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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

One of the most important matters likely to come before the Convention in New Orleans is the report of the Committee on Co-operation. A proposition has been made by the churches of Baltimore to guarantee \$4,000 for three years if the Sunday School Board will add \$3,000 a year for the same period, to establish and maintain a bureau of statistics and co-operation. This would be a radical move, and it should have the fullest and most careful consideration. If the Convention should not be practically unanimous in favoring this new machinery, we think it would be very unwise to try to maintain it.

Dr. J. B. Gambrell has a strong article in the Baptist Standard which seems to have been suggested by our paragraph about membership in the Convention. His subject is "The Limitations of Toleration," and the whole discussion is eminently wise. We agree with him thoroughly. Dr. Gambrell states more fully the point we had in mind when we wrote the paragraph. He says: "That toleration, however, cannot be broad enough for the man who does not believe in the convention. It is abhorrent to every sense of right to suppose that any man or set of men should be tolerated in any body for the purpose of destroying the body. An out and out gospel missionary has no place in a Baptist convention."

People who think it very strange that the gospel does not make greater progress among the heathen would do well to consider these words of Carter Harrison, mayor of Chicago. They will throw light on the apparent mystery. "We send missionaries to convert the heathen of India, China, Siam, Japan and Burma. In all these countries there are large colonies of Europeans and Americans. The missionaries preach Jesus. The foreigners at the same hour are practicing the devil. Everywhere all kinds of business is closed during race week, and our good people bet like Portuguese, and very many get drunk as lords and swear like troopers. I do not mean that all do this, but enough do this to leaven the whole lump in the eyes of the native population." Mission work is seriously handicapped by the fact that the teachings of the missionaries is contradicted by the life of other foreigners.

The Western Recorder has us puzzled. Replying to our questions in a recent issue the Recorder says: "Yes, we endorse what the Philadelphia Confession of Faith says on the subject of the church, only we regard its statement of the case as defective. It should have been so full that nobody could have imagined it taught the doctrine of the universal invisible church." The first section of the article in this Confession which treats of the church reads as follows: "The Catholic or Universal church, with respect to the eternal work of the Spirit and truth of grace, may be called invisible, consists of the whole number of the elect that have been, are, or shall be gathered into one under Christ, the head thereof, and is the spouse, the body, the fullness of which he filleth all in all." If this not teach "the doctrine of the universal invisible church," will the Recorder please explain what that doctrine is, and what the language of the Confession means.

Meantime, Brother Recorder, don't worry about our doctrine of the atonement; we stand with the Philadelphia Confession of Faith on that subject, as we always have.

For the Alabama Baptist.

TRIP NOTES.

W. B. C.

For more than a month I had been under promise to be at the dedication of the church at

ALBERTVILLE.

It has been a number of years since I was there. The road from Huntsville to Attalla had been running only a little while then and the town was new. I had no dream of finding such marvelous improvements. There is no prettier country than the table land on the top of Sand Mountain. The soil is not rich, but is made to produce wonderful crops by the use of fertilizers. The health is excellent, of course, but they have doctors even there, and the grave yards grow every year. Albertville is quite a little city. It is the seat of one of the numerous so-called Agricultural schools which the State is establishing. The one here seems to be doing fairly well. The building is not so large as I had expected to find it. There are a number of handsome houses and more are being built. It seems to be quite a trade center from the number of business houses—though I was told there were too many of those for the business. There is no saloon in the place, and yet the town lives and thrives. They don't have as many lights on the streets, maybe, but there is more light in the homes.

The Methodists and Baptists both have buildings and strong organizations. Sunday was a great day with the Baptists. Three large congregations gathered and listened joyfully to the preaching of the Word and a good contribution was given as a thank-offering for missions—there being no debt on the building. Bro. George, though in his first pastorate, is succeeding marvelously. He preaches here and at Alabama City. Brother McCord, their former pastor, and Brother Sandlin, who once lived here, added much by their presence. The pastor has written of the meeting, which was protracted from the dedication service, Brother Watkins doing the preaching. I look for Albertville to become one of the strongest churches in North Alabama. There is no reason why they should not locate a preacher and maintain him for all his time.

COLLINSVILLE

is up Will's Valley from Attalla, on the A. G. S. To one from down the country the scenery here is charming. The town is built in the narrow fertile valley—on the east Lookout mountain towers above it, and on the west a high range of hills. They have a good town here. The Baptists have a strong church. Brother W. W. Harris, lately returned from Texas, with his good wife, gave me a royal welcome. I preached to a small congregation—the train being late, many had concluded the preacher would not come. Those who came and I gave it. Brother Appleton, the old veteran of these parts, was able to be out. He is growing feeble but his heart is in the work. Brother Harris preaches here two Sundays. I know of no preacher who has a wider field for usefulness. Up and down these valleys and all over the mountains are thousands of Baptists. Many of them are not working at the missionary part of the name—indeed many are opposing. They are good people; they only need instruction to come right. Patient work by pious consecrated leaders is all that is wanted.

With the pastor I crossed Lookout mountain and the Coosa river to

CENTER.

fifteen miles away. It was a glorious day and a charming ride. Center is the county site of Cherokee county. In the early days it was the center of the county; but so many slices have been taken off the old county, the name has lost its significance. It is one of the old towns. The Baptist church was once abandoned and the goats took possession—actually eating up the Bible. Brother Bernard, of Anniston, held a meeting there,

found a few good Baptists who had moved in and wanted to join the church, but the church couldn't be found. There were only three members and they were far out in the country. The preacher went after them but couldn't get them. He announced far and wide that he would preach on the devil a certain night and the whole country turned out—among them the three Baptists. He called them together in conference, opened the doors of the church and received by letter quite a number of substantial members. That meeting saved the church, but the three members have never been back since. They were literally caught with the devil. Let us hope they will never be caught by him. For a whole week the church had a mission service every night and preached the first sermon to a good congregation of fine people. Brother Harris was reared near here and the people greatly love him. A battle royal had just been fought in the old town between

THE WETS AND DRY.

Center has long had prohibition, but even here in this quiet interior town the liquor forces made an attempt, partially successful, by the aid of a few misguided negroes, to change the order of things. The Baptists at Center are few in number, but they are plucky and devoted and anxious about the cause in their section of the State. In passing I saw something of

GADSDEN, ALABAMA CITY AND ATTALLA.

The Baptist cause is looking up at all these points. Brother Dickinson feels encouraged at Gadsden. If the members of that strong church will stand by him they will see the cause putting on new strength. The pastor left one of the easiest and most delightful pastorates in South Alabama to come to Gadsden and his old flock are wondering where on earth he did it for. Gadsden offered a wider field of usefulness. That was the only reason.

The Sunday school will be glad to know that the church building at Alabama City, built partly by their contributions, is a thing of beauty. It is not completed yet, but the congregation occupies it. If they could only get \$300 to finish and furnish it at once how happy they would be! The people there are giving and will keep on, but they want so much to dedicate it this summer. Brother George, the pastor, is universally loved, and is building up a church strong in membership. The mill management is very kind to our people, giving the lot and \$100. Brother Starkey, the old bachelor preacher of this section, is doing a good work at Attalla. It is wonderful how some men succeed without a wife. But more of him and his work later.

Those Sources.

ED. BAPTIST: I have read Bro. Mize's letter in your last issue with more than usual interest. That section of the Tom Bigbee is a good section, inhabited by many good people. They were unfortunate a few years since in having to contend with the organized lawlessness which could be put down only by the most radical measure. But why should we now be sending souvenirs of that struggle to our friends? Lynchings are sometimes unfortunate necessities, but they leave their ugly scar on the fingers of our people. The souvenir from such a scene can in no wise develop the better elements in our physical make-up. So I beg to suggest if souvenirs must be sent, they be sent to those who might be deterred from crime by such a presence. With each I would say, "My dear sir, the inclosed block is from the tree on which — paid the penalty of their crimes against a civilized people; beware lest you excite them to similar violence." J. May 3, 1901.

Never give up to children if they are in the wrong; do not rob them of a memory that their mother and father were always true to their principles. Ladies Home Journal.

FROM THE FIELD.

J. A. HOWARD.

The printers in the office may believe that "he may run that readeth," but I find it is not so clear that "he may run that writeth." They don't seem to be able to read a tramp's notes. I didn't write "Rev." Sandlin or a few other things they attribute to me. Please lay all mistakes to the printers and then excuse them on the ground that there are but two men in the State who write a poorer hand than mine. They puzzle printers more than I do.

AT JASPER

I found Rev. Longier ready, as usual, for a round, and, as usual, able to add to my list. It looks like I never will get through there, for Baptists are constantly moving in and Longier gets them in trim for me by the time I come on my semi-annual visit. Before my next trip that noble band will be in their new house of worship. It is nearly complete and will be beautiful. It occupies one of the most commanding positions in the thriving mountain city. They hope to dedicate it to the Lord about the first Sunday in June. I wish they would publish in the BAPTIST a history of this great achievement and a cut of the building. Their success, under difficulties, would stimulate others to do likewise. Some other churches may have men like W. H. Moore and Geo. D. O'Rear to lead them in great undertakings. Longier is a very happy man and somehow manages to make his people happy in working for the Master.

TUSCUMBIA

is fortunate in having an earnest and aggressive leader in Bro. T. F. Hendon, and Hendon is fortunate in having the greatest baby that ever was. He (the baby) is not talking yet, but Hendon is, and well may he be allowed to brag. It is a fine baby, then it is his first. He was No. 18 in his family, and was so called by his noble father whom I knew so well in years long gone by, when No. 18 was almost a baby himself.

Now, I find him an excellent preacher and leading his people into large plans. His church has advanced greatly under his ministry. They have improved their house of worship and are making progress along other lines. This is an important field because of the number of railroad men who live here, and there is talk of a large increase in the number. There are some earnest workers and they need and deserve encouragement. They greatly desire and appreciate visits from such men as W. B. Crumpton and A. B. Campbell from South Alabama. They complain some of neglect by our leaders. They are a great people up there in the Tennessee Valley, and have a great country.

SHEFFIELD

has no pastor but has about paid off its debt and now hopes to find the right man to lead them. They are keeping their doors open and holding services. This, too, is a place of importance and should be well manned.

FLORENCE

I barely glanced, and will try and go back at the time of the meeting of the Florence Association in August at East Florence church. Bro. Hall greeted me gladly and told me of his work and showed me some of its results. They have improved their church property recently and now have a beautiful pastorage.

They are advancing in their contributions to missions and not neglecting other departments of the Lord's work.

This is one of the prettiest towns in the State and has one of the most intelligent populations. The Baptists have grown greatly.

I did not see Bro. Vesey who has just taken charge at East Florence. I hope to see him in August.

DECATUR

is without a bishop, also, but should not wait long. They have a live,

growing city and should awake to their opportunity.

NEW DECATUR

was in the midst of a protracted meeting. Bro. Quisenberry had the assistance of Bro. Dawson, of Tuscaloosa, who was preaching grandly to growing congregations. Bro. Q. has succeeded in inspiring his people to attempt great things. They are to support a foreign missionary in addition to meeting their pledge to the association. They are growing and rejoicing in their growth.

Dr. B. W. Watson, formerly of Furman, down in Wilcox, is now located here. Happy community and happy church to have such a man, and happy "Baptist tramp" when he goes that way. The doctor loaned me his buggy, his horse and himself in my work.

Bro. Quisenberry has some excellent members, and by his burning zeal for his Master is provoking them to good works.

EAST DECATUR

has only a small church, but Bro. Spinks looked happy when he told me how well they are proving worthy of the assistance given by the State Board. With a membership of about 60, they have a Sunday school averaging about 90.

There are about 18 of them who give the 10th of their income. They have enlarged their house and given nearly \$100 to missions. That's a good place to invest State mission money. It pays well.

Bro. W. T. Cobb lives at New Decatur and preaches at Madison and Mt. Pisgah churches. At Madison his congregations have grown from about a dozen to nearly a house full, and nine have recently united with the church. Mt. Pisgah, a country church, has grown in six years from a membership of nine to 80, and was to dedicate on first Sunday in this month a nice, new, celled house of worship without debt.

Bro. J. M. Flood also lives at New Decatur and preaches at Trinity and Austinville. At the latter place he was building a new house and says Trinity is the best of churches.

Everywhere I go I hear some pious grunts and some songs of rejoicing. Only for the last will I be an echo.

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
Dr. C. A. Stakely, one section, 2.50
G. G. Miles, 1 section, 2.50
Lanette Baptist S. S., 1 section, 2.50
Centerville S. S., one section, 2.50
John T. Davis, one section, 2.50
The writer, one top and bottom, 3.00

Yours for a Missionary Book-Case,
JOHN BASS SHELTON.

Now Alabama Stands.

Bro. Crumpton is the happiest man in Alabama over the figures from our State. We were entitled to 56 delegates last year; this year to 81. But here are the figures:

For Foreign Missions, \$11,527.35
For Home Missions, 8,708.95
Bible Work, S. S. Board, 254.90

Total, \$20,486.00

8th Annual Convention.

Baptist Young People's Union of
Alabama, LaFayette, Alabama,
April 24-25, 1901.

W. B. BOWLING.

The State Convention of the B. Y. P. U. of Alabama met at 9:30 a. m., in the auditorium of the Baptist church, at LaFayette, Ala., April 24th, and in the absence of the president, Dr. T. W. Ayers, was called to order by the first vice-president, Mr. Paul F. Dix, of Montgomery. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. J. R. Jester, of West Point, Ga. A feeling of deep spirituality was manifest. At ten o'clock Mr. W. B. Bowling, of LaFayette, was introduced and made a welcome address in behalf of the local Union, and was followed by Rev. J. L. Thompson, who, in his happiest vein, welcomed the delegates in behalf of the church. To these addresses Mr. Henry D. Latham, of Montevallo, responded. Mr. Latham is an example of what the B. Y. P. U. will do for the development of our young people. A young man, yet in his thorough self-possession, demonstrated that youth can secure a hearing when youth has something to say. The delegates were then enrolled, showing about ninety present. Besides these quite a number came in later.

Upon motion, a committee was appointed on nominations for permanent organization, which committee retired at once to make up its report. While the convention was awaiting the report of this committee, the local pastors of other denominations were introduced to the convention, and Rev. W. E. Faust, pastor of the Methodist church, spoke a most hearty greeting. He humorously referred to himself as the "delegate from the State at large," and his statement was received with great good will by the delegates. Bro. Faust is quite a humorist, and his happy ringing of the changes on the statement, "we are glad to have you" was received with laughter and applause.

The committee on nominations for permanent organization reported to the convention recommending the election of the following officers: President, Rev. J. L. Thompson, LaFayette; 1st vice-president, Paul F. Dix, Montgomery; 2nd vice-president, Brinson McGowan, Birmingham; 3rd vice-president, W. T. Mitchell, Huntsville; secretary and treasurer, Gwynn Herbert, Bessemer; editor B. Y. U. Department ALABAMA BAPTIST, Paul F. Dix, Montgomery. Executive committee: Brinson McGowan, chairman, Birmingham; Rev. J. V. Dickinson, Pratt City; Dr. A. C. Davidson, Birmingham; Tom Garner, Tusculoo; Prof. D. R. Murphy, Anniston; Geo. E. Burnett, LaFayette; Paul F. Dix, Montgomery; Gwynn Herbert, secretary, Bessemer.

The convention unanimously, and with much enthusiasm, adopted the recommendations of the committee. The chairman stated in making the report that it was somewhat a departure from the general desire of the committee to place a minister at the head of the organization; that the post of honor and responsibility should be reserved for the laity, but under the circumstances the committee deemed it the part of wisdom to nominate Bro. Thompson, and so reported.

With the new president in the chair, the convention then heard the annual reports of the executive committee, secretary and treasurer, and editor of the B. Y. P. U. Department ALABAMA BAPTIST. All of these reports were full of interest to the convention, and were very encouraging. Indeed, for they showed the most remarkable progress during the past year. One item of statistics showed that the number of local unions in the State had increased 100 per cent. the past year.

The morning sessions was a most auspicious opening. The house was full and thorough good feeling prevailed, the flashes of humor serving to enliven the routine of the program. The citizens of LaFayette entertained the delegates at an informal reception the evening before, and its good effects were largely in evidence at the morning session. Everybody knew everybody else; there was no

stiffness, and the convention ran like a well-oiled piece of machinery. At 12 m. the convention adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The convention assembled promptly 2 p. m. In the absence of Dr. A. C. Davidson, the president requested Dr. Jno. F. Purser to preside over the Workers conference on the Christian Courses. This was an open program and many members availed themselves of the opportunity to discuss and explain these courses of study. Dr. Thompson explained the meaning and intent of the Bible Readers' Course. He stated that thorough and systematic reading of the Bible was the object, and referred all inquirers to the various helps published by the Baptist Union. He gave it as his personal experience that the greatest benefit is to be derived from diligently following this reading course and commended it to the careful consideration of the convention.

The Conquest Missionary Course was discussed by Mr. Paul F. Dix. He insisted that every Union should pay careful attention to the study of this course, for through it the great burning question of the 20th Century Missions, would interest the young people of the denomination as never before. It is one of the greatest hopes of the church for education in missionary history and principles.

M. Gwynn Herbert discussed the Sacred Literature Course. The object as set forth is to secure thorough and accurate knowledge of Bible history and doctrine. The course requires work, steady and long, but it repays bountifully every effort. The members of the B. Y. P. U. who take this course should hold their meetings separate from the regular prayer meetings of the Union.

In the general discussion that followed Brethren McGowan, of Birmingham; T. Murrie Dix, of Montgomery; Nicholes, of Roanoke; Latham, of Montevallo, and George, of Alabama City, spoke to the subject, giving accounts of experiences; the difficulties met and how overcome; helpful suggestions as to how to best carry on the work, and presenting a most cheerful view of the condition of the work in the State. This department of the B. Y. P. U. work should be emphasized.

After a brief service of song and prayer, and appointment of some committees, etc., the regular program of the afternoon session was taken up.

On the subject, "How to organize a Union," Mr. E. L. Davant, of Montgomery, gave an illustration of methods proper to be pursued. His talk was earnest and practical, full of helpful suggestions.

Mr. Paul F. Dix, of Montgomery, discussed "Membership in the Union." His theme was the "Consecrated Membership," and he declared this to be absolutely necessary for the successful prosecution of the work, holding up before the convention the possibilities before a Union composed of really active Christian workers.

Mr. Brinson McGowan discussed the "Duties of the President," and gave one of the most thoroughly practical talks that the convention had heard. It was as full of good sense as an egg of meat.

"How to make the Devotional Meetings a Success" was presented in all its phases by Mr. T. Murrie Dix, Miss Maud Pepperman and Miss Janie Lou Rives. Too much praise cannot be given these consecrated young people for their able papers. Those who heard them were greatly benefitted. The whole program for Wednesday afternoon was, with one exception, filled by members of Dr. Stakely's church, the First Baptist of Montgomery. He should be, and certainly is, duly proud of these valuable young people. It would be a great blessing if every church in the state could possess such enthusiastic, able and consecrated young people. The papers of Misses Pepperman and Rives were especially valuable. They should be read and studied by every Union in Alabama.

EVENING SESSION.

The convention met at 7:45. After devotional exercises led by Rev. W. W. Harris, of Collinsville, a service of song and the transaction of some little items of business, Dr. Chas. A. Stakely, of Montgomery, addressed the convention on the subject "The Benefits of Organization." Began by saying that notwithstanding the wonderful scientific discoveries of the 19th Century, the greatest dis-

coveries of all were first the Women and second the Young People. With the skill of a master the eloquent divine portrayed the countless benefits that flow from a proper employment of the consecrated energy of the women and the young people. No address of the convention made so profound an impression. It was a priceless gem of vigorous thought set forth with all the strength and beauty of which the English language is capable. John Crystosom would have been proud of it.

Dr. M. B. Wharton, of Enfauila, presented the subject, "Some conditions of efficiency in Young People's Work." There is only one Dr. Wharton, and this night he was at his best. In logic, in statement of fact, in richness of classic allusion, in apt quotation from the poets, in the beating of a noble motive, his address was worthy of all applause.

MORNING SESSION.

Thursday, April 25th.

The convention met at 8:30. A song service of fifteen minutes put every one en rapport. Prayer was offered by Dr. Patrick, of Marion, Bro. Burden, of Fredonia, and Bro. Cofield, of LaFayette.

The Workers Conference—"Choice fruits from many gardens," "What is the best thing your society is doing," produced the liveliest, and many say the most beneficial session of the convention.

Bro. Herbert suggested that the Unions keep a scrap book of suggestive programs, etc., cut from the various Young People's papers, such as the Baptist Union, The Endeavor World and Epworth Era.

Mrs. Langley, of Sylacanga, said her Union trained young men to pray in public and take part in all religious work.

Paul F. Dix said: "Never sacrifice the spirituality of your devotional meetings for anything. To this we attribute largely our measure of success."

Brinson McGowan: "Engages the Young People in active Christian work about their own homes. They conduct a mission Sunday school, and expect to make it the nucleus of a church."

T. Murrie Dix: "Educate the people of the church to know what the B. Y. P. U. is. We use a printed pamphlet for this."

W. B. Bowling: "Keep everlastingly at it. Have the grace to stick."

W. T. Mitchell: "It has trained fifteen or twenty of our young men to lead in prayer and talk in public. We have raised \$50.00 for a library fund."

Miss McGowan: "With a Union made up almost entirely of young ladies, and officered by them, we are trying to interest the young men of the church in the work."

Rev. W. W. Harris: "It has merged a literary society into a prayer meeting. Has increased the spirituality of the young people. They find they can't live on Shakespeare. The only Union in the Association, it is working to organize more."

H. D. Latham: "It is bringing out the young men; inducing them to take a larger interest in Christian study and work."

Dr. Patrick gave a glowing account of the work that is being done in the Judson by the Ann, Hasseltine and the Morning Watch, and in the Marion church by the regular B. Y. P. U. Never before has there been so deep a spirit of revival in the college and the city, and it is the work largely of the Young People themselves.

Miss Blackman, of Ozark, reported a newly organized Union of wide-awake members, with an enthusiastic Junior Society.

Dr. Wharton reported a newly organized Union in his church, at Enfauila, the meetings well attended and members at work.

E. L. Davant spoke of the work of the younger members of the Senior Union. Older than the Sunbeams, they are the "Sunshine" of the First Church Union, and are doing fine work.

Miss Ellis, of Union Springs reported a good Junior Society working under the superintendence of the Senior Union.

Bro. Wood, of Troy, reported a Union just organized there that expected to tell of much good work done next year.

Rev. C. S. George said that the young people were being taught mis-

sions and were learning to apply them.

Stakely Ayers said that the Jacksonville Union had 64 members, 50 of whom were active workers, and that they were trying to organize a county convention.

Miss Upshur, of Fredonia, said that the Union was teaching the young people that there was something for them to do.

Geo. G. Miles, President of the State Board of Missions said that the board could nearly always tell from the reports and contributions which churches had five Unions and which had not.

Mr. Nicholes, of LaFayette, concluded the conference with a song which he said expressed his statements "I'll be what you want me to be."

After a devotional service conducted by Rev. S. C. George the topic of the morning, the "Little Giant; B. Y. P. U." was taken up and Miss Annie Barksdale, of Montgomery, presented a paper on "It's Eyes, The Lookout Committee." The Lookout committee should have general supervision of the work of increasing the membership. It should, like Janus, look two ways; outward to find new members, inward to care for them. The door of the organization should not be too wide lest the unworthy enter and the Union suffer; nor too narrow lest some be shut out who need the quickening influence of the work.

"It's Mouth, the Prayer Meeting Committee" was discussed in a paper by Miss Beall of Birmingham. The greatest care should be exercised in the selection of this committee. The chairman should be well acquainted with the members of the church and capable of assigning work to that member best suited to perform it. The prayer meeting is an index to the spirituality of the Union, and this committee is responsible for the prayer meeting.

"It's Ears, The Music Committee" was the subject of a paper to have been read by Miss Hall, of Birmingham, but was read by Mr. Geo. E. Burnett. The principal suggestions in this paper were: a study of selected hymns, and the lives of the writers; careful selection of songs suited to the theme; sing songs that are bright; sing them with spirit; vary the music; sing from memory. Three necessary things; good singers, good songs and a book for every member.

Miss McGowan, of Union Springs, read a paper which was to have been presented by Miss Spear on "It's Hands, the Social Committee." The social committee should be composed of one or two students, one musician, one with the gift of decoration, others with special social gifts. All should be thoroughly consecrated. Decorate the home the social meetings, are held in, not leaving it for the hostess. Give varied programs in the social meetings; have a Bethoven or Rubenstein evening. Study the life of Gordon or Bliss or some other great hymn writer. Avoid stiffness, formality and gossip. Discuss not the writers of a paper, but the paper. Talk about things not persons. Keep up with the progress of the world. Be ready for changes. Recognize opportunities.

"It's hands (b) The Executive Committee" was discussed by Mr. W. B. Bowling, of LaFayette. The pastor, the president, and the chairman of various committees should compose this committee. It is their province to originate plans for the Union and see to their execution; to have general management of the various interests of the work.

"It's Feet, The Missionary Committee" was discussed in a paper by Rev. Chas. Ellis, of LaFayette, making a strong and eloquent plea for missionary activity. Carry out the letter and spirit of the great commission.

"It's Brain, The Good Literature Committee." In his paper on this topic, Mr. H. G. Webb, of LaFayette, emphasized two things. Create an interest in the Christian Culture Courses, and prevent or destroy the desire for trashy literature. Commence with the best minds of the world.

"It's Backbone, The Pledge." In the absence of Mr. Dill, who was to discuss this topic, Dr. Stakely spoke of the importance of having a pledge, of taking it, and living up to it.

"It's Heart, Christ" was discussed by Miss Mattie Brannon, of Bessemer. "To know Christ" was the keynote of her paper. It was a strong

plea for the prayerful study of the Holy Scriptures in order that there may be gained a broad knowledge of the Savior. "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." This paper was of the very highest order of excellence. One of the very best of the whole convention.

At 11:50 the program of the morning was completed. Several resolutions were introduced and properly referred. The committee on time and place, through its Chairman, Bro. B. McGowan reported, recommending Collinsville as the place of meeting next year, and Wednesday before the second Sunday in July as the time. The report as was expected, was productive of quite a spirited debate. Dr. Wharton moved to substitute Marion for Collinsville, and Bro. Ivey moved to substitute Bessemer for them both. Bro. Ivey's motion was lost, and after quite an extended debate, and after an amendment was added declining with thanks the invitation of the State Baptist Convention to the B. Y. P. U. Convention to meet with them, the original recommendations of the committee were adopted and Collinsville secured the next convention by the close vote of 41 to 37.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At the afternoon session Rev. W. R. Ivey, of Bessemer, gave a most helpful address on "Progress and Needs of our State Work," after which a discussion of "State Work" by the Secretary, Mr. Gwynn Herbert, met a very warm reception at the hands of the convention, showing the great need of the B. Y. P. U. and the great good which under God the organization has been able to accomplish.

"Fuller Training and Wider Outlook" was the subject of a paper prepared by Rev. J. G. Gable, and in his absence read by Paul F. Dix. This paper gave much interesting information regarding present conditions. In its plea for wider outlook it was shown that we have in Alabama 85 Unions with 3,000 members in 1,800 churches with 130,000 members. The figures tell their own story.

A resolution directing the Executive Committee to fix the salary of the State Secretary and apportion it among the various Unions was adopted with much enthusiasm.

A resolution thanking the LaFayette Sun for its excellent report of the convention proceedings and for courtesies extended was unanimously adopted.

The "Question Box," conducted by Dr. Wharton, bubbled over with fun, and proved a most pleasant and welcome relaxation from this steady work of the convention. At its close by request Dr. Wharton recited the poem "The Weaver," a beautiful and thrilling thing.

NIGHT SESSION.

The convention assembled at eight o'clock and after the conclusion of the devotional exercises was addressed by Rev. J. R. Jester, of West Point, Ga., on "The duty of the church to its young people." His address

bristled with trenchant argument and apt illustration and the eloquent young preacher was heartily congratulated by the brethren. Bro. Jester said that it was the duty of the church, first, to train the young people. Do not spend all the time reclaiming the fallen; take part of the time to save others from falling. His three "don'ts" for the treatment of the young people were: first don't freeze them to death; second, don't starve them to death and third don't "butt" them to death, that is, don't destroy their usefulness by carping criticism. The second duty of the church was to reveal to them the blooming gardens of Optimism. Destroy Puritanical frigidity. Give them the bright and glorious optimism that reveals Jesus at every stage of the journey. The third duty, make the church the most attractive place in the community. This work the B. Y. P. U. is seeking to do. Fourth, the church should make the teachings of the Bible paramount.

At 8:55 Dr. Jno. F. Purser, of Opelika, addressed the convention on "The duty of the young people to the church." Dr. Purser must have felt the power of the Spirit for his address touched the hearts of the people. All organizations should work under the authority of the church. It is the duty of the young people to acquaint themselves with the doctrine, history and polity of the church. They should study some good authority on systematic theolo-

gy. Study the basal truths upon which the Christian religion is build- ed. Be rooted and grounded in the truth. Study to know the distinctive doctrines of the Baptist church. Be- come familiar with our system of church government. Be ready at any time to give to any that ask it a reason for the truth that is in you. Put into practice what you have learned. Attend regularly the meet- ings of your church. Give to the church systematically and liberally. Evangelization of the world is the ob- ject of church organization. 85,000 missionaries in the field, preaching to 17 persons daily could preach the gospel to the entire world in five years and it would cost less than \$200,000,000. Talk for your church, be witness for your church, walk for your church, pray for your church. Prayer goes straight to heaven. Pray for the success of your pastor in his work. Never give up, but live con- sistent lives, witness faithfully and pray without ceasing.

The address of Dr. Purser was deeply spiritual and made a profound impression on the young people. A debt of \$35.00 was quickly paid. Then came the closing hour. Many of the brethren spoke of the spirit of love that had guided the deliberations of the body. That from the begin- ning it had been blessed by the pres- ence of God's Holy Spirit, was the universal testimony. Dr. Geo. Bur- nett, of Lafayette, spoke of the good to the town that he felt that the con- vention had been and spoke of the pleasure that the citizens had felt in entertaining the delegates. Bro. W. W. Harris gave a strong invitation to all to visit Collinsville next year. The convention sang "Praise to God from Whom all blessings flow" and at 10:10 adjourned.

God blessed the meeting of the convention with His presence; He drove the clouds from the sky, and crowned the gathering with His most gracious love. So passed into history one of the very best, if not the best convention of Christian workers ever held in Alabama.

A Tribute of Love and Sympathy.

Dear Friend—the Ala. Baptist:

In Christian sympathy with my dear brothers, J. Howard and Harris, whom the dearly loved Father has deemed best to place in the crucible of affliction, the following lines are written. With Martha and Mary, at the grave of Lazarus, our blessed Savior wept; each tear betokened love. I, who have known sorrow in the death of my sister and playmate, extend to each of you, dear brothers, and to your families, sincere sym- pathy and love. Longfellow tells us: "This thing we call death is but a transition into the life Elysian." Yet the dear old Bible—God's own Word—gives us true promises of a reunion with loved ones in the beau- tiful "New Jerusalem." In my girl- hood days, as now, the ALABAMA BAPTIST was my cherished friend. I remember dear Bro. Howard as a "Howard" boy. I respect all true sons and daughters of our one Father.

In Christian love,
BESSIE V. MIDDLETON,
Buena Vista, Ala.

In Loving Sympathy to Bros. Harris and Howard.

BY BESSIE V. MIDDLETON.

Today the shadows gather fast,
Clouds hang thickly overhead,
But God is here as in the past:
To sorrowing hearts 'tis He hath said:
"I will give thee rest."

Wildly tossed upon the billow's foam,
O, troubled soul, look up, and see!
Where with thy God—thy future home,
And loved ones soon thou'll be;
For they are there!

On Olive's brow, where lately shone
The brightest stars in azure skies,
We see our Saviour—hear His moan—
As prostrate on the ground He lies;
Angels, too, are near.

Drops of agonizing grief
Are coursing from those eyes of blue,
Falling on each flower and leaf,
Bruising sore that heart so true:
God gives the balm.

"Not my will; 'tis thine be done!"
Oh, sweet submission to His will;
'Tis the voice of His beloved Son,
Who caused the angry waves to still,
Guided by the Father's hand.

Dear brothers, in this, thy day of grief,
Look up: your God is near;
Know! He who sows dark sorrow's seed
Doth also wipe away the tear;
For He is just.

The lives of Christians ought to be such as to convince the world of the truthfulness of the Christian religion and the falsity of all others.

Continued from last week.
Sermon at Avondale.

[Preached by R. M. Hunter at Avondale, Sunday, January 6, 1901. Church conference asked that it be published in the ALABAMA BAPTIST.]

Ish. 60:11.—"Thy gates shall be open continually; they shall not be shut day nor night."

THENCE—THE OPEN GATES.

V. The Gates To Heaven.

These, thanks to Him, who bought us with his own precious blood, are continually open. I don't like the sentiment of "Gates ajar." I had rather have the scripture: "Thy gates shall be open continually; they shall not be shut day nor night." And the twelve gates were twelve pearls; every gate was a pearl; and the streets of the city were pure gold. And I saw no temple therein; for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it. And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon to shine in it; for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof. And the nations of them that are saved shall walk in the light of it; and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honor into it.

And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day; for there shall be no night there. And there shall in no wise enter into it anything that defileth neither whatsoever worketh abomination or maketh a lie; but they who are written in the Lamb's book of life. But who are they that enter the heavenly gates?

1. The redeemed of Christ. They shall fly home like doves flocking to their windows. "Our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Je- rusalem." "The poor in spirit"— "they that mourn"—"the meek"— "they that hunger and thirst after righteousness"—"the merciful"— "the pure in heart"—"they that are reviled and persecuted for righteous- ness sake"—blessed are they, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? or who shall stand in his holy place? He that hath clean hands and a pure heart, who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.

(1.) The Jew, many of them— literal seed of Abraham. "And I heard the number of them that was sealed; and there were sealed an hundred and forty-four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel." The inspired writer here uses the hyperbole, a rhetorical figure, which produces a vivid im- pression by representing things much greater or less than they really are. Twelve thousand of each of the twelve tribes are seen with the mark of God upon their foreheads. This great number stands for an infinitely greater number of Jews who are saved.

(2.) The Gentiles—the spiritual seed of father Abraham—numerous as the stars of heaven, and as the sands of the sea-shore—heirs of Abraham because of faith in Abra- ham's God and in Abraham's seed, Jesus Christ.

"And after this I beheld, and lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds and people, and tongues, stood before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes and palms in their hands, and cried with a loud voice, saying salvation to our God who sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb."

"They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. For the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters; and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes."

All through the year, and through the century, if the world stands, day and night the redeemed of the Lord shall be entering in through pearly gates; for they shall not be shut. At some great Union Depots the gates are never shut. Trains with living human beings are constantly arriving. Of necessity the gates must be open to receive their guests. Constantly the Gospel trains are arriving at that great union sta- tion in the City of God, the New Je- rusalem whose gates, night and day, stand open wide.

2. But these gates are open to yet another—to Christ, the King, for he is worthy.

"Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lifted up, ye everlasting doors; and the king of glory shall

come in. Who is this king of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle. Lift up your heads O, ye gates, even lift them up ye everlasting doors; and the king of glory shall come in. Who is the king of glory? The Lord of hosts he is the king of glory."

It is the hand that was nailed to the cross that can open and no man can shut, that can shut and no man can open. He has opened the gates of hell to the lost, but shut them to the saved—he has opened the gates of heaven to the saved and shut them to the lost.

Oh, I could fall at His feet and kiss the bleeding hand that opened that gate; for me, as I fled for refuge to the city of salvation—the Zion of my God!

Oh, if I shall be thought worthy of a crown I shall cast its glittering jewels at my Savior's blessed feet—the beautiful feet that trod the dark, cold mountains of sin to save the sinner—the feet that walked the chilly chambers of death, and led the way for me. Cold and dark is the river of death. But Jesus, thou blessed Savior, with the blood-stained mantle of thy love thou hast parted the waves of the swollen Jordan!

"Rock of ages cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in thee;
At my feet the willows roll,
Come thou harbor of my soul;

Round me thy safe shelter fling,
Simply to thy cross I cling
Cross of triumph, crown of grace,
Win for me in heavenly place.

Clouds of darkness, roll away;
Fly before the coming day,
Gates of heaven open wide,
When I rise to Jesus side."

Is Not Something Else Needed?

The Southern Baptist Convention has been in existence for fifty-six years. It declares, in the opening sentence of its Constitution, that the very idea in the formation of the Convention was to perfect some plan for "eliciting, combining and direct- ing the energies of the denomination in the one sacred effort of giving the Gospel to the world." It has been thought wise by the Convention to avail itself of this turn into a new century for a look backwards, and also for a look forward to the century to come. The Corresponding Sec- retary of the Home Missions Board has been led, during the past year, to make as careful an examination as possible as to how far the Convention and all existing agencies have suc- ceeded in enlisting the churches of the South for home mission work. This has involved an immense amount of details; it has, of necessity, been done by clerical labor, and the re- sults are, of course, only approxi- mate. At the same time, they are sufficiently accurate to give a quite definite idea of what has been done.

I. DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

There are, in the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention, 720 District Associations. Of these only 465 gave, in 1898, as much as \$100 or more to all missionary objects combined, that is to District, State, Home and Foreign Missions. The investigation has been limited to these 465 associations; the remaining 225 gave so little that they have not been taken into account in this esti- mate.

II. THE CHURCHES.

In these 465 picked associations there are about 14,175 churches. In the estimates made, no church has been taken into the account which did not raise as much as \$2.00 for home missions, but every church that raised as much as \$2, or more, for home missions, has been care- fully noted.

SUMMARY.

Total number of churches in 465 best associations, 14,175; total number of churches in this list giving as much as \$2 or over to home missions, 3,647; total number of these 3,647 giving less than \$10, 2,314; total number giving over \$10, 1,333.

In addition to these churches that gave, in 1899, as much as \$2 to home missions, there are about 400 churches in this list of associations that give as much as \$2 or upwards to all missions combined.

The above is the spectacle that is presented in a bird's-eye view of the various States composing the South- ern Baptist Convention. It shows, with approximate correctness, the proportion of our churches that are now contributing to home missions. A careful approximate estimate has been made as to how many additional

churches contribute to foreign mis- sions. It may be safely said that in these 14,175 best churches there are less than 500 more contributing to foreign missions than are contrib- uting to home missions. Is the Southern Baptist Convention willing to continue at the same rate during another fifty years in its efforts to enlist the churches? We are now hardly enlisting as many additional churches from year to year as there are new churches coming into exist- ence. We are not nearly keeping pace in increased collections with the increasing wealth of the constituency of the Southern Baptist Convention. A brother remarked recently most truly, "The Convention is doing much to combine and direct, but very little to enlist." Shall we keep on for the next fifty years as we have been going, or shall we, in the fear of God, try to find some means for effectually enlisting the great masses of our churches and of our church members in contributing to the spread of the gospel in the world.

May the Spirit of God lead and give wisdom for the solution of the problem.—Our Home Field.

INFLUENCE.

[Read by Miss Rickard, before the Y. M. P. M. of Concord church, of Buena Vista, Ala., Sunday night, April 21st, 1901, and published by special request.]

In everybody's nature there are chords we can cause to vibrate if we will only keep ourselves in tune. The question is often asked: "How shall we tune our natures to cause them to vibrate in union 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 them, we should first ask our- selves, "Why is it hard for me to un- derstand my friend's nature or dispo- sition?" Then we should petition our Maker to enable us to fully compre- hend his or her nature, and instead of trying, as we usually do, to force him to change and tune himself to ac- cord with us, we should tune our own hearts and lives to beat in union 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 standing to every passing breeze, but we should simply sacrifice our own selfish opinion in order that our influence may be for the good and up- lifting 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 sur on the world and, with no par- ticular reason for doing so, refuse to show an interest in our friend's pleas- ures and occupations. Why no; we should first study and weigh both sides of the question; is it right for me to take part in them? Is it really harmful, and detrimental to my character, or am I influenced by big- oted, selfish motives? Then after careful consideration, we should leave off our selfish motives, and either tune ourselves to accord with our friend's natures, 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 or deed of encouragement. Wicked and hardened men have been known to weep and sob at hearing a sweet voiced child sing "Home Sweet Home."

We never know when in conversation with others what chords may be touched by our unthought and ill chosen words. A short visit to a friend has many times 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 the world entirely? The answer natu- rally comes. "So live that others seeing your good works may be led to glorify your father in heaven."

A man may preach from false motives, may with books, make fine speeches, and seem dilligent in good works, and yet be a Judas Is- cariot. I expect that is why a good number of us have no more influence over others than we have. Because we work altogether through false mo- tives.

God is to be honored in our daily walk. The tendency to separate business and religion is quite notice-

able, and as the engagements of business are multiplied religion is more and more driven into solitude and neglect. The great duty of Christians now is to bring religion in- to a more and more intimate relation with their trades. Neither religion nor business will be injured, but rather both will be benefited by such alliance, and by doing so, we will all be able to see that we are doing something for our Savior and fellow man. Why can't we work together and not be selfish, and thus have an influence over one another for good? Our Savior when on earth did not se- clude Himself from occasion and em- ployments in which men have daily and necessary interest. He conversed with the Samaritan woman as she drew water from the well. He was present at the marriage feast at Cana, directed His apostles as they cast their net into the sea, and even so should the religion which our Savior established manifest among men its salutary, sanctifying and ennobling influence.

In thinking over this subject, how can we even for a 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 or say for my influence impresses no one. The smallest child has exerted an influence either for good or bad. There are hundreds of instances where pastors have been brought to Christ through the innocent prattle of a child. Many times our happy, light hearted boy or girl has so played with the hidden chords in the hearts of their school master as to cause them to vibrate for good. Of- ten one little well chosen word from a favorite sister has saved a brother from sin. Hence we should live, that we may be able to cause the tender hearts and lives of others to vibrate in union with ours, so that through our influence others may be led to accept the Lord Jesus as their per- sonal Savior. But what is more value to we young Christians than anything else, is the source of strength and power in building up our Christian character. What blessings and sweet experiences come to us as we gather every Sunday night, singing songs of praise and telling of the Christ who came to save. God grant that our prayer meeting may multiply, and may its influence go out for good, and cause others to join us. Let us re- member that many souls are dying all around us without God and with- out hope, where you and I might give them the bread of life, let us visit them with the word of God, and try to bring them to a saving knowl- edge, of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. If we do this "God will richly bless and prosper our souls."

One by one the companies and cor- porations which are compelled to trust to the honesty and carefulness of their employes are ruling our cig- arette smokers. It is claimed that a cigarette smoker is not capable of work that requires accuracy; that the drugs in the cigarettes make the memory uncertain and depresses energy, as- piration and ambition. It is no prac- tical use to talk to the boys who smoke the things, or to tell them the evil effects. That has been done for years without effect. But when the railroads and express companies and the greater business firms will not em- ploy cigarette smokers boys may come to understand that the habit is hurtful to them if it bars them from business. Laws cannot stop cigarette smoking and moreover we have come to the time when legislatures will not pass a law effecting so great an inter- est. The corporations will drive out the cigarette.—Ledger.

If you are fortunate enough to have even the germ of sense of hu- mor, cherish that carefully.

It is the very salt and savor of life. Learn to smile over the foibles of your friends, loving them none the less, but more, because of their lit- tle weaknesses.

Do not take people too serious- ly and above all, do not take your- self too seriously. You are only an atom in an incomprehensible universe, after all. Why find fault during your brief moment with the other atoms by your side. It surely will not pay.—Ada C. Sweet, in the April Woman's Home Companion.

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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.]

Ignorance and prejudice are twin sisters. Like the twins of Siam, if you find one you find the other.

If we could conceive of every Christian man and woman, boy and girl, doing his best for one day—just for one day alone—what a mighty revolution would be produced in the moral history of the race and the world!

THE Bible is largely biographical. Why? The human element in a story, or narrative, is that which makes it clean. This is the secret of tragedy, the charm of fiction, the zest of preaching, the life of the word of God.

A MAN never set himself with cool and resolute determination to a given object without making something unusual happen. History voices this in every page. "Be not weary in well doing, for in due season ye shall reap if ye faint not."

One never knows what he can do until he tries. There is such a thing as measuring up to a great enterprise. Moses thought he could not be a leader, but he became the greatest the world ever knew. Isaiah was reluctant to be a prophet, and yet he is the prince of prophets. "Whatever your hand findeth to do, do it with your might."

SOME one has compiled a list of the great books that were written while their authors were in prison. It is quite a notable list and we would publish it but for fear of encouraging some ambitious person to get in jail in order to have leisure to write a book. A great many good books were produced within prison walls, but everybody who gets in prison can't write a good book, so don't try it.

TENTH Annual Report of the Sunday School Board has been published by Dr. J. M. Frost, the Corresponding Secretary. It makes a marvelous fine exhibit. It demonstrates, beyond all question, the wisdom of the enterprise. It is a factor, a leverage, a power in all our denominational work, that cannot be computed, measured or limited. With the wonderful results accomplished in ten years, what will it do within the next fifty years. It will be colossal in all its agencies, and departments, and its influence will be co-extensive with its progress. Some future time we will devote a column to a review of the work.

FORCEFUL PREACHING.

The history of preaching would reveal a variety of phases which it has assumed at different periods. Of the early disciples we have only seen results given us in the New Testament. The unlearned disciples had but one theme which they must have presented in a most unvarnished way—that of Jesus and the resurrection. Paul, as a great scholar and philosopher, as well as preacher, made this his central theme also, but he gave breadth to the doctrine by expounding its relation to the unsaved world.

With the centuries came phases of preaching as varied as the thought of men, or the expression of that thought.

We can recall the time when preaching was chiefly hortatory in its character. This aroused the conscience, startled and stirred, but was not chiefly instructive. Then came a time when ingenuity, or what was commonly called "freshness," was sought after. The truth was presented in a garb of novelty in which the epigrammatic sentence was conspicuous. We have reached a stage where men desire the truth plainly put. It may be conversational, often is; but people are no longer beguiled by shapshodical beauty and excessive embellishment. In this method more than in any other, heart seems to speak to heart. What people crave today is the truth told in the plainest way possible. One may be applauded for his eloquence, but his brother is more highly applauded for his simplicity of utterance and the straightforwardness of presentation. Forceful preaching is that which comes from the heart and goes to the heart.

NOW FOR THE STATE WORK.

We were in the office of the State Mission Board and found the Corresponding Secretary and his assistant busy as bees getting off letters to parties about the work.

Alabama has done nobly for Home and Foreign missions. Now let there be no lagging. Institute Board needs help at once and State missions should not be neglected.

In another column will be found interesting news notes from the Judson. Grand old Institute! Loved by thousands for the great good it has done, and for the larger possibilities that lie out before it. This cherished idol is immortal! It is enshrined in the great heart of the Baptist denomination. Planning is going on for another new building, which the increased patronage makes necessary, in order to accommodate our girls. Shall we build? "Yes," comes from the Great Baptist brotherhood in Alabama. Without burdening any church the money needed can be raised—all that is necessary will be to lay the needs before our people, and we have no fears of failure. Our people love the old Judson, and will not turn a deaf ear to her appeals. Dr. Patrick is putting into his administration the very best work possible. He is wise and prudent and just, coupling with these virtues energy, tact and determination. The usefulness of the Judson is so well known to the denomination that it would be out of place to recount its claims. Let us, one and all, lend our assistance in building the addition, and then the president, unhampered, will fill all the rooms, and the old school will "go forward" to possess the land.

It is the glory of Christianity that it infuses into a weak man a mightiness born of heaven. Christ reinforces character by his presence, and the same is transformed from a physical and moral wreck into a spiritual giant. Great is the mystery of godliness.

SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

The Southern Baptist Convention convenes in New Orleans today, and will be in session several days. The convention will be presided over by Ex-Governor Northen, of Georgia, and many important questions are to come before the meeting.

The Southern Baptist Young Peoples' Union will meet a day before the convention.

Among those who are going from Montgomery to the convention are Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Stakely, Rev. J. B. Shelton and wife, Mr. J. C. Stratford and wife, Mr. G. G. Miles, Major J. G. Harris, Rev. H. W. Provence, Rev. W. J. Elliott and Mrs. Florence Harris.

Most of our space will be given to the proceedings of the convention for the next two weeks.

We are negotiating with one of our brethren, looking to the establishment of a Headquarters for the ALABAMA BAPTIST in the City of Birmingham. We will have two offices, one in Montgomery and one in the magic city. It may be a month or two before the plan can be perfected. When this is accomplished, and we enlarge the paper, we feel sure every need of the denomination will be met. Great enterprises are not completed in a day, it takes time and money. We are laying the foundation for the future success of the ALABAMA BAPTIST.

In Memoriam.

No purer, lovelier spirit e'er burst from its mortal control, in the realms of the blessed to shine, and no more faithful, devoted Christian e'er basked in the sun-light of God's presence above, than Mrs. J. G. Harris.

With the heritage of a distinguished, godly ancestry, she possessed fine powers of intellect, admirable qualities of heart, and gentle charms of person, the combination that makes ideal, exalted Christian womanhood.

Hers was a missionary life, not prescribed within the limits of organized work, but extending wherever she knew the needy were to be supplied, the sorrowing to be soothed, and the weak to be strengthened. She reflected the mind of Jesus, imbibed His spirit, and took His word as the great exemplar of her service for Him and for us.

Whereas, It has been the will of an all-wise father to remove from us our beloved associate, Mrs. J. G. Harris, who entered into rest, April 15th, 1901. Therefore be it

Resolved, First, That in the death of Mrs. J. G. Harris, The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist church of this city, has sustained the sad loss of one of its constituency, who was true to God, faithful to duty, just in conviction, generous in judgment and loving in labor.

Second, That her beautiful life and example shall ever remain with us, an abiding inspiration to greater loyalty and devotion, for Christ.

Third, That our organization extend our deepest sympathies and offer our most earnest prayers for the bereaved family, whose intense grief cannot be assuaged but by the tender care of the Father, the gentle ministry of the Spirit, and precious words of the Savior.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our minutes, offered the family of deceased, and published in the ALABAMA BAPTIST.

Mrs. T. L. HANSON,
 Mrs. E. W. GAY,
 Mrs. J. C. STRATFORD,

Committee.

Is a New Board Needed?

There is talk of this being a live question at the Convention at New Orleans. Unless the mists are cleared away from the eyes of some of the Alabama delegation we shall vote against it. In the opinion of this scribe there is no need for it. We have all the machinery needed, and it is doing the work. The Alabama wheels are behaving beautifully and we do not want them interfered with.

W. B. C.

Omaha, Nebraska, has decided to close her saloons and theatres on Sundays.

FIELD NOTES.

The Baptists have a new church building at Cusseta.

Bro. H. R. Schramm has moved from Stewart's Station in Hale county to Brookwood in Tuscaloosa county.

The friends of Prof. S. J. Ansley will be pained to learn that he is critically ill at the Davis Infirmary, in Birmingham.

Rev. B. F. Riley, of Houston, Texas, is booked to preach the commencement sermon for the Louisiana College at Keatchie, La., June 4th.

Rev. Rutherford Brett, of Huntsville, has accepted an invitation to preach the commencement sermon of the A. & M. College, at Athens, Ala., May 24th.

Rev. S. J. Catts, of Tuskegee, has been called to the pastorate of the church at Ft. Deposit. It is not known yet as to whether Bro. Catts will accept the call.

Union meetings of much interest are being held in the Second church in Selma. Pastor Barnes does not attend the convention at New Orleans this week on account of it.

Bro. Baber has accepted a call at Mt. Enon church, eight miles from Dothan, Henry county, where he lives, for service on the first Saturday and Sunday in each month.

Times will be better when editors go to farming, farmers all become merchants, and the folks who know just how it ought to be done begin to edit newspapers.—Roanoke Leader.

WANTED—Name and post office of the young lady who ordered my history; her initials are E. E.; can't make out surname.—D. L. James, 912 Second avenue, Birmingham, Ala.

Mrs. J. M. Tally, wife of Rev. J. M. Tally, died suddenly at her home in Elba, on the 29th of April. She was buried at the family cemetery, near Enterprise. She was much beloved by those who knew her.

The LaFayette Sun manifested commendable enterprise last week in its illustrated write-up of the B. Y. P. U. convention in session in that city. A resolution of thanks was awarded the Sun by the body.

Mr. Jno. C. Lawrence, formerly editor of the Marion Standard, is now on the ALABAMA BAPTIST, and, we have no doubt, will help to improve this already interesting religious journal.—Eutaw Whig and Observer.

Rev. W. J. Elliott, of Montgomery, occupied the Baptist pulpit Sunday and delivered two sermons that are highly spoken of. He reported the meeting in Montgomery as doing a great work.—Roanoke Leader.

Owing to the illness of Rev. W. A. Parker, pastor, there was no preaching at the Baptist church Sunday. A good-sized congregation were disappointed, and all hope for him a speedy recovery.—Washington Co., News.

The oil discoveries near Beaumont, Texas, are attracting people from all over the country, and much wild speculation is being indulged in. In the excitement the Sabbath day is desecrated.—Sunday was reported as a great day in the oil field.

In the death of Bro. H. Foster Hill in Tuscaloosa last week, Tuscaloosa Baptist church loses a valuable member and deacon, and the city of Oaks one of its best citizens. He died suddenly while attending Memorial Day exercises as one of the veterans.

Dr. A. J. Dickinson, pastor of the First Church of Selma, has been called to the pastorate of the First Church of Birmingham, and will probably accept. Dr. B. D. Gray, the present pastor of the Birmingham church, will leave for Georgetown, Ky, on the 20th.

Dr. J. N. Foster, Jr., of Anniston, says: For ministers in attendance on Ministers' Institute and the Chattanooga the charge will be only \$12 for two weeks; \$5 a week board and only \$2 for all the Chattanooga lectures. Railroads will give one fare for round trip.

The handsome new seats for the Baptist church have arrived and the finishing touches on that new and magnificent house of worship are being applied. They hope to be able to hold their first services in it by the third Sunday in the month.—Jasper Eagle.

The true and noble young men of our country are those who do not touch whiskey nor carry a pistol. They deserve great praise and encouragement. While they may be in the minority as to numbers, they are greatly in the majority in quality.—Livingston Home.

The inhumanity of man to man has not only made countless millions mourn but it has sunk millions of souls in hell. The wiping away of tears and lifting out of despair and putting new songs in the mouths of the myriads of earth is the duty of man. But few seem to appreciate this great truth.—LaFayette Sun.

Our representatives should be very careful in the making of the Constitution. There has been too much manipulation in politics in the past. The new constitution should lead to honesty and purity in politics or else the people will vote it down when submitted to them for ratification.—Dadeville Spot Cash.

A great many have written about sending me quilts for the Girls school and my Training Home in China. I first want to say here that the ladies will please have them here by the last of June, as I want to send off a box via New York the first of July.—Willie Kelly, Uniontown, Ala., May 6.

Mr. F. B. White is the Commercial agent of the Central of Georgia Railway, with headquarters in this city. He is a gentleman of pleasing address, affable, social and accommodating. He attends strictly to business and is very popular with our people. Any railroad might be proud of such a capable officer.

The Liberty Baptist church has appointed Rev. H. E. Rice, of New Market as a delegate to attend the Southern Baptist Convention in New Orleans. Rev. Rutherford Brett and Rev. Mack Stamps, and Rev. W. H. and R. E. Pettus, delegates from the State Convention, will also go to New Orleans.—Gurley Herald.

Bro. Howard writes that he has been having a fine meeting at Hayneville the past week, assisted by Rev. J. V. Dickinson. By the way Bro. Dickinson is an able preacher and gives his hearers strong gospel sermons. There were seventeen additions to the church at Hayneville, as a result of the meeting, 8 were added by baptism.

We rejoice in the report sent out by our treasurer. The full amount apportioned to Alabama women has been met; \$2080, for Foreign and more than \$3,000 for Home missions. Among the receipts was a check for \$20, from our beloved missionary, Miss Willie Kelley. May God richly bless her and may her generous giving awaken in our hearts a desire to do likewise.—L. F. Stratton.

We closed a good meeting last night; preached only at night in the week, for eight nights; the congregations were large all the while and sometimes unusually large; all seemed to enjoy the meetings and I hope were benefited; there were twelve accessions to the church. We will have a good delegation at the Convention.—L. M. Bradley, Greenville, Ala., May 6.

We have just closed a gracious meeting at Livingston, conducted by Evangelist Paul Price. The church has been greatly strengthened under the simple, yet powerful preaching of Rev. Price. No one has ever conducted a meeting for us with whose methods and preaching I have been better pleased. There were 8 additions to the church with a prospect of others to follow.—W. G. Curry, May 5th.

One of the most disastrous fires in the history of the South occurred at Jacksonville, Fla., Friday. More than 1000 buildings were burned. The area covered by the fire was half a mile wide and two and a half miles long. Ten thousand people were rendered homeless. Appeals are made for aid to relieve the distress of the people who lost fifteen million dollars worth of property.

Sunday night April 28th a prayer meeting was held at the home of Bro. T. L. Cook, and was largely attended. The services were edifying. Special emphasis was made on the Scripture: "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness." The singing was excellent and everyone seemed to enjoy the occasion. Last Sunday night it was at the home of Mr. Charlie Edge. These home prayer meetings are held by order of some

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of the prominent members of the church, and are accomplishing much good.—Effort, Ala.

I have been in the missionary work now for the last three years in Florida and the Lord has blessed my labors wonderfully. But on account of my wife's health and other reasons I have resigned my labors here and will return to my old State, Alabama, in a few days to settle down to pastoral work again. So please change my paper from St. Andrews, Fla., to River Falls, Ala. I will be glad to correspond with any pastorless church if they will write me at River Falls, Ala. Also be glad to help any of the brethren in protracted meeting if they will write me. May the Lord prosper the BAPTIST.—H. A. Guinn, St. Andrews, Fla.

Mrs. Smith, wife of W. W. Smith, Esq., of Perryville, died Sunday morning at six o'clock. She had been a sufferer for six months, and it was known to her relatives that her disease was incurable and her death was inevitable. She bore her sickness with Christian fortitude, and received every attention that medical skill could render, and every comfort relatives and friends could extend. She was a member of the Pisgah Baptist church, in which cemetery the remains were interred at 10 o'clock Monday morning, the services being conducted by Rev. J. W. Dunaway. Mrs. Smith was about 65 years of age, and the mother of ten children, nine of whom survive her.—Marion Standard.

BIRMINGHAM CHURCHES.

There was no reports from the pastors, as Monday morning after the first Sunday in each month, is the time for the Union Pastor's Conference, and a number of our pastors attend that.

However, it is known that the First Baptist church yesterday, called Dr. A. J. Dickinson, to succeed Dr. Gray as pastor, and it is presumed that he will accept.

Most of the pastors, in and around the city will, it is understood, go to the Southern Baptist convention. Dr. Gray will preach his last sermon as pastor of the First Baptist church, on the third Sunday in this month, and will that night be given a farewell service, no man in the State more richly deserves such recognition.

Both services were unusually good at the Second church. Our protracted meeting begins the third Sunday in the month. Good reports come from Bro. W. C. McPherson, the new pastor at Pratt City.

Attend The Institute.

Let me congratulate Dr. Shaffer, on securing the services of Dr. Sampey, for our institute, and also on his most excellent program. Many of our churches are wanting better preachers, and in fact, need better preachers. Some of our churches have tried changing pastors, but have not bettered themselves. Let me suggest that you send your pastor to the Institute and thus secure the desired end without getting up division in your church by calling a new pastor.

Every preacher in Alabama should attend this Institute.

Lee Dr. Davidson, of Birmingham, is to deliver three lectures on Homiletics. No better man could possibly be found in Alabama for that purpose. I am a little like Sam Jones when he said I will let any man teach me to fish who can show a longer string of fish than I can. I want a man to teach me to preach who has made a success preaching. Let us all attend, and be on time for the introductory and stay for the amen. A. J. Preston.

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JUDSON NOTES.

The New Buildings and Other Items of Interest.

The friends of the Judson will be glad to hear that the appeal which has been made in a quiet way for subscriptions to the new buildings has met with a most liberal response and the president is receiving checks by every mail in payment of subscriptions made. The receipts have been so encouraging that it is hoped the entire amount necessary will be in hand or subscribed by the approaching Commencement, and that the ground will be broken for the beginning of work during that week. During the past two months in deference to the wishes of the Mission Boards the movement has not been pushed, but now that the mission year has closed it is hoped that the appeal for the amount necessary to make this movement a complete success will meet with the encouragement it merits. It would require only about \$2500 more to put up the Auditorium and Music Hall. This small sum should be forthcoming at once, and we are sure that our friends will send it to us promptly. Let everyone who has subscribed send the money at once to the president of the Judson, and let those who have not given forward contributions between now and May 25th.

The Commencement will take place from May 25th to May 29th, and all friends are invited to attend the exercises and rejoice over the prosperous year we have enjoyed. The Commencement sermon will be preached by Dr. Charles A. Stakely, of Montgomery, and the address before the class will be delivered by President F. M. Roof, of Howard College. The indications are that we shall have the largest attendance of visitors from a distance that has come to Commencement in years. The new catalogue will show an enrollment of more than 200 pupils during the session.

The Alumnae are moving on well with their building enterprise and the president of the association, Mrs. J. C. Reynolds, who has labored so zealously and efficiently would be pleased to have every former pupil and graduate send her a contribution at once.

During the Spring the following young ladies have given recital for graduation in music: Misses Susie Purifoy, Lucie Lilburn Daughdrill, Marie Westbrook Daughdrill, Taylor McBryde, all in pianoforte; Miss Gabriella Knight in voice, and Miss Fannie Otey Shivers in pipe organ. All these recitals were up to the high standard of former years, some of our best musical critics pronouncing them the best in the history of the Institution.

Tonight and tomorrow night Prof. George Petrie, the professor of history at Auburn, will deliver two lectures before the school on Alexander H. Stephens and William L. Yancy.

ROLL OF DISTINGUISHED PUPILS AT THE JUDSON.

March 12 to April 23, 1901.

LITERARY DEPARTMENT.

Misses Hattie Allen, Eva Abbott, Ada Barnes, Jennie Brandon, Jeanie Burns, Alice Branch, Minnie Culum, Bena Duval, Vera Ellis, Alma Espey, Bessie Ford, Mary Goode, Eva Heard, Mary Howard, Katie Belle Hopson, Annie Jones, Ammie Jeter, Irene Kling, Leonora Lowery, Maggie McCorquodale, Ella McLeod, Mary McGuire, Lola Moseley, Purnie Pope, Harriet Reynolds, Alma Smith, Ella Ward, Minnie Ward, Sudie Wallace, Mary West, Mary Williams.

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OUR HOME FIELD.

Pastor J. F. Gable, formerly of the South Montgomery church, has been called to the pastorate at Columbia, and has accepted. He will leave in a few days for his new field.

The old dilapidated building on the Baptist church lot on Perry street, is soon to be removed and the lot gotten ready for the new building. The architectural design has been decided on.

Dr. C. A. Stakely, pastor of the First Baptist church, this city, will preach the commencement sermon of Judson Institute, at Marion, on Sunday the 26th inst. He will also preach commencement sermon for Howard College on Sunday, June 2d. On account of his time being so fully employed he has had to decline a number of invitations of a similar character.

Protracted Meeting at the First Baptist Church.

A protracted meeting will begin at the first Baptist church next Sunday. Dr. J. V. Dickinson will preach at both services on Sunday and also on Monday and Tuesday nights. On Wednesday night the services will be taken up by Dr. Hawthorne, who will return with the pastor from the convention at New Orleans. Dr. Hawthorne will conduct the meeting for the rest of the time—preaching every night.

It is hoped that through these meetings the whole city of Montgomery will be visited with a shower of grace.

Our Baptist Women.

A mass meeting of the Baptist women of Montgomery and vicinity, will soon be held at the First Baptist church. Miss Armstrong, the gifted consecrated secretary of the W. M. U. of the South, will visit our city upon her return from New Orleans.

She will speak to the children on Sunday afternoon, 19th of May, and will address the women, in their meeting, on Monday afternoon 20th of May, at 4:30 o'clock. At the conclusion of her address, Miss Armstrong will be tendered an informal reception, by the women of the church.

It is also hoped that Mr. and Mrs. Chambers and Miss Willie Kelly, missionaries of China, will be present on this delightful occasion.

The power and presence of the president of the W. M. U. have been evidenced in every department of work among women, and under the gentle, forceful guidance they have been led in the most active, prosperous period of their organizations.

The Revival at Clayton Street Church.

We have just closed one of the best meetings in the history of the Clayton Street church. Bro. H. C. Risner, of Roanoke, came to help us, and remained a little over two weeks. He preached with great unction and power, using no tricks or claptrap methods, he relied on the power of God's Word and the Holy Spirit. The plan of salvation was made so plain that no one could misunderstand it. There was no undue eagerness for members, but supreme emphasis was laid upon the importance of saving faith, of genuine conversion.

Large congregations were present from the start, and several times the church could not accommodate all those that came. Many were turned away for lack of standing room. Our church has been greatly helped. We have had a genuine revival of religion, the influence of which will abide with us. There have been about forty additions to the church thus far, and others have signified their intention of joining.

We are under great obligations to the excellent brethren of the Roanoke church, who so kindly lent us their pastor, and to Bro. Risner for his patient and faithful work.—H. W. Providence.

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ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.

Under and by virtue of an order and decree of the Honorable John F. Walker, Judge of the Probate Court of Crenshaw county, Alabama, I, M. H. Bradley, administrator of the estate of W. E. Bradley, deceased, will sell, at public outcry, to the highest bidder in front of the court house door, of Crenshaw county, Alabama, on Monday, the 20th day of May, 1901, at 12 o'clock noon, for cash, the following described real property belonging to said estate, to-wit: Commencing at a certain stob on the ditch about thirty yards from the southwest corner of the dwelling house where M. H. Bradley lives with his family, and running due east to the run of the creek, thence north along the run of said creek to the public road, thence west along said public road to the northeast corner of Dr. Watson's lot, thence south to southeast corner of said Dr. Watson's lot, thence west to southwest corner of a house situated on said Dr. Watson's lot, thence south to said stob, the beginning point, containing between two and three acres and being a part of SW 1/4 of section 33, township 12, range 18, and part of NW 1/4 of section 5, township 11, range 18, situated in Lapine, Alabama.

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Sunday, May 19th, prayer meeting: "A Nameless Girl Heroine," I Kings 5:1-4. (A Union meeting with the Juniors).

DAILY BIBLE READINGS.

Mon. 13. I Chron. 16:23-43 (chap. 3). Admonishing one another with Psalms. Compare Col. 3:16.

Tue. 14. I Chron. 17:1-27; (chap. 4:1-23). David's unrivaled promise. Compare Isa. 9:6-7.

Wed. 15. I Chron. 18; (chap. 4:24-43). The method of a true king (vs 14). Compare Isa. 11:3-4.

Thu. 16. I Chron. 19:1-20:3; (chap. 5:1-17). Fight and trust to God (vs 13). Compare Heb. 11:8.

Fri. 17. I Chron. 20:4-8; 21. Fall rather into the hand of God (vs. 13). Compare Ps. 103:8.

Sat. 18. I Chron. 22; (chap. 5:18-26). A Father's blessing (vss 11, 12). Compare Num. 6:22-27.

From the Baptist Union.

The following is the little poem which was presented to the members of the LaFayette convention by Mr. E. L. Davant, of Montgomery, at the closing session. He had them printed on slips and presented them as souvenirs, commending the spirit of the poem to the young people as a guide for their lives. The author is not given, but the poem in itself is as beautiful in thought and expression as it is practical in purpose.

"Be Thou in Fear of the Lord all the Day Long."
PROV. 23:17.

When you think, when you speak, when you read, when you write,
When you sing, when you walk, when you seek for delight,
To be kept from all wrong when at home or abroad,
Live always as under the eye of the Lord.

Whatever you read, though the page may allure,
Read nothing of which you are perfectly sure.
Consternation at once would be seen in your look
If God should say, solemnly, "Show me that book."

Whatever you think, never think what you feel
You would blush in the presence of God to reveal;
Whatever you say, in a whisper or clear,
Say nothing you would not like Jesus to hear.

Whatever you write, though in haste or in heed,
Write nothing you would not like Jesus to read;
Whatever you sing, in the midst of your glees,
Sing nothing that His listening ear could displease.

Wherever you go, never go where you fear,
Lest the great God should ask you: "How earnest thou here?"
Turn away from each pleasure you'd shrink from pursuing
If God should look down and say: "What art thou doing?"

The case of Louis Greer, the little thirteen-year old boy jailed here for stealing a gun, is one worthy of attention by those who would institute a moral reform. The Reformatory at East Lake was established for just such as this boy and, as has been suggested, he should be sent to East Lake. Being so young he might be reformed in life and thus be saved to the State and to humanity. We hope these efforts will succeed and the little boy may find a home and be saved from associations with hardened criminals.—LaFayette Sun.

The great amount of country produce, such as pork, lard, corn and syrup, brought to Troy within the past week has attracted attention. A large amount of the first two named articles has been placed on the market and of course found ready sale. It gives us a great deal of pleasure to see such as this. When you see a farmer selling such produce as this you may know he is in very good condition—he is independent. We wish that every farmer in the county had these articles for sale.—Troy Messenger.

The rabbit may have his faults, but he isn't much of a tail-bearer.

We propose to publish in this department some at least of the splendid papers which were read at the LaFayette convention. It is to be regretted that all the young people workers in the State could not be present and hear their practical presentation of the different phases of the work with the added force of inspiration of the occasion. They could not however, and we wish them the benefit of the papers through these columns, feeling sure that the papers will be read with interest by all who did not hear them, and read by all who did.

We are gratified at the splendid report of the convention which appears in this week's paper. As was stated in this paper last week, there was too much of the report to publish in last week's issue, and as it was too good to condense, and we did not wish to publish it except as a whole, it was held over until this issue. In behalf of the young people we wish to thank Bro. Bowling for his excellent work in preparing this report. We feel sure that all who read it will agree with us that it tells of a great meeting and a great work.

We thought of heading our column last week with—"I told you so," but the success of the convention even exceeded our most hopeful expectations. One of the services which we told the young people some time ago to expect great things from was the "Worker's Conference; What is the best thing your society is doing." This service was all and more than we expected it, and we cannot let the opportunity pass to commend it. It was a success because the workers themselves made it so. Most of them had something to tell of the work, and they told it well. The practical benefit to be derived from such a discussion of the work by local workers from all parts of the State cannot be calculated. It was one of the most interesting, practical and profitable services of the whole convention, and that means a great deal. No doubt there will be still more stress laid on the conference work at the next convention.

This reminds us that the B. Y. P. U. Department of Alabama Baptist is "supposed" to be a worker's conference, and we trust that at least those who were at the convention will wake up to that fact, and do their share to make it a success. Let us hear from you.

The Attalla Mirror said editorially that it would rather have a half a battalion of women against him than the Montgomery Advertiser. That man talks like an inexperienced fool, he don't know what he is talking about. Why, he is not entitled to intelligent consideration; he don't know anything; he is the most inexperienced fellow we ever heard of; he ought to have died when he was a baby. We have run up against lots of things in our life, we have been kicked by a mule but the only thing that ever downed us, wiped up the earth with us, pulverized us, scattered us over the floor and then swept and wiped up the floor was women. We don't know of any editor or newspaper man that can run a bluff on us, but if you want to see a big editor sail off the top of the highest building in the city, put us up there and put one little, black-eyed, ugly woman after us. All she has to do is to touch the button and we will do the jumping. We had rather have all the Advertisers on earth after us than one fiery, angry woman.—Huntsville Tribune.

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Southern Baptist Convention.

The forty-sixth session, fifty-sixth year, of the Southern Baptist Convention will be held in the house of worship of the First Presbyterian church, New Orleans, Friday, May 10th, 1901, at 10 a. m.

The annual sermon will be preached by Rev. E. Y. Mullins, D. D., of Kentucky, or his alternate, Rev. J. S. Felix, D. D., of Kentucky.

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Secretaries.

W. J. NORTHERN, President.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION, AUXILIARY TO S. B. C.

The annual meeting of this Society will be held in Y. M. C. A. Building, New Orleans, La., beginning Friday, May 10th, at 10 a. m.

ANNIE W. ARMSTRONG,
Cor. Sec.

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION, SOUTH.

The annual meeting will be held in the house of worship, First Presbyterian church, New Orleans, La., beginning Thursday, May 9th, at 10 a. m.

L. O. DAWSON,
President.

RAILROAD RATES.

The Southern Passenger Association, (comprising the following roads, Alabama Great Southern R. R.; Alabama & Vicksburg Ry.; Atlanta & West Point R. R.; Atlanta, Valdosta & Western Ry.; Central of Ga. Ry.; Florida East Coast Ry.; Georgia R. R.; Georgia Southern & Fla. R. R.; Plant System of Railways; Southern Railway; Western Ry. of Ala. Western & Atlantic R. R.) announce

A rate of one fare for the round trip to New Orleans, La., and return, from all points in Southwestern Association Territory. Tickets of form C adopted as standard by American Association of General Passenger Agents, restricted to continuous passage in each direction; to be sold May 7, 8 and 9, with final limit May 20, 1901, inclusive.

By depositing tickets with joint agent on or before May 16, 1901, and payment of fee of fifty cents, an extension of the final limit will be permitted to June 5, 1901, inclusive.

Other announcements will be published as received.

Any further information regarding railroad matters will be cheerfully given to those who send a stamped envelope for reply.

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Southern Baptist Convention, New Orleans, La., May 9th to 16th.

The Louisville and Nashville railroad company has announced a rate of one fare for the round trip for this meeting. Tickets will be on sale May 7th, 8th and 9th, with a final limit for return passage to May 20th. Extension of return limit to June 5th may be secured by depositing tickets with joint agent on or before May 20th, and a payment of fee of fifty cents. Dining car service. Meals a la Carte. Quick time. Best service. For full information any ticket agent or

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United Confederate Veterans' Reunion, Memphis, Tenn., May 25-30, 1901.

The Plant System will sell round trip tickets at rates of one cent per mile distance traveled. Tickets on sale May 25th, 26th and 27th, with return limit June 4th, 1901.

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State Institute at Anniston.

This Institute for the help of our pastors will be held in the city of Anniston, June 20th to July 4th. Dr. Jno. R. Sampey, of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, will be the principal teacher, and will be supported by a number of the ablest pastors in the State.

PROGRAM.

JUNE 20TH.

8 a. m.—Introductory Address.....Jno. P. Shaffer.
9 a. m.—Lands of the Bible.....Jno. R. Sampey.
2 p. m.—A Study of Beginnings.....Jno. R. Sampey.
3 p. m.—History of Our Orphanage.....Jno. W. Stewart.

JUNE 21ST.

8 a. m.—A Study in Obediah and Joel.....Jno. R. Sampey.
9 a. m.—Church Discipline.....A. B. Campbell.
2 p. m.—Abraham the Father of Believers.....Jno. R. Sampey.
3 p. m.—History of the Holy Spirit.....Jno. C. Wright.

JUNE 22ND.

8 a. m.—A Study in Jonah.....Jno. R. Sampey.
9 a. m.—Progress of Baptist Doctrines—During the Past Century.....W. J. E. Cox.
2 p. m.—Joseph the Prime Minister.....Jno. R. Sampey.
3 p. m.—Administration of the Holy Spirit.....Jno. C. Wright.

JUNE 24TH.

8 a. m.—A Study in Amos.....Jno. R. Sampey.
9 a. m.—History of the Judson Female Institute.....Robt G. Patrick.
2 p. m.—Moses the Law-Giver.....Jno. R. Sampey.
3 p. m.—Homiletics.....A. C. Davidson.

JUNE 25TH.

8 a. m.—A Study in Hosea.....Jno. R. Sampey.
9 a. m.—What the Baptists Stand For.....M. B. Wharton.
2 p. m.—A Study in Judges.....Jno. R. Sampey.
3 p. m.—Homiletics.....A. C. Davidson.

JUNE 26TH.

8 a. m.—Isaiah's World.....Jno. R. Sampey.
9 a. m.—History of Howard College.....F. M. Roof.
2 p. m.—Samuel the Prophet.....Jno. R. Sampey.
3 p. m.—Homiletics.....A. C. Davidson.

JUNE 27TH.

8 a. m.—Arraignment of Jerusalem.....Jno. R. Sampey.
9 a. m.—Denominational Colleges a Necessity.....L. O. Dawson.
2 p. m.—David the King.....Jno. R. Sampey.
3 p. m.—Homiletics.....A. C. Davidson.

JUNE 28TH.

8 a. m.—Immanuel.....Jno. R. Sampey.
9 a. m.—Importance of Ministerial Fellowship and Co-operation.....Jno. F. Purser.
2 p. m.—David the Psalmist.....Jno. R. Sampey.
3 p. m.—The Preacher as He Appears in Literature, and as He is in Real Life.....L. O. Dawson.

JUNE 29TH.

8 a. m.—The Heathen.....Jno. R. Sampey.
9 a. m.—Woman's Work.....T. M. Callaway.
2 p. m.—Solomon and the Proverbs.....Jno. R. Sampey.
3 p. m.—The Philosophy of Faith.....A. J. Battle.

JULY 1ST.

8 a. m.—The Holy City.....Jno. R. Sampey.
9 a. m.—The Pastor a Leader in Denominational Work.....Chas. A. Stakely.
2 p. m.—Elijah and Jezebel.....Jno. R. Sampey.
3 p. m.—Power of the Religious Press.....Jno. G. Harris.

JULY 2ND.

8 a. m.—Idolatry.....Jno. R. Sampey.
9 a. m.—State Missions.....W. B. Crumpton.
2 p. m.—Jeremiah the Prophet of Tears.....Jno. R. Sampey.
3 p. m.—Foreign Missions.....R. J. Willingham.

JULY 3RD.

8 a. m.—The Suffering Servant.....Jno. R. Sampey.
9 a. m.—Progress of Baptist Education During the Past Century.....A. J. Battle.
2 p. m.—A Study in Ezekiel and Daniel.....Jno. R. Sampey.
3 p. m.—Home Missions.....F. H. Kerfoot.

JULY 4TH.

8 a. m.—The Zion of the Future.....Jno. R. Sampey.
9 a. m.—Necessity for and Power of Co-operation.....J. G. Lowry.
2 p. m.—A Study in Ezra and Nehemiah.....Jno. R. Sampey.
3 p. m.—The Pastorate—Long, or Short.....W. B. Crumpton.

Brothers:—In order that arrangements may be made for your entertainment you should notify me that you will attend the Institute. That you may receive the full benefit of the school you should reach Anniston on the 19th. Bring your Bibles with you, and a blank book for taking notes. Tuition will be only \$2.00 for the full term. Be sure to make your arrangements to remain during the duration of the Institute. I have made the time short, so that you can afford to be present all the while.

NOTE.—Our program is so arranged that you may attend the meetings of the Chautauqua that will be held in Anniston at that time. The Superintendent has proposed to give our men a "season ticket" for \$2.00 each. Board will be \$5.00 per week, or \$1.00 per day. Railroad expenses will be full fare going and one-third fare returning. The prospects are that we shall have a grand meeting of our pastors from all over the State.

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It is seldom that we pay any attention to or give space to anonymous communications, but the following clipped article sent to the Banner by some friend, illustrates a prevailing evil now popular in our community, that we cannot help but give it a place in our columns:

At a mass meeting in the Second Presbyterian church of this city, on a recent Sabbath afternoon, in the presence of over two hundred men, a converted gambler and ex-saloonkeeper made the following statements, which created a profound impression, and I hereby transmit it to your paper that it may do good in a wider sphere:

I have been in the saloon business, with a gambling room attached, for the past four years, and claim to know something about what I am now going to tell you. I do not believe that the gambling den is near so dangerous, nor does it do anything like the same amount of harm as the social card party in the home. In the gambling room the windows are closed tight, the curtains are pulled down; everything is conducted secretly for fear of detection and none but gamblers as a rule enter there. While in the parlor all have access to the game; children are permitted to watch it, young people are invited to partake in it. It is made attractive and alluring by giving prizes, serving refreshments and adding high social enjoyments. For my part I never could see the difference in playing for a piece of silver molded in the shape of money and silver molded in the shape of a cup or thimble. The principle is the same, and whenever the property changes hands over the luck of the cards, no matter how small the value of the prize, I believe it is gambling. Perhaps you have never thought of it, but where do all the gamblers come from? They are not taught in the gambling dens. A greener, unless he is a fool, never enters a gambling hell, because he knows he will be fleeced out of everything he possesses in less than fifteen minutes. He has learned somewhere else before he sets foot inside such a place. When he has played in the parlor in the social game of the home, and has become proficient enough to win prizes among his friends, the next step with him is to seek out the gambling room for he has learned, and now counts upon his efficiency to hold his own. The saloon men and gamblers chuckle and smile when they read in the paper of the parlor games by the ladies for they know that after awhile those same men will become the patrons of their business. I will say, then, the parlor game is the college where gamblers are made and educated. In the name of God, men, stop this business in your homes. Burn up your deck and wash your hands. The other day I overheard two ladies talking on the street. One said: "I am going to have a card party, and am going to the store to buy cards. Which are the best kind to get?" The other replied: "Get the angel card. It has an angel on the back."

"Think," said he, "of dragging the pure angels of heaven into this infernal business."

After he had taken his seat another converted gambler, who led the men's meeting in the Second Presbyterian church the following Sabbath, arose and said: "I endorse every word which the brother before has just uttered. I was a gambler. I learned to play cards, not in a saloon, not in my own home, but in the homes of my young friends, who invited me to play and taught me how."—Clarkesdale, (Miss.) Banner.

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On account of International Convention B. Y. P. U. of America, Chicago, Ill., July 25th-28th, Southern Railway will sell round trip tickets to Chicago and return, from all points on its lines, at rate of one first class standard fare for the round trip. Dates of sale July 22, 23 and 24, final limit July 31, 1901.

By depositing tickets (in person) with Mr. F. C. Donald, joint agent at Chicago, between July 25 and July 30, inclusive and on payment of fee of fifty (50) cents at the time of deposit, an extension of the final limit to August 24 will be granted. The joint agent's offices will be located in the main terminal depots at Chicago at which passengers arrive.

Account Annual Meeting, Grand Lodge, B. P. O. Elks, Milwaukee, Wis., July 23-25, 1901, Southern Railway will sell round trip tickets to Milwaukee, Wis., and return from all points on its line, at rate of one regular first class fare for the round trip plus \$2.00. Dates of sale July 20, 21 and 22, final limit July 28, 1901. A fee of fifty (50) cents will be charged by joint agent at Milwaukee for validation of return portion of tickets.

Effective May 1st Southern Railway announces round trip rates to Buffalo, N. Y. and return, account of the Pan-American Exposition, Choice of routes via Washington, D. C., or Cincinnati, Ohio.

Cincinnati, O., and return, account International Christian Endeavor Convention, July 6th-10th, 1901. Rate of one first class fare for the round trip from all points on its lines of Southern Ry. Tickets to be sold July 4th, 5th and 6th, final limit July 14th, 1901. By depositing tickets (in person) with joint agent at Cincinnati, on or before July 10th, and on payment of fee of fifty (50) cents, an extension of final limit will be permitted to September 1st, 1901.

Detroit, Mich., and return, account National Educational Association Meeting, July 7th-12th, 1901. Rate of one first class fare for the round trip, plus \$2.00 membership fee, from all points on lines of Southern Ry. Tickets to be sold July 5th, 6th and 7th, with final limit July 16th 1901. By depositing tickets (in person) with joint agent at Detroit on or before July 12th, and on payment of fee of fifty (50) cents at time of deposit, extension of final limit until September 1st, 1901 will be permitted.

Little Rock, Ark., and return, account General Assembly of the Presbyterian church, in U. S., May 16th-28th, 1901. Round trip rate of one first class fare for the round trip from all points on its lines of Southern Ry. Tickets to be sold May 14th, 15th and 16th, with final limit June 1st, 1901.

New Orleans, La., and return, account Southern Baptist Association Meeting, May 9th-16th, 1901. Rate of one first class fare for the round trip from all points on its lines of Southern Ry. Tickets to be sold May 7th, 8th and 9th, final limit May 20th, 1901. By depositing tickets with joint agent (in person) at New Orleans, on or before May 16th, 1901, and payment of fee of fifty (50) cents, an extension of the final limit will be permitted to June 5th, 1901.

Richmond, Va., return, account Annual convention, National Travelers' Protective Association of America, Richmond, Va., June 3rd-8th, 1901. Rate of one first class fare for the round trip from all points on lines of Southern Ry. Tickets to be sold June 1st, 2nd and 3rd, with final limit eight days from date of sale.

West Point, Miss., and return, account General Cumberland Presbyterian Church, May 16th-24th. Rate of one first class fare for the round trip from all points on lines of Southern Ry. Tickets to be sold May 14th to 17th inclusive, final limit May 27th, 1901.

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Southern Baptist Convention, New Orleans, La.

The following additional information has been received regarding RAILROAD RATES.

The Trunk Line Association has authorized a rate of one fare for round trip from points in Maryland and District of Columbia on same conditions as those made by Southeastern Passenger Association.

The Associated Railways of Virginia and the Carolinas and the Seaboard Air Line have granted same rates.

The B. & O. R. R. same rate from points in Maryland and District of Columbia, also from Shenandoah Junction, West Virginia, and Strasburg, Va.

The Southwestern Passenger Bureau announces rates of one standard fare plus \$2.00 for the round trip from Texas Territory.

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The steamer America will accept rate of one fare for round trip from Monroe and intermediate points to New Orleans. The rate will be \$8. Delegates will inform clerk of boat, and he will register them for the round trip. This rate includes meals and rooms.

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Ar. Memphis	7:48 am
Ar. Hot Springs	5:30 pm
Ar. Jackson, Tenn.	9:30 pm
Ar. Cairo	1:34 am
Ar. St. Louis	8:08 am
Ar. Chicago	4:30 pm
Ar. Waukegan	8:25 pm
Ar. Kansas City	5:30 pm
Ar. Omaha	6:15 am
Ar. St. Paul	7:45 am
Ar. Denver	6:30 pm
Ar. San Francisco	11:45 pm

Through train No. 3 arrives at Montgomery at 7:30 p. m.

For tickets, call upon S. T. Surratt, Ticket Agent, Union Depot, Montgomery, Ala.

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Ar. Brundidge		8:42 am	10:05 pm	
Ar. Dimmick		9:30 am	10:55 pm	
Ar. Abbeville Junction		10:23 pm	11:50 pm	
Ar. Dothan		10:35 am	12:01 pm	
Ar. Bainbridge		12:30 pm	2:05 am	
Ar. Climax		12:45 pm	2:22 am	
Ar. Thomasville		1:40 pm	3:15 am	
Ar. Valdosta		2:25 pm	4:37 am	
Ar. Waycross		2:25 pm	4:15 am	
Ar. Jacksonville		7:40 pm	8:30 am	
Ar. Tampa		7:30 am	10:00 pm	
Lv. Waycross		8:30 am	10:30 pm	
Ar. Savannah		9:45 pm	10:30 am	
Ar. Charleston		12:30 pm	12:45 pm	
Ar. Port Tampa		6:25 am	8:12 pm	
Lv. Sprague Junction	4:30 pm			
Ar. Laverne	7:05 pm			
Lv. Dimmick		10:00 am	5:30 am	
Ar. Enterprise		11:00 am	6:40 am	
Ar. Elba		12:15 pm	8:00 am	
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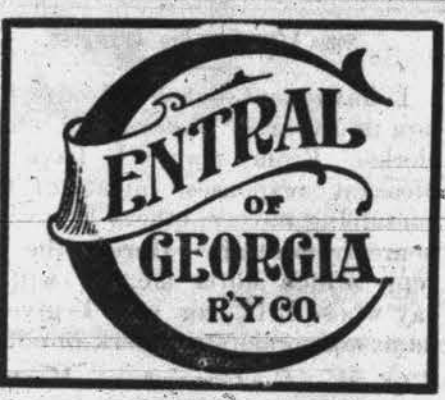
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I have sent out hundreds of letters this year to pastors and church clerks. From many I have had pleasant responses, most of them containing money; others I have not heard from at all. Here is the only reply which hurts me. I will not say whose it is, nor will I give the names of moderator, clerk or church:

Rev. W. B. Crumpton, Montgomery, Ala.:

KIND BROTHER: In reply to yours of April 1st, will say that I read your letter to the church in conference, and as soon as it was read there was a motion made and carried authorizing the clerk to inform you that the church did not "indorse" that plan of mission work, neither affiliate with the same.

Yours respectfully,

This done in conference, April 20, 1901, and signed by order of the same.

This is one of the churches not heretofore contributing. Here are samples of some other letters from far up the country, where they seldom give anything: "Yours of the 1st to hand, and in reply please find two dollars for Home Missions. We regret that we cannot do more. We are glad to hear from you at any time." Another: "I was glad to hear from you, but sorry I was not prepared to help you much. I have collected a small sum for you, which I send with my prayers that God may bless it. Inclosed find one dollar and thirty-five cents."

A brother was in the office the other day and saw me preparing a circular letter to send out. He said: "Brother, I love you and take an interest in your work; but when you want me to read anything you sit down there at the desk and write me a letter with your own hand." So many good brethren are guilty of this foolish notion. What would become of the work if a Secretary was required to do as this brother suggested? The Psalmist said: "So foolish was I, and ignorant; I was like a beast that is senseless." Paul asked the Thessalonians to pray that he might be delivered from unreasonable men. God bless the brethren who read the circular letters.

Pastors who go to the Southern Baptist Convention ought to give themselves to the work of the body. So many go off sight-seeing and miss much of the best of the meetings. It demoralizes one to miss even one session of half a day. Interest can be kept up only by constant attendance. Often the most important matters come up the last day. It is important to stay to the close. So many times a brother will conclude to go home and miss the last day. Others who came with him "just to have company" go too. Afterwards I meet them and tell them of something which occurred at the last, and they say: "I am so sorry I let Bro. lead me off home." No, brother, you are there, many times at the expense of your church, and you ought to give yourself to the Convention, carrying back the enthusiasm of the meeting to your people.

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NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT

Wm. E. Saffold vs. Ella A. Saffold—City Court of Montgomery in Equity. In this cause it is made to appear to the Court, by the affidavit of W. C. Hill, that the defendant, Ella A. Saffold, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and resides in St. Louis, in the State of Missouri; and further, that, in the belief of said affiant, said defendant is over the age of twenty-one years. It is therefore ordered by the Court that publication be made in the ALABAMA BAPTIST, a newspaper published in the City and County of Montgomery, and State of Alabama, for four consecutive weeks, requiring the said Ella A. Saffold to appear and plead to or answer the Bill of complaint in said cause by the 10th day of June, 1901, or in thirty days thereafter a decree pro confesso may be rendered against her.

May 6, 1901.

A. D. SAYRE,

Judge of City Court of Montgomery.

OBITUARIES.

On the evening of the 22nd of February, at 6 o'clock, the death angel visited the home of brother and sister Law, of Spring Hill, Pike county, Ala., and bore away the spirit of their devoted daughter, Ola, to bask in the sunlight of God's love. Very early in life she gave herself to Jesus, and joined the Missionary Baptist church, and has always been a true and consistent church member, ready and anxious to perform her part of every known Christian duty. She was one of our most punctual and faithful members. Her Christian conduct has been such as to command our highest respect, and inspire the admiration and win the dearest love of all Christian people. She was a young lady of grace and refinement, gentle and modest, and possessed a great degree of industry. Great was her warm heart. It had neither the power to conceive nor room to store the minutest atom of envy, jealousy, malice or revenge, for it was always full to overflowing with love, charity and sympathy for humanity. Now her noble life is ended on earth. She was ripe for the harvest of the bright angel band, who bore her spirit on their snowy wings to that immortal home.

While it is so sad for us to visit the home and see that vacant chair, and hear that gentle voice no more which always spoke words of consolation to the troubled mind, and to be deprived of her aid on all religious occasions, yet we accept by faith that all things work together for the glory of God. Then to the bereaved family we can only say, from what we know of her past record, "Look up, your guiding star is no longer on earth, but above."

'Tis hard to break the tender chord. When love has bound the heart; 'Tis hard, so hard, to speak the words, "We must forever part."

No more she'll meet us here below. Her toil and sacrifice is o'er. And by the river's gentle flow She stands upon the golden shore.

May the dew of divine consolation fall upon the hearts of the bereaved and broken circle, is the prayer of a friend and brother in Christ.

Brother Samuel Appling was born November 24th, 1823, in Tuscaloosa county, Ala., and died April 16th, 1901, after an illness of three weeks, at Carbon Hill, Ala., aged 77 years, 4 months and 22 days. He joined Salem Baptist church in 1850, and was baptized by Rev. David Andrews, one of the pioneer preachers of North Alabama. Joined the Confederate army September 5th, 1863, and was 1st Lieutenant of Co. "A," 8th Alabama Cavalry. Bro. Appling was married three times; the father of twelve children; eight sons and four daughters; his third wife and ten children survive him. He was a faithful Christian to the end, and oh, how we will miss him. But our joy is his eternal gain, we verily believe. The funeral services were conducted by the writer on the 17th, at the Baptist church, in the presence of the largest congregation that ever assembled in our church. The Odd Fellows then took charge of the body and buried him with the honors of the fraternity.

Peace be to his ashes. May God bless the sorrowing wife and children and save them. J. I. McCOLLUM.

Mrs. James M. Sims, of Evergreen, Ala., after a long spell of sickness from grippe, developing into something like galloping consumption, passed away on the 10th of April. She was a Miss Vinson, of Georgiana, long a member of the Baptist church at that place, and for about nine years of Evergreen. She leaves brothers, sisters and an aged mother to mourn their loss. Bro. James Sims, one of our deacons here, Charley and two sisters, must be grieved from the loss of such a wife and mother, beyond the power of language to describe. I have been her pastor three separate times, at three places of abode, and often in her home. I have never known but one other widow equal her, and one other mother. God bless the sad hearts and desolate home.

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LITERARY NOTICES.

Life and Letters of John A. Broadus. By Archibald Thomas Robertson, Professor of the Interpretation of The New Testament in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia and Atlanta. Price, \$1.50.

We have delayed our notice of this volume because we hoped to be able to give it more extended review than the limits of our literary column will allow. Yet no review could enable one to appreciate the beauty and charm of the work, so we will have to content ourselves with urging everyone to get it and read it for himself. To those who knew Dr. Broadus personally the reading of this book will be like renewing the association of other days. There is something so simple, so life-like in the portraiture that the great man seems to stand before us as we read. This is due in large measure to the plan which his biographer has wisely adopted of making the book chiefly a volume of letters so arranged as to bring forward Dr. Broadus himself. It is the same method that Dr. Taylor used in his great book on the life of Yates. Dr. Broadus was a prince among letter-writers, and his life-long habit was to preserve all his correspondence; so the materials for this work were abundant. It would have been easy to make a volume twice or three times its present size. Dr. Robertson has shown much skill in the selection of material, as well as in his handling of it, and this work will stand among the best biographies that have been written. No man has ever wielded a larger influence in the life of Southern Baptists than Dr. Broadus. And the story of his life is full of inspiration and instruction. Every young man, and old one too, for that matter ought to read this book.

One of the most delightful chapters in this book is that written by Mrs. S. C. Mitchell, who was Miss Alice Broadus. She writes on "Memories of My Father's Home Life." With deft and loving touch she portrays the most beautiful side of his wonderful character, revealing him as a model Christian husband and father.

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THOMAS MASSIE, Mortgagee.

P. C. MASSIE, Att'y for Mortgagee.

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MORTGAGE SALE.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage executed by Jasper Ellard to M. C. St. John, on the 15th day of September, 1900, and recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate of Montgomery county, Alabama, in Mortgage Book 164, at page 282, one of the conditions of which has been broken, the undersigned mortgagee 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 Thursday the 23d day of May, the following described property contained in and conveyed by said mortgage, situated in the county of Montgomery and State of Alabama, to-wit: Lot No. 8, in Block E, according to the plat of Vesuvius. And also lots 7 and 8 in Block 38, according to the plat of the Montgomery Improvement Company, as the same appear of record in the office of the Judge of Probate of said county.

M. C. St. John, Mortgagee.

P. C. MASSIE, Att'y for Mortgagee.

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