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SECOND DAY.

LOUISVILLE, May 13.

Fine weather and the attraction of the President's annual address were influential in providing a great audience of women.

The Union was called to order by the President, Miss F. E. S. Heck, at 9:30 o'clock. The devotional exercises were conducted by Miss Mary A. Levering, of Baltimore. She read, with impressive grace, a selection of Scripture, and the ladies sang the hymn beginning, "Complete in Thee."

At the close of the singing the morning prayer was offered by Miss M. E. Wright, of Georgia, and the Union proceeded to business.

The special order of business, as previously announced, was the President's annual address.

She reviewed the work of the year with a running comment upon its salient features. The Spanish-American war had raised the stars and stripes over vast new territory, and opened the doors of the islands of the seas to the preaching of the gospel.

Religious equality and equal opportunity for missionary efforts were now the stated conditions in late burdened Cuba. This was a matchless opportunity to do mission work in the island where little could be done before, and the Union had early recognized the importance of seizing upon the opportunity offered.

New missionaries had been equipped for the work, and the enterprises of the Union would be vigorously pushed.

While discussing the Spanish-American war, Miss Heck could not resist the opportunity to warmly endorse the Czar's disarmament proposal. She deprecated wars and rumors of wars. In a Christian era, she said, Christian statesmen should adjust the quarrels of nations without resort to arms.

Miss Heck apostrophized the Czar's proposal, and said she would welcome the day when wars should be no more.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

By special appointment Dr. J. M. Frost, of Nashville, appeared before the Union and presented his report as Secretary and Treasurer of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Dr. Frost discussed the work of the board for the past year.

Consideration of the terms of the document was then entered into by the ladies. Their assistance was urged in the periodical work of the Sunday School Board, which has charge of supplying the literature used in the Sunday schools, and also of the tracts distributed by the board's authority.

Another matter of importance was the proposed observance of a missionary day in all the Sunday schools. This proposition received the hearty commendation of all those who spoke on the report.

THE HOME MISSION BOARD.

Dr. I. T. Tichenor, of Atlanta, submitted to the consideration of the ladies the convention report of that board. When the United States acquired Porto Rico and temporary sovereignty of Cuba, an agreement was reached by the Northern and Southern Baptists, by the terms of which agreement the western part of the island of Cuba came under the jurisdiction of the Southern Board and Porto Rico under that of the Northern Society.

The destitute mountain districts, and also the slum districts of the large cities in the South are also fields in which the Home Mission Board labors. Added to these

branches of work, this board conducts large evangelical enterprises among the negroes in the South.

All these objects were discussed in considering the report, and plans were considered for increasing the contributions to the work by an annual \$5,000.

TO OPPOSE MORMONS.

A feature of the day's proceedings was the consideration of the late active aggressions of the Mormons. It was shown that emissaries of this sect are engaged in proselyting the ignorant and unlettered peoples of Kentucky and other states. By reason of these aggressions, it was contended, Mormonism had been greatly augmented in the remote localities, wherefore there was need of more energetic resistance of the heresy.

Mrs. W. J. Northen, of Georgia, presented the matter of anti-Mormon work, and a collection of considerable value was taken, the funds to be used in resisting Mormon encroachments.

After the collection was taken a short but impressive prayer service was held, Mrs. W. S. Splann and Mrs. J. M. Phillips, of Tennessee, leading the service, and the Union adjourned to 9:30 o'clock to-morrow morning.

An executive session was held in the afternoon, which was devoted to the consideration of reports presented at the morning session.

THIRD DAY.

This day appeared on the program as Missionary Day. Reports from those who are in the field were made, and the whole session was given over to hearing of the life and work of the missionary discussed by missionaries themselves.

A collection of almost \$400 was taken, and deep interest, amounting almost to enthusiasm, was displayed by the large audience present.

The devotional exercises were in charge of Mrs. H. L. Mellen, of Alabama, who read in full the 95th and 105th Psalms. Mrs. J. L. Burnham, of Missouri, assisted Mrs. Mellen in these exercises.

Miss Anita Muldoon then sang with exquisite effect, "How Long, Oh Lord, Wilt Thou Forget?"

Rev. J. O'Halloran, who was to have spoken on the subject of Cuba, was absent, and Miss Mollie McMinn's address on China was made the first on the program.

MISS M'INN TALKS OF CHINA.

Miss McMinn has, for the past ten years, been a missionary in the Kwang Si district of Southern China. Within that time four stations have been established, and over 200 converts made. Much of the work is done on the river boats, the people of this class being easier reached and more susceptible to the teachings of the gospel than the other natives.

At the close of Miss McMinn's address, Rev. James Wilbur, Baltimore, presented the claims of Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Maynard, missionaries to Japan. Mr. Wilbur was associated with Rev. Allan Tupper in the publication of "Around the World with Eyes Wide Open," in which is chronicled the experiences of Mr. Wilbur and Mr. Tupper in their world's tour. It was on this tour that Mr. Wilbur met Mr. and Mrs. Maynard, and so much impressed was he with their zeal and earnestness that he has undertaken to raise money sufficient to build them a home.

Mr. Wilbur's desire is to raise \$2,500, and \$390 of this amount was collected in the afternoon.

WORK IN INDIAN TERRITORY.

The mission outlook in the Indian Territory from a Baptist standpoint was treated of by Mrs. W. H. Kuykendall, of Oklahoma. She told how meetings were held in a general association tent, such as Sam Jones is now making use of in this city, and how the people attend from miles around and camp out

during the entire series of services. Many of the missionaries in the territory are forced to live in dugouts in order to get at that particular class of the population that are accessible in no other way.

JAPAN'S SOCIAL SETTLEMENTS.

Mrs. E. N. Walne, of Mississippi, made a report of her work in Japan, which she said was largely conducted along the lines of social settlement work in this country and England. One of the encouraging features of the work was the fact that the Japanese women, after conversion, entered intelligently into this method of work and proved themselves most efficient helpers in the uplifting of their race.

Mrs. Walne spoke of the three prevailing religions of the country, Shintoism, Buddhism and Confucianism. "To the strength of Shintoism," said Mrs. Walne, "is due the superior position occupied by the Japanese woman over her sister of China, as one of the deities worshipped by the Shintoists is woman."

At the close of Mrs. Walne's address, Misses Alice, Elizabeth and Harriet Eager, daughters of Dr. J. H. Eager, who at one time was a missionary to Italy, appeared in native dress and sang several airs in Italian. Miss Margaret Buhlmaier, of Baltimore, then told of work among the foreign population, and how the incoming immigrant ships were met by members of the society with tracts and Bibles. These were given to the immigrants, lodging-houses were found in respectable parts of the town, and the foreigners were aided in securing tickets to their various places of destination.

All of the missionaries present then took position in front of the chancel and each member of the

ward, and, taking their hands, wished them Godspeed in their work. With this ceremony the exercises closed.

FOURTH DAY.

The morning meeting opened at 9:30 o'clock with devotional exercises, led by Mrs. W. R. Woods, of Meridian, Miss. The singing of "Nearer, my God to Thee" was followed by the reading of the fifty-fifth chapter of Isaiah. The congregation then sang "Stand Up for Jesus," and "Awake, My Soul, Stretch Ever Nerve," and Mrs. J. L. Burnham offered prayer.

Miss Fannie Heck, President of the Union, was in the chair, and the first order of business was the reading of the minutes of Saturday's and Sunday's meetings by Miss M. E. Wright, Acting Recording Secretary.

The resolutions of the Executive Committee on the recommendations of the Home Board were read by Miss Annie Armstrong. The first resolution on the widespread influence of Mormonism was discussed by Mrs. J. D. Easterlin, of Georgia; Mrs. L. D. Eakin, of Tennessee; Mrs. Stephen Crockett, Mrs. M. B. Smith, of Texas, and Miss Quisenberry. The second resolution on the work of self-denial was taken up by Mrs. O. F. Gregory, of Baltimore, and Mrs. J. L. Burnham, of Missouri. The resolution on the treatment of foreigners in this country was spoken upon by Miss Buhlmaier, of Baltimore; Mrs. J. D. Easterlin, of Atlanta, and Mrs. Westrup.

Other ladies discussed the fourth resolution, relative to the boxes to be sent to frontier missionaries.

Mrs. C. A. Stakely, of Washington, then read a paper on "Missionary Literature."

OFFICERS RE-ELECTED.

At the conclusion of Mrs. Stakely's paper, Miss Florence Lee Holtzman sang a solo. Miss Annie Armstrong, the Corresponding Secretary, then read the recommendations of the Executive Committee of the Woman's Missionary Union. After a discussion on the

subject by Mrs. D. A. Ramsey, of Virginia, the recommendations were adopted on the motion of Mrs. J. D. Easterlin, of Georgia.

Miss Spalding, of Florida, took the chair, and Miss E. S. Broadus presented the report of the Nominating Committee. Other business was postponed until after the election of officers.

Ballots were distributed and all of the officers were re-elected; Miss Fannie Heck, President; Miss Annie Armstrong, Corresponding Secretary; Miss Nellie Martien, Recording Secretary; and Mrs. W. C. Lowndes, Treasurer.

MISS HECK DECLINES.

When the result of the balloting was announced, Miss Heck arose and declined the presidency in a short address, in which she thanked the union for the honor they had conferred upon her and love, kindness and assistance each member had given her while she was at the head of the work. She said it was her earnest desire that her successor, whoever she might be, would be given the co-operation and friendship the Union as she had been.

The names of Mrs. C. A. Stakely and Miss M. E. Wright were then presented for the presidency. Miss Wright withdrew, and Mrs. Stakely was unanimously elected. The officers were then called to the platform and made brief addresses in acknowledgment of the honor conferred upon them.

THE VICE PRESIDENTS.

The Vice Presidents of the union, who are selected from the Central Committee of the various States, are as follows: Alabama, Mrs. H. L. Mellen; Arkansas, Mrs. J. P. Eagle; District of Columbia, Mrs. E. B. Pollard; Florida, Mrs. B. B. Chipley; Georgia, Miss M. E. Wright; Kentucky, Miss E. K.

Ammen; Maryland, Mrs. W. B. Graves; Mississippi, Mrs. J. W. Bozeman; Missouri, Mrs. J. L. Burnham; North Carolina, Miss F. E. S. Heck; South Carolina, Mrs. M. L. Coker; Tennessee, Mrs. A. C. S. Jackson; Texas, Mrs. M. B. Smith; Virginia, Mrs. A. M. Gwathmey; Indian Territory and Oklahoma, Mrs. W. H. Kuykendall.

On the motion of Mrs. J. L. Burnham the following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That we express our thanks, sympathy and love to our beloved retiring President, Miss Heck, by a rising vote, for the self-sacrificing way in which she has given herself to us in her untiring services in the past year.

It was adopted.

One of the most important points brought up during the morning was the decision to have an annual meeting of secretaries of the Central Committees of the various States. An organization of the secretaries was formed with Mrs. J. L. Burnham, of Missouri, chairman, and Mrs. W. R. Woods, of Mississippi, secretary.

At this point a motion was made to adjourn until 3:30 o'clock, when unfinished business would be considered.

LAST SESSION BEGINS.

The last session of the Union was called to order at 3:30 o'clock, and for two hours the delegates completed unfinished business and arranged new matters. The afternoon meeting opened with devotional exercises, and the first business transacted was the report of the committee on Plan of Work. It was followed by a collection, the object of which was the Home Missionary Board in connection with its work among the Mormons. Mrs. J. M. Ammen, of Louisiana, explained the work done by this board and the necessity of assisting it as much as possible, especially in the crusade against the Mormons. Through her instrumentality a snug sum was raised.

THE "QUESTION BOX."

Several minutes were devoted to

the "question box" in charge of Mrs. J. L. Burnham, of Missouri, who answered a number of questions relative to the Woman's Missionary Union and gave an interesting account of some of the work done by the Union.

Interspersed between the business Mrs. Dement, of Kentucky, conducted a prayer service.

TO WRITE THEIR HISTORY.

The most important new business taken up was the appointment of Miss Annie Armstrong, of Baltimore, to write a history of the Woman's Missionary Union to be read at the World's Missionary Convention, to be held in New York in 1900.

Delegates were also appointed to this convention.

Mrs. L. D. Eakin, of Tennessee, chairman of the Committee on Resolutions, made her report, in which she thanked the citizens of Louisville for their hospitality and kindness during the meeting of the convention and thanked the press for the full accounts of the proceedings, which have been published from day to day.

The eleventh annual meeting of the Union then adjourned, after closing religious exercises by Miss J. L. Spalding, of Florida.

For the Alabama Baptist.

Seen at Louisville.

Dear Baptist: After the adjournment of the Southern Baptist Convention I remained over in Louisville for a few days' rest and recreation. I hope these few days have been spent to profit for both body and mind.

The convention was a great success for God's blessed cause. It was perhaps the greatest gathering of Baptist preachers ever congregated in the South. We now return home to our fields of work, re-

It has been my pleasure since the convention to visit the blind institute of this city. It is a gem of beauty in architecture, and admirably suited to the purpose for which it was built. There are an average of ninety to one hundred poor, sightless ones within its walls.

Another point of interest I would mention is the Masonic Orphan's Home. There are over 200 children annually cared for in that noble institution.

Then I must speak of the Louisville Baptist Orphanage with about seventy-five inmates. Our hearts were touched as well as those of the dear little ones while my cousin, "Earnest Willie," talked to them. The writer was also allowed to speak to them some words of cheer.

Then I lingered long in Cave Hill cemetery of this city. I am reliably informed that there are thirty graves already within its limits. This resting place of the dead is gloriously beautiful, with its lovely flowers, sparkling fountains, terraced hills, green trees and diversified monuments that mark the quiet place of the sleeper. Oh! how beautiful. It was pleasant here to muse till the sun cast his shadows back upon the dizzy heights of church spire and hill top.

Lastly, we (Earnest Willie and I) spent a few pleasant hours with the Seminary boys and partook of their hospitalities. After an excellent talk by "Earnest Willie" we bade adieu to the kind people and beautiful city of Louisville. Our hearts are now turned homeward.

Before I close this letter I am happy to acknowledge that for this very pleasant trip I am indebted wholly to dear good brethren and sisters of Roanoke, the best church of which I know anything.

W. J. D. UPshaw.

A London paper offered \$10 as a prize for the best definition of a baby. Among the answers was this one, evidently sent by an old bachelor living in an apartment house with thin walls: "The morning caller, the noonday crawler, the midnight bawler."

Southern Baptist Convention.

Forty-Fourth Session.

LOUISVILLE, KY., May 12.

Amid a sound of voices like the noise of many waters the gavel of Judge Jonathan Haralson, of the Supreme Court of Alabama, called to order the forty-fourth session of the fifty-fourth year of the Southern Baptist Convention, this being the eleventh time he has performed that duty. He introduced to the Convention Deacon H. H. Hickman, of Augusta, Ga., who has the distinction of being one of two or three survivors of the first convention held in 1845, and the only one in attendance at this. Almost every voice in the vast audience was lifted up with fervor in the singing of "How Firm a Foundation, Ye Saints of the Lord," and the rafters of Warren Memorial church were thrilled as they had not been for many a day with this old Baptist faith song. The venerable man then read the fortieth Psalm, and asked Dr. W. W. Landrum, of Atlanta, to lead in prayer.

A considerable portion of the morning session was taken up with the enrollment of delegates according to States, and as soon as this was concluded the election of officers was taken up. Dr. J. B. Gambrell said: "This great convention has had a succession of great presiding officers—Dr. Mell, then Dr. Boyce, and after him Judge Haralson, a man who combines in himself every element of manhood. We want for his successor a great Baptist, for I still hold that it doesn't hurt a man to be a good Baptist. We want also a good presiding officer, for in this convention we must be under law as well as under grace; we want a master of assemblies, a man who knows more about parliamentary law than I ever dreamed of, and I present, therefore, the name of Deacon W. J. Northen, of Georgia."

Dr. A. E. Owen, of Virginia, placed in nomination the Hon. Joshua Levering, of Baltimore, but at the request of the nominee his name was withdrawn, and Rev. J. R. Farish, of Mississippi, offered the name of ex-Gov. J. P. Eagle, of Arkansas. The name of ex-Gov. J. P. Eagle, of Arkansas, was withdrawn, and Dr. J. B. Hawthorne, of Nashville; Dr. W. E. Hatcher, of Richmond, Va.; and John D. Jordan, of Savannah, while Dr. S. H. Ford, of St. Louis, presented the claims of Gov. Eagle.

Just here the tall form of the former chief executive of Arkansas arose in the audience, and in a captivating speech he asked that his name be withdrawn. "There are two or three reasons," he said, "why I could not afford to let my name go before the convention. One of these is that I never was defeated for any office that I asked for, and I should feel let down if that were to occur here. I believe it is the greatest honor that can come to any man to preside over this body, but with the great State of Texas on the one side and Virginia on the other lined up with Georgia against me, I don't think that I ought to do it. I am young yet and can get before the convention after a while."

His name being withdrawn, Rev. A. S. Pettie, of Jonesboro, Ark., nominated Dr. F. H. Kerfoot, of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, who declined acceptance and pressed the claims of Gov. Northen. Upon his motion the Secretary was instructed to cast the vote of the convention for ex-Gov. Northen.

The new President was escorted to the chair by Drs. Hatcher, Eaton and Kerfoot and Gov. Eagle, and presented to Judge Haralson, who said:

"It is my privilege, pleasure and honor to introduce to you your presiding officer." The delegates rose to their feet. "He has served his church and denomination in many important trusts and has never failed to perform them well. You have treated me with great consideration during the last ten years, and they furnish me one of the happiest reminiscences of my life. If you will be as good to this brother in the next ten he will make you a better presiding officer than I have ever been. And brother, I want to say to you, that you will have no difficulty in conducting the South-

ern Baptist Convention. In the last ten years there has not an appeal been taken from the chair, though I am conscious of many mistakes. I turn over to you this gavel which Dr. Mell and Dr. Boyce so long held."

Gov. Northen responded by saying: "I am deeply grateful for this expression of your confidence; I am especially grateful because of the manner in which it had come to me. Whilst I recognize the great honor of this place, I recognize also the embarrassment of it because of the great responsibilities connected with it. I stand at the end of a list of men who have served you with marked ability, yet I find no one in the line who has more completely my affection and regard than the beloved brother whom I immediately succeed. It would be no easy matter to succeed Judge Haralson in any position, and especially is that true in this instance. I ask for myself your patience while I undertake to take up what has been the most beautiful administration this convention has had."

"I want to endorse every word of the brother who said that the Southern Baptist Convention is a great assembly of great men, and I want to say in this presence, a grander body of men has not and can not, in this generation, assemble on this continent. Every element of a complete manhood finds itself absolutely, beautifully embodied in you."

"I am further embarrassed because of the great work which you, under God, have taken in hand. You have assembled to consider the great plans of God, to deliberate about methods and purposes born in heaven. All of us are men, none of us infallible. I ask your sympathetic co-operation. Let us take 'God as our refuge and strength' for our motto. At Norfolk last year great troubles were ahead of us, but God had them all carried away before we got there, and we found the boards all out of debt. Just at that time the nation had entered upon a war; today the shackles have been stricken from Cuba and the gospel is as free there as in any part of America. Let us have faith in God. He will roll away the stone."

"Away with your personal ends and your bickering and your personal purposes. (Loud amens!) May this be the convention of all hands into that of the Lord Jesus Christ this will be the time of all times when His goodness shall be displayed."

The convention then elected the following Vice Presidents: Ex-Gov. J. P. Eagle, of Arkansas; Dr. R. C. Buckner, of Texas; Charles L. Cocke, of Virginia, and Dr. F. H. Kerfoot, of Kentucky. The present Secretaries, the Auditor and Treasurer were elected.

Then came the address of welcome by Rev. Carter Helm Jones, pastor of Broadway Baptist church, who spoke as follows: "Brethren and Fathers of the Southern Baptist Convention: 'The sun shines bright in our old Kentucky home,' because behind a frowning Providence it hides a smiling face. Our weather prophet has made up his mind that Sunday shall find no dry preachers in the city. Welcome is a word which time can not wither or custom stale; we welcome you for all that you have been. As a boy I sat as a page in the First Baptist church of Richmond, Va., and caught my first sight of the Southern Baptist Convention. There sat Boyce in the chair, a magnificent incarnation of a royal manhood. God give us his like again! On Sunday morning I saw that leonine personality picturing the cross of Jesus Christ, Richard Fuller. Many a time I have gone back to bathe myself in that tide of holy emotions. Brethren, we are encompassed with a great cloud of witnesses, and we welcome you because of these fond inspirations. We had hoped that the Nestor of our Southern preachers might welcome you, Ryland, nomen clarum et venerabile, but heaven grew jealous of beautiful Kentucky and took him hence."

"As a boy I thought I was predestined to go to every fire, and we boys learned that we could run better if we kept step together; there is an electric power in the elbow touch. We are one in some things, we are one in all things essential; we are one because we are blood kin, kin in the blood of Jesus Christ, who loved us and gave

Himself for us. We are one at the cross and the atonement, and one at the Jordan. God grant that we shall walk together one in life, in obedience to one common Lord."

"We welcome you because of what you represent. God speed the day when that for which our fathers died and for which the Savior gave His life shall ennoble ours. I see it coming; I see it in this sea of upturned faces which have come up from where the noble old Chesapeake sings 'Maryland, my Maryland' to where the Lone Star catches its gleams from the heavens. God speed the day when this world shall belong to Him whose right it is to reign! 'Bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all.'"

Representing as I do Broadway Baptist church, the Baptists of Louisville and the noble people of Warren Memorial church, who have given us this noble auditorium for our services, my heart catches again the old plantation melody, 'Since you belong to Gideon's band, here's my heart and here's my hand.'"

This address of welcome was responded to by the Hon. H. S. D. Mallory, of Alabama. He paid many compliments to the state and the city which had extended so cordial a welcome. The convention then adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Long before the appointed hour for assembling an immense crowd thronged the galleries of the church, which were wholly inadequate for those interested in the convention. After the religious exercises the following resolution was introduced by the Rev. H. S. Pittman, of South Carolina:

"Resolved, That the hearty thanks of the convention be extended to the retiring president of this body, Judge Haralson, for the distinguished manner, efficiency, ability and honor with which our esteemed brother has presided over the deliberations of our convention during the past ten years."

The resolution was adopted by a rising vote.

After the adoption of this resolution a large number of prominent visitors were called to the platform and introduced to the convention. Among the number were: E. N. Walne, Japan; Peyton Stephens, China; J. C. ... appointed to Mexico; Chas Herron, of the New York Examiner; G. W. Lasher, of the Jomal and Messenger, Cincinnati; L. B. D. Throgmorton, Duquoin, Ill.; Rev. W. M. Flippo, American Baptist Publication society.

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD.

An important feature of the afternoon session was the report of the Foreign Mission Board, which operates in China, Mexico, Italy, Africa and Japan. An abstract of the report presented by Dr. Willingham is as follows: "Our heavenly Father, the God of Missions, has greatly blessed this work in foreign lands during the past year. We had a much larger number of converts baptized last year than in any former year of our convention history. Our missions generally are well organized, and the outlook is full of hope. Most of the missionaries who were detained at home on account of sickness or want of means to send them have returned to their fields."

"Besides these, the board has appointed and sent out an excellent corps of strong, spiritually-minded young men and women. Our denomination has cause to thank God for the high character and excellent qualifications of those who have been appointed during the past year. Men and women have gone out who could easily stand at the front in the leading churches of our homeland, but they can not neglect these things dear unto them, that they may preach Jesus to those in darkness and sin."

"Eighteen new missionaries and their wives have been sent out during the past year, and thirteen others have returned to the work. Six are now resting in the homeland, and nine have returned from the work. We are sorry to report the death of Rev. C. D. McCarthy, who died of yellow fever at Rio, Brazil, last February. He was a young missionary of great promise."

"We regret exceedingly to announce that our receipts for the past year have fallen somewhat behind those of several years past. Still it must be remembered that

for several years we have taken extra collections to pay old indebtedness, and this year our collections have hardly been normal on account of the reaction, and for other causes. Surely 1,674,363 Baptists ought to have given more than \$100,267 43. We are glad to report all debts paid, and believe our work should be greatly enlarged."

"The only States which have not fallen behind in contributions are Missouri, North Carolina, Tennessee and the District of Columbia. During the past year all our expenses amounted to fifteen cents on the dollar, and the other eighty-five cents went to the missionaries."

In regard to legacies, we think it a much better way for the party who wishes to make a gift and yet needs the income while he lives, to give the funds to the board, who have made arrangements to receive such funds and grant an annuity to the giver during his natural life."

The statistical table of the board gives the following grand total: Number of churches 100, outstations 140; male missionaries 35, female 47; ordained natives 27, unordained 101; baptisms 845; total membership 5347; Sunday school scholars 2 446; houses of worship 57; scholars in day schools 1,165; native contributions \$6,110 20.

HOME MISSION BOARD.

The closing report of the afternoon session was that of the Home Mission Board, which, on account of the hoarseness of Dr. Tichenor, was read by Dr. Landrum. In the report he said:

"We have increased our work in many of our fields and diminished it in none. If we have heeded the calls of Cuba for help, we have not done it at the expense of work in our cities, or in our mountains, among the negroes, or our wide frontier. Reporting an unpaid balance, too insignificant for consideration, we rejoice in the increased number, missionaries, in the large additions to our churches and Sunday schools, and the hopeful outlook presented to the Board."

"The summary of work for the past conventional year is as follows:

Missionaries	653
Weeks of labor	17,424
Churches and stations	2,580
Sermons and addresses	64,718
Prayer meetings	12,620
Religious visits	108,336
Baptisms	845
Received by letter	6,431
Total additions	12,983
Churches constituted	194
Houses of worship built	92
Houses of worship improved	252
Amount expended on houses of worship	\$71,027
Sunday schools organized	512
Teachers and pupils	14,768
Bibles and Testaments	17,104
Tracts distributed (pages)	1,260,572

"The number of missionaries employed this year was 653, against 467 last year. Baptisms this year 845 against 4 739 last year. Total additions to churches this year 12,983 against 9,509 last year. Sunday schools organized this year 512, with 14,768 teachers and pupils, against 297, with 7,710 teachers and pupils last year."

"The amount raised and expended on the field for Home Missions this year is \$65,818.81, against \$54,251.04 last year. There have been collected and expended in building houses of worship on the field this year \$50,050 33, against \$56,385 46 last year, making a total of money raised on the field \$115 869 14, against a total raised on the field last year of \$110,636 50, an increase of \$5,232 64."

WORK IN CUBA.

"When the armistice between the United States and Spain had suspended the bloody strife, the board immediately instructed Rev. J. R. O'Halloran to locate in Santiago and begin mission work in that city."

"After tedious delays he reached that point, and on the 30th of September opened his place of worship. For the first time in all its history a Protestant preached the gospel within its walls. Wonderful success attended his labors. By the first of January he had baptized 150 believers and organized two churches."

"About the same time Rev. A. J. Diaz, then in the employ of the A. B. P. Society, returned to Cuba and renewed his work in Havana. Since that time he has returned to the employ of the board, and is actively engaged in preaching the gospel in that city, and great success is attending his labors. Rev. J. V. Cova has been stationed at Matanzas. Rev. F. P. Bueno has

been sent to Cienfuegos, and in consequence of the transfer of the Eastern part of the island to the Home Mission Society, Bro. O'Halloran has been stationed at Santa Clara, the capital of the province bearing that name."

THE MOUNTAIN REGION.

"The expressed desire of the convention that the board should do more for the mountain people has not been accompanied by the necessary increase in the funds that would enable the board to execute in full its wishes in this matter. Many of the reports of the board bear witness to the fact that it has not failed to appreciate the importance of the field or been dilatory in its efforts to supply its needs."

FRONTIER WORK.

"The frontier of our mission field, beginning at the Kansas line, runs southward to the Rio Grande, and thence along that river to the sea. It may be roughly estimated as being one thousand miles long by five hundred miles wide."

The convention then adjourned, to meet at 8 p. m.

SECOND DAY.

Promptly at 9:30 President Northen called the Convention to order. Rev. L. O. Dawson, of Alabama, read the 13th chapter of John, and Rev. J. G. Lowrey led in prayer.

A number of committees were announced, Dr. Eager, of Alabama, being chairman of the committee on Cuba.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD'S REPORT.

Dr. J. M. Frost, of Nashville, Secretary of the Sunday school Board, read an abstract of the report and called attention to the most important and encouraging features, among which were the following:

We submit herewith the eighth annual report of the Sunday School Board, presenting the best showing that the board has yet had the privilege of making to the convention. The year closed with every part of the business in excellent shape, and with fine prospects for the future. God in his providence has been very gracious, and the great body of our people very generous in their support.

The periodical department has made possible and brought to pass the plan of publishing our business, as well as the large work in benevolence and missions."

The total income for the year from all sources is \$67,173 30, a sum larger than for any preceding year, being an advance upon last year of over \$2,100, and that, too, notwithstanding a falling off in missionary day collections. There are no unpaid obligations against the board; there is a balance on hand sufficient for beginning the work of the new year; there is an increase in the table of assets, with nothing to offset in the way of liabilities."

We have sent out this year 17,448 Bibles and Testaments with a money value aggregating \$3 324 17. This, of course, refers only to our appropriations, and not at all to the sale of Bibles, which has increased year by year.

We wish to lay before the convention a system for the endowment of books. These endowments will consist of \$500 each, given for this specific purpose, and will constitute each in itself a publishing fund, bearing such name as the giver may elect, and will be used to publish a book, and when reimbursed by proceeds from its sales will then be used to publish still another, and so, in the course of time will have many books circulating under its making. In this way the giver will establish for himself a source of permanent and ever-increasing power for usefulness."

The report was referred to a committee, with Dr. W. R. L. Smith, Virginia, as chairman.

CARROLL RESOLUTION UP.

Dr. Willingham gave way with the Foreign Mission committee report to allow the committee to report on Dr. Carroll's resolution to divorce the seminary from the convention, and also the recommendations of the Kentucky General Association to have nominations for vacant trusteeships made by the State associations instead of by the convention."

These matters were referred last year to a committee, of which Dr. J. B. Hawthorne was chairman.

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Southern Baptist Convention.

This committee was in session every day up to yesterday morning, and then two reports were brought in.

Dr. George B. Eager offered the majority report, which is as follows:

"The committee to which was referred the question of changing the present relations of the convention to the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and the recommendation of the General Association of Kentucky as to modifying the organic laws of the seminary, and as to the election or nomination of trustees from the different States, after long and earnest conference, beg to report that we have no recommendation to make, and ask to be discharged.

Joshua Levering, Lansing Burrows, Jas. P. Eagle, C. S. Gardner, Wm. E. Hatcher, Chas. A. Stakely, J. S. Coleman, Geo. B. Eager, J. K. Pace, W. T. Campbell, A. M. Vardeman, B. H. Carroll, L. D. Geiger.

Accompanying Dr. Carroll's signature was the following note:

"As it is not my purpose to offer the resolution of which notice was given a year ago, the resolution being withdrawn as far as I am concerned, I concur in the foregoing report."

The minority report was presented by Dr. J. B. Hawthorne, of Nashville, and was signed by Dr. Hawthorne and Charles E. Taylor, of Lynchburg, Va. This report is lengthy, and enters into an argument, but reaches practically the same conclusion as the majority report. After some parliamentary sparring the majority report was adopted by a vote of 356 to 260.

WORK AMONG PAGANS.

Rev. J. D. Jordan, of Georgia, reported on "Pagan Fields."

"Never has our work been so richly blessed; it is better organized, more workers, more baptisms. Five missionaries have been sent out, three to China, one to Japan, one to Africa."

Rev. J. W. Carter, of North Carolina, reported on "Missions in Pagan Fields."

"These are hard fields. Progress in Italy is slow, but there has been

total membership. In Mexico prospects are improving. Reorganization has made decrease in membership. In Brazil painful trials have been gone through. There is a decided increase in membership."

Other committees were not ready to report, and Dr. Willingham, Foreign Mission Secretary, urged the fullest discussion by any disposed to speak, as no one had been appointed.

Dr. C. S. Blackwell, at the request of the president, led in prayer.

MISSIONARIES TALK OF THEIR WORK.

Missionary W. T. Green, of Mexico, gave a gratifying account of mission work in Mexico, where he is now a self-supporting missionary. He made most of his money teaching English to Mexicans at \$1 an hour. He thus meets many aristocratic people who never hear missionaries.

Secretary Gregory read a telegram from Missionary J. G. Chastain at Guadalajara, Mexico, referring to Luke 10:2. Hymn sung, "Where are the Reapers?"

After prayer by Dr. J. W. Carter, Mr. R. W. Hooker was introduced as one just appointed to go to Mexico as a missionary, who said the day that he had made up his mind to go as a missionary was the happiest of his life.

"Jesus, Lover of My Soul," was sung.

Missionary-elect, J. C. Owen, of North Carolina, who will go to China, was introduced. Mr. Owen said he was especially glad before leaving his home land to look into the faces of his brethren of the convention. China is not so far away as it was in the days of Dr. Yates.

Missionary P. A. Nelson, of Brazil, who had been seven years in that republic, spoke of his work on shipboard and shore along the Amazon river.

Rev. Peyton N. Stephens, missionary from China, told what a privilege it was to meet the convention. He had often met 20,000 Chinese in meetings. He told of the early work in Che Foo, China.

Chairmen of some committees were announced, Dr. J. J. Taylor,

of Alabama, being chairman of committee on Nominations.

The convention adjourned with prayer by Dr. A. E. Owen, of Virginia.

THE AFTERNOON SESSION.

Vice President F. H. Kerfoot presided, and after the opening prayer by Rev. W. O. Brown, of South Carolina, Rev. J. M. Wilbur, of Baltimore, spoke in the interest of the Maryland Baptist Mission rooms, detailing how admirably they had arranged to furnish the very freshest missionary literature.

Dr. W. R. L. Smith, of Virginia, reported on the Sunday School Board, saying its eighth annual report is its best; these yearly statements are but steps to a throne, and this strong servant of the convention deserves a crown.

Some speeches were made commending the work of the board.

Maj. J. G. Harris, of Alabama, urged that the best way to show appreciation was to take the Sunday school literature.

Rev. E. D. Stevenson, of Alabama, urged the importance of bringing all the children into the Sunday school. Dr. R. A. Venable, of Mississippi spoke at length, pleading for indoctrination of children. Rev. J. J. Taylor, of Alabama, moved that the Sunday School Board be directed to prepare a series of examination papers for Sunday schools.

SUGGESTIONS FROM DR. FROST.

Dr. J. M. Frost, Secretary of the Sunday School Board, spoke his high appreciation of the kindly words of the brethren. He explained that every dollar given to the board for distribution of literature was doubled; he also mentioned that the board was arranging to pay three and one half per cent. annuities. The report of the committee was adopted.

Rev. Curtis Lee Laws, of Maryland, reported on woman's work. The report heartily commended the good work done by the women. Last year's receipts were the largest of any. The possible abuse of missionary boxes was mentioned, as some churches lay too much stress on them. Rev. H. R. Schamm, of Bullock county, Ala., emphasized the noble work done by women. He made a plea for greater attention to women's work.

Laws told how the women of Maryland raised \$24,000 for missions last year, but they gave out 250,000 pamphlets and helped in many ways. The report was then adopted.

A communication from the Indian Territory was referred to a committee consisting of I. T. Tichenor, of Georgia; F. C. McConnell, of Virginia, and Maj. J. G. Harris, of Alabama. The convention adjourned with prayer by Rev. Vines Turner, of Arkansas.

SEMINARY VACANCIES ANNOUNCED.

"I have never looked upon a more magnificent audience," was the graceful compliment of Gov. Northern to the vast throng in Warren Memorial church last evening, "and when I elevate my eyes to the galleries I have never looked upon a more beautiful one. I trust that behavior and attention may be equally beautiful."

The favorite hymn, "Blest be the Tie That Binds," was sung, and Rev. Mr. Chapman, of Georgia, offered a brief prayer.

A communication from the Board of Trustees of the seminary was presented by Hon. Joshua Levering. He reported as vacancies in the Board of Trustees two each from Maryland, Virginia and Kentucky, and one each from North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama, Tennessee and Missouri. Mr. Levering offered a resolution recommending that a committee of one from each State be appointed to nominate three brethren for each vacancy. This resolution was adopted and the committee appointed, two of the members being B. F. Riley, of Georgia, and J. G. Harris, of Alabama.

FIGHT OVER KENTUCKY VACANCIES.

This matter of vacancies brought about an interesting parliamentary tilt in which the president of the convention was an easy victor. J. H. Kilpatrick, of Georgia, offered a resolution, asking that the vacancies from Kentucky be not filled. This threatened to provoke a discussion, and the chair maintained that the cause of Foreign missions had the right of way. This brought to his feet the tall form of Dr.

Eaton, of Louisville, who endeavored to convince the president that he was wrong, but he was unsuccessful, and the resolution did not come to a vote.

Rev. A. W. McGaha presented a report of the committee on new missions, which made two recommendations; first, that the Foreign Mission Board be instructed to lay out its work on a basis of 10 per cent. increase, and second, that the churches co-operate by an immediate increase of contributions. Dr. McGaha made a brief but effective address in favor of the recommendations, and he was followed in an urgent, appealing speech by the pastor at Raleigh, N. C., Rev. J. W. Carter.

The convention sang "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus," and remained standing while the following letter was read from the Rev. J. W. Lowe, a recent graduate from the Seminary who is also a physician, and was for a time pastor of one of the churches of Louisville. He and his wife and child sailed for China only a few days ago:

"Dear Brother Willingham: Much prayer and love for you and your great work. We shall be on the Pacific during the convention, and may we ask your prayers? All well. J. W. LOWE."

The convention stood with bowed heads while Rev. Dr. Gambrell, of Texas, asked the blessings of God upon the beloved brother and his family far out on the western sea.

Rev. J. D. Jordan, of Savannah, Ga., was the next speaker, and his theme was also a missionary one. Indeed, there seems to be no subject that more engages the attention of Southern Baptists.

LAST DAY.

After a fervent prayer by Rev. M. D. Early, of Bristol, Tenn., and the singing of "Rock of Ages," President Northern suggested a new and pleasing feature in the opening exercises by calling for voluntary recitations of Scripture passages.

This was heartily responded to by a large number, and missionary texts, promises and exhortations came from all parts of the house. The preliminary devotional exercises were concluded by the singing of "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." Then Dr. Hawthorne led in prayer. The convention then adjourned.

Hon. Joshua Levering, of Baltimore, introduced resolutions setting forth that it has been determined by the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland to seek an interview with the Czar of Russia for the purpose of interceding with him on behalf of the persecuted Stundists, and that we hereby express our sympathy with the action proposed, and appoint Robt. C. Davidson, of Baltimore, Md., to represent the Southern Baptist Convention, as a member of the delegation proposed.

Mr. Levering stated that the Stundists were the Baptists of Russia; that the Northern Baptists would have representation in the person of Dr. Geo. C. Lorimer, of Boston, and that the Hon. Robert C. Davidson would be traveling in Europe and could represent the convention without expense. The resolution was adopted without discussion.

Rev. H. R. Bernard, of Georgia, gave notice that at next year's convention he would ask that a committee be appointed to consider the advisability of taking up the subject of Christian education for discussion and action, as is done with Home and Foreign missions.

On motion of R. C. Buckner, the convention appointed Dr. J. B. Gambrell, of Texas, and Rev. W. T. Campbell, of Missouri, as fraternal delegates to the Northern Baptist anniversary, which convene at San Francisco the latter part of this month. These anniversaries are analogous to the Southern Baptist Convention.

Dr. Frost having asked the appointment of a committee to investigate the business relations of the Sunday School Board, the committee was appointed.

While waiting for the report of the committee on Educational Campaign, the venerable Dr. Ford, of St. Louis, arose and called atten-

tion to the fact that the first meeting of the convention in Louisville was in 1857, and that, at a dinner during that convention, a few brethren discussed the organization of a theological seminary. A call for present survivors of that convention brought to their feet four others in addition to Dr. Ford.

The report of the committee on Educational Campaign was presented by Dr. F. H. Kerfoot, of the Seminary. This committee was appointed at the convention of last year, and is composed of the foremost workers representing the Baptist interests of the South. [The report relates to the observance by the Baptists of the year 1900 as a memorial year. On account of its importance the ALABAMA BAPTIST reserves it for a future issue, when it will not be in danger of being overlooked by the reader in the mass of Convention proceedings.]

Dr. F. C. McConnell, of Virginia, presented a report of the committee appointed to devise a satisfactory method of straightening out the tangled condition of affairs among the Baptists of the Indian Territory, due to the conflict of the Northern and Southern boards. The report stated that the subject matter had already been considered by another committee, and they requested discharge, which was granted.

THE NEGROES.

The feature of the morning session most interesting was the consideration of the work among the negroes, "a dark subject," as one of the speakers called it. The report was presented by the Rev. J. K. Pace, of Mississippi.

It says that the most intelligent of the negroes are looking to the whites for encouragement, and deplores the fact that "modern holiness, that peculiar phase of hypnotism and faith-cure, has absorbed their attention and divided their churches." The report recommends:

First—That the Home and State Boards arrange for more Bible Institutes among them.

Second—The white preachers should seek opportunity of preaching to the colored churches.

Third—Secure the co-operation of those who employ colored help.

Fourth—The Home Board should supply colored pastors with books.

en among them a missionary spirit. There will be no great progress in African missions until the negroes of America become interested.

Mr. Pace made a pleasing address on the subject. He referred to a course of forty-two lectures on Baptist principles delivered by him to a body of negro preachers, and said: "Within one year all but one went off after the doctrine of a sanctification teacher." He then referred to a woman preacher who came along with the hypnotic, faith-cure variation; she announced that if the Holy Spirit be present, he would appear in the form of a dove; if it were the spirit of the devil a black cat would come down. Just then a cat dropped from the ceiling and a juvenile voice from above announced: "De cat done et de dove up!" Mr. Pace regarded it as significant and deplorable that there were so few colored preachers present at this convention.

Rev. A. W. Bealer, of Cartersville, Ga., jocularly called "Sam Jones' Pastor," followed in a brief, pleasing address. He said: "The religion of the negroes is not practical religion; it is full of shimmer and shine, and looks forward too much to the time when they shall wear golden slippers and be tapping the pavement of the new Jerusalem." He mentioned a colored physician in his town who had taken to the pulpit because, strange to say, there was more money in it. "He quit practicing and went to preaching." He referred also to the terrible crimes of Southern negroes and said: "The only remedy lies in regeneration through the gospel; they will continue in spite of mass meetings; nothing but conversion can do it."

Mr. T. D. Osborne, of Louisville, turned considerable brightness on the subject by announcing: "Within three squares of us now there is a colored Mission Board having three times as many missionaries as ours; last year, while we spent a trifle over \$3,100, they spent over \$8,000. More of them are being educated than among the white people. What we need is to catch step and keep up with them."

Remarks were also made by Rev. W. A. Whittle, of Kentucky. Rev. G. M. Bowen, of Tennessee, presented an amendment, which was adopted, requesting that every State secretary impress upon their colporteurs the importance of visiting the colored churches and instructing the deacons and pastors.

Rev. J. R. Farish, of Mississippi, said that no one had done more preaching among the colored people than he, and he could testify that they gave close attention, and that they were great readers, especially of tracts and papers. "Never tear up a Baptist paper of any kind; give it to the negroes, anything that is Baptist." He said the negroes in this country were not bothered with superstition and hypnotic influences.

By this time the convention began to realize the inexhaustible store of eloquence that was yet to come, and one wise brother, whom his brethren call blessed, arose and moved that all speeches be limited to five minutes.

Dr. R. A. Venable, of Mississippi, said that he thought nothing more important, outside of the Word of God, than that of looking after the character of their music and songs. Dr. Venable is a great friend and counsellor for the negroes and says that never a week passes that he does not have from one to a half dozen negro pastors in his study.

Rev. J. G. Inman, of Tennessee, told how he became a Baptist: "I ran a mile to see a colored man baptized by a Methodist in the river, and that made a Baptist of me. Like Gov. Taylor, I don't believe the new negro is an improvement over the old slave." The report was then adopted.

FOREIGN POPULATION.

Rev. E. Hez. Swem, of Washington, D. C., presented a report on work in cities and among the foreign population, of which the following is a synopsis:

"God sends to our cities from beyond the seas those needing cautious and persistent Christian work, and we dare not decline efforts for their salvation and instruction. Disregarding evangelism means injury to the American people and institutions. As soon as possible, the board should encourage the erection of the Purser Memorial Church building in Orleans."

In discussing this report Mr. Swem said that the best method of city and foreign evangelization was by hand-to-hand work.

An interesting speaker on this subject appeared in the person of Rev. G. A. Schulte, Superintendent of German Baptist missions in the United States and Canada. He considered his people very difficult to work for on account of their nominal connection with Catholic and Lutheran churches. "A German will not be converted except by the convincing of his own conqueror." He then referred to the German Department of Rochester Theological Seminary and said the endowment was \$100,000, about one-third of which had come from the German Baptist churches. After this discussion the report was adopted by an undivided vote.

MOUNTAIN WORK.

The last item of business for the morning session was the report on work in the mountain and frontier regions, presented by Rev. A. A. Marshall, of Georgia, who said he was "born under the shadow of the Blue Ridge Mountains." The report recommends the appointment of a suitable man to give his whole life to the work. Especial attention is also called to the proselytism of the Mormons, and says hundreds of women are at work for them. It speaks of the urgent demand for energetic frontier work on account of the rapid increase in population. Referring to the perplexing question in the Indian Territory, it commends the proposed visit of the secretaries of the Northern and Southern Boards, and considers that the most practicable method of reaching a satisfactory conclusion of it.

Adjourned with prayer by Dr. Whitsitt, which was in these words: "We thank thee for thy favor upon the Southern Baptist Convention, that the pleasure of the Lord has prospered in our hands. We pray thy blessing upon the coming days! Remember all our workers and endue them with thy

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EDITORIAL.

JUDGE JONATHAN HARALSON.

This distinguished Baptist, who has presided over the Southern Baptist Convention as its president for the past ten years, declined a re-election at the last meeting. One year ago he gave the convention notice of his determination to surrender the place to another. During these ten years of service Bro. Haralson has been so just and impartial in his rulings that not a single appeal has been taken. Few men could accomplish such a result. None of his predecessors had any superiority over him as a presiding officer, and none were ever more honored, respected and loved than he. The good will and the prayers of the convention do follow him, and he will ever be held in the very highest esteem and appreciation by the Baptists of the South.

EX-GOV. WILLIAM J. NORTEN.

This eminent statesman and Baptist succeeds to the presidency of the Southern Baptist Convention. He has filled positions of trust and honor both in church and state. He has been a member of the convention for twenty years, and always zealous and active in its deliberations.

From 1890 to the close of 1894 he was Governor of Georgia, retiring at the close of his second term in obedience to a constitutional provision of the state. For the past four years he has been president of the Baptist State Convention of Georgia.

Like Judge Haralson, Gov. Northen is a deacon in his home church. He takes a deep and active interest in all church and denominational work, and in all things is fully equipped.

By Dr. J. H. to which he has been called. No better or more capable brother could have been chosen, and we most heartily endorse the action of the convention.

HON. H. S. D. MALLORY.

This eminent brother replied on the part of the convention to the address of welcome. His speech was full of thought and force, it was appropriate, and was well received. Bro. Mallory is one of the foremost lawyers in Alabama, is a layman of the Selma Baptist church, and an active worker in all our denominational enterprises. He is thoughtful, earnest and conservative, and would make a good presiding officer for our convention. It is a sure sign of loyalty to a cause when a man is ready to act and speak in its behalf at any and all times. Bro. Mallory is one of our strong laymen.

PERFECTION in all the Christian graces—if it be possible to attain unto such a state in this life—can only be reached by a constant conflict with the evils that lie all along our pathway. To be perfect there must be a symmetrical, well rounded, pure character, the outgrowth of close living to God. There are so many temptations constantly springing up and crossing the pathway of the Christian, that only watchfulness and prayerfulness, coupled with a sincere desire to be perfect, and a trustful self-consecration to comply with the will of God, can bear him surely onward. Human life is a constant struggle with difficulties; and while this is true, we are assured by the Divine word that God's grace is sufficient. With such an assurance, when beset by difficulties and disappointments, let us take courage and press on, remembering that the victory sooner or later is ours.

He that wrongeth another with intent doeth himself a great wrong. Passion when stirred bringeth forth evil, unless the gentler spirit steps in and intercedes. Man is given to doing wrong. His whole being sometimes seems to be dominated by evil purposes. The manliest thing a man can do is to right a wrong done another, when it is made clear to him. Some people are so stubbornly set in their ways that they refuse to see a wrong done by themselves. "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do," were among the last words of Jesus as he hung on the cross. His plea was based upon the ignorance of those Roman soldiers. Like our dear Lord we could pray for those who do us wrong, if their conduct was from ignorance; but in many cases prejudice arouses our meaner natures, and we seem to be bent on mischief, regardless of the consequences. Such action is not confined to any special class of men, but to the entire race. Even preachers, deacons, devout laymen, are guilty of wronging men, and after the wrong are unwilling to seek reconciliation and pardon. Live peaceably with all men; do good to all men as ye have opportunity, are injunctions which if obeyed will bring the sweetest happiness the human soul can enjoy in mingling with the world, for it has in it the essence of true and undefiled religion.

Where Are We?

The brethren and sisters are helping grandly. The tide is coming in. Florence and Tusculum are helping us, Huntsville has, Warrior did a great thing Sunday under the gallant leadership of Bishop Lowery; Dothan laid us under lasting obligation by her splendid gifts; Decatur, Hartsell, Alexander City, Lowndesboro and others have all done splendidly. Opelika and Bishop Purser are going to do a great thing; Marion and many others are getting themselves ready for a great effort this week. The outlook is glorious. The debt is to be behind us in the next ten days if everybody will help.

A great many places not mentioned above are coming to our rescue. "Watchman, what of the night?" The morning cometh. One great final effort now!! To your tents, Oh, Israel! Let every body have part in this last ten days!—A. C. D.

SOME PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS

About Cash and Subscriptions on Our Debts.

Remember we are engaged to pay the indebtedness on the State Board of Missions, the Board of Ministerial Education, and Howard College. This done, and our denominational debts are behind us. What a great opportunity is before us! The time is short, but we can do it if all will work. We now, May 22, lack about \$13,000, having some \$25,000 in cash and subscriptions.

1. Let the money be sent in at once to B. D. Gray, Birmingham.
2. Keep a clear account of all subscriptions; of the subscriber, his address and the amount.
3. Send the list of subscriptions to B. D. Gray, in order that we may know when the full amount has been subscribed. The Managing Committee will have a meeting Monday, May 29, at Birmingham, to cast up the accounts. Let the cash and subscriptions be in by that time.

Please give heed to the above suggestions, that we may be able in next week's paper to state our exact situation. B. D. GRAY.

No Cost for Agency.

That is one of the beautiful features of the present movement.

Not a cent from the funds raised will be paid out for agency work. c.

"Is the Cash Necessary?"

Many are asking this question. They are farmers who want to help, but at this time of the year they have not the ready cash. Let the brethren remember the conditions on which we are operating. We promise that the money will all be returned if the whole amount be not raised. This condition compels us to ask for the cash or its equivalent. A good note payable in the fall at the bank will be the same as cash. As to June 1st, we have named that as the time.

That is not a condition. We only want to get the debt behind us in that time so that we may address ourselves to other important matters. Pastors Gray and Davidson are giving their time without charge, and they want to get through with this and back to their pastoral work.

We can finish it by that time as easily as in six months. Let us do it.—W. B. C.

Interrupted, but Not Discouraged.

It seemed very unfortunate that the Convention came right in the midst of this movement. For several days before and after, and during the Convention, fifty pastors and the most active laymen were not able to lend their much needed aid. It seemed very unfortunate, but it could not be helped. Let every brother who was away at the Convention throw himself into the movement and redeem the time.

Let no discouraging word be spoken. Good cheer and hopeful words now is what we need. c.

Borrowing the Money.

That is what some friends are doing. Why not do that? For our own business, when an emergency arises we do not hesitate to borrow money. A crisis has arisen in the work of the Master. Is he not worthy of our devotion and self-sacrifice? If you strain your credit sometimes about other matters, why not do so for Him? c.

No Hat Collections Yet.

We urge upon the pastors to make a thorough canvass of their membership and get every one up to the very best before the collection.

Received by the collection agents these terms are in this way possibly can, we will then be ready for the small amounts which come in the hat collections.

You will ruin us if you do that now. Those who can give ten or twenty dollars will ease their conscience with a quarter when the hat is passed. Don't give them the chance until every effort to get the larger sum has been exhausted. c.

FIELD NOTES.

A ministers' institute will be held at Hartsell, beginning the fourth Sunday in June and continuing one week. S. S. Anderson and others will deliver lectures. Entertainment free to all ministers.

A. B. Campbell, Troy, May 23: Bro. L. O. Dawson comes to us today, and will preach twice a day so long as indications justify. We are counting on some fine preaching, and if we are not greatly blessed the fault will be ours.

Too late for last week's paper we received this card from Pastor Hubbard, of Enfield, and regret that we have not heard more about the meeting: "Our church is in the midst of a great meeting conducted by Rev. J. V. Dickinson, of Pratt City. There have been twelve accessions to date (16th)."

At Louisville Bro. J. C. Bush, of Mobile, was elected one of the Trustees of the Seminary, to fill a vacancy for Alabama. This is a most excellent selection. Bro. Bush is a leading business man of Mobile, is the present mayor of the city, and moreover, is an earnest and regular Christian worker. He has money, and contributes liberally to the enterprises of the denomination. We feel confident that he will make a valuable member of the board of trustees of the Seminary.

Mrs. H. L. Mellen, Livingston: At the meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union in Louisville, May 12-14, the Baptist women of Alabama were asked to give \$1600 to Foreign missions, and \$2,000 to Home missions during this year. Now let us all move forward this year and attempt great things for the advancement of the Master's kingdom.—All the Alabama delegates were present at the meeting of the W. M. U., viz: Mrs. D. M. Malone, East Lake; Mrs. W. E. Hudmon, Opelika; Mrs. W. R. Ivey, Bessemer; Mrs. H. L. Mellen, Livingston; Mrs. S. H. Smith, Pratt City.

NEWS NOTES AFTER THE WAR.

CUBA.

Our government has ordered the Cuban soldiers to deliver their arms to the mayors of the nearest towns, who are Cubans, the arms to be then carried to Santiago and Havana. As the arms are turned over, Gov. Gen. Brooke will begin to pay to the soldiers the \$3,000,000 about which there has been so much said. The conclusion was reached that it is useless to wait for the Cuban officers to agree to anything this government might suggest, and that the only course to be pursued is to go on and do what is thought best. In general the people are friendly to this government.

THE PHILIPPINES.

Other commissioners have been sent by Aguinaldo and the so-called Filipino congress to Gen. Otis and our commissioners. They have been told that no punishment will be inflicted on any of them if they will lay down their arms and go about their business as peaceable citizens; that the United States will maintain general military supervision for a time, at least, and that they will be given local self-government under their own officials, so far as is compatible with the requirements. One of the Filipino commissioners has been sent to Gen. Otis and our commissioners. They have been told that no punishment will be inflicted on any of them if they will lay down their arms and go about their business as peaceable citizens; that the United States will maintain general military supervision for a time, at least, and that they will be given local self-government under their own officials, so far as is compatible with the requirements. One of the Filipino commissioners has been sent to Gen. Otis and our commissioners.

Admiral Dewey has started for home, but will stop along the way to rest himself and men ashore, so that he will not reach this country before September. He says he will need rest when he reaches home, and prefers not to have banquets and other demonstrations that will require his presence.

For the Alabama Baptist. Judson Notes. On Saturday evening the Senior Class gave a reception to a number of their friends in the Judson Parlor. It was a very delightful occasion.

On next Saturday evening, May 27, the Art Class will hold a reception in the Art Halls, after the pictures are arranged for the Exhibition on the following Monday. On this occasion will be delivered the Prize which Mr. John Trotwood Moore offered for the best set of sketches representing types of negro faces. It is promised that he will be here himself to deliver the prize.

The Chapel is being put into beautiful order for the Commencement season. On each side of the organ there are now new oaken panels, the gift of the Sub-Seniors to the Judson. The opera chairs will be in place by Tuesday, May 23; and when the audience and our girls come in, with smiling faces and lovely dresses, there will be no finer sight in all Alabama than our Chapel.

PROGRAM FOR COMMENCEMENT WEEK.

Sunday Morning, May 28—Baccalaureate Sermon, by Rev. John F. Purser, D.D., of Opelika.

Sunday evening—Annual sermon before the Ann Hasseltine Mission-

ary Society, by Rev. A. J. Dickinson, D. D., of Selma.

Monday morning, 9 to 12—Art Exhibition.

Monday evening—Annual Grand Concert, one feature of which will be "The Fishermans," cantata by Smart, performed by the Chorus class and the Faculty of Music. It is very beautiful and will be finely rendered, judging by the rehearsals.

Tuesday morning, 10 o'clock—Annual meeting of the Alumnae Society, for which there is a lovely program, the chief part being an address by Dr. Dickinson, of Selma.

Tuesday evening—Class night, Shakespeare's "Love's Labour's Lost," will be given by the Senior class.

Wednesday afternoon—Annual meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Wednesday evening—Commencement Exercises; reading of five essays, chosen by the class out of the twenty-four essays of graduates; and delivery of diplomas, interspersed with choice numbers of music on organ, violin and piano.

All friends are cordially invited to attend. The Judson is so full this year that it can entertain only the trustees, and one guest for each member of the Senior class, but reduced rates have been secured at the hotels and boarding houses, so that all visitors to the Commencement will find entertainment at \$1 per day. President Patrick will take pleasure in having rooms reserved at the hotels for any who will notify him by letter that they expect to attend the Commencement. It is hoped that our friends will come in time to hear the two sermons on next Sunday. There is every indication of a very large attendance this year. L. M.

Two Meetings.

The ministers' conference of Bethel and South Bethel associations met at Safford, Dallas county, on Thursday before the fifth Sunday in April. The meeting was not largely attended, partly because it was held in the extreme upper border of our territory. Bro. J. F. Savell, of Selma, was with us until Saturday and rendered efficient help, as he always does. Bro. J. A. Howard, of the ALABAMA BAPTIST, was also present, and did good work in the meeting.

The fifth Sunday meeting of the Bethel association followed the conference, beginning on Saturday morning and closing Sunday morning with a sermon from Bro. W. A. Parker, sr. These meetings were very helpful to the members of our church.

Bro. J. T. Caine was moderator of both meetings, and Bro. A. R. Oxford was secretary.

For the Alabama Baptist.

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Several weeks ago, Rev. S. O. Y. Ray occupied the pulpit of the First Baptist church, preaching earnestly morning and evening; and also conducted during the evening a baptismal service. On Sunday evening, May 14th, a most beautiful musical service—a happy welcome to Rev. Frederick Jones upon his return to the church—was rendered by a choir of fifty voices under the leadership of director Lorton, an enthusiastic and very efficient leader indeed. The house was packed to its utmost, four respective pastors, with the union choir, representing various denominations of the city.

We note with interest the work which these 150 Baptists have undertaken. With a handsome church building not yet completed, and a magnificent pipe organ, it is no wonder that a sister church with wealth, numbers and influence looked with almost covetous eyes, and to gain such a prize proposed to assume the entire debt resting upon the shoulders of this little band. May the seven years allotted to cancel the debt, though they reverse the order of things and seem years of famine and struggle, be prophetic only of years of peace and plenty.

The London Baptist contrasts the large rate of growth of the Baptists of this country during 1898 with the small rate in Great Britain for the same year, and points with this a strong argument in favor of adopting "closeness" in England as we have it in America. How much longer till our British brethren will learn the lesson? We hope much good will come out of the present agitation.

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a few days ago was killed by falling over a precipice. Dr. Kellogg was sixty years old. He graduated from Princeton in 1861, and was a teacher in that University for eight years. At the time of his death Dr. Kellogg, with two other eminent scholars, was engaged in translating the Bible into the Hindustanee language.

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Sunbeams.

OPELIKA.—Dear Mrs. Hamilton: I haven't forgotten my promise to write to you and to send you our Sunbeam report. Mamma thinks we have a fine report, and all of the little Sunbeams are proud of it. Our Christmas offering to China was \$12, and since that time we have raised \$5 for Cuba. We love to think about you, and wish you would come to see mamma again.

With much love, I am your little friend,

DELLA HUDMON.

What a fine report from the Opelika Sunbeams! I wish as I write the names of all my Sunbeams I could see their dear little faces, as I can that of my little friend Della and her fine little brother. I hope some day we shall all see and know each other.

CUSSETA.—Dear Mrs. Hamilton: Mrs. Vernon asked some of the Sunbeams to write and tell you what a nice society we have, and I have commenced the pleasant duty. Mrs. Vernon cares for and watches over the little flock. We meet at her home the first Sabbath afternoon in every month, and all the children seem to be interested in the pieces. We do appreciate the program you send so much. It is such a help to us. The young Cadets have a society every fourth Sunday afternoon.

Your little friend, with love,
HASSIE MEADORS.

I have been expecting this letter a long time, and am so glad to hear from this Band. I think "The Cadets" have been the banner boy's brigade of our ranks for—how many years, Sister Vernon?

GOODWATER.—Dear Mrs. Ham-

ilton: I read in the ALABAMA BAPTIST about the Sunbeam Society. I want you, if you please, to give me some information about it, and a program also, and what about May party? I read about it also. We have a good Sunday school, and have no society of any kind here. There are three Sunday schools here in town. I hope to hear real soon. I am going to do my best for our work.

(MISS) LILLIE CREW.

I have sent the May party program with much pleasure, and hope you will organize a fine society at Goodwater. I am always so glad to hear from young people reading the ALABAMA BAPTIST. We are trying to train them on other lines besides that of missions, reading our denominational papers among others. Send letters for the Sunbeam column and you will be sure to read it!

FURMAN.—Dear Mrs. Hamilton: The Sunbeam program for May has been received. Thanks. I think it one of the best we have had. My Sunbeams are very enthusiastic, and I am getting more and more interested in the work.

Success to you in your efforts to interest the children in mission work! Sincerely,

MRS. B. WALNE WATSON.

There is no doubt about one thing—the more we work for missions the more interested we become,—and the above letter from our valued co-laborer emphasizes the fact. If the grown folks will help the children, what a power the Sunbeams would become in Alabama. I hail with pleasure every Christian woman who turns aside to give a helping hand to a little child in this work.

PRATTVILLE.—Dear Mrs. Hamilton: The little Sunbeams here persuaded me to take charge of them and try to enlist more interest. We live five miles from the village, so have to stay down all day when they meet, but I am going to do the best I can. Our secretary will write you soon. Are you not glad Bro. Crumpton is coming back? We are all right now. May God

bles and spare your useful life many, many years. A heart full of love. Affectionately,
S. A. SMITH.

We know the Prattville Sunbeams are all right now, with such a strong, loving hand at their helm. God bless them.

On to Richmond.

All who are considering going to Richmond to the National B. Y. P. U. Convention will please write L. W. Terrill, Birmingham, who has been appointed Transportation Leader for Alabama. He will give them all particulars in regard to the trip. It will be a delightful summer trip, and one well worth taking.

L. W. TERRILL.

The son of Mr. D. C. Batchelor, Train Dispatcher of the Western railroad, was killed by a switch engine one day last week. The boy was standing on the track looking over some written messages which his father had given him to deliver, when the engine ran over him. There was so much other noise about him that he did not hear the whistle of the approaching engine. He was a bright, good boy, and the family have the warmest sympathy of all who know them.

Rev. W. Y. Quisenberry having resigned the pastorate of Adams Street church, Montgomery, the following brethren have been appointed a committee on correspondence in the selection of a pastor: G. W. Thomas, chairman; C. L. Gay, J. C. Pope, A. P. Wilson, W. L. Chandler, D. C. Batchelor.

The Up-river Towns on the Amazon Were Afraid Their Trade Would Be Injured—The Consulate at Manaus Was Stopped—This Government Will Investigate.

New York, May 22.—A special to The Herald from Washington says:

"Commercial jealousies between the cities on the River Amazon are responsible for the insults offered the gunboat Wilmington and the stoning of the American consulate at Manaus by a Brazilian mob.

"Reports received by the State and Navy Departments present the facts which have been made the basis of proper representation to the Brazilian Government.

"When Commander Todd announced at Para, before the ascent of the Amazon, his intention to proceed to Manaus, there seemed to be some objection to his purpose, but he succeeded in obtaining pilots who conducted his ship satisfactorily to Manaus. Here Commander Todd paid

his usual call upon the port, who was very cordial until he ascertained that the Wilmington was under orders to continue her cruise until she reached Iquitos, Peru, when his manner changed.

"The governor of the province in which Manaus is located declined to receive Commander Todd, and obstacles were put in the way of obtaining pilots for the navigation of his ship on the remainder of the cruise. Commander Todd succeeded, however, in getting a couple of men from an Italian vessel, and with them continued the cruise.

"Upon his return to Manaus he found that the Governor had revoked the licenses of the pilots and otherwise punished them, and on account of the attitude of the Governor he could not get pilots to take his ship from the Amazon, and it was necessary for him to rely upon his ship's force, which did the work in an entirely satisfactory manner.

"When the Wilmington proceeded toward Iquitos a few people, including representatives of Manaus newspapers, surrounded the consulate and threw a few stones at it to show their disapproval of the conduct of the Wilmington's commander.

"It appears from the reports that the people of Manaus, like those of Para, objected to the exploitation of towns about them, fearing such action will inure to the benefit of their rivals and injure their own trade. No doubt is felt in official circles that the Brazilian government will make a prompt investigation of the discourtesy offered to the Wilmington and that speedy action will be shown. The authorities sincerely regret that the incident should have arisen, because of the undoubted friendship of the Brazilian government for the United States, and they are satisfied that all proper amends will be made.

"Under the instructions given by Secretary Long to Lieutenant Commander W. W. Kimball, commanding the gunboat Vixen, now on her way to Bluefields, Nicaragua, that officer will maintain constant telegraphic communication with the Department.

"This order is an addition to that requiring him to protect American interests along the Central American coast, and is for the purpose of preventing any interruption in the communication between the men of war of the United States cruising in Central American waters and the Department. The gunboat Manjita, and latterly the cruiser Detroit, both experienced considerable difficulty in forwarding messages to the Department and receiving instructions due, according to the explanation of the Nicaraguan Government to an interruption in the land lines.

"It is not at all certain that the cruiser Detroit will leave Central American waters even upon the arrival of the Vixen. Her departure is entirely dependent upon the condition of affairs at Bluefields at the time the Vixen is spoken and the situation there. The quiet and the Department may deem it advisable to dispatch the two vessels to Honduras to expedite the payment of the indemnity for the murder of an American named Frank Pears."

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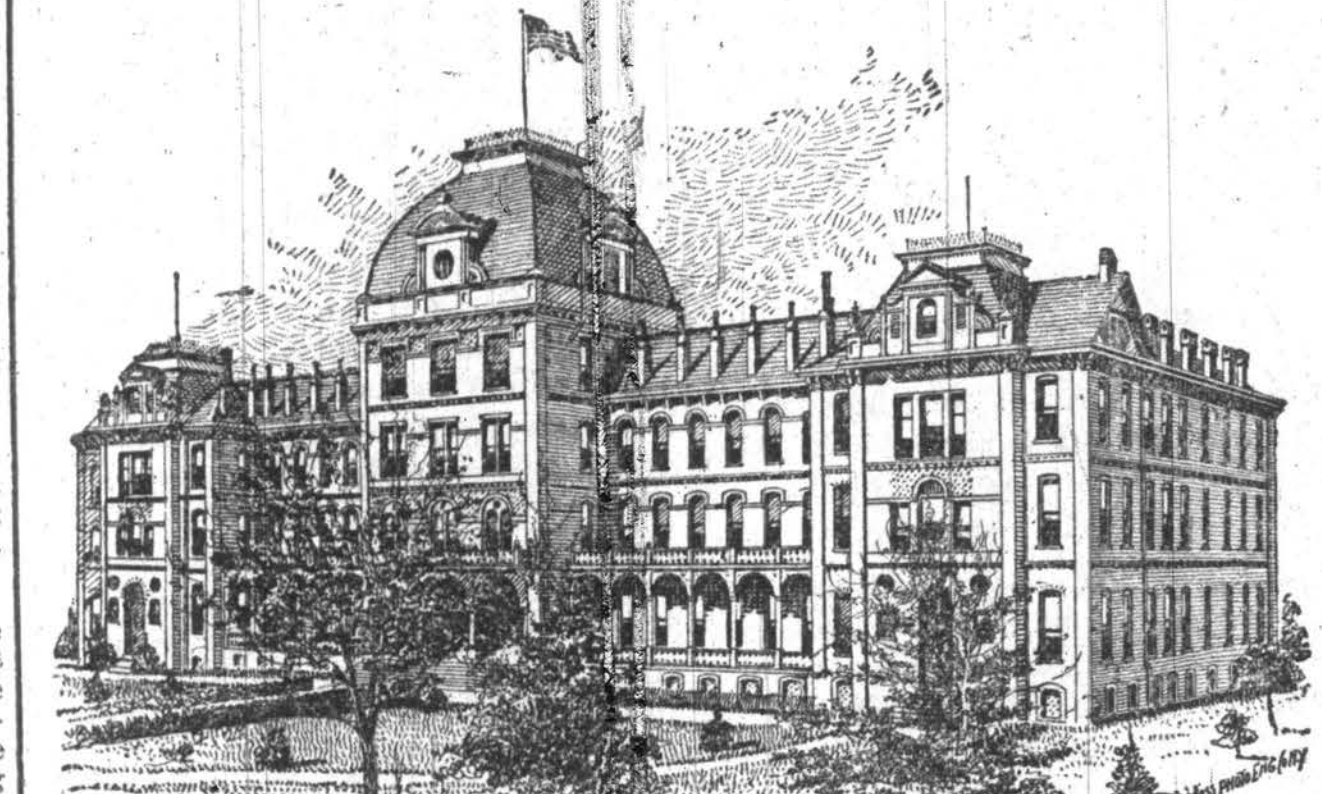
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AFTERNOON SESSION.

A brief song service was engaged in and prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Van Deventer, of Georgia.

Dr. Lansing Burrows then made a statement regarding the seal of the convention. This body has never considered it necessary to have a seal, but an emergency arose since its last meeting requiring one. In connection with its missions in Cuba and business interests there, it was required by the law of Spain that certain documents should bear the seal of the convention. Dr. Burrows took the liberty of improvising one, and he now introduced a resolution legalizing it:

"Resolved, That the seal of this convention be a circle, upon the border of which shall be the words: 'Southern Baptist Convention,' and in the center of which shall be the date of its incorporation."

No question was raised as to the propriety of this, and it passed without discussion.

The subject of mountain work was resumed and discussed at some length. Much interest and enthusiasm were manifest on the subject of churches and schools in the mountain regions of the South.

PLACE OF MEETING.

The liveliest tilt of the convention took place when the committee on Time and Place of next meeting made its report. Gov. J. P. Eagle presented the majority report, recommending Hot Springs, Ark., as the place, and designated the time in good old country style, "Friday before the second Sunday in May."

Asheville, N. C., was recommended by the minority report. The contest was animated, some of the distinguished preachers taking part. Hot Springs, Ark., finally won. The entertainment will not be free, but it was said that little more than half price

at hotels and boarding houses. Rev. J. J. Taylor, D. D., of Mobile, Ala., will preach the convention sermon.

A resolution on polygamy, which was supposed to be aimed at the Mormon congressman Roberts, of Utah, was ruled out before the reading was finished, as new business could not then be introduced.

The final report of the committee on Enrollment shows 636 delegates of the first class, and 592 of the second class.

The committee on the Report of the Treasurer congratulated the boards upon their freedom from debt and the wise management of the secretaries.

CUBA LIBRE!

The report of the committee on Cuba was presented by Rev. Geo. B. Eager, D. D., of Alabama, and was adopted at once. A condensation of the report is as follows:

"Cuba Free! The most inviting field to which this year's report points us. American statesmen, of course, must bear the chief responsibility for shaping the political future of Cuba. To no mean extent the Southern Baptists must be largely responsible for determining the religious future of this benighted people. The board desires

that more than a hundred stations be occupied at once." Adjourned till 8 o'clock.

LAST SESSION.

The dullness usual to the final proceedings of a deliberative body was distinctly lacking in the closing session of the convention.

President Northern was in the chair, and Dr. G. B. Eager conducted devotional exercises.

HOME MISSIONS.

Rev. J. W. Lynch, of North Carolina, spoke at length on the home field and the great need of mission work in the bounds of the convention.

The report on Cuba was reconsidered for the purpose of giving an opportunity to hear Dr. W. D. Powell, who had recently visited the island.

Dr. Powell said: "I was born an optimist, but I never felt so discouraged about Cuba as I do tonight. Today's telegrams tell that Gen. Gomez has resigned. The Cubans have never been told what the United States would do with them. The \$3,000,000 was offered them; they would take it as a loan, but not as alms. 'We found the most wonderful openings in Cuba. There was much gratitude toward America. They welcomed anything to change from the conditions of Romanism. There is not a town in Cuba that will not offer a church free and provide a congregation.'"

"Most of the American army officers, except Gen. Breckinridge and Gen. Lee, have no friendly feelings for a missionary. One army officer told me that it was useless to work except among the children, as it would take ten years to start a church. A few days later I was preaching to a crowded house, and in walked that officer with Gen. Bates. The officer sneered and said: 'You are ten years ahead of the times. These people only come through curiosity, as I would go to hear a Mohammedan.' I asked him 'Would you please tell me what would please you? A few days ago you told me that it would take ten years to get a congregation, and now you say I am ahead of the times.'"

"Santa Clara, Cuba, is the only place on earth where I have ever had to put a policeman at the door to keep away all children under

many interesting incidents, and gave details of how he was welcomed by the Cuban people.

By request of Dr. I. T. Tichenor, Home Mission Secretary, Rev. H. R. Mosely, a missionary at Santiago, Cuba, for the Home Mission Society of New York, was asked to speak. Dr. Mosely said:

"The trouble in Cuba is not to get a crowd, but how to get a house large enough. There is danger of getting them into the church too soon.

"God has opened Cuba most favorably. For once Baptists were first on the ground.

The Baptists are best liked in Cuba. The Cubans rightly classify Catholicism as Spanish. The great mass of the people dislike the Catholic church. The people are ready to join anything American. I could have baptized 500 at Santiago in a month. I say in all candor that it is the duty of Southern Baptists to send men and take that field. The clash Bro. Powell fears will never come. The wide open doors will remain open. If you mean to take Cuba for Christ, you have been given the four western provinces. Those people are ready; I do not know how long they will remain so. Send men at once."

The report was adopted. The Committee on Nominations, Dr. J. J. Taylor, chairman, made its report.

Foreign Mission, Board, headquarters at Richmond, with C. H. Winston, President, and a Vice President for each Southern State. W. C. Bledsoe D. D., represents Alabama. No material change in the Board.

Sunday School Board, headquarters at Nashville, with Rev. E. E. Folk, President, and a Vice President for each State. Rev. P. V. Bomar represents Alabama.

Home Mission Board, headquarters at Atlanta, with Rev. Henry McDonald, D. D., President, and a Vice President for each State. Rev. J. H. Foster, jr., represents Alabama.

The Committee on Nominations had in mind to relieve Dr. Tiche-

nor of the work, or rather to place it in other and younger hands, and so they recommended the election of Dr. F. C. McConnell, of Virginia, and Dr. Tichenor, of Atlanta, Ga., as associate secretaries. The fact that Dr. McConnell's salary was placed at \$2,500 a year while that of the aged Dr. Tichenor was to be only \$1,500 annually, left no room to doubt that the work of the Home Board was to pass out of the hands of Dr. Tichenor if the report was adopted, the \$1,500 salary being in the nature of a pension.

Dr. Hawthorne did not like this and, moving an amendment to the report, he waxed eloquent in a speech of some twenty minutes. He was opposed to displacing the veteran secretary. If the work was too much for the old man or had grown beyond his control, then employ help for him, but not assign him to second place in a position that he had made.

The amendment offered was "that the nomination for associate secretaries be stricken out, and the matter of electing a secretary and providing his help be left to the Home Mission Board."

Dr. Kerfoot supported the amendment.

Chairman Taylor got the floor and defended the report. He said the committee had gone over the whole ground. Also, that we had tried the Assistant Secretary plan, and it had not been satisfactory. In that connection he spoke of Dr. J. William Jones, when Rev. M. Ashby Jones, a son of Dr. J. W. Jones, expressed himself as offended by Dr. Taylor's remarks, in which he was joined by Rev. Carter Helm Jones, another son. Dr. T. promptly apologized, and disclaimed any intention to wound any one. The incident gave an unpleasant turn to the proceedings.

The vote to amend was unanimous, as was that to adopt the amended report, and the whole matter goes into the hands of the board with Dr. Tichenor still Secretary.

Rev. H. R. Schramm, of Alabama, offered a resolution of thanks to the citizens of Louisville for bountiful hospitality, to the railroad for reduced rates, to Warren Memorial church for the use of its house of worship, to the press of Louisville for excellent reports.

and then I. H. McDonald, of Georgia, offered an elaborate resolution, specially complimenting Broadway Baptist church, and it was adopted.

On motion of Dr. P. T. Hale, the Secretaries were voted \$50 each and directed to print and distribute 10,000 copies of the proceedings.

THE ADJOURNMENT.

President Northern announced that there was no business before the convention save only the adop-

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tion of the journal. "Shall it be read?"

It was 10:35, and a prompt motion to adjourn was made and prevailed. The convention then heard a short address by Dr. W. E. Hatcher, of Virginia, "Blest be the tie that binds" was sung, while the delegates shook hands. The delegates were dismissed with a prayer by Dr. A. U. Boone, of Memphis.

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Reduced Rates to San Francisco.

On account of the National Baptist Anniversaries, San Francisco, Cal., May 26th-30th, the Alabama Great Southern R. R. will sell tickets from points on its line to San Francisco and return at very low rates. Tickets will be sold May 14th, 15th, 16th and 17th, with final limit to return July 16th, 1899.

For further information call on Alabama Great Southern R. R. Ticket Agent.

Reduced Rates to Asheville.

On account of the meeting of the Southern Students' Conference and Young Women's Christian Association Convention, at Asheville, N. C., June 16th-27th inclusive, the Alabama Great Southern R. R. will sell tickets from points on its line to Asheville and return at rate of one fare for the round trip. Tickets will be sold June 13th, 14th, 15th and 16th limited to return until June 30th, 1899.

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Neither the "Discovery" nor the "Favorite Prescription" contains any alcohol, opium or other narcotic.

Remarriage of Divorced Persons.

With the increasing frequency of divorce among people commonly esteemed to be respectable, the matter is coming to be a living issue in some churches. Few large city churches have not at least one divorced person in some family connected with the membership or with the congregation, and it becomes a problem how the pastor shall treat the subject when circumstances require an expression of opinion. It may be that we are unjust in the impression that while most Baptist ministers regard a divorce for any other cause than unfaithfulness as conferring no moral right to remarriage, yet many of them hesitate to act upon this principle when actual cases occur in their own parishes. Consistency does indeed involve serious risks, and there is a strong temptation to take refuge in the plausible excuse that fallible human critics have no right to call sinful what the civil law permits.

But the time is coming when, in some communities at least, the question can no longer be dodged. According to a New York paper, the recent resignation of a Baptist pastor was directly due to his firm stand on the divorce issue. It is said that he has in his church a man who married a divorced woman. The pastor, believing this to be contrary to the law of Christ as laid down in the gospels, preached a sermon upon marriage, setting forth the scriptural teaching. Certain members of the church took offense at the inferential though unspoken condemnation of the person in question, and since the pastor refused to recede from his position, he found it best to resign. Assuming that the report is correct, our sympathies are wholly with this young man. He has taken a manly stand which many older ministers perhaps lack the courage to maintain. We are aware that there is some difference of opinion among social reformers as to this matter of remarrying divorced persons, but we have never been able to see how a Christian pastor could get around the scriptural prohibition.—The Standard, Chicago.

A Garden in a Barrel.

A strawberry patch on wheels! This is the latest novelty in market gardening, and it is a practical success. Its owner has not a square inch of yard space; yet he raises enough strawberries at his very door to supply his own table with this delicious fruit.

The garden consists of a large empty sugar barrel on a stout platform fitted with wheels. The owner then, with an inch-and-a-quarter auger, circled the barrel with rows of holes. The distance between the rows was six inches. The first row of holes was a foot from the bottom of the barrel.

Next he made two pilgrimages to the nearest greenhouse, bringing from the latter, in his wheelbarrow, a small load of coarse gravel and a sufficient quantity of rich, sandy loam. The gravel was placed in the bottom of the barrel to the depth of six or eight inches. Over this was sprinkled a thin layer of well-rotted fertilizer, and upon this was placed five inches of the sandy loam. The process was repeated until the barrel was filled.

Meantime, as each layer of soil was built up, the roots of a choice and thrifty strawberry plant were inserted into every auger-hole, and carefully embedded in the loam. The top of the barrel was also set with as many plants as the space allowed, and the perpendicular strawberry patch on wheels was finished. Now the owner of the barrel finds his chiefest satisfaction in the fact that the berries which dangle from his barrel are of the finest possible quality.

According to his experience, the vines of his barrel are not only more thrifty and prolific than any seen growing in an ordinary patch, but the freedom of the fruit from sand is a great advantage.—New York Herald.

"What's an empty title, pa?"

"An empty title is your mother's way of calling me the 'bad of the house.'"

There never was a day that did not bring its own opportunities for doing good, that could not have been done before, and never can be again.

Plant System.

Florida to Cuba.

Schedule in effect April 16, 1899.									
Via Dupont and West Coast.									
No. 82.	No. 86	No. 36	No. 58.	STATIONS.		No. 57.	No. 33.	No. 85	
8 10am	11 25am	7 45pm	10 12pm	LV. Montgomery.	ar.	8 10am	9 30pm	7 00pm	
11 15	12 52pm	9 12	10 16	ar. Troy.	lv.	6 31	7 40	4 05	
1 20pm	1 56	10 16	10 16	ar. Ozark.	lv.	5 28	6 30	1 56	
2 10	2 25	10 45	10 45	ar. Pinckard.	lv.	5 00	6 00	1 00	
8 00	5 30	10 50	10 50	ar. Thomasville.	lv.	1 55	2 50	7 00am	
	6 50	3 12	3 12	ar. Valdosta.	lv.	1 22	2 22		
	7 32	4 30	4 30	ar. Dupont.	lv.	11 30pm	12 39		
		4 30	4 30	ar. Live Oak.	lv.	6 55	5 42am		
		8 37	8 37	ar. High Springs.	lv.	5 25	4 25		
		10 50	10 50						
		12 00 m	12 00 m	ar. Gainesville.	lv.	4 30pm	3 15am		
		2 30pm	2 30pm	ar. Ocala.	lv.	1 55	1 35		
		3 50	3 50	ar. Leesburg.	lv.	12 32	12 10		
		5 38pm	5 38pm	ar. Trilby.	lv.	11 00am			
		7 02	7 02	ar. Lakeland.	lv.	9 30			
		7 55am	7 55am	ar. Tampa.	lv.	8 07			
		8 55	8 55	ar. Tampa Bay Hotel.	lv.	8 00			
		8 30am	8 30am	ar. Port Tampa.	lv.	7 30			

Pinckard Accommodation—Leave Montgomery 4 p. m., arrive at Troy 6:45 p. m., Ozark 9:10 p. m., Pinckard 10 p. m. Leave Pinckard 5:20 a. m., Ozark 6:07 a. m., Troy 8 a. m. Arrive at Montgomery 10:30 a. m.

Five Ships a Week to Cuba—Leave Port Tampa 9 p. m. Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Arrive Key West 3 p. m. Tuesdays, Fridays and Sundays. Arrive at Havana 6 a. m. Wednesdays, Saturdays and Mondays.

Pullman Sleeper on trains 57 and 58 Montgomery to Jacksonville. Nos. 33 and 36 Montgomery and Tampa via Jacksonville and Sanford. All trains daily.

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Georgia & Alabama Railway.

Passenger Schedules. Effective February 5, 1899.

No. 19*	No. 17*	MAIN LINE.		No. 18*	No. 20*
7 30pm	7 25am	Leave	Savannah	Arrive	11 45pm
8 16	8 05	Arrive	Cuyler	Leave	11 00
9 55	9 35	"	Collins	"	9 34
11 55	11 35	"	He'ena	"	7 34
	12 26pm	Arrive	Abbeville	Leave	11 44pm
				Arrive	11 24
11 30		"	Cordele	Leave	5 22
1 50		Leave		Arrive	5 22
2 55		Arrive	Americus	Leave	11 17
	3 55	"	Richland	"	3 20
	5 56	"	Hurtsboro	"	1 21
	7 55	"	Montgomery	"	11 30am

No. 37	No. 41*	COLUMBUS AND ALBANY DIVISION.		No. 38	No. 42
5 20pm	10 00am	Leave	Columbus	Arrive	5 20pm
8 25	11 35	Arrive	Richland	Leave	5 55
10 05	12 34pm	Arrive	Dawson	Leave	3 01
11 15	1 25	Arrive	Albany	Leave	2 15

Trains Nos. 1 and 2 carry through coaches between Atlanta and Albany in connection with Southern Railway.

No. 11*	No. 9*	No. 7*	FITZGERALD BRANCH.		No. 8*	No. 10*	No. 12*
12 35pm	6 55pm	1 20pm	Leave	Abbeville	Arrive	12 01pm	12 10pm
1 35	7 55	3 25	Arrive	Fitzgerald	Leave	10 15am	11 10am
2 05	8 25	4 20	Arrive	Ocala	Leave	8 30	4 45

*Daily. †Daily, except Sunday. § Sunday only. || Meal Station.

NOTE—Change of Schedules of Trains 19 and 20, which is arranged so as to make direct connection at Helena with the Southern Railway for all points in the North, Northwest, West and Southwest, carrying Through Pullman Palace Sleeping cars between Savannah and Atlanta.

Passengers for Atlanta can remain in sleeper until 7 a. m.—East-bound sleeper will be open for passengers in Atlanta depot at 9 p. m.

E. E. ANDERSON, Ass't Gen'l Pass. Agent. A. POPE, General Passenger Agent.

CECIL GABBETT, Vice-Pres't and Gen'l Mgr.

Mobile & Birmingham Railroad Co.

Time Table in Effect January 22, 1899.

Going South.				Going North.			
No. 5.	No. 1.	STATION.		No. 2.	No. 6.		
9 10pm	lv.	Kansas City.		7 10am	ar.		
5 00	ar.	Memphis.		11 20	lv.		
8 00	ar.	Memphis.		7 45	ar.		
10 40	ar.	Holly Springs.		6 10	ar.		
5 50am	ar.	Birmingham.		10 20pm	ar.		
6 00am	lv.	Birmingham.		7 45pm	ar.		
6 25	lv.	Bessemer.		7 24	ar.		
7 20	lv.	Blosson.		6 17	ar.		
8 32	lv.	Montevallo.		5 01	ar.		
10 25	ar.	Selma.		3 15	ar.		
8 30am	lv.	Cincinnati.		7 30pm	ar.		
7 40	lv.	Louisville.		7 55	ar.		
6 10pm	lv.	Chattanooga.		9 45am	ar.		
10 15	ar.	Birmingham.		5 55	ar.		
6 00am	lv.	Birmingham.		7 45pm	ar.		
10 25	ar.	Selma.		3 15	ar.		
4 20pm	lv.	Atlanta.		11 30pm	ar.		
6 55	lv.	West Point.		8 50	ar.		
7 40	lv.	Opelika.		8 10	ar.		
8 30am	lv.	Montgomery.		5 35	ar.		
10 25	ar.	Selma.		3 30	ar.		

Going South.				Going North.			
No. 5.	No. 1.	STATION.		No. 2.	No. 6.		
9 30pm	10 30am	lv.	Selma.	3 00pm	5 00am	ar.	
10 30	10 58	lv.	Marion Junction.	2 30	4 05	ar.	
11 55	11 38	lv.	Alberta.	1 48	2 46	ar.	
12 30am	11 54	lv.	Catherine.	1 33	2 28pm	ar.	
2 00	12 23pm	lv.	Pine Hill.	12 52	1 02am	ar.	
3 30	1 03	lv.	Thomasville.	12 25	12 15	ar.	
3 57	1 20	lv.	Fulton.	11 49am	11 28pm	ar.	
4 28	1 39	lv.	Whately.	11 29	10 52	ar.	
4 58	2 01	lv.	Walker Springs.	11 09	10 15	ar.	
5 20	2 17	lv.	Jackson.	10 52	9 53	ar.	
6 42	3 16	lv.	Calvert.	9 48	8 10	ar.	
6 57	3 26	lv.	Mt. Vernon.	9 38	7 55	ar.	
8 50	4 25	ar.	Mobile.	8 30	6 00	ar.	

Read down.				Read up.			
2 15pm	4 35pm	lv.	Mobile.	12 05am	3 15pm	ar.	
7 15	8 30	ar.	New Orleans.	7 45pm	11 15am	ar.	

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The Western Railway of Alabama.

Read down.		IN EFFECT APRIL 1, 1899.										Read up.	
6	34	36	38	STATIONS.		37	35	39	5				
8 40am	3 30pm	4 14	4 14	LV. Selma.	ar.	11 30pm	10 30am	10 30am				10 30am	
9 18	4 30	4 30	4 30	ar. Benton.	lv.	10 50	9 47	9 47				9 47	
9 33	4 45	4 45	4 45	ar. Whitehall.	lv.	10 35	9 31	9 31				9 31	
9 46	4 58	4 58	4 58	ar. Lowndesboro.	lv.	10 21	9 18	9 18				9 18	
9 57	5 11	5 11	5 11	ar. Burkeville.	lv.	10 09	9 06	9 06				9 06	
10 35	5 35	5 35	5 35	ar. Montgomery.	lv.	9 35	8 30	8 30				8 30	

No. 33.									
1 00pm	12 01pm	6 20pm	6 20am	LV. Mont'ry.	ar.	9 20pm	10 31am	7 25pm	11 00pm
1 50	12 30			ar. Mt. Meigs.	lv.	6 45	10 04	6 45	10 04
2 25	12 50			ar. Shorters.	lv.	6 24	10 13	6 24	10 13
2 40	12 55			ar. Goodwyns.	lv.	6 18	10 00	6 18	10 00
2 55	1 00	7 10		ar. Milstead.	lv.	6 15	9 33	6 15	9 33
4 05	1 25	7 31	7 35	ar. Chehaw.	lv.	8 11	9 25	5 52	7 20
4 45	1 40			ar. Notaulga.	lv.			5 37	6 50
5 55	2 13	8 05	8 14	ar. Auburn.	lv.	7 40	8 53	5 10	6 03
6 20	2 25	8 17	8 26	ar. Opelika.	lv.	7 28	8 43	4 56	5 40

No. 35.									
1 00pm	12 01pm	6 20pm	6 20am	LV. Mont'ry.	ar.	9 20pm	10 31am	7 25pm	11 00pm
1 50	12 30			ar. Mt. Meigs.	lv.	6 45	10 04	6 45	10 04
2 25	12 50			ar. Shorters.	lv.	6 24	10 13	6 24	10 13
2 40	12 55			ar. Goodwyns.	lv.	6 18	10 00	6 18	10 00
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5 55	2 13	8 05	8 14	ar. Auburn.	lv.	7 40	8 53	5 10	6 03
6 20	2 25	8 17	8 26	ar. Opelika.	lv.	7 28	8 43	4 56	5 40

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		3 45	9 50	Ar Colum. LV	1 30			
	2 35 pm	8 20 pm	8 29 am	LV Opelika Ar	7 25 pm	8 40 am	4 53 pm	
	3 03			Cusseta			4 28	
	3 37	8 55	9 07	West Point	6 49	8 00	4 07	
	3 54	9 05		Gabbettville		7 52	3 54	
5 25	4 14	9 21	9 31	La Grange	6 22	7 35	3 33	8 35 pm
5 52	4 43	9 42	9 52	Hogansville		7 12	3 07	8 08

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\$1,000 a Day.

That is the amount we must raise each day until June 1st if we pay our indebtedness.

Don't let any body draw back at the figures. That is only a very small amount for our Baptist hosts to raise. Reader, see to it that you are represented in that fund.

"Out of Debt."

Those are glorious words to come to us from the Home and Foreign Boards. It is the best news we have heard for years. Alabama did her part well. I haven't the figures at hand, but I understand our contribution was larger than last year. Now for Alabama debts. We are making an attack on them. They are melting away under our onslaught. The Lord above is watching us, and brethren in other states have their eyes on us. Will the word go out from us June 1st, "All debts paid?" That depends. Will you help?

Pastors

Should organize their forces to pay the indebtedness. "Still hunt" for large contributions down to five dollars. At the very last a general collection can be taken. It is our work, brethren—our debt. Let us sweep it away. It is so easy to do if all will try.

Out of the Office.

Let the brethren remember this when they write me. I am getting letters from dear brethren making

suggestions which I very much appreciate. But I may not have time to answer. I have arranged for all money to be promptly receipted and entered on the books. This is the best I can do now. "This one thing I do," is my text now.

The glorious prospects ahead of having the Howard and all our Boards free from debt so eclipses my eyes I can see nothing else. I do not expect much rest day nor night until it is accomplished. Brethren, help us.

A Happy Couple.

We had the pleasure of riding a short distance with our young friend, Paul Carson, of Selma, and his bride as they started on their bridal trip. We have known Paul from a child, and will always be interested in him. His father was one of our best friends, as was the father of the bride, Maj. A. W. Fowlkes.

We had the pleasure of shaking the hands, as they passed through from the convention, of brethren A. J. and J. G. Dickinson, A. T. Sims, J. W. Stewart, J. T. Porter, A. P. Pugh, L. M. Bradley, J. A. White, J. B. Powell and others. We were glad of the good words they spoke of the convention.

If they will all lay hold with us now to pay off the debt, what a jubilee we will have a little further along.

An Excellent Showing.

Our Woman's Missionary Union in its annual report makes an excellent showing. For the year closing they have collected—from children's bands \$3,770.33; for Foreign Missions, \$24,152.92, and for Home Missions, \$36,690.73. During the eleven years of the Union's history it has raised for all mission purposes the noble amount of \$532,981.96. Over a half million of dollars!

Their record stops the criticisms of all persons whatsoever. These noble women work without salaries, giving a devotion and zeal worthy of their great cause.

The Storm Center

Has been in Birmingham. Now that Birmingham has about made up the amount assessed to her, the Storm Center has been moved to Montgomery. \$12,000 must come from the territory which is reached from the Capital City.

Brethren Gray, Davidson and Crumpton, with others who will join them, will radiate from here for a week or ten days. This is the critical week. Much depends on what is done in the next seven days.

A Helper Found.

On a recent visit to Mobile a big hearted brother when I took his hand as I was about to leave his office, said: "When you get in a tight anywhere in your work I want you to feel free to write me." Those words had the same old ring of other days. He has always been a ready helper on whom I could lean.

I wanted to start an enterprise once of considerable importance. It required only a small sum from a few brethren. Among others written to was this brother in Mobile. By return mail came the answer: "If ten dollars is my share, draw on me for that amount." What a help in time of need are such men.

Hope for the Country.

We often get discouraged about the future of our great country. Many times it looks as if corruption is everywhere and things are going to the bad in spite of everything. But now and then there is a great awakening among the people, and they shake off the evil and call in the good.

This was never better illustrated than in the city of Mobile. When corrupt men and methods had well nigh wrecked the city, the better ele-

ment rose in their might and thrust to the front Mr. J. C. Bush as their leader. He was a great business man, noted for many noble traits of character, among them was his piety and devotion to his church. He was triumphantly elected, and the city now has the best government it ever had. It was a triumph for piety and good morals. It showed what the better element can do when they set their heads. In our national affairs we frequently see illustrations of this saving power in the conservative forces.

Right now all is excitement over the alarming growth of trusts. Nothing of the sort was ever seen before. But the people are arousing themselves, and several legislatures have enacted the most drastic laws against them. It may be a bitter fight between combined capital and the people, but the great combines will eventually come down.

Sassafras Christians.

We do not say it in a way of faultfinding, neither as a slur upon any church or on Christianity, but there is no doubt that we have in the world too many Sassafras Christians. It may be that there are those who do not know what kind of a Christian a Sassafras Christian is. We will explain: Every farmer who uses wood well knows that when a lot of sassafras pieces of wood are put together and fire set to them that the wood will blaze, pop and make such a noise that it would seem that the world was on fire. But separate the pieces and in less than five minutes the fire has gone out, the crackling has ceased and the whole thing is as cool as if no blaze had ever existed. Many professed Christians are the same way. When they are together in a protracted effort they are warm, they get hot, they make a noise, and to the looker on one would suppose that there was enough religion on hand to fire the world; but as soon as the members separate, like the sassafras chunk, they cease to burn or blaze. Such people are Sassafras Christians.—Ex.

"Any Money Coming In?"

A brother who received my letter addressed to the Baptists of Alabama, and remembered that I appealed for money to be sent at once to pay the debt, asked me this question.

I had to reply about this way "W-e-l-l, 'er, they 'er are not 'er crowding me 'er, but 'er I hope 'er they'll do better 'er a little later 'er." I can say now I am encouraged by the receipts. I am getting quite a number of letters with nice sums, and some who would do better if they could are sending in small sums. God bless them all.

What Policy?

It is expected of a Board and Secretary that they shall have a policy. The Secretary is supposed to know what it is, and he is being asked about it. It is the policy of honesty. It is the policy which every friend of the Board must approve. I am attacking with all the energy of my being the DEBT. No other policy will gain a moment's thought until that is disposed of. The best of people make debts. Boards make them necessarily sometimes. Nothing will be gained by discussing them. Let every one who reads this determine to help. Money is very scarce, I know, but let a sacrifice be made. I got from a young woman a nice letter enclosing a little package; on opening it I found 25cts.

Help me carry out this policy, reader.

"Bit Off."

While on my visit to Mobile I was the guest of Judge Maupin. Before the war the Judge lost an arm. In those days an empty sleeve attracted everybody's attention, and the unfortunate owner was much annoyed by questions. On one occasion a fellow asked the usual question of the Judge. The reply was: "I will answer your question on condition that you will ask no further questions about it. I have been greatly annoyed by people about that arm." The fellow readily agreed to the proposition and got for his answer: "It was bit off." He looked at the Judge with an interrogation-point sort of a look and said with a sigh: "I am not going to ask you any more questions, but I'd like powerful well to know what bit it off!"

OBITUARY.

Sister Nancy Mayton fell on sleep and was carried to her heavenly home Feb. 3d last in the 93d year of her age. She was born in North Carolina in the spring of 1806. Early in life she joined the Methodist church, and was married in her native state. In 1832 they removed to Alabama, near old White Hall, and later to Aimwell, where she joined the Baptist church and spent the remainder of her days. She raised an honorable family. She was much devoted to her family, her church and her God. She was the mother of ten children, five of whom live to miss and mourn her loss. She has 34 grand children, 77 great grand children, and 3 great great grandchildren. Shiloh, Marengo Co. W. V. VICE.

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Special Excursion

To Port Tampa Tuesday, May 23d. \$5.50 Round trip from Montgomery. Low rates in proportion from all other Plant System points. Leave Montgomery 11 a. m.; arrive at Port Tampa 7 a. m. Tickets good until May 28th, returning on regular trains. Address R. L. Todd, Division Passenger Agent, Montgomery.

MORTGAGE SALE.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed executed on the 16th day of October, 1896, by James A. Campbell to A. Gerson & Sons, and recorded in Book 51 of Mortgages at page 463, in the office of the Probate Judge of Bullock county, Ala., which said mortgage was for a valuable consideration transferred and assigned to the undersigned on the 17th day of February, 1897, I, W. C. Bostwick, as transferee of said mortgage, will, on Monday, the 19th day of June, 1899, proceed to sell at public auction, for cash, at the Artesian Basin, in the city of Montgomery, Ala., the following described real estate lying in Bullock county, Ala., to-wit: One house and lot situated in the town of Fitzpatrick, and described as follows: Situated on the public road from Fitzpatrick to Greenwood, commencing seventy yards south from the cross roads near the Huffman house, then south down said public road one hundred and forty yards, then east seventy yards, thence north one hundred and forty yards, thence west seventy yards to the point of beginning, and known as the house occupied by said J. A. Campbell at the time of the execution of said mortgage; said premises containing two acres, more or less. This sale is made for the purpose of paying the amount due on said mortgage and the expenses of this sale, and other lawful charges.

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Mortgage Sale of Real Estate.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage, executed to the undersigned, Geo. D. Noble, by Phyllis Lipscomb on the 7th day of October, 1897, and duly recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate of Montgomery county, Alabama, I, the said George D. Noble, will, on the 24th day of June, 1899, during the legal hours of sale, and at the Court Square Fountain in the city of Montgomery, Ala., sell at public auction for cash the following described real estate situated in the county of Montgomery, state aforesaid, viz: That certain lot of land situated on the north side of Day street, between the Mobile road and Holt street, and upon which the said Phyllis Lipscomb resided at the date of the execution of said mortgage, being known as Lot No. two (2) of the W. H. Pollard estate's Plat, said lot fronting ninety-three (93) feet more or less on the north side of Day street and running north seventy-four (74) feet more or less, being the same lot conveyed to said Phyllis Lipscomb by Sarah A. Pollard on the 27th day of August, 1873. GEO. D. NOBLE, Mortgagee. GORDON MACDONALD, Attorney.

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