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### WILL YOU COMPLY?

We make this earnest request of every pastor in the state who holds a protracted meeting in his church this season.

### REQUEST.

When you shall have come to the close of your meeting, and your members are present, and the new converts, let us ask you, for your good, the good of your members, the good of the cause, and for the good of this paper, to present the claims of the ALABAMA BAPTIST, and secure subscriptions. Young converts especially ought to be induced to take and read the paper from their entrance into the church. In this they will start right, have their minds fixed upon our denomination, and thereby fasten them to us as a working force. We fear that new converts are neglected too often, and hence become cold and indifferent, and then drift away into worldliness.

We earnestly entreat all our pastors to make an effort to put the ALABAMA BAPTIST into the hands of every new convert. To all such we will send the paper from the time they join until January for 50 cents. We offer this inducement to have them read the paper and get them started right.

### "HELPING MAMMA KEEP HOUSE."

The other day we came across this heading in a paper written

on the subject. We did not see the article, but the subject so interested us that we thought it worthy of comment and suggestions.

A little boy was once asked the question, "Where is home?" Instantly he replied, "where mamma is?" Was not this a sweet, affectionate, appropriate reply? A home without a mother is a lonely, desolate home. Now, to help mamma in her daily work is of a verity to make home the abode of happiness. "What are you doing, Johnnie?" "Helping mamma," was the reply of a little fellow as he trudged along the country road with his arms full of fuel with which to cook the daily meal. Can anything be nobler than this—helping mamma? Who has more cares and anxieties and responsibilities than the mother presiding over the home of children? Her very soul is interwoven with the future of these dear ones. In silent thought she looks at Johnnie, and Jennie and Robbie, and wonders what is to be their destiny. How a mother's loving care entwines about them and strives to guide them to a pure life! Who can weigh, or measure, or even faintly describe a mother's love? There is nothing on earth comparable to it, and yet there are children, thoughtless children, who disregard and disobey its injunctions. Helping mamma keep house is one of the noblest virtues and sweetest pastimes and highest duties. This is true of boys or girls, and lessons in this work should be implanted in young hearts early in life. Start the children right and keep them right until their characters are formed, and you need have little fear of their continuing right. To start children right and keep them right we must go right as their exemplars.

IN THE REIGN of Augustus Caesar a noted citizen, Piso, built a house and he watchfully superintended the entire construction. It was almost a perfect piece of architectural structure, for he bestowed the greatest care on every part. Caesar after viewing the building, greatly commended him, saying, "You cheer my heart who build as if Rome would be eternal." This was indeed a compliment to the faithfulness of Piso. This teaches us a lesson that the building of character requires greater care and diligence and wisdom and watchfulness than the erection of perishable structures. Character is builded for eternity, for it shall live when Piso's home has crumbled into dust and been numbered with the mighty and forgotten cities of the past. Let us live character, act character, speak character, think character, remembering that as the great and mighty structures are made by one brick or one stone at a time placed upon another, so our characters are made up little by little, and when a flaw occurs, it spoils the beauty of the entire life. A pure, undefiled character is a passport to every true and generous heart.

The following paragraph will give some idea of the horrors of Spanish cruelty in Cuba, and it also suggests the great work of benevolence that must be done not only by Christians, but all others in this country:

It is estimated that there are fifty thousand orphans in Cuba.

Weyler's policy of slaughtering the reconcentrados. To provide for these children is a matter of great difficulty. In many cases little children have been found taking care of each other as best they could, where all the grown-up people are dead. Miss Laura D. Gill has been sent to Cuba by the trustees of the Cuba Orphan Fund to see what can be done to save these children. She has consulted with General Wood at Santiago, and General Ludlow at Havana. The trustees of the fund in New York hope to raise \$1,000,000.

Here is a good story in the Scottish dialect which we print in English for the benefit of whom it may concern:

Dr. Pitcairn, being in church in Edinburgh where the preacher was not only emphatic, but shed tears copiously, was moved to inquire of a countryman, who sat by him what it was all about. "What makes him weep?" was his inquiry. "Faith," said the man, slowly turning round, "ye had maybe weep yoursel', if ye was up there and had as little to say."

And here is another Scottish story which may be of interest to one or more readers:

A country clergyman had gone off for his holiday, and a benevolent neighbor, who had a curate, took his Sunday duties. After the substitute had preached his first sermon, he remarked to the clerk in the vestry: "I am sorry that I gave you such a short discourse, but the reason is that a dog got into the study and tore out several leaves of my manuscript." The clerk gazed wistfully upon the speaker and said: "Oh, sir, do you think that you could spare our parson a pup?"

When the hour of death comes—that comes to high and low alike—then it is na what we hae done for ourselves, but what we hae done for others that we think on maist pleasantly.—Sir Walter Scott.

For the Alabama Baptist.

Are not Some of Us Too Intolerant.

Some of our people are displeased with the ALABAMA BAPTIST because its several departments are under the direction of different editors. It is equally true that some were not pleased till said arrangement was made. Some are offended because the paper has admitted certain objectionable articles. Others would have been not less offended if said articles had not been admitted. Doubtless there are still other points of conflicting sentiment. Some carry their objections so far as to refuse to take or circulate the paper. Now, brethren, in the name of common sense, is it possible for us to have a Baptist paper in Alabama if we all indulge that spirit? I, too, see in the columns of the BAPTIST, and of every other paper I have ever read constantly, some things that I do not endorse, but I have made up my mind long ago to tolerate some things that I can't help, and try to get along with my brethren in spite of some divergences of view, even if these divergences seem to me to be quite important. I don't remember to have ever known a church or preacher with whom I agreed in all particulars, but I must live and work with them nevertheless, or else be without fellowship among God's people. If they can stand me I'll try to stand them a few years longer, till the Lord takes me up to that company of believers who have gotten beyond sinning and making mistakes. On looking back from those heights I'm afraid I'll discover that the Lord had to bear much more from me than I had to bear from the faultiest of his people.

Alabama Baptists are scarcely more deficient in tolerance than the

spirits of intolerance toward one another. This has been one of the greatest drawbacks on all our work. Eph. 4:1, 2: "I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, with all lowliness and weakness, with long suffering, forbearing one another in love." Let us meditate and preach a great deal on long-suffering toward one another.

CLINTON JONES.

For the Alabama Baptist.

In Marengo.

Yesterday, notwithstanding the unfavorable weather, a good congregation greeted Rev. J. T. Caine, of Safford, in the church at Octagon. Bro. C. was at his best and it was one of his best efforts. The occasion was the ordination of Brethren Barkley and Miller as deacons, of which Bro. P. C. Barkley, secretary of the presbytery, will give you an account. At night Bro. P. C. Barkley, a Howard boy, preached a very fine sermon. He bids fair to make an excellent preacher.

I feel that there is good prospect for this church. We have just built at McKinley the prettiest church in this country. It is finished except the doors and windows. I have offered my resignation to this church; it has not been accepted as yet, but will be in due time.

The work at Thomaston is looking up, and we are so glad. We have missed several appointments at Jefferson on account of bad weather, but things are moving on very well there.

H. C. SANDERS.

McKinley, June 26.

### THE SECRETARY'S REPORT.

A presbytery consisting of Elders J. T. Caine, Percy C. Barkley and Pastor H. C. Sanders met at Octagon church, Marengo county, June 25 for the purpose of ordaining brethren Chas. H. Miller and Mm. H. H. Barkley to the office of deacon. Rev. J. T. Caine delivered a very able discourse Sunday at 11 a. m. Services were con-

ducted Sunday evening at 8 p. m., by Rev. Percy C. Barkley.

We hope to do a great work here during the meeting which is to be held in July.

All the people have been asked to make special preparations for a great revival in Octagon church. Aid us with your prayers, and it will give us exaltation.

### SECRETARY.

### Central Committee.

WOMAN'S CENTRAL COMMITTEE.—Mrs. L. 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.

### RECOMMENDATIONS OF HOME BOARD AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE W. M. U.

Adopted by Woman's Missionary Union at Annual Meeting in Louisville, May 13, 1899.

### HOME BOARD.

The Home Mission Board is grateful for the interest evinced in its work by the women of our Southern churches as shown by the continued and increasing contributions. The work of the Board is expanding in every direction, and the means required to meet the obligations resting upon it are increasing every year.

1. The Board respectfully requests that if it be possible the \$15,000 asked in cash be increased to \$20,000.

2. The growing interest in the week of prayer and self denial is very gratifying. We trust our sisters will continue it for years to come.

3. Our foreign population is multiplying, not only in numbers but in the opportunities it affords

denial literature as a basis of spiritual meetings.

3. May God help us to remember, that the opinion foreigners will have of Jesus is largely dependent on what they think of us. Then, let us seek them out and make them feel at home. Let us also pray for them to come to the house of God, or gather together in classes for religious instruction, either during the week or on Sunday. Where there is a number, Industrial schools are recommended.

4. In preparation of boxes, remember the missionary is not a mendicant and care should be taken not to wound his feelings. Write to the Central Committee in your State for particulars in regard to a missionary. After receiving letter a good plan is to appoint various committees, each being responsible for supplying the needs of one member of the family.

5. Sanctified individual common sense will suggest various ways of helping the colored people: Home Bible classes, Women's Prayer-meetings, Industrial schools and Mothers' meetings have all been blessed by God.

6. The circulation of *Our Home Field* may be largely increased if one lady be appointed from each society to secure subscribers throughout the church. The price, ten cents per year separately, or five cents in clubs, is an important consideration.

For the Alabama Baptist.

### The Wrong Witness.

I see that some of our Paedo-baptist brethren are trying to prove by Dr. W. H. Whitsitt that the "immersion of a believer in water" is a modern invention, unknown in the world until A. D. 1641. If

they immerse? Are they willing to dispense with one ordinance of Jesus Christ just to satisfy the whims of men, or to obtain members?

Do they believe that Dr. Whitsitt teaches such stuff? Here is what Dr. Whitsitt teaches:

"Immersion as a religious rite was practiced by John the Baptist about the year 30 of our era, and was solemnly enjoined by our Savior upon all his ministers to the end of time. No other observance was in use for baptism in the New Testament times. The practice, though sometimes greatly perverted, has been continued from the apostolic age down to our own. As I understand the Scriptures, immersion is essential to Christian baptism."

Does the man who wrote the above on the very first page of his book "A Question in Baptist History," believe that immersion is from heaven, or of men?

Let those who would expose their ignorance, and slander and profane the name of our honored and beloved Dr. Whitsitt, answer.

A. J. PRESTON.

P. S. These are my first words on the Whitsitt controversy. I never would fight my brethera when I was a boy. A. J. P.

### Gathering Up the Fragments.

It is an important thing to do, and some have found it a hard thing to do.

One would not suppose that fragments ever became rebellious and refuse to be gathered up; but it is a fact, as Gray and Davidson will tell you. Three times have they had the subscription for the debt completed, and were on the point of publishing the glad news, but the fragments, the small subscriptions, failed them. With renewed courage they undertook the work of finding new names to take the places of the unfortunate delinquents. Then another lapse came. Alas! alas! but such is life. What has become of the hundreds of churches that promised to take collections? If they would only speak now!

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## Department of STATE BOARD MISSIONS.

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### Preachers as Business Men.

It is often remarked that preach-  
ers are poor business men; by  
which it is meant that they do not  
accumulate money or increase their  
possessions, for the want of busi-  
ness sense.

Suppose the assertion were true,  
would there not be good reason for  
it? They seldom have business  
training in their youth, except that  
which comes from the school of ad-  
versity, in which most of them are  
reared. After they begin their car-  
eer as ministers they seldom get  
more than a meagre support. Many  
times they must labor incessantly  
to supplement what the churches  
give. While other men give them-  
selves solely to gaining a support  
for their families or to acquiring  
property, the preachers must give  
themselves largely to the study of  
the Bible, ministering to the spiri-  
tual wants of God's people, and  
the elevation of the race. If they  
have children, their training is en-  
trusted to the wife and mother;  
and if they have business interests  
they must be neglected because of  
the exacting demands made upon  
their time.

In promoting the cause of be-  
nevolence the preachers give more  
in proportion to their means than  
any other class,—indeed, the  
amounts given by the churches  
would be seriously diminished if  
all that the preachers and their fam-  
ilies give were taken out. Fur-  
thermore, the qualifications laid  
down in the Scriptures for a minis-  
ter require that he be "given to  
hospitality," and be "not greedy  
of filthy lucre." In the matter of  
entertaining the preacher outstrips  
all his members, often, no doubt,  
doing more than his share,—but  
usually he keeps open house, is care-  
ful to entertain strangers, and is  
dead sure to give shelter to his  
traveling brethren. While he has  
a right to expect a living for his

securing it, he is forbidden to allow  
himself unduly exercised for the  
possession of money beyond a liv-  
ing. The preacher who has regard  
for his greatest usefulness must  
carefully observe the prohibition of  
the Scripture quoted; a money-  
making preacher is seldom very use-  
ful, and usually drifts away from  
his calling.

We have said enough to show  
that if it be true that preachers  
have not good business sense, there  
is good reason for it. But is it  
true?

Is it not a fact that preachers  
make a little money go further than  
any other class of men?

The answer to that question  
ought to settle it.

Often the very man who criticise  
the preacher for his unbusiness-like  
methods would fall before the same  
criticism if it were leveled at them.  
Their investments are often lost  
entirely, or depreciate from twenty-  
five to fifty per cent. in value in a  
little while; but nobody notices it;  
but the occasional mistakes and  
failures of a preacher in business is  
the talk of the country. It follows  
him to his grave, and is handed  
down to his children as a legacy.  
Put them in charge of a store, or a  
saw mill, or a steamboat, and they  
would be certain to fail; but as  
managers of large families on small  
incomes they beat the world. The  
business men who criticise them  
could not begin to live on the  
preacher's small income.

### Trip Notes.

Flying visits have been made to  
Selma, Marion, Mobile, Chapman  
and Birmingham, but I did not  
tarry long enough to find out any-  
thing worth writing, except the  
prospective retirement of Dr. Tay-  
lor from Mobile. His pastorate  
has been long and prosperous, and  
he retires with the love and esteem  
of all his brethren. Virginia gets  
one of the best preachers in Ala-  
bama, and a good all-around man.  
He and his good wife have always  
been especially clever to the travel-  
ing preacher. Mobile is one of  
the finest pastorates in the South,  
and richly deserves the services of

a first-class man. I spent a Sun-  
day at

JASPER,  
the capital of Walker county.  
What a change has come over the  
place since my first visit there be-  
fore it was touched by a railroad!  
There are many large brick stores  
and some handsome modern resi-  
dences. The Baptists are "getting a  
move on them," and have planned  
for an elegant new house. They  
have lately met with a very serious  
loss in the death of Bro. Jo. Mc-  
Guire. Only a few weeks ago what  
a shake of the hand he gave me as  
he welcomed me back to Alabama!  
He will be missed in all the rela-  
tions of life. The church is carry-  
ing on a most successful meeting,  
the pastor being aided by young  
Bro. Watkins, of Howard College.  
All classes are interested in the  
meeting, and glorious results are in  
prospect. Pastor Longrier has a  
strong hold on his people and is  
growing in favor every day. Un-  
der his wise and courageous lead-  
ership the Jasper Baptist church  
will become a great power; it is  
already the leading church in all  
this section.

The coal deposit in Northwest  
Alabama is supposed to be inex-  
haustible, and the railroads are  
hauling out the black diamonds in  
every direction. Near by Jasper is  
the great factory town of Cordova.  
I could not stop, but as I looked  
out upon the houses where were  
sheltered hundreds of poor people,  
I wondered what was to become of  
them if our Baptist people should  
turn them loose. They are from  
the hill country, and are largely  
Baptists. We ought to have a  
preacher at every factory town in  
the State for all his time. Won-  
der if we are going to try to do it!  
Will the State Board be able to do  
it!

I am impatient to get rid of these  
cruel debts so that I may address  
myself to solving the great prob-  
lems before the Board.

I should have said at the proper  
place that the Jasper brethren are  
responding well to the debt pay-  
ing movement.

### The Question Solved.

The question of Cuffy and low  
cotton is solved. A brother who  
is an extensive planter said to us  
the other day on the train, "I have

gone before and measured up cotton  
and the negro. A lot of  
fellows too trifling to work for  
wages, and without anything to go  
on, came to me and wanted me to  
furnish them mules and rent land  
to them. I couldn't do it, of course,  
but I rented them an ox apiece.  
When Saturday night comes the ox  
is turned into my pasture until  
Monday morning. When August  
comes the crop is made, and the  
ox goes into the pasture to stay.  
Every one of those fellows has a  
good crop, they have lived on little,  
and the ox on less. If they'd had  
mules they would have ridden them  
to death going to night meetings,  
and would not have made half as  
much."

Advancing mules and provisions  
to thriftless negroes has driven  
many a farmer to the wall when  
cotton was low. This brother has  
got it down to a safe basis, we are  
sure.

For the Alabama Baptist.

### "Get Ready for the Train."

This is the cry we hear about  
hotels and stations for travelers.

Our train to the eternal home is  
going and coming every day, every  
hour, every minute. It takes its  
passengers every trip. The cry to  
those of us who are living is, "Get  
ready for the train." In the saving  
sense every child of God is ready,  
but we need a packing of our bud-  
gets that will enable us to bid a  
sweet parting farewell to every-  
thing behind us, with the assurance  
that we will land safely on the  
other shore. Those among whom  
I have gone preaching the kingdom  
of God I would kindly enjoin to be  
packed and ready. It was "mid-  
winters, difficulties, etc.," that I  
preached to them, but I am glad  
of all I did. While not at all old,  
I can't help looking for my train.  
I feel that I will be glad when it  
comes, and I can go and see our  
Savior face to face. This now is  
the sweet of my labors for his name.  
Till then I will be faithful, but all  
the time looking for my train. In  
my mind's eye are many of my  
brethren and sisters in Christ. God  
bless you all.

W. R. WHATLEY.

## For the Alabama Baptist. The Doctrine of Expansion.

BY T. M. CALLAWAY.

The world is agitated today by  
many great questions—political,  
social, religious, race problems,  
labor questions, national is-  
sues claim our attention and fre-  
quently disturb our equilibrium.

No question seems to be of  
greater moment now-a-days than  
the "Doctrine of Expansion," and  
while men are discussing the mer-  
its of the question, we are expand-  
ing at an alarmingly rapid rate.

America, I believe, is doing a  
great thing for the world. Her  
conquering forces are going in  
and opening doors hitherto shut.  
It is now "Greater America," and  
whether we believe in the doctrine  
of expansion or not, we are ex-  
panding, and no power of logic  
nor any amount of reasoning can  
stay the onward march of our civi-  
lization.

Doubtless the time will soon  
come when it may be said of our  
republic, that it is one upon which  
the sun never sets. Should that  
time ever come, may it likewise be  
said that it is a land upon which  
"the Sun of Righteousness" has  
arisen, never to go down and leave  
us in darkness!

Many look upon the doctrine of  
expansion with suspicion. We al-  
ready open our eyes with amaze-  
ment as we contemplate the vast-  
ness of our territory. In addition  
to that which we already possess,  
think of our new acquisitions—on  
the one side Cuba and Puerto Rico,  
on the other, Hawaii and the Phil-  
ippines.

Politically we may believe in a  
republican form of government,  
religiously I believe in an unlimited  
monarchy. Politically we may have  
our doubts as to the value of ac-  
quiring new territory so far as this  
country is concerned, religiously I  
believe in the doctrine of expan-  
sion.

It is this doctrine of religious ex-  
pansion in which we should be  
most deeply interested and which  
should be proclaimed and impressed  
upon all Christian people.

The time has passed for us to cry  
out: "Retrench! retrench!" This  
must give way to the more enthusi-  
astic cry: "Expand! Enlarge!"  
The time has passed for us to think  
of the church simply as a fort in

which we are to  
fight for God. The time  
when the churches  
were spending their en-  
tirest elements of so-  
cial and political in-  
fluence in sending  
missionaries out into the  
highways and by-  
ways, and into the  
alleys and slums, as  
come when we  
hear a cry that came  
to Moses: "They go  
forward." "They go  
forward," said the  
Lord who called us  
into the world.

The time has passed when we  
should hear a cry that came  
to Moses: "They go  
forward." "They go  
forward," said the  
Lord who called us  
into the world.

The great truth we too frequently  
forget is that the church is to be  
coagulated in these "coagulated  
masses" need not be melted and ex-  
panded. We let the heresy-  
monger of heresy himself to a better  
hunter betake him.

It were far better for us to con-  
cern ourselves about the duties and  
responsibilities of the year "1899,"  
than to perplex our minds about  
the problem of "1641" or there-  
abouts, regarding which the great  
majority of us know a little less  
than nothing.

A Georgia Presbyterian church,  
member of the Alabama Baptist  
conference, has a Methodist; then  
but his wife was a Methodist; then  
added: "I know my wife has the best  
all right, but I never saw." I  
case of religion more religion in  
believe we need our indifference,  
order to overcome our contraction of cur-  
rency. We are pursuing Christian-  
heart, head and forth with civiliza-  
tion should go pace with commerce,  
and keep without Christian-  
for civilization a curse instead of a  
blessing. Let no one make the  
mistake of supposing that civiliza-  
tion and Christianity are synonymous  
terms. Our most recent  
events—some of the contrary.

As our ships bearing our com-  
merce, let them also bear the mis-  
sionaries of the movement calls for men  
As our galleons

to enlist in service for political con-  
quests, let the soldiers of Christ  
enlist for spiritual conquest. We  
certainly should show the same lib-  
eral spirit in supporting these mis-  
sionaries of the cross as we do in  
our commercial interests.

Other denominations are inaugu-  
rating plans to do larger things for  
God. If we, as a denomination,  
refuse to join the movement, it  
means for us spiritual decay, the  
losing of that which we seemed to  
have. Brethren, let our prayer be:  
"God give us men! A time like this  
demands  
Strong minds, great hearts, true faith and  
ready hands."

Talladega, Ala.

### Cova-Matanzas.

The following extract is from a  
letter received by the Home Mis-  
sion Board from Rev. J. V. Cova,  
Matanzas, Cuba, under the date of  
June 13th:

"I want your advice in a very  
delicate case now before me. The  
Methodists brought with them from  
Key West a Cuban preacher to  
work in Matanzas for them. The  
man is a consecrated Christian, as  
I have often discovered in my inter-  
course with him. Led by his zeal  
and fervor to the cause of the Mas-  
ter, he began one day lamenting  
upon the differences of opinion  
among Christians for so slight mis-  
understandings of the gospel. I  
naturally explained to him the  
causes of separation in what we Bat-  
tists are concerned. From that day  
(he is a very investigating man)  
he began to study in the Bible and  
several commentaries the case of  
infant baptism and of immersion,  
and he has come several times to  
hear me preach; and this week he  
came to me and declared that all  
his searches in God's Word have  
brought to his soul the firm belief  
that infant baptism is unscriptural,  
—that immersion is really the  
Christian baptism and the one  
sanctioned by Christ Himself, and  
that he came to me to be baptized  
and to become a member of our  
church. I was surprised, and ad-  
vised him to well consider his de-  
termination, but he replied that it  
was his unchangeable resolution and  
the work of the Spirit in his soul.  
"This man is supported by his  
denomination by a modest monthly  
sum, has four children of short age  
and his wife, and is disposed to  
abandon all his means of living and

accept the consequences of comply-  
ing with God first rather than with  
man. I have not dared to baptize  
him without first hearing your ad-  
vice."

For the Alabama Baptist.  
In New Providence Association

Program of fifth Sunday meeting  
to be held with Mt. Zion church,  
July 28-30:  
Friday, 9 a. m. Organization by  
electing moderator and secretary.  
Devotional exercises, by W. M.  
Green.

Query 1. What are the duties  
and qualifications of Baptist dea-  
cons? R. F. Hawkins, J. M.  
Mount, G. B. Christian.

11 a. m. Sermon, by C. L. Ei-  
land. Dinner.

Query 2. Have our churches the  
Scriptural right to restore their ex-  
cluded members? D. M. Eiland,  
I. L. Mills, sr., G. H. Thigpen.

7 p. m. Sermon, by J. P. Gra-  
ham or J. H. Nixon.

9 a. m. Saturday. Devotional ex-  
ercises, by J. M. Whatley.

Query 3. In cases touching fel-  
lowship, if there occurs a minority  
vote, what is the remedy? W. A.  
Cumbie, R. H. Folmar, A. B. Met-  
calf, I. N. Langston.

11 a. m. Sermon, by J. M. Lof-  
lin or R. H. Folmar. 2 p. m. Din-  
ner.

Query 4. Are we as Baptists do-  
ing our duty as missionaries? A.  
B. Metcalf, R. H. Folmar, W. M.  
Green, M. W. Rushton.

7 p. m. Sermon, by W. A. Cum-  
bie.

Sunday, 9 a. m. Devotional ex-  
ercises, F. A. Garrett.

Query 5. What relations do Sun-  
day schools bear to the churches?  
G. H. Thigpen, Y. M. Capps, J.  
M. Whatley, M. W. Rushton, W.  
M. Green.

Essay, by Miss Claudia Han-  
cock. Subject, What can Christian  
women do?  
11 a. m. Sermon, by A. B. Met-  
calf. Dinner.

2 p. m. Adjournment.  
Executive Committee—W. L.  
Davis, chairman; R. F. Hawkins,  
W. M. Green, H. C. Loard, G. B.  
Christian.

## Year Opens Well. But Better Work Yet Expected.

In the absence of Dr. Willing-  
ham, who has been out for some  
two weeks stirring up the pure  
minds of the brethren, it is my  
pleasant duty to send out a note of  
good cheer as to the opening of our  
new year's work.

It is great gain when one's team  
gets sufficiently over the raw state  
to pull up to the top of the hill, or  
through the bog, steadily, without  
any slacking of lines, or cracking  
of the whip, jumping or dashing.  
The year just past is the only year  
for sometime that we have pulled  
over in that quiet, steady way,  
having some "wind" left, as the  
teamster would say. We had just  
borne down on the traces hard  
enough to make us feel life taking a  
fresh start. This largely explains  
the unanimity and enthusiasm with  
which the convention ordered en-  
largement in the work.

Enlargement is the one note that  
was heard at Louisville, and that  
resounds now throughout the whole  
land. Editors and correspondents,  
pastors and deacons, laymen and  
all have joined in, and there are  
heard everywhere the strains of a  
mighty chorus. The one burning  
desire of every heart that truly  
loves God, and is fixed on the  
things that make for his glory, is  
that we may do more. The air  
seems surcharged with this spirit.

Better than all that, it is not to  
be enlargement by resolution  
simply, but it is, if we may judge  
by present indications, a fact, that  
is, something done. The first day  
of the new year, before the conven-  
tion's action, the Corresponding  
Secretary sent a letter to each pas-  
tor, asking for a special contribu-  
tion to defray the expenses in May.  
The responses were very gratifying  
—many of them sending several  
times as much as was asked. The  
first of June a letter was sent  
to a large number of laymen asking  
for special contribution for the ex-  
penses during June. Many have  
responded, and with one voice they  
have thanked the Secretary for  
writing them, and expressed the  
keenest joy at the good report  
made at the convention and the  
hopeful outlook, nearly every one  
who has responded sending a con-  
tribution, and many of them send-  
ing much more than was asked.

So the year begins hopefully.

desires the sea-side, or the  
but, notwithstanding, one of the  
very earnest words ought to be  
said. As will appear from the re-  
ceipts published below, we had not  
up to June 15th gotten enough  
money to meet the requirements of  
the work for that time, one and a  
half months. The conclusion is,  
that we have not settled down to  
work so promptly and earnestly as  
the exigencies of the case require.  
There must be no slacking of traces,  
every one must pull all the time  
and pull harder than ever before.  
Falling behind at the start, even if  
it be only a little, is a bad way to  
enlarge; steady pulling is unques-  
tionably the best, but it must be  
pulling.

The receipts up to June 15th  
stand as follows: Alabama \$212.-  
08, Arkansas \$114.43, Indian  
Territory \$13.50, District of Col-  
umbia \$11.00, Florida \$87.10,  
Georgia \$1092.69, Kentucky \$1173.-  
86, Louisiana \$648.80, Maryland  
\$235.66, Mississippi \$504.70, Mis-  
souri \$208.79, North Carolina  
\$198.14, South Carolina \$553.66,  
Tennessee \$338.54, Texas \$1370.-  
06, Virginia \$39.08, Oklahoma \$2.-  
45. Total \$6,804.54. Gift sub-  
ject to unity \$2000. Grand total,  
\$8,804.54.

A. J. BARTON,  
Asst. Cor. Sec.  
Richmond, June 17th.

After Dewey destroyed the Span-  
ish fleet at Manila, Dr. Pentecost  
proposed to the Presbyterian Gen-  
eral Assembly to promptly estab-  
lish a mission station at Manila.  
He made an appeal to his church  
and got \$1,000 to pay the mission-  
ary's salary the first year. A Mr.  
Rodgers was sent, and now Dr.  
Pentecost has raised another \$1,000  
to pay his salary the second year.  
—Western Recorder.

If you are not trying to do your  
best today you have no reasonable  
right to expect that tomorrow will  
be an improvement on it.

They slumber sweetly whom  
faith rocks to sleep. No pillow so  
soft as a promise; no coverlid so  
warm as an assured interest in  
Christ.—Charles Spurgeon.



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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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Albertville, July 16-21.  
Stanton, July 23-28.  
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Lamar county, Blooming Grove church, August 13-18.

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.

### That Hornet's Nest.

"You have raised a veritable hornet's nest in your Convention Aftermath," writes a brother. Yes, but lest our friends be unduly alarmed, we desire to say that we have long since become immune to the poison of their sting, and their denunciations do pass by us as the idle wind. All that some people can do in an argument is to denounce their opponents. But we are after larger game. We wish our brethren, and especially our preachers, to consider and counsel about how to advance the scholarship of a Southern conservative type for our own betterment. If you have any thoughts on this great question, send them to the editor of this Department. If you wish to denounce anybody, send to the editor of the next page. In the meantime we desire to remark that the weather is very warm, and we trust

you failed to write them, as there has been plenty of space and disposition on the part of the editor to publish them. He has even published articles making personal thrusts at himself, because he refused to be a judge in matters concerning himself. In these columns there is absolutely no censorship except of a parliamentary sort.

Again, no one in these columns is spokesman for any one else than himself. What is said is not the voice of the Institute Board, but of the writer, and of him alone. What is written by the Editor, he alone is responsible for. No one is asked to endorse what another says. Indeed, there is not an idea in the whole category of concepts which all our brethren would endorse. To limit our publications to what everybody knows and endorses, would keep us from publishing even denominational platitudes. Every article stands on its own merits, and you are not called on to endorse any of them. By the way, where did Baptists get their notion that they must endorse everything, or protest against it? At least in this Department no endorsement is required from any one. His humbleness, the editor, neither gives nor requires endorsement from fellow-workers in good and regular standing.

Again, it may be said that this onerous position was not sought by the present editor, and is a labor of love on his part, at the earnest solicitation of those who consummated this contract. Now, if the brethren who do not like the way he does it think they can do it better, all that is needed is to apply, and the job will be theirs. In the meantime, having assumed the responsibility of meeting this contract in good faith, we propose to do it, if not with articles of others expressing their ideas, then with articles of our own expressing our own ideas. In the latter event we have abundant evidence that they are being read. A. J. D.

### Scholarship Among Southern Baptists.

We desire to return our thanks to our many brethren who have written us their approval, and in

should be the satellites of anybody in this matter.

We ought to produce Johnsons as well as Boswells. Now, my first proposition is that *Southern Baptists ought to produce a scholarship of their own, and they ought to be about it.* Every people who have ever done this have produced a peculiar type of learning. Germany has been very active, and put forth a product which has commanded the attention of the world. England is now about to excel her. The Northern States are fast bringing up their scholarship to the same standard of excellence. But each of these has its peculiarities, which is due to the habits of thought and temperament and spirit of the civilization wherein it was cultivated. There are features of the truth which the German mind cannot see; others which the English cannot grasp, and others which Americans are slow to appreciate. Hence all countries have their peculiar products of learning. There is a type of learning which can be produced only in this climate and in this soil. If it is not cultivated, we shall not only be without our natural mental pabulum, but the world will be deprived of it also. What that type of scholarship is, the peculiarities of our people abundantly show. It is a conservative scholarship. This the world needs to settle its thinking and complete its ideas. God expects us in his name to supply this, because in his providence he has put into our keeping the essentials for its production. He never intended that we should be parasites in scholarship; certainly he did not make us to be sycophants.

But if we are to produce a scholarship of our own we must first grow the scholars. They are like fine wood in that they require much time and rich soil to maintain. We must foster this pursuit if we can ever expect it to fruit in anything. We must recognize that they have a place and an office in an intelligent people. If you dig up a cedar to plant a scrub oak, you need never expect a harvest of that precious material for your use. Therefore, my brethren, I enter my plea for a kind, courteous, considerate spirit toward the among us whom

the light of approved learning. It will be a sad day when our literature is deficient in this regard. We will have abundant use for the very best grade of scholarship as long as we are engaged in teaching the revelation of God. Let us, therefore, foster and encourage our young men who aspire to this important function in our ranks.

### For the Alabama Baptist. In Cahaba Association.

#### WESTERN DISTRICT.

The next session will meet with Macedonia church, ten miles from Stewart's Station, on Saturday before the fifth Sunday in July, with Ministers' Conference on the Friday before.

Friday, 9:30. Devotional exercises, J. W. Haggard.  
10. Organization.

10:15. The pastor: 1. Cultivation of spiritual side of his life, J. W. Haggard. 2. How best to accomplish his mission, H. R. Schramm. 3. His part in our district meetings, J. B. Poole.

11:30. Sermon, The Holy Spirit, W. E. Fendley; alternate, J. E. Barnes.

2 p. m. Doctrinal preaching, J. W. Haggard.

2:45. Practical preaching, J. E. Barnes.

3:30. Qualifications of a minister, Rev. Mr. Pilley, of Havana.

Saturday, 9:30. Devotional exercises, W. E. Fendley.

10. The work of our State Convention: 1. State missions, H. R. Schramm. 2. Home missions, J. W. Haggard. 3. Foreign missions, J. E. Barnes.

11:30. Sermon on Regeneration, J. W. Haggard; alternate, J. R. Wiggins.

2 p. m. Ministerial education, H. R. Schramm.

2:45. Institute work, J. E. Barnes.

3:30. Orphan's Home, W. E. Fendley.

Sunday, 10 a. m. Devotional exercises, J. W. Mathison.

10:30. A model Sunday School, N. H. Thompson, W. A. Christenberry, and M. C. Helton.

11. Sermon on Giving, J. R. Wiggins; alternate, J. E. Barnes.

Parties coming by rail will get

### For the Alabama Baptist. Montgomery Baptist Association.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Montgomery Baptist association, the following was adopted:

Place of meeting of association—Mt. Hebron church, near Elmore station.

Time of meeting—Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, August 16th, 17th and 18th.

#### PROGRAM.

##### WEDNESDAY, AUG. 16.

10 a. m. Opening exercises, W. B. Davidson.

10:30. Association called to order. Appoint committee on Credentials.

11 a. m. Introductory sermon, Rev. W. J. Elliott.

11:45 a. m. Report of committee on Credentials. Election of officers. Receive correspondents and visitors. Adjourn.

##### AFTERNOON SESSION.

3 p. m. Devotional exercises, Geo. W. Ellis.

3:15 p. m. Receive petitions from churches desiring membership. Appoint committees on Religious exercises, on Finance and Auditing, on Nominations, and on Apportionment.

3:30 p. m. Report on Sunday schools—Frank Allen, chmn. Discussed by J. B. Collier, P. N. Cilley and others. Adjourn at 5:30.

##### NIGHT SESSION.

8 p. m. Devotional exercises, Geo. W. Thomas.

8:15 p. m. Continuation of discussion of Sunday school report, Revs. T. J. Porter, E. F. Baber and others. Adjourn.

##### THURSDAY, AUG. 17TH.

9 a. m. Devotional exercises, C. A. Gunn.

9:15 a. m. Reports from committees and treasurer.

9:30 a. m. Reports on—State missions, W. J. Elliott, chairman; Home missions, W. Y. Quisenberry; Foreign missions, H. W. Provence.

Discussion by Revs. W. B. Crumpton, Geo. B. Eager, Jno. R. Caldwell. Adjourn.

##### AFTERNOON SESSION.

3 p. m. Devotional exercises, R. H. Hudson.

Continue discussion on missions, Revs. A. J. Preston, A. T. Sims, Geo. W. Townsend, C. Johnson. Adjourn at 5:30.

##### NIGHT SESSION.

8 p. m. Devotional exercises, T. L. Jones.

8:15 p. m. Missionary sermon, Rev. W. Y. Quisenberry; alternate, Rev. A. J. Preston.

##### FRIDAY, AUG. 18TH.

9 a. m. Devotional exercises, A. H. Eubanks.

9:15 a. m. Report on Denominational Education, George B. Eager, chairman.

10 a. m. Report on Ministerial education, Rev. A. F. Dix, chairman.

Reports discussed by Presidents F. M. Roof, of the Howard, and Robt. G. Patrick, of the Judson, and others.

10:30 a. m. Report on Orphan's Home, W. R. Meadows, chairman. Discussed by Rev. Jno. W. Stewart.

11 a. m. Report on Temperance, J. I. Lamar, chairman. Discussed by Rev. C. W. Buck.

11:30 a. m. Report on Woman's work, Dr. P. N. Cilley, chairman. Discussed by Rev. W. B. Crumpton.

12 m. Report on Indigent ministers, J. G. Harris, chairman.

##### AFTERNOON SESSION.

3 p. m. Devotional exercises, L. S. Jones.

3:15 p. m. Report on B. Y. P. U., Paul Dix, chairman. Discussed by Rev. H. W. Provence.

3:30 p. m. Report on new and weak churches, Rev. C. W. Buck, chairman.

4 p. m. Report on Religious and Denominational literature, W. P. Dawson, chairman. Discussed by J. G. Harris. Adjourn.

Conveyances will meet delegates and visitors at Elmore station. Churches should elect delegates and report same to the Mt. Hebron church. Let us make this the best session in the history of the association.

Geo. W. ELLIS, Chm'n.  
W. B. DAVIDSON,  
R. H. HUDSON,  
J. B. COLLIER,  
Geo. G. MILES,  
J. C. POPE.

openly and boldly on the part of our brethren have a good supply of ice water on hand.

### The Modus Operandi.

Brethren do not seem to understand the *modus operandi* prevailing in this department.

The Institute Board is by contract bound to furnish to the ALABAMA BAPTIST a certain amount of readable matter per week. There is no restriction on the character of that matter. The present editor was appointed to see that this contract was duly fulfilled. It was understood when he assumed this responsibility that the paid agents of the board and his fellow-members would furnish the matter, and he had only to preside. Hence we would make of these columns a free forum for our pastors to hold such converse between each other as they might see meet. The editor was to preside, and any and every brother could have the right of way in his turn to put whatever he had in his heart before his brethren. The idea was to bring our pastors into converse through these columns. So the editor assumed the gavel and silence prevailed. The time came for matter, and the printers were calling for the same. It soon became manifest that if the matter specified in the contract was furnished, the editor would have to produce it. Hence the large amount of space taken by the editor simply means that it had to be filled by some one, and the brethren who were to stand behind his editorship had failed him. It is now being shown by practical experiment that the Baptists of Alabama do not need much of an organ of communication, for they have very little disposition to communicate. Yet until next January this contract calls every week for its quota of matter. The editor never writes except when there is space not taken by others.

Again, the editor has never refused to publish a single article except when by personalities and other similar defects it would have been ruled out of order in the average association. So far as the ideas expressed are concerned, brethren can write what they please. Only be in order. If your views have not been ventilated it is because

many cases their disapproval of what we have hitherto had to say upon this subject. Especially do we thank those who have written their dissent to the views we have set forth. It is one of the privileges of sincere friendship and fraternity to take issue with a brother. We greatly appreciate the frank and kind efforts of brethren who think enough of us to try to set us right. It is a proof of genuine fraternity and friendship for which we are profoundly grateful. Some few were inclined to attribute to us unworthy motives and injurious intentions. We trust that ere this their eyes are opened and they see more clearly. Our purpose is to bring our brethren as fully as we can to consider a great question intimately and vitally affecting our life as a body of the Lord's people. In this we are deeply in earnest, and if we mistake not, we are pursuing something which will issue in much good to our Baptist people and our Lord's glory. We ask your prayerful and patient attention to this most important matter. What part shall Southern Baptists play in the world's progress in religious learning? As a people have we any duties in the formation of the world's ideas of religious truth? What function, if any, have we in formulating and disseminating religious truth? Can we afford to taboo scholarship? Will the reader be kind enough to put on his thinking cap with us in approaching these questions at once practical and far-reaching in fixing our destiny and usefulness? If we mistake not, we are speaking the words of truth and soberness.

The normal relations of an intelligent people towards scholarship are manifold. It is the duty of every people who think to add something to the world's thought, to discover as much as possible the truth in its purity. The function of kindling the light of learning is not monopolized by any one people. Neither Germany, nor England, nor France, nor the North ought to furnish us with our mecca of learning. We ought to be producers of our own learned opinions, and exporters of approved ideas as well as importers. God never intended that Southern Baptists

should be the satellites of anybody in this matter. They are as much called of God as the pastors, or secretary, or missionary. Let us be patient and helpful to every young Erasmus God gives us, and not dig him up by the roots in wantonness because he does not serve in our harness. Let us be more hospitable to the young scions of scholarship, or we will be forever importing the fruits of learning from other lands.

But some one will ask, *What need have we of scholarship?* Possibly he who asks this question will not appreciate the answer, but others will. Here I sit surrounded by my library. Every work in it is selected because it is thought to be a scholar's exposition on its subject. Every sermon I have ever made has had every idea in it set by these books. My people know, and I am glad for them to know that the sermons I preach are matured in converse with these approved leaders of thought. When I get down to thinking in order to preach, my guides are Ellicott, Lightfoot, Ramsey, Meyer, Harnack, Souday, Edersheim, Stevens, Driver, Green and many others who have spent their lives searching for what I want to know at the time. What is true of myself is true of every other preacher in Alabama. If the brethren only stopped to think, they would know that the leaders of learning come very close to them every Sunday. What need have we of scholars? Why, they have made us what we are, and must make us in the future. But in setting the thinking in our pulpits, not a single Southern Baptist except Dr. Broadus has a part. I can but believe that this ought not to be. But in getting up our Sunday school periodicals we need scholars to give us the world's best thought on these things of God. Alas! alas! that we should ask this question. Also, our religious editors, in putting forth their editorials, must draw from the well that scholars have dugged. My people expect me every Sunday to give them the world's best expression of truth after it has become a part of my own heart-life. To ask this question is to condemn one as not a painstaking preacher.

But our Sunday school periodicals have need of being written in

on at Stewart's Station, where conveyance will meet them. For further information write to J. J. Stivender, Havana, Alabama.

J. E. BARNES,  
W. E. FENDLEY,  
P. V. BOMAR, Com.

#### THE EASTERN DISTRICT

Will convene with Medline church July 29-30.

9:30 a. m. Devotional exercises, C. S. Heard.

10 a. m. Who is my neighbor? A. C. Haggard, W. T. Pierson.

11 a. m. Introductory sermon, J. A. McCrary.

12 m. Dinner.

1:30 p. m. How shall we best utilize our young brethren in the church? W. H. Connell, W. M. Caffee.

2:30 p. m. Who are the called of God? J. W. Dunaway, J. M. McCullough.

4:10 p. m. Are we missionaries? if so, why? J. S. Bolling, J. A. McCrary.

Sunday, 9:30 a. m. Devotional exercises, by J. N. C. Brown.

10 a. m. Talks on our works as Missionary Baptists. W. H. Connell.

11:20 a. m. Missionary sermon, J. W. Dunaway; W. H. Connell, alternate.

1:30 p. m. The qualification of deacons, their duties in office, J. S. Bolling, W. M. Caffee.

2:30 p. m. The best mode of giving: and, is it a command of the Bible? W. H. Connell.

3:30 p. m. The evil of Intemperance on society, and its effects at large. W. H. Connell, J. W. Dunaway, J. A. McCrary, A. M. Perry.

4 p. m. What advantage has the attendance of the church member over the non-attendance? E. P. George.

A. M. PERRY,  
L. P. NICHOLS, Com.

Chadwick.

This is the beginning of all gospel—that the kingdom of heaven is just where we are—it is just as near us as our work is; for to every soul the gate of heaven lies in trying to do that work perfectly.

Christ's yoke is so easy that there is no rest without it.



# Alabama Baptist

MONTGOMERY, JULY 6, 1899.

## EDITORIAL.

### DISTURBING RELIGIOUS WORSHIP.

Good manners and orderly conduct are always becoming in every place and condition. These graces are attractive and win confidence and esteem. Parents cannot be too particular in teaching their children proper deportment. This is one accomplishment that is too much neglected.

But our purpose is to call attention of our readers to the rights of religious gatherings. No one has the right to disturb a congregation assembled for religious worship. There is a penal statute law in this state which reads as follows:

"Any person who wilfully interrupts or disturbs any assemblage of people met for religious worship, by noise, profane discourse, rude or indecent behavior, or any other act, at or near the place of worship, must, on conviction, be fined not less than twenty, nor more than two hundred dollars, and may also be imprisoned in the county jail, or sentenced to hard labor for the county, for not more than six months."

The supreme court of the state has passed upon this law in several cases, but its latest decision declares the doctrine to be: "That a purpose and intent to disturb is not a necessary factor in the crime, but, to the contrary, that any act, which is within the terms of the statute, the natural consequence of which is to disturb, and which is wilfully done, and which in fact does disturb an assemblage of people met for religious worship, comes under the denunciation of the law, though the actor may have no intent to disturb the assemblage."

It will be seen from this decision that the intent to disturb is not a

guilt. Two men may quarrel, and even come to blows, in or near a congregation of people assembled for religious worship, and may disturb the assembly, and yet have no purpose or intent to disturb the body, and still be guilty. A giddy-headed girl and a gumpish boy may laugh and talk in church—as they too often do—and disturb those who are near them, without intending to disturb the worship, but they do disturb it. Our supreme court say this is a violation of the statute, and the parties may be convicted.

Men sometimes gather about under the trees near our country churches and talk and laugh while the minister is preaching—to his discomfort and the annoyance of the congregation. These people may not wilfully intend to disturb anybody, but they do disturb, and hence the highest court in our state declares this act to come within the statute.

The law is explicit and strong, and should be executed. People of either sex should be taught that they are not at liberty of their own free will and accord to disturb religious gatherings and go scot free.

Our protracted meeting season is coming on, and these meetings, which are held at night as well as day, are now and then disturbed by reckless people who perhaps were not well trained in the home. It would be well for one of the deacons to take his seat near the back of the church, and when he discovers any disturbance, kindly and gently request those who make it to desist. This can be done without giving offense.

It is so frequently the case in towns, much less so in the country, that young people carry on constant conversation, or writing notes during the services, to the disgust

and annoyance of refined and mannerly people. This is a violation of the state law, if it disturbs others.

We sincerely hope our readers, if any of them have ever been guilty of disturbing in any way any religious gathering, or any other gathering, will dispassionately consider how imprudent, unwise and unbecoming it is thus to act, and forever refrain from the offense hereafter.

### PROTRACTED MEETINGS.

We are entering upon the protracted meeting season. Let us earnestly pray that there may be such an awakening among the Baptist hosts, such a reviving of our spirituality as the world has never seen. Let us hope and pray and work to the end that this year may be a very pentecostal year,—that there may be such an ingathering of the truly regenerate as never before. Why may we not have the greatest revival year in our whole history? God will give it to us if our people will go on their knees in the very dust of humility, forgetting self, and sincerely beseeching him for these blessings. Out of his unwasting fullness he will fill us, and showers of blessings will fall about us.

If the churches would only prepare for these meetings, beginning one or two weeks before the first service to hold prayer meetings, either at private homes or at the church, they would get into proper frame of mind and heart to receive the blessings which the Holy Spirit will surely bring.

If every church that intends holding a protracted meeting will have a week or ten days season of concert of prayer, when the meeting opens it will find the right spirit working not only in the hearts of members, but of outsiders also, and from the very beginning God's

goodness and mercy will be manifest and sinners will be converted and Christians strengthened.

Much of the good experienced from revival meetings comes from the members being in a right frame of mind and heart. God will give you "good things" and "the Holy Spirit" if you will ask him. You must put yourself in touch with God. Every genuine Christian has power with God, for there is power in prayer and consecration. If you expect the Holy Spirit to meet with you in these meetings you must show a fervid desire to have him. Preparation is necessary to get into good working order, so that the harness will fit. Have you any grievance with a brother or sister? Go at once and settle it, for not much good can emanate from a divided, unbrotherly membership. Let all be of one mind in one place, loving one another.

When you have reaped the fruits of your labor, having planted and watered, with God giving the increase, your own souls will be strengthened and gladdened, and you will be better prepared for life's work. May the Lord guide us.

### As to the Debt.

When I left Birmingham brethren Gray and Davidson authorized me to say this through the paper: All is in hand except a few subscriptions, which may be en route by mail. The bonds have been returned from Philadelphia, and the check will be signed in a day or two which will make Howard College free. All other obligations are ready for settlement.

W. B. C.

THE Trustees of the Girls' School at Montevallo elected Rev. F. M. Peterson, of Greensboro, president of that school, and he has accepted. It is hoped now that the matter is settled.

THE Board of Trustees of the Seminary, at their recent meeting in Atlanta, elected Rev. E. Y. Mullins, D. D., president of our great school. Ex-Gov. Northen, of Georgia, was sent as a committee of one to see Dr. Mullins and urge his acceptance. Dr. M. was reared on his father's farm in Mississippi, and is a graduate of the Seminary. He was for a while assistant Corresponding Secretary of our Foreign Mission board. He was called to the pastorate of the Baptist church at Newton Centre, Mass., where is located Newton Theological Seminary. At this writing his decision is not known.

### Notice.

I have been very careful to send receipts as money has come in for the debt; but I may have overlooked some. I would be glad to furnish them where I have omitted to do so if the parties will write me.

B. D. GRAY.

Birmingham.

### The Associations

Begin to meet in August. I believe the Troy, Selma, Montgomery and Florence meet in that month. If I am not mistaken, several of them meet at the same time. If that is so, it is very unfortunate, and the executive committees, if they have the authority, ought to change the time so there would be no conflict. I hope the list with times and places of meetings will soon be ready for publication.

W. B. C.

### In the Office at Last.

I have for two months been touching here occasionally, but now I am in the office to attend to business. I have given myself, without reserve, to the debt payment. My correspondents have been neglected, but I could not help it. The associational campaign will be organized and plans of work laid out. I will be in Montgomery until the office work is all in good shape. I know enough about matters to be aware of the fact that money is not

the monthly plan and are heard from regularly, whether the amount is little or much. God bless the regulars!

### Patience, Brethren.

We hope soon to be able to pay all we owe to our missionaries. We know they have waited long, and some have been greatly inconvenienced. We ask them to be patient a little while longer and their distress will be relieved. Some have asked: "How long before we will be in debt again?" Of course it is impossible to run a mission board on a strictly cash basis. We expect to make debts in the future in our mission work, but none that will disturb us. In the summer our contributions are always short; in the fall and winter they are better, but everybody knows that if we do any mission work at all, we will owe something in the dull months. But nobody need have his fears aroused about any more crushing debts.

We shall bless the Lord when once more the necessities of the worthy men in our employ are relieved and the board relieved of embarrassment.

W. B. C.

For the Alabama Baptist.

### From Pastor Sims.

Dear Baptist: Our recent meeting at Prattville resulted in seventeen additions to the church, instead of eleven, as you report in your last issue. We had eleven by baptism. The interest and power of the meeting increased with each service, and we greatly regretted that we could not continue through another week. The preaching of Bro. L. M. Bradley, the Greenville pastor, was most acceptable to our people. We feel that our Prattville church is now in fine position to move forward in the great work of "rescuing the perishing."

The farmers throughout all this section of the state report an abundance of rain and fine crop prospects.

A. T. SIMS.

Georgiana, July 3.

Many, indeed, think of being happy with God in heaven; but being happy in God on earth never enters into their thoughts.

### FIELD NOTES.

Let us know the result of your meeting at Brundidge, please, Bro. Underwood.

Rev. Henry T. Crumpton's address is now Ackerville, Wilcox county, instead of Atmore.

Until August 10 Rev. P. V. Bomar's address will be the University of Chicago, in the city of Chicago.

Pastor J. W. Kramer announced that he would begin a protracted meeting at Brewton Baptist church on Sunday last. He would do the preaching himself.

Rev. H. W. Provence occupied the pulpit at Clayton Street church for the first time as pastor on Sunday last. The church and congregation were highly pleased.

Rev. W. A. Parker, of Thomasville, has recently been quite busy in Washington county preaching and making addresses on education at the closing exercises of schools.

Some programs and obituaries must lie over till next week. We give them as much space this week as other interests will allow. As it is much other matter is crowded out.

Dr. C. L. Boyd, formerly of Troy, but late of Texas, has come to Montgomery and opened a dental office, where he will be glad to see his friends. He prefers Alabama to Texas.

Rev. J. R. Stodgill, of Carey association, writes, "Our preachers are speaking out bravely for the paper. The harvest is sure to come." Yes, it has already begun. Our list of subscribers has greatly increased since the preachers and some others began to talk.

J. F. Watson, Orrville, June 26: Bro. Frank Averyt was ordained minister of the gospel yesterday at Providence church, Dallas county.

Bro. A. J. Preston assisted. Bro. Averyt has made a good record at Howard. He will supply at Oxmoor during the summer.

Dr. C. W. Buck preached Sunday morning and evening at South Montgomery church, which is now without a pastor. One of the leading members said in response to a question, "The sermons were good—very good—and were greatly enjoyed by those who appreciate good gospel sermons."

A meeting is in progress in our church at Union Springs. Our last report was on Monday, at which time four had been received by baptism and two by letter. Rev. J. L. Gross, of Washington, Ga., is assisting Pastor Pugh. The letter came too late for publication this week.

A. J. Preston, Montgomery: I rise to place in nomination for president of our next State Convention Bro. H. S. D. Mallory, of Selma. I am quite sure that all who know Bro. Mallory will second his nomination. I rejoice that we have a brother who is so well qualified to fill this position with credit to the convention and honor to himself.

An Alabama preacher, of the Howard College class of '93-'94, who went to Florida a few years since, would like to return to this state. He would take charge of churches if a support were offered, but thinks the prospect better for a school. He has had several years' experience as a teacher. Write to this office.

That is a gratifying report in another column of the moral and social conditions in Chilton county. Faithful preaching of the gospel, earnest Sunday school and temperance work, with the general salutary influence of good men and women, have wrought the great change. But the work must go on.

The Florence Herald gives an extended account of the services of welcome to Rev. Richard Hall as pastor of the Baptist church in that city. The pastors and members of the churches of other denominations took part, and gave the new Baptist pastor a most cordial and brotherly welcome. Bro. Hall replied in very feeling terms to the words of welcome. The occasion was much enjoyed. Bro. Hall was at one time a member of Adams Street church, Montgomery.

Greenville: Bright with the sunlight fair, "mid the songs and the flowers, and the lovely things," Sunday was a glad, bright day, for it was Home Department day, and 213 were present in the Sunday school. Words from pastor and superintendent emphasized the theme, "Home Class Work," and should incite to more earnest labor. —In the home-coming of Rev. E. M. Stewart, who recently received honors due from Howard College, another worker was added to the list and he also shared the pulpit honors with pastor Bradley on this pleasant day.

F. M. Woods, Clanton: We have just closed a ten days meeting, conducted by the Rev. Paul Price, of the most profoundly spiritual character that I have ever witnessed in our town. There have been four additions up to date by letter, one under watch care, and twelve happy converts await baptism, and more to come. We have had thirty-seven additions since I moved here in December last. We have one of the finest village Sunday schools in the state, superintended by our efficient brother Thos. A. Curry; 99 present on last Sunday. —We support two orphans at Evergreen, a boy and a girl, who are promptly and well supplied. Our church is beautiful with its new coat of paint. The Lord supplies the grace and we do the work.

As will be seen elsewhere, the program for the next meeting of the Montgomery Baptist association has been arranged. Brethren will please take notice that we expect every report to be ready when called for. If the chairmen cannot be present, or will not have time to write the reports, see the next member on the committees and arrange for a report. Those who are to speak to the reports will prepare to give us the very best talks possible. The brethren and sisters of Mt. Hebron church, and those round about that section, will do their best for us, no doubt, and the association should endeavor to be a help, a stimulus, and a blessing to them. Let us all do our best, and success is assured.—J. C. POPE, Clerk.

Anniston Republican, July 1: Rev. J. E. Barnard formally accepted the pastorate of the First Baptist church last Tuesday night. The meeting which is being conducted at the First Baptist church by Mr. Barnard has already resulted in great good. The membership of the church has been greatly revived and about 35 new members have been added.—News comes from Asheville, N. C., that Dr. J. H. Foster, pastor of the Parker Memorial church in this city, is rapidly improving and that he expects to return to Anniston by the 15th of this month. This news has been gladly received by Dr. Foster's friends who have feared that he would not soon recover his former health.—Hon. T. G. Bush and his interesting family will move to Birmingham about the first of September, when Capt. Bush will take charge of important coal and iron properties, and look after the interests of the Southern railway in this section. Anniston's loss in giving up this family is a great gain to Birmingham, and all in Anniston regret to see them go away.



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## GENERAL NEWS NOTES.

### CUBA.

There is no apparent change in the general situation. Robbers or pillagers began depredations in Matanzas, but Gen. Lee took such prompt measures that they were quickly suppressed. There are local disturbances in the island here and there occasionally, but they have no general effect. Latest reports from the cities in which yellow fever has appeared say there is no probability of the disease assuming alarming proportions. The work of cleaning up and disinfecting the towns and the houses, especially prisons and the barracks formerly occupied by Spanish soldiers, is very great, and goes on all the time.

### THE PHILIPPINES.

Most, if not all the volunteers who wish to come are being sent home. Their places will be supplied by regulars and recruits who are now enlisting every day. The president will make no general call for volunteers, but recruiting will be actively pushed until Gen. Otis has all the men he has asked for. He still thinks that 50,000 in all will be sufficient, but others think that double that number will be required. There has recently been no fighting of consequence. The Filipinos attempted to surprise a part of our force one dark night, but the effort failed and they retreated.

For the Alabama Baptist.  
Report from the Lines.

I make this report from my field for the month of June:  
New Hope Church—Fifty miles distant, eight miles west of Dadeville. First Sunday. Good meeting. I travel in my buggy.  
Garland—On L. & N. railroad. Second Sunday. No meeting on account of rain.  
Liberty Church—Twelve miles south of Alexander City. Third Sunday. Good meeting. Baptized

one and received two by letter. Reach there by buggy.  
New Prospect—Eighteen miles west of this place. Fourth Sunday. Good meeting.  
Churches all in good condition.  
JOHN R. CALDWELL.  
Prattville.

For the Alabama Baptist.  
Elder J. H. R. Carden.

James Harvey Reuben Carden, born in Greene county, removed temporarily to St. Clair, but was brought up mainly in Shelby by his grand parents, having lost both his parents while a small child, died on Yellowleaf, Shelby county, June 9th, aged 78. On the 10th I buried him at Bethesda (Four Mile church), choosing as my text, as aptly descriptive of his ministerial character, "I take you to record this day, that I am pure from the blood of all men. For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God." Acts 20:27, 28.  
Sitting for years under the ministry of Rev. J. M. Scott, a man of strong understanding, mighty in the Scriptures, and of spotless life, he imbibed much of the theology and passionate love of Scripture truth so conspicuous in the character of his venerable pastor. Bro. Carden was the most familiar with the English Scriptures of any man I ever knew, quoting *ad libitum* from any part, especially of the New Testament, and rarely or never needing a Concordance to find any passage referred to; even thoroughly at home amid the most intricate parts of Jewish history and the connections of the Old and New Testaments. Though profiting as I have said of the teachings of Mr. Scott, he formed his own system directly out of the Bible, yielding nothing to any man's mere opinion. His opinions were convictions; and I venture to say he would have gone to the stake rather than renounce the smallest part of divine teaching. He held to his convictions so strongly that he was sometimes impatient of the opinions of others, and defiant of opposition, making himself less popular than he would otherwise have been. I never knew a man who had a profounder sense of the evil of sin

and the greatness of redemption. He was a very able preacher, with culture would have ranked with any. His large family all becoming reputable Christians, speaks well for his home influence. In his intercourse with his brethren he was very edifying, easily falling into rich veins of Christian and ministerial experience.

He was converted before he was grown; soon began to exercise his gifts; and was called to ordination early in life, preaching actively in the same region down to old age with much usefulness. Those who knew him well will be more and more impressed with his life and services as time wears away. He belonged to that large class who founded most of our churches in Alabama, but whose only earthly record is in the tattered leaves of old and forgotten church books, but registered on high to be brought forth again when the Chief Shepherd himself shall appear.  
E. B. TEAGUE.

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For The Alabama Baptist.  
Mormon Vagrants.

It is evident that the South is infested by an increasing number of Mormon tramps, who are preying upon the hospitality of our people, and the time has come for this thing to stop. Southern liberality has already been too long abused by these emissaries of Mormonism; men who have started out with the fixed intention of making their living out of the honest toil of others. Florida is infested by quite a number. They travel two together, and like locusts are literally foraging on the people, and in this way these "so called" Elders make their living as they go from house to house. While I am ever ready and willing to help the needy and distressed, I do not feel that it is right to feed and lodge men who have started out with the intention of making their living from the honest toil of others, for nothing; for these tramps generally say they have no money. Let these men understand that this method of spreading Mormonism will not work any longer in the South, and the visits of such prowling vagrants will be less frequent.  
JUSTICE.

DeFuniak Springs, Fla.  
For the Alabama Baptist.  
The Alabama State B. Y. P. U. Convention.

Our annual convention will be held at Woodlawn July 27, 28. The fare will be one and one third rate provided as many as 50 delegates attend.  
The Woodlawn people are making preparations for the entertaining of these delegates, and they want a large number. Every Baptist church is entitled to send delegates, whether it has a Union or not. The program in full will be printed next week. Bro. B. McGowan has the arrangement for the entertainment of delegates in hand, and he earnestly requests all who expect to attend to notify him at once, in order that they may be assigned to homes. Please comply with his request so far as possible. Birmingham and surrounding section hopes to have the pleasure of welcoming the young people from all over the state to their hospitality. Come, and let us have the greatest meeting we have ever had. Railroad tickets will be purchased to Birmingham, and from Birmingham to Woodlawn will be on the electric car.  
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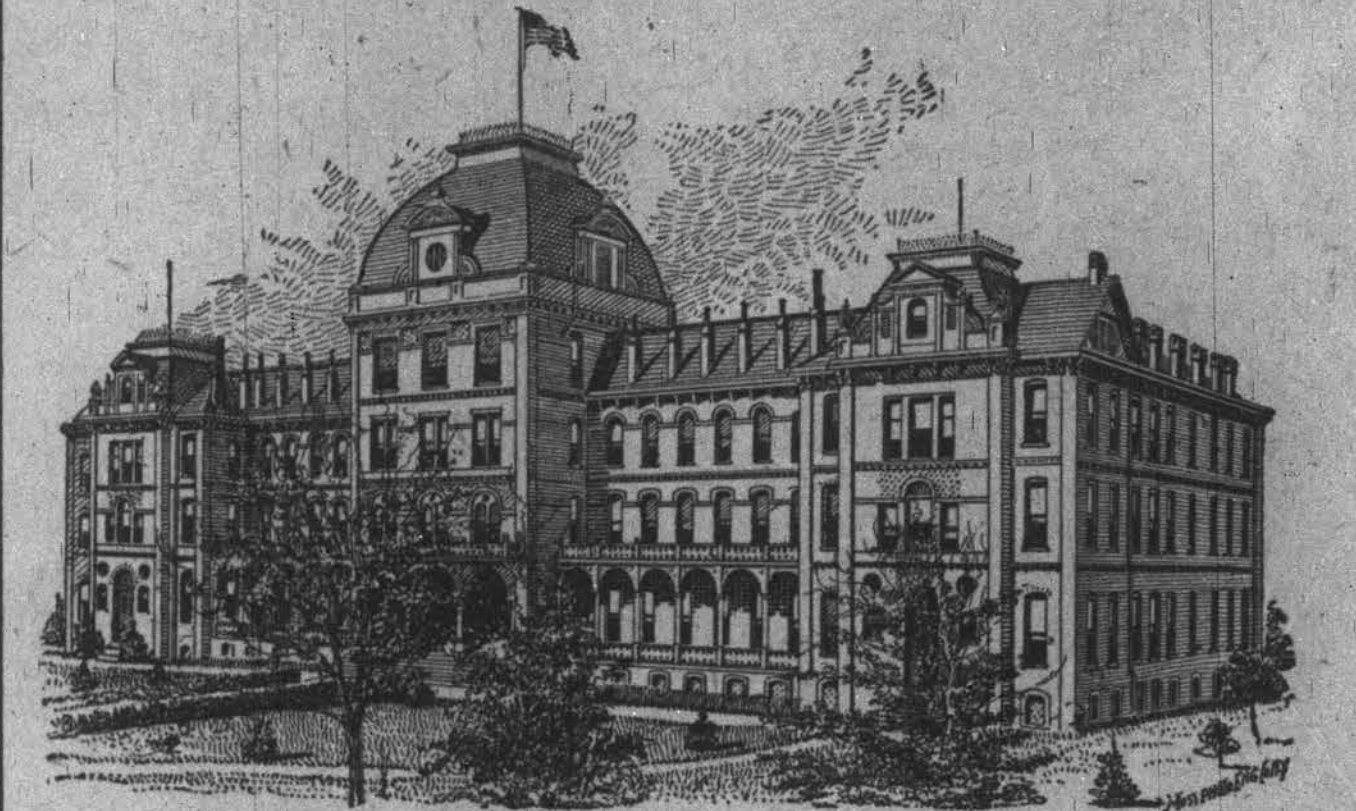
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## LOVE AND FAME.

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And love came flitting by,  
But paused awhile,  
With bathed wings, to sigh.  
But still I looked for fame,  
And love fled by.

Fame came at last,  
When hope was almost sped.  
Fame came at last,  
When youth and joy had fled,  
And then I looked for love,  
But love was dead.

—T. E. McGrath.

## Thirty Seconds Too Late.

Rev. Mr. Bell was always punctual. Whoever might be late at meeting, at the funeral or anywhere else, they all knew Mr. Bell would not. If called to attend a wedding, his foot was on the doorstep and his hand on the bell handle as the clock was striking the hour. It was at first quite annoying to his flock to go according to their old habits to a funeral and meet it on the way to the grave, or to go to a wedding and find it all over before they thought of getting there. So old Mr. Bell waited on the minister to ask him why he was always in such a hurry and so afraid of being too late.

"Well, my good friend, I will tell you; and if, after hearing me, you do not think I am about right in this thing, I will try to alter."

"That's surely fair," slowly said Mr. Bell, as if afraid to commit himself.

"When I was a young man and had been preaching only a few months, I was invited to go to a distant mountain town and preach to a destitute people. I went for some weeks, and then returned home for a few days, promising to be back without fail the next Sunday. Well, I had a pleasant week among my kind relatives, and was so much engaged that I hardly thought of my solemn duties till Saturday returned, and then my sister and a beautiful friend of hers persuaded me to go out a little while in the little white boat 'Cinderella' on a beautiful lake. The day was fine and 'Cinderella' spun and darted under my oars as if a thing of life. When we got ashore I found it 2 o'clock, and the cars started in fifteen minutes!

"I left the ladies and ran home, then caught my car and ran for the depot. I saw the cars had arrived. With all my strength I ran. I saw them start. I redoubled my efforts and got within fifteen feet of the cars! Oh, for thirty seconds more! Thirty seconds too late! No more!

"The next day was a bright, still, sweet Sunday. My mountain people gathering, coming down from the glens and following the rills, filled the house of worship. But there was no minister; and the hungry sheep had no shepherd to feed them. He was thirty seconds too late!

"There was a poor, old, blind man, lived four miles from the church, and seldom could he get to meeting. That day he ate breakfast early, and his little granddaughter led him all the way down the mountain to the church. How weary and sad and disappointed he was! There was no minister to speak to him. He was thirty seconds too late!

"There was a great gathering of children to the Sunday school. And their little eyes glistened, for the minister had promised to preach them a 'little sermon' today; but he was not there; he was thirty seconds too late!

"There was a sick child up one of the glens of the mountain, and she had been inquiring all the week for the minister. She was so anxious to see him, and have him pray with her. How she hailed the day

when he would be there! But no! he was not there.

"That poor old blind man never came to the church again. He was too feeble, and never heard another sermon or prayer. The minister was thirty seconds too late!

"That little girl was dead before I got back, and I could only shed tears over her corpse! I had been thirty seconds too late!

"On my bended knees I asked God's forgiveness, and promised him that, if possible, I would never be thirty seconds too late!

"And now, Mr. Slow, am I not about right in my punctuality?"

"Well, I guess, it—don't look—quite—so—unreasonable—as it might!"—Secretary.

For the Alabama Baptist.

Notes from Bro. Pace.

I have just returned from Sheffield. Have been in attendance on the ministers' institute held with the First Baptist church. Brethren Anderson and David were present. It was a spiritual uplift to all who attended, besides the good that was done to the ministers present.

I notice in Bro. Preston's paragraphs that he seems to think somebody is cranky about Mormonism. He says, "There are other isms more to be dreaded than Mormonism." He says he has been traveling two years and a half and has seen but one Mormon elder, and has not found a single convert to Mormonism. Lest some one should think that I had tried to raise a false alarm, I asked several brethren present at Sheffield if Mormonism is gaining a foothold in their fields. Bro. Comstock said that "he was reliably informed that they had about captured a Baptist church and an entire community in Northwest Alabama." Bro. A. J. Ivie said "They were making converts in some portions of the country south of Tusculum." Bro. W. A. Turnage, of Iuka, Miss., pastor at Riverton, Ala., told us publicly that when he took charge of the Riverton church there were eight Mormons holding membership in the church. Where I preach at Centerville they have a number of members, some of them the best people of the community. If Bro.

Preston, or some one else who doubts that Mormonism is gaining ground in North Alabama, will correspond with either of the brethren I have named he will give him the facts in the case.

I have just begun to preach in the most destitute regions. I shall write in the future on other subjects and leave those fellows from Salt Lake for some one else to write about.

Bro. A. W. Briscoe has begun his work as pastor at Russellville. We expect a forward move all along the line. I trust that he will have the hearty co-operation of the entire church. I hope that we may be enabled to have a fifth Sunday meeting in or near Russellville in July. If we could get our ministry to unite and work together it would be a blessing to our cause.

J. O. A. PACE.

Russellville, June 17.

## The Home Board and the Secretaries.

Dr. Tichenor thus explains to the Index the recent action of the Home Mission Board as to the secretaries:

The action of the Board so far as relates to secretaries was limited to the adoption of the following report of its committee:

"Your committee appointed to consider the present needs of the board and proper provisions for meeting them, beg to report:

"That in interpreting the recent action of the Southern Baptist Convention as best we may, we have reached the following conclusions:

"1. That it should be the policy of the board for this Conventional year to employ two secretaries of equal rank, to be known as the associate secretaries of the Home Mission Board. It being understood that the senior, or one first chosen, shall report to the board on behalf of both, and have choice of work and duties, to be subsequently determined by the board.

"2. That the salaries of the associate secretaries be equal, amounting in each to two thousand dollars per annum.

"3. That Rev. I. T. Tichenor be the senior associate secretary for

this year, and that Rev. F. C. McConnell be junior associate secretary for the same time, with duties to be specified by the board hereafter."

Being requested to come before the board when informed of its action, I stated that the board and its corresponding secretary had always hitherto worked in harmony—that I was not prepared to give a reply to the offer they then made to me, but that I would give kindly consideration to their action, and that as I knew the work of the board was being retarded for the lack of a secretary, I would notify them of my decision as early as possible. After advising fully with some of my wisest friends, I concluded to accept the board's offer, and so notified Dr. H. McDonald, its president. This is the extent of my action in relation to the matter, and covers my entire obligation to the board arising under it.

Your brother,  
I. T. TICHENOR.

## The Growth of Denominations.

The following are the statistics of growth of the various denominations in the United States during the year 1898, as given by the New York Christian Advocate.

Baptists.....	86,189
Roman Catholics.....	43,173
Mormons.....	41,000
Disciples.....	34,536
Methodists(North).....	31,122
Methodists(South) decrease.....	9,009
Episcopalians.....	20,964
Presbyterians (North).....	15,643
Presbyterians (South).....	5,381
Congregationalists.....	14,136
Lutherans.....	9,852
Cumberland Presbyterians.....	4,993

From the above figures it will be seen that the Baptists have had by far the largest growth of any denomination, about doubling the Catholics and Mormons, who come next to them. It should be remembered, however, that both of these count their whole population, while Baptists count only those old enough to believe on Christ and be baptized. The best comparison is with the Methodists, who number about the same as Baptists, they having a few more members. In the North the Methodists outnumber the Baptists, while in the South it is the other way. Counting the Baptists

and Methodists North and South, the Baptists had a larger growth than the Methodists by about 4 to 1. The Methodists of the South, instead of growing, had actual loss. Just what was the cause of this has been puzzling their editors.

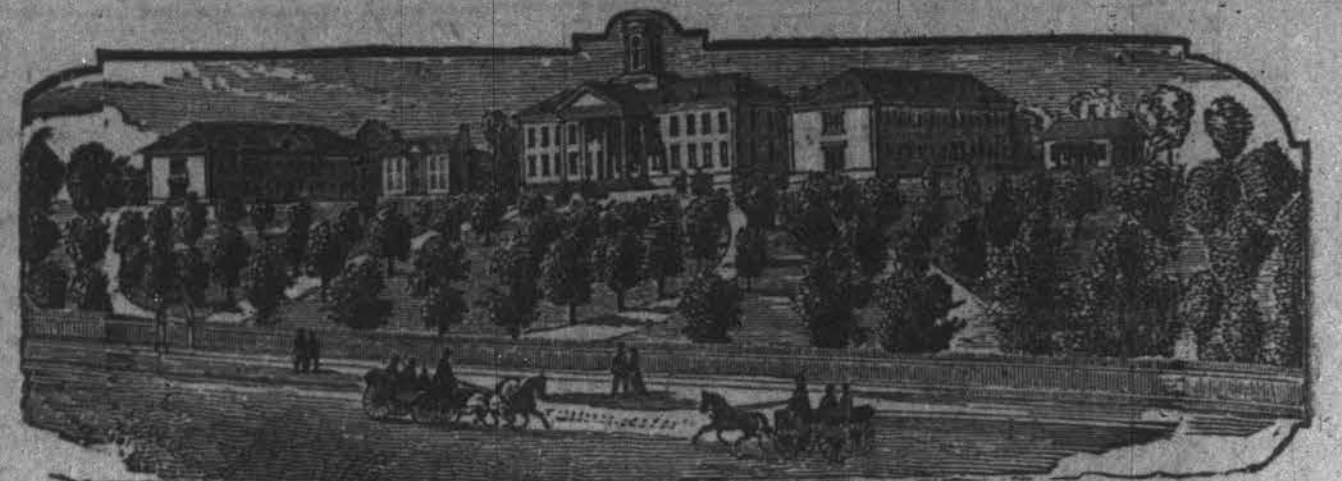
But while it is a matter of gratification that Baptists have had a larger growth than other denominations, there is no room for boasting on the part of any one. We are glad that Baptists have done better than others. We are sorry that others have not done better than they have, especially so far as the salvation of souls is concerned.—Baptist and Reflector.

What a difference there is in women! The actual number of years they have lived seems to have little to do with their looks. Some women at 45 look and act younger than others at 30. Their eyes are brighter, their complexions fairer, and there are not nearly so many wrinkles. Old Father Time deals gently with a healthy woman, but



when a woman is run-down with the drains, pains, displacements and weaknesses peculiar to her sex, she ages fast. The wrinkles come early. The roses in the cheeks vanish, and an unwholesome pallor spreads over her features. She becomes nervous, petulant, fidgety. She loses flesh, and drags about in a most miserable state of body and mind. Such a sick woman needs Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. This medicine will restore the looks of younger days by strengthening her in a womanly way. It will do what powders and paints and "beautifiers" can never do. It is a non-alcoholic and non-narcotic preparation. The stimulation and strength it imparts are permanent. It cures all the distressing ailments commonly called "female troubles." There is no other remedy so good for this purpose. When a medicine dealer urges upon you something else as a substitute for it, he is attempting a personal injury. Never take any substitute for Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.

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For the Alabama Baptist.  
Chilton County to the Front.

Ed. Baptist: I desire to say a few words in regard to the present condition of our church, town and county.

The Baptist church of this place is in better condition spiritually than it has been for years past, there having been twenty additions since the beginning of Bro. Woods' pastorate in October '98. We have two prayer meetings each week, known as the general prayer meeting and the young men's prayer-meeting. There is considerable interest manifested in each, but I must say that the young men seem to manifest more zeal in their meetings than is shown in the general prayer meeting. But I will say that we have some old members, such as Judge Adams and Bro. Woods, who meet with the young men and for the time being seem as young as any of us, which is very encouraging to the younger members.

Our Sunday school is progressing finely. We have on the roll about 80 members, and an average attendance of about 60.

Our town is in a prosperous condition, and enjoying greater peace and quietude than it has had in several years past, if ever before.

As to our county, Chilton county, I dare say, is the banner county in the state for the decrease of crime. The three last terms of our circuit court found in all only twenty-six indictments. The Spring term of this court convened on the 15th day of May, and the civil docket consumed four and one half days time (only 41 cases on the docket); and on Monday of the second week the criminal docket was finished in about two hours. Only one case tried, and the defendant acquitted. Do you know of any county doing better? I am proud of the fact that we have a good county, and that every county officer is a Christian gentleman, and with but one exception all are members of the Baptist church. Of course, when litigation decreases, the salaries of the different officers decrease also, yet the officers have the privilege and pleasure of serving a good people. Hoping that the time may soon come when we will need no more prisoners' cells and court halls, I am, Respectfully,  
MEMBER BAPTIST CHURCH.

Chilton, June 1.

[This good report was overlooked for a time.—Ed.]

#### An Urgent Request.

Office of Early, Ga., May 31, '99.  
Conductor Skussion Train.

Please send me the munny for them to gooses you kilt this mornin' at Early.  
One goose kilt 30 sents  
Another goose kilt 30 sents  
One goose crippled 15 sents

Total amount 75 sents  
Send the munny by next train shore.  
W. F. Roberson.

[The above is one of the many urgent requests made by people along the line of the popular Rome & Decatur branch of the Southern Railway]—Atlanta Mirror.

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This feature of the new service on this line will, no doubt, be fully appreciated by the traveling public, and that it will receive very liberal patronage cannot be doubted.

## Plant System.

Florida to Cuba.

Schedule in effect June 11, 1899									
No. 82.	No. 86.	No. 36.	No. 58.	STATIONS.		No. 57.	No. 33.	No. 85.	
8 10am	11 25am	7 45pm	10 25pm	Lv. Montgomery	ar. Troy	8 10am	9 30pm	6 15pm	
11 10	1 00pm	9 25	10 40	ar. Troy	lv. Ozark	6 37	7 43	3 45	
1 20pm	2 22	10 40	11 10	ar. Ozark	lv. Pinckard	5 27	6 24	1 50	
2 15	2 55	11 10	11 40	ar. Pinckard	lv. Thomasville	5 00	5 55	7 00am	
7 40	6 25	2 40am	4 11	ar. Thomasville	lv. Valdosta	1 45	2 30		
10 04	7 59	4 11	4 44	ar. Valdosta	lv. Dupont	12 18	1 00		
11 20	8 45	4 44	5 17	ar. Dupont	lv. Waycross	11 30pm	12 07pm		
	10 00	5 17	5 50	ar. Waycross	lv. Jacksonville	10 30	11 05am		
	12 30am	5 50	6 23	ar. Jacksonville	lv. Jacksonville	8 00	8 40		
	9 20	6 23	6 56	ar. Jacksonville	lv. Palatka	7 00	7 40		
	11 50	6 56	7 29	ar. Palatka	lv. DeLand	5 10	6 40		
	3 30	7 29	8 02	ar. DeLand	lv. Sanford	3 10	4 40		
		8 02	8 35	ar. Sanford	lv. Winter Park	2 30	4 00		
		8 35	9 08	ar. Winter Park	lv. Orlando	1 15	3 20pm		
		9 08	9 41	ar. Orlando	lv. Kissimmee	1 05	10 40		
		9 41	10 14	ar. Kissimmee	lv. Lakeland	12 33	9 00		
		10 14	10 47	ar. Lakeland	lv. Tampa	11 15am	7 35		
		10 47	11 20	ar. Tampa	lv. Port Tampa	9 55	7 00		
		11 20	11 53	ar. Port Tampa	lv. Port Tampa	9 30	7 00		
		11 53	12 26	ar. Port Tampa	lv. Port Tampa	10 30	10 00am		
		12 26	1 00	ar. Port Tampa	lv. Waycross	10 10	10 40		
		1 00	1 33	ar. Waycross	lv. Savannah	6 05	8 40		
		1 33	2 06	ar. Savannah	lv. Charleston	2 00	6 28		
		2 06	2 39	ar. Charleston	lv. Waycross	10 00pm	9 30am		
		2 39	3 12	ar. Waycross	lv. Brunswick	7 45	9 30		
		3 12	3 45	ar. Brunswick	lv. Palatka	5 10pm			
		3 45	4 18	ar. Palatka	lv. Gainesville	4 10			
		4 18	4 51	ar. Gainesville	lv. Ocala	2 00			
		4 51	5 24	ar. Ocala	lv. Triby	10 35am			
		5 24	5 57	ar. Triby	lv. Lakeland	9 05			
		5 57	6 30	ar. Lakeland	lv. Tampa	7 30			
		6 30	7 03	ar. Tampa	lv. Port Tampa	7 00			
		7 03	7 36	ar. Port Tampa	lv. Port Tampa	10 30am			
		7 36	8 09	ar. Port Tampa	lv. Tarpon Springs	6 39			
		8 09	8 42	ar. Tarpon Springs	lv. Clearwater	5 45			
		8 42	9 15	ar. Clearwater	lv. Belleair	5 41			
		9 15	9 48	ar. Belleair	lv. St. Petersburg	5 00			
		9 48	10 21	ar. St. Petersburg	lv. Dupont	8 55pm			
		10 21	10 54	ar. Dupont	lv. Live Oak	7 00			
		10 54	11 27	ar. Live Oak	lv. Lake City	8 00			
		11 27	12 00	ar. Lake City	lv. High Springs	3 40			
		12 00	12 33	ar. High Springs	lv. Triby	10 35am			
		12 33	1 06	ar. Triby	lv. Lakeland	8 50			
		1 06	1 39	ar. Lakeland	lv. Tampa	7 30			
		1 39	2 12	ar. Tampa	lv. Port Tampa	7 00			

Pinckard Accommodation, except Sunday—Leave Montgomery 4 p. m., arrive at Troy 6:45 p. m., Ozark 9:10 p. m., Pinckard 10 p. m. Leave Pinckard 5:30 a. m., Ozark 6:07 a. m., Troy 8 a. m. Arrive at Montgomery 10:30 a. m.  
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## Georgia & Alabama Railway.

Passenger Schedules. Effective February 5, 1899.									
No. 19*	No. 17*	MAIN LINE.		No. 18*	No. 20*				
7 30pm	7 25am	Leave	Savannah	Arrive	11 45pm	8 40am			
8 16	8 05	Arrive	Cuyler	Leave	11 00	7 57			
9 55	9 35	"	Collins	"	9 34	6 30			
11 55	11 35	"	Helena	"	7 34	4 30			
		12 26pm	Arrive	Abbeville	Leave	10 44pm			
		11 30	"	Cordele	Leave	5 22			
		11 50	Leave	Americus	Arrive	5 22			
		2 55	Arrive	Richland	Leave	4 17			
		3 55	"	Huntsboro	"	3 20			
		5 55	"	Montgomery	"	1 21			

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

Trains Nos. 1 and 2 carry through coaches between Atlanta and Albany in connection with Southern Railway.  
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.  
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A. POPE, General Passenger Agent.  
CECIL GABBETT, Vice-Pres't and Gen'l Mgr.

## Mobile & Birmingham Railroad Co.

Time Table in Effect January 22, 1899.

Going South.		STATION.		Going North.	
9 10pm	lv.	Kansas City	ar.	7 10am	
5 00	ar.	Memphis	lv.	11 20	
8 00	lv.	Memphis	ar.	7 45	
10 40	lv.	Holly Springs	ar.	6 10	
5 50am	ar.	Birmingham	lv.	10 20pm	
6 00am	lv.	Birmingham	ar.	7 45pm	
6 25	lv.	Bessemer	ar.	7 24	
7 20	lv.	Blocton	ar.	6 17	
8 32	lv.	Montevallo	ar.	5 01	
10 25	ar.	Selma	lv.	3 15	
8 30am	lv.	Cincinnati	ar.	7 30pm	
7 40	lv.	Louisville	ar.	7 55	
6 10pm	lv.	Chattanooga	ar.	9 45am	
10 15	ar.	Birmingham	lv.	5 55	
6 00am	lv.	Birmingham	ar.	7 45pm	
10 25	ar.	Selma	lv.	3 15	
4 20pm	lv.	Atlanta	ar.	11 30pm	
6 55	lv.	West Point	ar.	8 50	
7 40	lv.	Opelika	ar.	8 10	
8 30am	lv.	Montgomery	ar.	5 35	
10 25	ar.	Selma	lv.	3 30	
Going South.				Going North.	
No. 5.	No. 1.			No. 2.	No. 1.
(Mixed)	Pas'ger.			Pas'ger.	(Mixed)
9 30pm	10 30am	lv.	Selma	ar.	3 00pm
10 30	10 58	lv.	Marion Junction	ar.	2 30
11 55	11 38	lv.	Alberta	ar.	1 48
12 30am	11 54	lv.	Catherine	ar.	1 33
2 00	12 23pm	lv.	Pine Hill	ar.	12 52
3 30	1 03	lv.	Thomasville	ar.	12 25
3 57	1 30	lv.	Fulton	ar.	11 49am
4 28	1 39	lv.	Whately	ar.	11 29
4 58	2 01	lv.	Walker Springs	ar.	11 09
5 20	2 17	lv.	Jackson	ar.	10 52
6 42	3 16	lv.	Calvert	ar.	10 15
6 57	3 26	lv.	Mt. Vernon	ar.	9 48
8 50	4 25	ar.	Mobile	lv.	8 30

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

FRANK G. BROWDER, JR., G. P. A., Selma, Alabama.

## The Western Railway of Alabama.

IN EFFECT APRIL 1, 1899.										Read up.									
6		34		36		38		STATIONS.		37		35		39		5			
8 40am		3 30pm						Lv Selma Ar		11 30pm				10 30am					
9 18		4 14						.. Benton ..		10 50				9 47					
9 33		4 30						.. Whitehall ..		10 35				9 31					
9 49		4 35						Lowndesboro ..		10 21				9 18					
9 57		4 58						.. Burkeville ..		10 09				9 06					
10 35		5 35						Ar Mont'yLv		9 35				8 30					
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		1 00pm		12 20am				.. Mobile ..		3 15		4 01pm							
12 20		11 25pm		Ar . Pensacola ..		5 30		6 10											
6 00		6 10 am		Ar . Mont'yLv		9 30pm		10 50 am											
oopm		12 01pm		6 20pm		6 20 am		Lv . Mont'yar		9 20 pm		10 31 am		7 25 pm		11 00pm			
50		12 30						.. Mt Meigs ..						6 45		10 04			
25		12 50						.. Shorters ..						6 24		10 13			
40		12 55						.. Goodwyns ..						6 18		9 00			
55		1 00		7 10				.. Milstead ..						6 15		8 33			
05		1 25		7 31		7 35		.. Cheshaw ..		8 11		9 25		5 52		7 20			
45		1 40						.. Notaulga ..						5 37		6 50			
55		2 13		8 05		8 14		.. Auburn ..		7 40		8 53		5 10		6 03			
20		2 25		8 17		8 26		Ar OpelikaLv		7 28		8 43		4 56		5 40			
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				3 45		9 50		Ar Colum. Lv		1 30									
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		3 03						.. Cusseta ..						4 28					
		3 37		8 55		9 07		.. West Point		6 49		8 00		4 07					
		3 54		9 05				Gabbettville				7 52		3 54					
25		4 14		9 21		9 31		.. La Grange ..		6 22		7 35		3 33		8 35pm			
52		4 43		9 42		9 52		Hogansville				7 12		3 07		8 08			
05		4 57		9 55		10 03		.. Grantville ..				7 00		2 53		7 54			
20		5 10		10 08		10 17		.. Moreland ..				6 49		2 42		7 42			
40		5 26		10 20		10 29		.. Newnan ..								7 28			
10		5 58						.. Palmetto ..				6 12		1 58		7 00			
25		6 13						.. Fairburn ..				6 03		1 45		6 46			
55		6 37		11 10				Colfe Park.						1 25		6 15			
20am		6 42		11 14		11 22		.. East Point ..		4 35		5 40		1 20		6 00			
		7 00		11 30		11 40		Ar AtlantaLv		4 20pm		5 25am		1 00pm		5 35pm			
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				5 45 am		5 30pm		.. Greenville ..		12 28		1 20							
				9 30		8 30		.. Charlotte ..		9 35am		10 15							
				12 10 pm		10 44		Greensboro		7 05		7 37							
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This is one of the nicest as well as one of the cheapest outings any one can take, and it would be well for any one going to Richmond to avail himself of this opportunity. The accommodations will be fine. By paying 50c the time of the ticket can be made 30 days from date of sale.

All who are going, let me hear from you. L. W. TERRILL, Transportation Leader. Birmingham.

## Baptist Convention.

The next Baptist State convention meets in Gadsden next November, and several names are being suggested as suitable persons for president of the convention.

The Huntsville Tribune suggests the name of Mr. R. E. Pettus. The Talladega Mountain Home suggests Mr. J. B. Graham. Both these are good men, and either would make a splendid presiding officer.

There are also other laymen in the state who are worthy and qualified to be made president of the convention. Among them are T. G. Bush, of Anniston; H. S. D. Mallory, Selma; E. A. Cabiness, Birmingham; J. G. Harris, Montgomery; James Crook, Jacksonville; H. M. A. Houston, M. V. Palmer, Tuscaloosa.—The Republican, Anniston.

## STATE NEWS.

Evergreen is in earnest about building a cotton factory.

Dothan people appear to be pleased with the result of the dispensary in their town.

Mr. James T. Sloan and Miss Essie Booth were recently married in Montgomery. The groom was in the last stage of consumption, and died a few days after the marriage.

There were twenty-four marriages in Montgomery during the month of June.

Covington county was the first on the list to have its teachers' papers examined by the State Board of Examiners. Out of 24 applicants only 10 passed, and none received the first grade. Tallapoosa county was next taken, supposedly because it is the home county of one of the examiners, and out of 44 applicants only 22 passed. As other counties so far examined show about the same proportion of failures, it appears that there have heretofore been many incompetent teachers. If the speed of the process of examination is not increased, it will be a long time before the last county is finished.

Everything in the mineral districts in Alabama is on a big boom. Iron and coal lands that were offered last year at \$3 per acre cannot be bought now for \$10.

An old pistol went off in the hands of Miss Mary Roach, near Greensboro last week, the ball piercing her heart and killing her instantly. Two years ago her brother was accidentally killed while loading a shot gun.

Quite a number of papers insist on Gen Wheeler running for governor next year, and they think he would have little opposition. He wants to go to the Philippines.

The Moulton (Lawrence County) Advertiser says that when rain began to fall recently in that town some one raised a thankful song

and many joined in the singing. Crops are generally good in the county.

From all parts of the state reports come of good rains and promising crops, but there are localities in which it appears that little will be made, especially of corn.

Don't waste today's strength fighting tomorrow's battles.

True obedience neither procrastinates nor questions.—Francis Quarles.

## OBITUARY.

On the 30th of May last the angel of death rushed in without warning and took from us our pet and sunshine of the home, little Elma, daughter of J. W. Long, of Birmingham. Though so young, (twenty months old), her life was entwined around many hearts that are left bleeding and torn because of the silence of her sweet little prattle, and the painful hush of the pattering little feet.

Father, mother and loved ones, let us look up, listen! She holds the door ajar! See the "beautiful beckoning hand!" Hear the same little prattle, "Come on." Some pages of our life that we cannot read now, some day when God's light shall fall on them, then we'll understand.

Our church at Compton Hill, (Birmingham) recently sustained a loss in the death of Bro. Thos. O. Wildsmith that is keenly felt by all. Bro. Wildsmith was a deacon upon whom the pastor and church laid great responsibilities. He was a superintendent of the Sunday school the leading light and influence for young and old. A good husband and a loving father. As his pastor I am safe in saying that he was considered by every one that knew him as being a truly converted, upright man and devoted Christian. His unexpected and sudden death makes it still harder for us to bear. At first we could not understand how we could give him up, but, in the language of David, we will say with wife and children, "I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me." God has only plucked him as a flower from his vineyard on earth, to be transplanted in the paradise above. The thought of meeting such people as Bro. Wildsmith in heaven makes the other shore a place more to be desired. Jno. H. Pool.

Brookside. Sister Elizabeth Teer, nee Taylor, was born June 16, 1834, and died June 13, 1899, lacking but three days of being 65 years old. By faith she embraced Christ and was baptized into the fellowship of Forest Baptist church in September, 1853. She was married December 25, 1855. Her life was and is a living witness of the faith she professed, her death the crown and climax of that faith by which she lived. Her life was one of pure unselfishness, as she lived for others. We trust the mantle of her gentle, loving Christlikeness and unbounded sympathy may fall upon some one she has left behind. No one, except the family, will feel more deeply the loss of this servant of God than the writer. May the Lord comfort the sadly bereaved. Oh, how sad it makes us feel to give her up. Sleep on, dear wife, mother, sister and friend. We will meet thee on that better shore. J. W. CALDWELL, Pastor.

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## In Memoriam.

The sudden death of Sister E. J. Minor has not only plunged into deep grief her immediate family, but has cast a gloom over all the church and the society of which she was president, and also caused a feeling of sincere mourning over the entire community. A feeling of personal loss pervades the society, and genuine sorrow at the taking away of one who has always been a loved friend and counselor. Realizing that she has passed from the busy care of this life to the occupancy of the mansion prepared for her by her Heavenly Father; therefore be it resolved by the Ladies' Aid Society of Pratt City Baptist church, That it having pleased God in his allwise providence to remove from us our beloved president, while we bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well, realizing that he is too wise to err and too good to be unkind, yet we feel deeply and sensibly the loss of so efficient an officer and so valuable a member.

Second, That this society tender its sincerest sympathies to the bereaved family.

Third, That these resolutions be entered on the minutes of this society, and a copy of the same be sent the family of our beloved sister.

MRS. STELLA L. WEBB,  
"BLACKWELL,  
MISS HATTIE EUBANK.

## Resolutions.

Whereas, Our beloved sister, Mrs. G. C. Gowdy, was removed from our midst by death June 6th last, we who were co-workers with her in the Master's work wish to express our appreciation of her faithful service, and we desire to pass and place on record the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That we regard our sister's service in the Ladies' Aid Society of Livingston Baptist church, of which she was a charter member, as of the highest order of Christian zeal and womanly interest.

2. That we give her up with deepest sorrow, and the warmest love and affection for her will ever remain in our hearts.

3. That in our sad bereavement we humbly bow in submission to Him who doeth all things well.

4. That we extend to the family our sincere sympathy, and point them to Him who will be their Comforter.

MRS. W. G. CURRY,  
"A. M. TARTT,  
"J. M. ARRINGTON.

Resolutions on the death of Mrs. Donna Hendon, April 4, 1899:

Whereas, It has pleased an allwise and merciful Father to remove to heaven our beloved Sister Donna Hendon, who for many years has been a zealous co-laborer in all our work; and Whereas, The Christian relation so long a source of help and comfort to the members of the Ladies' Aid Society of Bessemer Baptist church renders it meet and proper that we place upon record our appreciation of her character and work among us; Therefore, be it Resolved, That our hearts are filled with sadness over our loss, though not without assurance that her soul is at rest with God for her life was that of a consecrated one; and Whereas, The Lord, and her death a glorious victory. Resolved, 2. That we tender our sincere and deepest sympathy to her afflicted relatives in the loss of one so loving, kind and true, so ready with a word to cheer, and to lighten the cares and sorrows of life and to help them in their Christian career. Resolved, 3. That a copy of these resolutions be recorded in our minutes, a copy be sent the family of our departed sister, and also that they be published in the ALABAMA BAPTIST.

MRS. T. P. WALLER,  
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In this case it appears by the affidavit of Geo. W. Ellis that the defendant is over the age of 21 years, and is a resident of Warrenton, in the State of Florida. It is therefore ordered that publication be made in the ALABAMA BAPTIST, a newspaper published in Montgomery, Alabama, once a week for three successive weeks, requiring the said J. J. Hunter to plead or answer the complaint in this cause by the 14th day of July, 1899, or three days thereafter a judgment of default will be taken against him. Given under my hand this 20th day of June, 1899.

M. W. STUART, J. P.

(TALK NO. 3.)

## Symptoms.

If in reading you often have to stop and rest, or rub your eyes, it is a certain indication that you need glasses. If the type blurs and runs together; if the eyes burn or ache; if there is a tendency to hold your book at arm's length, or very close to your face, your eyes should have attention at once. With some people severe headaches are the only symptoms of eye-strain. Others can read or sew without tiring, but do not see distant objects well. Still others have none of these symptoms, but find by alternately covering each eye that they are doing nearly all of their work with one, while the other sees very poorly. In every case these troubles can be entirely relieved by glasses. I will be glad to make an examination of your eyes and tell you in just what condition I find them.

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## MORTGAGE SALE.

Under and by virtue of a certain mortgage with power of sale, and under the powers therein contained, executed by Thomas Freeman and Lula Freeman, his wife, to the Banking, Building & Loan Company of Montgomery, Alabama, on July 26, 1895, which mortgage is recorded in Book 136, page 546 of the records of the Probate Office of Montgomery county, State of Alabama, the said Banking, Building & Loan Company will proceed to sell at public auction, at the Artesian Basin, Court Square, in the City of Montgomery, Alabama, to the highest bidder for cash, on the 31st day of July, 1899, the following described property, situated in the City of Montgomery and State of Alabama, to-wit:

Lot No. Fifty-one (51) of original Lot No. five (5) in block No. four (4) of "Peacock Tract," and further described as follows: Beginning at a point on the west side of Dorsey Street five hundred and forty (540) feet south from the southwest intersection of Loudie and Dorsey streets, and running south along the west side of Dorsey street fifty (50) feet, thence west one hundred and forty (140) feet, thence north fifty (50) feet, thence east one hundred and forty (140) feet to the point of beginning, which description is shown by a map or plat of said property known as "Chappel's Plat," and recorded in the Probate Office of Montgomery County, Alabama, in Book of Deeds No. 8, page 295.

This the 3d day of July, 1899.  
BANKING, BUILDING & LOAN CO.,  
J. L. Holloway, Attorney. Mortgagee.

## MORTGAGE SALE.

Under and by virtue of a certain mortgage with power of sale, and under the powers therein contained, executed by J. A. Clegg and Nancy Clegg, his wife, to the Banking, Building & Loan Company of Montgomery, Alabama, on March 17th, 1895, which mortgage is recorded in Book 42, page 379 of the records of the Probate Office of Russell County, State of Alabama, the said Banking, Building & Loan Company will proceed to sell at public auction, at the Artesian Basin, Court Square, in the City of Montgomery, Alabama, to the highest bidder for cash, on the 31st day of July, 1899, the following described property, situated in the town of Girard, County of Russell and State of Alabama, to-wit:

One-fourth of an acre of lot in the map or plan of the town of Girard and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the north side of Broadnas street east one hundred and fifty (150) feet from the northeast intersection of Boyd and Broadnas streets, and running north one hundred and twenty-five (125) feet, thence east sixty-one (61) feet and six (6) inches, thence south one hundred and twenty five (125) feet to Broadnas street, thence along the north margin of said Broadnas street sixty-one (61) feet and six (6) inches to the point of beginning. Said lot being bounded on the south by Broadnas street, on the west by lands of J. A. Booth, on the north by lands of one Martin, and on the east by lands of A. D. Marchant, and is the same conveyed to J. A. Clegg by A. D. Marchant on the 5th day of March, 1881, by deed of record in the Probate office of Russell county, State of Alabama, in Book —, page —.

This the 3d day of July, 1899.  
BANKING, BUILDING & LOAN CO.,  
J. L. Holloway, Attorney.

## MORTGAGE SALE.

Under and by virtue of a certain mortgage with power of sale, and under the powers therein contained, executed by Louis J. Betzebe and Theresa Betzebe, his wife, to the Banking, Building & Loan Company of Montgomery, Alabama, on February 18, 1895, which mortgage is recorded in Book 29, pages 517, 518, 519, 520, 521 of the records of the probate office of Mobile county, State of Alabama, the said Banking, Building & Loan Company will proceed to sell at public auction, at the Artesian Basin, Court Square, in the City of Montgomery, Alabama, to the highest bidder for cash, on the 31st day of July, 1899, the following described property, situated in the City of Mobile, county of Mobile and State of Alabama, to-wit: That certain lot or tract of land particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point on the west side of Lafayette street one hundred and forty (140) feet south of Davis avenue, thence running south five (5) degrees west one hundred and twenty-four (124) feet and six (6) inches to the northwest corner of Burt and Lafayette streets, thence south eighty-eight (88) degrees west along the north line of Burt street seven hundred and thirty-nine (739) feet, thence north thirty-five (35) degrees west twenty-eight (28) feet, thence north five (5) degrees east three hundred and seventy-five (375) feet to the south line of Quigley street, thence along the south line of Quigley street north eighty-eight (88) degrees east five hundred and twelve (512) feet to Davis avenue, thence along said Davis avenue south sixty-eight degrees and thirty minutes east one hundred and ninety (190) feet, thence south five (5) degrees west one hundred and fifty-four (154) feet, thence south eighty-five (85) degrees east sixty (60) feet to the point of beginning, containing five and nine-tenths (5 9/10) acres, being a part of the Espio tract granted to Anthony Espio by the Spanish government, and is the same conveyed to Louis Betzebe by Cora E. Quigley and Cora Cawthorn on the 24th day of September, 1894, by deed of record in the probate office of Mobile county, State of Alabama, in Book —, page —.

This the 3d day of July, 1899.  
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J. L. Holloway, Attorney. Mortgagee.

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## Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of a certain mortgage with power of sale, and under the powers therein contained, executed by T. Byington and Ella Byington, his wife, to the Banking, Building & Loan Company of Montgomery, Alabama, on July 3, 1895, which mortgage is recorded in Book 43, page 134 of the records of the Probate Office of Russell county, State of Alabama, the said Banking, Building & Loan Company will proceed to sell at public auction, at the Artesian Basin, Court Square, in the City of Montgomery, Alabama, to the highest bidder for cash, on the 31st day of July, 1899, the following described property, situated near Phenix City, County of Russell, and State of Alabama, to-wit:

All that tract or parcel of land known as the "Bell Font Residence," consisting of twelve and four tenths (12 4/10) acres in the northwest corner, section thirty-five (35), township seventeen (17) and range thirty (30); and thirty-seven and six-tenths (37 6/10) acres in the southwest corner of section twenty-six (26), township seventeen (17) and range thirty (30), in all fifty (50) acres of land, including said residence, and bounded as follows: On the north and west by lands of Mrs. M. E. Fountain, on the east by plantation road running between said place and the lands of W. E. Wolford, and on the south by lands of W. H. Young. A plat of said tract of land having recently been made by J. B. Billups, county surveyor of Russell county, Ala., being the same property conveyed to E. T. Byington by George H. Fountaine, on the 31st day of February, 1893, by deed of record in the probate office of Russell county, State of Alabama, in Book 32, page 203.

This the 3d day of July, 1899.  
BANKING, BUILDING & LOAN COMPANY, Mortgagee.  
J. L. Holloway, Attorney.