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For the Alabama Baptist,
The First Baptist Church of
Galveston.

To the Baptists of the Country:

Our church and chapel are in ruins. A vacant lot would be better. Loss thirty thousand dollars. Thirty-one of our four hundred church members are among the dead. Those who survive are financially ruined.

The question is being asked, "Will Galveston rise from the wreck and ruin of today?" There is here one of the great ports of the country. It is the natural outlet and inlet for Texas and the great Northwest. If there were today not a building on this island—only the great port remaining—Galveston would live again. There is a wave more irresistible than that of the Gulf; it is the tide of the world's commerce. We are not going to abolish seaport cities, and if there is a port destined to permanency and greatness, it is this.

From the ruins of today there will arise a more beautiful and a greater Galveston, with a sea wall and buildings built for wind and wave.

Shall we Baptists have a church here? You see our utterly paralyzed financial condition. We have faith, hope, courage, energy, but no money. Our people are unable to repair the damaged parsonage, or their own homes, or even to remove the debris from the church lot. We appeal to you. Your response cannot be too quick nor too large.

man who has spent one session at the Seminary. Judging from his preaching, he has made good use of it, for his sermons were all good, and he appears to capture all the people. He promises to be a useful man, and we are proud of him. He is one of our own Clarke county boys.

Send contributions to our church treasurer, W. S. Griffin, 2222 Mechanic street, Galveston, Texas. If you should lose or forget this address, a communication addressed, "First Baptist church, Galveston, Texas," would reach us safely.

Done by the church in conference Sept. 16th, 1900.

W. M. HARRIS, Moderator.
F. W. EICHLITZ,
Church Clerk pro tem.

For the Alabama Baptist, Muscle Shoals Association.

The eighty-first annual session of this association will meet with Mt. Pisgah church, at Flint, Morgan county, on Thursday, Oct. 4th, at 11 a. m. Rev. J. I. Stockton will preach the introductory sermon; Rev. T. V. Shoemaker, alternate. Mt. Pisgah church is about a half mile from the depot in the village of Flint, which is on the L. & N. railroad. No passenger trains stop at Flint, except the Birmingham accommodation train, which arrives there from Decatur at about 5:30 a. m., and from Birmingham at about 7:20 p. m. I hope the brethren at Flint will try to get the day mail trains to stop. Visiting brethren will take notice. JOS. SHACKELFORD, Trinity, Clerk.

For the Alabama Baptist, Our Indigent Ministers.

Editor Baptist: It has been the custom of the Baptists for years to take care of and provide for their old and indigent ministers, who have given their whole life to the cause of Christ, and had not time to prepare for the wants of their last days.

This is as it should be, and the special purpose of this letter is to call the attention of the churches composing the East Liberty association to the fact that we have heretofore been sending up small amounts to the association for this object, owing to the fact that the Lord had blessed us with men who were physically able to do good

work; but now such is not the case. We have at least one father who, for many years, has been one of our most enterprising and faithful workers, and who is now quite feeble and unable to work as he once did. Shall he therefore be humiliated by even temporary want? I say, no. I wish to insist that each of our churches shall send up to our next association a larger sum for the relief of indigent ministers.

Yes, brethren, let us swell our contributions for this cause everywhere in Alabama that it may be necessary, so that these old fathers in Israel may spend their declining years in peace and comfort. Certainly it will be pleasant to them to know that their brethren have not forgotten them, but that they still love them.

It would be well for other associations to make a note of this fact, as I know of a grand man, in a near-by association, who has given his life to the work, and who is now utterly unable to labor any longer. Remember, brethren, our Saviour said, "As often as ye do it unto the least of these, ye do it unto me."

Your brother,
Roanoke. G. W. HILL.

For the Alabama Baptist, A Year's Work.

I have just finished my pastoral work for this associational year. The results have been very good. The collections for benevolence have been fairly good. The aggregate increase in membership is 37. Two of my churches have built new houses of worship. Held three satisfactory protracted meetings; was assisted in one by Bro. W. W. Whately, in the other two by Bro. Sam A. Cowan, a young

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J. H. CREIGHTON,
Whatley.

School Funds.

We have been furnished the following interesting statement about the public school funds from the office of Hon. John W. Abercrombie, State Superintendent of Education:

General funds apportioned for 1900-1.....	\$ 822,370 29
Am't allowed State Normals.....	32,000 00
Supt's contingent fund.....	1,000 00
Total.....	\$ 855,370 29
Poll tax for 1900-1901 (est'd).....	130,000 00
Grand total.....	\$ 1,005,370 29
Number of white children school age.....	350,667
Number of colored children school age.....	282,879
Total number children school age in State.....	633,546
The per capita for 1900-1901 is \$1.28.	

For the Alabama Baptist, A Good Session.

The recent session of the Mineral Springs association, held with Watts' Union church, is said to have been the most delightful and profitable session ever held by that body. Rev. B. F. Hughes was elected moderator, and Deacon Jas. M. Creel was re-elected clerk and treasurer.

The following correspondents were present: J. W. Stewart, representing the Orphanage; Rev. J. A. Howard, representing the ALABAMA BAPTIST, and the writer, representing the Foreign Mission Journal. There were besides many others from the Birmingham and Sulphur Springs associations.

The spirit of advancement prevailed through the entire session. May God bless this little association, and enable them to carry out the plans and resolutions adopted at this session.

Warrior. J. E. CREEL.

Trip Notes.

The Calhoun association at Oxford I attended the first day. It bid fair then to be an interesting session. Bro. Cooper, a banker of Oxford, was continued as moderator, and Bro. J. E. Barnard clerk. It is no uncommon thing in these days to see bankers, lawyers, merchants or plain farmers made moderators of our associations. Not many years ago only a preacher would be considered as a presiding officer. I could write a whole chapter about the happy change years ago in this regard in the officering of the convention.

The reading of forty-one church letters is a tedious business; but how the brethren do enjoy it! I hear them read by the thousand and of course get nothing out of them, but the average delegate will sit patiently, with eyes and ears, and sometimes mouth open, listening most intently for two hours in the suffocating heat of a crowded house.

There must be a charm about it, but I can't appreciate it. Some have tried to do away with it, but the brethren won't allow it. So the next best thing is to turn them all over to the clerk, if he is a good reader, and let him leave off every unnecessary word and make the service brief as possible. Some of the associations are doing it and all are well satisfied with the change. The accurate brother who wants to get every word exactly right, and the funny brother, are in their glory when appointed on the reading committee; they will be robbed of much pleasure by the change, but the association will be greatly relieved. The Calhoun was a part of the Coosa River until a few years ago. It has sensible and enthusiastic

For the Alabama Baptist, Several Meetings.

Bro. Editor: We began our meeting at Macedonia church, Franklin county, Saturday before 4th Sunday in July, and continued seven days. It rained almost every day, still we had a glorious meeting; several

conversions, and three bright young ladies added to the church by experience and baptism. Brethren J. M. Roberts and L. M. Wear assisted me in the meeting.

On Saturday before the 2d Sunday in August our protracted meeting began at Town Creek, my home church. Bro. T. V. Shoemaker, pastor of the First church at New Decatur, was with me in the meeting; also, brethren R. L. Quinn, L. A. and L. M. Wear, all of whom have their membership in this church, rendered valuable service. Results were five additions to the church; among them my baby boy and my son-in-law. Like David I can say, "The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

On the 3d Sunday morning we began our meeting at Mt. Hope. Bro. Shoemaker preached for us Sunday morning and night and Monday morning. At night Bro. T. F. Hendon, of Tusculum, came and did all the preaching to the close; which was Friday night. Eight additions to the church by baptism and two by letter. We have never had a house of worship at this place, but, thanks be to God, on the last day of the meeting nearly \$700 was subscribed and will be paid to build a Baptist church in Mount Hope.

The first Sunday in September found us at Mt. Nebo church, four miles east of Russellville. Although there was a great deal of sickness, and it was a busy season, still we had a good meeting; the church was revived and one bright young man saved and added to the church.

Leaving this point Thursday evening, we retraced our steps to Town Creek to attend the Century meeting to begin Friday morning. We were disappointed in not finding more of the ministers present; yet it was a refreshing season from the presence of the Lord. Brethren F. C. David and A. G. Spinks were the only preachers from a distance. The introductory sermon by Dr. David was so sublime and comforting that I am wholly unable to give you anything like an adequate idea of its power; suffice it to say that there was great rejoicing among the children of God as this

P. S. At the proper time I failed to write of a Sunday in Anniston. Three services in one intensely hot day, and a walk of more than two miles, is a pretty hard service. In the morning I gave the young men of Parker Memorial a

sermon. I believe some of the young women and some fathers and mothers got something out of it also.

In the afternoon I was before the Glen Addie people. They gave me a good hearing. This is going to be a very important church at no distant day. Two of the new factories will be in reach of them. They have called Bro. Hutto, and I am sure they have made no mistake.

At night I preached to a large congregation at the First church. Bro. Barnard has done a great work, and is talking of asking his people to build him a tabernacle. At the Twine factory he has a very promising mission.

On the day the association met it was my pleasure to be present at the opening of Dr. Battle's College at the Anniston Inn. I have never seen a more beautiful spot than the one occupied by this school. The president was hopeful of a good session.

His old friends in South Alabama will be glad to know that Col. C. C. Hackabee was able to attend the Calhoun association. It was a great pleasure to this scribe to see him there.

If there is a better Sunday school superintendent and more enthusiastic worker than Dr. T. W. Ayers, I haven't met him. What a power he is in this region in Sunday school work!

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grand old man told, with deep pathos, of God's wondrous dealings with his people in all the past. The interest was great from the first service, and seemed to increase until Sunday morning, when a large and intelligent audience witnessed the ordination of Bro. L. M. Wear to the full work of the ministry. The presbytery consisted of Dr. F. C. David, R. L. Quinn, L. A. Wear and the writer. A fitting close to a great meeting was an earnest sermon in the afternoon from our beloved brother A. G. Spinks from the text: "Search the Scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life, and they are they which testify of me."

R. T. WEAR.

For the Alabama Baptist,
At Fayetteville.

Editor Alabama Baptist: Our people at Fayetteville were delighted to have the Editor with them on the 2d Sunday in September. They enjoyed his lecture very much, and I would have been delighted to have been with him. We would be so glad to have him come again on the 2d or 4th Sunday.

As was stated in the ALABAMA BAPTIST, I was at Harpersville, where we had a splendid meeting. Bro. Uphaw was a little the worse for wear, but his zeal for the Lord's cause gave him courage to hold on till Friday night. Each service grew in interest, and, as he is wont to do, Bro. U. endeared himself to the people, both saint and sinner, and while doing this he gave them to understand that his chief desire was to have them love and serve the Lord. O, how we love him for himself and for his faithfulness to God and his cause. The meet-

ing closed with eight additions by baptism and five by letter. Quite a number for prayer at the last service.

Bro. J. G. Dobbins, a Howard boy and our teacher at Fayetteville, was kind enough to go to Harpersville and begin the meeting on Saturday and hold the fort until we arrived on Tuesday. He had the meeting in fine working condition when we learned to love him very much. Bro. Dobbins is a good man, and we are delighted to have him as the principal of our school this year.

We praise the Lord for his great blessings to us this year. At Fayetteville 22, Vincent 14, Harpersville 8 baptisms, with more awaiting at each place. Let all the people praise him for his wonderful works to the children of men.

O. P. BENTLEY.

A creed may be either a compass or a straight jacket.

True self-control handles the guides more than the brakes.

God never forgets the man who is willing to take a hard place.

The greatest admirers of religion are frequently those who need it.

So many stumble in the Christian walk because they are looking back.

Nothing will kill a man quicker than perpetually feeling his own pulse.

The best friendship is that which inspires us to do better, to do our best.

Strength and beauty combine in the making of the truest manliness.

He that is good for making excuses is seldom good for anything else.

Two good rules for life are: Never be discouraged; never be a discourager.

Lots of men have revenged themselves for having family troubles by trying to play the cornet.

People need from us nothing so much as good cheer and encouragement. Life is hard for most people, and needs inspiration.

For the Alabama Baptist.
Belated Trip Notes.

One of the most useful men in the Birmingham district is M. M. Wood. He lives on his little farm at Huffman, and serves faithfully several churches. Among these is

TRUSSVILLE,
Which I visited a month ago. I found the pastor with a large congregation gathered on the banks of a beautiful stream where I witnessed a most impressive baptismal scene. Not far away from the church in a thickly settled community a brush arbor was located, and for ten days a good meeting was carried on, resulting in a large number of conversions. Trussville is a nice village in a beautiful valley. The church is one of the oldest in this section, and has quite an eventful history. It has a strong membership, and under the leadership of its wise pastor it is more than holding its own.

THE FLORENCE ASSOCIATION,
Met with Liberty church fifteen miles from Florence, within five miles of the Tennessee line. There are only a few churches in the association and there was some talk of attempting to consolidate with the Colbert; but after conference it was deemed unwise to do so. Several new churches were added.

There are several points in the county where church buildings were destroyed by the Federal soldiers during the war—one being torn down and used in the construction of barracks for the soldiers. Some made application to congress for damages years ago, but have heard nothing from it; others have never applied at all. It was the opinion of this scribe that if the claim was made out properly and pressed, damages could be recovered. A letter just received from Congressman Underwood contains the following information: "The government has never paid for destroyed property, but does pay for damages to property taken and used by the Union army." I will undertake to see what can be done whenever the churches will put the facts in my hands. With three or four good church buildings in the association, and one or two more live preachers, the Florence can be brought to be a

Prof. Gilbert was made Moderator and Bro. Huckabee clerk. Pastor Winters was down with fever and could not be present, much to the regret of all. Liberty is a strong church, located in a good country, well watered and fertile, and ought to have preaching two Sundays, but they seem to be satisfied with once a month service. Young Bro. Paulk, at the request of the church, was ordained to the full work of the ministry, the ministers present at the association comprising the Presbytery. He has lately held a very successful meeting a few miles away from the church, where there were a number of converts.

I preached on my return at Florence to a large night congregation. It was my sermon to young men. I thank God for every opportunity to preach it. Pastor Hall is working wisely and well, and has around him a co-operative church composed largely of young members. It is destined to become one of the largest churches in North Alabama. People of this section know but little about Alabama. Tennessee papers are largely taken. If we could get our Baptist people to take the ALABAMA BAPTIST, and inform themselves about what we are doing it would help the cause greatly.

I heard good reports from the work of Pastor Winters at East Florence. The city of Florence continues to grow. The Ashcraft brothers—there are five of them, all Baptists—have a cotton factory now in operation, besides their numerous other industries. Dr. Bellamy, another Baptist, is at the head of the wagon factory and some other enterprises.

"THE BAPTIST UNIVERSITY"
Building is a thing of beauty—an exact duplicate of the Judson, only it is trimmed with stone, and is therefore much more imposing than the Judson. There it stands in solitary grandeur a mile and a half from the city, on a beautiful eminence, from which there is as lovely scenery as can be found anywhere. There is no Baptist money in this great building. In the days of speculation, when it was supposed by many Florence was

going to be a great city, the enterprising boomers thought a great University would help to boom the city. An educational society was formed. Dr. Hawthorne was made president, and the late Hon. Porter King, of Marion, became vice-president. In honor of these Baptist worthies, and because of the numbers of Baptists all over the South, it was to be called a Baptist university. Dr. Hawthorne was to be the honored president. Judge King had been president of the Board of Trustees of the Judson for many years. Its buildings were burned and the present imposing structure was fast approaching completion. The Howard had been removed from Marion to East Lake. The citizens of Marion opposed its removal—Judge King leading the opposition in the Convention. It had now been two years at East Lake, the great expectations had not been realized by its removal, nor had the great promises made been fulfilled. It looked as if it might have to be moved again. Judge King saw this possibility and conceived the idea of making the University building at Florence an exact duplicate of the new Judson, and believed that the Howard would some day find a home within its walls. Much of the planning about the great University to be, was wise, and the execution, as to location, was excellent; but the time had not come. The boom bursted, the boomers scattered, and real estate went to nothing and the great industries were silent.

Years have passed, times have improved, the dead town is alive again, the industries are all going, but the great University building stands alone in its grandeur waiting—for what? Those who have it in charge would be glad to part with it at small cost to any body for any purpose. And some day I guess it will be occupied, but hardly for an educational institution.
W. B. C.

Bro. Crumpton Interviewed on the Wing.

"Hello, what is the matter with you, I never saw a fellow fall off so fast. What have you been doing with yourself?"
"I am going night and day, losing

lots of sleep, speaking and preaching often these hot days from one to four times. That's enough to jerk a fellow down some, I should think; but I don't mind it so long as I am in good health. I am just as well as can be, and propose to keep on at the present gate, if I keep well."

"Well, what is it all going to amount to? Are you doing any good?" "I hope so. Indeed, I know I am. It may not bring immediate results, but the fruit of this sowing is bound to appear after a while. What am I saying to them? Let me see if I can put it before you in a few words: In the first place I am not indulging in a pessimistic strain. I am talking hopefully to the brethren. I am begging the pastors to carry that sort of spirit into their pulpits; and this is not whistling to keep up courage—there is much to encourage us. The Baptists of the state are united. Not often you will hear a note of discord. What we did for Home and Foreign missions last year was a great surprise to them, and it is putting new life into them. They haven't forgotten the great debt-paying campaign last year—that was a big thing, and the Baptists of the state are beginning to believe they can undertake great things for Christ. We have much, very much to make us hopeful—of course it would be easy enough to talk otherwise."

"The crops are poor this year in most sections, and many are very gloomy. The pastor can drop the corners of his mouth and join his people in talking gloomily, and the whole crowd will become demoralized and be looking for the poor house. I have enough to pour into the ears of the brethren to make them and myself exceeding gloomy about the mission work; but what's the use? Who would be the better by it? The old sin-cursed earth has so much of gloom in it that it gets awful dark; it needs sunshine and cheer, and I have set my face towards the sun for the balance of my life. I am talking much of God's promises. How many they are, and how positive and plain, who can doubt them? His deliverances past, his promises for the

future! If we can take these into our homes, into our lives as preachers, into our pulpits, into the great cause of missions, the sunshine will pour in and chase away the gloom. Then I am pursuing the old theme, which I have been hammering at for so many years: Organization, system in our church work as in our individual business. Oh, yes; some of the pastor's have heard me a dozen times, and pursue the old no-method idea of the fathers; but others are taking hold and something is going to come of it. "He preaches, and that is all," said a brother about his pastor. "We need, and we are going to have a pastor who will lead us." I shall be the worst disappointed man in Alabama if we do not in a year or two double on our present Mission work in the state.

For the Alabama Baptist.
"Count Your Blessings One by One."

Knowing of the princely donation of Montgomery's citizens to "The Boy's Industrial Farm," I feel they will be genuinely interested in having me recount "the blessings one by one" that have come to us since the laying of the corner stone of the building.

The house that can be a home for seventy-five neglected, homeless, and oft times criminal little boys, is now sufficiently finished to be inhabited, though numberless things are needed to make it complete enough for winter quarters. Almost all the coal for the winter has been donated, and I hope the Missionary Society of some generous church may feel this is the work that lies nearest them, and send some money for stoves.

Two immense iron boilers, with a capacity of 5,500 gallons each, have been given, also the framework to support the boilers comes from the Dunham Lumber Co., both boilers and lumber being hauled by the L. & N. railroad gratis. The L. & N., Southern, A. G. S. and Central of Georgia roads gave a rebate of half freight charges on all materials hauled for the building. The insurance agents of Birmingham have combined and paid the premiums for one year on the house and furniture. The Montgomery Jewish ladies will furnish the beds, the Woodlawn ladies the hospital, and the Highland Book Club the reception hall. The Woodlawn workers have also given china, clothing, sheets, pillow cases, and towels, besides sending several of their number weekly to patch the little torn trousers.

A young gentleman sent a check for \$25, all unsolicited, just to have the privilege of knowing he had a hand in the glorious work. To me, the most touching gift presented to the institution was \$100 sent by a prisoner at Pratt Mines, "made by working over hours," and sent to "save boys." As many as twenty memorial beds have been contributed, twelve mattresses by Perfection Mattress Co., and I hope many more than twenty good and useful Christian men may remember to have been helped, when the world gave them no shelter.

Jefferson county has appropriated \$500, Mobile county \$300, Montgomery county \$300 and two boys also, Madison \$100, and I assure the others that have pledged themselves would send promptly if they only realized that "the King's business requireth haste."

The Board of Managers have been settling up all the bills they could, obtained time on many others from the generous merchants and lumbermen, and amidst all the anxiety and perplexity attendant upon the beginning of a great enterprise—our means too slender to even cast a shadow, to have a receipted bill for \$400 handed them from the architect, Mr. W. E. Spink, made their hearts sing for joy, and caused them to realize how the young men of the country are coming up to their whole duty and privileges in the grand work of helping this old sin-stained world to become better. Mr. Spink is a talented young architect; has given conscientious attention to the work, and some day will surely realize it is better to give than to receive.

Clerks of Associations can have their Minutes printed at this office at a low price. The work will be promptly and correctly done. If

B. Y. P. U. COLUMN.

Communications for this column should be addressed to PAUL F. DIX, Box 502, Montgomery.



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THE BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION.

GWYLYM HERBERT.

XI. INSTRUCTION AND GOOD LITERATURE COMMITTEE.

To this committee is assigned the important duty of creating an interest in the Christian Culture courses.

It should endeavor to get every member in the Union to follow the plan set forth in the Bible Reader's course as to the daily reading of the Bible. This can be done by a systematic canvass of the membership. It might be well to have them sign a pledge. It could extend its influence and induce as many of the church membership as possible to follow the prescribed readings. Furnish each reader with a "Daily Readings" topic card as published by the Baptist Union.

The committee can be of assistance to the Missionary Committee by urging members to study and read the articles on missions, as they appear from week to week in our paper.

It is the duty of the committee to take care of the Sacred Literature Course class and increase its membership. The meeting of this class should be entirely separate from the regular meetings of the Union, for the simple reason that many of the young people who attend the regular meetings will not take the course, and if you try to force it upon them, they will drop out of the Society and you will lose those whom you desire to reach most. In connection with the pastor, who is usually the leader of the class, this committee may arrange for these extra meetings. Then again it can arrange for lectures on the Sacred Literature Course study as suggested by the Baptist Union.

Lecturers on religious topics may be obtained from time to time to address the entire society.

There are many people who can not have religious reading, and by sending good papers and magazines to them, the committee will be doing a noble work. Others read the trashiest papers that are to be seen, and by having the right influence brought to bear upon them they may be induced to read only the good papers.

This committee should see that into every household connected with the church a good paper finds its way.

The prison and the poor house are places where old papers can be used with pleasure and profit.

This committee should look after the interests of the Baptist Union and secure and maintain as large a list of subscribers as possible. It should also increase the circulation of our denominational papers. Publishers are always glad to furnish sample copies.

Another profitable work that ought to be done by this committee is that of distributing leaflets of all kinds in the Union, the church and the community. These leaflets can be purchased at a very small cost, and they will prove a source of great good.

The committee can suggest from time to time good books to be read by the young people.

It has entire charge of the library, if the society is so fortunate as to have one. See that you have a library.

(To be continued.)

Please send all communications intended for the B. Y. P. U. column to the address given at the head of this column, instead of to the ALABAMA BAPTIST office.

B. Y. P. U., FIRST CHURCH, MONTGOMERY.

While during the summer months our Union has shown the effect of many of the members leaving the

city, still our meetings, both devotional and social, have been kept up, and in spite of the smallness in numbers, the interest in them has rather deepened than otherwise. The devotional meetings as a rule are really deep spiritual gatherings, the few young people who do come together seeming to feel the importance of the work, and endeavoring to do something for the Master.

One of the most pleasant and profitable business and social meetings we have had for a long time was held this month at the home of Miss Vernon Nix, on Jefferson street. After an interesting and encouraging business session, a social hour was spent, delightful refreshments being served. These meetings are very helpful to the Union work, and if all the Unions do not have a business and social meeting every month, we would recommend their having one. We could not do without it.
MAUD PEPPERMAN,
Cor. Sec'y.

Now is the time to send in subscriptions to the ALABAMA BAPTIST and the Baptist Union together. Remember the club subscription price of \$2.00 a year for the two papers. In the discussion of the committee work presented in this issue by the State Secretary, he gives some very valuable suggestions to the Unions in regard to the Union literature. If this committee would take the work in charge, and make an earnest effort to increase the number of subscribers to these two papers that mean so much to the young people, the result would be felt in all their work. They are worth much more than the subscription price.

B. Y. P. U. Quarterly.

The Sunday School Board is issuing a B. Y. P. U. Quarterly, making the first issue to cover the last quarter of this year. This is done at the earnest request of the Southern B. Y. P. U. Dr. Dawson and Dr. Gray, together with their board, have agreed to help us out in the way of furnishing copy, and our board will bear all the expenses. The Quarterly will contain the Bible Reader's course, and also a treatment of the Prayer Meeting topic card, just as the Sunday school lesson is treated in the other quarterlies. In case it does not correspond to our Advanced Quarterly, being 32 pages octavo, and will be sold at the low price of 10 cts. per quarter in single copies, and 6 cts. per quarter in quantities of ten or more to one address. Its announcement has met with very great favor, and there is a feeling on every hand that it will meet a condition which many have felt. I shall greatly appreciate anything the brethren may do to get this quarterly well before the public, especially to have it introduced in our young people's meetings.

We are now well into the second quarter of the convention year, and I am glad to report that the affairs of the board have made a decided forward movement upon what they were for the years previous. Our quarterly report, closing July 31st, was the best we have ever made, showing an advancement in every department. The Bible Fund more than doubled what it was for the corresponding period last year, and is already more than the whole of last year's contribution. I greatly appreciate the response that the churches are making to the call, and am hoping for the time to come when the Baptist churches of the South will give undivided support to the Sunday school and publishing interests of the convention, even as they give undivided support to Home and Foreign missions. I am also hoping that this year, which closes the first decade in the board's history and marks the passing from one century to another, shall witness the best year's work the board has ever had. J. M. FROST,
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For the Alabama Baptist. Paris and the Exposition.

NUMBER II.
Dear Alabama Baptist: It was three o'clock in the afternoon when we found ourselves among the crowd waiting to be admitted to the Sewers of Paris. The entrance was that on the Quay de Louvre. Half way down the broad stair leading from the street to the river is the door, a little iron affair beautifully white and shining. And on the stair waited some two hundred people of varying nationalities whose tickets, like ours, admitted for the first excursion of the afternoon.

There was a good deal of trepidation among that crowd, let me confide. Nobody knew what sewers are like, some were not enthusiastic over the prospect of investigating, and a few were positively on the point of stampeding when the door was opened. Like at the Catacombs there was now a general rush forward. But here after about twenty were admitted the way was barred. A considerable wait ensued, in which the never-failing "Mr. Know All" had time to make it known that each were being furnished with a candle. "Each has to have a candle," passed along the crowd, and every man began to pick out his pennies to be in readiness. But the door was reached at last where lo! we were greeted with a blaze of electric lights. The white concrete walls were studded with them. The inclined passage through which we descended was light as day. And there in the distance was the shimmer of water. The Sewers at last.

Moored at the foot of the passageway, a canoe waited for the accommodation of the last admitted twenty. In fact, a chain of some twelve boats extended along the sewer. Each was provided with a director, also two men who, one on a side, held the boat steady and prevented its bumping the sides of the four-foot canal. As each canoe was filled it moved off, to make way for the next, till the list was complete. Then merrily we moved along, drawn by electric trolleys and lighted by electric lights in

long lines above and in clusters on prow and stern. All appreciated those lights except a bridal couple in our boat. They, poor young things, looked so bored that it was easy to tell why they had come. According to them this was the worst lighted place they had found at all.

But now that we were under way the director's value became evident. He was there to answer questions. We were to be taken a mile or so by boat, then an equal distance by electric train, at the end of which time we were expected to have seen enough of the net-work of the city sewers.

The waterways through which we were passing were about twelve feet high and six wide. Beautifully cemented, they were of a cleanliness to put to shame the streets above them. Along each wall ran a ledge upon which the workmen walked and steadied the boats. Between these ledges raced the canal of water upon which we moved—water black from the street-cleaner's brush or turbid from storm-sewers filled from a thundercloud. At intervals intersections showed the cataracts tumbling down from the streets. All this water would be conveyed for miles underground before allowed to enter the river.

Abovehead watermains cling to the walls or filled the archway of the ceiling. The largest carried river water for the common usages of the city. Smaller ones furnished drinking water, also a special supply in case of fire. Between them cable, telegraph and telephone wires found room. Deeply imbedded within the walls were the refuse-bearing pipes. When we remember, then, that Paris has fourteen hundred miles of such sewerage, the wonder is small that she contemplates them with pride. Once seated in the trams, transit became more rapid. We still moved over the open canal, whose cemented edges, bound with steel bands, served here as tires. Now we began to get some notion of the vastness, the intricacy of this underground system. Poor Jean Val Jean! We could not keep him and his bewilderment, his despair, out of mind. It seemed so real, his groping his way along these narrow ledges, now cowering to listen for

pursuing footsteps, now leaping the intersecting waterways for life itself. Then to find the river door shut fast—or opened only to discover the face of the relentless Fouche.

But here were we at our doorway, and our polite guides waiting for us to be gone before another party entered. How pale the daylight looked. And then in the words of our Alabama congressman, the question was, "Where am I at?" It is a clear head that can be drawn around under earth and not lose its sense of location. But the Place de la Concorde and the Exposition gates loomed up after awhile, and with the world and its wife for company we found ourselves hurrying, if perchance we could after all, to hear Sousa and cheer the "Stars and the Stripes Forever."

(To be continued.)
 For the Alabama Baptist. Letters from a Traveler—No. 8.

ROME, ITALY, Aug. 4.

As I sail Wednesday for the Orient, from Brindisi via Corfu Athens and Constantinople, which reverses the route I had marked out and left with the home people, and as I wish them to know in advance that my route is reversed on account of the change in the sailing of the steamers, I will write you now, as this letter would be much delayed were I to write it from the Orient. Mail steamers ply only once per month between Brindisi and Alexandria, Egypt.

I left mirth-loving, lace-making, women and dog-working Brussels after a short stay of two days, and went to Cologne. I was quite happy to get among German speaking folks, as I had not been able to talk to the people in France and Belgium, as French is spoken in both countries. I could now ask for bread and water, and some other things, too, thanks to my old friends, B. Wolff of Montgomery, and Frank Hattermer of Ft. Deposit, both of whom taught me German as a boy, and which stood me in hand well all through Germany and Switzerland, as the latter country speaks German, through most of

it a little French and a little Italian.

We reached Aux la Chappelle, the ancient capital of the Germano-Roman empire, founded by the Great Charlemagne, whose body still lies in its original tomb in that town. Saw the much-spoken-of Cathedral of Cologne, where a piece of the real cross is, and where the ashes of the three wise men of the East are also kept—so they say. Saw the church of St. Ursula, where the bones of 11,000 virgins are embedded in its walls. You can read the story—'t's too much for me to tell it all. I went to see the church, as it is named Ursula, that being the name of the lady of my home over in America. Then I took a steamer up the Rhine from Cologne to Mayence, and there beheld all that fancy can conceive, that artist can paint, that sculptor can carve, that poet can write, that dreamer can dream, that visions can be,—all, in truth, that nature can be in—prestine beauty, adorned by man, "haloed" in historic glory, and without covered with a bloody memory, and the play ground of the accursed feudal system of the dark ages.

Here a castle, there a cliff; yonder a rapid, here a wall, while railway trains hurry along both sides of the cliff. Plunging this moment into a dark tunnel through solid rock, thence out into the sunlight on the edge of a rock ledge 1,000 feet above a town; thence again disappearing only to appear again in like manner and place.

The Hudson is grand in yards, while the Rhine is grand in miles. Any guide book will give you a detailed account of the castles as they come, and the legend that belongs to each. The great puzzle to me is how they ever raised children on these battlements and cliffs. My wife would break me buying rope to tie the children if we lived in a castle on the Rhine. Pretty as the castles are, I would not swap my little white wood cottage on level ground for two of them.

We disembarked at Mayence at 10 o'clock p. m., quite hungry. I tried a restaurant for a beef steak. Can't remember the German word for beef steak, so I call for "cow flesh," which set the pretty waitress into convulsions of laughter. I enjoyed seeing her laugh, and had a

merry time talking and eating. Next day we took rail for Hiedelberg, and there I saw the "Castle-Palace" as I am pleased to call it, as it is a combination of Palace and Fortress. I felt fully paid for all the money I spent on this trip in fairly reveling through room after room, dungeon after dungeon, grotto and vale, and hollow, parapet and cornice; battlement and niche, port-cullis and drawbridge. Things I only knew before, as of the dictionary, here I see in life, in reality, in fact, in glory, never to be forgotten. I could write a long letter on Hiedelberg easily. It is no trouble to write anywhere here.

From Heidelberg we took train to Baden-Baden, spending two days and nights. This is the great Saratoga of Germany. Here Miss Palmer, of Ohio, Miss Masmer and Miss Dancinburg, of Scammon, Kansas, and Mr. Merriam, of New York, and I formed a party and walked out into the country to see how the peasants live. This we enjoyed very much, lying on the new mown hay, and talking to the peasant girls and men. We repeated the same trip at Neuhausen, further on, and saw the cows, and chickens, and children, and horses, all in the same house, while the gable of the house was the barn of the farm. Miss Palmer did the best talking, as she best understood German. Sousa played in the park while we were at Baden-Baden, and we Americans all "chipped in" and bought him a bouquet and had it presented by a beautiful Kentucky belle, Miss McElvane.

Next day we took train to Schaufhausen, where we saw the beautiful falls of the Rhine. Though a fall of only 42 feet, yet they are wonderfully beautiful. They were lighted up (seemingly under the water) in all colors that night, and such a sight only the visions of Heaven itself can compare. The Swiss girl and I had a lively argument as to the relative merits of Rhine Falls and Niagara. She said Niagara is big, that is all—a big man is a big thing; some small women are pretty.

From here on we crossed the Alps. First 23 miles 38 tunnels,

the bridges, 2,700 feet up in the air. On we went until we came to Arth Goldan, where we ascended Rigi mountain by an engine with a cog-wheel track, until we were 6,000 feet in the air, and I thought my ears were going to pop out. I could scarcely hear for a day or two after; 40 prominent mountain tops were in view—Black Man, Jung Frau, etc. I will not attempt any description of the view, as with glass I swept the horizon, and snow-capped summits, and sunlit glaciers, and mountain streams dashed into snowy spray, all lay in a grand panorama on the horizon in all directions. We descended by another cog-wheel engine to Nitsual, and took steamer up Lake Lucerne to the city of Lucerne. Here we spent two nights and one day. Heard in German Schiller's version of William Tell and Gessler played on the stage by the citizen-amateurs of his native town, Altdorf. They played it with an almost holy reverence, as do the citizens of Oberammergau the Passion Play. **T. U. CRUMPTON.**

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It is worth while to do even the smallest kindnesses as we go along the way. Nothing is lost. No dewdrop perishes, but sinking into the flower makes it sweeter.

Alabama Baptist

MONTGOMERY, Sept. 27, 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.

DR. EAGER'S WORK IN THE SEMINARY.

The Christian Index sometime since devoted a page or two to setting forth the special advantages which the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville offers to pastors or students seeking to make special or general preparation for the work of the ministry. It published articles from the president and all the professors, setting forth each from his own point of view—these advantages. Of special interest to our readers, we are sure, will be the articles dealing with the general department and the particular chair with which Dr. Eager, Alabama's new contribution to the Seminary, is connected. Touching the general department, Dr. Dargan says some things which will better prepare the reader to appreciate the significance, place and relations of the studies which Dr. Eager will preside over.

The German names for the four leading departments of theological study—Dogmatic, Exegetical, Historical and Practical Theology—have never been adopted in our seminary, he says, but all the subjects commonly included under these titles are taught there. The schools which fall under the title of Practical Theology are those of Homiletics, Ecclesiology and Pastoral Duties. The work has never been unified into one chair or department, but has been divided among different professors. In recent years there has been earnest effort on the part of the incumbents

of the chairs of Pastoral Duties and Ecclesiology (formerly Church Government) to enlarge and strengthen the courses in those schools. Some progress has been made, and the election of the experienced and accomplished Dr. George B. Eager to the faculty, with "Associate Professor of Practical Theology" as part of his title, is another step in advance. For next session Dr. Eager will, in addition to Biblical Introduction, teach "Pastoral Duties," the professor of Homiletics and Ecclesiology doing all the work in these two schools.

Dr. Eager, then, has this to say of the department assigned to him, especially of that known as "Biblical Introduction."

No man who has ever been face to face with the duties of pastoral life, or who has thoughtfully anticipated these duties, needs to be argued with as to the importance of special studies in what is called "Pastoral Duties." So I shall speak of the other department assigned me in the Seminary, technically known as "Biblical Introduction."

Biblical Introduction embraces studies which, however pursued, are essential to the highest degree of usefulness in the ministry. The subjects it deals with are introductory to the general study of the Bible, and preparatory to the most profitable study of any part of it. The class-room work of this department is intended to prepare students for the better understanding of the courses in Old and New Testament history and for more intelligent work in their interpretation.

The course covers four general subjects—the Geography and Topography of Bible Lands, Biblical Antiquities, the Canon of the Old and New Testaments, and the Doctrine of Inspiration. No radical change of text books or teaching will be made.

1. In Biblical Geography, the aim will be to give the student a thorough knowledge of the geography of Palestine and contiguous lands, physical and political. The geological formation, contour and topography of Palestine will be carefully studied; its climate, seasons, winds, rains, mountains and

valleys, its varying temperatures, waters and waterways, roads and approaches; its relations, at different times, to other countries and kingdoms, and the effect of all these on the customs, character and history of the people.

Careful attention will be paid to the political geography, including the location and history of its cities, the settlement of tribes, the division of the kingdom, etc. The text book will be Stewart's "The Land of Israel," supplemented with lectures.

2. In Biblical Antiquities the student is made acquainted with the genius and racial kinships of God's people, and introduced to the domestic life and social, civic and religious customs of the Orient in general and of the Hebrews in particular. The bearing of all this on the interpretation and illumination of the Scriptures will be perceived at once. The homes, dress, cooking customs, marriage customs, modes of travel, greetings of various kinds, administration of justice, forms of government, organization of army, etc., will be carefully studied in the light of history, archaeology and the rich literature of modern Oriental travel, with the one object of making the Bible more real to the Western mind.

In religious antiquities, attention will be given to the various kinds of sacrifices known to ancient worship, religious festivals, ceremonial cleansings, duties of priests, etc. The text book will be Bissell's Biblical Antiquities. These studies will occupy the class previous to the intermediate examinations.

3. The spring term will begin with a study of the history of the English Bible, from its feeble beginnings in the Anglo-Saxon, through the centuries of darkness, to Wycliffe; thence through the glorious triumphs of the sixteenth century to the version of King James, and on to our revised version. Smyth's "How We Got Our Bible" will be the text book.

Then comes the critical study of the evidence, internal and external, specific and cumulative, for the date and authorship of the books of the Old and New Testaments, and the whole question of the canon of Scripture. All the evidence will

be carefully sifted and weighed in an honest endeavor to find the exact truth, at least, to ascertain the essential facts and make only just inductions therefrom. McGarvey's "Text and Canon" will be the text book, to be supplemented by lectures.

4. The vital subject of Inspiration will be taken up in the close of the session. Dr. Basil Manly's "Bible Doctrine of Inspiration" will be the text book, and, in accordance with the spirit of that work, the aim will be to get at the Bible doctrine of inspiration, in the firm belief that the Bible itself furnishes the true basis and suggests the true method for any safe, scientific and satisfactory dealing with this subject. All efforts to study the subject further in the light of modern research and modern thought will be based upon this sure foundation—the impregnable rock of fact.

The field covered, it will thus be seen, is broadly and vitally related to the great work of preparation for the ministry.

SPEAKING of the elements of success in church work, Dr. W. E. Hatcher says, "The church must have wise and energetic leaders. They are needed to regulate the finances of the church and see that it does not get in debt. They are needed to inspire missionary zeal and to gather funds for missionary work. They are needed to voice the wishes of the church, and to execute the plans which it adopts; to suggest new enterprises, and to arouse popular interest in them. They are needed all the time, and in every part of the work."

Any church that glances back over its history will note some names that have been intimately associated with every step of its progress,—men and women who have given money, time, thought, self, to the cause of Christ in the advancement of the church. Necessarily these leaders have been before the public; sometimes they have received sharp criticisms, and

have been called "bosses" and rulers, who must have things their own way. And yet these leaders or others like them are essential to effective work. Every church ought to rejoice in its leaders, as an army rejoices in its officers. The church members ought to make the leaders better by giving them a loyal and enthusiastic following and helping them to carry their plans to success.

WE CALL special attention to Bro. G. W. Hill's article. It is timely and to the point. We owe a debt to our aged and infirm preachers who have been faithful heroes in our Master's cause. The East Liberty and Tuskegee associations know to whom Bro. Hill refers. He does not call names, for these two brethren no doubt would prefer not to be specially mentioned.

Brethren, send up to your associations liberal donations. It is right and just. Do this, and may the Lord bless you. "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Both are right.

FIELD NOTES.

Dr. Eager has left Chicago and gone to Louisville to begin his work as a Professor in the Seminary. His address is 1445 New Broadway, Louisville.

The First Baptist church of this city has appointed a committee to arrange a suitable reception of the new pastor, Dr. Stakely, and his wife, when he occupies the pulpit on the first Sunday in October.

Grove Hill Democrat: Rev. C. C. Pugh, of Vicksburg, Miss., is spending a brief vacation with his parents near this place. His appearance shows the propriety, we might say, the necessity, of rest and recreation.

H. W. Roberts, Elrath: Cherokee County association will meet with Tate's Chapel church on Tuesday after the 2d Sunday in October, near Round Mountain, on the R. and D. railway, twenty miles

above Gadsden. We would be glad to have brethren who are representing our denominational interests to be with us.

The five persons—three young ladies and two young men—who were awaiting baptism as members of Bethesda church, at Sprague Junction, were baptized on Sunday last by Pastor Baber. There was a large attendance at the baptism and also at the church, although there was much sickness in the community.

J. M. Kailin, Alvin, Texas, Sept. 23: Today we had one other good meeting in my home, more largely attended than that of last Sunday. For lack of shelter many people have left Alvin. It makes one sick to see so many demolished houses. Some people will return after awhile. Our church will lose much by removals. Those who are left will do all that can be done to rebuild the houses. We ask for help. Who will help?

G. A. Chunn, Blountsville: We have just closed a ten days meeting with the Adamsville church, which resulted in eight conversions and four additions to the church. The church was revived, and the name of Christ glorified. Among the converts was a young man of great influence with the young men and boys of the town of Adamsville who led the van on the current evils of the day. The meeting was a glorious success.

In this case it is expected that is about to happen, and we make acknowledgments to Mr. and Mrs. John M. Granberry for an invitation to the marriage of their daughter, Nannie Baker, and Rev. William Ashley Talliaferro. The interesting event will occur at the Baptist church at Brewton at half past five o'clock in the afternoon of October 3d next. "At home after October 11th at Furman, Ala." Bro. Talliaferro has made headquarters at that pleasant village, being pastor of the church there, and also of other churches. He is regarded as one of our most promising young ministers. But he is not one whit ahead of the young lady who is to take his name, for she is well known for her superior natural talents and excellent accomplishments.

Pacific Baptist: Rev. J. M. Green and wife, lately of Tulare, Cal., are spending a few weeks in Los Angeles before their intended return to Montgomery, Ala., where resides the mother of Mrs. Green.—[Bro. Green will be warmly welcomed by many old friends and relatives also in Bullock and Pike counties. The acceptance of his resignation by the church at Tulare was attended by many expressions of regret and warm commendations of Brother and Sister Green for their successful labors and abundant good works.

How shall we ever get through with the many communications, obituaries, etc., that fill our drawer? We are doing the best we can, and ask the brethren and sisters to be as patient as possible. We regret especially that we cannot print this week a lengthy and graphic description of the great Texas storm and some of its incidents from the pen of Dr. B. F. Riley, of Houston. The program for our next State Convention is also on hand and adds to our regret at delay in printing it. The same may be said of Bro. Callaway's correction of Bro. Crumpton's wrong impressions as to that Temperance report. In two days of last week we received matter enough to fill one issue of the paper.

Arnold S. Smith, Alexander City: Last Sabbath was a great day for our church here. It was a Centenary observance, previously appointed and looked forward to with interest. Dr. W. E. Lloyd, of Auburn, occupied the morning hour with a pointed and eloquent address on "The Spread of Baptist Principles." Dr. Lloyd was for six years pastor of this church, and is loved and honored by our people for his great worth, and for his work's sake.—At the evening service Dr. J. F. Purser, of Opelika, gave us a soulful and stirring address on "Our Educational progress, standing and outlook." Dr. Purser is not a stranger to our people, and was warmly received. These splendid addresses were eagerly attended by large and enthusiastic audiences. We were all much edified, and will long remember this visit from brethren Lloyd and Purser, and fondly hope for their return.

James Hilton, Nauvoo: You may not have heard anything from the little mining town called Gamble Mines. On the first of August, 1899, I constituted a Baptist church with fourteen members, and we now have twenty-seven. This is an important place to the Baptist denomination. We have begun to build a house of worship. We have it nearly completed, but we owe about \$250. Just as work was in progress there came a strike, and those who had pledged to help were thrown out of work and had to move away, and work has not yet been resumed. Now, dear brethren, we have done all, it seems, that we can do; we need some help. Will not those help us who can? I will say that brethren R. M. Hunter, W. B. Crumpton, J. H. Longcrier and many others are acquainted with the locality, and also with the writer (the pastor). Please send any contributions to J. H. Freeman, Clerk, Gamble Mines, Ala.

Fearing that I will not be able to be at the following associations, I have asked Bro. Ray to represent the Board at the Pea River, Salem, Troy, Haw Ridge, Judson, Geneva and Columbia. I hope that Bro. I. A. White will be able to attend some of them also. W. B. C.

Five Weeks and then The Convention. I hope the church and associational treasurers will send in the funds on hand for missions, so that we may make as good showing for the year as possible. Oct. 1st is the date when the missionaries are to be paid. Brethren, send me something to make the hearts of these good men glad. W. B. C.

For the Alabama Baptist. East Liberty Association. This association will convene with County Line church, Oct. 9, 10, 11. Please request the brethren who come by rail to address J. C. Talbot, Church Clerk, Dudleyville, and he will have them met at Camp Hill. You are invited to be present. We are expecting a great meeting. J. L. GREGORY, Pastor.

For The Alabama Baptist. The Ministerial Board.

On Tuesday, the 2nd day of October, the State Board of Ministerial Education is invited to dine with the Howard boys, after which a conference will be held with the ministerial class, and their needs ascertained. Plans for the future will also be discussed. A full attendance of the members is very much desired.

Because of the generosity of the St. Francis St. church, Mobile, (the gift of \$100) the Board was enabled to liquidate all indebtedness for the past year. Several associations and churches have since sent contributions, which will cause us to begin the new school year much encouraged. All money sent us will be scrupulously applied as directed.

C. C. JONES, Sec. and Treasurer.

East Lake.

That Letter to the Churches.

I sent to the clerks of all churches a letter to be read to the brethren and sisters. I am so glad to get reports from a great many pastors and clerks, telling me how they appreciated it. While some people seem afraid the Secretary will interfere too much with the affairs of the churches, I believe the great majority have a proper appreciation of his motives and his labors in their behalf. I carry in my heart always an earnest prayer to God for his blessing on the churches and pastors.

ASSOCIATIONAL LETTERS.

I sent one for each church to the clerks of the associations, with an urgent request that it be sent to the clerk of the church. On some account many churches failed to get the blank. Application was made to the office, but we had sent them all out. This explains why the request was not complied with.

W. B. C.

For the Alabama Baptist.

My Return to Camp Hill.

By the mercy of God, after being away from my church at Camp Hill since the first of June, I was able to return and preach for them on the 3d Sunday. I met a large

and inspiring congregation. They were glad to see me, and I was filled with joy at meeting them. The Lord bless all such churches; and he will.

During my illness and absence, Bro. Ellis, of LaFayette, filled my pulpit, and my people were much pleased with him. The Lord direct him in all his work. I hope to be able to continue my work at Camp Hill. We have preaching there 1st and 3d Sundays. JNO. P. SHAFFER.

For the Alabama Baptist.

Brewton Wants the Convention

Dear Editor: I wish you would say to the Baptists of the state that Brewton church has invited the State Convention to meet with us in 1901. Our town is about half way between Montgomery and Mobile, on the L. & N. railroad. Brewton and its surroundings have about twenty-five hundred people. The town is one of the most progressive in the state. We have electric lights in the homes and on the streets; a long and short distance telephone system; a good fire department; a public library; a fine school building and over thirty artesian wells. Our new Baptist church will be completed in a few weeks. The church at first was to have cost six thousand dollars, but will now cost between nine and ten thousand. We have a large auditorium and all kinds of rooms for committee purposes.

We promise you faithfully that it is not our intention to get you here to pay off any church debt. The Convention has not met in this part of the state in several years, and we feel we have some claim on you. As Greensboro is so near to Tuscaloosa, where the Convention meets this year, let them wait until 1902. We are able to take care of you, and to do it well, too. Brewton is the garden spot of the world, and located right where the millennium will take place. Come to Brewton, brethren. JAMES W. KRAMER, Pastor.

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EDWIN E. ELDRIDGE, LL. D.,
Lafayette, Ala.

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For the Alabama Baptist. A Woman's Meeting.

An interesting woman's meeting was held in connection with North Liberty association at Rice's chapel, Sept. 13.

This meeting was conducted by Mrs. M. B. Neece, of Huntsville, associational vice-president, and was the first ever called in this association.

Quite a number of women were present at 1:30 Friday in the chapel, and one hour was spent most profitably. The vice-president read 28th chapter of Matthew, calling on Mrs. R. E. Pettus, of Huntsville, for opening prayer. Miss Mary Glenn was chosen as secretary of the meeting.

Only five churches in the association were represented, and only two missionary societies reported.

Mrs. Neece laid the work plainly before the women, explaining fully the working of Woman's Missionary Union, the State Central Committee, and their relation to the boards. She earnestly urged the formation of missionary societies, and had promises from some to discuss the matter with their sisters on return to their homes.

Frontier boxes and the Orphanage occupied much of the time, Mrs. Neece dwelling at length on the importance of our women taking up this matter in their churches, arranging boxes and adopting or supporting the orphans.

She also insisted on the women becoming subscribers and readers of the Foreign Mission Journal and ALABAMA BAPTIST.

After the distribution of literature and helpful suggestions as to organizing societies the meeting adjourned to meet at Mt. Zion church in September, 1901.

The delegates and visitors were hearty in expressions of gratitude for the gracious hospitality extended by the New Market people.
MISS MARY GLENN,
Huntsville. Secretary.

For the Alabama Baptist. The Coming Town of South Alabama.

Ed. Ala. Baptist: We desire to report further as to what we have been doing here at Beatrice, Monroe county, since the day the Editor visited us, the 4th of July last, when twenty-five hundred people came together to talk and be talked to on the subject of Education—one of the most important that now confronts this community.

On the day mentioned the ball was put in motion to build a school house at this place. As has been previously reported, a little more than six hundred dollars was subscribed, and in addition, a good lady of this county, whose name for the present is withheld, agreed to furnish the house with desks, seats, lights, etc., all of the most modern make. That means not less than \$400 for this good Christian lady.

Soon after our 4th of July Rally a meeting of citizens was called, at which J. B. Harper, S. D. Anderson and Jno. M. Sims were elected as trustees of the school, with full power and authority to proceed with the building, and requested to lose no time in hurrying it to completion. The result is that the carpenters are hard at work, and by the time this appears in print the house will be raised and more besides.

Prof. J. B. Kilpatrick, of Montevallo, has been elected as principle of the school and has accepted. The board have secured a house in which the school will be taught until the school house is ready, which will be about October 15.

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Our town is on a boom. Mr. L. N. Lambert, our real estate agent, informs us that he sold about twenty lots in the last days of August and first days of September. There are prospectors here every day; houses are going up on every hand, the sound of the saw and hammer is heard from morn till night. Our Sunday school is in good shape, we have bought a fine organ from a Montgomery dealer, and paid cash for it.

We will always be grateful to Bro. Harris for his visit to us on that 4th of July day, the day that started the ball in motion that will soon terminate in the completion of a two story 40x80 house of modern style. The ladies of the town furnished the windows and blinds for the building at a cost of about one hundred and twenty-five dollars.
JOHN M. SIMS.

For the Alabama Baptist. Tuskegee Association

Will meet with Liberty church, five miles east of Opelika, on Tuesday, the 16th day of October, at 10 o'clock. Let as many as can do so come by private conveyance; those, however, who cannot do so, will write to G. W. Simms, Minnie, Ala., who will provide conveyances to the church from the railroad. Representatives of all our denominational interests are specially invited, the editor of our paper included. Let messengers come to stay until the close. Come and serve the Lord.
W. G. GREGORY, Pastor.
Gold Dust.

For the Alabama Baptist. Notes of Work—Starting Incident.

Dear Baptist: Since the first of July I have been constantly engaged in revival work. During this time I have preached sixty-five sermons. Fifty persons have united with the churches during these meetings. My work has been with the following churches: Repton, Bellville, Judson, Bluff Springs, Mt. Olive, Bethel, Sardis (near Canoe, Escambia county,) and a second meeting at Bluff Springs, Fla. In all these meetings the Lord has graciously blessed me, both in greatly improved physical health and spiritual uplifting. There has been no time within the past ten years when I could have held up to preach twice a day, week after week, with so little sense of fatigue. I am now in splendid condition, so far as my health is concerned, for the large number of meetings awaiting me.

Last Sabbath, at Bluff Springs, Fla., I had a wonderfully strange experience at a burial service. Friday night a man named Hoppie was shot and killed by a man named McClammy. The general opinion, from the evidence, was that the murder was most foul. However, a hastily, and I learned an unlawful, coroner's jury exonerated the murderer. At the funeral Sunday morning a very large crowd gathered. About the time I began the services the murderer came up and made his way to a point only two or three yards to my right and in full view of the weeping wife and other relatives of the murdered man. During my discourse he would show his disapproval of my remarks by some utterance, coupled with an oath. He also mocked the mourners, and when we sang a stanza of that solemn old hymn, "Hark! from the tombs a doleful sound," etc., he joined in and sang boisterously. After the burial services we had preaching in the church near by; our man of blood walked down the aisle and took his seat among the deacons in the "amen corner." In church he acted very much as he did at the burial service. At the close of the service he came forward, spoke to me familiarly, calling me Bro. Sims, and pressed me with an invitation to go home with him for dinner.

Poor, hardened creature! To what depths human nature can be hardened and brutalized!
The recent session of the Con- ceh association was most enjoyable. Georgian. A. T. SIMS.

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MY PRAYER.

If there be some weaker one,
Give me strength to help him on;
If a blinded soul there be,
Let me guide him nearer Thee.
Make my mortal dreams come true
With the work I fain would do;
Clothe with life the weak intent,
Let me be the thing I meant;
Peace that ceases is than joy;
Out of self to love be led,
And to heaven acclimated,
Until all things sweet and good
Seem my nature's habitude.

—John G. Whittier.

I count this thing to be grandly true—
That a noble deed is a step toward
God,
Lifting the soul from the common
clod
To a purer air and a broader view.

—J. G. Holland.

Are Doctors Christian?

A leading medical journal long ago sent out these two questions to the best known physicians of all the large cities of the United States:

First—Do you believe in the Christian religion?

Second—Do you profess it?

Of all the answers which came back only thirteen were in the negative, and many added voluntarily, "I would not think of practicing medicine for a single day without divine assistance." Thirty-eight states were represented among the answers.—M. B. Williams.

Contentment.

"It ain't so hard to be contented with the things we have," said the old woman, dolefully. "It's being contented with the things we haven't that's so tryin'."

"I don't know about that; I don't know," said uncle Silas. "When we begin to look at the things our neighbors have and we haven't, we always pick out just the things we want. They live in a nice house, we say, and we have only a little one. They have money, and we need to count every penny. They have an easy time, and we have to work. We never say: 'They had the typhoid fever, but it did not come to us. They have a son in the insane asylum, but our brains are sound. Staggering feet go into their grand door, but nothing worse than tired ones come home to ours at night.' You see, when we begin to call Providence to account for things that don't come to us, it's only fair to take in all kinds of things."—Interior.

The Minister's Wife's Work

Every minister's wife is deeply interested in the work of the church, but no one should attempt to decide for her how much of that work is her share. The undue binding of burdens upon shoulders wearied with much willing service has caused some of us to raise our voices in protest, if not for ourselves, for the overtaxed bodies and brains of our less fortunately situated sisters. Let a clergyman's wife decide not to be tyrannized over by circumstances. She, more than many, needs to think out her life with care, and come to definite conclusions by which she is willing to abide. No regulations can be laid down for all alike, for a woman must be herself the judge of her abilities. Let her see to it, however, that she remains uninfluenced by those who would seek to direct her. It may be laid down as part of the remedy that no minister's wife should be at the head of more than one organization, and, if her home cares are many, she should not attempt even that. If she desires to take a class in Sunday school, she need not be given the worst class of boys, nor the most difficult class of little children.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Teach children not to waste trifles which they often throw away without thought, and which if saved might be of use to others, if not to themselves. Wrapping paper, pieces of twine, odds and ends of various kinds may do service a second time if put away until the need for them arises. The habit of economy is one that ought to be cultivated, for careful saving makes lavish giving possible. Hoarding is not a vice of childhood, nor should it be encouraged, but the wise husbanding of resources for future expenditure is a valuable lesson that cannot be learned too early.—Ladies' Home Journal.

The very truth has a color from the disposition of the utterer.

Only Two Kinds of Cooking.

"All things should be cooked well," writes Mrs. S. T. Rorer, in the June Ladies' Home Journal. "There are but two classes of cookery—the good and the bad. There is no medium. If things are not palatable, they are bad. It is not only the food that is wasted, but the time of preparation; and, strange as it may seem, the most artistic and the most wholesome ways of preparing foods are the simplest. One great trouble with the average house-wife is that she has not studied the art of cooking—which, being a complicated one, cannot be learned from a book, any more than the art of painting or dancing can be picked up without an instructor. To save trouble, the housewife falls into a routine; over-work and over-anxiety rob her of her appetite, and she is a poor judge of the appetite of others."

The Union Pacific Railway Company has forbidden its employees to smoke cigarettes. At a recent meeting of the board of directors, the president officer, turning to a multi-millionaire who was smoking, said: "Drop that cigarette." The director looked astounded. "I mean it," said the officer, severely. "I have just issued an order prohibiting cigarette smoking by an employee of the Union Pacific. You are an employee of the company. You get \$10 every time you come here. So kindly drop that cigarette." He was obeyed. This application of the rule is amusing, if true, and perhaps a little strained, but the rule itself is certainly a wise and commendable one. Said President Purdy, of the Rock Island Railroad Company the other day, "Experience has shown that the confirmed cigarette smoker is sleepy and of no account." These facts ought to impress young men before they form the insidious habit.

The brethren of Alabama will learn with regret of the disappointment of their beloved Grand Master, B. Dudley Williams, in his aspirations for Congress. He would have graced the high position and reflected honor not only upon the

Fourth District but upon the entire state. There seems to be no doubt but that an overwhelming majority of the democrats of his district desired him to represent them and would have so expressed themselves had an opportunity been granted them, in a primary, but this was denied them. The Herald has nothing to do with politics nor political methods. But knowing Grand Master Williams as we do, we are sure his defeat, under the circumstances, only strengthens him in the love of his brethren and the devotion of his hosts of true friends.—The Masonic Herald.

"Well, that's enough to try the patience of Job!" exclaimed the village minister, as he threw aside the local paper. "Why, what's the matter, dear?" asked his wife. "Last Sabbath I preached from the text, 'Be ye therefore steadfast,'" answered the good man; "but the printer makes it, 'Be ye there for breakfast.'"—Chicago News.

Stylish Young Lady (teacher of Sunday school class): "Now, children, is there anything you would like to ask me before we close the lesson?" Small Boy (with large eyes): "Yes, ma'am. Them feathers on your hat—is they what you pulled out o' the rooster's tail, or did you buy 'em?"

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For The Alabama Baptist.

About Those Barnacles.

Dear Brother Editor: I don't like gush or fulsome flattery, but you must allow me to tell you how much I was impressed with your editorial on "Barnacles" in a late issue.

If you are not ship-wise you are surely barnacle-wise, so you need not fear to venture out to sea.

My old teacher used to say: "Small boats must keep near shore, but larger boats may venture more." The wonder with me is that somebody else didn't get that lesson from the barnacle. I had heard of him, but knew nothing of his habits. I did not know that he is a sponger, getting free transportation and other benefits for nothing. These characteristics are very suggestive. Among other good things I find this sentence: "A boy or girl who hangs dependent upon an old father, absorbing his substance and exhausting his little resources, will never have the self-respect that is indispensable to good character." You said something in that sentence. It is replete with truth, boiling up and running over, and ought to be read and re-read by nine-tenths of the people in the country.

Not being sea-wise I don't know how numerous the sea barnacles are; but I am in a position to know that the land barnacles are quite numerous; there are legions of them. Having been mixed up with them the last 65 years, I know whereof I affirm. From my earliest years I have heard poor little tall-faced boys severely censured for eating dirt, but they are not a circumstance when compared with great big ruddy-faced barnacles who eat up whole sections of land in a very short time.

Who hasn't seen the poor old father and mother struggle for years with their home under mortgage, vainly endeavoring to support a large crop of barnacles who were fully able to support themselves, and finally their family ship go down to rise no more?

Whose fault was it? Not always that of the barnacles aboard. Sometimes one or two occasionally both

the parents are to blame for this state of affairs.

God pity the one parent who has to struggle against the other, and a full crop of barnacles besides in guiding the family ship. That family is certainly doomed unless there is a change in conditions.

When my children were on hand, after they became large enough to reason with, I said to them, "Now, then, if you'll roll up your sleeves and help me make a living, all right, you shall enjoy the full benefit of it. If I can't prevail upon you to do this, rest assured of one thing—I am never to mortgage my home to get supplies to feed a crowd that can and ought to be self-sustaining. The Lord said to Adam, 'In the sweat of thy face thou shalt eat bread all the days of thy life,' and I think we are all under that law—it has never been repealed, and it is therefore our duty to labor with brawn or brain for such things as we need, and duty is the sublimest word in our language. Oh what a wretched thing it is when a boy can't be inspired to have a noble ambition, but just goes drifting down the stream of time at the mercy of the waves, without any fixed purpose or resolution.

The poor girls, God bless them, what better can they do than they are doing? They are almost obliged to stay in reach of ma's apron-string for safety. I am not well enough acquainted with the sea-barnacle to know whether he thrives best in a very rough or a smooth sea. The highland barnacle, however, I know thrives best on a rough sea, where there are domestic storms and much strife and contention among the officers of the ship of life—the barnacles all ways falling in and agreeing with the officer who pets and indulges them and refuses to medicate them for their barnacle disease.

I have taught and assisted that early marriage is a good cure for the disease, for the reason that it shifts responsibility from the older to the younger shoulders. But my tribe (the Scotch) usually puts this business off till late in life, and so the barnacle goes on, prodigal-like, "wasting his substance," till when he "comes to himself" it is too late for him to do much good.

This is a living question—a ques-

tion of vital importance to all—how to avoid raising a crop of high land barnacles.

O. C. SWINDALL.

Floyd, Elmore county.

Hot Water as a Remedy.

Headache almost always yields to the simultaneous application of hot water to the feet and back of the neck.

A towel folded several times and dipped in hot water, quickly wrung out and applied quickly over the seat of pain will, in most cases, promptly relieve toothache and neuralgia.

A strip of flannel or towel folded several times lengthwise and dipped in hot water, then slightly wrung out and applied about the neck of a child suffering with an acute attack of croup will usually relieve the sufferer in the course of ten minutes if the flannel is kept hot.

Hot water, if taken freely a half hour before bedtime, is one of the best possible cathartics in severe cases of constipation, while it has a soothing effect upon the stomach and bowels.—Washington Star.

"Are you the defendant in this case?" asked the judge, sharply. "No, seh," answered the middle-eyed prisoner. "I has a lawyer hired to do the defendin'. I'se de man dat done stole de articles."—Exchange.

Southern Railway Company.

Reduced Rates via Southern Railway to Annual Convention Colored Odd Fellows, Louisville, Ky., October 2-7, 1900.

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5 35	8 20	AR.....	Montgomery.....	LV 9 00	9 35
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6 10am	6 00pm	AR.....	Montgomery.....	LV.....	9 35pm
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9 55	2 50	AR.....	Columbus.....	LV 1 45	7 05
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8 50	8 50	3 37	West Point.....	4 07	8 10
9 18	9 18	4 14	LaGrange.....	3 53	7 42
10 25	10 18	5 26	Newnan.....	2 27	5 26
11 40	11 30	7 00	Atlanta.....	1 00	4 20
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7 40	8 30	AR.....	New Orleans.....	LV 7 45pm	7 55am
No. 4*	No. 2*			No. 1*	No. 3*
9 45pm	8 30am	LV.....	Montgomery.....	AR 11 12am	7 45pm
12 23am	11 59am	AR.....	Birmingham.....	LV 8 42am	7 25 pm

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No. 4*				No. 3*	
8 30am	LV.....	Montgomery.....	AR 6 15pm	AR 6 15pm	
1 45	AR.....	Cairo.....	AR 1 25am	AR 1 25am	
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11 50	12 50pm	9 25	Proy.....	6 25	7 42				
1 05pm	2 00	10 55	Ozark.....	5 00	6 20				
2 00	3 30	11 35	Pinckard.....	4 30	5 50				
		3 01	Dothan.....	3 45	5 16				
		4 50	Bainbridge.....	2 07	3 30				
		6 10	Thomasville.....	1 00	2 25				
4 54am	6 10	3 25	Thomasville.....	12 50	2 15				
6 37	7 00	4 07	Chattman.....	12 06	1 23				
7 12	7 34	4 33	Valdosta.....	11 38pm	12 50				
8 04	8 25	5 15	Dupont.....	10 50	11 59am				
9 15	9 30	6 15	Waycross.....	10 00	11 00am				
		8 00	Jacksonville.....	7 45	8 00				
		10 30	Palatka.....	4 55	4 30				
		2 10am	Sanford.....	12 25	12 20am				
		5 40	Lakeland.....	9 20am	9 20pm				
		7 30	Tampa.....	8 00	8 00				
		8 30	Port Tampa.....	7 30	7 25				
9 30am	9 55pm	7 00am	Waycross.....	8 05pm	10 50am	4 55pm			
11 50	12 10am	10 15	Savannah.....	5 00	8 05	3 45			
		6 28	Charleston.....	5 50	5 50				
		9 50pm	Waycross.....	8 00pm	9 15am				
		11 30	Brunswick.....	5 00pm	7 15				
		9 45am	Jacksonville.....	7 00pm					
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		2 15	Gainesville.....	2 35pm					
		3 16	Ocala.....	1 45pm					
		10 00	Tampa.....	8 00am					
		10 30	Port Tampa.....	7 30am					
		10 50	St. Petersburg.....	7 15am					
		10 57am	Dupont.....	8 10pm					
		12 45pm	Live Oak.....	6 22pm					
		3 41pm	Archer.....	1 50pm					
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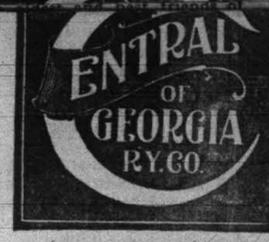
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GENERAL NEWS NOTES.

Although the Boers in South Africa make a little fight occasionally, it is generally thought that little more is to be done to end the war and complete the destruction of the South African republics, and thus place the country fully under English control.

The Filipinos continue to fight, and have recently killed and wounded a number of American soldiers. The natives, especially on the island of Luzon, are hard to subdue.

The situation in China is still difficult of solution. There is now difference of opinion between the United States and some of the other powers as to what demands should be made of China in regard to the murder and outrages upon foreigners and the destruction of mission and other property. Germany insists that some of the responsible leaders shall be brought in and publicly put to death before the terms of peace are discussed; to this our government does not agree, and the English say that President McKinley is afraid to do anything now because he is a candidate for reelection and his prospects might be affected. England threatens to act independently if agreement is not reached before long. So the matter stands diplomatically. The allied troops continue to attack bodies of hostile Chinese. In the meantime the Emperor of China is asking the powers to meet Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching and make peace, so that the government can resume its proper functions. But the powers say that the government cannot control the people, and they are therefore afraid to make any agreement that will require them to yield such control as they have.

Yellow fever has appeared among the better class of people in Havana, but the medical authorities say they do not fear that it will spread to a serious extent. Some American visitors are among those who have the disease.

Matters at Galveston are getting in much better condition, but the people still need help. Trains on one road now run into the city, and money and supplies continue to go there. It makes one think better of his fellowman to see how generously people in all parts of this country, and some in foreign countries, have contributed to the storm sufferers out there. Order is so far restored in Galveston that the control of the city has been turned from the military to the civil authorities. Other localities need help besides Galveston.

Texas is not yet free of storms. Last week there were rain storms in Northern and Northwestern Texas, which did much damage, and Tuesday morning's dispatches report winds and floods on the Colorado and Trinity rivers, by which great damage was done about Austin, Goldthwaite, San Saba, Kingsland, Brownwood and the contiguous sections. Trinity river is higher than it has been in ten years. San Saba was partially swept away.

Emmett Cox, an engineer on the Wagar saw mill road, fell from his engine near Glendon, in this State, and was killed by the cars running over him. His home was at Riderville, Chilton county.

There is a great strike of the coal miners in Pennsylvania, and the soldiers have been called out.

LITERARY NOTICES.

The Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, Tenn., has just issued three small booklets which should have large circulation. Every preacher in the State should read them and also induce his members to read them. They are educative and very instructive. "Campbell's Baptismal Remission an Unscriptural Doctrine," by Z. T. Cody, D. D., containing 63 pages, is full of Bible teaching. Single copy

10c; 75 cents per dozen. The other two are by Rev. J. F. Love, "Why All Baptized Believers Should Join Baptist Churches;" and "The Baptist Position, with Scriptural Verifications." These two booklets can be had at 10 cents a copy. We most earnestly endorse these three publications, and urge our people to send for them; they will do you good. The Board's new device, found on the title page of Mr. Cody's tract, will be, perhaps, adopted as the insignia of the Board. It was suggested by an incident that took place in Boston. When some missionaries had gone aboard a ship ready to set sail from Boston harbor, and the ship had loosed its moorings and headed out to open sea, some one—Dr. Murdock, perhaps—said with earnestness and emotion, "That's what ships are for;" hence this device.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Sallie E. Boykin, wife of S. R. Boykin, of Seale, Russell county, departed this life on the evening of Sept. 8th. She was the daughter of R. E. DeLoach, formerly of this county, but now of Georgia. Sister Boykin was a gentle, sweet, noble Christian woman, and a member of the church at Hatcheechubbee, where she formerly lived. She was born in Russell county, Nov. 22, 1872, and was married to S. R. Boykin, of this county, about eight years ago. She left a devoted husband and three little children to mourn her loss; but the loved ones draw comfort from the fact that she is now in the enjoyment of a heavenly home. She was loved and admired by all who knew her. She was full of charity and good works, and consecrated her life to the church, to her husband and children, and to the whole community. Such gloom and sadness seldom comes over a town and community as is felt by our people, and we all feel that to fill her place is one of the impossibilities. The esteem in which she was held by the community was clearly manifested by the large audience that attended the funeral service, conducted by her pastor at the family home Sunday evening. All in the town

and community who could attend were present, and manifested unusual sympathy for those left behind. She was laid to rest in Seale cemetery, there to rest and await the coming of her risen Christ. Her life was such as to impress all who knew her that she was truly a Christian, and in her illness she manifested a firm confidence in her God; and as she neared the portals of eternity she exclaimed: "Peace, sweet peace over there! I'll soon be at home."

All the elements necessary to make a good wife, mother, neighbor and friend were prominent in her character.

"Sleep on, dear sister, and take thy rest; God called thee home, for he knew it was best."

R. A. J. CUMBER, Pastor.

In Memoriam.

It is always painful to chronicle the death of a good man, and more so when his life and strength have been devoted to the happiness and interest of others. Such a man was Capt. Eason D. Kelly. He was born May 27, 1836, and died at his home in Eldridge, Walker county, May 22, 1900, surrounded by his loved ones and friends, who did all they could to hold him on this side the river. In 1861 Capt. Kelly collected a company of men from North Alabama and this part of the State and was honored with the captaincy, which position he held with honor to himself and satisfaction to all concerned. A truer, more gallant officer in the 4th Alabama cavalry or any other regiment, did not live. Every member of his company loved him then, and all of them living loved him to the close of his war-life. Whether he, in battle, was in command of "Company K," or the regiment, or the brigade, he was the same sweet-spirited Capt. Kelly that he was in camp with his own boys.

For thirty years or more our deceased brother was a soldier of the Cross. In the Baptist church he was unostentatious, humble, modest, true, quiet and affectionate. Eldridge church is sad because he is not. Eldridge Masonic Lodge No. 370, of which he was an honored member, is in sorrow. The people of Walker county, who honored him with a seat in the legislature in the seventies, feel their loss in the death of this good man. But his bereaved widow and fatherless children—who can realize their loss? A devoted husband, affectionate father and highly esteemed citizen is gone. As the family gather around the family fireside and see the vacant chair, their hearts will feel his absence and long for a reunion. We bow low before God, in humble submission to his providence, and commend Sister Kelly, her children, (God bless them) and the bereaved relatives, to the all-sufficient grace of God.

The Lord bless the sorrowing ones and fit them for the reunion.

Fayette, Ala. I. E. Cox.

A Tribute to the Memory of My Beloved Friend.

A beautiful life on earth has ended, to open in heaven, in all the glory of that

eternal state. Miss Ida Juanita Cox died July 24th, at Northport, Tuscaloosa county, Ala. Her life was artless, pure, attractive. She was a noble Christian woman, being a Baptist. The amiable qualities of her character were such as to win many a one to her lasting friendship. Unobtrusive, yet sincere, she grew into a beautiful young womanhood. I have known her for eleven years, and loved her, and time only strengthened my love and my appreciation of her true worth. Her life shone most charmingly in the home circle, where she was the center. How thoughtful of the welfare and happiness of father, mother, sisters and brothers; ever ready to deny her own comfort and pleasure if she might thereby increase theirs. She was never happier than when relieving the care and trouble of her loved ones. The home is dark and sad, now that she is gone; but oh, how sweet the thought that she was "ready to depart and be with Christ, which is far better." The devoted daughter and affectionate sister and friend is with the pure and good in the land of celestial glory and love. She said to her mother, "Don't weep for me; I shall soon be far better off than any of you." The Lord help them to remember her request, and ere long they shall meet her again where parting never comes. God bless the dear ones with his grace and love. Your lovely daughter, dear father and mother, is gone, and you know where to find her in that morning. She lived well, and triumphed in the last hour, faintly falling asleep.

"So fades a summer cloud away;
So sinks the gale when storms are o'er;
So gently shuts the eye of day,
So dies a wave along the shore."
Rogenville, Tex. J.

The Baptist and Reflector copies, adding its hearty approval, the reply of the editor of the Baptist Argus to a question about the too high price of denominational papers. As we have heard the same question asked in Georgia, we have decided to reproduce the reply, which we also heartily endorse. It is sometimes asked, "Is not \$2 too much to ask for your religious paper?" No, because it takes more than \$2 a year to send out a paper printed on the paper we use, with the illustrations, postage, necessary salaries, etc. The advertisers enable us to pay the price that low. "But," it is answered, "it is more than some secular papers cost." That is easy to explain. The secular papers advocate the cause of politicians and sell them thousands and sometimes tens of thousands of copies at a good price for free distribution; they, some of them, advocate whisky and other kinds of legislation and secure enormous ad-

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After ten years of great suffering from indigestion, with great nervous prostration, biliousness, disordered kidneys and constipation, I have been cured by Dr. Mozley's Lemon Elixir, and am now a well man.

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R. L. Rocco, 206 Hernando St., Memphis, Tenn.

A Card.

This is to certify that I used Dr. Mozley's Lemon Elixir for neuralgia of the head and eyes with the most marked benefit to my general health. I would gladly have paid \$50 for the relief it has given me at a cost of two or three dollars.

H. A. BRALL, Clerk Superior Court, Randolph Co., Ga.

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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Letters of administration on the estate of Benjamin M. Padgett, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of Montgomery county, Alabama, all persons holding claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same within the time allowed by law, or they will be barred.

JOHN F. PETTY, Adm'r.

Mortgage Sale of Real Estate.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage executed on the 17th day of April, 1897, by James T. Howle to the National Building and Loan Association, of Montgomery, Alabama, said mortgage being duly recorded in Mortgage Record Book No. 94, on page 139, in the office of the Judge of Probate of Tallapoosa county, Alabama; said mortgage having been duly transferred and assigned by the said National Building and Loan Association to the undersigned Stone & Johnston on the 26th day of July, 1900, we, the undersigned Stone & Johnston, as such assignees of said mortgage, will proceed to sell to the highest bidder, for cash, on Monday, the 19th day of October, 1900, at the Artesian Basin, Court Square, in the city of Montgomery, Alabama, within the hours of legal sale, the following real estate, to-wit: All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the town of Dadeville, county of Tallapoosa and State of Alabama, described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at a point on the south side of Dadeville and Young's Ferry road, at or near a walnut tree at the line between the property of Mrs. Helen E. Oliver and Mrs. I. J. Brantley, known as the Mitchell tract, and running along said road in a westerly direction two hundred and forty feet, more or less, to a large post oak near the head of a gully; thence in a southerly direction along said gully three hundred and twenty-seven feet to a branch, the line between the land of Mrs. Oliver and Mrs. Brantley; thence east up said branch to the land line of Mrs. I. J. Brantley, thence two hundred and sixty-six feet up and along said line to the point of beginning. Said lot or parcel of land is bounded on the North by the Dadeville and Young's Ferry road, on the East by the lands of Mrs. I. J. Brantley, on the south by the lands of Mrs. H. E. Oliver; being the same conveyed to James T. Howle by J. P. Oliver, Sr., and wife, on the 28th day of November, 1896, by deed of record in the probate office of Tallapoosa county, State of Alabama, in Book volume six, page 17. This sale will be made to satisfy the debt secured by said mortgage, together with all costs and attorney's fees for foreclosing the same.

This 18th day of September, 1900.

STONE & JOHNSTON, Transferees of said Mortgage.

SORRELL & SORRELL, Attorneys.

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Notice of Garnishment.

M. A. Perryman vs. Justice of Peace

Before Jno. B. Fuller, Justice of Peace for Montgomery Co.

The defendant in this case will take notice that a garnishment has been served on the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company, and that the amount claimed by the plaintiff of the defendant is \$26.50, due by a note executed by the defendant, and that the trial of said cause will be had on the 2d of October, 1900, at my office, in the city of Montgomery, Ala.

This, 3d day of September, 1900.

JNO. B. FULLER, Justice of Peace.

Eufaula, Ala. 39-3t

HAMNER HALL.

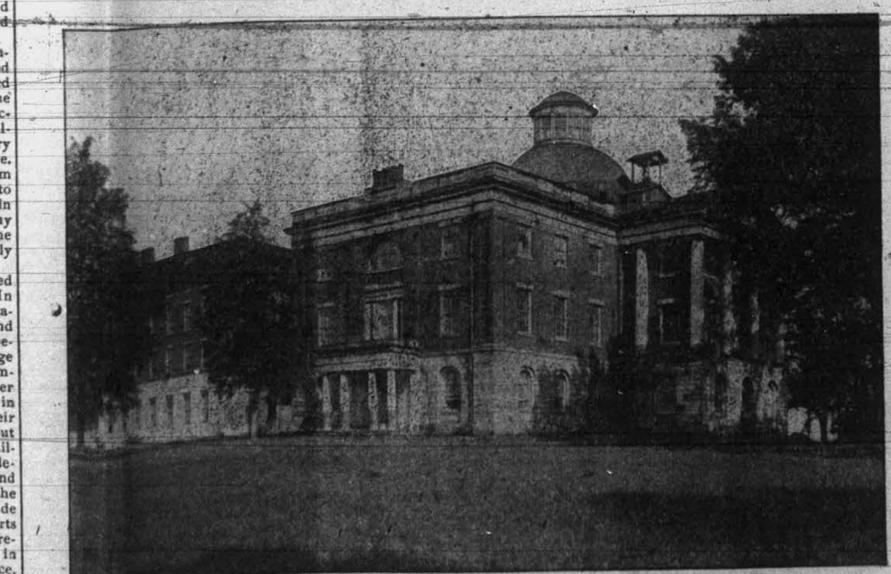
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