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For the Alabama Baptist.

Howard College.

The Commencement exercises at Howard College began Sunday morning when Dr. J. M. Frost, of Nashville, delivered the commencement sermon at the Baptist church. His text was Isaiah 4:10, 11.

This is a beautiful subject, and was most practically used by Dr. Frost in showing the young men the great power and value of the Bible. He said, "Yesterday you laid aside your college text-books, and today I offer you this Book, which you are not to lay aside until that final day."

On Thursday and Friday night of last week were held the final meetings of the Philomathic and Franklin Literary Societies. Large crowds were present, and the young men showed excellent literary training. On the first evening Mr. O. T. Smith won the orator's medal, and on Friday Mr. J. R. Mullins won the Franklin medal for oratory. Society badges were presented by the under-graduates to all members of the senior class, and on each occasion a member of the latter class responded in a speech of thanks, and bade his fellow society men good-bye.

SOPHOMORE CONTEST.

A good audience assembled in the chapel Monday morning at 10 o'clock to witness the Sophomore declamation contest. All speakers acquitted themselves well. The judges decided in favor of Mr. F. H. Watkins, of Virginia.

The following is the list of declaimers and their subjects:

Goodhue Weatherly—"Alonso the Brave and the Fair Angel."
A. E. Dorman—"The New South."
W. W. Robertson—"Rienzi's Last Appeal to the Romans."
J. S. Hall—"Alabama," an original article.
A. H. Mullen—"To the Roman Envoys."
H. B. Woodward—"Mississippi Contested Election."
F. H. Watkins—"Lasca."
L. T. Reeves—"Curse of Regulus."

The musical selections of Miss Palmer, Mrs. Hobson, Mr. Prestwood, and the concert recitation by members of the Freshman class, added much to the attractiveness of the program.

ATHLETIC CONTEST.

Monday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, a large crowd assembled on the college campus to witness the final athletic exhibition. The exercises consisted of both gymnasium and field day work, such as practice on horizontal bar, parallel bar, horse, etc., as well as running, jumping, leaping, vaulting, putting shot, and throwing sledge. The young men wore their new uniforms of blue and white, and made some good records. The crowd showed keen appreciation of this new feature in coming out, and by remaining in spite of the frequent light showers of the afternoon.

Mr. D. B. Hayes was awarded a badge of the college colors for being the best all around athlete.

Messrs. Walter, Wood and Hopson did excellent work in the way of tumbling and using the horizontal.

We congratulate the Howard on this step taken in the right direction. If a young man's body ever needs attention, it is at this time when in college he is doing heavy mental work.

MR. JOHNSTON'S ADDRESS.

Monday evening an appreciative audience was highly entertained in the chapel by the address of Mr. R. F. Johnston, of the Birmingham News, before the literary societies.

Mr. Johnston's address was rather a practical sermon from nature. Touching upon the development of the natural resources of the Birmingham district, he said:

"Now that Alabama is shipping iron to all parts of the world, and landing it in foreign markets at the cost of manufacture here in the United States, the student of natural resources is dumfounded to think that this foreign trade is but two and a half years old; and again, when one goes back over the past ten or fifteen years, during which time Birmingham has been liberally advertised as the cheapest iron-producing center in the known world, it seems strange indeed that it was only last August that Northern capital decided to take advantage of Alabama's natural resources, and planted its millions in the steel business at Ensley City."

Speaking of the simplicity and honesty of childhood, Mr. Johnston said:

"Every time a man goes back to the days of the 'old swimming pool' he becomes a wiser and better man. He remembers how his mind drifted out on the sea of new and unknown things, and how they impressed him before he knew what it was to veil self from self. He can learn how far he has strayed from the pursuit and acknowledgment of the truth."

JUNIOR DAY.

Tuesday was a most interesting day in the commencement exercises, consisting of orations by members of the Junior class. The orations were remarkably well prepared and delivered. The judges, Dr. J. H. Phillips, Mr. R. F. Manly and Rev. B. A. Pendleton, awarded the medal to Mr. Frank Averyt. Dr. Phillips presented the medal amid hearty applause.

The following is a full list of speakers and their subjects:

J. D. Ray—"Religions of the World and Their Influences."
R. L. Daniel—"The Harvest of Rum."
L. M. Spruell—"Watchman, What of the Night?"
J. G. Dobbins—"The Heritage of Southern Youth."
F. Averyt—"The Power of Thought."
E. J. Whiddon—"The Future of a Nation Depends Upon the Sacredness of Home."

Musical numbers were rendered during the morning by Mr. Knight, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Prestwood, Miss Praytor and Miss Reynolds.

BATTALION DRILL.

In the afternoon the corps of cadets gave an exhibition drill, which was witnessed by a large number of people. The boys went through the movements with precision, and showed great knowledge of military science. Mr. G. C. Walter won the medal for soldiery; Mr. H. G. Laird the manual of arms medal, and company C, Capt. Bell, was awarded the colors.

MR. CARSON'S ADDRESS.

In the evening at 7:30 o'clock the annual address before the Alumni Association was delivered by Hon. Paul Carson, of Selma, a member of the class of '93. It was an eloquent address, well delivered; its novelty of thought was greatly appreciated by all present. The evening exercises were presided over by Hon. W. W. Lavender, of Centreville, class of '88, president of the Alumni Association.

The exercises were opened with prayer by Rev. Mr. Brown, which was followed by a musical selection rendered by Miss Coe, Mrs. Atkins, Mr. Utting and Mr. Stowe.

"In the beginning," said Mr. Carson, after being introduced by President Lavender, "I want to say that I believe life to be a serious thing, but I do not believe it is or should be a sorrowful thing. We ought to get all the legitimate pleasure and fun out of life possible. I want to address myself particularly to the younger men just being mustered out of college life on the pleasure they may derive from reading. I have often heard of the individual whose mind had been so overloaded by huge masses of undigested and indigested learning that it had no chance for healthy development. I have never met with such a person, and I do not believe you have. Lord Macaulay read everything he could, from the master pieces of Pericles to the latest rubbish of his day, and yet nobody says his mind was overloaded."

"The pleasures of the imagination derived from the best literary models form without doubt the most exquisite enjoyment to be derived from books. There is also much literature which satisfies the curiosity. Is this vast storehouse of pleasure to be thrown away because the facts which it contains are alleged to be insignificant, and because the appetite to which it ministers is said to be morbid?"

"We hear much of 'idle curiosity,' but it is not at all idle. It is this that makes us read the papers, penetrate the polar snows, explore the secrets of the remotest heavens, and engage in other such apparently unprofitable exercises of the mind."

"A little learning is a dangerous thing," is another maxim which I consider pernicious. Pope himself, who wrote the words, had but a very limited knowledge of Greek, and yet he translated Homer. Even the wisest man knows but little if his learning is compared to all that is known. One of us now can learn in a few weeks' time a great deal more than Archimedes ever knew. It is true that a little knowledge that thinks itself to be great, may be dangerous, as it is ridiculous; but I say that so far from a little knowledge being undesirable, a little knowledge is all that most of us have."

that on most of us, any of us, hope to attain, and as a source of personal pride, it may be of the greatest value to its possessor."

BUSINESS MEETING.

After the address, a business meeting was held for electing officers for the ensuing year; Hon. W. W. Lavender was re-elected president.

Prof. S. J. Ansley was elected secretary.

Mr. G. Herbert succeeded Dr. E. A. Jones as treasurer.

Dr. E. A. Jones was elected to succeed Mr. H. R. Dill as chairman of executive committee.

Hon. Frank Caffey was elected orator for next commencement, with Rev. A. S. Smith as alternate.

COMMENCEMENT DAY.

At 10 o'clock a. m., June 14th, the graduating class filed upon the stage to the music of an inspiring march. An earnest prayer for the institution and for the class was offered by Rev. M. LaSalle.

The first speaker on the program was Mr. J. A. Bagley, of the graduating class, whose subject was "Hidden Gems." Next came Mr. Geo. W. Hopson, jr., his subject being "Life's Possibilities."

Mr. O. S. Smith spoke upon "Southern Patriotism," and was followed by Mr. A. J. McDaniel on the subject, "Courage to Meet Life's Duties."

A charming instrumental solo was rendered by Miss Lydia Palmer, whose splendid execution upon the piano causes her to be called upon very frequently at the Howard.

Mr. W. A. McCain, the next speaker, chose as his subject, "Whom Shall We Crown the Queen?"

Last came Mr. E. M. Stewart, vaudeictorian, who said that as we approach perfection we attain happiness; fame does not always signify happiness; silent lives are often happiest, and, like silent forces, often strongest. His entire address was a splendid plea for intellectual and moral development. A selection, "She was Bred in tier."

Old Kentucky," was rendered by the College Glee Club.

ABERCROMBIE'S ADDRESS.

President Roof introduced Hon. J. W. Abercrombie, State Superintendent of Education, who delivered the Baccalaureate address. The subject chosen was "Education a Qualification for Citizenship." "Ignorance is a menace to our society." "Temperance is another problem that confronts the people, and worse yet is ignorance, 'at whose polluting touch nations have crumbled.' There are people who claim education is a matter purely personal; then shall the whole people suffer from individual neglect?"

An ignorant ballot has become the bane of our government, and I long to see the time when Alabama will have a school system that will lift us from ignorance to wisdom and give us a more patriotic citizenship."

The address throughout was forceful and masterly.

DEGREES CONFERRED.

J. A. Bagley, A. B.; C. R. Bell, B. S.; H. Y. Fancher, A. B.; Geo. W. Hopson, jr., A. B.; W. A. McCain, B. S.; A. J. McDaniel, B. S.; M. T. McGriff, B. S.; T. L. Nichols, B. S.; E. W. Rucker, jr., B. S.; C. H. Smith, B. S.; O. T. Smith, A. B.; E. M. Stewart, A. B.; Post Graduate, M. M. Eppes, A. M.

OFFICERS.

Dr. Gray announced the officers and instructors for the ensuing year as follows:

President F. M. Roof, Professor of Moral and Mental Science.
S. J. Ansley, Professor of Greek.
T. J. Dill, Professor of Latin.
E. H. Foster, Professor of English.

A. B. Goodhue, Professor of Elocution and French.
Edward Brand, Professor of Applied Mathematics and German.

R. J. Waldron, Professor of Pure Mathematics.

E. P. Hogan, Professor of Natural Science.

Rev. W. A. Hobson, Professor of Biblical Literature.

Dr. C. C. Jones, Surgeon.

For the Alabama Baptist.

Resolutions.

As our beloved pastor, Dr. J. J. Taylor, has resigned the charge of our church, we as his congregation, wishing to express our appreciation of his faithful services, desire to pass and place on record the following resolutions:

Resolved, First, That we regard our Brother's services to this church as pastor during a period of nearly twelve years as of the highest order of culture, ability and sound doctrine, and his every act and teaching that of a Christian gentleman and faithful shepherd.

Second, That we give him up with great reluctance and sorrow, and that our affection and love for him and confidence in him will follow and remain with him in his other charge, and that we commend him to our brethren in Norfolk as worthy of that regard and affection to which a high order of ability and Christian character, coupled with a big heart and brain, entitle a faithful and intelligent servant of our Redeemer.

ST. FRANCIS ST. BAPTIST CHURCH, MOBILE, ALA., June 14, 1899.

At the regular Conference of this church, held this evening, the foregoing resolutions were unanimously adopted, and it was ordered that copies be sent to the State paper, and Norfolk, Va.

W. A. ALEXANDER, Clerk.

In 1871 Germany lost 143,000 lives by small-pox. A law was passed making vaccination compulsory in the first year of life and again in the tenth year. As a result of the rigid enforcement of this law, the average number of deaths per year from small-pox is 116. And these cases occur on the frontier.

For the Alabama Baptist.

Kind Words for His Pastor.

Editor Ala. Baptist: On the last Sunday in May Rev. W. J. D. Upshaw tendered his resignation as pastor of the Roanoke Baptist church, to take effect on the first day of October, and at the regular conference on the following Sunday the church accepted his resignation. Bro. Upshaw has been pastor of this church for the past three years, and during that time many changes have taken place all for the better. He has done a good and lasting service in our midst, and I do not know of a pastor who could have accomplished more, or perhaps done as much as he has. Many members have been added to the church, and I think the spiritual condition of all has greatly improved. Discipline has been maintained to a marked degree, and many members who have been somewhat negligent of their duties to the church and their Master have been awakened to their obligations and are leading lives more in conformity to divine precept. Bro. Upshaw has been indefatigable in his labors in behalf of the church and the spiritual welfare of his members, ministering with a loving care to the poor. The sick, not only of his own church, but of the entire town, have been his especial care, and many times has he risen from his bed, sick, that he might go and speak words of cheer and hope to the afflicted.

He has made a noble effort to keep our church abreast with the great denominational interests not only of the State but of the South, and to what extent he has succeeded others must judge. Under his ministry we have built a large and comfortable cottage in the heart of our town for a home for our pastor.

He came to the church under a call to preach two Sundays during the month, and the church

growing weary of eating religious crumbs from a Methodist table two Sundays in the month, called him for his entire time. This was the first time in the history of the church that its pastor did not have to divide time with some neighboring church. This was a long step forward, and many benefits have already accrued to our people. They seem to feel closer together, and take more interest in our individual church.

I do not know among what people Bro. Upshaw intends to dwell in the near future, but wherever he goes, his people will find in him a man wonderfully near to God, full of piety, zeal and earnestness in behalf of the great cause.

Roanoke. W. W. CAMPBELL.

On To Richmond.

The International B. Y. P. U. of America will meet in Richmond, Va., July 13-16. The fare will be one way. Tickets can be extended until the middle of August. This will be one of the most delightful trips for the summer, as there will be numerous excursions from Richmond during the convention week, as follows: To Natural Bridge, Luray Cave, Old Point Comfort, Jamestown, Washington, and other points.

Address L. W. TERRILL, Transportation Leader.

Birmingham.
P. S. The official route to Richmond will be by Chattanooga, Bristol, and Norfolk and Western Railroad, which is the most direct route.

L. W. T.

The statistics of the city of London for last year have been published. The population is 4,504,766, there being an excess of 200,000 women. Deaths were 83,936, an excess of 3,000 deaths among the males. 2,000 more males than females were born. There was only one death from small-pox in the entire number. The net increase of population was 41,791.

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Our Department.

We do not know whether the department plan is the best for a newspaper or not; we rather doubt it; but this scribe found things as they are, and he will fall into the plan as gracefully as possible. We do not expect to confine our department to the question of missions. One grows weary of a dead level; we recall the boundless, unbroken level of a Texas prairie and the weary hours of monotonous travel. Some of our enterprising papers have a way of giving an entire issue to one subject. We grow tired when we look at it, and seldom read that issue. We love variety, and we believe most people are of our way of thinking about that. So in the Mission department of the ALABAMA BAPTIST we expect to discuss many subjects which have no bearing on the question of missions.

How Fast We Are Moving.

It almost takes one's breath, so to speak, to think how fast we are moving. Only a little while ago Edison showed us how to use electricity so as to turn day into night, and now we are told that there is a better and cheaper light. As a motive power it looks as if electricity will supersede steam; but we are told now that in the city of New York cars are being run more successfully with compressed air, and soon it will lay electricity in the shade. The telegraph and telephone, it is said, will have to give place to wireless telegraphy. With it all, are we running towards God? We are sure he is in all these wonderful things which are transpiring about us, but do we think of his hand and give glory to him?

Talk Up Your Section.

We were on the train with a brother from Chilton county. When we rolled into his county he said: "Now we are in the best county in this state. The criminal court was

declamatory contest. The anxious father, who was not present to hear him, asked friends what his boy lacked to make a successful speaker. The reply from every one was, "fire!" That is what the preacher must have in the pulpit. Of course we do not mean violent gesticulation and vociferous bawling. An empty wagon makes lots of noise. But there must be fire, earnestness, conviction of the truth of what he is preaching which shows itself in the flash of the eye, the quiver of the lip, or the earnest tone.

He may have the conversational style and seem ever so calm, but the fire should be in the sermon. Who that ever heard Dr. Broadus will ever forget the burning words which fell from his lips as he talked to the people, unfolding the word of God? There was little noise, but plenty of fire.

We have heard sermons where we felt like shouting, "Wake up, brother! wake up."

Getting One Hundred Cents Out of a Dollar.

Talking to one of our pastors recently about his affairs he said: "I am glad I learned economy in my youth, and got used to hard knocks. I am not getting much salary, but I can get one hundred cents out of every dollar."

He meant that he could make his meagre salary go as far as the next one. Blessed is the man who learned economy in his youth and practices it now. It is so unfortunate for a preacher not to have learned this lesson. The sad case of a minister coming down to old age with nothing for a support is no uncommon thing. Many could do no better, but with others we doubt not it was because they knew not the value of money. For a preacher to be close and penurious, always receiving and never giving out, would be very wrong, and he would be rightly censured. For him to be a spendthrift and always living beyond his means will ruin him sooner or later.

We beg our young preachers to learn how to get a hundred cents out of a dollar. If they do not learn that lesson in youth they will never learn it, and it will be the regret of their lives.

Got Nothing from the Sermon.

This is a complaint one often

Judge Haralson's Retirement.

Every Alabamian is proud to read the well deserved complimentary words written about Judge Jonathan Haralson, the retiring President of the Southern Baptist Convention. He has filled the position to the entire satisfaction of the denomination for ten years, and retires now only at his request.

His retirement brings to mind the beginning of his career as presiding officer of a religious assembly. It was a long while ago—nearly a quarter of a century. The Alabama Baptist Convention met that year at Marion. For years it had been composed of a hand-full of ministers and a few laymen who resided in the neighborhood of the place of meeting. There was no enthusiasm and but little interest. It was with much difficulty that sufficient money was collected at the convention to pay for the printing of the minutes—indeed, one year it was a failure, and the minutes went over and were printed with those of the next year.

A report from Howard College and the Judson were heard each year, and Home and Foreign missions were discussed, the former eliciting the most attention because the board was located in Marion.

At the Marion convention Judge Haralson was made president. On his taking the chair a sort of electrical current passed through the little assembly, and every one seemed to feel the thrill. Business was dispatched and new life and energy infused into the convention. It was the advent of the layman, and the laymen began to feel that it was their meeting. The convention grew from that day in numbers and interest. It was not uncommon for five hundred delegates to assemble at its summer sessions.

The Baptists of Alabama discovered the man who has lately retired crowned with honors from the presidency of the great Southern Baptist Convention. The fourteen years of faithful service he gave to the convention of his state prepared him for the presidency of the larger body.

Up to the time of his election only preachers had been considered eligible to the presidency. His successor is a distinguished layman, and it is forever settled that masters of assemblies are not confined to the ministry.

are a distinctive people. They realize they can escape the hatred that pursues them only by ceasing to be a recognizable minority in the midst of other peoples. They refuse to sink their identity. Lost identity is no solution of the Jewish problem. They look for their salvation in a reunion in a land which shall be their own, where they will be the majority, and where they can develop in a temperature of sympathy along their own organic lines.—Max Nordau in North American Review.

For the Alabama Baptist.
From China.

My Dear Friends: I have not had a talk with you through the columns of my own ALABAMA BAPTIST in a long time. This afternoon I have decided not to go visiting among the women, but sit down and tell my numerous friends in Alabama why I have been so long silent.

I have often heard that there was more ways than one to serve Christ in China, and these past weeks have had a practical demonstration of the fact. While off in the country there came a letter saying that Mrs. Pierce, of Yangchow, was very ill with typhoid fever, and would I not come and help nurse her? The first thought was, "can I go and leave this work where the women seem so anxious to hear?" My Bible woman and I prayed over the matter and I decided to go. We called a small boat and in two days a good wind brought us to Shanghai. The next day I went up the Yangtze about 147 miles, and in two days more landed at our station in Chinkiang where we have Mr. and Mrs. Lawton, and Miss Mackenzie. On my arrival I found that the lady had gone up the grand canal to Yanchow, so after one half day I found myself at the home where a serious illness had deprived the home of Bro. Pierce (for the time being) of the wife and mother.

There are very few foreigners in that place, and therefore help had to be solicited from the China Island Mission who very kindly helped with the sick one. For seven weeks I have not been at my home in Shanghai. Mrs. Pierce is up now and gaining strength rapidly. They have been right there in their station for eight years and need a rest at home in America.

centre of the history of Papal Rome; he wanders into the hundreds of churches hallowed by memories of early martyrs; during the Holy Week he attends services commemorating the passion of our Lord at St. Peter's, San Maria Maggiore and St. John Lateran. At one moment he is repulsed, at another attracted, by the ceremonies of the Roman church, beautiful, it is true, yet in their formalism and display, a relic of mediaeval times. In the art galleries of the Vatican and in private collections he views paintings glowing with religious fervor, expressive of the most devout piety. All these impressions awaken in him a longing that Rome might once more return to her early faith, that out of the splendid wreck of the Roman church the spirit of the early fathers might arise with power to bring back the people to their primitive faith.—Mitchell Carroll, Ph. D.

THE RESTLESS PRIESTS.

It is said that a spirit of restlessness prevails among the priests of Italy as well as among those of France, and that some in both countries are turning their faces toward Protestantism. Whether that be so or not, some statements made in the current Voice from Italy seem to countenance the idea that there is going on a certain drift from Rome. Statistics are given in that publication showing the membership of the Waldensian congregation in five of the chief Italian cities; and from these we learn that, while 226 communicants in all are Protestants by birth, as many as 1,331 are Roman Catholic converts. These are remarkable figures, and prove that the Church of the Valleys acted wisely in undertaking aggressive work in the plains of Italy.—Missionary Review.

SALE OF THE BIBLE IN ROME.

During the first six months of 1890, the sales from the Roman depot of the British and Foreign Bible Society, including those effected by three colporteurs in the provinces, were 21,000 copies, exceeding the sales of any previous half year by 6,000 copies. The schools for teaching foreign languages for the benefit of Italians in Rome, adopt the New Testament as a reading-book in the second course classics, both French and English. The great depot of the

Hill negroes killed Mrs. Hubbard, in session at its last term only a few hours; every house in our town is occupied, and new ones are building. Just over that ridge there is a beautiful stretch of country occupied by as thrifty people as you ever saw; lands are worth fifteen dollars an acre, and every farmer has money ahead." That is the kind of talk that helps a country. If the croakers and fault-finders could be relegated to the rear and the hopeful people brought to the front, how different would things be in our country!

The Problem of the Jew.

Those who are interested in the Jewish people, and who is it that is not? will read with profit a clipping in another column with the caption above. They have been the most persecuted people on earth, and they are hated and persecuted still in many lands. The world is watching with keenest interest what is called the Zionist movement among the Jews. "Back to Palestine" is their cry, and the movement is rapidly growing. Students of prophecy will recall the many predictions which seem to point clearly to the final gathering together from all lands of the Jews in Palestine. Is this movement a beginning of the fulfilment of that prophecy?

Energy In the Preacher.

Energy is a good thing in anybody. It is essential to the well-being of every one. A preacher can no more get along without it than a farmer. Without it he can never secure an education, nor without it would he use his education to advantage after he secured it. Many people charge preachers with laziness, and many times the charge is just; but as a rule they are energetic as men of other pursuits. But we have known cases where the preacher failed for want of energy. It showed itself in his want of preparation for the pulpit, in the neglect of pastoral work, and even in the delivery of the sermon. A boy contended in a

about it. Doubtless sometimes it is true that the sermon had nothing in it. Platitudes fill up many sermons. Sometimes there is truth enough in the sermon, but it is the same old song without variation, the preacher has been using for years. Whatever the text, the same thought, and often the same words are used. There is no freshness, the mode of expression is the same. The truth is spoken without conviction, in a halting, hesitating way as if the speaker was not sure of his footing. Sometimes the sermon is delivered as if it were only a recitation; there is no heart in it. It comes from no where, it goes no where. It falls flat, and makes no impression for good.

Then there is the sermon which is all freshness. The preacher in his eagerness for freshness and originality, will curl and sky-scrape and exhaust every effort for taking phrases and happy hits; he even eschews the old gospel for the sake of freshness. It is little wonder that the hearer complains that he gets nothing from such sermons.

But there is often another side. Possibly the hearer is at fault. May be the heart is not in tune for sympathetic hearing. There has been no preparation for worship. Possibly the brother went through his morning mail and poured over the morning paper; that is poor preparation for hearing a sermon. If a devout frame is cultivated by prayer and meditation and the reading of the Scriptures in the morning, and he goes to God's house in a worshipful mood, he will get good out of almost any sort of sermon and from every part of the service.

The London Lancet says carefully kept statistics show that a larger number of women can go safely through severe surgical operations than can men. In a number of grave operations 54 per cent. of the men had died and only 35 per cent. of the women. The Lancet attributes this difference to the fact that men drink so much more than women do.

The "Problem of the Jew." At the close of the century there is in every land of the civilized world the "problem of the Jew." It is a question which presents itself in various phases. It is best known in its most brutal form as anti-Semitism.

The enemies of the Jew have one statement in instant readiness: The Jews are hated because of their evil qualities. But the statement will not bear criticism. The Jews are not hated because they have evil qualities. Evil qualities are sought for in them, because they are hated. Statistics handled, not by Jews but by their opponents, demonstrate facts in all countries that favor the Jew.

In order to suffer hatred and persecution no longer, in order to attain the normal condition of life, the Jews must either cease being a minority or they must cease being distinguishable. This alternative includes the two solutions of Judaism for which the Jews themselves are striving.

Those who desire to have the Jews constitute the popular majority in some one place wish to make Palestine, the land of their fathers, that place. These are the Zionists.

Other Jews prefer the second solution. They are the Assimilationists, who consider the salvation of the Jew coincident with his disappearance among the nations.

Few of these have the moral courage to follow the thought to its logical conclusion.

He who wishes to be thoroughly assimilated can not stop half way. He must suppress all differences that lie between himself and the popular majority. First and chief among these is religion. He must be baptized and join one of the Christian denominations. He must mingle his blood with that of the people by marriage outside of tribal affinity. If he does less it will not suffice.

The Jews who do not possess equal rights—and these comprise four-fifths of the race—have preserved the consciousness that they

ica, but alas! there is no one to take up their work. They do need a physician and wife there very much. What would our sister have done, had there not been a China Island Mission physician who just chanced to be visiting his station at that time? I trust our board will soon send a man and wife to that station and let this faithful couple come home.

While I was there we had our annual mission meeting, of which I shall write you later. Perhaps the latter part of this year I may be permitted to tell many of you face to face. May God bless and direct you all.

Yours with Christian love,
WILLIE KELLY.
West Gate, Shanghai, May 8, '99.

Central Committee.

WOMAN'S CENTRAL COMMITTEE.—Mrs. E. F. Stratton, President, Birmingham; Mrs. B. D. Gray, Vice President, Birmingham; Mrs. D. M. Malone, Secretary, East Lake, Ala.; Mrs. T. A. Hamilton, Leader of Young Peoples Sunbeam Work, Mrs. G. M. Morrow, Treas., 1711 8th Ave., Birmingham; Mrs. H. L. Mellen, Vice-President Ex. Com., Livingston.

JUNE.

Italy.—"So must thou bear witness also at Rome." S. B. C. Mission opened 1870; missionaries, 1; native assistants, 25; churches, 21; out-stations, 15; membership, 481; baptisms, 55. Contributions, \$695.40.

Study Topics.—Education and illiteracy and literature. Chief forms of opposition. General character of church members. Need of chapels.

CHRISTIAN ROME.

Yet how full of varied interest is Christian Rome, and how eager one becomes to see its people led back to the pure forms and the pure worship of the early Christians who worshipped there. The traveler follows the footprints of Peter and Paul to their traditional abodes, to their supposed places of worship, into the Mamartine prison, on the Apian Way, to the alleged places of execution. He visits St. Peter's and the Vatican,—heart and

Romish Propaganda provides no gospel of any Scripture portions for the use of the people.—Independent.

THE BLESSED HOPE.

Early Christians looked for the King's return at any time. He had entrusted them with commission and the King's business required haste. They tarried not, save for that endowment which was their equipment. Then to the bounds of Judea, Samaria, Gallilee; to Antioch, Athens, Ephesus, Rome, they sped with the message. Peter went Eastward to the elect dispersion; Paul swept, like a flame, Westward, across Asia Minor, and into Europe till he touched Italy, perhaps Spain and Britain. With in one generation the cross overtook the Roman Eagle, and the priests of false fanes feared lest their work was at an end. Such will ever be the power of this hope over those who are by it held in constant expectancy of the Lord's advent.

We shall never have Apostolic missions till this Apostolic Hope claims its rightful place. Moreover this Blessed Hope is forever linked with the glorious compensation for all services and sacrifice for Christ. "Behold I come quickly, and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be."—A. T. Pierson.

Two intelligent young men, natives of the Province of Kamamoto, Japan, arrived in Louisville last Saturday. Their names are Tsunehiko Yoshekawa and Zenki Oishi. They were baptized by Missionary J. W. McCollum some months ago, and they have come to America to be educated. They expect to fit themselves for teachers in their native land.—Baptist Argus.

Bro. McCollum is our Alabama preacher in Japan.

In Iceland men and women are in every respect political equals. The nation, which numbers about 70,000 people, is governed by representatives elected by men and women together.

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Standing Announcements for Institutes to be Held During 1899.

The following Institutes will be held at the following times and places:

At Hartsell, fourth Sunday in June, and continue one week.
Roanoke, July 2-7.
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Each Institute will begin at 11 a. m. Sunday with a sermon by the Superintendent or some other appointee, and conclude on the following Friday.

The Traveling Library.

We renew our offer to give twenty dollars worth of good up-to-date books to establish a nucleus for a traveling library for the Baptist pastors in Alabama, provided we can get nine more to join us. Will Dr. John F. Purser write us what he thinks of the feasibility of such a movement? Will Dr. Shaffer kindly give us his views upon this matter? We do not know what these brethren think, but we are anxious to project something worth doing, and then do it for the Lord.

The B. Y. P. U. A. Convention.

The B. Y. P. U. A. will meet in Richmond about July 17th. It will be a great meeting, and we trust many of our people will attend. The feast will be a number of courses on Discipleship, and they will be served by our best thinkers. Richmond is the Baptist Jerusalem.

Let us all go up to the feast. It will be a profitable and pleasant outing. Those in South and Middle Alabama can meet the North Alabama contingent in Atlanta. Let us arrange to attend.

The editor of another page of this paper, in dissenting from our interpretation of the recent events concerning our Seminary, so puts his protestation of fealty to that institution as to imply that we do not share his loyal attitude. The said implication of course is absolutely without warrant. We need not say that our interest in that institution is not dependent upon its policy. We will have a hand in our Lord's work and a part with our brethren in every effort, whether the policy adopted be to our own mind the wisest or not. We are now for making that school a good one of its grade, and wish that its grade could be raised and its influence in the world of scholarship widened. Loyalty to the Seminary is not open to discussion with us. It is a closed question. The policy to be pursued is of course ever open, and will be so as long as that school has a growing life. About that we are ever ready to give our opinion for what it is worth.

Now for Institute Work.

Now that the debt campaign is over, let us get down to our Lord's work. It would be very foolish to spend the rest of the year in celebrating this great and glorious feat which has been brought to pass by the noble brethren who have led it to success, especially if thereby we omit the normal ordinary duties of life. The work of the Lord is an every day matter. What shall we do for our pastors who, called of God, are trying under great disadvantages to fulfil their mission? Think of the difficulties under which they are working to preach a full gospel. Most of them have but little preparatory training, practically no library, and but little training in the Word of life. Yet with these deficiencies they are, by virtue of unusual energy and persistence, doing a good work and making us felt as a people of God to the uttermost limits of the state.

Can we not do something to relieve the difficulties under which they labor, and increase yet more their efficiency? Is not this a great and glorious work second to none? Now this is the field assigned to the Institute Board. Give brethren Anderson and Hornady a place in your heart and a portion of your purse as trustees of the Lord in this line, and see how much good can be done. Howard college will do a great work in educating a few young men for the pulpit each year, but it will be many days before they can get on the field and supplant the present pastors. Why not make the ministry the Lord has already given us a contribution? Men and brethren, help add an increment of usefulness to the labors of these worthy men of God.

Let every church take up a collection at once for our Institute Board. It is crippled because you have not already done so. How frequently Paul speaks of his "fellow helpers in Christ Jesus," men and women who ministered to him in his work. Are there no fellow helpers in Alabama for these men of God who struggle after a full gospel, that they may fulfil their divine call and commission? Let them now speak out.

DECATUR, ALA., June 10, '99.

To the Friends of Institute Work:

I write this on a stop over in this place en route to Sheffield where we begin an Institute on the 12th of June. This will begin a series of Institutes which will reach nearly through August. May we not ask for the earnest prayers of all the faithful in this great work? The conviction that the Lord is in it is the only incentive for me to wrestle with its problems. With the earnest prayers of all the brethren upon it, a gracious uplift to the ministry throughout the state must be the result. We earnestly ask all the brethren to fill their places on the programs to which they are appointed. To come at the beginning and remain to the close of the meeting, and say all and do all they can for the meeting.

We also ask brethren to organize other Institutes in the sections of the state yet unreached.

Legates will be met at the depot and

Yours most cordially,

G. S. ANDERSON.

A Polemical Performance.

B. F. STAMPS.

I want to thank the editor of the Institute Department for showing me some courtesy in his last reference to me, though there is still room for improvement. I want to repeat that "I am not mad, most excellent Festus, but speak words of truth and soberness."

1. The editor denies in a general way that so-called Higher Criticism and other heresies are taught in the Chicago University. Will the editor deny that Prof. Budde, of Germany, by special invitation of the authorities of the Chicago University, did profess to teach the students of the Chicago University the origin of the religion of Israel, and he taught them that Jehovah was a Kenite idol, whose worship the Israelites adopted? Will the editor show one word of protest that has ever been uttered by the authorities in that institution against the teachings of Prof. Budde? Then, if he taught by their special invitation, and his teachings have been published to the world, and no protest has ever been made, does not the Chicago University thus place its endorsement on the teaching that Jehovah was a Kenite idol, whose worship the children of Israel adopted? Think of it! The first time the word Jehovah is used in the Bible is in Gen. 2:4, where it is asserted that Jehovah Elohim (the Lord God) made earth and heaven! No wonder Prof. Harper, president of that institution, teaches that the first part of the book of Genesis is "idealized history." Are we prepared to believe that the Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and Moses was only a myth—a Kenite idol? Will the editor deny that Prof. Budde so taught by special invitation in Chicago University?

2. I have it from direct authority, the report of a student now in Chicago University who was at the Southern Baptist Convention at Louisville, that it is now taught by the professors of the Chicago University "that the ethics of the Bible must be rejected, because the Bible

teaches self-renunciation, while the true ethics teaches self-realization."

Bro. Editor, we backwoods preachers may not understand Higher Criticism, but we understand enough to not endorse a great institution which wants us to give up the ethical teachings of the Bible, to consider the account of creation in Genesis as only "idealized history," and Jehovah as a Kenite idol.

3. If Higher Criticism is a good thing, let's have it. It should not be the heritage of a favored few. Let its advocates explain it so that common people can understand it. The editor says that not ten men in Alabama understand it. No, its advocates do not understand it themselves. Its methods are purely arbitrary. No two of them are agreed among themselves. The editor says he does not understand it. Then he and I are in the same box. But if he does not understand it, how does he know that I do not understand it? How does he know that anybody understands it? Then how can he condemn any of us for rejecting it? A tree is known by its fruits. If it produces "Kenite idols," "idealized history," and anti-biblical ethics, then will you blame an ignorant country preacher like me for rejecting it? Will you blame me for concluding in the language of one of the most scholarly and able of our American Baptist preachers, who has made Higher Criticism and the Chicago University subjects of special investigation, and whose letter lies before me: "I regard the University at Chicago as the greatest force for infidelity in America."

"Will the old Book stand, when the Higher (?) Critics say That grave errors are discovered on its page?"

Will it make the wounded whole? Will it save the sin-sick soul? Will its saving truths from age to age endure?"

Cloverdale, Ala.

P. S.—I agree with you that Higher Criticism [and infidelity] should be kept out of the pulpit.

We are sure the public has had enough of this controversy, and it is certainly very unpleasant to the editor. Still we wish to be liberal with all who desire to chastize his

editorship, but trust our brethren will bear a mind that we are not running a ring for theological pugilism, but rather a council for fraternal fellowship between the brethren who may desire to use it. We trust, therefore, that when Bro. Stamps shall have recovered from his present spell he will write us something that may conserve the fellowship of the saints. We are still of the opinion that he is not now in his natural element. His talents are not those of an ecclesiastical guerrilla chief in search of the heretics in the hills, but of a man of peace and messenger of mercy. We trust, therefore, as this little sortie will now cease, that he will favor us with an expression of fellowship.

But courtesy requires us to answer some of his questions as best we can.

1. Prof. Budde, of Germany, came to this country upon the invitation of Union Theological Seminary, New York.

2. He did not teach that Jehovah was a Kenite idol, but only that previous to Moses the cult of Jahweh was pursued among the Kenites at Mt. Sinai as well as in Palestine and the native land of Abraham. He did not teach that Jehovah the God of Israel was a Kenite idol.

3. Prof. Harper's "Idealized History" is a technical phrase for a history which is at the same time something more than literal history, viz., a history which contains and conveys a revelation from the God of history. It is exactly opposite to fiction. It is facts expressing moral and religious truth.

4. We regret to publish what our brother says about an anonymous "student" and "scholarly preacher." It is at least hearsay evidence. It seems to us quite a serious sin to blacken the reputation of brethren and a great institution on hearsay testimony. We wish our brethren would quit it. It is not just, much less Christlike. We trust, therefore, the reader will pardon us for not ruling it out. We publish it only because it seems to require injury to others to make up "courtesy" to some. It is a big price, but we pay it to gratify Bro. Stamps' demand for courtesy. We do not believe there is

a shadow of basis in fact for this anonymous traduction.

Now in dismissing this little sortie, we beg pardon of our readers. That it has been neither edifying nor pleasant we admit. May it serve therefore as an example of warning to any who may feel constrained to rise up and read his brethren out of the kingdom. To Brother Stamps we send our fraternal salutations and greeting, with the earnest hope that we may some day enjoy each other's fellowship and personal converse in the Lord.—Ed.

The Race Question.

The race question is practically the one and only question of any importance before the people of the South. Nearly all other questions are either involved in or related to this. Solve this, and a thousand others will be solved. Its existence is a hindrance to the material, mental and moral progress of all. The present condition of things is very unsatisfactory to both races. Will this state of things continue forever? Is it not possible to have a state of things satisfactory to all parties concerned? To the professed followers of Christ this last question is of vital importance. All earnest Christians will doubtless agree that any solution of the problem should meet the approval of Christ. Any question involved in the race question should receive fair and impartial consideration. We would respectfully ask a careful consideration of the following questions:

First. Is there any advantage to the white man to have in his midst an ignorant, poor and discontented class of people?

Second. Do those colored people in possession of property or education commit the crimes on account of which some say lynching is justifiable?

Third. Is there any other people who entertain less malice toward the white man for wrongs inflicted than the Negro?

Fourth. Is it fair to judge us all by the vagabonds and criminals among us? All races have such, but they are not condemned on this account.

Fifth. Is it not the labor of the Negro that helps in a large measure to give value to the white man's land?

Sixth. Are both races as ready to give each other credit for good deeds or intention as they are to give credit for bad?

Seventh. Did not the Negro protect the wives and children of Southern soldiers during the civil war?

There is an opinion on the part of many white people that the Negro wants to be on social equality with them. I can say that our white friends in this are very much mistaken indeed. The Negro never feels so free and happy as when he is to himself. The white man does the Negro an injustice when he charges him with desiring to be on social equality with him. The question of social equality, it seems to me, will take care of itself.

What the Negro wants is justice—in all his dealings and in all his relations. The Negro is not perfect, no more than anybody else; but do not our white friends admit that he is making progress? and are they not willing to help him make greater progress in all those essential quantities that go to make true manhood?

The apostle Paul says no man liveth to himself. This is equally applicable to communities and races. Say what we please, the intellectual and moral status of the Negro affects the white man as truly as that the moral and intellectual status of the white man affects the Negro. It is not enough that I keep temperate in order that I might be safe, but it is necessary that my neighbor keep temperate also. So in like manner my intellectual and moral safety depends largely upon my neighbor. It is to the interest of the white man that the Negro make material, mental and moral progress. The Negro is not unmindful of, nor ungrateful for, the help received from the white man along these lines. I have often thought that much of the trouble between the two races grows out of a misunderstanding between them. If that is the trouble it can and ought to be removed. It is a reflection upon our intelligence and Christianity that troubles are allowed to go on year after year

without any special efforts to remove them. Those of us who are Christians can but believe that Christianity has in it the remedy that will remove the troubles existing among us. What we need is a faithful application of that remedy.

In my opinion now is a splendid opportunity for the white people of Alabama to rise above prejudice and custom and lead all the states of the South in giving the Negro justice and in rendering him secure in person and property. In asking for justice, we mean that the Negro be punished for crimes committed when proven guilty, as well as that he be acquitted when proven innocent. Here is an opportunity for some white man to render himself famous and hand his name down to future generations. It will require a moral courage that few, if any, have ever attained, but it will be as illustrious and enduring as it will be daring.

The same opportunity is offered to some black man who will rise up and condemn the wrong on the part of the Negro and commend the virtues of the white man. It will require great moral courage, but the reward will be as great and lasting.

In short, we need courageous white and black men who will each dare to tell his own race of their wrongs, and who will commend what is worthy in the other. *Hic labor, hoc opus est.*

Selma, Ala. C. S. DINKINS.

We take pleasure in presenting to our readers the above article from the President of Selma University. We have found Dr. Dinkins a most conservative and devout leader of the best type among our colored people, to be put alongside Booker T. Washington. It will be a great gain when the leaders in society in both races come together for the tempering of race animosities, which our politics is so persistent to arouse. We believe the time has come for serious and prayerful conference upon the part of those who bemoan the present deplorable conditions and long for better things.

Receipts for Institute Work.

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| LaFayette church | \$10 00 |
| Roanoke | 17 76 |
| Farmville | 11 66 |
| Tuskegee | 33 45 |
| Auburn | 2 43 |

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| J. G. Harris | 50 00 |
| Dadeville | 24 94 |
| Evergreen | 14 55 |
| Bozeman | 58 73 |
| Brewton | 3 66 |
| Flomaton | 1 60 |
| Atmore | 2 15 |
| Bay Minette | 2 70 |
| Mobile | 47 50 |
| Newbern | 12 75 |
| Selma | 5 00 |
| Pleasant Ridge | 2 75 |
| Hyram | 1 32 |
| Bethlehem | 6 00 |
| New Hope | 2 22 |
| Lovett | 3 38 |
| Center | 6 71 |
| Hopewell | 5 00 |
| County Line | 5 55 |
| Fredonia | 1 11 |
| Alexander City | 19 22 |
| Fellowship | 2 00 |
| Clanton | 3 33 |
| Emanuel | 5 31 |
| Siloam | 25 00 |
| Lanette | 2 00 |
| Rock Mills | 4 68 |
| Five Points | 50 50 |
| Albertville | 1 00 |
| Rock Mills Association | 15 25 |
| Camp Hill | 15 00 |
| N. E. Brown | 7 10 |
| Ashland | 16 13 |
| South Bethel Association | 5 00 |
| Albertville | 2 30 |
| Sycamore | 51 50 |
| Notasulga | 1 77 |
| Deatsville | 2 23 |
| Hurtsboro | 2 20 |
| Loachapoka | 1 29 |
| Crawford | 1 75 |
| Cedar Bluff | 5 00 |
| Salem | 1 00 |
| Providence | 1 25 |
| Warrior | 7 50 |
| New Bethel | 7 37 |
| Gurley | 1 30 |
| Pleasant Grove | 56 |
| Letohatchie | 5 41 |
| Forest Home | 8 00 |
| Phenix City | 2 50 |
| Girard | 2 50 |
| Milltown | 3 70 |
| Union Springs | 15 00 |
| Pratt City | 25 00 |
| Per Rev. F. C. David | 45 89 |

Senator W. M. Edwards, one of our greatest statesmen, said: "I would rather be a learned man than a wealthy one. And I think that knowledge gives one a greater position, too. I wouldn't take all the wealth in the world for the pleasure my knowledge of some things has given me. Think of me now. My studies are my only recreations. If I were wealthy, and unable to appreciate books or art, I would be a most miserable man. None is more to be pitied in this world than the man who is ignorant."

EDITORIAL.

FAULTFINDING.

Perhaps there is no weakness in human kind so universal as that of faultfinding. It is seasoned with original sin, and leads captive all classes and conditions. It is the disturber and distractor of all men—some more than others. It is said of an old lady that she never spoke evil or unkindly of any one. One day some wicked boys, assaying to test her good nature, sallied into her room and said, "Grandma, the devil is dead; ain't that good news?" Looking into their faces with a smile on her face, she said, "Boys, you must admit he was a very smart devil." It is the fewest number of people who cannot be provoked sometimes to find fault or say harsh words about others.

Let us ask the question, Wherein lies the good that comes of fault-finding? It would seem that some people are never happy unless they can parade what they consider the faults of others, forgetting that they themselves are by no means perfect. Stop and see if there is not a mote in thine own eye; if not, then go for the beam in thy brother's eye. Let him that is free from faults cast the first stone. If this rule were strictly applied, very few stones would be hurled at others.

The chronic faultfinder is the chronic grumbler. He is a nuisance, and poisons every community and spreads discontent. He expels gentleness and enthrones bitterness. He is ever on the alert to complain. If he goes to church, he sits in his pew a self-constituted critic. He looks on the dark side of all things. If there is any special uplift in the sermon, he don't appreciate it. The singing is too

high or too low, too slow or too fast. The prayer of the preacher is not what it should be. The sermon—well, it makes but little difference what kind it is, he will find some point to assail. The fault-finding Christian is of all people the most miserable—if there be such a being. The happy man is he who is always looking for the good points in his fellow-men, virtues that are sweet and delightful to dwell upon; characteristics that carry with them a benediction and call down showers of blessings. If we would only remember our own faults, and at all times be guarding them, we would not see so much in others to find fault with. The fact is, most of us criticise others and condemn their weaknesses, when we utterly fail to put ourselves to a severe test. A man walking through the street had a wallet or sack on his shoulder, with a pocket at each end; one part being down before and the other behind him. Some small boys ran after him and slyly put feathers and rags into the rear pocket, but the man was not aware of the matter. Now, thought we, if he were to turn the wallet he would see what sort of stuff he is carrying, and how ridiculous his appearance. This is just what the world does. We carry a wallet; in the pocket before we put our neighbor's faults, which are continually before our eyes, and in the rear pocket we put our own faults, and hence know not how they are laughed at. Could we turn the wallet, we should be silent. Therefore, when you find yourself talking of others, pointing out their faults, turn the wallet.

Secker once said: "They are fitted to find fault in whom there is no fault to be found." There is no removing blots from the paper by laying upon them a blurred finger. BROTHER, what do you

get by throwing stones at your enemies' windows, while your own children look out at the casements? He that blows into a heap of dust is in danger of getting sand in his own eyes. Let us subdue all our faults before we become censors in publishing other people's shortcomings.

HOWARD TRUSTEES at their recent session conferred the degree of Doctor of Divinity on Rev. J. L. Thompson, now pastor of the Baptist church at LaFayette. Dr. Thompson is one of our true, tried and conservative preachers. He is business like in his methods, watchful of the interests of his church and congregation, and hence in all things safe, sound, sensible. Bro. Thompson is a good preacher, a humble, pious man, possessing such qualifications as attach to a successful pastor. The honor conferred is just and proper and deserving.

THE debt matter is progressing nicely and is being shaped up according to promise. Be patient, brethren; everything will come out all right. It is a big matter, and large bodies move slowly. Of course all who have promised to give, will make arrangements at once to settle on call. No one can afford to fail in this matter. Some brethren and some churches have not been heard from yet. We trust those who have held back, now that they see day is breaking and the debt about being wiped out, will avail themselves of the opportunity to help. Don't say, "They are so near out they will pull through without me." That isn't right. Come with your small amounts. Have a hand in this great work. By our next issue we will have something more to give out.

TALLADEGA SPRINGS has an advertisement in this week's issue. This famous watering place is easy

access, being immediately on the Louisville & Nashville railroad. Only a few days ago we met a young man who last year was carried there on a cot, suffering with dyspepsia, and could not walk, and in ten days he was relieved. He has just spent two weeks there, and is unstinted in its praise. He also reports that the table is well kept, service good and guests well cared for. Bro. Hendricks is a Baptist man, and watchful of the comfort of his guests. There are now about seventy persons there. Twice that number can be accommodated. There is no discount on the water; it is as fine sulphur water as can be found anywhere. Write to J. M. Hendricks, Talladega Springs, for rates, etc.

ST. LOUIS, MO., June 14.

Editor Ala. Baptist: As a Southern-born and Southern-reared woman, I enter my protest against the attack in your recent issue by the author of "Aftermath of the Convention." It is unjust, ungentlemanly and unchristian, and I believe will be so regarded by every true Baptist brother and sister in our land either South or North. The Baptists of the South are not "inhospitable" to research and progress, but they will not tolerate error, it matters not from what source it may emanate. The cause of Southern Baptists, to which I have given forty-four years of my life, is dear to me, and I could not allow this unreasonable attack to pass unnoticed. I am surprised that such a writer should appear in your paper.

Most respectfully,
SALLIE ROCHESTER FORD.

Replying to Sister Ford's letter, it is proper for us to say that we dissented from Dr. Dickinson's "Convention Aftermath" in an editorial paragraph. And now let us say further, that the second page of this paper belongs to the State Board of Missions, to be used in promoting that work, and the third page to the Institute Board, to be

used in advancing institute work. The Institute Board selected Dr. A. J. Dickinson, pastor of the Selma church, as its editor. What he sends us we publish. He represents the board. The ALABAMA BAPTIST is in no way responsible for what appears in either of these departments. These two pages are set apart for such matter as may be given out by the editors, and under the authority given them, what they say is official. Hence we have three distinct editorial departments, neither being responsible for the contents of the other. This was made so by agreement with the two boards in the beginning of this year.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA.,

June 15th, 1899.

Dear Bro. Harris: Sometime ago Bro. Howard called on me and I cheerfully renewed my subscription to the ALABAMA BAPTIST; but if he had waited until now I would require some assurances that no more such ill-natured and vicious articles as "Convention Aftermath" would appear in its columns before I renewed.

Yours fraternally,
P. C. RATLIFF.

We refer Bro. Ratliff to our reply to Sister Ford, which we think places the situation properly before our readers.

Regular Collections

Ought to be kept up. The debt-paying movement ought not to interfere with our regular work. The money for that purpose came from comparatively a few individuals. It will not rise to disturb us again. Regular collections is what we need now. Every month in church and Sunday school let the contributions be taken.

For the Alabama Baptist.

Meeting of the Trustees—Letter from Hon. Joshua Levering.

BALTIMORE, June 14, 1899.

Ed. Alabama Baptist: Acting on the request of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist

Theological Seminary, and in compliance with article I, section 2, of the by-laws, I have called a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary to meet in Atlanta on Thursday morning, the twenty-ninth instant, at ten o'clock. Dr. I. T. Tichenor, with the pastors of Atlanta, have guaranteed a suitable place of meeting and free entertainment for the members of the Board who desire it. Particulars regarding these matters will be furnished by Dr. Tichenor, and probably in time for your next week's issue. If this information is received in time, kindly publish it in connection with this notice. Of course the Trustees have received direct notice of the meeting, but the fact will doubtless be of interest to the denomination at large.

In selecting Atlanta I can only say that I have given due consideration to the several other points suggested, and I have felt that this is, all things considered, the most accessible to the Trustees at large, and could be reached with the least expense on the average. It is, moreover, the point where one of our Boards is located, and especially accessible to the three states of Georgia, South Carolina and Kentucky, which have the largest number of delegates, as also to Virginia.

I have named Thursday because I am advised that the secretaries of our state boards meet in consultation on Wednesday of that week, and some of them will, therefore, be present in attendance on this body.

Very truly yours,
JOSHUA LEVERING.

Arrangements for Meeting of Seminary Trustees at Atlanta.

According to the formal call issued by Hon. Joshua Levering, president, the trustees of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary will meet in Atlanta on Thursday morning, June twenty-ninth, at ten o'clock.

The meeting will be held in the ladies' parlors of the Second Baptist church.

Arrangements have been made for entertaining members of the board while in Atlanta at the homes

of our Baptist people. Those accepting this entertainment are requested to report their names to me in advance, and if practicable inform me at what hour they will arrive here. Otherwise, upon arrival in Atlanta call at this office, 724 Austell Building, where they will receive directions to the homes assigned.

Arrangements have been made with the Kimball House for a special rate of \$2.50 per day, according to location, for any who prefer to stop at the hotel at their own expense.

It will be a pleasure to our people to entertain the members of the board at their homes.

I. T. TICHENOR.

Atlanta, June 16th.

NEWS NOTES IN GENERAL.

CUBA.

The only change in the former situation is, that Gov. Gen. Brooke has decided to have prepared a new roll of the Cuban army, so that those who are really entitled to the money furnished by this government may receive it. Gen. Gomez has consented to superintend the preparation of the new roll. Gen. Wood, of Santiago, is now in this country. He reports everything as moving along smoothly and pleasantly in his part of the island. There are reports of robbers in different parts of the island now and then.

THE PHILIPPINES.

There is little change in the general situation. However, the Filipinos are doing better fighting than formerly, and give our troops more trouble. They have a few old pieces of artillery, which it is said are in charge of Spanish officers, and these do good execution at close range. The conviction is gaining ground that additional troops will be needed besides those who go to take the places of the volunteer regiments now coming home. Filipino treachery is an annoying thing to deal with. A body of our troops

was fired upon from the rear by men who pretended to be quite friendly and claimed to have nothing to do with the war. It is now believed that Gen. Luna, one of the most bitter and most able of the Filipino generals, was really killed by some of Aguinaldo's body guard when he tried to force his way past the guard.

FIELD NOTES.

Rev. W. D. Gay has accepted the invitation of Adams Street church to come back to his old pulpit. He may come at any time.

Shell Banks Correspondent of Daphne Times: We have just closed meetings conducted by Rev. H. C. Mason, of Chicora, Miss., in which the Baptist church was greatly revived.

A. A. Hutto, East Lake: We had a good day at Cropwell last Sunday.—I am glad to get back to Alabama, and expect to give my whole attention to church work. I have several invitations to hold meetings this summer.

If the Baptists of Prattville feel like expressing their feelings by a good old time season of shouting, we beg to say to them that they will be strictly in Scriptural order. They might have done so when the foundation of their new house was laid. See Ezra 3:10-13.

Before the dedication service began at Prattville on last Sunday, the Sunday school presented to Pastor Sims a very pretty silver tea-set and tray as an expression of love and appreciation. Bro. Crumpton by request made the presentation speech, and Bro. Sims replied. Both speakers were taken by surprise, but each did the best he could under the circumstances, and Bro. Sims is just as proud as if he had spoken with clear throat and steady voice. And well he may be.

W. G. Curry, Pastor, June 17: We are having a great meeting at Eutaw. Bro. Quisenberry is at his best. Great crowds gather to hear the old, old story. Twelve accessions to church. Services will go on indefinitely.

A young man with experience as Teacher, and who has made special preparation at one of our leading institutions, wishes to make arrangement for next scholastic year. Has been offered again the school he now has, but prefers to change. Write to the ALABAMA BAPTIST.

The executive committee has decided that Montgomery association will meet August 16. Mt. Hebron church, near Elmore station, had already been selected as the place. The church is convenient to the main line of the L. & N. road and also to the Wetumpka branch, and there will doubtless be a large attendance.

J. F. Savell, Pastor, Selma: Pastors in Selma association will please state to their members that arrangements are being made to care for the horses of all who attend the association on the 15th-17th of August. We hope to have a large attendance to enjoy the hospitality of our homes, as well as to edify us with their speeches.

Rev. H. W. Provence, pastor of South Montgomery church, was called by Clayton Street church to succeed Rev. J. L. Thompson as pastor. Bro. Provence accepts, and will begin work with the new charge July 1st. South Montgomery church was not at all pleased with the loss of its pastor, but we hope it will all turn out to the glory of God.

The Huntsville Tribune nominates Bro. R. E. Pettus, of that city, to succeed Dr. Cleveland as president of the Alabama Baptist State Convention. The Republican of Anniston, where Pettus is English. The great depot of the

Baptist, endorses all that is said by the Tribune. We do not know the church relation of the Huntsville editor, but he pays a high tribute to Bro. Pettus.

W. J. Elliott, Montgomery: We had two good congregations at Fitzpatrick Sunday, and the interest was very marked.—We expect to dedicate our new meeting house the third Sunday in July, and follow that service with a series of special meetings. The outlook for this church is hopeful; the work is progressing successfully and harmoniously.

Bro. Brinson McGowan, President of the B. Y. P. U. at Woodlawn, and also chairman of the committee on entertainment for the approaching State Convention at Woodlawn, sends an address to the B. Y. P. U., but it reached us on Tuesday, which was too late for publication this week. The convention will be held July 27, 28. Let all the unions, and churches without unions, be represented. Send names of delegates at once to Bro. McGowan, 1821 Second Avenue, Birmingham.

Last Sunday, June 18, was a notable day in the history of the Baptists of Prattville; indeed, it was an event for the town, as it marked an important step in the progress which it has been making for some months past. The historic occasion was the dedication of the elegant new Baptist church. For three years, under the careful and faithful leadership of Pastor A. T. Sims, the Baptists of Prattville have labored prayerfully and unceasingly for the accomplishment of their desire for a prettier and larger church house in a better location. Sacrifice and self-denial have been the rule. Very few of the members could give any amount without feeling it. Men and wo-

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How Will Was Cured.

"I don't know what to do with my little boy," said Willie's mother. "He hasn't been well; and the doctor told me to take him to the seashore, and let him play all day in the sand. But how am I going to make him play when he does not like it?"

"I know a prescription much better than your doctor's," said a strange lady sitting by.

"What is it?" asked Will's mother.

"Call him, and let me tell him," said the stranger.

"Will! O Will! come here a minute, my son," called his mother.

Will got up slowly, leaving his bucket and spade in the sand.

"They are just going to tease me about not playing," he grumbled to himself. "I wish everybody would let me alone."

But they didn't say a word to him about playing. "Will," said the strange lady brightly, "if you are not too busy, I wish you would help me a little."

Will pricked up his ears. It had been a long time since he had been allowed to help anybody but himself.

"Do you see that yellow cottage away off there?" asked the lady.

"It is about a mile up the beach. There is a lame boy in that cottage, and I want to send him an orange. Will you take it?"

"Yes, ma'am, certainly," said the small boy.

"And, Will," she continued, "if you can do anything to amuse or cheer him, it would be a good thing, you know. He can't get out of the house by himself, but he might with you to help him."

Will was done moping now. He forgot all about himself in doing things for lame Lucien. The strange lady's prescription worked wonders. If you ever feel dull, little readers, I advise you to try it.

Good Advice.

An exchange has the following good advice. Once I was young but now I am old, and I've never seen a girl unfaithful to her mother that ever came to be worth a one-eyed button to a husband. It isn't a guess. It is a law of God. It isn't exactly in the Bible, but it is written large and awful in the mirror.

Justice to the great body of our race is the only way to a peaceful home. I am talking for the boys this time. If one of you chaps ever come across a girl that with a face full of roses, says as you come to the door: "I can't go for thirty minutes, for the dishes are not washed," you wait for her, 'cause some other fellow may come along and carry her off, and right there you've lost an angel. Wait for the girl, and then stick to her like a burr to a mule's tail.

Cheerfulness, pleasantness, a bright and sunny temper—these are some of the richest fruits of true religion. If our Christianity is worth anything at all, if it has any potent influence over our lives, if it is anything else but the feeble sentimentalism of a selfish and artificial piety, then it will make us "pleasant." It will brighten our spirits, sweeten our manners, and tame our tempers. Almost the first indication of the new life is the desire to smooth over trivial but ugly difficulties, to promote a general feeling of kindness and simplicity, and thus to rob life of its dullness and bitterness and monotony. * * * And there is a certain kind of Christian effort which no committee can do, no organization can accomplish, no code of rules can help—it requires human touch. It can only be done by a smile, a welcome, a handshake.—Frederick A. Atkins.

The leaders who look to the weaknesses of the people for leading are always defeated in the long run. It was so with Aaron. His popularity lasted only till Moses came down from the Mount. The demagogue in religion, as in politics, always gets his deserts.

A lady is showing a visitor the family portraits in a picture gallery. "That officer there in the uniform," she says, "was my great-grandfather. He was as brave as a lion, but one of the most unfortunate of men. He never fought a battle in which he did not have an arm or leg carried away." Then she adds proudly: "He took part in twenty-four engagements."

Plant System.

Florida to Cuba.

Schedule in effect April 16, 1899.

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

Via Jacksonville and Palatka.

| No. 82. | No. 86. | No. 36. | No. 58. | No. 57. | No. 33. | No. 85. | |
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| 8 10 am | 11 25 am | 7 45 pm | lv. Montgomery | 8 10 am | 9 30 pm | 7 00 pm | |
| 12 50 | 7 32 pm | 3 55 am | lv. Dupont | 11 40 pm | 12 39 | | |
| 2 40 | 8 40 | 5 00 | lv. Waycross | 10 30 | 11 42 am | | |
| | 10 50 | 7 30 | lv. Jacksonville | 8 00 | 9 00 | | |
| | 11 05 | 9 20 | lv. Jacksonville | 7 40 | 7 30 | | |
| | 1 00 am | 11 00 | lv. Palatka | 5 55 | 5 00 | | |
| | 3 55 | 1 35 pm | lv. Sanford | 3 00 | 1 15 | | |
| | 4 43 | 2 34 | lv. Winter Park | 2 25 | 12 15 | | |
| | 4 52 | 2 42 | lv. Orlando | 2 15 | 12 01 | | |
| | 5 30 | 3 12 | lv. Kissimmee | 1 40 | 11 30 pm | | |
| | 8 17 | 5 35 | lv. Tampa | 11 00 am | 7 37 | | |
| | 8 55 | 6 20 | lv. Port Tampa | 10 20 | 7 00 | | |
| | | | lv. Palatka | 5 45 pm | | | |
| | | | lv. Tarpon Springs | 7 55 am | | | |
| | | | lv. Clearwater | 7 15 | | | |
| | | | lv. Belleair | 7 12 | | | |
| | | | lv. St. Petersburg | 6 25 | | | |
| | | | lv. Waycross | 8 30 pm | 10 55 am | | |
| | | | lv. Savannah | 5 35 | 8 35 | | |
| | | | lv. Charleston | 2 30 pm | 6 13 | | |
| | | | lv. Brunswick | 8 00 | 7 45 | | |

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.

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Georgia & Alabama Railway.

Passenger Schedules. Effective February 5, 1899.

| No. 19* | No. 17* | MAIN LINE. | | No. 18* | No. 20* |
|---------|---------|------------|------------|----------|---------|
| 7 30 pm | 7 25 am | Leave | Savannah | 11 45 pm | 8 40 am |
| 8 16 | 8 05 | Arrive | Cuyler | 11 00 | 7 57 |
| 9 55 | 9 35 | " | Collins | 9 34 | 6 30 |
| 11 55 | 11 35 | " | Helena | 7 34 | 4 30 |
| | | Arrive | Abbeville | 6 44 pm | |
| | | " | Cordele | 5 22 | |
| | | Arrive | Americus | 5 22 | |
| | | " | Richland | 4 17 | |
| | | " | Huntsboro | 3 20 | |
| | | " | Montgomery | 11 30 am | |

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

| No. 3* | No. 1* | COLUMBUS AND ALBANY DIVISION. | | No. 2* | No. 4* |
|---------|----------|-------------------------------|----------|---------|----------|
| 5 20 pm | 10 00 am | Leave | Columbus | 5 20 pm | 1 00 pm |
| 8 25 | 11 35 | Arrive | Richland | 3 55 | 10 50 am |
| 10 05 | 12 34 pm | " | Dawson | 3 01 | 8 25 |
| 11 15 | 1 25 | " | Albany | 2 15 | 7 00 |

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.

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

Mobile & Birmingham Railroad Co.

Time Table in Effect January 22, 1899.

| Going South. | | STATION. | | Going North. | |
|--------------|-----|---------------|----------|--------------|--|
| 9 10 pm | lv. | Kansas City | 7 10 am | | |
| 5 00 | ar. | Memphis | 11 20 | | |
| 8 00 | lv. | Memphis | 7 45 | | |
| 10 40 | lv. | Holly Springs | 6 10 | | |
| 5 50 am | ar. | Birmingham | 10 20 pm | | |
| 6 00 am | lv. | Birmingham | 7 45 pm | | |
| 6 25 | lv. | Bessemer | 7 24 | | |
| 7 20 | lv. | Blocton | 6 17 | | |
| 8 32 | lv. | Montevallo | 5 01 | | |
| 10 25 | ar. | Selma | 3 15 | | |
| 8 30 am | lv. | Cincinnati | 7 30 pm | | |
| 7 40 | lv. | Louisville | 7 55 | | |
| 6 10 pm | lv. | Chattanooga | 9 45 am | | |
| 10 15 | ar. | Birmingham | 5 55 | | |
| 6 00 am | lv. | Birmingham | 7 45 pm | | |
| 10 25 | ar. | Selma | 3 15 | | |
| 4 20 pm | lv. | Atlanta | 11 30 pm | | |
| 6 55 | lv. | West Point | 8 50 | | |
| 7 40 | lv. | Opelika | 8 10 | | |
| 8 30 am | lv. | Montgomery | 5 35 | | |
| 10 25 | ar. | Selma | 3 30 | | |

| Going South. | | STATION. | | Going North. | |
|--------------|----------|----------|-----------------|--------------|----------|
| No. 5. | No. 1. | | | No. 2. | No. 6. |
| (Mixed) | Pas'ger. | | | Pas'ger | (Mixed) |
| 9 30 pm | 10 30 am | lv. | Selma | 3 00 pm | 5 00 am |
| 10 30 | 10 58 | lv. | Marion Junction | 2 30 | 4 05 |
| 11 55 | 11 38 | lv. | Alberta | 1 48 | 2 40 |
| 12 30 am | 11 54 | lv. | Catherine | 1 33 | 2 25 pm |
| 2 00 | 12 23 pm | lv. | Pine Hill | 12 52 | 1 02 am |
| 3 30 | 1 03 | lv. | Thomasville | 12 25 | 12 15 |
| 3 57 | 1 20 | lv. | Fulton | 11 49 am | 11 28 pm |
| 4 28 | 1 39 | lv. | Whitely | 11 29 | 10 52 |
| 4 58 | 2 01 | lv. | Walker Springs | 11 09 | 10 15 |
| 5 20 | 2 17 | lv. | Jackson | 10 52 | 9 53 |
| 6 42 | 3 16 | lv. | Calvert | 9 48 | 8 10 |
| 6 57 | 3 26 | lv. | Mt. Vernon | 9 38 | 7 55 |
| 8 50 | 4 25 | ar. | Mobile | 8 30 | 6 00 |

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

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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 40 am | 3 30 pm | | | lv. Selma | ar. | 11 30 pm | | 10 30 am | |
| 9 18 | 4 14 | | | lv. Benton | ar. | 10 50 | | 9 47 | |
| 9 33 | 4 30 | | | lv. Whitehall | ar. | 10 35 | | 9 31 | |
| 9 46 | 4 35 | | | lv. Lowndesboro | ar. | 10 21 | | 9 18 | |
| 9 57 | 4 58 | | | lv. Burkeville | ar. | 10 09 | | 9 06 | |
| 10 35 | 5 35 | | | lv. Montgomery | ar. | 9 35 | | 8 30 | |

| No. 33 | | No. 33 | |
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| 7 55 am | 7 50 pm | lv. N. O. Lea's | ar. |
| 1 00 pm | 12 20 am | lv. Mobile | ar. |
| 12 20 | 11 25 pm | lv. Pensacola | ar. |
| 6 00 | 6 10 am | lv. Mont'y | ar. |
| | | lv. Lv. | ar. |

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| 1 00 pm | 12 01 pm | 6 20 pm | 6 20 am | lv. Mont'y | ar. | 9 20 pm | 10 31 am | 7 25 pm | 11 00 pm |
| 1 50 | 12 30 | | | lv. Mt. Meigs | ar. | | | 6 45 | 10 04 |
| 2 25 | 12 50 | | | lv. Shorters | ar. | | | 6 24 | 10 13 |
| 2 40 | 12 55 | | | lv. Goodwyns | ar. | | | 6 18 | 9 00 |
| 2 55 | 1 00 | 7 10 | | lv. Milstead | ar. | | | 6 15 | 8 33 |
| 4 05 | 1 25 | 7 31 | 7 35 | lv. Chehaw | ar. | 8 11 | 9 25 | 5 52 | 7 20 |
| 4 45 | 1 40 | | | lv. Notasulga | ar. | | | 5 37 | 6 50 |
| 5 25 | 2 13 | 8 05 | 8 14 | lv. Auburn | ar. | 7 40 | 8 53 | 5 10 | 6 03 |
| 6 20 | 2 25 | 8 17 | 8 26 | lv. Opelika | ar. | 7 28 | 8 43 | 4 56 | 5 40 |

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| | | 3 45 | 9 50 | lv. Colum. | ar. | 1 30 | | | |
| | | 2 35 pm | 8 20 pm | lv. Opelika | ar. | 7 25 pm | 8 40 am | 4 53 pm | |
| | | 3 03 | | lv. Cusseta | ar. | | | 4 28 | |
| | | 3 37 | 8 55 | lv. West Point | ar. | 6 49 | 8 00 | 4 07 | |
| | | 3 54 | 9 05 | lv. Gabbettville | ar. | | 7 45 | 3 54 | |
| 5 25 | 4 14 | 9 21 | 9 31 | lv. La Grange | ar. | 6 22 | 7 35 | 3 33 | 8 35 pm |
| 5 52 | 4 43 | 9 42 | 9 52 | lv. Hogansville | ar. | | 7 12 | 3 07 | 8 08 |
| 6 05 | 4 57 | 9 55 | 10 03 | lv. Grantville | ar. | | 7 00 | 2 53 | 7 54 |
| 6 20 | 5 10 | 10 08 | 10 17 | lv. Moreland | ar. | | 6 49 | 2 42 | 7 42 |
| 6 40 | 5 26 | 10 20 | 10 29 | lv. Newnan | ar. | | | | 7 28 |
| 7 10 | 5 58 | | | lv. Palmetto | ar. | | 6 12 | 1 58 | 7 00 |
| 7 25 | 6 13 | | | lv. Fairburn | ar. | | 6 03 | 1 45 | 6 46 |
| 7 45 | 6 37 | 11 10 | | lv. Col'ge Park | ar. | | | 1 25 | 6 15 |
| 7 55 | 6 42 | 11 14 | 11 22 | lv. East Point | ar. | 4 35 | 5 40 | 1 20 | 6 00 |
| 8 20 am | 7 00 | 11 30 | 11 40 | lv. Atlanta | ar. | 4 20 pm | 5 25 am | 1 00 pm | 5 35 pm |

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| | | 5 45 am | 6 30 pm | lv. Greenville | ar. | 12 28 | 1 20 | | |
| | | 9 30 | 8 30 | lv. Charlotte | ar. | 9 35 am | 10 15 | | |
| | | 12 10 pm | 10 44 | lv. Greensboro | ar. | 7 05 | 7 37 | | |
| | | 1 30 | 12 00 nt | lv. Ar'D'nville | ar. | 5 50 | 6 20 pm | | |

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| | 1 30 | 12 00 nt | Ar D'nville Lv | 5 50 | 6 20pm | |
| | 6 40pm | 6 00 am | Ar Rich'nd | 2 00 am | 12 00 n | |

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STATE NEWS.

The music of the saw and hammer is heard every day now. Good rains Sunday and Monday, and reports say they were general. —St. Stephens News, Washington County, 15th.

Good rains Saturday night and Sunday in Baldwin county, says the Times of June 15th.

A bolt of lightning struck the Episcopal church at Huntsville while services were being conducted by the rector, and after playing around in the vestry room followed a water pipe to the ground. Several ladies were shocked, but the rector continued the service without the slightest interruption.

Alabama is to be presented with one of the captured Spanish cannon as a relic. Birmingham wants it located in that city, but as it is to be given to the state, the Capital City appears to be the proper place for it.

Two brothers named Beaty were recently arrested in Tuscaloosa county for making and passing counterfeit coin. Moulds, metal and spurious coin were found on their premises.

Mr. Allen Jones drove a mule to Gadsden which he says he knows to be 27 years of age, as he bought her when she was three months old. She can eat corn and work with any young mule.

The wheat harvest is at hand. We learn that the crop is not as good in this section as it was last year, though the yield is fair. The refreshing showers of the past few days have greatly benefited the growing crops in this section.

Frank Turpen, railroad agent, and C. W. and J. Q. Wade, merchants, had a shooting affray, in which about a dozen shots were fired. Turpen received a painful but not dangerous wound in the back of the head. —Shelby County News, Shelby County, 15th.

The Alabama Educational association will hold its next session in Birmingham June 27-29.

Citizens of Dadeville propose to erect a cotton-seed oil mill.

Wheeler Trammell, a drunken negro, was using profane language in front of Mr. Judge Trammell's residence at Fredonia, Chambers county. Refusing to stop when warned, Mr. Trammell shot him dead, then went and surrendered to the sheriff.

The wheat harvest is now on in North Alabama, and hands are in great demand. The banks in Huntsville are said to have more money on deposit than at any time in their history. The Jackson County bank at Scottsboro is also full of money and there is very little demand for loans. —Scottsboro Citizen, Jackson county, 15th.

Some fine timber is being shipped from our section owing to the lack of an industry to use it. If timber shipped from the hills of Lowndes county to France is profitable, it does appear that an enterprise could be found that would come out at cost, at least, in a similar business. —Prof. W. W. Benson, of Bolling, has been elected principal of the high school at this place. —Fort Deposit Vindicator, Lowndes county.

A gentle rain fell all day in this section, and vegetation was revived thereby. —Troy Journal, Pike county, 17th.

The miners of Alabama have received an aggregate increase of wages of 33 1/2 per cent. this year. —Sheffield Reapier.

Rev. Simon Peter Richardson, who was for many years an active and prominent Methodist minister in Alabama, died recently at the home of one of his daughters in Macon, Ga. He was 81 years of age.

Every crime has its origin more or less in drinking. —Judge Gurney.

Cheerfulness throws sunlight on all the paths of life. —Jean Paul Richter.

Some twenty years ago, Mrs. Charles Goodnight, living on a Texas ranch of 40,000 acres, set out to preserve a herd of buffaloes. She succeeded in securing eight and has now a herd of 45 pure-bred buffaloes and 60 cross breeds.

Cancer is so terrible and kills so many that physicians are always ready to try cautiously any remedy which reputable men may suggest. The latest remedy is reported by invention. Coat the cancer with carbide of calcium and then moisten with water. Acetylene is at once evolved in contact with the diseased tissues. The results so far have been highly satisfactory, and it is hoped a cure has been at last discovered.

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Commencing June 11th, the train leaving Meridian via the Alabama Great Southern Railroad at 1:30 a. m., and Birmingham at 5:55 a. m., daily, for the summer resorts of Tennessee and Virginia, and for Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York, will take on Cafe Dining Car at Attalla, Ala., and carry it to Radford, Va., serving meals a la carte.

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MARRIED.

At the Exchange Hotel, Montgomery, by Rev. R. M. Hunter, of Avondale, Miss Lucile Browning, of Woodlawn, and Mr. W. T. Foster, of Georgiana. The bride was accompanied from her home by her brother-in-law, Mr. R. L. Cross, and the officiating minister. A number of friends witnessed the marriage. The groom is a prosperous merchant of Georgiana, and an active member of the Baptist church there. The happy young couple will make their home in that prosperous town.

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Mrs. M. J. Richard, wife of Rev. S. C. Richard, was born in Rutherford county, North Carolina, Sept. 15, 1845. When she was two years of age her parents moved to Dawson county, Ga. She was married to S. C. Richard Aug. 29, 1869; professed religion and joined the Missionary Baptist church at Mt. Vernon at the age of 27 and was baptized by Elder A. Webb, who was pastor of that church forty years. They moved from Dawson to Forsyth county, Ga., fifteen years ago and united with Shady Grove church. Eight years ago they removed to DeKalb county, Ala. At the time of her death she was a member of Corinth church, Jackson county. She died April 15th last, being 53 years and 7 months of age. When the summons came she had suffered for several months, but was ready, watching and waiting. Whenever duty called she put her her energies, counting no labor hard when the cause of the Master, or the cries of suffering humanity, or the sacred obligation of family ties called her to action. As a helpmeet to her husband she filled her sphere in the completest manner. Whether fortune's sunlight brightened, or the dark clouds of adversity hung over her pathway, she was the same loving and smiling companion. But now she has gone to enjoy that rest that remains for the people of God. She leaves a husband and six children to mourn her loss. The funeral service was conducted at her request by Bro. J. Clayton and the writer at Mt. Pleasant church, April 16. E. C.

In Memoriam.

Departed this life, on June 6th, Mrs. Fannie Gowdey, wife of Deacon G. C. Gowdey, of Livingston Baptist church. She was born in Brownsville, Marlborough county, S. C., October 30, 1850. She professed faith in Christ and joined Livingston Baptist church in April, 1877, and remained a faithful, consistent member until her death. She leaves a tender, affectionate husband, two sons and a daughter to mourn her loss. A tender, loving wife and mother, and true and faithful to her church and its work, she was indeed a splendid type of Christian womanhood. After a brief illness she fell asleep in Jesus. How sweet that sleep. How welcome that rest.

"Her languishing head is at rest,
Her thinking and aching are o'er;
Her quiet, immovable breast
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MORTGAGE SALE.

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.

W. C. & E. A. HOLT,
Mortgagees.
Holloway & Holloway, Attorneys.

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 road 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.

This May 15, 1899.
W. C. BOSTWICK, Transferee.
W. M. BLAKEY, Attorney.

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Geo. D. NOBLE, Mortgagee.
GORDON MACDONALD, Attorney.