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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

We find this in the Baptist Standard: "One of the Dallas fruit stands is kept by a Greek, who was born in Macedonia. We had occasion recently to discuss with him the question of baptism. He ridiculed the idea that the Greek word baptize could possibly mean anything else than immersion. He is a member of the Greek church and all of the communicants of that fraternity must needs be immersed. It seems to us that we ought to give the Greeks credit for knowing their own tongue."

The American Baptist Flag contends that the Southern Baptist Convention should abolish its money basis (which, by the way, is not its only basis) and "allow any Baptist church that desires to sit in its councils to bend a messenger, simply because it is a Baptist church, and desires to advise with other churches in the work of evangelizing the nations." But if a church is not willing to contribute a total of \$250 a year to foreign and home missions and the work of the Sunday School Board, then it does not take a great deal of interest in mission work. That work ought to be directed by those who manifest the deepest interest in it. And as a matter of fact most of the states are generally entitled to more delegates than they have in actual attendance upon the Convention.

Replying to our note of a few weeks ago about membership in the Convention, the Western Recorder says: "How ugly a man can behave and still be allowed to be a member of the Southern Baptist Convention has never been determined. If our esteemed contemporary wishes to raise that question, it is its privilege to do so." Of course the Recorder knows very well that this is an evasion of our point. The question we raised was not merely one of bad behavior in general, but of disloyalty to the Convention. In its very constitution the Convention is committed to certain methods and spheres of work. If a person persistently opposes all that the Convention is doing and is irretrievably hostile to all its plans, what manner of right has he to a voice in its proceedings? We ask again, is the enemy allowed to sit in the council chamber?

The Standard shows that Mrs. Nation does not deserve all the blame for lawlessness. "Amid the criticisms of Mrs. Nation and her methods which have filled so large a space in our newspapers, too little attention has been paid to the brazen and defiant lawlessness of the saloon element. Day after day, and year after year, the saloon-keepers of Kansas carried on their lawless traffic in utter disregard of the fact that prohibitory laws were upon the statute books. Municipal and police authorities winked at the open violation, as they do all over the land. The existing conditions were a reproach and a menace. Nothing can be more subversive of good order, or the common weal, than flagrant, persistent and unrebuked defiance of the law." We commend these words to the Montgomery Advertiser and the other papers that have had so much to say about Mrs. Nation's use of violence. Is she any more lawless than the Kansas saloon-keepers? Is she any more lawless than the Montgomery saloon-keepers who open their

saloons every Sunday and pay no more attention to the Sunday closing law than those in Kansas did to the prohibition law? Why does not the Advertiser arraign also the lawless element here at home.

For the Alabama Baptist.

FROM THE FIELD.

J. A. HOWARD.

I take up my work again with a heavy heart, and yet grateful to Him who does all things well. He softened the blow that fell upon us so suddenly. We were not forced to carry our loved one to the old home as a corpse, but the Lord permitted us to go with her part of the way on the last journey. We reached Montgomery just in time for her to fall asleep among relatives and friends of the olden time. We greatly appreciate the kindness shown us. Our daughter was laid away by sympathetic hands, amid a shower of sweet and beautiful flowers. She rests in Him whose she was in life. Her career was a short one, 19 years, but it was worth the living. She had a bright mind, and distinguished herself both in Cox College and the Judson. Her character was pure and strong. Gentle, modest, refined and sweet, she won the admiration and love of those who knew her. Her influence was for good on her young associates. Those of her own family who knew her best remember her now with pride. We thank God for her. "The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away. Blessed be the name of the Lord." She loved and served her Savior, and He has called her to Himself.

I had intended to report a pleasant trip to Pine Hill, where I assisted the pastor, Bro. J. L. Kendrick, in ordaining two deacons. This church showed good sense in selecting two of the finest business men for this business office. Brethren Sheffield and Miller are young, energetic and prosperous. They attend to their own business well, and are well fitted to attend to the business of the Lord's house. What a pity there are not more deacons with business sense. Bro. Kendrick is getting well in hand his field, Safford, Pine Hill and Catherine.

This week I found Bro. Dawson, of Tuscaloosa, with a touch of the grip; not so tight a grip, however, as he has on Tuscaloosa. They just can't pull him away. Tempting are the offers, but he only tightens his grip. It is hard to tell whose love is stronger, Dawson's for Tuscaloosa, or Tuscaloosa's for Dawson. It's a fit anyway. Let them alone in their good work for the Master. Brethren Dawson and Giles are two of the happiest men in the State. The Lord has rewarded their efforts, and the Central Female College is greatly prospering. Students and faculty are delighted and the future is very bright. Giles was feeling so good and was so proud of his helpmeet that he wanted to press upon me a marriage fee that I refused to take from him many, many years ago. It was barred by the statute of limitation as well as ministerial courtesy.

I spent a night with Bro. John Bealle, at Northport, and enjoyed being in his home. Bro. Bealle is Superintendent of Education for the county and finds time to edit a paper and preach to two country churches. He is one of our best friends and one of our best men.

I attended prayer meeting and found a right good attendance.

Bro. W. L. White has just taken charge of the work here and is encouraged with the outlook. He has some good workers to co-operate with him and is building on the foundation laid by Bro. J. H. Curry, a "wise master-builder."

Bro. Curry is broken in health and is resting and doing light work in the country nearby. May he soon grow strong again. He is one of God's noblemen.

Bro. White will prove a worthy successor to Bro. Curry. Those

Whites will all do. As one of them said, they are all White folks.

It is cheering to go to Roanoke and catch the enthusiasm of Rev. H. C. Risner and his people. They think they have a great leader, and so they have. He is not simply stirring them; he is feeding them on the "sincere milk of the Word" and also on the "strong meat" of the Gospel. No man who studies God's truth as Risner does and gets his church to do this with him will fail to see "the work of the Lord prosper." They are building an excellent house of worship to cost about \$15,000 and have the good sense to put it on one of the best lots in their prosperous town. In that they have departed from Baptist usage.

At Lafayette, I found that the church was getting rather worldly minded in that they had put their pastor, Bro. J. L. Thompson, in too fine a mansion for the average Baptist preacher. But then Thompson is too far above the average to get "stuck up" about it. He even consented to take in "the tramp" for the night on condition that he would get out before breakfast next morning. Here is another field where both church and pastor are satisfied and working well together. Let no man say that all are restless and desiring change. Up there in East Alabama I found two happy groups at Roanoke and Lafayette.

Then I ran over to Sylacauga and found Bro. A. E. Burns a long ways from being miserable and his people willing to "put up with" him a little longer. Sylacauga is growing as a business center and has a fine school. The Baptists are waking up to the importance of leading in this advance and very wisely settled Burns there as their leader. He is wide-awake and well equipped for this task and has the hearts of his people. When they get a little freer from "Baptist usages," they will all be all of Burns' time. Pardon me for writing thus, but it is refreshing to spend a few days over there among those Baptists who are so "unorthodox" as to be working happily for the Master and are yet so "sound in the faith."

I am going back up there next week and spend a few days more. It will do me good and I will tell you about it and I hope it will do you good. I want to take Bro. Crumpton's advice (he's unsound, too) and "look on the bright side and talk about bright things." The devil is getting in his work in Alabama, but he is not having it all his way. In my trappings I find some good things and some good people and will write them up. Please read what I write. I won't hurt you.

For the Alabama Baptist.

Bro. Crumpton has a Word—Listen.

My Dear Brother:

Our fifth Sunday meetings give promise of great success. Probably fifty associations will hold meetings at the same time. For months I have had my mind and heart upon these gatherings of the Lord's people. I doubt not many pious hearts have petitioned the throne for the Master's presence. I send you some missionary literature to distribute, also some pledge cards and envelopes to exhibit. Please read carefully the *Suggestions* on one of the printed slips and then explain their use. If you cannot do it yourself, put the copy of *Our Home Field and Foreign Mission Journal* in the hands of some one who will try to get up a club for each.

Please do not fail to get the best collection possible for New Century Missions. It will be divided equally between the three Boards.

I trust your meeting has been well advertised and that good congregations will attend.

Praying the Spirit's presence, with you and the meeting, I am,

Your fellow servant,

W. B. CRUMPTON.

Montgomery, Mch. 25.

He conquers twice who after victory overcomes himself.—Bacon.

Indiscretion and wickedness, be it known, are first cousins.—L'Enclos.

For the Alabama Baptist.
Some News from Evergreen.

B. H. CRUMPTON.

I am now up and able, for the first time, since my eight weeks' spell of sickness to write. I am far from being well yet, though I am slowly improving. Thus much for the satisfaction of absent friends and relations who may be interested in my condition.

When I was down but a very few days, I was notified of the sudden death of Sister John Henderson, one of the oldest of our members, a warm, personal friend of the writer ever since I first knew her, about twenty years ago. She was the grandmother of Mrs. John W. Stewart, mother of Mrs. John Crook of this place, the daughter of whom was Mrs. Stewart. She leaves several sons and an aged, desolate husband, and some grand children to mourn her absence.

Some later, I was shocked to learn that Bro. Thomas D. Jackson, of the firm of Talliaferro, McCreary & Co., and the faithful and efficient collector of pastor's salary, had died after an illness of only about three days with pneumonia. I dare not write what I know to be true of this worthy servant of God. Suffice it to say the community and church have sustained an irreparable loss. He was on the council of the town, and appointed in almost every election as one of the managers, and acceptable to all men and parties as an honest man. I need only add, that his home feel their loss above all others. An almost idolatrous young wife, her only sister and a beautiful, promising little boy are there in the bitterness of their souls, to daily discover, if not to deplore, their conscious privation. O God, bless that home with constant beams from thy radiant throne.

Next, before I was able to walk any scarcely, the message came, Mrs. Thomas Binion died today. This was a daughter of Rev. J. E. Bell, long the pastor of the Baptist church, and a resident of Georgiana, and died some six or eight years ago from heart failure. She was among the best of his children, had been seriously ill for months, had been to Montgomery for treatment, and returned home unimproved, to suffer several weeks more and then go home to rest. She was ready and expectant. She leaves a sorrowing husband, who loved her, and feels his bereavement, and several children to lament the departure of their mother. Some of these children to my knowledge are full of promise.

Next, a little infant, child of Bro. Wm. Ivey and wife, who was a daughter of Bro. Daughdrill of Marion, Ala. This child, though of it nothing could be said, except Christ's assurance: "Of such is the kingdom of heaven," left two hopeful parents, in deep gloom and disappointment over the seemingly untimely removal of their "first born."

Last week we buried another old citizen, Bro. Herrington, an ex-Baptist, and for years declining. He renounced all his hitherto skeptical utterances on his death-bed, and said, "It is Jesus only." He leaves some daughters, one son and several grand children.

This ends the catalogue of those connected with the Baptist denomination.

I must be indulged to add the death, the second after my illness, of Hugh McGowan, a young, single man. One of my best friends, and loved by everyone. He was a Methodist. Our town does not look natural without him and our Pythian lodge, oh, me! what shall we do?

If I become strong enough soon, you may expect another article ere long, to be followed by subsequent ones. I feel guilty, since my near approach to the great white throne, for not giving my delightful extracts from God's store house of truth to other than my own people.

Evergreen, Mch. 18.

Consider it a crime to injure a brother, even though he be unbrotherly.—Seneca.

Temperance Town.

The following is clipped from the correspondence columns of the Union Signal. It is headed, "Eight National Victories for Temperance, and More in Sight":

December 3d President McKinley, in his message, recommended (1) the ratification of the treaty of 1899, to protect native races of Africa against intoxicants; (2) the extension of such protection to all "uncivilized peoples" by further treaties and laws; (3) special attention to the "Western Pacific," referring, no doubt, to the New Hebrides, brought to his attention by Dr. John G. Paton and his many friends.

December 4th, the Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs, at the close of a hearing secured by the Reform Bureau, with the co-operation of the W. C. T. U. and Anti-Saloon League, its constant allies, voted to report the above treaty.

December 6th, the House of Representatives prohibited army saloons, known as "canteens," by a three-fourths vote.

December 14th, the Senate ratified the above treaty.

January 1st, the Philippine Commission, Hon. William H. Taft, president, having studied the new British policy of prohibition for native races, documents on which we had sent them, adopted that policy—which is also our Alaska policy—so far as to provide in saloon licenses for the new century that intoxicants cannot be sold in such places to the natives. The native wine-rooms were not disturbed. The Senate (see Congressional Record, January 9th), was gratified, but not satisfied with this and other reforms ordered, and the same feeling should be expressed by Christian citizens generally, by letters and petitions addressed to Judge Taft, at Manila, P. I. "Banish the American saloons, the loafing, plotting, treating resorts, and put the traffic back where it was when we took possession," should be the people's cry. If new-comers are to drink at all in the tropics, where drink is doubly dangerous, let them drink as tropical people have learned to drink, both as to what and how. This cry having been taken up by the Senate and by the secular press—notably the Cleveland Leader—religious leaders should certainly recognize the stirring of public conscience and lead the agitation for more adequate reforms.

January 4th, the Senate declared in the Lodge resolution, for further laws and treaties to protect all uncivilized races against intoxicants and opium.

January 9th, the Senate refused to allow even beer to be sold in "canteens." (See Congressional Record of January 8th, 9th and 11th.)

A Missionary Library.

To my mind there is nothing so much needed in the office of our Corresponding Secretary as a book-case for the proper filing of minutes and missionary literature. Bro. Crumpton is doing the best he can with the old dust covered shelves, but he is deserving of more than he has for the proper care of the valuable literature he has on hand.

The nucleus for a handsome and durable Wernicke dust-proof book case was begun last week. Eighteen sections are needed with corresponding tops and bottoms, each section to cost \$2.50. I am sure Bro. Crumpton will appreciate this book case more than I can tell; besides it is permanent property, and will aid in every way our office work.

Have we not throughout the State eighteen liberal-hearted brethren who will send to Bro. G. G. Miles, Montgomery, Ala., \$2.50 each for this purpose? The following subscriptions have been received:

ALABAMA BAPTIST, one section.... \$2.50
Geo. W. Ellis, one section..... 2.50
Mrs. J. B. Shelton, one section.... 2.50
The writer, one top and bottom.... 3.00

Yours for a Missionary Book-Case,

JOHN BASS SHELTON.

The root of all discontent is self-love.—J. F. Clarke.

"Our Young People."



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State Convention LaFayette, Ala., April 24-25.

NOTICE.

DELEGATES TO STATE B. Y. P. U. CONVENTION.

Let all delegates to the State B. Y. P. U. Convention, LaFayette, Ala., April 24-25 send their names as early as possible to Bro. R. R. Darden, Chairman, LaFayette, Ala. It is requested that all names be in the hands of the Entertainment Committee not later than April 10th.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS.

Monday, 1st. II Kings, 6:24-7:2. In haste to blame the Lord. Verse 33.
Tuesday, 2nd. II Kings, 7:3-20. The Lord's resources in favor of His own people. Verse 6.
Wednesday, 3rd. II Kings, 8:1-15. The influence of "The Man of God." Verses 4-6-13.
Thursday, 4th. II Kings, 8:16-29. The influence of a bad companion. Verse 18.
Friday, 5th. II Kings, 9:1-7, 9:28. Vengeance for deliberate murder. Verse 26.
Saturday, 6th. II Kings, 9:29-10:14. Dire vengeance on an awful record. Verses 35-37.
Sunday, 7th. Prayer meeting. "Dead to sin, alive to Christ." Ephesians 2:10.
—From the Baptist Union.

We are glad we are able to begin this week the publication of the daily Bible readings of the Bible Reader's Course and the topics for the weekly prayer meetings, and we hope that they will be of help to the work. As we have done before, we would urge that these readings and these topics be used in the local Union work wherever it is practicable. We hope to be able to give also from time to time some suggestions that may help with the topics.

EXCHANGE OF WORKING METHODS.

Observing "Hospital Day" as some do forms a good plan for putting into practice our motto "Culture for Service." They appoint one Sunday in each month on which they meet in the afternoon, go to the hospital and there hold a prayer meeting similar to the usual devotional meeting. Much pleasure is given, too, by the flowers carried by the members.

But need such service be limited to the cities where hospitals are supported? In nearly every place there are some who are unable to attend church, the "shut ins," who must bear patiently their isolation from much that makes life pleasant for others. Sometimes dear old people who were once pillars of the church, but now, kept at home by weakness, never hear voices raised in song and prayer and exhortation as was once their de-

light. Or else, younger people kept at home by lingering disease, and chafing under what seems to them the strange dispensation of providence. How much pleasure and comfort to the one, and uplifting and renewing of faith to the other might be given by prayer meetings held at their homes by our consecrated young people! If you do not know any "shut ins," ask your pastor. He knows.

DOLLIE DIX.

El Modena, Cal.

Editor B. Y. P. U. Department Ala. Baptist:

In regard to the proposition to combine, or merge, the State B. Y. P. U. Convention into the State Baptist Association, allow me to say a few words.

It is a well known fact that all people, and especially young people, will take a greater interest in the conventions or associations which are particularly their own. In fact, to get the very best results from our State Conventions they must be distinctively conventions of young people with the work of the organization as the feature. The work of the State Baptist Convention and the B. Y. P. U. Convention are not enough alike in their character to allow a combination which would be helpful, I think, to either organization, certainly not to the young people.

As a Young People's Convention we have always had need for all the time which a consideration of our Host City would allow us to spend in a place. If we undertake to hold the two meetings together, we will either fail to get the full attendance of the young people, which is so very helpful to the work, or we will overburden the hospitality of the community with which we meet and have to curtail the programs which we would desire to carry out.

I am satisfied that the combination of these conventions would be of profit to neither and would most likely cripple the young people's work very materially.

This is a question which concerns every B. Y. P. U. worker and sympathizer and each one should give expression to his or her ideas on the subject. We should all familiarize ourselves with the advantages and disadvantages of the proposed combination and be prepared to act intelligently when the question is brought before the convention at LaFayette, in April.

E. L. DAVANT.

Montgomery, Ala.

We are very glad to have the above expression coming as it does from an active local worker. Bro. Davant is president of the B. Y. P. U. of the First Baptist church, Montgomery, and has been in the work for a good many years. Let other expressions follow.

wisest and godliest senators, who said in a recent speech: "I fear that the pendulum is swinging too far in the other direction, and that the whiskey business is being made respectable and dignified by church people for the sake of revenue."

Yes, "by church people!" They are responsible for this trouble. They are the champions of the business. Some of our best and strongest preachers are among its most zealous advocates. Hence our people have accepted the situation, and are satisfied with the results of the dispensary, consequently the cause of prohibition is languishing and its banner trailing in the dust.

If I have not been wrongly informed, the principle of the dispensary business had its origin in the brain of an ungodly man. This should be a sufficient reason for serious reflection upon our part before we accept the business. How truly "Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly," etc.—And how surely will sorrow come to those who do follow the counsel of the ungodly.

For the Alabama Baptist Foreign Mission Notes.

BY E. C. BOMAR, ASS'T COR. SEC.

Reports of the work for the year 1900 are coming to the Foreign Mission Board. They all indicate harmony, progress and prosperity. Not all equally prosperous, but none are without conversions and in some fields baptisms have been numerous. Even China will report very many conversions. Work there has been stopped only for a time, and in some cases crippled, never abandoned.

The receipts of the Board continue encouraging, but even at this date they are not sufficient to pay up indebtedness for ordinary expenses and the enlargement of the work. The Board has gone cautiously but earnestly to the work of enlarging. Eighteen new missionaries have been appointed, and fields already occupied have been strengthened. This means expense. The indebtedness of the Board on March 15th was \$33,965.56. This sum represents money borrowed to keep up the work. It must be paid by the end of April.

Treasurers of churches, associations, societies and conventions please take notice that all this sum of \$33,965.56 must be paid during April, some before the middle of the month. Therefore, please send on what money is in hand as soon as possible. Do not wait until all is gathered. Send in what you have. The miserable custom of waiting costs us every year thousands of dollars. Let us repeat, then, send on what you have, and send the rest later when you get that.

TABLE OF RECEIPTS.

The following table shows the receipts of the Foreign Mission Board from May 1st, 1900, to March 15th, 1901:

Virginia	\$14,880.58
Georgia	12,835.60
Kentucky	9,213.06
South Carolina	8,413.56
Alabama	7,099.02
Texas	6,451.81
Tennessee	4,360.60
Missouri	4,278.00
Mississippi	3,443.32
Maryland	3,409.22
North Carolina	3,316.10
Louisiana	1,602.20
Arkansas	1,254.08
Dist. of Columbia	454.06
Florida	429.00

Contributions from Alabama are encouraging.

Movements of missionaries recently appointed or about to return to their field: Dr. T. W. Ayers sailed for China, from San Francisco, on the 15th inst. At the same time Rev. W. F. Hatchell left for Mexico. Rev. Dr. D. G. Whittinghill will leave in a few weeks for Italy and Rev. A. L. Dunstan is preparing to go to Brazil. Miss Julia E. Truham is in Philadelphia, attending a training school, but will go to South China with Rev. R. E. Chambers and wife in the summer or early fall. Rev. L. W. Pierce will start to Central China in a few weeks, and Rev. W. H. Sears will sail soon for North China.

Condition of our work in China: Not a single station has been abandoned. Letters, which will appear in the Journal, will show that all stations are again occupied, and arrangements are again perfected for permanent re-occupation. Surely we ought to praise God, take courage and go forward.

Tracts and sample copies of the Foreign Mission Journal can be obtained free by writing to Rev. R. J. Willingham, Cor. Sec'y, Richmond, Virginia.

When and What to Read.

If you are lazy, watch James.
If your faith is below par, read Paul.
If you are impatient, sit down quietly and have a talk with Job.
If you are a little strong-headed, go and see Moses.
If you are getting weak-kneed, take a look at Elijah.
If there is no song in your heart, listen to David.
If you feel chilly, get the beloved disciple to put his arm around you.
If you are losing sight of the future, climb up to Revelation and get a glimpse of the promised land.—Ram's Horn.

Central Committee Column.

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My Dear Sunbeams:

I have not sent you any programs for these months, but you shall have a beauty for the spring. Do your very prettiest, and write me about your meetings.

I wonder how many of you have seen our Miss Willie Kelly since I have heard from you? Cannot you write me what interested you most, when you heard her talk? I think it has been a great privilege to have had a visit from her.

Are these not delightful letters in our column this month?

I am affectionately yours,

Mrs. T. A. HAMILTON.

MONTGOMERY, ALA.,
January 31, 1901.

Dear Mrs. Hamilton:

I am a member of the Sunbeam Society of the First Baptist Church here. Last Sunday we had Miss Willie Kelly with us and seventy-two children present. Miss Kelly told us all about the Chinese children. She showed us a shoe that a Chinese woman about fifty years old had worn. The shoe was only about three inches long—was made of pink silk velvet and worked in silk velvet. She told us about our Sunbeam missionary in China. She told us that the girls had no schools except those that the missionaries taught. She sang us a song in Chinese. We certainly enjoyed the meeting because we had a live missionary with us.

Yours truly,

PAUL LUCIUS HANNON.

FURMAN, ALA.

Dear Mrs. Hamilton:

The literature which you were kind enough to order from Baltimore for us has been received, and has already proved to be very helpful. The mite barrels came Saturday and were given to the children Sunday afternoon, our regular meeting day. The Sunbeams were delighted, of course, and have begun to drop in the pennies which I hope will grow into many dollars for the Master's cause.

With love from the Sunbeams and myself, and with gratefulness from our hearts for your interest, love and aid, we remain

Affectionately yours,

ETHELLE LOVEJOY.

AUBURN, ALA.

Dear Mrs. Hamilton:

Our band reorganized a year ago and commenced work by taking some of the Willie Kelly cards, which we filled out. The first quarter we made in this way three dollars, which we sent to Mrs. Hudson, at Opelika, for Chinese missions.

We then had a Sunbeam Day, with songs and recitations. Our little band of twenty-six members meets at half-past three o'clock every Sunday in the church, where we spend an hour in serving God in our weak way.

Our plan for the present quarter is for a committee to write letters to cheer several shut-in Christians, from which we anticipate mutual help.

For the Alabama Baptist.

At Newton and Abbeville.

A. J. PRESTON.

I have just enjoyed a pleasant visit to my old pastorate, at Newton and Abbeville. I preached in Newton Monday, March 4th, at 7:30 p. m., to a good congregation. I found our Southeast Alabama Baptist school there in a flourishing condition, with an enrollment of 155 pupils, 56 of whom were boarders. I learned that the moral status of the pupils was excellent. How could it be otherwise in Newton, where every effort is put forth, both by precept and example, to elevate the mind and heart of the pupil? Rev. W. J. Martin, of Abbeville, is now the beloved and honored pastor at Newton, and I was told by some of the brethren that he is doing a most excellent work. The members of Newton church always stand by their pastor and it would be hard for any one to fail at Newton.

ABBEVILLE.

I reached Abbeville Tuesday even-

Others are to select papers on missionary subjects, to read. We are also making an album quilt of calico for Miss Kelly. How we wish it were possible for her to come to us! Will she come to Opelika this spring? We expect her visit to various sections of the State will give the needed impetus to missionary work, which seems to be lagging.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. M. E. BELL, Pres.
ALMA TOMPKINS, Sec. & Treas.

HUNTSVILLE, ALA.,

Dec. 13, 1900.

My Dear Mrs. Hamilton:

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I write you this little letter. I am one of the little Sunbeams of the First Baptist Church of Huntsville, Ala. My name is Aline Buttrey, and I am ten years old. Last Sunday Mrs. Brooks was with us and made us such a sweet talk. We all enjoyed it, and hope she will come to see us again. She delivered us your messages, and I think she loves you so much from the way she talked about you. I must tell you how smart we are. You remember the little barrels you sent us. We made \$14.03. Now don't you think we're smart? Hoping that you will write to us little Sunbeams real soon, I will close with much love.

Your little friend,

ALINE BUTTREY.

TUSCUMBIA, ALA.,

March 11, 1901.

My Dear Mrs. Hamilton:

Enclosed you will find P. O. order for one dollar from our society for missions, to use it as you think best. I feel very encouraged in my endeavor to help the children, they are so willing to work and learn of God's word. They meet me regularly twice a month, and carry out my instructions for each meeting so faithfully and willingly. If you have any tracts that you think would interest and be beneficial to them to have read in the meetings I will be so grateful for them. We are going to give every three months public entertainments on missions at the church, and these tracts I will have the children read aloud at those times to help the other children who do not belong to our band. On the 3d we gave at the church our missionary entertainment; we had a large congregation; the children did beautifully; as they carried out the program my heart would swell with pride to see how fully interested in the work they were. We had our dear Miss Kelly on the 5th, which has given the children new zeal, we feel so honored and blessed to have had her; when I talked to her face to face, and clasped her hand, I thought—just her presence, to be in the same atmosphere, seemed hallowed. We also had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Malone. She is like a ray of sunshine. I feel better, more able to undertake work for our Master since meeting those two godly women. Our Father's blessing upon you in your work.

KATE MCCLAIN.

ing, 5th inst., but owing to the cold weather. Tuesday and Wednesday nights our congregations were small. Friday and Saturday there was a County Teachers' Institute held in town, so we could not do much until Sunday. The church has been without a pastor for about five months, and as a result some of the members have become indifferent and cold. However, we had a fair turnout of the members Sunday evening and a unanimous call was extended to Rev. Henry T. Crumpton. If brother Crumpton accepts this call, he will find much work to be done. He will have a broad field for usefulness. The Southeast Alabama Experimental and Agricultural School is located here, and this gives the pastor a fine opportunity for usefulness. There are some discouraging features in the work at Abbeville, some difficulties to overcome, but there are some of God's elect there who are ever ready to help a faithful pastor.

Prattville, March 18.

SOME NOTES HERE AND THERE.

There is a vast difference between sentiment and sense.

The editor's scissors or pencil is his best friend sometimes.

Just so the constitutional convention is not like the last legislature!

Good news from Bro. B. H. Crumpton, of Evergreen. He is out again, and will tell us some good things.

Dr. McGlothlin will go to Europe with his family for several months. The Institute at Anniston will have to "look for another."

The time for the B. Y. P. U. Convention is near at hand. Did you say your name had been sent to Bro. Darden, at Lafayette?

Did you see Bro. Crumpton's column last week headed, "How They Contribute?" Suppose you look and see if your church is in the column.

All the Sunday schools that expect to send delegates to the State Convention which meets in Talladega April 9, will please send names to P. L. Howard, Cor. Sec., Talladega, Alabama.

Dr. Crumpton preached on Sunday for the first time in about two months. His many friends will be glad to learn that he is gradually growing stronger and will soon be himself again.—Evergreen Courant.

The Hay-Pauncefote treaty has been turned down, but Senator Morgan says we are going to have the great inter-oceanic canal notwithstanding. The canal means untold wealth and importance to the South.

We will have a Twentieth Century meeting at Greenville, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, March 29th to 31st. The editors of the ALABAMA BAPTIST are invited to attend, and all the traveling brethren.—L. M. Bradley, Greenville.

Among the "needed appropriations" during the last legislature, with no increase of service in the departments, were the following: In the governor's office, \$300 per year; in the educational department, \$2,400 per year; in the treasury department, \$1,500.

Out of the hundreds of papers we read and the thousands of sights we see, we were not prepared for the shock we received from this: "An Indian has applied for a pension on the ground that his substitute in the civil war, whom he paid \$300, was killed."

Alabama will be among the first States to adopt the plan of isolating consumptive convicts, but there is little doubt that the good results will be so apparent that other States will follow the example, and the barbarous and inhuman methods of other days will be relegated to the past, along with much else which is discreditable to the present day of enlightened policy.—Montgomery Advertiser.

The mayor of Brewton has put a quietus to the dispensing of soda water in that town on Sunday. The mayor is determined that the Sabbath day shall be kept sacred so far as keeping places of business open is concerned.—Evergreen Courant. We would like to borrow that mayor for Montgomery for awhile. Even barrooms and drygoods stores can run here and the mayor and police do not disturb them.

"Father," queried the anxious youth, "do all the vacancies belong to the governor?" "No, my son," replied the fond parent, "the governor is supposed to fill them by appointment to the best interests of all concerned. But it is now said that one of these three conditions must obtain: The applicant must be either a relative, a Methodist, or receive the endorsement of a certain Methodist preacher." "Oh! I was not aware that the vacancies all belonged to the denomination in charge."

About ten days ago I was off on a little trip up the railroad, and among other pleasant acquaintances formed, met a lovely lady who chanced to be a leader in the missionary band in her city. Of course, we discussed Miss Kelly's lecture, and found that our young people were mutually interested in procuring a wheeled chair for the little girl in her charge, who has no feet. Now, I have this plan to propose: That ten Sunbeam bands join in the privilege of buying the chair

this quarter, to do which we will send one dollar from each band out of our quarterly collection to Mrs. Hudmon, at Opelika, whose band, I hear, propose to buy the chair themselves; it will make it easier on all sides, and give the donors more diffused pleasure. Auburn Sunbeams will send one dollar.—M. E. Bell, Auburn, March 18th.

On last second Sunday our people here were delighted with two able sermons delivered by Rev. John W. Stewart. I was sorry I could not get back from Abbeville in time to be with him. Bro. Stewart has many warm friends here, who are anxious for him to come often. Our congregations were good yesterday. Can't you come over next Sunday, Brother Editor, and deliver one of your excellent lectures to one among the best Sabbath schools in the State? If you see or hear of Rev. W. B. Crumpton any time soon, tell him to come over and see us. I am praying for a twentieth century revival, i. e., a revival that will last through the century. Let us all pray for the presence and help of the Holy Spirit in our March campaign. May the Lord bless and guide us all.—A. J. Preston, Prattville.

A feast of heavenly blessings was the heritage of the Baptists at Tallassee yesterday. At the old church, known as West Tallassee, at eleven, a large congregation assembled to witness the ordination of brethren R. Wilkerson and Joseph Brown to the office of deacon. They are noble brethren. The ministers present were Brannan, Harmon, Foster, Rogers and the writer. It was a glorious service. In the afternoon we crossed the river, and, in the Methodist church, so kindly tendered to us for the hour, was constituted a Baptist church which is known as East Tallassee for the present. Bro. Partridge, from Realtown, aided the above named ministers in this work. I did not learn the number of members who went into the constitution, as I had to leave for the train. But nearly one hundred Baptists can be found in East Tallassee. Bro. Brannan is doing a good work at Tallassee. May God bless him and his. My treatment by the good people there was never surpassed. For four years God permitted me to preach for the people there. May God bless the work thereabout. The State Board can not do a better thing than to help them. Bro. Crumpton, try the Sunday schools for another church building. A collection was taken to pay Bro. Partridge for work done.—A. C. Swindall, Wetumpka, March 18.

This is what Dr. R. S. McArthur, pastor of Calvary Baptist church, New York, says: "Mr. Carnegie, in the generosity of his gifts," "has startled the world. He is certainly one of the most remarkable men in his acquirement and distribution of money the world has ever known. He has himself told me it required as much thought and effort to distribute money wisely as to acquire it freely. He is making heroic efforts to die poor. His act is a rebuke to many church men who profess a longer creed, but whose list of good deeds is shorter. Thousands will rise up to honor the name of this noble Scotch-American."

This church has been without a pastor for some time. The outlook, however, is very encouraging at present. We have an interesting Sunday school, with brother J. W. Gardner as superintendent, and Brother Keasler, secretary, and an efficient supply of teachers. Our average attendance is about forty, composed of both old and young people, and new scholars are coming in every Sunday, and all are in earnest about the Master's work. We need a church house badly, and the prospects are that we will soon have one. Brother Bard has volunteered to preach for us once a month until the church makes a call. We are certainly glad to have him labor among us, and may his ministry here be richly blessed is our earnest desire. Brother Howard, of the ALABAMA BAPTIST, was among us for a short time last week looking after the interests of the paper. Come again, brother; we wish everybody to read the BAPTIST, and can't see how Baptist folks get along without it.—One of the Flock, Reform, Ala.

Willful ignorance of God's law is not an excuse, it is an aggravation. It is on earth God asks your witness—in heaven there will be no need.

For the Alabama Baptist.
News from Virginia Baptists.

HENRY W. BATTLE.

A very remarkable meeting is in progress at Richmond. Early in the year the Minister's Conference resolved to effect a consecrated evangelical movement, involving the twenty white Baptist churches of the city,—hoping thereby to promote needed unity of religious forces, and also to signalize the dawn of the century. After the scheme had been perfected, a number of occurrences prepared the way for success. Some of these events at first looked with a threatening eye, but belonged to that Fortune which means most good. The great revival really begun with the pastors, in an hour of tender and pathetic grief over the ashes of the Grove Avenue Baptist church. The flames which consumed that beautiful structure seemed to fuse the hearts of Richmond Baptists into one, and noble deeds of self-sacrificing heroism made it easy for the Spirit to follow with a gracious and far-reaching revival of religion. At the appointed time, Monday the 4th, each Baptist church in Richmond wheeled into line and moved forward shoulder to shoulder and heart to heart. So that while the national pageant which gave us the president was being enacted at Washington, the angels looked down upon the marshalling of the faithful of Richmond, to crown Jesus Lord of Lords and King of Kings. Toward which city, think you, did the celestial spectators turn most interested gaze? Still the glorious work goes on. Each day our eleven to twelve o'clock mass-meeting of all the churches, for prayer and counsel, is held at the Second church. These services are being very largely attended, and are of inestimable value. At night revival services are held by the various churches at their respective places of worship, and already several hundred conversions have been reported. In a number of cases, the pastors are doing the preaching, but others are only reinforced by Drs. Thames, of Danville; Garrett, of Portsmouth; Tribble, of Charlottesville; Brewer, of Baltimore; Lawless, of Franklin; Harts, of Petersburg, and Broadus, of Beaverdam.

It was my privilege to be invited by "The Old First" to assist their beloved pastor, Dr. Geo. Cooper. A recent attack of La Grippe made it a very hazardous thing for me to undertake such work, (while stragglers from the enemy's camp still lingered in the region lately vanquished and pillaged) but the desire to bear some part in the great movement, joined to the flattering importunity of my friend, Dr. Cooper, at length outweighed my own judgment, and I gladly joined the forces at the front. For a week I preached each night to large and anxious congregations, and had the happiness of witnessing many signs of the Spirit's mighty power. The membership of that truly great old historic church was profoundly moved and sinners were converted. The prospect for perhaps the greatest meeting the church has known for many years was inspiring, but, alas! a snow-storm, to which I imprudently exposed myself, brought back my enemy (who has no respect for religion) in full force, so that I am now writing from my room in Petersburg instead of from Richmond. The First church has resolved to resume the special meetings early in the fall. It received a great blessing, but we hope only an earnest of the good things to follow. The daily papers report a steady increase of interest in the meetings at all the churches. Richmond never saw the like of it before, and for generations the date of the Great Cooperative meetings will be in point from which Richmond Baptists will reckon. To God be all the praise!

I regret to have to say, our Doctor Hawthorne has not been able (on account of an unusually severe attack of Grip) to take any part in the meetings. Of course this is a great sorrow to him, and a great loss to us. Our dear brother has also overtaxed his power of self-forgetful devotion to the Herculean task of rebuilding his splendid church edifice recently destroyed by fire. He will succeed; but we do not wish to see the superb palace in which the Creator placed the regal spirit wrecked by the effort.

Dr. Hatcher has recovered, after severe sickness, and is in the midst of manifold labors. Dr. Nelson, though still very feeble, is gradually regaining his strength. The welcome news has been received that the venerable Dr. Chas. Cocke, President of Hollins and one of the wisest and most useful of our Virginia leaders, thought to be on his death-bed, has experienced a wonderful change, and that there is now hope for his recovery. A few days ago he dictated an appeal to Virginia Baptists on behalf of the Orphanage, under the impression that it would be his last words to his brethren. It was a most remarkable deliverance, having all the tenderness, intellectual vividity, and rhetorical grace of the days of his most vigorous health. A century can produce but few men like Chas. Cocke. He would glide into the upper kingdom without a jar—but then, how we would miss him.

Petersburg, Mich. 16.

For the Alabama Baptist.
North Carolina Letter.

W. D. HUBBARD.

I have followed Miss Willie Kelly from city to city, as she has gone here and there awakening missionary enthusiasm, and rejoice with the brethren at home in all that is being done. How surely the tide is rising there, and, in fact, everywhere. I remember hearing our beloved Secretary Crumpton say a few years ago, that as he had been in different sections of the State, even when remote from what we call the educational centres, he had found numbers of young men and women who were so seriously considering the question of foreign missions as to be ready to go themselves, or in some way to lend their aid. This he could account for in no other way but that God was moving upon their minds through the Holy Spirit, to make them willing in the day of His power. I believe he was right. In no other way can these things be accounted for. So it is today. Turn your face in whatever direction you may, and you see the results of this moving current. There is a throbbing and quickening of missionary life. It is the most glorious fact of the age. For if the great Schafflee was right in saying, "Religion is the axis of history," then the glories of this new time rest not in the fact that worldly wisdom runs to and fro in the earth, nor in modern inventions, but in that we are awaking to the fact of saving with the gospel them that are lost. Now, as before stated, you can account for this in no other way than a sort of "comprehending with all the saints," a universal calling and stirring up of the Holy Spirit.

One day, just before leaving Eufaula, while studying in my room, a gentleman from Columbus, Ga., sent word up that he would like to see me and have a talk with me. Trying to find out something about the stranger before hand through the boy, and failing, I hurried down to meet one who, as to dress and manner, was most certainly unpretentious, but whose history, imparted in a very few words, interested me no little. It was a Brother Shuck, the son of the beloved missionary of other years. He was born in China. Apologizing for interrupting me, he began the conversation by asking me not to laugh at him for what he was going to propose. I was in no laughing mood, but was held fast by his manifest earnestness in the support of foreign missions. Would I pray with him that other people might see it as he did. Would I let him send me two pennies each week as a means of interesting the church in the work? These and other questions were asked in such an earnest way as to lay the great work before me as never before, sending me back to the days of my first love where I was converted.

I speak of this, hoping it may help some one else as it did me. Oh, how deep and consoling is a missionary religion! There was no time to carry out his suggestions and to see what could be done with my beloved people in Eufaula, so when we came to Raleigh, on the very first Sunday I made mention of the pennies and how they had come. The Tabernacle church was greatly interested in the story. Enough to say that we soon kept the mission spirit the most prominent thing before them, till the contributions have grown from twenty-five dollars a Sunday, to one hundred and ten dollars a Sunday, cash; and on last Sunday morning, at the close of the service, when we had preached the last of a series of sermons on "Missionary Heroes and

Early Struggles," the church gave one hundred and seventy dollars, fifty-six of which was a special offering to the foreign work. How true it is that if we urge this first of all, other things will take care of themselves. My people are so enthusiastic, and many of them greatly enjoy contributing one tenth of their salary. With the above named results financially, and constant additions, with several now awaiting baptism, we feel greatly encouraged. It was very natural in the beginning, as we thought of all that we had left behind, to feel homesick, but it does not seem so far now.

The people here and the brethren in the State generally, have been lovely to us.

In closing this letter may I extend to you my hearty congratulations that you who have so nobly fought for increased interest in missions, are now at last entering into it so fully. It is worth while to have lived a lifetime to see some things that are taking place today.

Raleigh, N. C., March 8th.

For the Alabama Baptist.

Seminary Notes.

SAM COWAN.

Seminary notes, probably lost in transmission last week.

Dr. Sampey supplied at Paris, Ky., last Sunday.

Dr. Mullins reports a delightful trip through Mississippi. He leaves Tuesday to attend the Editors' Convention in Richmond, Va.

S. H. Bennett goes to preach at Henderson, Ky., tomorrow.

Mrs. S. S. Broadus, from Florence, Ala., is on a visit to Dr. Robertson's family.

The citizens of Louisville have been very generous to the people who were made homeless by the great fire at Cloverport Wednesday night.

Prof. A. P. Haupt will give a series of lessons in German to a class of Seminary students. Course extending through five weeks.

Mrs. Mullins and Mrs. Sampey have both been sick during the last week.

Bro. Radford has been unable to attend his classes for a week on account of gripe.

We are glad to hear of the great blessings that are coming to the Marion people on account of the meeting being conducted there by Bro. Quisenberry.

Dr. Carter Helm Jones leaves Monday to preach in a series of meetings in the St. Francis street church in Mobile.

A very interesting lecture on the work in the mountains was delivered at Broadway Baptist church last Sunday afternoon by Prof. J. A. Burns, of Oneida, Ky.

Bro. A. W. Lamar, of Nashville, was a visitor at the Seminary this week.

Louisville, Ky., March 16.

Resignation of Rev. T. J. Porter.

Dear Brethren: Your pastor has reached the positive conviction that the time has come for him to dissolve his pastoral relations with this church. He has been your pastor for nearly four years, and as a church, you have stood by your pastor "in every good word and work," with a hearty zeal, and you have never as a body failed to follow your pastor in all measures suggested by him. It is his desire to enter a larger field of labor than is afforded him in this field. He will cherish with grateful memory his many true and faithful friends and the honest support you have given his humble efforts. With nothing but that love which never faileth for you all, it is asked that you release your pastor from any further pastoral obligations. Your pastor is truly grateful for the high regard the entire community has shown of his efforts for the advancement of the Master's Kingdom during his stay in your midst. May God bless you all, and may you ever be that peculiar people, zealous of God's works.

Respectfully,

T. J. PORTER.

All the days of the week the winds of worldly care and trouble bend my spirit toward the earth, but with the Sabbath calm I see that though my present root is in the earth, my true desire is upward toward Thy Heaven, O God of peace and truth.

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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, November 10, 1899.]

A STORM passed over portions of the city of Birmingham and adjacent towns on Monday last, and did great damage, killing people and destroying houses. Twenty-five are known to be dead and numbers more or less injured. The wife and four weeks old infant of Robert J. Lowe, chairman of the State Executive Committee, are among the number killed. Most of the killed are colored. It is difficult to estimate the value of property destroyed, but may approximate a half million dollars. Press dispatches give account of storms in other sections of the country, but few persons were injured. The rainfall after the storm in Birmingham and in many other sections was almost unparalleled. A greater rainfall in the same length of time seldom ever occurs.

BAPTIST WHY AND WHY NOT.—Published by The Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Should be in the hands of every Baptist preacher in Alabama.

It contains 26 articles, on as many subjects, covering Baptist doctrines, principles and tenets. Each article is written by a different author, and each author stands high as a Baptist minister and exponent of our denominational belief. This book contains facts, figures, arguments, suggestions and researches, such as will enable any preacher or layman to become acquainted with our distinctive doctrines.

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SELF-EXAMINATION.

No injunction is more positive than that of self-examination. At stated periods the merchant takes an inventory of his stock. At certain points every railroad train is carefully gone through, car by car, to ascertain if all things are well. The ringing stroke of the hammer upon each wheel has deep significance. No steamer leaves the wharf for a voyage without minute search of its machinery and a vigil inspection of the vessel throughout. Shall we deal less carefully with our own mortal souls? An honest inspection of each motive, of every action during the day, will place us upon our guard for the future. Why did we do this and that? Was there sincerity in it all? Were we honest with God in our devotions? Were we constrained by the love of Christ in a given course with our fellowman? We cannot be too vigilant in our self-examinations. Nor are we justified in crowding this important duty aside by the pretext that our duties have been too exacting during the day. Nothing should intervene between us and a duty so

necessary. The apostle more than hints at the advisability of such a duty when he insists that we examine ourselves whether we be in the faith. A careful introspection with honest discernment may reveal to the soul that it is drifting from God. Nothing should be so abhorrent to the Christian as his own sins. To seek to catch encouragement from the sin of an ancient saint is an unfavorable sign. Rather look to the sinless One who is our great Exemplar.

THE TEMPORAL AND THE ETERNAL.

What consolation amid the ailments of life does the Word of God impart! We seek to appease our deep thirst for happiness, and nothing on earth rewards the search; but this desire, large as it may be, finds ample provision made for it in the Gospel. We feel that we are immortal, and the voice of our soul assures us that the dread world to which we go is full of terror as well as of joy; there are overwhelming storms as well as halcyon calms upon the ocean of eternity; the vials of God's wrath are falling there as well as the brightest of His benedictions; but through the Gospel we may escape the evil and possess the choice blessings of the world to come.

A consoling theme, now, while intelligence of disaster fills the land; while earthly props are breaking; while earthly gains are melting away; while no man can foresee what chances and changes, what distresses and what poverty may affect him before the "hard times" have come to an end; earth may deceive us, but what hopes and treasures and blessings are unalterably ours if we set our affections on things above, if we are or become those whom the faithful God assures: "Fear not, little flock; it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom."

Let us dwell upon this theme. We have been thinking and talking of the earth and toiling for its blessings. God may rebuke us by His providence, and yet he does not cease to draw us by the invitations and promises of His word. Do not ask why you may not live a more worldly life. God has made you for a nobler purpose and He invites you in almost audible tones to submit to Him and thus prepare for substantial, eternal blessings. Mark the grandeur of His pledge, that He will give you heaven itself and welcome you to its sacred fellowship.

DEALING WITH VICE.

The Christian teacher is often perplexed concerning the method of proper dealing with the infirmities and sins of the people, and it is no wonder if there are diverse views on the subject.

The method, however, which undertakes to correct iniquity by exposing it in detail, is decidedly objectionable. The health of the city is never improved by exposing the cesspools and sewers. It is questionable if the "sermon to men only," which is common in modern evangelistical services, is not a thing of evil rather than good. There is no reason why a gentleman should not be as sensitive on matters of propriety as a lady; and if men as a class are more injured to coarseness, so much the greater reason why they should not get an extra dose in the name of religion.

There is a vast difference between denouncing sin and describing sin. John the Baptist denounced the sin of Herod, but he did not describe it. Paul denounced the sin of the church at Corinth, but almost with bated breath he said it was such sin as should hardly be named even among Gentiles. When he describes the sin of the heathen he uses the most euphemistical terms, so that a child may read without a blush, and a criminal without grimace.

An exchange publishes somebody's

"second chapter" telling of a girl who was led into sin through the dance. It is a story of two columns and a half, and at an appeal to the natural man it is a great success. It leaves the girl in tears, of course, and leaves the man in the case a popular idol in the social set. Yet the author of the story pretends to be writing facts; and one cannot help wondering why he did not have the culprit brought to justice. In a similar case which recently occurred in New Jersey, four fine society swells were sent to the penitentiary for an aggregate term of 105 years. If our scribbling friend had secured a proportionate sentence for his Los Angeles rascal, he would have done the cause of virtue a far greater service than his cross and realistic story will ever accomplish. Indeed, his failure to make an effort in this direction discredited his story.

The preacher and teacher is under no necessity of describing in detail the sins which he is called to denounce. He has conscience as his ally, and the sharpest sting of his rebuke sometimes lies in his own delicacy. In any case he is hardly capable of telling the transgressor anything. For purposes of warning his efforts at description usually excite more curiosity than terror. And he is always safe in heeding the apostolic injunction, "Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth."

FIELD NOTES.

Obituaries, 100 words, free; all over 100 words, 1 cent a word. Don't forget it.

Bro. Howard says that either is true—Dawson has Tuscaloosa or Tuscaloosa has Dawson.

We are glad to learn that the family of Dr. and Mrs. John H. Bledsoe, of Bozeman, are improved in health.

From the latest information Russia and Japan may go to war over the concessions granted Russia by China in Manchuria.

A series of meetings will begin at Livingston on the 3rd Sunday in April, conducted by Evangelist Paul Price.

Rev. E. F. Baber, of Dothan, preached at the Baptist church at Brundidge Sunday and Sunday night, March 17th.

We are glad to learn that Rev. John Curry's health is somewhat improved. He is now living at Foster's Ferry, Tuscaloosa county.

An epidemic of small-pox is raging at Cowikee, Barbour county. It is to be hoped that this awful disease will soon be stopped.

The Baptist protracted services closed yesterday. Eight additions were had to the church," says the Greensboro-Watchman of the 21st.

I am trying to put the paper in all the families in my churches. Success to you. You are giving us a good paper.—I. N. Langston, Nannafalia.

Mr. Carnegie has retired from public life, and in doing so he makes a donation of \$5,000,000 to a fund for all disabled employees of Carnegie Company.

I think you have made a wonderful improvement in the paper since changing its dress. This week's issue is just splendid.—R. M. Anderson, Prattville.

Admiral Dewey collected something over nine and a half thousand dollars prize money from the United States for the three or four hours work in Manila Bay, May 8, 1898.

When the children of Israel insisted on being like other nations, they immediately got into serious trouble. Our standing army has been increased from 30,000 to 100,000, and now it may go to 150,000! Look out for trouble.

It is a pretty high salary this, of Chas. M. Schwab, the president of the Morgan billion-dollar iron and steel syndicate—\$800,000 per annum. Schwab is only 39 years of age, but he seems to know a good salary when he comes up with it.

Mr. Carnegie gave Richmond, Va., \$100,000 for a public library recently. The only condition was that the city should contribute \$10,000 annually, which it readily agreed to do.

The Convention at Montgomery last week nominated for the Constitutional Convention from the State at large the following: Frank S. White, Jno. B. Knox, W. C. Oates and Bob Lowe.

Rev. W. B. Crumpton has just returned from New Orleans, La., and will tell us something next week about that city, where the Southern Baptist Convention is to meet in May.

Nikola Tesla, "the wizard of the air," hopes to establish the proof that it is not beyond the range of possibility to establish communication across the ocean with the aid of wires.

Bro. White, of the Edwardsville Standard-News, heads his list of paid subscriptions thus: "Roll of Honor—How is Your Conscience?" Well, that suggests a thing or two, doesn't it?

The paper has always been good, but the older it gets the better we enjoy it. In its new dress it is like a cheerful visitor on a rainy day; every Baptist ought to renew.—L. P. McGraw, Vincent, Ala.

The Baptists of Huntsville must be up and doing if they keep up with the manufacturing industries of that thriving city. Contract for the "seventh cotton mill" is the way the latest news reads.

Now, if Mr. Jno. D. Rockefeller will only help other worthy institutions his money will live after him. Ten millions endowment for the Chicago University is about enough to put at that place, it seems.

Gen. Funston is now arranging for the capture of Aguinaldo, the independent Filipino chief and general. What's the use trying to capture a man that has been killed(?) at least a dozen times?

The Baptist bishop of Lafayette, Rev. J. L. Thompson, has served notice on all delegates to the B. Y. P. U. Convention. If you are not "mindful of the warning," the trouble will be yours when the April showers come.

The report that the Armour interests in Chicago are engineering a sharp deal on May ribs and pork makes us feel to say that happy is the Alabama brother who has his smokehouse on his own premises.

This may be the last time that I will renew for the paper, but I hope those I leave behind will keep it up from generation to generation. I have been a reader of the paper many years.—Jno. B. Mynatt, Lincoln.

When Carnegie was a poor boy he was given access to a private library, and he so appreciated it then that he resolved that if ever wealth came to him he would put it into public libraries. Right nobly is he doing his part.

On account of a piece of ground under dispute in China, Russian and British troops came near to a pitched battle last week. Herein lies the danger of large standing armies. A chip on the shoulder or a line in the sand can bring about a bloody conflict at any time.

The Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., will publish in a short while a new book, a story of Bible Inspiration, by Rev. E. B. Hatcher, Norfolk, Va. It is by far the best book I have ever read on Inspiration. We hope to have it ready by the Convention.—J. M. Frost.

From the Lafayette Sun, we infer that Bro. Thompson "circulates" well: "Rev. J. L. Thompson is at Eagle Creek to-day, attending the New Century meeting, and to-morrow he goes to Mt. Zion." And there are other places where he is promised.

Yesterday, notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, we listened to a soul-refreshing sermon by our brother, T. T. Dobbs, after which conference was held, the church being fairly represented. We met to-day with many friends and spent the day, except the preaching hour, in singing praises to God's name. We then listened to a splendid sermon by our pastor. His subject was Love; text, "Lovest thou Me?" The attendance was good.—Judson M. Cook, Effort, March 17th.

Gen. Dewet, the brave Boer commander, who refused to accept the terms of surrender offered by the British General Kitchener, has been threatened with life imprisonment "when caught". The question arises, who is going to risk so much in catching and holding him?

The following ministers are expected to attend the Fifth Sunday meeting at the First Baptist church, viz: Revs. I. A. White, Dothan; W. H. Simmons, Ozark; S. O. Y. Ray, Elba; A. B. Metcalf, Andalusia, and H. W. Provence, Montgomery.—Brundidge News.

Another bill tampered with by clerks or the legislature has come to the surface—one for the Tuscaloosa Lodge of Elks. The word "permit" was inserted for "prevent" with reference to the sale of intoxicants. The rascality of that legislature lives after them.

Ex-Senator Roger Q. Mills, of Texas, is realizing \$15,000 per month from oil wells recently located on his lands. When Mr. Mills was running for speaker of the house years ago—when Mr. Crisp was elected—the temperance people protested because he was an ardent supporter of whisky interests.

It is said that only 160 letters awaited Mr. Carnegie as he stepped ashore at Liverpool. The writers of the most of these were connected with colleges, libraries, or charitable institutions, and had heard that here was a man who couldn't sleep well at night because of the weight of gold on his mind.

He died at his post of duty, did Fireman Kelly, of the Montgomery Fire Department, last week. Two handsome residences—those of Bro. Pierce and Mrs. Anderson—were crumbling to the ground under the flames, when Mr. Kelly attached the hose to the water plug, threw up his hands, and expired.

"This government," says an exchange, "will be willing to abate her \$25,000,000 claim if other powers reduce their claims in the same proportion, even to the extent of reducing the total estimate to \$100,000,000." This [with reference to a settlement of the claims against China.

Did you read Brother Dawson's little tract in last week's paper. This will be put in tract form for distribution. More tracts! Millions of tracts! We must have them. Let every pastor be supplied. When he goes into a home, let a tract be left behind. Let every envelope he sends out bear a tract.—W. B. C.

We print Brother Crumpton's circular letter about the 5th Sunday meetings. He has worked faithfully to help these meetings. Now, let everybody turn out and make the meetings a great success. It would be too bad for the brethren to prepare themselves and go long distances to meet only a handful of people.

There are many political bankrupts in Alabama. Men are swept off their feet at conventions and make debts for ten years to come. There are trades and counter-trades. It is first promises, then pledges, then lies. It is a mighty hard thing for an honest man to remain honest in politics.

Higher up the country, so to speak, they know just exactly what to do with the cigarette. This from St. Paul, Minn., March 21: "By a vote of 7 to 30 the house this afternoon passed the senate bill prohibiting the manufacture, sale or giving away of cigarettes." We are for borrowing that legislature just two hours.

It strikes the average student of public events that the United States is floundering around for an excuse—a poor one will do—in order to close in on Cuba and take the whole island. Our next door neighbors haven't a good opinion of us as it is, and recent events are not causing them to think us altogether lovely in our dealings with them.

Those who know him will be sorry that this good brother is to leave us. Bro. Davis is a son of the late B. B. Davis and a brother of Bro. Wm. A. Davis, of Anniston. The Eufaula Times says: Mr. Geo. B. Davis, who has been agent at Eufaula for the Standard Oil Company the past four years, has been appointed agent for the same company at Natchez, Miss., with quite an advanced salary. He and his family will at once move to their new home.

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Just whether or not it is best for the colored race we cannot tell, but referring to the negroes Senator Morgan says: "Those people will begin to draw off to the Philippines at an early day. They are already going to Hawaii and we shall soon find room for white people in the South. Then we shall be a free and happy people."

A brother whose name isn't Long writes that he gets three papers regularly. He isn't short on papers, to be sure. If any irregularities occur about your paper or about credits, let us know, and all will be well. Just tell us plainly where you are getting the paper now, or where you got it last, and the change you want made, and we will do the remainder.

Dr. T. W. Ayers, of Anniston, who recently left for China, where he goes as surgeon to the Baptist Missionary Board, is sick at San Francisco, Cal., says the Birmingham Age-Herald of last week. He was to have sailed from San Francisco on March 15, but was taken ill as soon as he reached that city, and was therefore forced to postpone his departure.

Bro. Hamner preached two excellent sermons for us last Sunday, 17th inst., to a crowded house. 'Twas our regular day for missions, the neat sum of about \$2,600 was received. The Lord's Supper was celebrated at the close of the service. Pray for us that the relations of church and pastor may be such as to cause us to grow and go forward.—J. S. Falkner, Columbiana, March 22.

The way that those mountain feuds break out and end in Kentucky, one might think that the material—men—would soon be exhausted, i. e., killed. Two of the factions have come together again. The man who had two snakes which fought till they swallowed each other may suggest a remedy to those fellows. There seems to be 'no end to the trouble in the mountains.'

About fifteen have been received since the series of meetings began at the Adams St. church. Rev. J. E. Barnard, of the First church, Anniston, is doing the preaching. The attendance is good. Sunday morning the preacher spoke to the unconverted, and Sunday night the subject was Hell—one of the strongest and most powerful sermons ever delivered in Montgomery.

Brother: Did you read the list of churches and their mission contributions last week? I am afraid you did not. Please hunt up the paper and examine it. Several things will strike you. You will observe some strong churches are not on either list. Also, some strong churches give so little to missions. Again, some small churches do so well. I trust that the \$100 list will be greatly increased another year.—W. B. C.

At the called conference held at the Baptist church Wednesday night after prayer meeting, Rev. J. W. Hamner, of Waverly, was unanimously elected pastor of the Baptist church for the remainder of the year 1901. Mr. Hamner comes highly endorsed, is a man of fine address and a good speaker. We bespeak for him a warm welcome to the hearts of our people, and trust that the efforts of our church and pastor will be in unison and result in great things for the Lord.—The Chronicle, Columbiana.

What has become of "The Evangelist"? I don't approve of his plan of giving a brother a chance to fix up his little prayers to suit the audience he is in (but don't tell him I said it). "But when ye pray use not vain repetitions as the heathens do,

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for they think that they shall be
heard for their much speaking." Mat. 6-7. The thief on the cross is a fair example: "If thou be the Christ, save thyself and us." The other said: "Lord, remember me when thou comest into Thy kingdom." Jesus said: "To-day shalt thou be with me in paradise." However, I don't think "The Evangelist" believes in a formal prayer. I have more confidence in him than he may think. Tell him to write again, and when he is sending up his petitions to remember a North Alabama brother.—S.

Rev. J. A. Howard, agent for the ALABAMA BAPTIST, and whose home is at the classic old town of Marion, was here last week and lent us the pleasure of his presence in our home one night. It was our prayer meeting night and Pastor White impressed the visiting brother into service and right glad were all of us to hear his gracious words. He didn't exactly preach a sermon, but gave us a mighty good talk, and we are sorry for the members who were so unfortunate as not to be there and hear him. Before he left town a number of the brethren renewed their subscription, to that friend and helper to Baptist households, the ALABAMA BAPTIST. We hope Bro. Howard will come to see us again, dispense the hallowed lore of the Scriptures and wait on our people in the interests of that good paper, the ALABAMA BAPTIST.—West Alabama Breeze.

The Fifth Sunday meeting of East Liberty association will be with Milltown church, 12 miles from Lafayette. Our people there are expecting all the brethren on the program to be present from the first day, Friday. Our old Bro. Jackson Liles, father of Dr. J. P. Liles, also the babe of Bro. W. M. David, both passed into their eternal rest since our February meeting at Milltown. In and near our Ashland community the people have been called on several times recently to mourn the death of loved ones. Please permit me through the paper to express for our home the appreciation of many kind letters of sympathy received from dear friends since our recent bereavement. Our hearts respond in gratitude to God for these tokens of fraternal regard and we take courage. It may be rather late for me to express my appreciation of the new dress of the paper, but count me as one who always enjoys the ALABAMA BAPTIST. I here-with send you some new subscribers.—C. J. Bentley, Ashland, March 18.

The papers head it "Death Blow to Gambling." So mote it be. The legislature of Arkansas comes pretty close to the right thing. The part we don't like is the mixing of the "unholy thing" with the school fund. However, the bill imposes a fine of \$500 to \$1,000 for gaming, half the fine to go to the informant and half to the common school fund. It provides that if any prosecuting attorney, city attorney or mayor, who shall know or be informed of any violation of the act and shall refuse or neglect to prosecute, shall, upon indictment and conviction, be fined, removed from office and disqualified thereafter from holding office in the State. During debate on the bill Representative Clark caused a sensation by declaring he could have received \$200 if he would vote against the bill. Advocates of the bill contend it will be a death blow to gambling in Arkansas.

We had thought differently of Kentucky, so great is her reputation for making whiskey; but the following figures from Rev. Fred D. Hale's paper Daviess County Baptist, opens our eyes to the real situation up there: Of the 119 counties in Kentucky 49 are entirely "dry," that is, it is unlawful to sell liquor as a beverage. Twenty-one more have only one point, usually the county seat, where liquor is sold, 17 more have only two points. There are only seven where liquor can be sold at any point within the territory. That means that there are no local option precincts within these seven counties. Of the other seventeen counties most of them have saloons in various places within their territory. Many will be surprised to know that thirty-one of the "dry" counties are in the mountain sections, and that of these counties only one or two have liquor sold in them. There are fifty-seven county seats where no liquor is sold legally. There is ten times as much area within the State where local option prevails as where it does not.

For the Alabama Baptist.
Notes from the Wire Grass.

S. O. Y. RAY.

Your note on the governor and the way he dishes out his "pie" to his own denomination is timely. The air is quite full of that sort of sentiment where I go. I wonder if it is true.

Here is what a brother said to me recently: "I tell you, our paper is better than it has been in years. That new dress and the breezy things it has been saying recently about the Baptists and their doctrines and practices charms us. I wonder why they don't say more." And still another said the strictures on the recent scandals in the legislature by the paper was timely and manly and will do good. So you see, brother Harris, the brethren appreciate the outspoken position of the paper. Our religious papers must stand for the right, if the heavens fall.

Luverne gave \$10.00 for Home Missions last Sunday. We hope to double that amount for Foreign Missions in April. This is a fine church and in every respect the leading church in the Association. I am sorry to say that a dispensary has just been located here, and is giving us no little trouble. We can only pray that God may save us from the blighting influence that follows the traffic in liquor in any form by any class of people.

Elba is still growing, and they believe that soon they will have one, if not two, cotton mills located at this place.

We have received 85 members into this church in the last fifteen months. There are 40 Baptists here now with membership elsewhere. We hope to gather them in soon.

Revolution is the larvae of civilization.—Victor Hugo.

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Name of Church.	Number of Members.	Total for Missions.
St. Francis St., Mobile...	636	\$1614 47
First ch Montgomery...	620	657 89
Adams St. "	524	396 61
Palmetto St., Mobile...	369	68 59
First ch Birmingham...	574	832 15
Southside "	669	408 20
First ch Anniston...	418	219 33
Parker M. "	339	1359 04
Avondale "	305	49 57
Ruhama, East Lake...	391	318 69
Woodlawn "	342	224 10
First ch Eufaula...	322	200 00
West Side, Phenix City...	377	
First ch Troy...	425	245 00
First ch Tuscaloosa...	500	458 00
First ch Talladega...	337	256 33

Besides the churches above the following is the list of churches which gave \$100 and over for missions:

Name of Church.	Number of Members.	Total for Missions.
Bessemer...	227	\$ 202 23
Demopolis...	66	193 80
Livingston...	96	322 56
Ensley...	65	151 40
Pratt City...	253	241 81
Warrior...	76	115 81
Siloam, Marion...	242	253 09
Oxford...	199	102 00
Lineville...	240	105 00
Union Springs...	286	105 42
Alexander City...	218	152 13
Russellville...	130	112 05
Columbia...	180	201 09
Greenville...	*	205 25
Evergreen...	*	136 78
Sycamore...	155	1051 20
Florence...	108	101 07
Oswichee, Harris ass'n...	63	224 01
Cusseta, E. Liberty ass'n...	75	239 05
Dadeville...	121	123 78
LaFayette...	263	349 63
Roanoke...	280	353 50
First ch Huntsville...	236	235 02
Clayton St. Montgomery...	140	335 23
Central, New Decatur...	268	1089 06
First ch Selma...	249	117 54
Second ch Selma...	60	210 48
Orville, Selma ass'n...	78	119 25
Providence, Selma ass'n...	*	111 65
Deep Creek, S. Bethel ass'n...	247	270 84
Opelika...	96	117 75
Tuskegee...		

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At the residence of the bride's father, in Selma, Ala., Mr. Geo. H. Ogburn and Miss Julia Mauldin were united in marriage, on March 18, 1901. The groom is a young man of sterling character, while the bride is a young lady of refinement and grace which will win for her friends wherever their lots may be cast. After spending a few days with the groom's relatives in Meridian, Miss., Jackson, Tenn., will be their home.—J. E. Barnes, Selma, Ala.

The new Baptist church of Eutaw will soon be completed and it will be a beauty. The membership deserve praise for what they have accomplished—especially have Judge Smith and Rev. J. G. Smith overcome almost insurmountable obstacles in securing means to finish the work. It will not be a great while now, before the structure can be occupied. May God bless and prosper this noble band of Christians.—Eutaw Whig and Observer.

Every man, however humble his station or feeble his power, exercises some influence on those who are about him, for good or for evil.—A Sedgwick.



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PLEASE, BRETHREN.

I need to complete my file the following minutes:
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Will the brethren help me at once to get all these as soon as printed?
W. B. CRUMPTON.
Montgomery, Ala. tf

KINDNESS.

The kindly word, how far it goes along life's way.
The kindly smile, how it lights up a sad gray day.
The kindly deed, how it repays the doer, and how
It sweeps the lines of care from off the troubled brow!
To our own hearts again return, with joys anew,
Those rays of sunshine which we give in kindness true.
For Christ's own smile shall set our heart's aglow, and we
Shall thrill beneath his praise, "Ye did it unto me."
—Christian Endeavor-World.

FOR THE BOYS.

Advantages of Being a Country Boy.

No. 2.

The dweller in the country is brought more constantly face to face with God in nature than the dweller in town can ever be. "In the cities," said Sidney Smith, "all is man's work apparently—we see only Caesar and his power. In the country God's hand is seen oftener and closer too." The townman's business leads him to deal chiefly with secondary causes. His own human shrewdness and skill are the things he constantly depends on for success; so that he finally feels as if all his own comfort and happiness depended on himself. In the markets and in his office, he handles by the wholesale all the great food products, clothing, and the materials of wood and stone out of which houses are built. They all mean to him only so many thousands of dollars. In his business mind and processes God is left out of the account altogether. Of course, if he were to stop and think back a little, he would see that he could not put even a bite of bread into his own mouth unless God had first caused the seed to spring and the wheat and corn to grow. He couldn't put a coat on his back or that of his children if God had not first created the sheep with the wool on its back. He couldn't put shoes on his feet except for the hide of the cattle; nor build his house unless God had first provided the forests and the stone quarries. So with all the philosophies and sciences with which the city dweller is so much occupied.

The dweller in the country, if he is a thoughtful and earnest man, at all is a devoutly religious man. He lives face to face with God and God's direct work in nature. He sees God as the primary cause of all these things which sustain human and animal life and which make the world beautiful. All these facts appeal directly to his own primary instincts of truth; they go to his heart as well as his head; and he does not have to go through a long, roundabout process of reasoning to get to the right conclusion.

The farmer's Sunday, if he is a religious man at all, is a better Sunday than the city man's. It is more completely the Lord's day. In the city, even on Sunday the business houses, if they are not open are still forever before your eyes, suggesting man's business and not "the Father's business." Streets are crowded with people; street cars and railroad trains are running, saloons and theaters and dance halls and billiard halls are wide open; base ball or foot ball games, horse races and prize fights go on; men must have their Sunday business letters. No wonder the city man has to fight hard to keep his religion, and above all, the Lord's day, as he ought to. But the farmer, even in the most worldly, seldom thinks of working on Sunday, after the necessary chores are done. Other things will let him alone if he will let them alone. He can go to church if he wants to. And when he gets there, he hears a simple sermon which he can understand, takes part in a simple worship which he can follow, meets only familiar friends and neighbors instead of a lot of strangers, gets some good in this way out of the service, and if he has to talk a bit outside, after church, it is still about weather and crops and stock, with which God has still something to do.

Thank God, then, if you are a Christian at all, that you are also a farmer, and have about you all the time these constant appeals to your religious sensibility. This makes it all the easier for you to be a Christian and stay one.—Bishop Boyd Vincent.

At marriage man and woman's romance ceases and their history begins.

Knowing Whom We Have Believed.

That absolute confidence which we have in certain people is one of the most important factors in any human life. We feel it in regard to some because we have proved them by trial. They never have failed us, even in the severest tests, and we know that, humanly speaking, we can depend upon them. We feel it in regard to others with less apparent justification, but with no less positiveness, as if by instinct. We may have had no opportunity of testing them, but somehow we know that it is safe to believe in them. A look into their eyes reveals to us the sterling honesty of their natures.

It is in both these ways that the Christian believer confides in Jesus Christ. He has put the promises and declarations of the gospel to the proof, and they have justified themselves. He has a solid confidence in them based upon experience. But he also trusts his Lord, in what, after all, is a higher way, with a more intimate and precious confidence. It is that based upon the personality of Jesus, rather than upon what he has done for humanity. It is the love which prompted his self-sacrificing career, even more than that wonderful, pathetic record of service and suffering itself, which has won his heart. He knows him whom he has believed as if it actually had been possible to look into his eyes and to see in their shining depths the infinite assurance of trustworthiness.

And it is because he has this knowledge and in each of its forms, that the Christian goes forth day by day equipped with power—power to hold steadily on mid the buffetings, of circumstances and the allurements of sin, power to represent in some degree to men the active grace and beauty of the divine character, power to appeal, persuade, warn, comfort, enlighten, or inspire, as may be needed. The source and secret of his invincibility is in the simplicity and absoluteness of his trust in the Lord.—The Congregationalist.

Stand up, Man!

Erectness of bearing has a moral and a mental as well as a physical effect. When the mind is alert, the head goes up and the shoulders are squared. So also when the spirits are high and the heart is full of pure aspirations. Physical well-being absolutely demands that we should not stoop. If we lean forward, we contract the chest, and the lungs have not wholesome full play. When we start out to do anything that is brave and noble, we do not slouch; we look danger, when we are brave, straight in the face and go at it with head high and shoulders back. That is the way soldiers march; that is the way the bridegroom leaves the church when the solemn words have been said and he goes out into the world to meet the sweet responsibilities of life. Erectness of bearing is the sign of courage, the evidence of hope; slouchiness indicates decadence and is evidence of incapacity. One dandy in this busy world is worth half a dozen slovens. The dandies are more prompt, they are braver, they are more courageous, they are more self-respecting, they are in every manly quality finer and more worthy of the respect of both men and women. The slovenly man who slouches through life is a severe trial to men who must be thrown with them; how women can put up with him is one of those inexplicable things past finding out.—The Outlook.

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INFLUENCE.

GOODWYN PARKER.

"In everybody's nature there are some chords we can cause to vibrate if we only keep ourselves in tune."

The question is often asked: "How shall we tune our natures to cause them to vibrate in unison with others?" This is a question to be studied by each one of us. There are some natures that are very unintelligible to the majority of the world.

When thrown with these, we should first ask ourselves, Why is it hard for me to understand my friend's nature or disposition? Then we should petition our Maker to enable us to fully comprehend his nature, and instead of trying, as we usually do, to force him to change and time himself to accord with us, we should tune our own lives and hearts to beat in unison with his.

A second lesson to be learned is, how to accomplish this without appearing vacillating and hypocritical. We must not sacrifice our principles and high standard to every passing breeze, but we should simply sacrifice our own selfish opinions in order that our influence may be for the good and uplifting of those with whom we are thrown.

There are some people who enjoy pleasures that are very distasteful to us, though there is really no harm to be found in these pleasures. Must we sour on the world, and, with no particular reason for doing so, refuse to show an interest in our friend's pleasures and occupations? Why, no! we should first study and weigh both sides of the question with care, asking these questions: Is it right for me to take part in this? Is it really harmful and detrimental to my character, or am I influenced by bigoted, selfish motives? Then, after careful consideration, we should, leaving off all selfish motives, either tune ourselves to accord with our friend's nature, or reject their amusements as wrong in the sight of God.

Sometimes trifles as light as air will touch a hidden chord and cause it to vibrate. People who have grown cold and indifferent are very often touched by some little word of encouragement; wicked, hardened men have been known to weep and sob at hearing some sweet-voiced child sing "Home, Sweet Home."

We never know when in conversation with others what chord may be touched by our unthought and sometimes ill-chosen words. A short visit to friends has many times entirely changed one's life. Then how careful we should be to keep our lives in tune. The question may arise, With what must we keep in tune? Must it be with the world entirely? The answer naturally comes, "So live—that others seeing your good works may be led to glorify your Father in Heaven," and of course living with your heart tuned in unison with God's holy will, it will often lead you to so touch the hidden chords in other people's natures as to cause them to vibrate.

Chas. Reede relates a story of some savage criminals whose hearts were touched by simply listening to a beautiful little song-bird in exile: "They crowded around the cage at first from idle curiosity, but as the sweet songs poured forth the savage men, full of oaths, strife and cupid-ity, forgot for a moment or two that they were men, years of vice rolled away like a dark cloud from memory and the past shone out in the song-shine; they came back bright as the immortal notes that lighted them, those faded pictures, and those fleeting days; the cottage, the old mother's tears, when they left her without one grain of sorrow, the village church and its simple chimes—ding-dong bells, ding-dong bells; the clover field hard by, in which they lay and gambolled, while the lark praised God overhead; the sweet, sweet hours of youth, innocence and home."

The pure strains dwell upon their spirits, and refreshed and purified these sojourners in a godless place, perhaps some of these poor outcast criminals had been turned from right through the ill-treatment of some of God's "pretended followers," those who, in failing to tune themselves so as to be in perfect unison with the Savior, have touched some hidden chord in the bosoms of their fellow creatures, causing it to vibrate in the wrong direction and leading souls from the straight and narrow way unto eternal doom. In thinking over this subject, how can we, even for one moment, imagine we exert no influence over

those with whom we come in contact?

How can we say "It does not matter what I do, for my influence inspires no one?" The smallest child exerts an influence either for good or bad.

There are hundreds of instances where parents have been brought to Christ through the innocent prattle of a little child. Many times one happy, light-hearted boy or girl has so played upon hidden chords in the hearts of schoolmates as to cause them to vibrate; often one little well-chosen word from a favorite sister has saved a brother from sin. Therefore, we should strive to so tune our own hearts and lives that we may be able to cause the tender chords in the hearts of others to vibrate in unison with ours, so that through our influence others may be led to accept the Lord Jesus as their personal Savior.

An undecided will in the moral choices of life is so far an evil will. It was Esau's condemnation that he cared nothing for his birthright.

Alabama Sunday School Convention.

The Eighteenth Annual Convention of the Alabama Sunday School Association will be held in Talladega, Ala., Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 9-11.

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The evidence produced before the coroner's jury was that Alton Bridy and William Hood, colored, were returning from a visit about 12 o'clock at night. It was very dark, and they observed an object coming towards them which looked like a "stewing doctor," who they heard was in the community and of whom they had just been talking. They hailed the object, who only grunted and continued to approach. They hailed again when it showed something white and "booded," and Alton shot and the two fled. There was no evidence adduced showing there was any bad feeling between Bridy and Hood and Stevens. Stevens bore a good reputation and was respected by both white and colored. Bridy and Hood made no effort to escape and don't seem to realize the weight of their crime, thinking they only made a mistake and had a perfect right to kill the "stewing doctor." The prisoners were remanded to jail to await further action by the grand jury.

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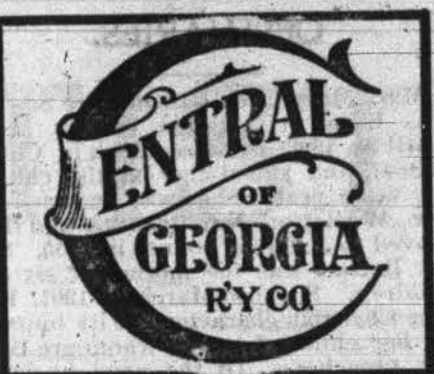
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Charles Davis was born in Jones county, Ga., Oct. 10th 1810, was married to Matilda Whitley, Nov. 21st 1831, died Jan. 8th, 1901; age at death 90 years, three months and four days. He was a member of the Baptist church, baptized into the fellowship of Concord church, October, 1849, by Elder M. Garrett, and served as deacon over thirty years. He was a member of Lineville Baptist church at the time of his death. A quiet, inoffensive, Christian gentleman, loved and respected by all who knew him. He was a bright Mason, served one term as tax assessor in Fayette county, Ga., and one as tax collector in Talladega county, Ala. From the marriage of the above named parties there are five generations: The parents, 2 children, 14 grand-children, 79 great-grandchildren, 194 great-great-grandchildren, 13 total, 302 most of whom are living, and Baptists. Sleep on precious father, there will be a grand reunion in the sweet by and by. W. T. DAVIS.

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IN MEMORY OF ONE WE LOVE.
"Just at midnight, on the 22nd of February, our dear old grandmother fell asleep." These were the sad words which came to me a few weeks since, from an aunt in Arkansas. Our lamented grandmother, Mrs. Henrietta Ann Parker, widow of the late Rev. W. Jacob Parker, was born near Milledgeville, Ga., Oct. 27, 1820. She leaves five children, two of whom are Baptist ministers, and hosts of grandchildren to mourn her loss. Her husband, two sons and one grandson were Baptist ministers. In truth, when thinking of this mother in Israel we can say:
"There is not in this life of ours,
One bliss unmingled with fears,
The hope that wakes our deepest powers
A face of sadness wears,
And the dew that showers our dearest flowers
Is the bitter dew of tears."
Her sorrowing grand-daughter,
GOODWIN JONES.

MRS. SALLIE J. HATCHER.
Sister Sallie J. Hatcher, wife of the late W. J. Hatcher, passed peacefully away March 6th, 1901, and was interred in the Pinckard cemetery, beside her husband. She was born May 7th, 1840, in Fort Gaines, Ga., and was married to Rev. W. J. Hatcher, Nov. 18th, 1856, with whom she lived happily until separated by death. She united with the Baptist church in her fifteenth year, and lived an exemplary Christian life till called to her rich reward. She was a kind, affectionate wife, just as true to her husband in the dark hour of his sorrows and persecutions as in the bright day of prosperity. As a neighbor and friend she performed her part so well in life that when her noble spirit took its flight to God who gave it, the unanimous verdict was, "A good woman has gone to rest."
As a mother she was tender and loving, but firm, and ready to make any sacrifice for the welfare of her children. May the Lord bless and guide the three daughters who are left so lonely, and who were so true and faithful to their parents during their long illness and death, is the sincere prayer of their PASTOR.

Little Earl Smith is dead! What a shadow of gloom was cast over our community on Saturday p. m., February 16th inst., as the above sad news was heralded from house to house that Earl, son of Brother and Sister Jas. S. Smith, had been accidentally killed, crushed to death beneath a falling tree.
"Tis sad to give up our loved ones when death is victorious after hours or days of lingering illness, but how much more so when, in the midst of health and vigor, one is unexpectedly taken from us.
Fed Earl Smith was born June 27th, 1890, and although he had scarcely reached his eleventh year, possessing so many lovable traits of character, was a favorite with everyone. Truthful, quiet, unassuming, faithful day by day, he performed his chores about the home with willingness and promptness.
May the grief-stricken family, though almost crushed beneath this weight of sorrow, look to Him who is able, and

abundantly able to give them grace to bear this sore trial, remembering that He doeth all things well.
The Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away. Blessed be the name of the Lord.
A FRIEND.
Myrtlewood, Ala.

TRIBUTE OF RESPECT.
On the 24th of September the death angel entered the home of our brother, Rev. W. G. Gregory, and bore the spirit of his daughter, Victoria, our beloved sister, to her eternal home. She was sick but a short while, but bore her terrible sufferings with Christian patience. She joined the Baptist church—Mt. Pleasant—in early life and was baptized by her father, afterward moving her membership to Elam Baptist church, and there she lived a consistent member until her death. But the beautiful religion which she had inculcated and so illustrated in her pure life will teach us that God knows best. Indeed was Victoria a most remarkable young lady; she was loved by all who knew her, and those who knew her best loved her most. Even strangers could not but admire her, for truly her face was an index to the noble character which she possessed. She was an earnest worker in the church and Sunday school, and in every way an example to all young persons. As a daughter, she was kind and obedient, such reverence as she had for her parents is rarely found. Few young ladies are so thoughtful of relieving their mothers of household cares as was this noble girl. As a sister she was gentle and loving always, studying the happiness of her brothers and sisters, regardless of her own. She has crossed over the Jasper Sea and is "leaning on the everlasting arm" of the dear Savior whom she trusted all through life. Hers was indeed a life worthy of imitation. We know that the hand of the Allwise will soon take others from us, for one by one we will all be gathered home. And just "over the river" we shall meet our dear sister who has so recently been baptized in the waves of light. God is around us in our peaceful homes we will not fear; He doeth all things well. We must try to become reconciled to His will and live so as to meet our beautiful dead in that Celestial City. Therefore, be it resolved.
1. That while we weep on the earthly side of the grave, we commit her without fear to Him who fulfilled this promise, "Where I am there shall ye be also."
2. That we bow in submission to Him who doeth all things well.
No more shall I meet you here below;
Her toil and sacrifice is o'er;
And by the river's gentle flow
She stands upon the golden shore.
3. That we tender to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy in their loss, and pray that the God of all grace may comfort them in their sad bereavement.
4. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the ALABAMA BAPTIST for publication, and also a copy be spread on our church book, and one be furnished the family of our deceased sister.
Done by order of church in conference.
Nana Cameron,
Ella Stearns,
Committee.

Jesus Christ is unseen—just as the anchor gripping fast to the solid ground is unseen—but his holding power is felt on the conscience and on the will. As a vessel in the teeth of a storm feels the pull of the cable, so the soul that is made fast to Christ feels the pull of his power.—Cuyler

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Under and by virtue of the power contained in a certain mortgage executed to Ellie T. Newman on the 16th day of March, 1899, by Lewis Randall and wife, which is recorded in Vol. 160, page 142, in the office of the Judge of Probate of Montgomery county, Alabama, which said mortgage has been transferred to me, I will sell for cash, at Court Square fountain, in the city of Montgomery, Ala., at public auction, on the 26th day of April, 1901, the following described real estate lying and being situate in the county of Montgomery and State of Alabama, and more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Lot number nineteen (19), being the Southwest corner of Holt and Davis streets, being in original block five of Peacock Tract, measuring 68 feet more or less on Holt street and running back of equal width one hundred and thirty-six feet, as per plat made by Parker and McDonald, Book 15, page 1. Less 50 feet off the West end of said lot.
This sale is made to pay said mortgage and the expenses of foreclosure.
J. B. BAYZER, Transferee.
C. G. ZIRKLE, Attorney. 13-4t

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LITERARY NOTICES.

"The World's Work," for April, is on our desk. It contains a number of instructive and entertaining articles by leading writers, among which may be found "Harnessing the Sun," "The Telephone Newspaper," "The Rise of the Russian Jew," "The Many-Sided Andrew Carnegie," "The Unknown Author and the Publisher." The literary productions are of the highest order, the subjects treated are living questions, and the mechanical work is of the very best. The World's Work ranks among our foremost periodicals, and for solid instruction and living matter it cannot be excelled. We can commend this monthly to our readers. It is published by Doubleday, Page & Co., 34 Union Square, East, New York City. Price \$3.00 a year.

The cover of the Ledger Monthly for April represents a rich display of "Easter Lilies," with a beautiful figure, an exquisite color print, a picture worth framing. The first article in the April number of the Ledger Monthly is entitled "Easter Morn at Bethlehem," by Rufus Rockwell Wilson, with illustrations by William L. Hudson. This article describes the quaint Easter services of the Moravians. An illustrated article entitled "A Michigan Lumber Camp," is a picturesque and fascinating description of the lumber industry and the perilous work of the lumbermen. "Women at the National Capital" is an interesting account of Washington social life, with portraits of some of the prominent women of the national capital.

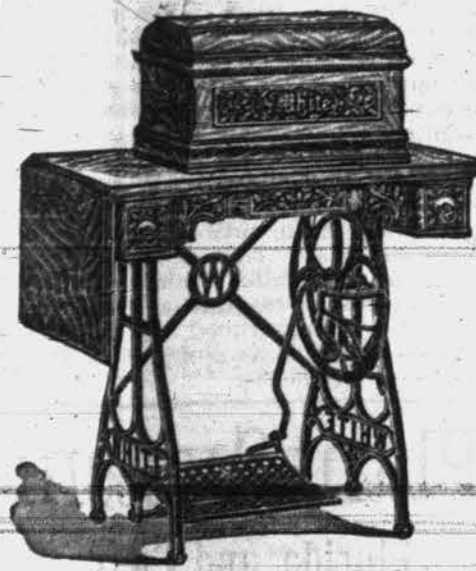
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MORTGAGE SALE.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage executed by D. C. Davenport to Mrs. Mary E. Jurey, on the 5th day of February, 1897, and recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate of Montgomery county, Alabama, in Mortgage Book 148, at page 18, one of the conditions of which has been broken, the undersigned will sell at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, at the Court Square Fountain, in the city of Montgomery, Ala., within the legal hours of sale, on Monday, the 15th day of April, 1901, the following described property contained in and conveyed by said mortgage, situated in the county of Montgomery and State of Alabama, to-wit: That certain lot situated on the north-east corner of Jeff Davis and Cleveland Avenues, fronting fifty feet on the east side of Cleveland Avenue and running back, east, along the north side of Jeff Davis Avenue, one hundred feet, more or less.
MARY E. JUREY, Mortgagee.
P. C. MASSIE, Att'y for Mortgagee. 11-4w

A hundred thousand dollar fire at Greenville, Miss., on the 22nd inst., wouldn't mean so much with cotton at 9 or 10 cents, but we have no assurance from the Liverpool spinners that they are going to keep the price at that point.

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Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of a mortgage executed to the undersigned by M. J. Bradley and W. S. Bradley, and recorded in Mortgage Book No. 144, page 516, in the office of the Judge of Probate of Montgomery county, Alabama, I will proceed to sell, on the 22nd day of April, 1901, at the Artesian Basin, in the City of Montgomery, county of Montgomery, State of Alabama, within the legal hours of sale, the following described real estate, to-wit: The W 1/4 of NW 1/4 of Section 28, and E 1/2 of NW 1/4 of Section 29, all in Township 12 Range 18, containing 160 acres more or less, and situated in Montgomery county, Alabama. **BRADLEY & EDWARDS,**
By G. T. Edwards, Surviving partner of Bradley & Edwards.
M. W. RUSHTON, Attorney. 13-4t