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## Part Personal and Part Not.

During the session of the General

Association of Virginia last

fall, an honored brother called my

attention to the fact that the Publication

Society was circulating in

pamphlet form my address deliv-

ered before the anniversary in 1888

at Washington. I felt its injustice

to the work entrusted to me, but

supposing it only local, concluded

to leave it unnoticed, as had been

done with many other things.

But learning that its circulation

is general in the South, and that

the society at the same time is send-

ing out a circular titled "A Bit of

Baptist History," without date,

name, or location, and yet as a

stroke, against the Sunday-school

Board, I feel compelled to say a

word publicly in answer to ques-

tions coming to my office from hon-

ored brethren. Writing at pres-

ent reference to the anonymous

circular, as a method which will

not commend itself to the Baptists

of the South, I wish to make a few

observations in regard to the ad-

dress.

1. It is entirely sincere; much

of it I should be glad to repeat at

any time and place. Ten years of

denominational life have brought

changes in my opinion and judg-

ment; some things true then are

not true now, and would require a

different expression. One of Eng-

land's great premiers, coming the

second time to the premiership, af-

ter an interval of twenty years,

was twitted for not conducting the

affairs of state on the same lines as

his former administration. His an-

swer was, "I am not sailing by

bearings taken twenty years ago."

2. The address has at least this

good phase: It shows the kindly

feeling which I had toward the so-

ciety, and ought to be a complete

offset to the charges which have

sometimes been made that I ad-

vocated a Sunday-school board out-

of sectional feeling. When the Lord

laid it upon my heart to advocate a

Sunday-school board with Sunday-

school periodicals, I did it with all

honesty and sincerity, and with

such might as God vouchsafed.

From the first I disavowed any un-

kind feeling toward the society,

and was firmly persuaded that an

all my observation and experience

since has confirmed the conviction,

that the Southern Baptist Con-

vention ought to have its own peri-

odicals, foster its own interests,

and attend to its own business.

3. It pains me beyond what can

be expressed on paper that any

convention of which committed

to me the duty of editing this

thing which I may have said ten

years ago, could now be so turned

around as to in any measure

contravene the interests of the South-

ern Baptist Convention, and used

to thwart any enterprise to which

the convention might set its hand.

I regret that anybody should find it

in his heart to turn that address to

a higglesome service.

I went once by invitation from

the faculty to serve on an examina-

tion committee at Crozer Theolog-

ical Seminary. I made a public

statement of my estimation of the

school. Suppose this should be

used to work against the Southern

Baptist Theological Seminary—but

then I ought not to suppose any

such thing is impossible where Dr.

Watson is presiding. Such meth-

ods, to say the least, will sooner or

later make Southern men decline

any service for some Northern in-

stitutions. We have our affairs and

our business at home, and kind

words and services rendered to

those outside ought not to be turned

against our own.

4. Some other examples: Dr.

J. B. Hawthorne accepted an in-

vitation from the Publication Society

to speak at their anniversary, and

especially stipulated that his ad-

dress should not in any sense be

made to infringe upon the Sunday-

school board, and thought he had

made it secure, but lo, and behold!

secretary of the Sunday-school

board.

5. There is one other remark I

wish to make. If the Society wishes

to follow this method it is their

business and not mine. I leave the

matter to the honor of the Baptist

brotherhood of the South. From

publishing and circulating my ad-

dress at that time, I judge that the

Society either itself sets great store

by my opinion, or thinks that my

brethren hold it in high esteem. I

do not know which, but beg leave

to give expression to my judgment

in its revised form, having learned

much from experience and observa-

tion in the course of ten years; and

that judgment is that the conven-

tion never did a wiser thing than the

appointment of its Sunday-school

board and the maintaining of

its own periodicals.

But this is not an issue between

the Sunday-school Board, but rather

between the Publication Society and

the Southern Baptist Convention.

It is an issue of more than

fifty years' standing. I know not

whether the Society means to re-

new the strife of seven or eight

years ago; if so, the responsibility

of bringing it on must rest with the

Society. I do not see how it ex-

pects to gain anything among the

people by using out-of-date ad-

dresses and circulars anonymous

and irresponsible. Certainly with

such methods, all published decla-

rations about "wanting to help the

Sunday-school Board if allowed" are

nought, or worse than nought.

If the interests of the Sunday-school

Board be worthless, then the Society

is not justified in its outlay

against them; if they be worthful,

then the Baptists of the South

should foster them to the point of

their highest power and efficiency.

Our publishing brethren of Phil-

adelphia seem bent on sweeping us

from the face of the earth because

the Southern Baptist Convention,

representing a million and a half of

Baptists, and actually holding the

center of the Baptist population of

the world, ventures to found and

foster its own publishing interests

as an agency for the furtherance of

the gospel.

Will sectionalism never cease?

Will the Southern Baptist Con-

vention in its action and work be

forever disregarded and contravened?

Is there to be no recognition of de-

nominational territory, and is com-

munity in our denominational life

clean gone forever? Our Methodist

brethren North and South have set

us a noble example in this thing.

It is worth while to recognize

God's hand and providence in the

development of our denominational

life, and to cultivate brotherhood

and fellowship, and try to meet

each in his own sphere, the vast

responsibilities that confront us?

God's blessing has rested greatly

upon our work, crowning it with

success after success. We stand

humbly before him, and humbly

before our brethren, but with full

purpose of heart to push forward

these great interests with the full-

ness of our ability. God wills that

we build, and build we will.

J. M. FROST.

Nashville, Tenn.

An Editor Discouraged.

The majority of newspaper men,

proprietors of country papers at

least, will hail with delight a law

compelling the rising generation to

learn to read. There is nothing

more disheartening when you ask a

man to take your paper, than to

have him tell you he cannot read.

The worst example of the kind we

ever came in contact with was a

man who could not read. We sug-

gested his wife; he informed us

that she could not read. We then

tackled him on his children, and

tried to show him the benefit they

would derive from it. His reply

was that he had always made a liv-

ing without any education, and that

his children were no better than he

was. He was so ignorant that he

was unable to realize the use and

Philosophical Skepticism.

Reason may be permitted to go

as far as it compasses the whole

matter; beyond that we are left to

the etymology of the divine word

otherwise entirely at sea. In other











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**A Streak of Sunshine.**

"Well, grandma," said a little boy, resting his elbows on the old lady's stuffed armchair, "what have you been doing here at the window all day by yourself?"

"All I could," answered grandma, cheerily, "I have read a little and prayed a good deal, and then looked out at the people. There's one little girl, Arthur, that I have learned to look for. She has sunny brown hair, her brown eyes have the same sunny look in them, and I wonder every day what makes her look so bright. Ah, here she comes now."

"That girl with the brown apron?" cried, "Why, I know that girl. That is Susie Moore, and she has a dreadful hard time, grandma."

"Has she?" said grandma. "O, little boy, wouldn't you give anything to know where she gets all that brightness from, then?"

"I'll ask her," said Arthur, promptly, and to grandma's surprise he raised the window and called:

"Susie, O Susie, come up here a minute; grandma wants to see you!"

The brown eyes opened wide in surprise, but the little maid turned at once and came in.

"Grandma wants to know, Susie Moore," exclaimed the boy, "what you look so bright all the time."

"Why, I have to," said Susie; "you see papa's been sick a long while, and mamma is tired out with nursing, and baby's cross with her teeth, and if I didn't be bright, who would be?"

"Yes, yes, I see," said dear old grandma, putting her arms around this little streak of sunshine.

"That's God's reason for things; they are because somebody needs them. Shine on, little sun; for this couldn't be better reason for shining than because it is dark at home."

—The Sunbeam.

**The Last Kentucky Duel.**

Dueling in this country is killed. Its ignoble death, in Kentucky, is thus told by J. Cuthbert Hadden, in The Gentleman's Magazine:

A traveling preacher named Bowman, a strong, muscular fellow, was conducting some services in Kentucky. At one of his meetings a desperate character created a disturbance, and being publicly rebuked, sent him a challenge to fight. Bowman, as the challenged party, had the choice of weapons. He selected a half-bushel of Irish potatoes as big as his fist for each man, and stipulated that his opponent must stand fifteen paces distant, and that only one potato at a time should be taken from the measure.

The desperado was furious at being thus freshly insulted, and made an indignant protest; but Bowman insisted on his rights as the challenged man, and threatened to denounce the desperado as a coward if he failed to come to time. As the desperado was away out of the 6th

istate in behalf of the public schools.

Mr. Abercrombie stands high in the order of the Knights of Pythias. He represented his lodge at the last session of the grand lodge at Huntsville, and is now a member of the judiciary committee of the grand lodge.

He is a consistent member of the Parker Memorial Baptist church, of this city, and represented the church as a delegate at the last Baptist State Convention.

Of his fitness for the position, educationally, morally and socially, there can be no possible question.

Many counties will send strong delegations to the convention for him. Influential men in every section of the state are working for him. It is believed that he will receive the nomination on the first ballot.

Under Abercrombie's supervision the public schools of the state will grow and blossom and fruit.—The Daily Hot Blast, (Anniston, Ala.)

If those who are troubled with hawks will suspend bright tin where the chickens use they will find it a good scare-crow. The tin that come on top of lad buckets, or sheets of new tin, is the thing. We have tried it and find it very effective.—Conecuh Record.

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**PEACE AFTER SORROW.**

"There is a peace that cometh after sorrow." Of his surrender, not of hope or faith, a peace that looketh not upon tomorrow, but calmly on a tempest that is still filled.

A peace which lives not now in joy's cesses, Nor in the happy life of love secured, But in the unerring strength of the heart, Of conflicts won while learning to endure.

A peace there is, in sacrifice secluded, A life subdued, from will and passion freed.

'Tis not the peace which over Eternity brooded, But that which triumphed in Gethsemane.

—Jessie Rose Gale

**HIS SHORT MEMORY.**—H. She—"Why, Alfred, you as me that question last Sunday, I said yes."

"Bridget, have you cracked the nuts for the dessert I want to make?"

"Yes, ma'am; all but them walnuts, an' it'll take stronger than mine to manage them."

When a man loves sin he goes down; when he loves his wife he goes home; when he loves his wife he goes to the yard; when he loves his wife he goes broke, and when he loves her he both go crazy.—Ded. Herald.

**GENERAL NEWS.**

A merchant at Talladega advertises sweet country hams at 7 cents per pound.

More chickens are being sold in Talladega than ever before at this time of the year.

Marion has thus far escaped yellow fever and small pox, but it has candidates and politics.

About Pigeon Creek, Butler county, seed cane kept well, and a large crop has been planted.

Willis Brewer, of Lowndes, has retained his seat in Congress which was contested by Mr. Goodwin.

The last two descendants of Christopher Columbus are said to be occupants of a porch in Cadiz.

The editor of the Tuscaloosa Chronicle (colored) advocates an educational qualification for voters.

It was expected that by this time a train would be running on the railroad between Tuscaloosa and Columbus, Miss.

The Presbyterian manse (parsonage) at Tuscaloosa was burned the night of March 23d. It was one of the oldest and most notable houses in the city.

Doe Thompson was recently murdered in the road near Sylva. He had been summoned to the U. S. court as a witness against

to fight, the desperado consented. The encounter took place on the outskirts of the town. Almost everybody in the place was present to see the fun. The seconds arranged the two men in position, placing by the side of each a half-bushel measure filled with large, hard Irish potatoes. Bowman threw his first tuber, which struck his opponent and flew into pieces. A yell of delight went up from the crowd, which hurried the desperado, and his potato flew wide of the mark. Bowman watched his chance, and every time his opponent stooped for a potato, another hit him in the side. The desperado was struck about five times, and then the sixth potato took him in the short ribs, knocking the wind completely out of him, and doubling him upon the grass.

The people were almost crazy with laughter, but Bowman looked as sober as if he had just been preaching a funeral sermon. The desperado was taken home and put to bed, and there he stayed for more than a week before he recovered from the effects of his Irish potato duel, which not only put the desperado "hors du combat," but was also the "knock-out blow" of dueling itself.—Christian Observer.

High waters did \$250,000 damage at Columbus, Ohio.

A job half done is a job to be done over; slipshod work brings slipshod results.—Brewster News.

That's the way when you put incompetent men in office.

Lord Salisbury, present premier of England, and Mr. Gladstone, former premier, are both sick. It is thought Mr. Gladstone, being quite old, will not recover.

Cadet Arthur Crenshaw, assistant engineer on the battleship Maine, and who was writing a letter at the time of the explosion, has been visiting his father's family at Greenville. Lieutenants Hood and Blandin, of that ship, were also from Alabama, and escaped unhurt.

A new cotton mill was started in Avondale, Ala., on Tuesday, the 15th. The plant cost \$600,000, and has 1,000 looms with 35,000 spindles. It will employ 500 hands. Only high grade cotton goods are to be made. New England is seeing her cotton spinning passing away from her.

The teacher was telling them about the different seasons. He asked: "Now one of you boys tell me which is the proper time to gather fruit."

"When the dog's chaired up," replied Johnnie.—Ex.

It is said that a never-failing cure for hiccoughs that gives a prompt relief is to draw in as much air as the lungs will hold, and retain it as long as possible. Once is generally sufficient, but if necessary, it may be repeated.

Something has been made of the fact that the Catholic priests in the United States are all peace-loving, and advise their people against any demonstrations in favor of a war for the freeing of Cuba, while a small portion of the Protestant ministers are in favor of war, and a large portion, though believing that there will be no war, sympathize deeply with Cuba. This is partly accounted for by the fact that the Spanish are Catholics, and that Spanish rule in Cuba has been Catholic.

The Indianapolis Journal tells this on the Christian Scientists or Faith Cureists who say there is no disease, but that we imagine we are sick:

Mrs. Faddie (Faith Cureist): "How is your grandfather this morning, Bridget?" Bridget: "He still has the rheumatism might bad, mum."

Mrs. Faddie: "You mean he thinks he has the rheumatism. There is no such thing as rheumatism." Bridget: "Yes, mum."

A few days later Mrs. Faddie: "And does your grandfather still persist in his delusion that he has the rheumatism?" Bridget: "No, mum; the poor man thinks now that he is dead. We buried him yesterday."

**The Norfolk Meetings—Round Trip Rates.**

Southern Railway Company have named round trip rates to Norfolk, Va., account meetings of—

"American Baptist Educational Society," May 5th.

"Southern Baptist Convention," May 6-12.

"Woman's Baptist Missionary Union," May 6-10.

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**MORTGAGE SALES.**

Under and by virtue of a certain mortgage with power of sale, and in pursuance of the provisions thereof contained, made by Winnie L. Murphree and William Murphree to the National Building and Loan Association of Montgomery, Alabama, on the 6th day of December, 1898, of the mortgage is recorded in book 40, of the records of the Probate Office of Blount County, State of Alabama, said National Building and Loan Association will proceed to sell at public auction, on the 4th day of February, 1899, of the following described property, situated in the City of Oneonta, County of Blount, State of Alabama, to wit: Lots numbers twelve (12) and thirteen (13), block number 17 in the Oneonta Land Company's survey, situated in the town of Oneonta, Alabama, and being the same conveyed to Winnie Murphree by S. A. Cowart and wife, the date of said conveyance being of record in the Probate Office of Blount County, State of Alabama, in Book 12, page 107.

This the 24th day of January, 1899.

**National Building and Loan Association, Montgomery, Ala.**

Wm. E. Holloway, Attorney.

The above sale is postponed until the 2d day of April, 1899.

**NATIONAL BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, MONTGOMERY, ALA.**

Wm. E. Holloway, Attorney.

**MORTGAGE SALES.**

Under and by virtue of a certain mortgage with power of sale, and in pursuance of the provisions thereof contained, made by P. P. Chatham to the National Building and Loan Association of Montgomery, Alabama, on the 6th day of December, 1898, of the mortgage is recorded in book 197, page 25, of the records of the Probate Office of Montgomery County, State of Alabama, said National Building and Loan Association will proceed to sell at public auction, at the Artisan Bank Court square, in the City of Montgomery, Alabama, to the highest bidder for cash, on the 4th day of February, 1899, of the following described property, situated in the City of Montgomery, Alabama, to wit: Lot four (4) and five (5), off of south end of lot No. three, Scott's plat, which property is described as follows: Commence at the north-west intersection of 3rd and North Hill streets and thence along the north line of said North Hill street one hundred and fifty-seven (157) feet, thence south one hundred and seven (107) feet, to Jefferson street, thence north one hundred and seven (107) feet to the point of beginning. This the 24th day of January, 1899.

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7 55	8 00pm	Chicago	Ar	8 15
3 50am	9 00pm	Evansville	Ar	11 30am
11 00pm	5 30pm	Cincinnati	Ar	4 10pm
2 50am	8 10	Louisville	Ar	12 25
9 10	7 58	Nashville	Ar	6 50pm
11 10	7 10	Birmingham	Ar	12 25am
3 30	4 20	Selma	Ar	11 30pm
7 45	10 45	Montgomery	Ar	8 00
9 30	12 30pm	Huntsville	Ar	5 50
11 10	2 17	Lumpkin	Ar	12 26
7 45	10 45	Dawson	Ar	2 10
9 30	12 30pm	Albany	Ar	1 10
11 10	2 17	Columbus	Ar	5 20
3 30	4 20	Richland	Ar	2 59
7 45	10 45	Americus	Ar	5 18
9 30	12 30pm	Americus	Ar	2 55
11 10	2 17	Cordele	Ar	5 25
3 30	4 20	Cordele	Ar	2 15
7 45	10 45	Albany	Ar	1 10
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