel, her cheerful voice, and her sweet, sunny face. To know her was to love her. Warm hearted and genial, patient and loving, she was a mother to us all. Yes, a mother in Israel is dead, and we will "rise up and call her blessed."

After a long life of usefulness, and a few days of severe suffering, our sister was called to her reward from the home of her son in Alabama, where she was on a visit. All that kindness, skill and affection could do was done, but to no purpose, except to soothe the last hours of the patient sufferer. Let us emulate her virtues. Let her consecrated life give zest to our Christian efforts. Let her success stimulate our whole sisterhood to do greater things for God through the channel of woman's work, and may the good she hath done and the noble example she hath left us ever live fresh in the memories of her many friends.

MRS. R. M. HUNTER.

## OBITUARY.

Miss Mary Lance died at her father's home in New Decatur, Sept. 7. Mary was in her eighteenth year, and had been a consistent member of the First Baptist church four years. She was the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lance, and the pride of their home. She died of the death of one so young and promising. But God in his wisdom saw fit to take from us one of our most faithful church and Sunday-school workers; therefore, resolved, that we as a Sunday-school will, by God's help, endeavor as never before to follow the Christ-like examples of which her short life was made up in shining sunshine in our homes, and around those with whom we associate.

2d. That we keep in memory the cheerful, faithful spirit in which she met the duties and responsibilities of a Sunday-school worker; and may we show our appreciation of her noble life by working for the cause she loved.

3d. That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the sorrowing family, praying that God may comfort them and this sad hour, and guide them safely to that land where parting is unknown.

MRS. LENA MASTERSON,  
J. P. MASTERSON,  
MISS ADA JAMES.

In Memoriam.  
Another faithful soul has entered into her reward! Another life that gave her three score years and ten to the uplifting of mankind and to the glory of God has been garnered in. The subject of this sketch, Mrs. E. J. Watlington, was born in Tennessee, Sept. 12, 1823, and died in Dayton, Ala., May 20, 1897, aged 73 years. She was married at seventeen years of age, and reared a family of seven children, only three of whom survive her. She joined the Baptist church early in life, and her Christian character was remarkable for a firm faith in God, and her acceptance of all that came from the Divine Hand. The Bible was ever her guide, and duty her only motto. Her time and

strength were given for family and friends, and the influence of her gentle, unselfish life falls like a benediction on the hearts and homes of those bereft. E. C. David, who "served her generation" and now "sits from her labors, and her works do follow her." Although for years she suffered from failing health, and troubles fell heavily upon her, she never seemed morbid or despondent; rather grew old in heart and spirit, but kept cheerful and active, in service for others, while her interests and sympathies were ever with the young. In truth, her children rise up and call her blessed, for to them she has left an inheritance more precious than gold—the example of her long, useful life, filled with deeds of love and kindness, which shine out from the gloom of separation, lighting up the pathway to her home on high.

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A. D. SAYRE, Judge of the City Court of Montgomery.

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