





# Alabama Baptist

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## CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

Alabama is to have a Constitutional Convention if the people say so. Be it known that the constitution of a state is the organic law, the declaration of principles, upon which is founded all future legislation. Every statutory provision must be based upon and in harmony with the letter or spirit of a state constitution. Such being the fact, it is a matter of the gravest importance and concern as to what this constitution shall contain, and the language used in its framing. It is not a holiday gathering, where men shall aspire to prominence by flights of oratory. Far from it. Its great purpose is business of the most weighty and serious character. Profound thought, wise judgment and prudent action will be demanded. It is not a convention where schoolboys in statesmanship would be in their proper place.

otic men, bold, unselfish men should compose this convention; men of serious cast of mind, whose whole aim and purpose will be to subserve the very best interests of the state.

We would not lay an embargo upon our progressive young men, or throw one hindrance in the way of their promotion to places of trust and distinction; far from it; but we are of opinion that men of experience and statesmanship, who have studied our theory of government, and who fully understand the temper as well as the needs of our people, are the men we should have in this convention. We want sober men, discreet men, thoughtful men, reasoning men, firm, but conservative men, whose conclusions can not be overreached by flashing rhetoric or well rounded periods. We want men whose sole and only purpose will be to reach the wisest and best advised conclusions. Our young men, for a time, can stand aside and let the fathers put their experience together and frame a constitution that shall be the product of a lifetime of study.

While it is true that we have a number of young men in Alabama who are students of government and have given much valuable time in solving the problems of statecraft, and these young men, no doubt, would be jealous of the people's rights, and be perfectly honest in their every effort, yet the

man of experience and long observation and study is better equipped for the responsible duties involved. The success of the convention will depend very largely upon the men who are nominated and voted for on election day. If the demagogue, the ambitious man, the aspiring politician is put forward, with an utter disregard as to his fitness and qualifications for the place, the thoughtful and considerate voter will cast his vote against convention. Hence it behooves those who are favoring a convention to put forth their wisest and most judicious men as delegates. We need not expect our cautious, conservative, prudent men to support a candidate who is the product of purely machine politics. Give us the very best men in the state, and the Constitutional Convention will be assured.

## THE Religious Herald says:

Cuban affairs which have recently seemed to be dreadfully muddled, have been straightened out to the satisfaction of the Home Mission Board, and Diaz will continue as its missionary. Dr. W. D. Powell is now visiting Cuba looking over the field, and writes very encouragingly of the prospect. We have already expressed our opinion as to the wisdom of reappointing Mr. Diaz, in the light of the special committee's report made some months ago and of subsequent events. We have the same convictions, and happen to know that they are shared by many other sincere friends of the Home Board. However, the responsibility for the reappointment is on the Home Board, and we have no disposition to embarrass them in their difficult work by pressing our view. Virginia must not fall behind in Home Missions.

This is good news in which we greatly rejoice. We understand that contributions to the Home Board from Alabama are falling somewhat behind; but we trust the churches will make liberal contributions to the work within the next two months.

DR. TICHENOR has sent us a most appropriate appeal for help for the work in Cuba, accompanied by a letter from Dr. W. D. Powell, who is there and sees with practiced eye the inviting openings and the needs in different cities. We will make room for the appeal and the letter next week. In the meantime send your contributions to the Home Board.

## TRIBUTE TO DR. W. C. CLEVELAND.

I have rarely been made more sorrowful than I was a few days ago when a telegram reached me announcing the death of my friend and brother beloved, Dr. W. C. Cleveland. A great and good man is gone, a sagacious leader, a wise counsellor, an indefatigable preacher of the truth, and a consecrated man of God.

I knew Dr. Cleveland first at the Baptist State Convention of Alabama that met in Eufaula in 1871. I had frequently heard of him prior to this time, having been reared in a county a little to the south of his native county in Alabama. It was at this session that the question of originating a State Board was sprung. Dr. Winkler had just reached the state, and as a member of the Home Mission Board, then located at Marion, resisted the creation of a State Board because he felt that it would impair the usefulness of the larger interest. Drs. Henderson, Renfroe and Cleveland urged its organization and showed the advantage of such an interest.

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Having succeeded Dr. Cleveland in the pastorate at Carlowville and Snow Hill, I became more intimate with him. But it was not until I became connected with Howard College that I learned his worth as a friend and counsellor. Brought into repeated contact with him during my stay of five years at East Lake, I came to regard him as one of the safest counsellors I ever had. Clear and rigid in judgment, scrupulously candid in expression, judiciously reserved without the enjoyment of his confidence, but open, frank, and outspoken when it was possessed, a student of men as well as of books, a keen and accurate judge of action and conduct—he was a man peculiarly adapted to the responsible stations to which he was called by the Baptists of Alabama.

No one that I have ever known had a more rigid and elevated standard of right and honor than Dr. Cleveland. So sternly and inflexibly did he insist upon conformity to this lofty ideal that some have regarded him as being morbid in his views of right. But to him principle was the path of the highest expediency. He was content in the establishment of intimate relations with others, but his confidence gained, his friendship secured, he became entirely unreserved and confidential.

As a preacher, Dr. Cleveland had a vigor, a power, and a freshness all his own. He had no model himself either in manner or in manner, and such was his originality in both these qualities that he set at defiance the possibility of being imitated. But when he arose to speak he was sure to command attention. In the intensity of utterance he would sometimes give expression to short, condensed, idiomatic expressions that would startle.

Preaching, for the most part, from manuscript, he would now and then pass the bounds of the written thought and yield himself to the sway of fresh ideas born of the moment, and with the most intense facial expression, reinforced by ardent gesticulation, would drive home truth after truth with the most overwhelming effect.

Dr. Cleveland was one of the few with whom I have preserved a constant correspondence for years. His letters were always severely characteristic of the man—cautious, prudent, and clear of judgment, and yet writing with absolute abandon when occasion required. To me his letters indicated a mellowing piety as the years advanced, without suffering the slightest diminution in the interest entertained in public affairs, whether of the state or of the spread of the gospel, for no one was more interested than he in all matters of moment. There was a perceptible undertone of gentleness, submissiveness, and of a tranquil resignation that grew with the years.

His last letters written from his bed or from his invalid chair, are full of as placid resignation and of serene confidence in his religion as I have ever seen expressed.

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B. F. RILEY.

JOHN FOSTER declared: "In the great majority of things, habit is a greater plague than ever afflicted Egypt." Whether this be true or not, there is one thing that is true, the drink habit has ruined more lives, saddened more homes, filled more prisons than any other habit. How strong the hold it takes upon human appetite! Men will lie and steal and beg in order to satiate their thirst for liquor. There is no extreme to which the inebriate will not go after the habit has possessed him. John B. Gough, the great temperance lecturer and reformer, vouches for the truthfulness of the following story: A woman was dying from the effects of her husband's cruelty and debauchery from drink, when she called him to her bedside and pleaded with him for abundant indulgence during subsequent years, and it should be said that Dr. Winkler acknowledged that his apprehension was an erroneous one, and he was an earnest advocate of State Missions after the Board was inaugurated.

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A later dispatch says that two Filipino commissioners who had been to their so-called seat of government, Malolos, report that the insurgents are ready to surrender, and they believe Aguinaldo is inclined to talk of peace. Otis talked with the commissioners, but did not recognize them as having official character, because there was no lawful authority to appoint them. An occasional volley from the jungle was all the fighting that had been done for some days. Everything was quiet in Manila, and at night hardly one was seen on the streets except the military patrol and the sentinels. The island of Cebu, the Philippines, has surrendered to the commander of the garrison, and the American flag has been raised on it. Gen. Miller is all quiet at Iloilo, that trade local and foreign is beginning again, and that there are indications that the entire island of Luzon will soon surrender to the United States.

## FIELD NOTES.

Dr. E. M. Potest, of Philadelphia, will deliver the address at the Southern Baptist Seminary at Louisville next June. Dr. W. H. P. Faunce, of New York, delivers the Gay lectures this year, and Dr. George B. Eager, of Montgomery, will preach the missionary sermon in June.

Please bear in mind to make all checks, money orders, etc., payable to the ALABAMA BAPTIST, and not to any individual. Also, that all communications for the paper (except those intended for the State Board and Institute department) and all business letters, should be addressed to the ALABAMA BAPTIST, and not to an individual.

Rev. Rutherford Brett requests us to change the address of his paper from Carthage, Tenn., to Huntsville, Ala., where he expects to take charge as pastor of the First Baptist church on Sunday, March 5. We give our brother a cordial welcome to Alabama, and invite him to fall in with us, make himself at home, and be one of us. May you have great success in the Master's work, brother.

J. W. Caldwell, Carrollton, under the direction of the Association board I made my first visit to Reform, Pickens county, on day, the 10th, looking after the

o'clock to a good congregation. The prospect is encouraging as to Baptist church, and our hope is to organize at my next appointment (third Sunday.) I preach Sunday morning and at night.

Bro. E. M. Cook, formerly of Montgomery, has been for some time at East Toronto, Canada, where he is secretary of the Trunk Railroad Department Association. Young Men's Christian Association. In sending his renewal of the ALABAMA BAPTIST he says, "I am glad to have the paper come from week to week, for I am one of the Alabama Baptists often long for home."

Dr. Eager suggested that attention to the notice which gives in his own department, paper, in which he tells the men and friends that he is editor of the ALABAMA BAPTIST, and that he has no business connection with the paper, nor any editorial department, that than that already mentioned, is, State Missions. Letters to that should be addressed to and those relating to Institute should be addressed to Dr. Eager at Selma. Address matter to the ALABAMA BAPTIST as heretofore.

In July of last year the very Mrs. Jane E. Hays, of Tuscaloosa, was killed and captured. It is said that before the fire was extinguished over eight thousand houses (the dispatch may have intended to say eight) hundred were burned. Many of these were small huts of the natives and the Chinese, but there were many good buildings. Of course there was no good sense in the Filipinos burning their own town, but it is supposed that they expected the fire to so attract and confuse our army in front that the insurgents would break through the lines. Since the fire all Filipinos are required to go home by 7 o'clock in the evening, and they are forbidden to assemble in large numbers at any house. The provost guard enforces these orders rigidly.

A few days after the fire a strong body of insurgents was discovered attempting to stealthily pass the left flank of our lines and reach the city. About 500 of them were

recently the death of a Mrs. Hays in Tuscaloosa we wrote to Prof. Palmer, whom she usually requested to send her renewal to the paper, inquiring if it was she of whom we wrote. He responded as follows: "Mrs. Jane E. Hays, who died, is our old friend. She would have been 88 or 89 years of age on the 20th of next June. She was indeed a mother in Israel, a faithful, earnest, zealous, humble Christian. The Lord's will was ever hers. Her mental faculties were clear and strong to the last. On the night of her death she was in good health; at 10 o'clock she arose and told her attendant that the end had come; expressed regrets that the weather was so cold, fearing that some of her friends would expose themselves; she took a seat in a chair and quietly and peacefully passed away. She had subscribed for and read the ALABAMA BAPTIST from the first issue. She was an aunt of Senator F. S. Moody and Mrs. D. I. Purser." It appears to us that the incidents above given sufficiently show the piety and the spiritual sublimity of a Christian's life and a Christian's death. Why may not all of us so live and so die?

This question is asked us: "What should be done with a deacon who went to Montgomery and lobbied in the interest of the saloons against the Dispensary bill?" Well, if he did that because he was on the whiskey side in the usual meaning of the term, it appears to us that a charge of unchristian conduct would be justified. The penalty for that is acknowledgment and reformation, or exclusion. The brother's reasons and motive for his conduct must be considered. But he was certainly helping an evil and keeping bad company, whatever the motive behind his conduct may have been.

## More About the Impostor.

We have already printed sufficient evidence to sustain our first warning against Marston as an impostor; but we add the following testimony in the hope that he will be so impressed upon the minds of our readers that he cannot return in a few years, as he did this time, and defraud them of their money:

HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY CORPS, CAMP COLUMBIA, NEAR HAVANA, CUBA, Feb. 10, 1899.

J. W. Langley, N. P., Sylacauga, Alabama:

Sir—A letter from you to Mr. J. F. Bartow has been referred to me, as I supervise everything connected with the Georgia lottery. Mr. J. S. Marston, referred to in that letter and in the circular, has no authority or commission to collect money for the Lee Orphan Asylum of Havana, and I am told by Dr. Sotolongo that he never signed the certificate printed over his name. This Rev. Marston has never sent one dollar here to any one so far as I have been able to ascertain for this Orphanage. He should be exposed.

Very truly yours,

FITZTHUGH LEE, Major-General Commanding.

In a note Mr. Langley writes us: "There are ten dollars here to help stop and prosecute him to the fullest extent of the law."—Ed.

## FROM ARKANSAS.

I rise to remark that he is the man. I encountered this same J. H. Marston at Branchville, Ala., while I was teaching school there several years ago. He was then a missionary sent out by the Seventh Day Adventists. Shortly after this the Advent church, near Gadsden, dismissed him and took his credentials from him. In the year 1894 or '95 this same man, under another name, was posing himself as a Baptist preacher in some of the upper counties of North Alabama, and he was exposed by some brother in that section through the ALABAMA BAPTIST.

A year or two after this he was in Arkansas, near where I now live, posing himself as a Campbellite preacher. He committed a theft here and was run out of the state by officers.

I am now with you again, brethren, keep your eyes open. He was rearred at or near Dalton, Ga. His leg was cut off by a train while he was jumping on and off the train in motion. Through sympathy the railroad company educated him and tried to make a man of him, but he proved worthless. He is a "slick duck," and will do to keep up with everywhere.

R. B. DE VINE, Buena Vista, Ark., Feb. 12, '99.

## MARSTON.

The articles of brethren R. M. Anderson and J. M. McCord call forth these comments. Mr. Marston came to my church unsolicited by any one. He preached a good sermon the night I was at East Lake assisting in the ordination of a brother to the ministry.

After his sermon he told of the Orphan's Home in Cuba, for which he said he was soliciting contributions. Some of the brethren gave him a purse amounting to \$12.50. He promised a book to all who gave as much as ten cents. But no books have come yet. I have been told that Marston has shown a testimonial purporting to be written by me. I never wrote a line for him, neither did I recommend him

to anybody. I heard his sermon at Carbon Hill, and said to friends that it was very fine. So it was a good sermon. But if he has anything written with my name attached it is a forgery, pure and simple. I was a little suspicious of him when he was here; had never seen or heard of him, hence the absurdity of my giving a testimonial.

In conclusion, let me say that all such men ought to be arrested as forgers and counterfeiters and sentenced to the state prison, where their companions are more congenial, and where raiment will be furnished free of charge.

Avondale. R. M. HUNTER.

## For the Alabama Baptist.

Resolutions by the Board of Ministerial Education.

At a meeting of the Board, held Feb. 20, 1899, at Birmingham, it was agreed to send out to the brethren of the state the following resolutions:

Whereas, Our treasurer, Dr. C. C. Jones, East Lake, has informed us that only \$135 has been received thus far toward meeting the expenses of the ministerial students in Howard College; and whereas, the Faculty are making for this year a great sacrifice by paying \$1,000—the interest on the bonded debt for the year—out of their very small salaries; and whereas, this Board feels itself unwilling to put an agent into the field to do its work lest it might give rise to the general work; and whereas, the young men are here—a fine body of devout and earnest souls—looking to us for aid, and as the Faculty are looking to us for help also, be it Resolved, in view of all these considerations, That we appeal to the brethren and sisters throughout the state to come to our rescue immediately and help us keep the young brethren in college. We must have the money to take care of them, or somebody must suffer. We are already much hindered. Will not the brethren and sisters give us their help? Send all contributions to Dr. C. C. Jones, at East Lake.

W. A. HOBSON, Pres., C. C. JONES, Sec'y., R. M. HUNTER, W. M. BLACKWELDER, J. V. DICKINSON, J. G. LOWERY, A. C. DAVIDSON.

## For the Alabama Baptist.

Rev. Pitt M. Callaway, Sr.

I have waited a long time in vain for those who knew and loved Bro. Callaway through many years, to write something of his noble character and godly life. I cannot account for this silence, for he was widely known and universally admired and loved by those who knew him. I doubt very much whether any preacher in the state has toiled more faithfully and successfully for the past forty-one years than Bro. Callaway.

Bro. Callaway was the son of a poor farmer in Wilkes county, Ga., Oct. 10th, 1812. In 1836 he assisted in removing the Indians of South Alabama and Florida. He moved to Macon county, Ala., near Society Hill, in 1838. Thence to Eufaula in 1841, where he practiced law about two years, and then entered the mercantile business, in which he was quite successful. On a visit to Georgia in 1844 he united with the church of which his father was pastor, having been led to Christ ten years previous by an old blind negro woman. For some years after this he resided in Eufaula, where he faithfully served as deacon, and Gov. John Gill Shorter, having been ordained at the same time. He located near Suspension in 1855, and united with Mt. Zion church, where he was ordained to the ministry in 1857 by Revs. S. Henderson, E. Y. Van Hoose and F. H. Moss.

In 1863 he removed to Newton, Dale county, where he spent the remainder of his life. He has been pastor of a number of the most influential churches in Southeast Alabama, into whose fellowship he baptized many hundreds. He was the prime mover in the origination of the Southeast Alabama General Association. I was his pastor two years, and he was as a father to me. He was a wise counselor and I shall never forget his kind words of encouragement.

His son and two grand sons have already entered the ministry. May they emulate his noble deeds, and be as loyal to their Master as was their father, who joined the redeemed above on Nov. 30, 1898.

A. J. FRANKLIN.

## For the Alabama Baptist.

A Note of Warning.

Very soon the people of Alabama will be voting on the question of a constitutional convention. At the same time they are to vote for members of said convention. It is a very serious question. Never in the history of legislation have corporations, trusts and combines had such power as at the present. Never were politicians so unscrupulous or politics so corrupt as now. Let the people see to it that in the constitutional convention they are represented by the ablest and best men. Only men who are true and tried, incorruptible men ought to

The dispensary fight in the legislature has thoroughly aroused the liquor men. Never before have they had such a scare. If that question is not precipitated into the coming canvass it is almost certain to play its part in the convention. Millions of money are at the command of the liquor men. They are utterly unreliable. "What I say unto you I say unto all, Watch."

READER.

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I, T. TICHENOR.

"Woe to him that buildeth a town with blood, and stablisheth a city by iniquity!"—God makes it a part of your mission to proclaim that no less than to pray, "O Lord, revive thy work; in wrath remember mercy."

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## The Great Opportunity.

The Baptists of the South have never in all their history had such an opportunity to do great work for the Master as is now presented to them in the island of Cuba.

A marvelous conjunction of gracious providences has conspired to create it. The political oppression of centuries brought on a bloody and devastating strife which has resulted in the complete overthrow of Spanish power and the freedom of the island.

The Catholic church through these centuries has lent its influence to political oppressors, and now shares the odium in which they are held. Their priests, without exception, are Spaniards and are personally obnoxious to the dominant people of the island.

The Cubans class the Catholic religion as a part of the Spanish power, and hold them as united in a common destiny. The banishment of the one means, logically, the banishment of the other.

The Baptist missions have been wonderfully successful. There are more Baptists in Cuba today, by far, than all other Protestants combined.

Our modes of worship is attractive to them. The freedom incorporated into our religious faith—the independence of our churches—the voluntariness of our worship—the religious freedom Baptists everywhere proclaim, are in harmony with the Cuban ideas of religion.

The pronounced differences between the Catholic faith and that of the Baptists, renders our churches popular to all real converts. When the Catholic doctrine of salvation by union with the church is discarded, and that of salvation by personal acceptance of Christ as a Savior follows, conviction at once arises that all Christ's requirements should be obeyed. Turning at once to the law and testimony, having no sectarian education to warp their minds and no denominational or social prejudices to consult, they at once follow Christ in baptism and accept all His teachings. To become a Baptist is the natural result of conversion.

The effort of our Baptist people to plant their faith in Cuba has, in the main, been wise. There has been no effort to Americanize our Cuban churches. Almost the entire work of evangelization has been done by Cuban missionaries. They understand and share all the social, mental and racial peculiarities of their people, and find no difficulty in approaching them. The American, however intelligent or zealous, is a foreigner, and such must always be. Other things being equal, he can never be so efficient as the native missionary.

In addition to this, some of our best ministers and teachers have had the advantages of American training. The purchase of a handsome property in the very heart of the city attracted the attention of the people, gave assurance of permanent residence, and thus opened the way for many of the better classes of Havana, while it furnished the proper facilities for a great and growing work.

Nothing has been more conducive to our success than the possession of a suitable burial place for our dead. Without this, success was impossible. The Catholic church controlled all the cemeteries in Cuba, and in them no Protestant could be buried, except in that portion devoted to paupers and the criminal class. No organization could become popular in Cuba whose members and their families were denied, both by Church and State, a decent burial for their dead.

The persistent efforts of the Catholic clergy, headed by the Bishop of Havana, to close the gates of the Baptist cemetery, showed their estimate of its worth to our cause.

The narrow limits to which Protestant worship had been confined by the politico-religious power of Spain have all been removed. Religion is as free in Cuba as in the United States. The flag of our country carries with it, wherever it is planted, the full right to worship God as we please. In no other land where Catholicism has dominated is this saying true. Even England puts limitations upon other forms of faith than those of the established church. The United States and Cuba are the only lands beneath the stars where soul freedom in its fullness is found.

In our country it has been the growth of centuries. To this glorious inheritance Cuba was born in a day.

Soul freedom is the great contribution of our Baptist people to the science of government. It is one which sheds glory upon their heroic past, and one that will enlighten the world.

God has given to the Baptists the religious guardianship of this first born of our principles, and bids us strain it for his glory and as an example to the world.

There are thousands of members of our churches who have accepted Christ as their Savior and their King, who have done nothing worthy of their high calling to honor Him or to benefit the world. If they ever intend to do anything for His glory or for their race—if they do not mean to enter heaven empty handed, and stand before their King without an offering—if they do not expect to wear through eternal ages a starless crown, let them not miss this opportunity.

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A Little Trip.

Bro. Editor: Please allow me to say a few words (not about gobblers, hens nor hams); but about a visit I have just made to my old brethren and friends at Clanton, and my first visit to Blocton. At Clanton I found the same clever and seemingly satisfied, easy-going condition of things very much as I used to know them. Bro. F. M. Woods, the Baptist bishop, lives there. He is a good man, a zealous worker, and has a warm place in the affections of the Baptists and of the other denominations of the town.

At Blocton Bro. Woods has the honor to preside as pastor of the First Baptist church. Blocton is a great field, one that needs the Bible (Baptist) Gospel preached and preached often. Bro. Woods has been doing a fine work among these people, but he is real young physically to undergo the labor necessary to take this field for Christ and the Baptists. There are about five thousand people in and around Blocton, and if they are to have the true gospel they must have it now and have it often. Catholicism and all sorts of isms are striving for the field. While it is presently a Baptist town now, I suppose there never was a time in its history when the Baptist forces needed help and encouragement more than now. If there is a field in Alabama that needs a live, energetic worker for all this time, this is one. There are three Baptist churches in the town, and with these properly organized and at work the heaven would to a great extent leave the good people.

The snow prevented the pleasure of preaching to the people at Blocton. I hope to be able to visit them in the Spring. While there we enjoyed the hospitality of Dr. Harvey and wife, Rev. W. W. Perry and Bro. and Sister Oldham. However, I believe Mr. Oldham is not a brother yet, but really I do not see how he can forego the pleasure, when he is so fortunate as to enjoy the association of such an estimable Christian wife as he has.

Since my return I have been confined to my room most of the time with cold and threatened with a complication of troubles.

Goodwater. O. P. BENTLEY.

## For the Alabama Baptist.

The Orphanage.

I spent a night at the Orphanage on a recent visit to Evergreen. I was amazed at the changes which had been brought about by the energetic superintendent. The building has been added to and repaired until it is really a very handsome structure. Sixty-five little fellows find a home under its roof. I am proud of the Orphanage. Two things ought to be resolved upon. One is, that the Home shall have every want supplied; the other, that John W. Stewart shall be retained in its management. Mrs. Thomas, I heard many pleasant things said of her. The new matron, Mrs. Hardy, I am sure will do well as her successor.

W. B. C.

## For the Alabama Baptist.

Frozen Out.

Ed. Baptist: We were very much disappointed at Early last week in not being able to hold our Institute. It was too cold for anything. The thermometer was 20 degrees below zero. We thought best to postpone the meeting until July. Brethren Anderson, David, Sandlin and Campbell constituted the force. Bro. A. preached a good sermon to a small congregation Sunday morning. All left Monday night except Bro. Sandlin. He remained over and preached for us Wednesday night. He is making a campaign now through Jackson and Madison counties. He expects to visit churches in Calhoun, Talladega and Shelby counties in which that trip will carry him through my old territory.

Brethren keep Bro. Sandlin's appointment at your next mind. Don't fail to meet him. His heart is full of love for the cause of the Master. He can't visit you often because his field is large; so don't fail to meet him this time. J. M. McCord.

Guiley.

## For the Alabama Baptist.

In New Orleans.

Ed. Ala. Baptist: Valence Street Baptist church has extended a unanimous call to its pastorate to Rev. C. W. Tomkies, and the call has been accepted. The pastor's salary has been pledged by the church, and thus it becomes self-sustaining. This is a young church but possesses much recuperative strength. Heretofore it has been partly supported by the Home Board, but now voluntarily assumes its own expenses. Prof. Tomkies is a Virginian by birth and education. He has been the most successful president of Keachie Baptist College, this state, for the past ten years. His work was greatly blessed in building up the College and in lifting a burden some debt from the property. Bro. Tomkies is a sound Baptist, is modest and retiring, but a bold defender of the truth. He is the Vice President of the Foreign Mission Board for Louisiana, and a member of the executive committee of the State board. Is in full accord in doctrine and in labor with our great Baptist brotherhood. Tell the brethren and sisters in Alabama that when they visit New Orleans be sure to visit Valence Street church and listen to a real gospel sermon by Pastor Tomkies. They will be always welcome. OCCASIONAL.

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Write Macbeth Pittsburgh Pa.

For the Alabama Baptist

Home Training.

I read not long since that according to our statistics, "there are more young men in prison in the United States than in the church."

This statement induces me to call attention to the necessity of early religious training in the home.

There must be no neglect somewhere, and it must be largely in the home-training, and some one is responsible for the immorality and crime among our young men.

The importance of good home training is more and more apparent as we come in contact with the world, and witness the direful consequences of neglect in the proper training of children in the home.

Parents can instill into the minds of children as no one else, noble thoughts and purity of character.

As it is impossible to have a strong building without a good foundation, so parents need not expect a pure and noble life in their children if they do not lay a good foundation in childhood. It is then that the mind can be easily impressed and led on from step to step until there has been formed upright principles and a good character. We need more religious instruction at home. It will do our children more good than all the material wealth we can bestow upon them. If we neglect the golden opportunity, and let the seasons of childhood and youth pass by, then all our efforts may be in vain. We may weep bitter tears of repentance, but these will not wash away the consequences of our neglect. Parents, do not neglect this important duty. While we are helping our children we are helping ourselves. It is a sad fact that many parents do not exercise sufficient care in giving their children right principles. There is great looseness in developing the ideas of honesty, firmness, sobriety and truthfulness in the home training. It will require some effort and a great deal of persistent patience to give the proper training, but look at the result. Make home instruction what it should be, and we need not fear much for the after-life of the children. Make the fountain sweet, and the stream will not be bitter. "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." Northport. J. H. CURRY.

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Another Letter from the Rev. S. W. Jones, of Pittsburgh, Texas.

Pittsburg, Tex., Feb. 3, '99.

DEAR DR. BYE:—It has been some time since I wrote and I thought I would write you a few lines to let you hear from me. This leaves me in fine condition. She goes where she pleases and is still improving in health and flesh. Glad to have to say to you that she is permanently cured of the Tumor. We are still receiving letters of inquiry. Persons that have written to us some months past, now write to me asking what we think of Dr. Bye's treatment now, and if we think she is permanently cured. Dear Dr. Bye, we feel under many obligations to you for wife's recovery from what we thought was certain death. May God bless you continuously in your labor of love. Yours truly, W. S. JONES.

Persons afflicted with Cancer or Tumor may address Dr. D. M. Bye, Lock Box 25, Indianapolis, Ind., and he will send them books and papers free, giving letters from the afflicted in every part of the United States and Canada who have been cured; also half tone cuts from photographs showing facts that cannot be questioned.

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Young People and Politics.

In Boston, on February 2nd, the

eighteenth anniversary of the

founding of the Christian Endeavor

Society was celebrated in Tremont

Temple, by nearly five thousand

people representing the Christian

Endeavor of New England. The

press dispatch reports that Rev.

Francis B. Clark, D. D., the

founder of the society, was a special

guest and made a ringing address

on the attitude of the young Christian

to the "territorial expansion" of

the United States. What he said, or

which attitude he took seems, in the

report, of no consequence beside the

straightforwardness of the young

men and women of the Christian

Endeavor Society on the great question

of territorial expansion. I wish I

could tell all that is in my heart. But

I suppose they desire to make up

their minds on the subject of the

teachings of Christ. Let them ask

themselves whether it is doing evil

to make war upon a people, or

to compel them by force to submit to

what we may govern them against

their wishes. Are the great doctrines

of the Declaration of Independence

and the American Republic, as

Abraham Lincoln and Charles Sumner

told them they were, founded on the

law of the strongest? If so, then if

anybody tempt them, then if any

body tempt them to the Philippines

islands by their doctrine upon them

let them tempt themselves if they

do evil that good may come and if

it is possible that we can do any good

to the people by setting them an

example of injustice and wrong?

Here is Secretary of the Navy John

D. Long's answer:

"With regard to the territorial

expansion of the United States, it

seems to me that the word to say

to our young people is



