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For the Alabama Baptist.

To Howard Alumni.

The annual meeting of the Howard College Alumni Association will be held in the College halls on Monday of Commencement week, 9 a. m., June 4th. A large attendance of Alumni is desired at this meeting, to attend to business of importance, among which is the election of two trustees for the College.

The date for the Alumni oration is Tuesday, June 5th, 8 p. m. Alumni Banquet at East Lake the same evening, 9 to 12. Ladies will be invited. Yours fraternally,
S. J. ANSLEY, Sec'y.
East Lake.

For the Alabama Baptist.

Howard College Commencement.

Some friends of the College are writing to learn the date of Howard Commencement. For the benefit of these and others, I wish to state that Wednesday, June 6th, is Commencement Day. The exercises begin with the final meeting of the Franklin Literary Society Thursday, 8:30 p. m., May 31st. Friday evening following occurs the final meeting of the Philomathic Literary Society. Sunday, June 3d, 11 a. m., Commencement sermon by Dr. W. W. Landrum, Atlanta, Ga. A complete program will be published later.

S. J. ANSLEY,
Secretary of Faculty.
East Lake.

For the Alabama Baptist.

From Abbeville.

Dear Baptist: At this writing I am still in bed and am yet quite sick, though much better than I have been. This is the 24th day I am in bed.

My purpose in writing this, however, is not to exploit before the public my private ills, but to say that to-morrow, the 6th, is the day set apart for the beginning of a series of meetings at our church here, and to ask the prayers of the brotherhood throughout the state that the Holy Spirit may be present with us from the beginning to the end in all His reviving and saving power. Abbeville needs an old fashioned revival, and needs it much. Pray for us, brethren.

Bro. Paul Price will be with us and will do the preaching. He is a strong gospel preacher. He makes no effort to be a great preacher, and yet is great because of his simplicity and clearness together with the free and appropriate use he makes of the Scriptures throughout his sermons. Pray for him to be filled with the Spirit, and for me that I may be able, at least, to attend these meetings and enjoy them with my brethren.

God be with the brethren in the great Convention at Hot Springs. Yours for the cause everywhere.

GEO. M. PARKER.

State Missions Now.

Will the brethren heed our call now? The state has done better for the Home and Foreign boards than ever before. The Secretary of the board has done all in his power to roll up these splendid figures. Now he calls for help on another line. Our missionaries should be paid. Let them not be disappointed.

W. B. C.

For the Alabama Baptist.

Home Mission Receipts.

Cash contributions from Alabama for Home Missions during the year amount to 4,820 20, an increase over last year of 1,550 45. This is a decided increase. Please accept our hearty thanks.

WALKER DENSON,
Atlanta, May 2. Treasurer.

For the Alabama Baptist.

Help Mexico.

We have had an unusually large number of baptisms in Mexico during the convention year now closing; there is not the slightest jar or schism among our missionaries, the most perfect harmony prevails. The work was never better organized or in a more hopeful condition than it is today, and yet it is seriously embarrassed and crippled for lack of a small outlay of money. I suppose Southern Baptists have contributed more for Foreign missions this year than ever before, yet they are expending less in Mexico by about one-third than they did six years ago. Then we had ten men, now we have only six, and two of these have been driven from the field by rundown health, and a third, Bro. Hooker, who has been seriously ill recently, will go home to recuperate as soon as he is able to travel. The three of us left in Mexico have on our shoulders the burden once carried by ten men. If we pretend to be aggressive in our work, we need two new men besides those already appointed.

If Southern Baptists had bought property in Morelia when they began work here eight years ago, it could have been paid for nearly by the money which has gone for rents. As it is, we are not only homeless, but are unable to secure any kind of a preaching hall near the center of the city. Rather than abandon our congregation and work here, we have rented and worship in the suburbs, where, for lack of ample police protection, we must suffer, week by week, insults and stoning by the rabble.

Last January Bro. Hooker located in Leon, where property is at present very cheap for those who have the money to buy. During these

searched diligently and constantly, yet even with the aid of friends he has failed to rent a preaching hall. Leon is the best opening I ever saw; must your missionary be forced to abandon that field for lack of money to purchase a house? Other denominations are buying central lots and building elegant churches all over Mexico; this gives them a decided advantage in their work.

We have about a dozen young men who are looking forward to the Christian ministry. Some of these are in pedo-Baptist schools, others in government schools, the rest attend no school. We have school property in Saltillo worth \$25,000, yet both of our boarding schools are closed and have been for two years. The Northern and Southern Baptist boards were never in greater need of native preachers than now, yet neither has given one cent for ministerial education in two years, that is in Mexico. Madero Institute covers a whole block in Saltillo; it once accommodated more than one hundred girls and their teachers; today that enormous building is used only as a residence for Mr. and Mrs. Cheavens and Miss Addie Barton with her little day school. Miss Ruth Barton teaches a class of American children in English, but she is not employed by the board. Other denominations here are pushing their church-building and schools, especially ministerial education, while Baptists seem to have abandoned these departments of mission work.

Your missionaries are supposed to possess and are expected to impart full information about the condition and needs of the work in which they are engaged. A desire to discharge this duty was what prompted the writing of this article, so that, if the unfortunate state of things now existing in Mexico should continue, it must not be charged to the missionaries. Truly and fraternally,

J. G. CHASTAIN.

Morelia, Mexico, April 27, 1900.

The kingdom of Christ is not of this world, but it is made up of people who are still living here.

For the Alabama Baptist.

Notes from Dr. Shackelford.

The Commencement exercises of the North Alabama Baptist Collegiate Institute and Normal School will begin on Sunday, May 20th, with the Commencement sermon by Rev. T. F. Hendon, of Tusculumbia. Monday and Tuesday will be devoted to the usual Commencement exercises, declamations and recitations by the pupils. On Tuesday, 22d, at 11 a. m., Hon. Samuel Blackwell, of Decatur, will deliver the Annual Literary Address. On the same day, at 10 a. m., the board of trustees will meet. I most earnestly request all the members of this board to be present, as business of importance is to be transacted.

An entertainment will be given on Tuesday night by the members of the Academic and Collegiate classes. On Wednesday, the 23d, we will have an Educational mass-meeting in the interest of our school, which will be addressed by Brethren F. C. David, J. G. Lowery, W. Y. Quisenberry and others. The exercises will commence at 10 a. m. and continue for several hours.

We expect to have a basket dinner, and desire to make it a day of enjoyment as well as profit to the institution. The object of this meeting is to create a greater interest among our people in our institution, located here. It is to be the beginning of a series of meetings in the interest of our school.

We need a larger and better building for the accommodation of our school than we now have. You know we were burned out at Danville, and removed the school to this point. Our building is not sufficient. We need another, and we have to appeal to the Baptists

church once a month. This is a weak church. I am simply serving them until they can make better arrangements.

JOS. SHACKELFORD.
Trinity, Morgan county.

From the Baptist Courier.

One Great Need of the Convention.

Much has been said in the Courier about the approaching Convention. Permit me to say: The Convention's greatest need is *ample room*. The Convention ought to refuse to go to any place where there is not a great hall for great gatherings. We urge our members to go to the conventions. It is a means of grace to them. They go by the hundreds, spending much money for the privilege of simply looking on; but in many cases even this is denied them. They are met at the door by an officer of the convention who says, "Nobody but delegates are allowed to enter the hall." This is a cruel disappointment. My vote will be in the future for places only where there is *ample room*. Most of our large cities are erecting great auditoriums—let the convention go to such places. Good missionary policy would dictate this course. Every visitor who attends upon the meetings goes back to his church an enthusiastic missionary. W. B. CRUMPTON.
Montgomery, Ala.

Work for Foreign Missions for the Next Convention Year.

Dear Baptist: I desire to make some suggestions through your columns as to our Foreign mission work for another year. I hope the Southern Baptist Convention will add another 25 per cent to Foreign missions, so that another year we may have to raise more than this year.

I hope and pray that God may lay his hands on at least ten of our strongest men in the Southern Baptist Convention while it is in session at Hot Springs and call them to the Foreign fields; and I trust that he will also lay his hands on our wealthy brethren and cause them to say, here is the money to send the ten. I hope the Board will send out at least nineteen new missionaries for the next Convention year; but, brethren and sisters, why not ask the Lord to call one hundred and we send them out as a Twentieth Century thank offering for what the Lord has allowed Southern Baptists to do on foreign fields? Let us also pray that God will give us at least two thousand converts another year. Let us quit playing at missions and go to work in earnest. What say the pastors and churches? Let us pray for great things and expect great things from God.

H. R. SCRHAMM.

Circular—To Confederate Veterans.

SPRING HILL, ALA., Apr. 20.

Arrangements have been made with the Louisville & Nashville Railroad for a special train to transport the Alabama Division to the Confederate Reunion at Louisville, Ky. The following is the official schedule:

Leave Montgomery	May 29, 11:30 a. m.
" Calera	" " 1:45 p. m.
" Birmingham	" " 2:30 "
" Decatur	" " 5:15 "
" Athens	" " 5:45 "
Arrive Nashville	" " 9:45 "
Leave Nashville	" " 10:15 "
Arrive Louisville	" 30, 6:30 a. m.

The Major General commanding desires as many of the Camps as possible to take this train, so that on arrival at Louisville this Division may march in a body to Alabama Headquarters.

By command of Major General Harrison. HARVEY E. JONES,
Adjt. Genl. and Chief of Staff.

Think of God not as one before whom we shall stand, but as one before whom we do stand day and night.

For the Alabama Baptist.

S. S. Convention Organized.

According to previous appointment a mass-meeting for the purpose of organizing a Baptist Sunday school Convention was held with the church at Arkadelphia, Blount county, April 28 and 29.

After devotional exercises led by Bro. J. M. James, Evangelist, J. E. Creel explained the object of the meeting. The convention was then permanently organized by electing Rev. J. E. Creel, President; W. R. Martin, Secretary; Prof. L. E. Ware, leader of the choir, and Mrs. Hattie Ballinger, organist.

The following schools were represented: Arkadelphia, Mt. Zion, Mt. Olive, Union, Mt. Joy, Cold Spring, Harmony.

On motion, all Sunday school workers present were made honorary members.

After appointment of necessary committees the body adjourned for dinner.

Re-assembled at 1:30 o'clock and discussed the subject, What relation does the Sunday school sustain to the church and to missions? Opened by J. B. Albritton, discussed by J. E. Creel and others.

Adopted report of Committee on Nominations, viz., that our convention be known as the Sulphur Springs Baptist Sunday school Convention, and that next session be held with Mt. Zion church, beginning on Friday before the first Sabbath in August next.

On motion, adopted the ALABAMA BAPTIST as our official organ.

7:30 p. m. Devotional meeting led by R. W. Grubbs. Subject discussed, "How can best interest be secured in Sunday school work?" Opened by Alva Ward, and discussed by J. B. Albritton and others.

Sunday, 9 a. m., Prayer and song service, led by L. E. Ware.

9:30 a. m. Sunday school mass meeting, led by the President.

10 a. m. Subject, What relation does the pastor sustain to the Sunday school? Opened by W. D. Harding and discussed by J. B. Albritton and others.

The choir and congregation then sang "Lay down the armor," while a committee took collection for Foreign missions. Prayer by R. W. Grubbs. Dismissed with the benediction by the President.

Rev. J. E. CREEL, Pres.,

Yuma, Ala.

W. R. MARTIN, Secy.,

Sloan, Ala.

For the Alabama Baptist.

From Lanett.

Rev. John R. Jester, one of Georgia's strongest, brightest and most consecrated young preachers, has accepted the call to the First Baptist church at West Point, Ga., which makes him a liner with us. He preached his first sermon on Sunday, the 6th May. If we may judge, it had the old time sound ring of one not hunting for praise of men, but one that will declare the whole truth in the fear of God regardless of what man may say or think. He left a pleasant, prosperous and appreciative work at Montezuma, Ga., to enter what he considered a broader field. Not only in the city of West Point, but as he casts his eye just over the state line he sees the most important field in Alabama. He is now only 25 years old, and the burning desire of his heart is to spend every day of his life now in his youth and young manhood in busy labor for and in the cause of the Master. We predict that West Georgia, as well as East Alabama, will hear from Bro. Jester as well as feel his influence. He will at all times be found contending for that which will make men more like the lowly Nazarene. He is evidently guided in his life work by asking "What would Jesus do?"

We bid him welcome and God speed in East Alabama as well as West Georgia. N.

Trip Notes.

I spent a day and night at
BREWTON.

the capital of Escambia county. After long years of waiting the Baptists, under the lead of their enthusiastic young pastor, have undertaken the erection of a handsome house of worship, to cost \$6,000. From what I saw of the plans it is to be a very attractive structure, with all the modern conveniences. The trouble has been here, as it is at so many other places, the church building was built in partnership with the Masons, who occupied the upper story. It is seldom a church can be induced to build when such a partnership exists. They can never have much love for the partnership building, and it is hard for the two organizations to agree upon terms of separation. I do hope the days for such combination buildings are passed. I heard nothing but words of praise for Pastor Kramer. He is a German with a South Carolina wife, has seminary training, and was pastor in North Carolina before coming to Alabama. While they are building, the pastor assured me their contributions would come in regularly for missions. Brewton is in the heart of the timber region. It is lit up with electric lights, and is assuming many of the airs of a city. It is not at all improbable that this little city among the pines may become famous because of its many overflowing wells of mineral water. They will put in a strong plea for the State Convention in 1901.

OVER THE NEW RAILROAD

from Flomaton to Snow Hill I took my first ride, and a rough one it was. My appointment was at Furman, one of the strongest churches in the Pine Barren Association. Years ago under the preaching of Bro. B. H. Crumpton, the Missionary and Hardshell churches were united. Dr. Cleveland was their pastor for several years. Bro. J. I. Kendrick, after a four years' pastorate, resigned in December, and they are yet without a pastor. Probably before this is in print one of Alabama's brightest from the Seminary will be the pastor. The changes here are very sad to one who knew the church and country in its prime.

Many of the best men and women that ever belonged to any church have passed away. A few of the old guard are left, but they are old and feeble. However, there are some of the salt of the earth here yet, and they are trying to keep aloft the old standard. The prevalence of gripple and a death in the community operated against my having as good congregation as I had hoped. Some of as fine farming land as could be found in the state used to surround this fine community, but I learned that under the system of always taking from and never adding anything to the soil, together with the annual freshets, the results of farming are very uncertain, and the farmers generally are seriously involved. Here I had my first peep

INTO A KINDERGARTEN.

A few years ago a young woman who wanted to be useful began studying by correspondence this method of teaching. She mastered it, and each year has an interesting class of little tots to whom she teaches, in the simplest manner possible, some of the profoundest truths. It was a revelation to me. A thoughtful mother whose little ones have enjoyed the benefits of Miss Laura Gully's training, said to me: "It is hard to estimate the value of such training. It enters into the life of the child and benefits at every turn. I shall never cease to be thankful that my children had such opportunities."

What a field of usefulness is here opened for young women! It is comparatively new, and the competition is not very great yet. Pastor Henry Crumpton came after me and conducted me over some of the roughest roads in America to

ACKERVILLE

for a night service. This is a part of the young brother's first pastorate. He is a son of our Bro. B. H. C., and if all I hear is true, the father has no reason to be ashamed of his boy. It is beautiful to see the devotion of the churches to young preachers—how they love and pet them! With what kindly interest they predict a great future for them! There is but one thing more beautiful than that: That is to see a church devoted to an old

preacher. One doesn't see that as often as we could wish. In the busy rush there is danger that the old hero will be overlooked and forgotten. But we cannot complain; we have had our day. That was a beautiful saying of John the Baptist: "He must increase, but I must decrease." It takes a lot of grace to feel that way about ourselves and the oncoming hosts of young preachers. But we ought to rejoice in their numbers, their zeal and all their successes.

I was met at Ackerville by a good congregation of attentive people. Both of these churches, Furman and Ackerville, are Regulars, though the old anti-missionary sentiment, which so widely prevailed here years ago, dies out very slowly. I had a pleasant day with Dr. Ramsey at his home

AT PINE APPLE.

Here is where my mother died, leaving me a thoughtless boy of thirteen. She and a grown brother are sleeping in the old graveyard near the church, and here I professed religion and was baptized by old Bro. Miles McWilliams. One of the old settlers and I ran over the list of those who lived in the village when I was a boy, and they numbered less than a dozen. What memories stir the soul at such times! But there is nobody to talk to about them. Those who were your companions then are all gone, and the stranger cares nothing for your talk; so in silence you must go on choking down your emotions and nursing your own thoughts. It must be so, and it is right!

Dr. Ramsey has been pastor here and in this region for many years. His father was a Methodist preacher and preached my mother's funeral. She, too, was a Methodist. The doctor is one of a large number of useful preachers who entered the ministry after practicing medicine for years. He is also pastor at Pineville and Concord.

I chanced to meet Brother W. N. Huckabee, another "old vet" of a preacher, near Pine Apple, returning after a weary drive from an appointment, but had no time to talk of his work.

A GREAT PROBLEM

is before the villages and towns and churches along the new railroad. "To move or not to move," is the question. It is hard to give up the old haunts, quit our old churches and move to the railroad; but sooner or later, if there is any fit place to build a town on the line, all the towns within a few miles of the road must move or die, and the churches must follow of course. The Baptist way is to hold on at the old stand and die, and years after, when other denominations have taken the towns on the road, to move in and begin the struggle for foothold. They are good people, but not always wise.

What a weary night! The Pine Apple depot is right in Bear creek swamp! Every train on the road was off the track that day. I boarded the first freight and landed in Selma at 3:30 in the morning. I will wait till the road bed settles a bit before I go that way again.

AT FOREST HOME,

sixteen miles away from Greenville, I found one of the finest communities in the state. "What is the price of land here, brother?" I asked. His reply was, "There is none to sell." With a good school, nice churches, good homes, productive lands, with good water and health, what more does one want? There is but one drawback: The Baptist church is a half mile out of the village, and the membership is content with monthly service. However, they have a very good membership of earnest people. I preached to a large congregation and got a fine collection.

Bro. Henry Crumpton is pastor here also, and is greatly loved by the people. Returning I preached at Greenville at night, and enjoyed a delightful day's rest with Pastor Bradley in the handsome home the saints here provided for their bishop. Greenville is growing, and the Baptist church seems to be on the up grade, too.

GIRLS, BEWARE!

Sitting in the waiting room writing my trip notes, waiting for the train, a well-dressed fellow handed a young lady a newspaper with the pleasant remark: "Perhaps you would enjoy reading the paper while you wait." He passed out, and I thought: "That was thought-

ful in him, provided he has no further design." As I suspected, it was intended only as an excuse for cultivating her acquaintance. It was not long before he returned and began questioning her—on and on—finally a walk was proposed. The poor, timid girl knew not how to refuse. The villain! Devils incarnate, going up and down the roads hunting for victims! I see much of it. "Beware how you make new acquaintances in travel," was written and dropped in the girl's lap. She took the hint and the attentions ceased instantaneously when he returned.

Fourth Quarterly Report of the Treasurer of the Central Committee.

ANTIOCH ASSOCIATION.	
Healing Springs, L. A. So.—	
Foreign missions.....	\$ 1 70
Home missions.....	3 00
Church aid.....	16 75
Total.....	\$ 21 45
BIRMINGHAM.	
Livingston, W. M. So.—	
Foreign missions.....	\$ 50 00
Home missions.....	50 00
Miss Kelly.....	4 00
Self-denial.....	10 25
Ministerial education.....	1 25
Church aid.....	16 15
Sunbeams, Miss Kelly.....	5 00
Home missions.....	1 52
Orphanage.....	10 00
Sumterville, W. M. So.—	
Christmas.....	2 60
Self-denial.....	2 65
Demopolis, W. M. So.—	
Self-denial.....	15 25
Christmas offering.....	17 00
Orphanage.....	2 50
Miss Kelly.....	3 85
Sunbeams, Miss Kelly.....	15 00
Cuba, L. M. So., self-denial.....	2 00
Eutaw, L. M. So.—	
Christmas offering.....	4 20
Home missions, self-denial.....	4 00
Miss Kelly.....	5 00
Church aid.....	15 00
Orphanage.....	2 25
Sunbeams, Miss Kelly.....	10 00
Self-denial.....	1 02
York, W. M. So., self-denial.....	1 20
Total.....	\$ 251 09
BIRMINGHAM.	
Birmingham 1st church, W. B. U.—	
Miss Hartwell.....	\$ 15 00
Self-denial.....	15 00
Charity.....	25 00
Church aid.....	45 00
Pastors' aid, self-denial.....	20 00
Foreign missions.....	20 00
Charity.....	25 00
Sunbeams, Miss Kelly.....	7 00
Infant Class.....	6 47
Southside, L. C.—	
Miss Hartwell.....	10 00
Self-denial.....	30 63
Y. M. C. A.....	2 00
B. Y. P. U., Foreign missions.....	1 49
Sunbeams.....	1 55
State missions.....	21 75
Bessemer, L. A. So.—	
Christmas offering.....	\$ 10 83
Church aid.....	21 50
Sunbeams, Foreign missions.....	8 00
Church aid.....	5 00
Total.....	\$ 45 33
Avondale, L. M. So.—	
Christmas offering.....	5 10
Self-denial.....	3 67
Church aid.....	40 00
East Lake, L. M. So.—	
Christmas offering.....	17 53
Self-denial.....	5 70
Howard Hospital.....	10 00
Central Female College.....	25 00
Charity.....	31 75
Sunbeams, Christmas offering.....	3 00
Trussville, L. M. So.—	
Miss Hartwell.....	7 00
Self-denial.....	7 51
Sunbeams, Self-denial.....	6 45
Foreign missions.....	3 00
Orphanage.....	2 00
North Birmingham, L. M. So.—	
Miss Kelly.....	1 00
Shade's Valley, L. M. So., Miss Kelly.....	1 00
Pratt City, L. M. So.—	
Miss Hartwell.....	6 25
Home mission box.....	85 20
Total.....	\$ 512 91
CANABA.	
New Berne, L. M. So.—	
Home mission box.....	\$ 45 50
Miss Kelly.....	7 12
Greensboro, L. M. So., self-denial.....	5 00
Pinetucky, L. M. So., State missions.....	6 83
Total.....	\$ 64 45
COLUMBIA.	
Columbia, L. M. So.—	
Foreign missions.....	\$ 15 00
Home missions.....	3 27
Church aid.....	15 50
Dothan, L. M. So., self-denial.....	8 00
Total.....	\$ 41 77
CONNEC.	
Evergreen, W. M. So.—	
Self-denial.....	\$ 10 00
Southern Bap. Theo. Seminary.....	10 50
Greenville, W. M. So.—	
Christmas offering.....	5 00
Self-denial.....	5 00
Total.....	\$ 30 50
CANABA VALLEY.	
Ashville, L. A. So.—	
Home missions.....	\$ 5 00
Foreign missions.....	5 00
B. Y. P. U., Miss Kelly.....	1 00
Total.....	\$ 11 00

CALHOUN.	
Anniston, Parker Men., W. M. So.—	
Self-denial.....	\$ 56 00
Home missions.....	27 45
Y. L. So., Home missions.....	16 45
Self-denial.....	21 00
King's Sons, self-denial.....	2 10
Mission Jewels, self-denial.....	1 45
Orphanage.....	2 50
L. A. So., church aid.....	30 00
Glen-Addie, L. A. So.—	
Foreign missions.....	5 00
Home missions.....	5 00
Church aid.....	9 00
Sunbeams, Home missions.....	5 00
Church aid.....	1 15
Orphanage.....	6 00
Coldwater, L. A. So.; Foreign missions.....	5 65
Oxanna, L. A. So., Foreign missions.....	1 00
Harmony.....	
L. A. So., Church aid.....	5 00
W. M. So., Home missions.....	10 00
Jacksonville, L. A. So.—	
Miss Kelly.....	5 07
Home missions.....	5 00
State missions.....	5 00
Church aid.....	38 13
Y. L. So., Home missions.....	5 79
Sunbeams.....	2 18
Choccolocco, W. M. So., self-denial.....	9 40
Total.....	\$ 279 92
CENTENNIAL.	
Union Springs, L. M. So., self-denial.....	15 00
EUPAULA.	
Clayton, L. A. So.—	
Foreign missions.....	\$ 3 55
Home missions, self-denial.....	3 40
Home missions.....	2 00
Orphanage.....	6 75
Church aid.....	17 00
Eufaula, L. A. So.—	
Home missions.....	3 63
Self-denial.....	11 37
Church aid.....	73 70
Mrs. H's. S. class, Foreign missions.....	2 00
Midway, L. A. So.—	
Foreign missions.....	5 00
Sunbeams, Foreign missions.....	1 50
Total.....	\$ 129 90
ETOWAH.	
Attalla, W. M. So.—	
Miss Kelly.....	\$ 6 00
Self-denial.....	4 21
Total.....	\$ 10 21
ELIM.	
Wallace Sunbeams—	
Foreign missions.....	\$ 1 00
Home missions.....	58
Total.....	\$ 1 58
JUDSON.	
Abbeville, L. M. So.—	
Self-denial.....	\$ 6 00
Foreign missions.....	6 00
Total.....	\$ 12 00
EAST LIBERTY.	
LaFayette—	
W. M. So., Home missions.....	7 50
L. A. So., Orphanage.....	2 50
Cusseta, L. A. So.—	
Foreign missions.....	5 15
Church aid.....	54 30
Total.....	\$ 69 85
HARRIS.	
Oswichee, W. M. So.—	
Foreign missions.....	\$ 6 50
State missions.....	6 50
Self-denial.....	2 00
Sunbeams, self-denial.....	2 00
Foreign missions.....	11 00
Girard, W. M. So., Orphanage.....	6 60
Good Hope Sunbeams—	
Foreign missions.....	4 00
Home missions.....	60
Orphanage.....	40
Total.....	\$ 39 60
MONTGOMERY.	
Montgomery, 1st church, W. M. So.—	
Foreign missions.....	\$ 30 00
Self-denial.....	19 51
State missions.....	21 38
Miss Dix.....	20 81
Y. L. So., Home mission box.....	90 00
West End, L. A. So., Home mis.	4 00
Clayton Street, W. M. So.—	
Foreign missions.....	14 77
Self-denial.....	6 12
Prattville, L. A. So.—	
Self-denial.....	11 50
Miss Kelly.....	15 00
Associational expenses.....	2 20
Total.....	\$ 225 07
MUSCLE SHOALS.	
New Decatur, W. M. So.—	
Foreign missions.....	\$ 2 00
Home missions.....	7 10
Sunbeams, Orphanage.....	1 45
Total.....	\$ 10 55
MOBILE.	
St. Francis St. L. A. So.—	
Home missions.....	\$ 65 00
Howard College.....	5 00
Church aid.....	123 00
Grand Bay, L. A. So.—	
Church aid.....	3 00
State missions.....	1 50
Shady Grove, L. A. So.—	
Home missions.....	6 00
Church aid.....	5 25
Palmetto, L. A. So., church aid.....	282 00
Bayou La Batre, L. A. So., church aid.....	50 00
Total.....	\$ 540 75
NORTH LIBERTY.	
Huntsville, L. A. So.—	
Home missions, self-denial.....	\$ 9 26
Orphanage.....	5 00
Sunbeams, Miss Kelly.....	11 16
Total.....	\$ 25 42
PINE BARREN.	
Furman, L. A. So.—	
Home mission box.....	\$ 21 50
Self-denial.....	6 20
Church aid.....	12 25
Orphanage.....	11 65
Sunbeams, Foreign missions.....	6 75
Total.....	\$ 57 75

SOUTH BETHEL.	
Lower Peach Tree, L. M. So.—	
Church aid.....	\$ 15 00
Howard College.....	1 00
Orphanage.....	6 95
Thomasville, L. A. So.—	
Home missions, self-denial.....	8 00
Mrs. Henderson, self-denial.....	2 00
" " church aid.....	44 10
Shady Grove, L. A. So.—	
Church aid.....	90 00
Orphanage.....	4 00
Jackson, L. A. So.—	
Home missions, self-denial.....	5 08
Home missions.....	5 00
Total.....	\$ 118 13
SELMA.	
Selma, 1st church, W. M. So.—	
Miss Kelly.....	\$ 25 00
L. A. So., Orphanage.....	20 00
Church aid.....	16 00
Second church, W. M. So.—	
Foreign missions.....	5 00
Home missions, self-denial.....	6 12
Charity.....	4 40
Orphanage.....	5 00
Church aid.....	1 50
Sunbeams, Miss Kelly.....	4 25
Charity.....	5 00
Orphanage box.....	16 50
Orville, L. M. So., Miss Kelly.....	15 00
Collins, Sunbeams, Foreign missions.....	1 00
Total.....	\$ 124 77
SHELBY.	
Montevallo, W. M. So.—	
Foreign missions.....	3 77
Church aid.....	3 20
Orphanage.....	10 50
Columbia, W. M. So.—	
Foreign missions.....	5 00
Home missions.....	7 00
State missions.....	1 90
Orphanage.....	5 00
Total.....	\$ 36 57
TUSKEGEE.	
Opelika, L. M. So.—	
Home mission box.....	87 37
" " ".....	13 40
Auburn, L. M. So., Home mission box.....	27 35
Total.....	\$ 128 12
UNION.	
Carrollton, L. A. So.—	
Home missions.....	4 04
Orphanage.....	5 79
Church aid.....	2 35
Shiloh, L. A. So., Orphanage.....	1 24
Enon, " ".....	15 00
Total.....	\$ 28 42
ZION.	
Andalusia, L. M. So.—	
Christmas.....	8 20
Church aid.....	7 65
Total.....	\$ 15 85
Grand total.....	\$2910 98
CONTRIBUTED BY LADIES' SOCIETIES.	
Foreign missions.....	\$ 372 37
Home missions.....	991 82
State missions.....	185 59
Charity.....	86 15
Total.....	\$ 1636 33
CONTRIBUTED BY SUNBEAM BANDS.	
Foreign missions.....	\$ 117 57
Home missions.....	22 90
State missions.....	63 10
Church aid.....	6 15
Charity.....	5 00
Total amt. by Sunbeams.....	\$ 214 72
Grand total.....	\$2910 98
Respectfully submitted, Mrs. Geo. M. Morrow, Treasurer Central Committee, Birmingham, April 1, 1900.	

The Grumbling Start.

A noted divine has declared that a husband's grumbling and scolding were often only his way of beginning a conversation, and he maintained that if a man were sulky, the worse he was, the more cheerful his wife should be. Certainly husband and wife should bear and forbear, he says, and the soft answer turneth away wrath more effectively by the domestic hearth than elsewhere. Then business is often worrying, and the husband coming home needs and usually deserves to find there all soothing and calming influences. But surely it should be mutual kindness. At times the man must take his turn in meeting irritability or low spirits with cheerfulness and kind, gentle consideration. As to the theory that the wisest and best course is for the wife of a sulky, tyrannical man always just to give in and crouch before the storm, he does not think that is either good policy or real kindness ultimately to the man himself.

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For the Alabama Baptist.
Paris and the Exposition.
NUMBER 1.

PARIS, April 5, 1900.

Dear Alabama Baptist: When your correspondent thinks of the classic pen from which in years past your readers have heard of far away lands, do you wonder that it is with hesitation she follows the learned doctor? "I'd rather be an ancestor than a descendant," said Napoleon as he proudly eyed the infant king of Rome, which we allow was rather hard on the little king. So in similar vein I plead that it is hard in some cases to be a successor, and beg your indulgence.

And I am to tell you of Paris—Paris, the mecca to which all eyes are turning. Surely no Moslem devotee ever directed more longing gaze to the "Prophet's City" than do thousands of western eyes today towards Paris the Beautiful. Many of you will be coming to see it for yourselves, and many more will try to get what comfort there is to be gotten from the time-worn adage, "the souls of all good Americans go to Paris." Many of our countrymen, however, have not waited for that final state. "There are 200,000 Americans in Paris now, and hundreds more coming every day," announced the young New Englander as we stood about our pension stove. The boy is fresh from college and knows everything, so nobody doubted his statement. "And they will impoverish our country," continued this young Solomon. "Americans spend \$50,000,000 yearly in Paris alone, and this year—" "Dreadful," we all exclaimed, yet wished within our hearts that we each had a larger share of that wicked sum to put into circulation.

But it is not of this 200,000 we shall speak. Americans abroad are the first to dub their own countrymen a weariness to the flesh. We did not come to see them, and are mildly provoked that we cannot get away from them. They fill up the pensions, buses, art galleries and music halls. They are here to stay; they support a large per cent. of the inhabitants of Europe, and in view of this worthy fact, are to be looked upon with tolerance. Yes, we tolerate them, but let them alone as far as possible.

Those Americans at home, however, who contemplate swelling the numbers of their shabby countrymen in Paris, may be interested to know how best to keep away from them. There is one way: Live on the "Right Bank" and pay \$100 or \$300 board. That will in a manner protect you. For the most of us are in modest apartments in the Latin quarter on the "Left Bank," having much the pleasanter and much the cheaper time.

There seems to be a belief abroad in America that Paris will be frightfully expensive this summer. That is not altogether true. Good pension can be had from a dollar and a quarter to a dollar and a half a day, though incidental expenses will run it up a bit higher. No one, however, need stay away for fear of being bankrupted in two weeks. Live in the Latin quarter and suffer the existence of the other sons and daughters of "Uncle Samuel." You will soon feel quite at home with the smiling "Francon" who comes to bring Mam'selle her chocolate and rolls in bed; the porter, or "concierge," villain though he appear, who from some mysterious interior manipulates the compressed air valve that opens the street door for Mam'selle. Then you will be near the Gallery of the Luxembourg, Museum de Cluny, the Pantheon, within walking distance of Notre Dame, the Palais Justice, St. Chapelle, the Catacombs; and, if you are a good walker, of the Louvre itself. A bus line will take you in a half hour to the Exposition grounds.

The date reminds me that to-day is the great social event of the Parisian year, the opening of the Salon. Not for one year, but for many perhaps, the artists have been at work preparing the acres of canvas displayed to-day for the first time to an appreciative or inappreciative public. We, outside the artists' circles, can little realize what to-day means to many of them; the pride that swells the hearts of the accepted competitors; the bitter disappointment, yea despair, that has come to far many more.

One hears some heart-rending

stories here in the artists' quarter. The soft felt hat and careless gait of the student met on the streets seem romantic and Bohemian enough, but sometimes these careless looking fellows die of starvation in their attic studios; sometimes their bitter necessity is not known to their friends till their poor bodies are fished out of the Seine and displayed for recognition in the morgue.

On the last day that the Salon judges receive canvases many are the small tragedies enacted. On top of a bus, for seats are cheaper there, a young woman sits, her precious picture clasped in her arms; she has worked to the last minute; the bus is slow; will she reach the door in time? Too late! A spasm of pain passes over her pinched face; she drifts back into the obscurity from which she thought herself emerging, and is never heard of more.

Last year, the story goes, a promising fellow had spent his last sou on the frame for his canvas. With it swallowed up behind those terrible doors he waited without food or sleep for the judges' decision. Would it be a red envelope, success—or that fatal green, which would stamp all his past a failure? Fate was hard, and next morning his chum found his stiff corpse in the cold little box of a studio on the roof.

But how few know this side of the picture. They only realize that the Salon opens. These beautiful women, dressed as only they dress in Paris, accompanied by men of faultless attire, roll up to the door, descend daintily to earth, and pass in among their friends with the double purpose of displaying the most elegant of gowns and viewing the best of art that the Paris studios can furnish. It is the "dress parade" of the fashionable world. The price of tickets shuts out the man of modest means, newspaper correspondents and other sensible people. The pictures are just as good another time, and the people far more interesting, they tell themselves. Maybe, too, they shall get a peep at the artists themselves! That were rare good fortune.

And just here, do not all good Alabamians feel a pride in that young Birmingham girl exhibiting this year in the Salon? The portrait of her brother has been her first step to success. The writer, on the strength of an acquaintance begun years ago, when they compared drawing books in the old Birmingham High School, has called to leave congratulations for the state; and many are the cups of tea drunk in the studio; many are the laughs over reminiscences of good times had in "Dixie."

Alabama has ten representatives within three blocks, here in this quarter, known to the writer, and many more no doubt equally well representing the best state in the Union. Two of the ten are artists on the road to success; one, that charming young matron whose home has so often been open to her hosts of Birmingham friends; another is that bright young woman Birmingham sent up to Bryn Mawr to take first rank over all those clever girls, also the scholarship for a year's study abroad. The rest of us are only common mediocrity, eight-seers, correspondents and the like,—unless we except the wistful little lady of some six years who makes life a delight for us all. A few days ago she confided to her mother that Paris is a very wicked city, and added, "I have seen things in Paris that I hope never to see in America," which makes us think her a young woman of marvelous perceptions, for to our eyes Paris is not the dreadful place we were taught to believe it. Yes, I should say Paris is in no wise a dangerous place for any young woman of careful demeanor, who looks well to the observance of the social proprieties of the country in which she finds herself.

Here in the midst of the Latin quarter, here in the midst of the American students, is an institution the blessing of which cannot be overestimated; it is the American Girls' Club. A moment's thought will simply show its necessity. Many a girl wishes to come to Paris to study, but has no one with whom to come. Few girls would care to come altogether alone, nor would they be allowed to hunt up a pension and live among strangers, no one of whom is in the slightest way responsible for her well-being. The

Club obviates all that difficulty.

At its head is a Christian woman of mature years, whose long residence in the city fits her to give advice to the girls on all of the many points sure to present themselves. Miss Ackley is looked up to as a sort of Mother Superior by all of the forty or fifty girls living at the Club. She sees they are comfortably housed and fed at the minimum cost—and indeed I may add that so far from making a penny at the girls' expense, the club does not even meet expenses. The deficit is met by the generosity of Mrs. Whitelaw Reid, of New York, for the Club is her hobby. If only all women rode such good hobbies, where is the man who would deny them the right to canter as many as they please?

To live at the Club a girl must be a student either of music or art. All meals are taken at the Club cafe, where each orders what she will. The only objection to this plan, devised to suit the purse of poor girl or rich, is that girls will sometimes economize on dinners in order to buy a new hat or dress, so endangering their health. But here Miss Ackley's ever watchful eye soon regulates matters. Only last week she found that two girls, each the daughter of a millionaire, had spent \$50 apiece for hats, and to even up on their allowance, had squandered seven cents upon dinner. The young ladies were called up and told that a repetition of the affair would be reported to their fathers.

If the court behind the Club is the "Students' American church." On the other side of town is a house of more pretensions appearance, erected at a cost of \$800,000, and known as the American church; but here in the little chapel, cedar wood within and corrugated tin without, meet the students of the club and the studios, and more fervid devotion than there seen would be hard to find in places more noted for piety than Paris. The spirit of the Lord is there, though they call their place of worship neither Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian or Episcopalian.

After the Sunday evening service, the congregation en masse repairs to the parlors of the club, where with chocolate and cake, music and conversation, friends meet for an hour's sociable, denied any other time of the week by the busy life of the city. The early hour, lights are out and each young American is asleep, getting strength for the work of another week.

But you are wondering why you are to hear about everything but that Exposition in which your interest centres. Patience, my friends. You have all heard of the little city boy who asked his father what kind of a tail a rabbit had. "Why, the rabbit has no tail to speak of," said the father. And later the little boy was heard to confide to his smaller sister that "the rabbit has a tail, but father says not to say anything about it."

That was about my case when I at once inquired concerning the completeness of the Exposition. "There is no Exposition to speak of," I was told. Naturally I could "say nothing about it." The truth is, just now it is very hard to gain admission to the Exposition grounds, owing to the great effort to get as much as possible completed by April 15, the date set for opening. A pass can only be obtained through an army officer, but fortunately a friend has spoken in my behalf. In my next letter I shall be able to tell you the state of things as based upon personal observation. There are so many varying conclusions to be arrived at if "hear-say" is taken as evidence, I prefer to see for myself before believing.

Very truly yours,
REBEKAH C. HAMILTON.

For The Alabama Baptist.
Result of Systematic Giving.

Editor Alabama Baptist: I was very much impressed with a talk that Bro. Crumpton made at Union Springs to the B. Y. P. U. convention on some needs of our churches. He set forth with very strong emphasis the necessity of systematic giving.

This talk was especially interesting to me, as I had seen its practicability so clearly demonstrated in our church at Roanoke during the past eighteen months. Up to that time our church had no regular sys-

tem of giving; and as in all churches which fail to use the most common business ideas, the burden fell heavily on a few, and when an effort was made to put in operation the plan of giving monthly, some of these leading men cut down their contributions, stating that when the end of the year came they would have to "double up." We adopted the system in vogue among our retail merchants, and have a collector to go to each member during the month for his subscription, just as the grocery man sends out his relentless bill collectors.

We regard this subscription just as much of a debt as your merchant, and endeavor to take advantage of the business practices of the day to conduct our finances.

We censure no member because he fails to go to the treasurer and pay his subscription, any more than your grocery man does you, when he is in the habit of sending out his collectors.

Those members who cannot be reached personally, have mailed to them a small envelope with the amount of their subscription written thereon, and the date they are to be returned through the church.

We have adopted nearly the same plan in our missions, which is virtually what Bro. Crumpton calls his pledge card plan. Each member subscribes so much per month to the mission fund, and being supplied with twelve small envelopes, one for each month, the amount subscribed is put in the collection basket on the first Sunday.

Now, as to the results of this systematic giving: When we began, the church was having preaching only two Sundays in the month, and paying the pastor \$400 per year. When the end of the year came we owed the pastor about \$150, and it was a hard task to pay him.

We paid for missions just as a dentist would pull eye teeth. The pastor being the dentist, had to apply the forceps nearly every Sunday. He was faithful to his duty, but there always went up the same demonstrations of pain that go from the patient in the chair. The first year of our experiment the pastor was paid in advance, monthly, \$700 per annum, and we reduced our indebtedness from about \$1,000 to less than \$200. So easily was this done that when we called Bro.

Crumpton, he was asked at \$1,500 per year. We have by this plan been enabled to pay him in advance on the first of each month, and have added to our sinking fund, since November 1st, out of the subscription to the pastor's salary \$130.

It was only at the first of this year that we applied method to our missions, and during the past three months we have averaged about \$45, with no reminder of the dentist.

But you say that this work entails a heavy task on some one; and so it does, but have we not been most richly repaid? "Give, and it shall be given unto you again," was never more clearly demonstrated anywhere than with our people.

How richly the Lord has blessed us in our beloved pastor! Coming to us last November, he began preaching Christ and Him crucified with great force, and by his earnestness and deep humility of spirit he soon won the love of all. By the many souls that were being converted we were reminded of the New Testament churches when there were added unto them daily those that were saved, and we felt that surely the Lord had sent him to us.

Could you have seen the great outpouring of the Holy Spirit during the meeting that closed on the fourth Sunday in April you would realize how richly we have been blessed, and how much more abundantly it has been given unto us than we have given. There had been added to our church 28 members since November 1st, and as a result of this meeting we received by letter and restoration nine, and by baptism thirty-eight—making a total of seventy-five additions during the past six months. What an impressive sight we witnessed last Sunday evening, when, gathered around the pool, we beheld the ordinance of baptism administered to one after another, and we saw go down into the water a gray haired mother of sixty-four years who, having been a member of another

denomination, had found no peace in her religion until she consented to follow the Lord in his baptism.

Our people are now in better condition, so say the old members, than in years; disagreements and petty strifes have been thrown aside, and all have joined hands in a loving effort for the advancement of the Master's kingdom. With one grand struggle we have raised over ten thousand dollars for the erection of our new church, and are still moving forward on that line. Before another year passes we will invite you to the dedication of as handsome a village church as you will find in our state.

But, remembering it all comes from Him, let us give the glory to God and be diligent and humble in his service. Yours fraternally,

W. W. CAMPBELL.
Roanoke, May 1.

A Lady Missionary.

We have employed Miss Inez Quisenberry, late of Pocahontas, Va., to assist in missionary work in the Decatur and anywhere in the Tennessee Valley that she may be useful. She has been in the employ of the board in Virginia, where she was very useful. She now comes to us. This is a part of a report published in a late number of the Religious Herald.

"Miss Inez E. Quisenberry writes from Pocahontas: 'A Hungarian miner read the Old Testament half through this month—the only book in his home. He is a Catholic, who 'loves to read.' A request from a Hungarian woman, also a Catholic, to talk with her about her soul. She would learn why I thought infants were saved unbaptized. She had recently lost her only child, two days old, and the priest had told her it was lost. My heart has gone out for the little Hungarian children, who will not come to the American school, and I have seriously felt the conviction that I ought to gather them together in one of their own houses on Sunday mornings. These little foreigners are very bright, and they love the American who takes an interest in them. They speak English very clearly. Many of them can read, and they act as interpreters for me when I go into the homes.' * * * 'Last Sunday, in our Children's Band, we studied and talked of Cuba. There was present a Cuban lad, who

came over to this country about a year ago. His parents, he says, are Catholics, but he is a Baptist. I learned that he heard Diaz preach in his town or city for several months. He attends our Sunday School regularly, works in the mines, and at night studies in the Y. M. C. A. Hall—a very bright boy.'"

Bro. W. Y. Quisenberry wrote some time ago: "The great need of this town, as I now see it, is a live, godly, wise, energetic woman, through whom the women and children can be reached. The conditions here are peculiar. The L. & N. shops work about 1200 men seven days in the week. They put a premium on Sunday work by paying more for it. The next two largest industries also work on Sunday. The men must have their dinners at 12 o'clock. This keeps many of their wives and daughters from the morning service. There will soon be opened a large bridge works which will employ 500 men, and many of those with their families will be foreigners. Much personal work must be done among the women and children."

This earnest brother's cry has been heard, and the board counts itself fortunate in securing so valuable a helper for him.

The church at New Decatur is taking on new life, and has already astonished itself in its giving. I doubt not the effects of Miss Quisenberry's work will be felt all through the Valley of the Tennessee. She gave up teaching, where she was earning a good salary, for this work, which pays her much less. I am sure the women of Alabama will take more interest in State Missions since this appointment has been made. The results of her work I am certain will justify the appointment of others as we have opportunity and the means.

W. B. C.

There are many of His saints who serve God faithfully, but who forget it is also their duty to serve Him joyfully. Rejoice in the Lord, it is not merely a privilege allotted to us, it is a command to be obeyed.

Alabama Baptist

MONTGOMERY, MAY 10, 1900.

Resolved, That we heartily endorse our State organ, THE ALABAMA BAPTIST, and earnestly recommend it to our people.—Resolution adopted by the Baptist State Convention at Gadsden, Nov. 10, 1899.

EDITORIAL.

READ THIS, PLEASE.

We are revising and correcting our books thoroughly. We are also sending out notices to subscribers, in order to get the records absolutely correct. In handling so many names we of course make a mistake now and then, and we hope that all who receive notices that contain errors of any kind will, in a *sweet spirit*, tell us about it, and not get mad and grumble. Help us to clear up every mistake on our part or yours. And then, too, if you owe us, please pay it, as we need money, and need it right now, and badly at that.

CHURCH TROUBLES.

The Standard thinks that in proportion of the rapid increase in the number of churches, church troubles are less numerous than they once was. But it adds, "They are far more numerous now than they should be, and are always a disgrace and a damage." Isn't it even so? Who doesn't know of some such troubles which have in them no rhyme or reason. Who doesn't know of some which, taken in time, and dealt with at all tactfully, might have been "nipped in the bud," or altogether forestalled? In all such troubles some one or two are to blame in the beginning, but if they are permitted to grow unchecked until whole churches and communities are disturbed and rent in twain by them, the likelihood is that the blame rests at a good many unsuspected doors. Mary a man, unwittingly perhaps, but thy memory will be cherished as she looked on the ordinance she saw only the outward, without discerning at all its wonderful significance and meaning, its beauty and glory.

GEORGE WASHINGTON AND THE BAPTISTS.

While the American people are indulging in retrospects appropriate to the close of the century, it is not unnatural in Baptists to do a little retrospecting, too. It is known that President Washington was a firm friend of Baptists in Virginia, and that he shared their ideas of religious liberty and the separation of church and state.

In a letter to the general committee representing the United Baptist churches in Virginia, who wrote congratulating him on his election to the first office in the nation, President Washington said: "If I could have entertained the slightest apprehension that the constitution framed by the convention where I had the honor to preside, might possibly endanger the religious rights of any ecclesiastical society, certainly I would never have placed my signature to it; and if I could now conceive that the general government might be so administered as to render the liberty of conscience insecure, I beg you will be persuaded that none would be more zealous than myself to establish effective barriers against the horrors of spiritual tyranny and every species of religious persecution, for you doubtless remember I have often expressed my sentiments, that any man conducting himself as a good citizen, and being accountable to God alone for his religious opinions, ought to be protected in worshipping the Deity according to the dictates of his own conscience." That certainly has the right ring about it, even Baptists being

WE REGRET that we shall miss the Southern Baptist Convention. We had hoped to meet the brethren there, look into their faces and grasp their hands, but on account of a recent attack of the gripe we fear to venture on the trip. Although we feel stronger and better than we have for several years, yet the doctor says we must take great care and not bring on a second attack. The disease is liable to return on the least provocation; hence any one who has it once had better be exceedingly cautious and not provoke another attack.

We pray that the Holy Spirit may guide and control all the deliberations of the convention, so that great good may be accomplished.

NOT READY FOR BAPTISM.

A young lady had witnessed a baptismal scene, where a Baptist preacher had baptized in the river, several persons who had given themselves to the Savior. Changing to meet the preacher, she said to him: "I would not be baptized for anything in the world." He answered very promptly, "Nor would I baptize you for anything in the world in your present condition." She of course was very much surprised, and asked what he meant. He simply told her that she was not ready to be baptized. This was certainly true, and she had little conception as to what was necessary in the way of qualifying for this high and sacred ordinance. She was a young lady well up in social life, well trained and cultivated, possessed of many of the graces and virtues of young womanhood, indeed something of a favorite and much beloved among those who knew her, and yet she did not love the Savior—had never given herself to him, had not believed in him as her personal Savior and Redeemer, so that whatever else she may have had, she was yet not ready for baptism.

It is a great privilege to be admitted to Christian baptism. It is an ordinance established by the Lord Jesus Christ, and is intended for only one class of persons, namely, those believing in Him as a personal Savior. If one possesses not this simple heart qualification, whatever else he may have he can not be admitted to this sacred precinct. Neither worldly possession, nor riches, nor honors, indeed nothing that this world in itself can give, can answer this high demand in coming to the ordinance of Christian baptism. Whereas, one may lack all of these things and yet find an open door to the ordinance if only he be a true and sincere believer in the Savior.

Would we not do well to magnify the ordinance as a privilege, and to think of it, not simply as a duty, but rather in a higher sense of being the royal badge which God allows one to wear? In the early centuries it was the custom to be baptized in white robes, and then these robes were kept as a memento of this sacred occasion, and as a remembrance of the solemn vows taken on one's self at the time. Would we not do well to look back to our baptism as making a great transition in our life, as a great privilege which God vouchsafed to us, and as being our burial to the old life and our resurrection to the new life? and ought not the voice of our baptism to be heard in all our after life?

Let it be remembered, too, that one who does not believe in Jesus is not ready for baptism, is not ready for church-membership, is

not ready for the high and holy service which opens up to one walking in the new life which Christ gives.

It is a solemn thing to take on this ordinance uncalled, and without being in accordance with divine requirements. We remember once to have heard the remark from a woman who had been sprinkled in infancy, and who had lately become a Baptist and followed Christ in baptism, to the effect that the first thing that awakened her to a sense of her duty was a thought urged on her by a preacher that *she was responsible for her baptism*, and must give an account unto God for it. Is not this true of us all concerning our baptism, and in a very high and solemn sense?

FIELD NOTES.

Rev. Mack Stamps requests us to change his paper from Sheffield to Huntsville. He enters upon his work at Dallas Avenue church.

Rev. P. G. Maness, of Shoultz, Bibb county, requests us to send his paper to St. Louis, as he expects to spend a time at the Missouri Baptist Sanitarium. We regret the necessity of our brother going to a curative establishment, but had not heard that he had any ailment.

We regret that Bro. Hunter's account of his great meeting at Avondale, and also the report of Huntsville B. Y. P. U. did not reach us until Tuesday noon. Tuesday, as we have often remarked in these columns, is an uncertain day for communications to reach us. On that day we "round up" so as to go to press early Wednesday morning. This is a matter of necessity, not of choice with us.

W. W. Lee, pastor, Greensboro: I write to let the friends of Greensboro church know that the Lord has been blessing us in our work. In the two months since I came as pastor we have paid our pledge to State missions and Home missions, and twice our pledge to Foreign missions. Dr. Provence, of Montgomery, preached for us ten days in a meeting, and two joined for baptism. We are expecting several to join soon by letter.

Bro. Stewart, of Kadoke, calls our attention to an error in our types in his report of the meeting recently held at his church. Ten thousand dollars were raised to build a new church, instead of one thousand, as printed. Perhaps we would have noticed the difference in the two amounts if we had appreciated the bigness of the scale on which the Roanoke Baptists propose to do things. We'll understand them better hereafter.

W. L. Culbertson, Cuthbert, Ga., May 1: I have just closed my first month's work here. It has been very successful in many respects. We have averaged one addition every Sunday in the month. We hope to continue this rate of increase during the entire year. We will begin our revival meeting May 7th. Dr. Arthur Crane, pastor First Baptist church, Charleston, S. C., will assist in the meeting. Let all who love the Lord pray with us for a mighty ingathering of the saved.

Rev. W. H. Smith, D. D., the beloved pastor of the First Baptist church, Columbus, Ga., is assisting Dr. H. W. Provence at Clayton Street in a meeting. It has been in progress for two weeks, and will continue this week. Dr. Smith is doing splendid service. His sermons and Bible readings are worthy of any man. The people hear him gladly. He is a true gospel preacher—nothing sensational; he preaches to the heart, and the hearer is bound to feel the force of the thoughts and truths presented. He is a strong and captivating preacher, full of the gospel spirit.

D. S. Martin, Equality, Coosa county: I received the sample copies sent in time for use at our fifth Sunday meeting and Sunday School Convention. I took the liberty of representing the ALABAMA BAPTIST, and, as a result, enclose herein eight dollars subscription money. Interest in our Sunday School convention is increasing. The attendance was good, and subjects ably discussed. Only two things we have to regret: 1st. That so few schools were represented; and, 2d, so few of our pas-

tors seem to take any interest in this work. The pastors present at this meeting were W. R. Whatley, J. M. Johnson and D. S. Martin. Brethren W. T. Stewman and Hugh Rodgers were also present and rendered valuable assistance. The next regular session will be held with Friendship church, five miles west of Tallahassee. But a called session will be held with Rockford church sometime in the near future.

Deacon T. L. Jones, of Montgomery, did not "assist" Bro. Baber at Sister Springs church, Dallas county, on Sunday last. The reason was, that when the time came the pastor was too unwell to go, and Bro. Jones had to do all the work himself, both morning and afternoon. We hear that Bro. Jones' talks gave great satisfaction to the large congregation, and he expresses himself as highly pleased with the attention given him while speaking, and with the cordiality shown him personally. And he was specially pleased with the dinner, counting it among the best.

I. N. Langston, Luverne: I have just closed successful meetings with both my churches, Luverne and Letohatchie. Evangelist Paul Price was with me at both places. He is an earnest, strong, practical preacher of the Word. He has no undue desire to "count converts," but preaches the gospel and depends on God for results. At Luverne we received two by letter and one for baptism. At Letohatchie two by letter and two for baptism. The Letohatchie people say it was the best meeting they have had in years. I heartily endorse Bro. Price's doctrines and methods. He was used of God in doing us great good at both churches. Letohatchie gave me a purse to help pay expenses to Hot Springs.

D. W. Ramsey, Pine Apple: Had a most excellent and encouraging meeting with Concord church, Buena Vista, last Sunday. A committee of young ladies, previously appointed, turned over more than \$40.00 for missions and other benevolent work. A balance, about \$20.00, due the former pastor, B. H. Crumpton, was promptly paid. Ten dollars was given the present pastor to enable him to attend the Southern Baptist Convention; also \$2.50 to the associational representative for the

same purpose. The church has a good Sunday School, conducted by the same faithful ones I commenced with seventeen years ago; and the best prayer meeting I ever attended. We, church and pastor, thank God and take courage.

W. E. Fendley, Alameda, Clarke county: I have returned to Alabama, and will preach at present at this place and Okaloosa, which may be considered two of the most destitute places in this part of the state, having no public worship whatever.—The Thomasville saints have fallen in love with Bro. Savell, and well they may, judging from reports.—Brethren Adams, Williamson, J. H. Fendley and others bid fair to do a great work in this association. The Baptists generally seem to be greatly interested in Sunday School work. We praise God for such men as Bro. W. D. Dunn, who seems to have his heart in the work.—That missionary catechism being sent out by Bro. Crumpton is a great blessing, and deserves a wide circulation. Let pastors write him for as many as they can distribute to advantage, and press the claims of the board upon the hearts of their people.

A Desolated Home!—A Lonely Heart!

These expressions came into my mind, and my heart went out to Bro. J. M. Thomas as I met him at the Union depot at Birmingham, bringing with him the remains of his precious wife from Pittsburg, Pa. She was a daughter of Col. A. B. Johnson, so well and favorably known among the Baptists of Jefferson county. The Lord send to them the Comforter. W. E. C.

We have just received McCall's Magazine for June. It contains two beautiful colored plates and more than a hundred illustrations of patterns of artistic designs.

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For the Alabama Baptist.

Rev. W. A. Hobson, D. D.

As committee of one appointed by the Baptist Ministers' Conference of Birmingham, for that purpose, I desire to express our sincere regret that Bro. W. A. Hobson has felt it his duty to leave the state for another field. As a brother minister and friend he has at all times proven manly and true to his brethren. It was no light matter to break the devoted circle of brethren who compose the Birmingham Baptist Ministers' Conference. They are a brotherly set, and each one much in love with all the rest. The *esprit du corps* of this conference is unsurpassed. We feel deeply the severing of one of the members. The Baptists of the state also have cause for profound regret at the departure of Dr. Hobson for Jacksonville, Florida. He has served the denomination faithfully in our recent debt-paying campaigns, in the chair of Biblical Literature at Howard College, in the Presidency of the Board of Ministerial Education, and in various other capacities wherever he could be of service.

Bro. Hobson is a fine preacher, a sympathetic and judicious pastor, and the Jacksonville saints have captured a prize. Our Florida brethren will find him energetic, conservative, thoroughly alive to all the interests of our denomination, deeply concerned for all things that pertain to the kingdom of God and the best interests of humanity; perfectly fearless in the advocacy of all moral questions, and a true yoke-fellow in service.

We heartily commend him to our Florida brethren; but we serve notice on them that we shall bring him back to Alabama at the first opportunity.

J. V. DICKINSON.

For the Alabama Baptist.

Endorses the Plan.

I want to add my endorsement to Bro. Mize's plan for getting funds for Ministerial education.

J. E. CREEL.

Pastor New Bethel, Mt. Zion and Mt. Olive churches, and Missionary and Sunday School Evangelist for Sulphur Springs Association.

For the Alabama Baptist.

In Etowah Association.

The fifth Sunday meeting of the first district convened at Mt. Carmel church, West Gadsden, April 28th.

After devotional exercises conducted by W. J. Nash, the introductory sermon was preached by Rev. J. R. Trotter.

In the afternoon delegates were enrolled, there being nineteen present from six churches. J. R. Trotter was elected chairman, W. J. Nash clerk, and L. L. Herrin chorister.

The following subjects were discussed during the session: Why are so many preachers without pastoral work? What is a pastor's jurisdiction? What is the purpose of the Sunday school? The obligation resting upon Baptists to support our missionary enterprises.

A number of brethren took part in the discussions, and the subjects were ably handled. W. J. Nash preached Saturday night, and also preached the missionary sermon on Sunday morning. This was followed by a collection of \$3.37, which was turned over to Mt. Carmel church for disposal.

Sunday afternoon business was continued. E. B. Moore, W. J. Nash and ———— Sears, of East Gadsden, were appointed a committee to confer with the committee of the second district as to program and time and place of next meeting.

A motion was adopted extending thanks to Mt. Carmel church and community for kindness and hospitality. This was responded to by the church and those of the community who were present.

A motion was adopted to send these proceedings to the ALABAMA BAPTIST and such of the county papers as the clerk may select. Adjourned. THE CLERK.

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Barnwell, E. C. Neal, T. V.
Bolling, T. P. Norman, E. R.
Collins, E. W. Pierson, W. D.
Cullom, N. W. Pendrey, J. W.
Crumpton, H. D. Parker, J. E.
Crumpton, R. C. Reeves, L. T.
Crawford, W. L. Ray, J. D.
Crumpton, W. B. J. Riley, A. M.
Cabaniss, R. W. Richmond, F. W.
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Davis, W. T. Smith, Hunter
Davie, M. C. Shahan, A. E.
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Hall, J. S. Smith, J. W.
Harris, E. C. Thomas, T. M.
Haslam, J. B. Thompson, H. W.
Hood, W. R. Windham, W. A.
Johnson, Roy Weller, T. W.
Jackson, J. L. White, Hugh
Kronenberg, Sam'l Watkins, F. H.
Latham, H. D. Weldon, G. E.
Lucius, R. S.

1st highest average, 99.7; 2nd highest average, 99.6.

F. M. Roof, President.

Birmingham Conference.

Pratt City—Bro. Quisenberry left Friday. Pastor Dickinson continued meeting through Sunday. The church greatly revived. Four additions by letter, eleven by baptism. Among the latter were the two oldest children of the pastor, Alpheus and Lula Dickinson. There were about 25 professions, and others will join. All the Pratt City people fell deeply in love with Bro. Quisenberry, and desire him again. Bro. Stovall, of Atlanta, Ga., preached Sunday night.

Those who have seen the face of God need not fear the face of man that shall die. To have power with God is to have power over all the evils that threaten us.—F. B. Meyer.

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For the Alabama Baptist. Birmingham Letter.

[This came just a day too late for last issue.—Ed.]

FIRST CHURCH.—Dr. Gray celebrated the completion of his seventh year as pastor on the 22d of April, and had Dr. J. M. Frost to preach for him at both services. Dr. Frost's sermons were greatly enjoyed, and at the conclusion Dr. Gray's people pressed forward to express their appreciation of their pastor's faithful and efficient work as their leader, at the same time pledging him their hearty support for the future. If any church in the South has a more judicious pastor or an abler expositor of God's word, this scribe knows it not. Dr. Gray has labored under great difficulties, but his church has made sure and steady progress under his leadership. The readers of the ALABAMA BAPTIST do not need to be told of his great work in the debt-paying campaigns of recent years in our state. He is now successfully grappling with the last payment on the debt on his church, and will soon accomplish that, as he did the rest.

SOUTHSIDE.—Dr. Davidson has just closed a very helpful and healthful series of meetings, in which he had the assistance of Rev. Preston Blake, of Lexington, Kentucky, and of the sweet singer Bro. Wolfsohn.

AVONDALE.—Pastor Hunter has just closed a great revival in which there were seventy-nine additions. Evangelist Harry L. Martin did the preaching, and great congregations attended his preaching, which was "in demonstration of the Spirit and of power."

EAST LAKE.—Pastor Hobson preached his farewell sermon, and goes to Jacksonville, Fla., Thursday, beginning his work there the first Sunday in May. His people are universally sad over his departure.

WOODLAWN.—Pastor Blackwelder preached his twenty-sixth sermon on "The Life of Paul," and there are more to follow. His people are greatly enjoying his series.

PRATT CITY.—Pastor W. Y. Quisenberry, of Decatur, is assisting Pastor Dickinson in a series of meetings of great spiritual power. There have been a number of professions already, and the meetings grow in interest daily. Bro. Quisenberry has great gifts as an evangelist, and is eminently discreet and conservative.

At a meeting of the Board of Ministerial Education, President Hobson presented his resignation as a member and as president of the board, which was reluctantly accepted. Bro. Hobson had served the denomination faithfully and wisely in that capacity. Rev. J. G. Lowrey was unanimously elected to the vacancy. He has peculiar fitness for the work, and will throw his whole heart into it, as he does into the large number of other positions of trust which the Baptists of Alabama have thrust upon him in recognition of his worth. Look out, brethren, for a letter and envelopes from President Lowrey, and usher in his administration with cordial sympathy and support—above all with your prayers for him and the board—and immediate collections.

J. V. DICKINSON.

For the Alabama Baptist. At Sylacauga.

How refreshing, encouraging, helpful, edifying, the issue of the ALABAMA BAPTIST of April 26th. Bro. Callaway's excellent report of the B. Y. P. U. convention at Union Springs; the bit of Baptist history furnished by the venerable Dr. Burleson, of Texas; President Roof's letter to the Baptists of our state; the good meetings reported from Camp Hill, Roanoke and other points. We thank God and take courage for the future, for we have a great deal to encourage us as Baptists contending for the truth.

For more than two weeks we have enjoyed three services a day in a tent meeting conducted by Bro. Morrill, of Georgia, a Protestant Methodist minister. He preached the gospel, simple and pure, and our people, regardless of faiths and orders, heard him, helped him, and we were all greatly helped by his coming.

Our church here is awake. The purchase of a pastorium near our church building we trust will soon locate our beloved pastor, Rev. A.

E. Burns, here, when we hope to secure his services for one-half his time.

Our Sunday school grows in numbers, in interest, and in donations each week. Our B. Y. P. U. is developing the young church members. The young men and young ladies are at work in the Master's vineyard, and we have no fears of the future. To our God be glory and dominion forever. Fraternaly, H. G. DABBY.

May 1.

For The Alabama Baptist. A Good Meeting.

The eleventh session of Liberty Sunday School Convention was held with Liberty school April 27-29. The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. John Ragland. Subjects discussed were, (1) What is the best way to induce officers to attend Sunday school regularly? (2) What is the duty of parents to S. S. officers? (3) What is the best method of studying the Bible?

These subjects were well discussed by John Ragland, B. F. Hughes, J. T. Creel, J. N. Miner and W. D. Shaw. Songs, recitations and essays by the children were entertaining and stimulating, and were enjoyed by all present. The missionary sermon was preached by W. D. Shaw, and was followed by a collection of \$2.05 for missions.

This session was the best in our history. May the Supreme Regent of heaven bless our Sunday school work. MOSES C. HUGHES.

Three Rivers.

For the Alabama Baptist.

Prof. Richard M. Emith.

Bro. Editor: In your issue of May 3 you publish a statement about Prof. Smith joining the Baptists, etc. You copied what you said from the Western Recorder of April 19.

Bro. H. C. Riser did conduct a meeting for us at Camp Hill, not Cary's Hill—and Prof. Smith attended our meetings. I am pastor of the church at Camp Hill, and it is the custom of Prof. Smith to attend the services at our church. He is strictly a church-going man, and a very amiable and sociable Christian gentleman. But that he has ever had any intention to join the Baptist church, without my knowledge, one thing is certain, he has not done so. Prof. Smith has severed his relations with the Universalist church at Camp Hill, but with no intention to join any church, so far as I know. He is a man of broad culture, and occupies a chair in the Universalist College at Camp Hill.

Dadeville. JOHN P. SHAFFER.

For the Alabama Baptist. Elba.

We are in our new house at last on our new field, and are well pleased with the outlook. Our pastorium is a pretty cottage of five rooms, built on the modern style, close to the church on a very pretty lot, and when we have time to finish the yards and paint the house it will be one of the handsomest homes in the town.

The ladies gave us quite a pounding on our arrival here. It would be useless to undertake to tell you all about it; suffice it to say we have much to be thankful for. God bless the women everywhere; they are always the pastor's standby!

Our district meeting at the "Cross Roads" was good, but not nearly so good as it ought to have been. In the first place the house would not hold the people, more than two-thirds being out of doors on Sunday; and then we had a long service on Sunday morning before regular service, and the people were tired when the preaching hour came. Don't have anything like that at your meeting.

We are in the midst of quite a serious question at Elba—now. Shall we educate our children on the dispensary money? is the question and I think that will be the thing we will decide to do. So the course of the dispensary is growing. I sincerely believe that the stand taken by some of our leading ministers in this state has no popularized the dispensary that a course has been fostered on us that we will not be able to throw off in a half century; and the worst form of that course is the fact that Christian ministers and churches are advocating the sale of liquor, and the dis-

pensaries are called "church institutions"—and as such it is possible to put one almost anywhere in the state. May God deliver us from this sort of church institutions. I tell you we can't afford to champion the sale of liquor in any form. If there are men who want dispensaries, let them have them, but let our ministry and churches wash their hands of the whole business. For my part, I am satisfied that our Lord is clearly against the sale of liquor in saloons or dispensaries, and if we desire to honor him we must stand against the sale of liquor as a beverage. How sad that we have fallen on such times. The compromise is worse than the saloon. S. O. Y. RAY.

For the Alabama Baptist. Mission Trip.

Dear Baptist: On the 25th of April I joined Mr. H. C. Mason at Mobile, where we took the boat for Battle's Landing, in Baldwin county. A kind brother met us, and after a ride of eight miles we stopped for the night. On the 26th, at 8 o'clock, we met a good congregation at Brook Cedron church. Good audiences met us on the 27th also. Sunday morning I went to Sunday school, where fifty or more children were gathered to study the Bible.

Preaching at 11 o'clock to a good congregation, and then we had dinner at the church. The good things put before that crowd were too numerous to mention. At 2 o'clock we re-assembled for services, and at 3:20 adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock.

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	10 40	7 30	ar. Jacksonville. lv	7 45	8 00		
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	1 00am	2 00	ar. Palatka.	12 10	3 30		
	3 45	4 40 Sanford.	3 40	11 45pm		
	4 39	5 45 Orlando.	11 00am	10 55		
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	11 59	10 30	ar. Savannah. lv	5 00	7 40		
	6 13am	4 39	ar. Charleston. lv	5 14	5 14		
	9 50pm	7 15am	lv. Waycross. ar	8 00pm	9 30am		
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Stutterers Much

Interested.

The good people of Montgomery interested again at the return of that noted Voice Doctor (Rev. G. W. Randolph) who cured so many stutterers the past few months in Birmingham, Mobile and Montgomery. Bro. Randolph left this city a few weeks ago for the North, but was requested by many letters from stutterers to return to Montgomery and cure them, which he decided to do, as he is a Southerner, and fought side by side with the old rebels of Alabama and Georgia, &c. He is now at 319 Dexter ave., and desires every stutterer in this state and Georgia to come at once and be cured of stuttering, or send for home treatment. We have seen some of his work in this city, and, judging by that, we would advise the stutterer to come and be cured. The Doctor is no fake, so say leading papers all over the land.

For the Alabama Baptist.
From Texas-Alabamians
There.

Dear Baptist: For a long time I have thought I would write concerning our work here at Decatur Baptist College. Prof. Giles, whom all the Alabama brethren know and love, is our honored president. He is immensely popular here. His work as president has been marked with very great success. The matriculation has this year been one hundred and fifty-eight. The college is one of the federated schools of our Texas Education Commission. We are in good financial condition so far as the college property is concerned. Nothing is against the property now. We are trying to make ours a religious school. This year we have been greatly blessed. The Lord gave us a very precious meeting. All but two of the dormitory students were converted to the Lord, as well as many others. All our young men now in the dormitory pray in public except one, who is an unconverted boy. The boys are faithful workers, as well as the girls. We are very grateful for this. For after all, why have Christian schools at all unless they be Christian?

We are hopeful of great things in the future. Alabama is in the majority in the college. Prof. Giles needs no praise to Alabama brethren. He is known to be an unselfish, untiring, spiritually-minded worker. Among our other teachers is Miss Mattie Johnson, daughter of Bro. Johnson at Oxford, Ala., who teaches elocution, art and some literary classes. Miss Johnson is a graduate of the Judson, and is a young lady of marked powers, having that lady-like and gentle Christian spirit which so often characterizes the Judson girls. Then Miss Louise Barnes, our teacher of music, who has gained the very highest esteem of all. It is strange how these Judson girls have won the hearts of the people here. The Judson is a great school. It forms character that tells for good. Our teacher of mathematics is Prof. J. H. Perdue, a Georgia young man, but graduate of the Howard, having graduated in the same class of which I had the honor to be a member. He is getting a good hold on the people. He is a young man of remarkable attain-

But thy memory will be cherished
Till we see thy heavenly face.

ments for one so young. I teach the Greek and German and part of the Latin. In connection with my work I am preaching to four churches in neighboring villages and country communities. I watch with much interest all the work of Alabama. May God bless all the brethren. Fraternally,
J. B. TIDWELL.

Decatur, Texas.

For the Alabama Baptist.
Second Church, Selma.

Dear Baptist: It has been six months today since I returned here to my first regular pastorate.

On my return I did not find the congregation worshipping in the little chapel in the extreme eastern part of the city, but in a neat brick house, centrally located, and with a seating capacity of about 350.

Instead of finding a mere mission organization, there was an organized church with 200 or more members, and an excellent board of deacons, and a band of earnest workers to co-operate with their incoming pastor.

During these six months of labor several things have taken place which encourage the heart of both pastor and people.

In the first place, we have succeeded in organizing our forces for more effective work. The L. M. Society I found to be well organized and doing an excellent work.

The Sunbeam band has been revived, well organized, and with a membership of about 60, is doing an excellent work under the leadership of my assistant pastor, Mrs. J. E. Barnes. The Sunday school has also been thoroughly organized, and over 200 names have been enrolled in the Home department and the regular school. The collection on each first Sunday is given to one of the six objects fostered by our State convention.

Recently a B. Y. P. U. with about 25 members was organized. We hope this will do much towards enlisting and developing our young people.

Mrs. Barnes hopes to organize a

"Baby's Branch" among the little tots at an early date.

The Second church is now numbered among the "Regulars" for missions, &c. Our collections on the 3d Sunday each month have improved very much by using the card and envelope system.

The different departments of our church work, together with the church, have sent to benevolent objects nearly \$150. There is still room for big improvement.

On March 11th the pastor began a series of meetings, and was joined on the 18th by Bro. H. L. Martin. During the eight days Bro. Martin was with us he gave the people some strong gospel sermons. Such preaching cannot fail to do good. My people were pleased with him, and regretted that on account of small pox and other sickness we had to close the meeting one week earlier than we expected. Since the meeting commenced 20 have joined by experience and baptism, and by letter, making 34 since November 1st last. The church building and lot, which cost between \$4,000 and \$5,000, have been recently deeded by the First church, the mother church, to the Second church. This was a generous act on their part, and we are indeed grateful for it.

There are many other things to encourage us which I will not mention in this already too lengthy notice. We hope to be self-sustaining by November next. Fraternally,
J. E. BARNES.

The Southern Biscuit.

It happened once that a lady visitor came unexpectedly to a New England country home. The housewife, taken unawares, supplemented her stock of bread by making warm biscuits for supper. Probably her skill as a cook was good, for when well towards the close of the meal, she passed the plate and urged the visitor to have another biscuit, the latter demurred, saying, before she allowed herself to be persuaded, "These biscuits are so delicious I really don't know how many I have eaten already."

At which the infant terrible of the family, a little girl who usually had her eyes and wits about her, piped up in a shrill, childish voice: "I know. I've kept count, and that one makes six."

Six biscuits at a meal may make

death on March 21, we who write could not

bores with her in the Master's service.

a large story to be told as they make biscuits in New England, big, too often yellow with soda, or soggy and half-baked in the middle; but I want to tell you that six biscuits as they make them down here in the South are nothing. More than once I have eaten twelve at a meal.

Why is it that Northern cooks can not make biscuits like their fellow workers in the South? I have tried again and again to pin the Southern cooks down to a recipe, but it is no use. They "jes" make 'em." Surely they can have no better flour here than in the North, and yet I guarantee that any one who has traveled here will join with me in singing the praise of Southern warm biscuits.

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I contend that such biscuits as these are not unhygienic and indigestible. I ought to know. I have eaten enough of them. The fortune of the Northern hotel or restaurant that can put them on its table is made.—(Max Bennett Thrasher, in American Kitchen Magazine.)

"That is a pretty big buckwheat cake for a boy of your size," said papa at breakfast to Jimmy boy.

"It looks big," said Jimmy boy, "but really it isn't. It's got lots of porouses in it."

The man who is truly grateful for a great kindness will return it by passing it on to another. The regenerated man cannot rest till he has brought some one else to the Savior. If he can, he has reason to fear lest his hope be a mistaken one.

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The man, who had been relapsing into the slumberous state, lifted his head at the last remark and gazed at the woman with lack-luster eyes. It apparently took a moment or two for the remark to penetrate to his inner consciousness. Then he said: "If you was my wife I'd take it."—Chicago Record.

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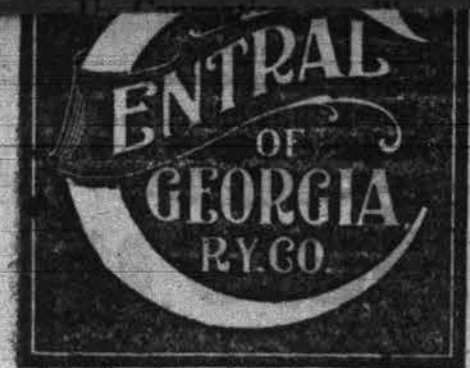
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Rev. F. T. Hudson conducted devotional exercises, and Rev. S. J. G. preached the sermon, text:

Acts 17:23. "The unknown God."

After dinner organization was effected by the election of Pastor W. R. Adams, moderator, and Rev. J. H. Wallace, clerk.

Discussion of subjects on the program then begun, and a number of brethren took part.

Rev. W. G. Gregory preached at night from John 10:25.

Saturday morning Bro. E. M. Swearingen led the devotional exercises, and discussion was resumed.

Rev. W. T. Foster preached at 11 o'clock from Zech. 3:9.

Discussion continued in the afternoon, and at night Rev. J. H. Wallace preached from Luke 22:29, 30. Collection of \$2.50 for Institute work.

Sunday morning Rev. W. R. Adams conducted devotional service, and the subject, The Sunday School, was discussed with much interest by a number of brethren.

This was followed by hand-shaking as a token of more faithful service.

Sermon by Rev. G. S. Anderson from Eccl. 3:17, followed by a collection of \$3.83 for Foreign Missions; then the closing song, "God be with you," and the parting hand.

The meeting was kindly and bountifully entertained. Attendance not very large, but the meeting was one of the best we ever attended. This church has prospered under the administration of Bro. Adams. New members have been added, old ones strengthened, and an old claim against the church property removed. A new house of worship is contemplated.

CLERK.

GENERAL NEWS NOTES.

The British have recently gained some victories over the Boers in South Africa, but at this distance, and with the coloring of British reports, it is uncertain whether they were important or not. At any rate, the Boers continue to fight in their peculiar way, and give the British much trouble.

The most interesting news from the Philippines is that Gen. Otis has been relieved from command at his own request and is on his way home. Gen. MacArthur, who

has been active at the front all the time, succeeds Otis in general command while still retaining command of his division. Gen. Otis has not been at the front at all, and many people think his management of affairs has been a failure, but the President stands by him. It is now reported that Aguinaldo is dead, as nothing that is believed has been heard from him in three months. The wife is in Manila. An American garrison of thirty men was besieged by a large force of insurgents, and all but ten had been killed, and they were nearly without food and ammunition, when a relief force arrived. They were in a stone church, the roof of which had been burned by the besiegers.

NEARER HOME.

This government a few days since sent a large quantity of rice to feed the needy Porto Ricans. Mr. Allen, the new civil governor, was recently installed with much show and parade, but the Porto Ricans were not enthusiastic, not being satisfied with their treatment by this government.

The lower house of congress has passed by a large majority a canal bill which Senator Morgan approves, and he thinks it will pass the senate, but it will meet persistent opposition.

The Kentucky contest between the Democratic and Republican claimants for governor is being argued before the supreme court at Washington, and the case attracts much attention. In Kentucky the local court is examining witnesses to learn who killed Goebel, the Democrat who was declared elected. Evidence has caused the arrest of several persons who were concerned in the plot to kill him, but the man who did it has not been discovered.

Gen. Wheeler, it is stated, has decided not to ask for re-election to congress in August. He may remain in the army.

Storms have recently done much damage about Houston and San Antonio, Texas. In many sections of the South rains and storms have caused farmers an unusually hard time this year.

Really to live is ever to go forward and upward.

MARRIED.

FARROW-BELL. These young people were married on the evening of April 30th, at the Baptist church at Jackson's Gap, by Dr. Jno. P. Shaffer. Both belong to good families. Young Farrow is a son of Mr. Geo. Farrow, a strong merchant of Jackson's Gap; Miss Bell is a daughter of Rev. Geo. L. Bell. Both parties have many friends who wish for them a long and useful life.

OBITUARY.

Sister Martha C. Thigpen died at Furman, Wilcox county, April 24. She was born in Butler county, Dec. 6, 1838; married to E. T. Thigpen during the civil war; united with Friendship Baptist church soon afterwards, and has ever since been a member of this church. She was true and faithful to her church obligations, always attending when possible, and taking great interest in all church work. As a friend and neighbor, her kindness, hospitality and generosity were proverbial. Her husband was a deacon of Friendship church. She leaves two married daughters, whose husbands are also deacons—J. L. Skinner, Furman, and J. B. Coleman, Pine Apple. She has but one son, Dr. Jeff. Thigpen, who is now, and has been for some time, at Manila, Philippine Islands. Her children, grandchildren and a large number of friends and relatives mourn her death.

D. W. RAMSEY.

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Letters testamentary under the last will and testament of said decedent, having been granted to the undersigned on the 1st day of May, 1900, by the Hon. J. B. Gaston, Judge of the Probate Court of Montgomery County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate, will be required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or that the same will be barred.

HENRIETTA L. ROQUEMORE, CHARLES HUNTER ROQUEMORE, JOHN DUPRE ROQUEMORE, Executors.

Mortgage Sale of Real Estate.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage executed by John Day and Alice Scott to the undersigned, Geo. D. Noble, on the 15th day of February, 1899, I, the said Geo. D. Noble, will, on the 9th day of June, 1900, at the Court Square Fountain, in the city of Montgomery, Alabama, proceed to sell at public auction for cash, within the legal hours of sale, the following described real estate, lying in the County of Montgomery, State of Alabama, to-wit: That certain house and lot on South Jackson street, fronting thirty-five (35) feet on the east side of said Jackson street, and running back one hundred and five (105) feet, lying between Curtis and Johnson, and upon which the said Alice Scott resided at the time of the execution of said mortgage. Being the same property conveyed by said mortgage.

This the 10th day of May, 1900.
Geo. D. Noble, Mortgagee.
GORDON MACDONALD Attorney.
MAY 10-4W.

MORTGAGE SALE.

Under and by virtue of a certain mortgage with power of sale, and under the powers therein contained, executed by B. L. Williams and Emma Williams, his wife, to the Banking Building and Loan Co., of Montgomery, Ala., on the 30th day of May, 1894, which mortgage is recorded in Book "28" pages 374-5-6-7-8 of the records of the probate office of Conecuh county, state of Alabama, the said Banking Building and Loan Co. will proceed to sell at public auction, at the Artesian Basin, Court square, in the city of Montgomery, Ala., to the highest bidder, for cash, on the 21st day of May, 1900 the following described property, situated in Conecuh county, state of Alabama, to-wit:

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This the 21st day of April 1900.

BANKING BUILDING AND LOAN CO., Mortgagee.

J. L. HOLLOWAY, Attorney.

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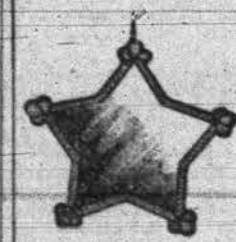
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One lot in the town of Newton, Dale county, bounded on the east by resident lot H. M. Hodges, on the west by W. D. Grant's resident lot, on the north by the Newton and Abbeville road, and on the south by Broad or King street and formerly known as the E. W. Griffith lot, containing 3-4 of an acre more or less, being the same conveyed to Ed Nix by W. D. Grant on the 18th day of September, 1899, by deed of record in the probate office of Dale county, state of Alabama, in book "B" page 125.

This the 21st day of April, 1900.

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