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Too Many Weak Associations.

Are we not again feeling, as we do every year, the ill effects of having too many weak Associations? Would not larger bodies furnish better trained, better equipped, more highly effective men for the several offices, for committee work and for the discussion of subjects? Would not their sessions have more power to bring the people together with eager expectation, and keep them together with lively sympathy and attention? Would not the proceedings be less commonplace, less a mere repetition, year after year, of what has already occurred many times? Do we not feel the need of a greater variety of gifts to lend zest to each annual session? As things now are, the assembling of the body, its proceedings, its adjournment, are not sufficiently noteworthy to tell upon the churches and the section. The impression is weak. We need Associations of sufficient magnitude to be felt by the messengers composing them, by the hearers and onlookers, by the churches represented, by the brotherhood far and near.

All the objections to a very decided enlargement of these bodies, so far as I have heard them, seem to me to be trivial in comparison with the benefits to be realized from the proposed change. What if it does add somewhat to the distance to be traveled by messengers and visitors, if the increased distance shall bring an adequate gain to the cause of Christ? The disposition to make the Lord's service easy and cheap to ourselves, at the expense of the cause itself, has always been, and still is, a blight upon the religion of churches and individuals, preachers and laymen. The plea that the smallest churches could not entertain a very large Association I admit as a fact, but leaving out many things that may be said in reply to that objection, let it suffice to suggest that a large Association might profitably divide its territory into sub-districts for fifth Sunday meetings; and these sub-district gatherings might appropriately meet with the smaller churches. Really live, vigorous Associations have often held fifth Sunday meetings that were more largely attended, more strongly manned at every point and more advantageously conducted than most of the sessions of feeble Associations; so that what I propose involves no loss, but rather a gain, to the smaller churches. Other objections not now to be considered strike me as even less worthy of weight than these that have been mentioned.

Not long since I attended an Association that has a constituency of more than nine thousand (9,000) members. Its ordained ministers number between eighty-five and ninety. There was no lack of talent, no lack of information on the subjects discussed, no lack of business methods, no lack of brotherly love, nor of zeal for the triumph of the gospel throughout the world. To messengers, visitors and the general public the proceedings, from first to last, afforded entertainment, instruction, inspiration. Since then I have felt more deeply what I had previously expressed again and again, that I would like to see Troy, Ozark and Clayton, or Dothan and Columbia, Eufaula, Union Springs, and all the churches of the adjacent and immediate territory; or Troy, Union Springs, Montgomery and all the churches of the adjacent and intermediate territory united in one District Association; and the field divided into such sub-districts as might be desired for fifth Sunday meetings. If either of these combinations could be accomplished, it would, in my opinion, be the beginning of a better day for Baptist interests throughout the region indicated.

A. B. CAMPBELL.

Troy, Ala.

Mulberry Association.

CLANTON, ALA., OCT. 18TH.

Dear Alabama Baptist:

The 74th annual session of the Mulberry Association closed yesterday

day after a two days session with Pleasant Grove church, 4 miles south of Jemison. All the churches were represented, and it was quite a profitable meeting. Bro. M. D. Langston was elected Moderator, and Bro. W. H. Shaw was elected Clerk; and they made good officers. All the churches in Chilton county, except two that belonged to the Mulberry, called for letters for the purpose of organizing a new Association in Chilton county, and appointed Wednesday, December 4th, 1901, as the time to meet, and organize; and Thorsby the place, so the meeting will be on the L. & N. R. R. and in the new town of Thorsby, and we hope to have some of our brethren from Montgomery or Birmingham to visit us and help in giving us a good start. Also the churches that were members of the Mulberry Association and across the line in Bibb county, appointed Friday before the first Sunday in December the time, and Rehoboth church the place to meet and determine whether they would retain the name of the Mulberry Association or organize a Bibb county Association. I think that there is no doubt that when they meet they will organize a Bibb County Association. This movement has already put new life into some of our brethren.

We need better organization, and more spirit and life; and as to Chilton county, some of us have determined, by the grace of God, that we will do more for the Master in the future, and we must have organization and co-operation in order to accomplish this end. I neglected to say that Bro. J. D. Martin preached the introductory sermon at the Mulberry Association. S. M. ADAMS.

Good Meetings.

Dear Baptist:

As I today wind up my work with my churches I feel it to be my duty to let the brethren know as far as possible what the results of my meetings have been for this year.

I began my protracted meetings on Saturday before the 4th Sabbath in July, at Antioch. At this church, which is one of the strongest country churches in this part of the State, we had a good meeting for seven days, during which time the Lord blessed many souls; we received six for baptism; here I had the help of Bro. S. Smithman and Bro. G. W. Freeman; Bro. Smithman preached one sermon and Bro. Freeman three, which were greatly enjoyed, as both of these brethren have been the pastor of this church. We put off baptism until the 4th Sabbath in August; at that time we buried with Christ six willing and joyful converts, and returned to the church and had a fine sermon from Bro. J. M. Thomas, of Pittsburg, Pa., who also was sent out by this church.

From here we went to Cedar Grove, beginning on Saturday before the first Sabbath in August. Here the Lord greatly blessed his Word; here I had the help of Bro. G. W. Freeman. The church was greatly revived and sixteen were added to the membership, twelve by baptism and one by letter; restored three.

I next went to Hyssop, my home church, and where I have been their pastor for sixteen years. Here the Lord was with us in great power, and as a result there was added to the church there 30 members, all by experience and baptism. I have never seen men and women more earnest in the Master's service. I cannot close without saying that in this meeting the Lord gave me my baby boy. God be praised for his goodness.

Yours in the work,

W. G. HUBBARD.

Correspondents writing for publication should write only on one side of the paper, spell correctly, punctuate properly and condense what they have to say into the fewest words possible that will clearly express their thoughts. Do not abbreviate words unless they ought to be printed that way.

A mountain of difficulty is not as great as a grain of faith.

Adamsville.

Editor, Alabama Baptist.

I have had some experiences during the last week that I want to relate to your readers. The church at Williamsburg is noted for its coldness in the last few years. The writer began preaching to them as pastor last February, and many were the trials, and hard were the many conflicts, and heavy were the burdens that rested on us, but God verified his promise to us. I will be with you in the sixth trial and in the seventh will not forsake you. We began our protracted meeting there on Saturday night before the first Sunday, and was ably assisted until Wednesday by Bro. Austin White, who did some very able and effective preaching. The Spirit of God seemed to take full possession of the people from the beginning, and the interest increased with every service. Sinners were soon brought to a realization of their lost and wretched condition, and this conviction continued to deepen and many of them were born into the Kingdom of God and identified themselves with God's people; the joy of salvation was restored to the children of the Kingdom and I believe they realized the great responsibility that rests upon them. If ever a little band of brethren and sisters felt the burden of lost souls resting upon them I think that those did at Williamsburg.

There were some remarkable answers to prayer. During the entire week before the meeting began the pastor was earnestly engaged in humble prayer to God for those people and for the success of this meeting. So great was the burden upon us that sleep, the blessed rest to the weary body, seemed to refuse to come to our assistance, so we continued to agonize for them until the meeting began, and indeed all through the progress of the same. At times those burdens were almost more than we were able to bear, yet we continued to pray for a mighty outpouring of God's Spirit upon the people; and we thank him today that he did send the great power of the Spirit into the hearts of the people to the extent that there was no room in their hearts to contain it.

ANOTHER INCIDENT.

There were many families in the surrounding community that never attended God's service, and on Thursday night we agreed to offer a special prayer for them that God would send the Spirit into their homes, and on the very next night those people made their appearance in the sanctuary and four of them from two different families, all grown and in the prime of life, were happily converted to the love of God, and their fathers, who are far advanced in the evening of life, never lost another opportunity to come to the altar and cry for mercy, and it was with profound regret that we had to close the meeting with those gray haired fathers so earnestly seeking Christ, for we know not how near they are to the brink, and if the death angel finds them thus in sins, alas! alas!

In summing up the results of this great meeting we could not ascertain the exact number who accepted Christ, but it resulted in 14 additions to the church, all by baptism, ages ranging from 12 to 50, and we can truly say that God gave us souls for our hire.

On Saturday evening we led those happy converts into Warrior river (which is a little larger than the Jordan) and baptized them all in ten minutes.

We were compelled to close the meeting Saturday night in order to meet our church at Adamsville on Sunday, and we had the pleasure of baptizing one happy convert into the church there on Sunday evening.

We would like to write more about that great meeting, for we feel that it was the greatest meeting, considering the surrounding circumstances, that has been held in this country for many years, but for fear of that yawning, gulping monster that sits by the editor, we must close, and if this escapes we will write again soon.

In regard to the Adamsville church, but we want to say that to God be all the praise for all of his wonderful works, and that after we have spent a lifetime in his service and done all that we can, we are nothing but an unprofitable servant.

L. A. CONNELL.

Oct. 15th, 1901.

Harris Association.

The Harris Missionary Baptist Association met with the church at Girard. The opening session was held at 10 o'clock and the first business of the association was the election of officers. In this Seale captured two places—that of moderator and that of treasurer, Girard taking the other. The officers elected are as follows:

Moderator—Rev. R. A. J. Cumbee, of Seale.

Clerk—Mr. T. S. Roberts, of Girard.

Treasurer—Mr. W. A. Bellamy, of Seale.

Thirteen churches are represented by delegates and six different associations have sent messengers with correspondence.

The introductory sermon was preached yesterday at 11 o'clock by Rev. Lamar Jones, of Phenix City. Rev. Dr. Chas. A. Stakely, formerly pastor of the First Baptist church of Washington, D. C., but now pastor of the First Baptist church of Montgomery, preached last night on Mission work.

The following named ministers were in attendance: Dr. W. H. Smith, of Columbus; Rev. E. P. Smith, of Grimes, Ga.; Rev. R. A. J. Cumbee, of Seale; Rev. F. Williams, of Phenix; Rev. Lamar Jones, of Phenix; Rev. Luther W. Mann, of Phenix; Rev. Henry Bush, of Hyram; Rev. Dr. Parker, of Midway; Rev. Dr. Underwood, of Brundidge; Rev. Dr. James E. Edens, of Atlanta; Rev. Dr. Chas. A. Stakely, of Montgomery; Rev. R. M. Hunter, of Birmingham; and Rev. J. P. Hunter, of Lafayette.

The first thing to come before the association this morning was the report on missions, which was discussed at some length by Revs. Stakely, Edens and Jones.

At 11 o'clock Rev. Dr. Parker, of Midway, preached a mission sermon.

In the afternoon Rev. J. H. Bush, of Hyram, made the report on education. This was followed by the report on temperance which recommended that the church withdraw fellowship from members for the first offense of drunkenness. The report was discussed at some length and was finally adopted.

Rev. C. P. Smith, W. A. Bellamy and J. T. Nuckolls were elected delegates to the State Convention which meets in Brewton Nov. 13. Mr. Smith was also chosen as delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention which meets in Dallas, Texas next year.

Rev. N. C. Underwood, of Brundidge filled the pulpit at the night service tonight.

Good congregations have been in attendance at the meeting. The place for the holding of the next session has not been chosen as yet. The association will adjourn tomorrow.—Russell Register.

A Gracious Meeting at Bradleyton.

Last Sunday being the first appointment for the new pastor, and there being two deacons to ordain, the brethren and sisters decided to have dinner on the ground. The house was crowded to its utmost capacity, and quite a number could not get in. After preaching by the writer, a recess was given 'til 2 p. m. Then the church reassembled and ordained brethren E. L. Daniel and Jackson Morris to the office of deacon. Bro. Morgan, myself and the deacons of the church composed the presbytery. The minutes of the Alabama Association show this church at the head of the list in giving to missions and all other causes last year, and the present year we are going to try to double the amount given.

Fraternally,

A. B. METCALF.

The Proper Spirit.

The following letter, recently received by Bro. Crumpton, is so admirable in tone and spirit that we publish it in the hope that it may be an inspiration to others.

ALBANYVILLE, ALA., OCT. 12TH.

Dear Bro. Crumpton:

I am so sorry to hear of your sickness, but hope you will soon be well again.

Do not worry about the work. While I am sure that no one can take your place, still there are many earnest hearts and willing hands who are ready to do what they can to carry on the work while you are not able to give it your personal attention. And while it seems hard that one should suffer for the neglect of others, perhaps the dear Father has permitted this affliction to come upon you at this time, that others, who have been "at ease in Zion" should see the great need, and shoulder the responsibility which has rested so heavily upon your shoulders almost alone.

If your suffering could be the means of arousing the sleeping energies of some of our people I am sure you would be willing to make the sacrifice.

I would be so glad if you could be with the Marshall Association, but if you are not able to do so, I promise to do all that earnest pray and talk can do to stir up the people on the subject of missions, and with God's help I expect to double the contributions from my churches this next year. Call on me when you need. I hope never to be too busy but that I can serve you in the work.

I need about 300 pledge cards and envelopes, if you have them with you send them at once. If you haven't them, where can I get them?

I want enough for all my people. Am trying to get a contribution from every member of the church and will never rest, nor let them rest, until I have succeeded.

May the Blessed Holy Spirit abide richly in your heart, and the Lord restore you soon to health.

Yours in the Love,

J. W. SANDLIN.

Delta, Clay County, Ala.

OCT. 13TH.

Bro. W. B. Crumpton gave us a pleasant and profitable visit here in July of which he has written in your paper, some time ago. It is very unfortunate that Bro. Crumpton can't get around often to see us hill people. I am sure he would if he had the time.

The Lord has abundantly blessed my work this year. Our ingathering has not been so large as in former year, but the spiritual condition of the churches is better. Received by baptism 20 during our protracted services, and 10 by letter and restoration. Our Association (the Clay county) meets on Tuesday after the 3rd Sunday in this month; come up and be with us Bro. Editor.

The matrimonial rights were solemnized here this morning between Mr. John T. Reeves and Miss Lena Hardy, the writer officiating. Mr. Reeves is one of Clay county's most popular and esteemed young men, a high toned Christian gentleman, and Miss Lena is one of Clay county's fairest daughters and a Christian of the highest type. They are members of the Baptist church. May prosperity, peace and happiness be the jewels that will ever adorn their home, is the wishes of their many friends.

W. M. GARRETT.

Twice does the minister learn beyond all question that the Bible contains the word of the living God—once when he preaches the forgiveness of sins to a penitent, and once when he sees a soul in the great straits of life, lifted, comforted, filled with peace and joy.—Ian MacLaren.

It is more absurd to trust God by halves than it is not to believe in him at all.—George Macdonald.

History of the Alabama Baptists.

BY B. H. CARROLL, D. D., LL. D.

The History of Alabama Baptists, by B. F. Riley, is a readable and valuable contribution to our denominational literature. A dull book is not readable, therefore worthless. To arrest and hold attention a book must have either an attractive or forcible way of putting things.

This book I read, from cover to cover, at one sitting. Sometimes forgot I was reading, and seemed rather to be looking at a moving, realistic panorama. Without a drop of the curtain or a break in the thought, I saw the living figures in a mighty State come and go for nearly a hundred years. The pioneers struggling with savage foes, wild beasts and nature's resistance, far from the culture of towns and cities.

The ceaseless and sometimes hopeless efforts towards organization, co-operation and education.

The terrible and mortal strife with the evils of alcohol and the anti-mission spirit.

The fruits of costly victory swallowed up in the maelstrom of civil war, whose circling billows were famine, pestilence and conflagration; The still darker woes of reconstruction, when a despairing people vainly pleaded for help to him who had said after Appomattox, "Let us have peace."

The slow dawning of a better day. Not only periods, but men who made them, lived before me, each in his day and lot. What a host of history-makers, whose story sounds like the eleventh chapter of Hebrews. Many of them with strange names and stranger faces, others familiar as family portraits. And what a thrill of soul and throb of heart when the story introduces some man who at a later day touched and influenced my own life, causing the unconscious speech, "Yes, I know him. I met him first at such a place," and heard him speak or preach. He is blood-kin to me, i. e., by the blood of Jesus, mutual experience in grace and fellowship in work."

Not only periods and men, but the doctrines they preached, the measures and policies they advocated, march across the line of vision to the immortality of wisdom or to the oblivion of folly.

Better than the actors themselves, or their interested admirers, may a far-off, dispassionate and unprejudiced observer reach safe conclusions of relative merit and demerit.

Thus I measured each man as I saw him in his own historic setting of time and circumstance, and heard him speak for himself in the preaching of this doctrine or advocacy of that measure, and as I considered the ripened fruit of all his promising leaves and blossoms. What a marvelous panorama—what an epitome of all history!

Behold Travis and Bestor, in their day, battling with anti-missions as Putnam fought the she-wolf in the cave, or the frontiersman grapples with the grizzly bear. See Hawthorne and Renfro—fiery boys—flashing against each other their maiden swords on the Landmark issues! Or Henderson and Hamill, with courtly grace and knightly lance, tilting at each other on the competitive merits of their respective denominations as related to democratic civil institutions.

But there is no space in these reflections to voice the thought of the heart concerning isolated portraits in a gallery vaster than the Louvre. My present purpose restricts expression to the two most famous Baptist children of Alabama—children, whose birth, growth, sicknesses, sorrows, wounds, burns, defeats and triumphs constitute the richest and most varied subject-matter of the history. A book to be well-rounded must have a hero and a heroine. Unquestionably these two children are the hero and heroine of Riley's book. No Alabama Baptist, living or dead, however lofty his title or great his fame, nor the more jealous friend of any, will question the pre-eminence or paramount fame of these two children, when I name them. They were famous before they were born, and the pangs of their deliverance were like the travail of Rebecca with two nations in her womb.

And how hard to raise! And what awful mishaps in the raising. Measles, mumps, chicken-pox, nettle rash, colic, whooping cough and

scarlet fever were nothing in comparison to their experience. True, the girl, first born, and as becometh her sex, had an easier time, indeed, she quipped it in glory without a rival for many a year. But of that boy, Gray must have written in prophetic spirit:

"Fair Science frowned not on his humble birth,
And Melancholy marked him for her own."

He missed a thousand splendid chances of dying, surviving only by the grace of God. Now the names of these children were Miss Judson and Master Howard, and Marion was their nursing mother.

When Enoch's son was born it was revealed to him that the deluge would follow the death of the child. Only one life to the end of the world! The child was therefore called Methuselah. It solemnized Enoch, and consecrated him. From that time "he walked with God."

So felt the fathers of the Judson and the Howard. If these children utterly perish—then comes the deluge. It was marvelous Old Testament grace, since only one life must precede the deluge, to make that life the longest ever lived on earth.

Some such grace yet keeps alive the Judson and the Howard. And yet how profound the folly to talk of either as a failure. Multiply by ten all the blunders, all the disasters by fire and war, all the delinquencies in subscription, all the chimerical schemes of betterment, all the vanished hopes, all the sore disappointments, and yet the schools were the best paying investments in which Alabama Baptists ever embarked their money. They made unity and organization and co-operation possible. They stimulated liberality and employed talent; they evoked prayer; they advertised the State and attracted immigration; they made homes better and brighter, and supplied that greatest of all needs, an equipped ministry; they quickened and developed minds and inspired ambitions that blessed a nation. Even when feeblest and sickest they paid back to denominational life a thousand-fold more than they cost in anxiety, toil and sacrifice. In Baptist ears may there ever be sounded the alarm of the elder and greater Beecher: "We must educate! We must educate! Or we must perish by our own prosperity."

One who has given and is giving his life to Baptist education, who recognizes and deplores his own blunders, and admits his fallibility for the future, but who hangs on to the work with a grip that death only can relax—to such one it may be permitted to advert not unkindly to three illusory schemes of educational betterment that misled the Alabama Baptists, evidenced in this book.

The most disastrous was the scheme of scholarships, either limited or perpetual. This sold out Howard College at last. The most illogical, impractical and unbaptistic, and withal the most inconsequential, was the centennial scheme of getting a dollar apiece from every Baptist in the State in one year's time. The campaign commenced with a great flourish of trumpets, blazed like a rocket, and most ridiculously petered out. The financial gain would have had house-room on the point of a cambric needle. Even States with all their potential machinery and penalties for enforcing assessments, find it far more difficult to collect a poll tax than an ad valorem tax. With Baptists, there can be no taxation, either poll or ad valorem. It is an inspired declaration concerning the Kingdom of Messiah: "Thy people shall be volunteers (not conscripts) in the day thou leadest out thine armies." And yet again our law of duty is not *per capita*, but "according to what a man hath."

The difficulty of securing universal co-operation is never removed by lowering or equalizing the money term of co-operation. The difficulty is the fixed indisposition of many to give at all. Remove that indisposition and the giver will not stop at one dollar.

To illustrate the impracticability of that dollar-a-head scheme, consider the fact that in many States, Alabama included, the hottest and most persistent canvass ever made has failed to get a dollar from many Associations, each composed of many churches, and each church of many members. Then consider the experience of the best churches in trying to get every member to contribute

something every year, even if but a nickel.

Take, for example, Waco church, counted in my pastorate the leading and most liberal church in Texas. After nearly thirty years of training, I never succeeded in getting every member into line. My last collection was for education. We prepared a month. Every Sunday school, B. Y. P. U. and Ladies' Society was organized. We tried hard to reach every member. The collection aggregated \$5,685.15. There were 727 contributors. But on the church roll were 1,000 names—that is, 273 did not contribute.

All averages *per capita* are misleading and unjust, since they lower the credit of contributors to give unmerited credit to non-contributors. I mean not at all to intimate that Alabama Baptists favored or imposed or tried to collect a tax. They only did the same foolish thing others were as vainly attempting elsewhere, to put into operation an unwise and impracticable scheme that had only one merit and a thousand faults.

Finally the most pathetic chapter in the book and withal the most amusing—tragedy and comedy embracing—tells how the sickly little Howard was torn from the breast of his nursing mother Marion, separated from his sister Judson, and handed over to the dry-nurse Birmingham, who nourished the weaned child from a bottle of sour, skimmed milk, and not much of that.

Notwithstanding the pity of it, I could not help laughing aloud to see how easily an artificial rainbow, daubed in lurid colors by real estate boomers, beguiled a sober Baptist Convention. Even a child ought not be caught with the nursery legend: "Whoever goes to the end of a rainbow will find a bag of gold." Circles have no ends.

Just at 1 s. m., I abruptly struck the end of Riley's book. "It left me, with the schools, somewhat in the air, so to speak. It left Howard College at the beginning of McGaha's administration, and both it and the Judson groaning under a new bonded debt."

Waco, Texas.

The Ideal Penitent.

The publican whom Jesus introduces as praying in the temple is the ideal penitent, though no one ever had less thought of being an ideal than he. On the other hand the pharisee was sure he was worthy of emulation by the most fastidious.

It was a severe stroke to the pharisee's pride to hear Jesus commend a publican and condemn a pharisee. All this Jesus did without misrepresenting the pharisee or making a hero of the publican.

It was this that made the comparison so cutting—Jesus had adhered to the facts.

Let us briefly notice the publican's case. —It is worthy of study.

You will see three things if you look at him. First, he knew he was a sinner; second, he repented of his sins and sued for mercy; and third, he was forgiven.

I KNEW HE WAS A SINNER.

In the mere consciousness of sin the publican was not different from the pharisee. The pharisee would doubtless have confessed that he sometimes did wrong. The publican differed from his companion in prayer in this: The knowledge of his sins gave the publican trouble. If the pharisee would have preferred not to commit sin, sinning broke the publican's heart and filled his soul with loathing and with shame. He was in trouble and the burden of his grief was this, "I am a sinner."

If a man prays at all he is sure to pray when in trouble. He is sure also to mention his greatest grief.

But sometimes one grief rises up and eclipses all things else, then the petitioner cries in his prayer for help in this one thing. This is the case with the ideal penitent. If he had other cases they were forgotten for the time. The horror of sin filled his soul. Compared with this all other fears were but trifles. This burden removed and he will be a happy man.

It will be instructive to notice also that the publican's great grief arose from the feeling that his sins were done in the sight of and against God. See how he stands with face bowed, "God be merciful to me." He has doubtless wronged himself and others too, but the one most offended and

sinned against is God—God, who had been the guardian of his life and had in sorrow witnessed the wanderings of his feet always.

Here one is reminded of David's confession, "Against thee, thee only have I sinned and done this evil in thy sight." Sin never becomes truly hateful until we see the righteous God as the aggrieved one. We may have remorse for the hardships it has worked ourselves—the failure it has made of us, the suffering it entails, but when we see how we have wronged God the very suggestion of sin is hateful.

II. THE CONFESSION.

The second fact to be noticed is that the publican confessed his sin. Here he parts company not only with the man at the other end of the temple, but with the great hosts of his brothers in the flesh.

All men sin. All men are at some time more or less sorry they are sinners, but it is one of a thousand who confesses his sin.

If sorrow for sin is the first step toward salvation, then confession is the second. The publican's sorrow had overthrown his pride and he stands in the temple to confess.

We must not fail to see how genuine and complete this confession is. He offers no extenuating circumstance, makes no excuse for himself—pleads guilty—shoulders the entire responsibility. He only asks for mercy. "God be merciful to me the sinner." It comes all at one breath.

"It is I God, who have trampled thy law underfoot."

The confessor's promise is now his: "Whoso covereth his sins shall not prosper; but whoso confesseth and forsaketh his sins shall have mercy." Prov. 28:13.

III. IS FORGIVEN.

The last fact follows most naturally. Through penitence and confession the publican is now within reach of the mercy he so much desires. He is now far removed from the pharisee indeed. There is nothing else to be done. God forgives him. He turns and walks down from the temple now, but his head is no longer bowed. His sins are forgiven—he is a happy man.

And so will you be, dear reader, when you become truly penitent.

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." I John 1:9. J.M.S.

East Lake, Ala.

Alabama Association.

A pleasant and profitable session of this old time honored Association was held with Union church, Honoraville, Crenshaw county, Ala., October the 11, 12 and 13th, 1901.

After the introductory sermon by Rev. R. H. Folmar the body was organized by the election of Hon. J. M. Carter, Moderator; Eld. C. C. Lloyd, Clerk, and T. L. S. Grace, Treasurer.

There was a full attendance of the ministers and messengers from the various churches, and quite a number of visiting brethren from adjoining Associations, among whom were Elders L. M. Bradley, J. A. Stewart and S. J. Williamson from the Conecuh; Elders R. H. Folmar and Kern Hawkins from the New Providence Association, and Bro. Rufus Shell from the Zion.

These brethren entered earnestly into the work and greatly aided and encouraged us in our counsels. Many excellent reports were read and discussed with unmistakable earnestness and zeal resulting we believe in a decided advance all along the line of the Masters work—notable that of missions.

May God hasten the day when the spirit of missions may be revived and again fill the hearts of the people in the bounds of our beloved Alabama Association even as in the days of yore. Greenville, Ala., October 15.

Old Dr. Drummond.

After years of patient study and experiment, has given the world a preparation which is an absolute and permanent cure for every form of rheumatism. The price is \$5, but it is two large bottles, enough for a months treatment, and will relieve the worst case from the first dose. Sent by express upon receipt of price, by Drummond Medicine Co., New York, with full particulars and testimonials of wonderful cures.

In Southwest Alabama.

THOMASVILLE, ALA., Oct. 12.

Dear Baptist:

I have gotten through now with my protracted meetings, and perhaps it will be of interest to some of your readers for me to write of them.

In July I held a few days meeting at Fairfield, resulting in four accessions to the Red Bud church, in whose interest the meeting was held.

On the second Sunday in August I was with Bro. Larkin at Brewersville. I preached there for eight days. There seemed a very general interest in the meeting, though it rained so much as greatly to interfere with our success; one application for membership.

On the fourth Sunday in August my son, W. A., Jr., came to my help at St. Stephens, where he preached to the satisfaction and edification of all for six days and nights, resulting in revival of the church and addition of three by letter and one, a man some seventy years old, by baptism.

From this place, on Saturday before the first Sunday in September, we went to Union church, twelve miles north of St. Stephens, and here we continued for eight days and nights, and here, as at St. Stephens, my son did the preaching, except one sermon. From the first interest deepened in the meeting, and soon we could see that the church was praying. Zion travailed and many sons and daughters were born unto God. There were seventeen accessions here, fifteen by baptism and two by restoration. Among those added to the church by baptism was Dr. A. J. Wood and three of his children. Dr. Wood began at once family prayer in his home, and I am anticipating his development into an active and useful worker in the church.

This two weeks was a period of special joy to me, for two reasons: Sinners were being converted and Christians aroused to duty; and then my prayers, for years, that God would make my boy an efficient and safe exponent of Gospel truth was answered. He preached twenty-six sermons—and no "uncertain sound" at any time.

After the close of the meeting at Union, my son went to Saltpa to aid Bro. S. A. Adams, and I went to Healing Springs and preached twice a day for five days for Bro. J. B. Hamberlin. Our congregations were fine at this place, and the church, I trust, was benefitted—only two accessions here.

Bro. Hamberlin has supplied this church for two or three years, but has recently declined to preach longer for them.

From Healing Springs I went to Red Bud church in south Washington and undertook a meeting of days, aided by brethren Wm. Kerridge, a sound and most instructive minister, and Wm. A. Tharp, the beneficiary (educational) of this Association. Bro. Tharp likes one year, I believe, of graduation, at the Thomasville school, and if he applies himself in the prosecution of Biblical equipment as assiduously as he has in obtaining an education, he will one day be a most efficient Scriptorian.

Our meeting at Red Bud started off Sunday with fine promise, but Monday it began raining and rained so incessantly that we were compelled to surrender the effort. The question of church development and upbuilding in the section of Red Bud and Fairfield is an exceedingly uncertain one, owing to the transient character of the population, and yet I believe the State Board of Missions would not expend money more wisely anywhere, at least for the salvation of souls, than in that section. There ought to be a man located somewhere in that section giving his entire time to mission work.

Fraternally,

WM. A. PARKER.

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Satan does not have much trouble with the Christian who does not love the prayer-meeting.

Mammoth Cave.

REV. W. E. J. COX.

In my former article I made the mistake of putting "starchamber" in the long route. It is in the short route. One is apt to get confused in this way unless he takes notes at the time which I failed to do. I may make a similar mistake in this article, but if so it matters little. There were many things of an interesting character on the long route which I could not mention because of the space the article would have occupied. In this article I can only briefly mention some other things we saw in the cave.

"Giant's Coffin" is an immense block of limestone, about forty-five feet in length and eighteen feet in height, which, at some time in the past, was torn from the wall and from the opposite side of the cave has very much the appearance of an immense coffin. There is a passage way behind it, through which we passed later, to reach other parts of the cave. As we passed behind it some one called attention to the fact that we were passing behind "Giant's Coffin," and the guide said, "The other side is the coffin and this side is where he coughed out."

"Martha Washington's statue" is an interesting sight. The guide sent us forward, telling us to continue until we reached a little sign board on which was printed the words "Stop Here." When we reached this point we looked back and saw that the guide had made a light and the opening of the cave, with its angles, formed the statue of a woman, hence the name.

"Bridal Chamber" is quite an interesting place, especially to young persons. There are several large columns at this point formed by the meeting of stalactites and stalagmites. The guide says that the formation that hang from above are stalactites and those that extend from below are stalagmites but when they meet, as in bridal chamber, they are mighty. The guide who conducted me through the cave some years ago stated that several couples had been married in that chamber but he thought that "Was running" into the ground. The guide who took us through during the past summer informed us that eleven couples had been married there, and that the first young lady married in the cave had promised her mother that she would never marry any man on top of the ground. She married in this chamber in order to keep her promise.

Soon after leaving bridal chamber the guide called our attention to a formation in the ceiling which is known as the "Hornet's Nest." It has the appearance of such a nest. The guide said to us, "You will observe that the hornet's nest immediately follows bridal chamber." Some of us married people laughed, but some of the younger persons did not seem to appreciate his meaning. The guide is a married man.

The "Scotchman's trap" is a small opening through which we passed. An immense rock is hanging over the opening and only a small part of it rests on the opening. The guide stated that some years ago a Scotchman was going through the cave and when he reached this place he refused to go through it, fearing that the rock would give way and that he would be trapped below, hence the name. Many people fancy that there is danger in going through the cave but this is a mistake. There is no danger and it is a delightful experience.

There is a formation on the ceiling of the cave at one point that has the appearance of a large hand. The four fingers and thumb can be clearly seen. This is known as "George Washington's hand." At the wrist there are formations known as the cuff button. In the palm of the hand there are other formations with rough surface. The guide told us that this was the wart formed by the use of the hatchet when George cut down his father's cherry tree. The jokes of the guides are numerous and add much to the pleasure of the journey.

We were being shown "Booth's theater," where the celebrated actor once made a speech. After pointing out the various parts of the theater in which we were all very much interested, the guide closed his description by striking with a small stick a sardine box which lay on a

shelf of rock just behind him, and said, "And this is a private box."

I can not speak of many things of interest we saw. Nearly every foot of territory we passed over had something of interest about it and called forth expressions of admiration and surprise. The "bottomless pit," river Styx, "Old Scratch Chamber," "Gorham's Dome," "Mammoth Dome," "Rose Chamber," "Snowball Hall," and many other places of great interest might be mentioned but I have not the time nor the ALABAMA BAPTIST the space for describing them.

This cave is one of the great wonders of the world and should be seen by every one who can possibly make the trip. I think it would be a great trip for the "Judson girls" and "Howard boys," and would be educational. Special rates are given by the rail road and by the manager of the cave to parties who wish to visit this interesting place. I would advise all my young friends who are contemplating matrimony to take a bridal trip to Mammoth Cave. As already stated the cave is on the L. and N. R. R. which I am sure, will be pleasant information to those who have travelled over this road. The trains of the L. and N. are magnificent in their appointments and their employees are gentlemanly and accommodating. It is gratifying to know that the L. and N. has recently given up the Pullman dining car service and put on dining cars of their own.

For the Alabama Baptist. Tuscaloosa County S. S. Convention.

As no one has given you an account of our Sunday School Convention, held with Carroll's Creek church on the 5th Sunday in September, I will tell your readers about it.

We could not meet on Saturday on account of rain. Bro. Dawson and myself went out in the afternoon, but did not find any one. Sunday morning Bro. S. E. Hodge led the devotional exercises, after which the writer made a talk on "Where the Emphasis Should be Put on the Sunday School Lesson." Rev. W. L. White followed in the discussion.

Rev. S. E. Hodge spoke on the "Needs of Spiritual Power in Sunday School Work." Rev. W. L. White spoke on "The Mission Spirit in the Sunday School." The writer preached the Convention Sermon, and we took a collection for missions.

We had a sumptuous dinner spread and every one had plenty. After dinner Bro. W. L. White led the devotional exercises. "The Bible our Text Book" was discussed extensively.

The Graded Lesson Helps, their Use and Abuse, was discussed by Prof. Hildreth and others.

Is the Sunday School Convention Carrying out the Purpose for Which it was Organized? was discussed at some length and a record of the Sunday School made, and Bro. W. L. White and C. E. Rice offered their services to come out next Sunday and help organize a Sunday School here.

Quite a number on the program were absent. If this program could be carried out in each community much good would be accomplished. We had a large attendance.

Rev. W. L. White, the pastor at Northport, pressed me into service and made me preach for him Sunday night. I found a large congregation and we had a fine meeting. Bro. White is doing a fine work in Northport and his people love him. He is a fine man, and a fine preacher and an earnest worker.

By invitation of Prof. Hildreth, I attended the opening of the school at Northport on Monday morning. It was a great pleasure to read the Scriptures and lead in prayer in that elegant new building in which they had assembled for the first time since its completion. I was also asked to address the school, which I did.

Bro. Cowan, the Methodist pastor, spoke, and Rev. J. T. Bealle and Prof. Hildreth made impressive speeches. Northport is to be congratulated on its fine school building. Three elegant rooms well finished, ceiled and painted inside and out, and they have a fine faculty. I divided my time with Bro. Bealle and family, and White and family, and they cared for me elegantly, and I enjoyed my stay with them.

This is the first time that I had

been to Northport since the death of that noble, consecrated Christian preacher, Rev. J. H. Curry. It was my privilege to speak to him on Saturday before he died on Monday. I had prayer with his family; he knew me and talked with me. Oh what a loss to our denomination. I loved Bro. Curry; no one could help loving him. H. R. SCHRAMM.

Receipts at State Board of Missions

For April, 1901.

INSTITUTE BOARD.	
Trinity S. S.	80
Orville.	5 00
Total	5 80

MISS WILLIE KELLY.	
Florence.	4 05
Lowndesboro L. A. S.	5 00
Union Springs L. A. S.	9 00
Tuskegee W. M. S.	21 00
Auburn.	5 39
Montevallo.	9 00
Montevallo Sunbeams.	83
Demopolis L. A. S.	8 75
Pratt City.	6 25
Clayton.	3 15
Opelika L. M. S.	21 00
Russellville.	4 15
Evergreen L. M. S.	12 25
Greenville L. M. S.	10 00
Total	115 43

NEW CENTURY MISSIONS.	
Philadelphia.	13 42
New Providence ass'n.	11 30
Six Mile ch.	16 10
Charlton.	16 60
Alabama ass'n.	1 75
Clanton.	10 00
Blountsville.	3 30
Headland.	20 00
Milltown.	12 40
Antioch.	11 10
Bethesda.	2 25
Bethel ass'n.	33 50
Fayette.	15 00
St. Clair ass'n.	12 96
Collinsville.	6 32
Delta.	5 00
Little Sandy.	8 25
Ashville.	2 50
Fellowship.	5 55
McCrory.	50
New Prospect.	5 55
Hopewell.	1 80
Northport.	6 00
Total	216 05

CARROLLTON CHURCH.	
LaFayette.	5 00
Atmore.	10 00
Philadelphia.	2 45
Camp Hill.	10 00
Total	27 45

TEXAS CHURCHES.	
Silvan.	8 55
Camp Hill.	7 87
Total	16 42

CHINA.	
Midway Sunbeams.	8 75
Andalusia W. M. S.	7 25
Total	11 00

AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS.	
Glenn Addie.	84
Easley.	5 00
Montgomery Ist.	10 00
Total	15 84

HOWARD COLLEGE.	
Centre ch.	2 50

CHURCH BUILDING.	
Tuscaloosa.	55 00

FOR BIBLE WOMAN IN MISS PRICE'S SCHOOL CHINA.	
Southside Y. L. C.	80 00

REV. PEYTON STEPHENS, CHINA.	
Montgomery Ist. Sunbeams.	5 00

RECAPITULATION.	
State Missions.	755 48
Home Missions.	1688 69
Foreign Missions.	2376 63
Orphanage.	81 59
Institute Board.	5 80
Miss Willie Kelly.	115 43
New Century Missions.	216 05
Carrollton Church.	27 45
Texas Churches.	16 42
China.	11 00
Aged and Infirm Ministers.	15 84
Howard College.	2 50
Church Building.	55 00
Bible Woman in Miss Price's School.	80 00
Rev. Peyton Stephens.	5 00
Grand Total.	5537 87

Clerks of Associations will oblige us if they will send to this office two or three copies of their Association Minutes. We have frequent inquiries for them by visiting brethren from various sections of the State, and would like to keep them on file for their accommodation.

Our "Young People."

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Weekly prayermeeting, Sunday evening, October 27th.
Conquest meeting: "The Awakening of Japan."

Alternate topic: "Daily Bible Reading—A Healthful Habit."—Acts 17:10-12; 1 Tim. 3:14-17.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS: 28th, Acts 11:1-18. Repentance unto life also for the Gentiles (vs 18). Compare Rom. 15:9.

29th, Acts 11:19-30. The gospel seed scattered. Compare Acts 2:47.

30th, Acts 12:1-10. Peter's invisible guard. Compare Acts 10:3.

31st, Acts 12:11-25. Herod's opposition and his punishment. Compare 1 Sam. 25:38.

(November.)
1st, James 1:1-16. How to add to our wisdom (vs 5). Compare Prov. 2:3-9.

2nd, James 1:17-27. Source of every good gift. Compare 1 Cor. 4:7. —Baptist Union.

We are glad to note quite an improvement in the B. Y. P. U. work of the First Baptist church, Montgomery. The devotional meetings are well attended as a rule, and are always interesting and profitable, and are gradually becoming more so. The Union is also expecting to take up the Christian Culture Courses soon in addition to the work they are already doing, believing that the organization is strong enough now, for the first time in its history, to do this work successfully. They are expecting great things out of the study. The Conquest Missionary has been followed more or less regularly for several years, but the work of the Sacred Literature Course has

never been carried on successfully. We wish them great returns for all they put into the study of the Word.

The B. Y. P. U. of the Clayton Street church, Montgomery, has again re-organized and is in a prosperous condition. This Union has done a great deal of good work in the past, and we are glad to hear that it has again taken up the work with renewed life.

A kind of devotional meeting that we have spoken of before, and which has met with great success in the Unions that have tried it, is what is called an "Automatic Meeting." The meeting is prepared by the committee and each member that has some special duty to perform is informed of it in advance, and the program is put on a blackboard, if one is convenient, if not, they are written on slips of paper and distributed. There is no leader at all, the members taking part without any announcement at all, the hymns being sung, and the prayers offered in the same way. It has been found that this plan throws the responsibility for a successful meeting on the shoulders of the leader as is most usually the case. It will be necessary to avoid allowing the meeting to become formal in the least; let it be seemingly spontaneous, and always give opportunity for short talks, readings, Scripture quotations, etc., in addition to the stated program. Carried out in this way, it can be made a meeting of great interest and profit, and we would recommend them to all progressive working Unions. We know of one Union that makes a point of having one such a meeting each month.

NOTICE TO MESSENGERS

And Visitors to the Brewton Convention.

Messengers to the Convention to be held at Brewton, beginning November 13th, are requested to send their names and addresses to the undersigned. Please do not fail to do this, as it will aid us very much in the arranging for homes.

Free entertainment will be provided for messengers, representatives of the various Boards and members of the Woman's Missionary Union.

Visitors will find ample accommodation at hotels and boarding houses at reduced rates.

M. F. BROOKS, Ch'n Com. on Assignment of Homes.

Central Association.

This body met on Wednesday before the first Sunday in October. I had not attended one of its sessions in several years before and was considerably impressed with many things I witnessed.

In its permanent organization, its former officers, L. H. Hastie, D. S. Martin and J. F. Pennington were unanimously re-elected; its usual routine of business was attended to with dispatch.

From start to finish excellent order was maintained—in fact Bro. Hastie is an old moderator and knows how to preserve order and dispatch business, though some think he is a little modest for his long experience in the chair. Everything run smoothly down to the parting hour. I was impressed much by the introductory sermon preached by W. R. Whatley. It had the clear Baptist ring, something unusual for these times—the pastors present did not relish it of course. The same is true of some weak-kneed Baptists—his motto is the same as that of the ALABAMA BAPTIST—"speaking the truth in love." In his comparison of Christianity with Mohammedanism and other false religions, he appeared to be a little bit pessimistic; but it is a fact, beyond dispute, that error out-

travels truth and will be received and believed by a greater number of people in the same length of time.

It is said the bill of fare was splendid, though I did not take dinner on the ground during the session, but went to a house near by for dinner, hot coffee and to get my mule fed.

I was very deeply impressed on Thursday by a lecture on the "Prodigal Son," by a tall, graceful, dignified looking man, whom they called Maj. Harris. He denied being a minister, but I suppose every one who heard him thought he ought to plead guilty to the charge. He is a forceful speaker and possesses extraordinary powers of description, and this is not adulation either.

I can shut my eyes yet and really see that self-important, bigoted, wasteful boy as he strutted around home and then started off on his long journey.

I wish, at your leisure, you would tell us something about the boy that remained at home and was in so grumbling a mood when his younger brother returned. I really think he was the worse boy of the two, though the younger one was surely a most unbearable fellow about the time he went off. If the older one ever repented and reformed I have never read any account of it. I am satisfied that lecture made a deeper impression and will be longer remembered than anything else said or done during that session of the Central Association. O. C. S.

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RATIFY THE NEW CONSTITUTION.

Up to now we have expressed no opinion concerning the new Constitution, from the fact that we have not had time to read and examine it carefully, and compare with the old. We have just finished a careful review of all its provisions, and as compared with the old Constitution of 1876, it is far superior. We regard it a great improvement, and shall vote for its ratification most heartily.

Listen to some of its wise provisions: It reduces the State tax rate from 75 to 65 cents on the \$100; it makes larger and better provisions for our public schools; it reduces the number and frequency of elections, making them every four years; it saves to the State at least \$50,000 every four years by having one session of the legislature instead of two; circuit solicitors are elected by the people; local legislation is denied, and the power of the legislature to create new courts and new counties limited; the Governor nor any State officer succeeds himself—they are free to act, without regard to another term; a wise provision is this. The pardoning power is limited and hedged about to prevent its abuse; corporations are required to pay a franchise tax, based upon the amount of capital employed; railroads are forbidden to issue passes to legislators or judicial officers. The most important clause in this new Constitution is that which secures, beyond all question, WHITE SUPREMACY, which is worth much to our people, and should cause every white man to vote for the ratification of the new Constitution. Let us hope that our readers will examine the new Constitution so as to vote upon it intelligently. As for myself, we have done this, and shall, without any reservation or hesitancy, but enthusiastically vote for its ratification. We believe it will be ratified; it ought to be.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT last week entertained Booker T. Washington, president of the Tuskegee colored school, at dinner in the White House. Mrs. Roosevelt and children, socially, sat at the same table. Much comment and criticism is being indulged in by the press and people. This is the first time the negro has been received socially by a president at the White House. On State occasions, negroes in official place, have been invited and attended. This dining of Booker Washington has a social side to it which Washington, in all his expressions, speeches and teachings has been opposed to. In this instance the temptation was too great, the honor too marked, and the pol-

ered president could not resist. It is a question whether or not he should have accepted. If he had declined, he would have snubbed the highest officer in the nation, but his declination would have made him famous in the South as a man true to his convictions and teachings. This act on the part of President Roosevelt will tend to injure Prof. Washington in his work, and set a precedent that may be dangerous in its results. It is to be regretted by every good citizen that the incident ever occurred.

OUR STATE CONVENTION.

The meeting of the Baptist State Convention at Brewton, in November, is a matter of real importance to our people. In their independence, as in other matters, Baptist churches follow the Scriptural model. Speaking of the New Testament churches, Mosheim, the great master in church history, says: "The churches of those early times were entirely independent, none of them being subject to any foreign jurisdiction, but each governed by its own rulers and its own laws." The church is an institution founded in divine wisdom for perpetuating and extending the reign of Christ among men. As a local organization, its members are exhorted not to forsake the assembling of themselves together, but to exhort one another, and to provoke one another to emulation in good works. But there is a fellowship larger than the local church affords—a denominational fellowship, which embraces those who muster under the same flag, and are controlled by the same principles.

Baptists in Alabama have common interests, which are broader than the limits of any local church, however great and prosperous. They are a noble brotherhood, to whom in a peculiar way is committed the defense of the faith once delivered to the saints. By the ties of fraternity the interests of one church or one part of the State belong to all, and can be best considered in the presence of representatives of different churches in different sections. The famous historian quoted above says: "Nothing can be more evident than the perfect equality that reigned among the primitive churches." And we believe the same spirit pervades our convention. There are great churches in the State, but there is no disposition on their part to ignore the smaller or weaker churches. There are strong and eloquent men in many of our pulpits, but they are men of God who assume no lordship over their brethren. All who attend our convention bear witness to the brotherly spirit that pervades the meetings, and such men as J. B. Hawthorne, I. T. Tichenor, W. P. Harvey, and others, who have attended Baptist meetings in many States, have often spoken of the excellence of the Alabama Convention.

We say these things for the benefit of brethren who are not in the habit of attending the meeting. We want them to attend at Brewton. We do not undervalue the importance of the denominational paper as a means of unity among us, but we regard the convention as only second in importance in this regard. Students of Old Testament history assure us that the coming together of God's ancient people was a mighty factor in unifying them and holding them in subjection to their noblest national traditions. Similarly the coming together of our people strengthens the personal tie, and enhances the solidarity—to use Dr. Whittier's word—of the denomination in the State. There are reports to be heard, and plans to be proposed. Almost any brother has some notions concerning the needs of our work in the State, and good will come of bringing these notions out, and setting them before

the brotherhood. The devotional meetings, the preaching, the addresses will all be stimulating and helpful; and brethren all over the State ought to arrange to attend. Churches ought to appoint delegates, and send their pastors. Many pastors have had no vacation, and the meeting would be a blessing to them. And every delegate ought to try to make this surpass all previous meetings.

FIELD NOTES.

The forms close on Tuesdays at noon. Copy should be sent in from Wednesday to Monday.

A Colporter for every Association. Why not? That is a part of our Secretary's planning.

The Conecuh Baptist Association meets at Greenville on October 28th and will be in session three days.

Bro. A. E. Burns, of Sylacauga, dropped in to see us Monday. He was returning from Zion Association.

Dr. Lunsford, of Kentucky, has been assisting Rev. W. Y. Quisenberry in a meeting at New Decatur the past week.

Revs. A. J. Preston, of Prattville, A. B. Metcalf, of Georgiana, and S. M. Adams, of Clanton, were in to see us this week.

\$40,000 for Missions from Alabama another year. We can easily raise it. Secretary Crumpton is already planning for it.

An up-to-date Minister's Institute in every Association and one great Institute at Howard college. What is the matter with that?

State Missions and Institute Work have been neglected. We are much behind on these. We ought to have \$2,000 for them in the next week.

The books of the State Board of Missions will close at noon, Friday, November 1st. Be sure to get the money to the Secretary by that hour.

Undertake some great thing at the Convention. Nothing would be so inspiring as a determination to raise an endowment for Howard college.

The new pastor of the Baptist church, at Evergreen, Rev. Mr. Moseley, is expected will occupy the pulpit about the first Sunday in November.

Cottage prayer meetings were held this week by the Baptists in different parts of town in the interest of the protracted meeting that begins Sunday.—Sheffield Reaper.

At the residence of Mrs. D. A. Caine, Mr. W. F. Setzler and Miss Tiny Crum were united in marriage by Jas. I. Kendrick, on October 10, 1901.

Rev. R. A. Massey, who formerly resided in Greensboro, and who was at one time quite a prominent Baptist preacher, died in Northwest Hale a few days ago.

We had good congregations at Fitzpatrick Sunday. The church elected Bro. John Gray deacon, and they could not have made a better selection.—W. J. Elliott, Montgomery.

The Montgomery County Sunday School Convention will be in session here, commencing Friday night and continuing through Sunday. The services will be held at the First Presbyterian church.

The city council of North Port decided that they did not want a dispensary in their town though the law allowed them to establish one. They will refuse to grant dispensary privileges to any one.

Rev. D. P. Lee, of Tunnell Hill, Ga., has accepted a call to the pastorate of the South Montgomery Baptist church, and will take charge about Nov. 1st. He is a brother of Revs. W. W. and Chas. Lee, of Greensboro, Ala.

Dr. C. A. Stakely, pastor of the First Baptist church, this city, will visit Charleston, S. C., next week to be present in celebrating the 150th anniversary of the Charleston Association. It is one of the oldest Associations in this country.

Three more issues of the paper and then the Convention at Brewton. It would be well for the Convention in the beginning to add a half day to the programme. Provision is made for only 24 days. The business can-

not be completed in less than three days.

Rev. Mr. Brett, of the First Baptist church, Huntsville, is assisting Rev. Hendon in a series of meetings at Tusculum. He is an earnest Godly man, and a deep and profound preacher whose sermons are listened to with deep interest by large congregations.

Protracted services began Sunday, the 20th, at the First Baptist Church, at Talladega. Dr. T. W. O'Kelley, pastor of the West End Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga., has been secured to assist in the meeting. Dr. O'Kelley is one of the ablest and most gifted of Georgia ministers, and above all is thoroughly consecrated to the great work of the Master.

Rev. Mr. Brannon, who has served as pastor of the Baptist congregation at this place for the past year, preached the last sermon of his pastorate on Sunday. Mr. Brannon has done a good work here and won the love and esteem of his own and of the other denominations of the town, and it is with regret that they give him up.—Piedmont Inquirer.

Cold weather is approaching and our Orphanage is badly crowded already, and two destitute orphans are knocking for admission and your pledge to the buildings has not been paid. May we hope to receive it soon? Again, for the first time since our work started we are likely to go to the convention with a current debt. "Is it anything to you, all ye who pass by." Let all the churches help.—Jas. W. Stewart.

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Dr. Wm. C. Stewart is dead. We buried him last evening at Enon church in Autauga County. He was a man noted for his good work. The Lord be praised for his life, and that it has been our privilege to know him. He took his bed Friday evening and went to his reward about one o'clock Sunday morning. To some one else is the task of writing a suitable sketch of this man, whose life has been such a blessing to the people of this country.—S. J. Strook, Soapstone, Ala., Oct. 21st, 1901.

I am at home again from a blessed tour among the churches. Baptized two dear young women, in their teens last Sunday morning, one had joined a month ago, at the water, the other made us glad by going down with her sister into the watery grave. A third one baptized was a mere lad. I preached at same place Oak Grove church at 11 o'clock and at night, 12 miles away, at Hollinger P. O., Enon church, a noble people. The Lord is doing great things for us and we are glad. Please change our paper from Kempville, Ala. to Mexia, Ala.—Yours in Christ, J. Bunyan Kilpatrick.

Orphan's Home.

OCT. 14TH.

Three children, one of five months, all from Anniston have recently been received at the home. There is only one sick child in the Home.

The sick ward is now ready for the shingles. The lathing for the plastering is going in and the building will now be pushed to a finish.

The brick work of the boys building is almost complete and the boys are anxiously looking forward to the time when it will be occupied by them.

Bro. Stewart left Saturday to do service at Honorville. He has been closely tied up at home for some time, partly on account of the new building and partly because of family affliction. While no chair ever occupied is vacant, yet the loss of the new born babe, which tasted life for only a few moments, makes a broken family, which is keenly felt by parents and friends.

"It is God's way," "His will be done."

He who does not aid a missionary needs the aid of a missionary.

Like a Letter From Home.

Dear Alabama Baptist:

I don't suppose any reader of the BAPTIST out of the state enjoys the paper more than I do. It is really like a letter from home. I had a hard struggle to "tear myself away" from my dear people in Ala., but I am glad I am here.

I am delighted with the Seminary to say the least of it. It surpasses my anticipations, and I expected a great deal. How I do wish all the dear brethren in Ala. who want to come could come. There is every influence here to make a man wiser and better, and to any brother who may read this and is thinking of coming, you will make no mistake if it costs you great sacrifice.

We have from Alabama a splendid set of men, consecrated men. We are all proud of our Dr. Sampey. He's a "kinder" general favorite. Would love to be at the Convention at Brewton. Hope dear Dr. Crumpton is well. I send check for some renewals I received before I left Ala.

Yours, E. E. George,
Louisville, Ky.

One More Sunday

In this conventional year. What has your church done, brother, this year? The first churches of Selma and Montgomery take collections next Sunday for State Missions. How about the other city churches?

From Ebenezer Church.

This church is in the extreme Southwest corner of Calhoun county, and about 3-4 of a mile from Coosa river, and several miles from any other churches, so you see we are cut off by the river on one side. The people are of small means, hence you see this is not a very inviting field to the public. It has been but 6 or 7 years since I preached my first sermon here, and the Lord has gloriously helped us. Prior to this time there was seldom a sermon preached at this place (not once a year.) I have been doing the best I could in the way of teaching them the way of life and salvation. We had a glorious meeting commencing 24th of August and ending the first day of September last, several acknowledged a hope in Christ Jesus; one put on Christ by Baptism. I believe we have some as good people here as the world affords. Bro. J. O. Layton was with us and preached twice. I had no other ministerial aid. Bro. S. A. Kirksy was with us and led in singing. He seems to be adapted to the work for he sang with the Spirit and with the understanding. He certainly is a help in meetings; always ready with a song suitable for the occasion. I recommend him to the public as being ahead of any that I have any knowledge of. He feels singing to be his gift or calling, and offers his services to the public as being adapted to the work. He has been with me often in meeting. And I have known him and of him since boyhood, and he is a Baptist of deep dye.
W. M. HALL,
Pastor.

SPECIAL TRAIN SERVICE.

Account of Montgomery Street Fair and Fall Festival, Montgomery, Ala.

The Central of Georgia Railway will operate special train leaving Enola, Ala., at 6:50 a. m., Oct. 29th, 30th, 31st and Nov. 1st, 1901. Arriving Montgomery 9:50 a. m. Returning, leave Montgomery 8:00 p. m., Oct. 29, 30 and November 1st, and 11:00 p. m., October 31st.

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Don't fail to send in your subscription in time to get the commencement of Dr. Renfroe's sermons.

CORRESPONDENCE.

FROM EAST ALABAMA.

The East Alabama Liberty Association has just closed one of the best sessions of its history with the church at Jackson's gap. The introductory sermon was preached by H. C. Risner. Though the place of meeting was at the extreme western limit of the territory, the attendance was large. The entertainment was all that could be desired. Pastor Bell had things well in hand. The reports from the churches showed a considerable advance over last year in contributions to missions and other objects of benevolence, and most of the churches increased their pledges for the coming year. The reports also show that nearly all of the churches have been blessed with revivals which resulted in many accessions to the churches. The spirit of the meeting was excellent and the fellowship was sweet. Drs. Shaffer and Rader, the two men who have done more for the cause of our Master in this section than any other preachers in this territory, were present. While looked upon as fathers among us, their hearts are still young. There is not a preacher among us who does not delight to sit at the feet of these sweet spirited servants of God. The next session of the Association will be held at Bethlehem Church.

It is likely some pastoral changes will occur in the Association this winter. Bro. C. J. Bentley, of Lineville, has been called to succeed Pastor J. B. Shelton, at Lanett. If Bro. Bentley accepts this call he will move his family to Lanett and become one among us. He will be a valuable acquisition to our ministerial force. He is a good all-around man. I wish we had more just like him. On account of failing health, Dr. Shaffer may give up his work at Campbell, though we all earnestly hope that there may be such a change in his condition as to cause him to remain with his charge, where he is so tenderly loved. Brethren Bledsoe, Ellis, Gregory, Hamner, Bell and Hunter will probably retain their present fields, where they have done some excellent work, though some of them may possibly make some changes.

Our church here at Lafayette has recently been called to pass through the trying ordeal of losing one of her best members in the person of Sister Lophelia Doss. She quietly passed away October 17th with whom family she had resided for a number of years. Hers was one of the best rounded Christian characters I have ever seen; gentle, kind, affectionate and tender, she naturally drew about her a large circle of friends who saintly woman was the most liberal contributor among the membership of our church. No worthy cause was ever responded liberally and cheerfully. Sister Doss was especially kind to the poor and needy, many of whom will greatly miss her. In her will she provided that \$300.00 of her estate be given to the Orphanage at Evergreen and that \$300 should go to missions. We all feel a keen sense of personal loss in her death. A sweeter spirited Christian woman it has never been my good fortune to know. No one will miss her more than the pastor to whom she has been a great source of comfort. But she is not dead. To such

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J. L. THOMPSON.

LaFayette, Ala.

AT PICKENSVILLE, ALA.

Oct. 18, 1901.

Dear Baptist.

With devout gratitude and supreme pleasure, I record the results of our revival. There were ten accessions to the church, notably among others our much loved fellow townsman, J. E. Wilkins, and last Friday evening a large concourse of friends gathered at the river to witness the beautiful and impressive ceremony of baptism by immersion. Such an out-pouring of the spirit and such manifest evidence of the religion, I have never before witnessed. These blessings flow from the same inexhaustible source, but follow here as a sequel to our prayer meeting, the good of which is felt all over the entire community.

Heretofore our ministers have been made to feel the chilling influences of an unsympathizing public; but now the emancipation of Christianity has broken loose and the liberality of Heaven's own purpose has descended in an almost universal shower upon our people.

Our reverend pastor (C. C. Winters) has rendered an acceptable service to the cause of Christ and has linked his labors perpetually with this grand moral movement of our town. His sermons are full of sound doctrine, rich thought and convincing argument, as well as splendid imagery, lofty declamation and electric power. In hearing him, you find no opulence of language, that does not seem to be forced upon him by the burning inspiration of his subject, and not a word or figure can you consent to have pruned away, for each appears absolutely necessary to the full and complete development of the text elaborated.

Dr. D. O. Baird, who so ably assisted in these services, taught the lessons of faith and duty—and by much earnest solicitude and effective eloquence, seemed to possess and exert the same secret power of wielding an influence over and stirring the souls of the people. Few are gifted with the ability of transferring the undefinable charm, which gives them a magic power over a listening multitude.

It is useless to attempt any minute description of the many discourses or the manner in which they were conducted— suffice it to say, that the moving appeals of these popular divines will ever bring up, sweet and vivid remembrance.

This sketch is penned with a prayer that the cause of our Holy Redeemer may be carried onward—that impressions now made be deepened and strengthened by high resolve to reach that blest abode prepared for God's children. The soul of man has been allowed an insight to its lofty destiny, and now raised from the dross of earth, holds intercourse with its Creator and awaits the time when freed from its tenement of clay, it may put forth all its powers and find a home in the mansions of immortality. X X X

FROM SHADE'S VALLEY.

Oct. 18th 1901.

Seeing the account of other churches in your paper, I feel it someone's duty to let you hear from Shade's Valley. In the first place ours is a new church, only in its third year. We organized under a brush arbor with eight members; Brother R. M. Hunter, doing the preaching; held a good meeting lasting two weeks, some forty or fifty accessions to the church. We have built a good comfortable church house, have a good and growing Sabbath school, weekly prayer meeting, a good working Ladies Aid, and a bright Sunbeam Band; number enrolled at present fifty-four and last, but not least of which I wish to speak is the Boys' Prayer Meeting. A few weeks ago, the Lord put in the hearts of a few boys to have a boys' prayer meeting; they commenced with four or five, they have been faithful and it is rapidly growing in number and in spiritual interest. On last Wednesday night I thought I would run in and see what they were doing, for which I begged their pardon for intrusion, and am sure they forgave me. The leader, a boy about seventeen, with little education and few advantages talked, and it made my heart glad to hear him tell of his resolve to live a Godly life, and he exhorted the other boys to do likewise. In all there were about ten boys present, ages ranging from ten to eighteen, and not a boy refused to stand up and speak for God, most of them saying in conclusion "pray for me." One boy arose and said I have been thinking I would talk next Wednesday night, but have decided it best to begin tonight, and he, too, acknowledged his shortcomings and resolved to be a better boy, and get nearer God. Oh! what a glorious meeting, and how I did enjoy it, what a bright future for these boys, may Heaven bless them. We have called for the second year, for our pastor Bro. W. J. Armstrong, who is a wide-awake Christian gentleman and fears no man as to his duty.

Shade's Valley is four miles from Birmingham on the L. & N. R. R. and a half mile from the nearest railroad station. Our church in her infancy has done very little so far for missions, but we expect to do a good work the coming year, the Lord helping us, and hope to have one of the strongest churches spiritually in the Birmingham Association.

Long live the dear old Baptist.
MRS. J. H. ALBRIDGE.

FROM THE SEMINARY.

Alabama's representation this year at the Seminary at Louisville is increasing. T. M. Thomas, from Eufaula, will be in next week, which makes our number 16. The work here to us new men is a revelation. Our friends had told us of the good things to be seen, heard and gotten here, but they left the biggest half untold. The spiritual atmosphere from class room through the whole thing is deep and powerful. As one of the boys put it, "God is in this thing." The class-room work is delightful. If a man who is fitted to come to the Seminary is not made a stronger man, mentally, morally and spiritually it is his own fault. One Alabama man who was told that he could preach well enough without coming here, after being here a week or so remarked, "I tell you this is the biggest thing I ever un up against," and truly it is for all of us. To sit at the feet of such men as God has placed here to instruct is indeed a privilege for which the last one of us thank God. Oh, that every preacher in Alabama could have, and would take advantage of opportunities like these. Success to the Baptist.

T. H. WATKINS, Cor.

A LETTER FROM MISS KELLEY.

S. S. China, Sept. 11, 1901.

My dear Brother Crumpton:

We are now within two days of Honolulu, and I can never say again "I am not seasick" for I stayed in my cabin a whole day the first day out. The sea was very choppy, indeed, and no one enjoyed it. We are having beautiful weather today, and the ocean is so blue. I left San Francisco so tired that I thought I would be seasick, and was not disappointed. I enjoyed the night spent with your father's family and Mr. C. was so kind to me.

There are 110 passengers aboard and sixty-five missionaries among the number. This is a good good boat, but so much slower than the "Empress of Japan." We do not reach Shanghai until the 8th day of October. Twenty-six days out is a long voyage these days but it will do me good and I shall have nothing to do but rest, absolutely rest. I hope to have a letter from some of you when I reach Shanghai. Shall write again before I reach my destination; want to write to the Baptist, when my head is a little clearer. With all good wishes for you and the work, I am as ever Your Friend and Sister, WILLIE H. KELLEY.

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Dr. T. L. Cuyler gives a word to restless preachers, which may be useful. "I never can forget what a fool I was when I longed to get away from the first charge I had because it was a small field and a tough one; and if the Master had let me have my way, I should have missed the first precious and powerful revival in my early ministry. Long years afterward, when I was sorely perplexed about accepting or declining a most attractive call to Chicago, I happened to open a favorite book, and my eye lighted on this text (from the second chapter of Jeremiah): 'Why gaddest thou about to change thy way? That little text settled the question, and but for it I should probably have never seen yonder Lafayette-Avenue church or this pleasant study in which I am now writing.'

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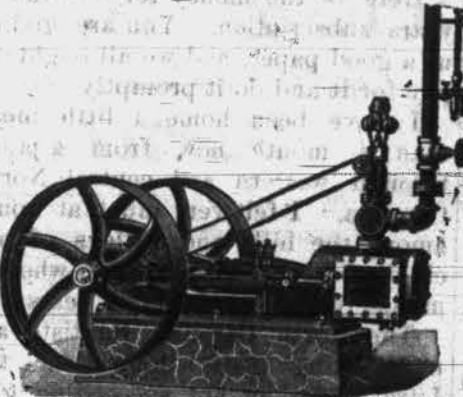
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Recommendations of Executive Committee, W. M. U.

Adopted at Annual Meeting, New Orleans, La., May 18, 1901.

"Forward" is the soul stirring word which God bade Moses speak unto the children of Israel. "Forward" which has been echoed and re-echoed through succeeding ages is His message to the women of to-day. "Forward," the inspiring motto of Woman's Missionary Union, when analyzed by the Executive Committee W. M. U. suggests methods by which it is believed successful operation may be given S. B. C. Boards during the year 1901-1902.

Faith, for "without faith, it is impossible to please God." The voice of faith is Prayer. Therefore, again the Mission (Prayer) Card is recommended, also observance of the "Week of Prayer" in January and March. As added proof of faith, let there be labor for more general participation in the Christmas Offering and Gifts of Self-Denial.

OPPORTUNITY. "Every opportunity is an obligation." During the summer of 1900, a Volunteer Teacher's Work was inaugurated in North Carolina among the Mountain Population. Results have been so encouraging that we would urge other W. M. U. workers, as opportunity offers, to render similar service. The Church Building Loan Fund presents another opportunity. May there be willingness to adopt plans which will be presented for increasing this fund, through which destitute churches on the frontier and elsewhere may be enabled to build.

RESPONSIBILITY, especially in connection with the training of young people. Our schools for intellectual development are graded, and the pupil is thus encouraged to work for promotion. Must it ever be that the children of light are less wise in their methods than those of this world? The establishment of a graded system of Missionary Societies is heartily recommended, as follows: (1) Babies' Branch; (2) Sunbeam Bands of Boys and Girls; (3) Young Ladies Societies; (4) Ladies Society. By recognition of personal responsibility, this may be done. It is also believed that an Annual Meeting of the different grades would be mutually helpful, and would stimulate the missionary spirit of the entire church.

WATCHFULNESS. Take heed.

Notes From Albertville.

ALBERTVILLE, ALA., OCT. 12.

A new Pastor's Home! What do you think of that? "Nothing common or unclean" either, but the prettiest little nest in the town. Close by the church; so close that I can leave my hat at home when I go to preach. Now isn't that nice? Say! I want you brethren to come to see us.

SAND MOUNTAIN! It is the biggest country in the State. Lots of woods and the woods full of Baptists. If you don't believe it, just come to the Marshal Association which meets with Boaz church, on the N. O. and St. Louis R. R., Friday before the Fourth Sunday, and we will prove it to you.

We are delighted with our new home. Prospects are very bright for the development of this country in the Lord's work.

Work! Well! I guess there is; just lots of it to be done here. And Oh, how badly we need some strong preachers in this country.

May the Lord send them.

J. W. SANDLIN.

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From Montevallo, Ala.

Editor Alabama Baptist.

Here is the money for renewal, a year's subscription. You are giving us a good paper, and we all ought to pay for it and do it promptly.

I have been home a little more than a month now from a jaunt through western and central North Carolina. I felt very much at home among the hills and valleys of my childhood, and with those to whom I ministered for a number of years.

The North Carolina Baptists are undertaking great things for the Lord, and they are succeeding gloriously.

I could say much about my stay among the sky-scraping hills around Hendersonville and Asheville, but will desist. Let me advise all our South Alabama brethren who possibly can to go to the convention in Asheville next May. If going up counts for anything you will think you are pretty close to heaven when you stand upon one of those peaks, from three to six thousand feet high, with the clouds and rain storms below you.

Our work is in a happy condition; ten additions in last two weeks.

Our town is full of girls. The A. G. I. School is now open, and some three or four hundred girls are in attendance. We Baptists have nearly a hundred.

Our State Convention is near at hand, may the Lord give us the best session in our history.

Yours in Christ,

N. S. JONES.

October 10, 01.

LITERARY NOTICES.

THE WORLD'S WORK.

The World's Work with the October number completes its second volume and its first year. The aim of the magazine—to explain and to interpret the most interesting things that are done especially in American activity—brought it immediate success; and it ends its first year thoroughly established, prosperous and cheerful. It declares editorially:

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Into the midst of cheerful and significant work this magazine has tried to carry its readers and to interpret the far reaching meaning of it—to present the literature of action. Although this difficult task has been inadequately done during this first year, a serious effort to do it was at once recognized and it brought instant success to the magazine—conclusive proof, if proof were needed, that the idea upon which it is founded is a sound one.

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"While under the enemy's fire I could first see the reddish-white spilt of flame from a Boer gun when it was discharged; then I could hear the shell coming, and if I could have known just where it would strike I would have been supremely happy; but I could only wait and listen for the sound of its explosion, and then quickly turn my head in that direction in time to see its smoke after the danger was over. It was generally safer to lie down; and I always forgot to note the sound of the gun, which should arrive shortly after. Being an American, a neutral and non-combatant, I always had a feeling of annoyance and irritation, when under fire, as though the enemy should make allowance for that fact. Later, however, even this form of nervousness passed away, and I was not conscious of anything more than interest and curiosity when under shellfire. But Mauser fire—that's a different matter."—From "With 'Bobs' and Krüger," by Frederic W. Unger, soon to be published.

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Big Structures at St. Louis.

The development of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition along many lines during the last few days has been quite appreciable. The definite statement of the sizes of the principal exhibit buildings is of special interest. The largest of these will cover 32-1-2 acres, and will be devoted to agriculture and allied industries. Seven other buildings will cover about 17 acres each, and four others about 9 acres each. The total now planned for will amount to about 187 acres. These figures give some idea of the magnitude of the Exposition by which the Centennial of the Louisiana Purchase is to be celebrated in 1903.

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Mrs. Mary Ann Kimball was born in the State of Ga., Columbia county, Aug. 22nd, 1811, and died at her residence in Dadeville, Ala., September 18th, 1901, in the 91st year of her age.

Mrs. Kimball was one of the most distinguished mothers in Ala. She was a woman of great native ability and force of character. She was a Christian and a very pronounced Baptist. Her character was undegraded by sharp cut convictions, and she had the courage of her convictions, and hence she was a reliable and devoted woman. She was descended from two families of much celebrity—Crawfords and Marshalls. The Crawfords and Marshalls gave us statesmen and gospel preachers of the purest type. See the history of these families.

Mrs. Kimball was educated at Salem N. C., and in native ability and force of character was up to the full average of the distinguished families from which she was descended.

She was the unfailing friend of her acquaintances, and especially of the poor and friendless. How many will miss her kind and gentle ministrations! It was the habit of her latter years, after her own wants were provided for, to distribute the remainder of her income in gifts to relations and friends, and general charity.

Just before her death, a friend writing her, sent this sweet message: "I thank my God upon every remembrance of you." Phil. 1:3. This was one of many friends who felt the same way.

She was united in marriage to Dr. Allen Kimball Feb. 25th, 1829. The family removed to Macon county, Ala., in the year 1836, and early after settlement in Ala., she united with Bethel church Lee county, Ala., of which she was the most prominent member for many years.

After the death of Dr. Kimball the family removed to Dadeville, Alabama, and late in life she transferred her membership to the Dadeville church.

Mrs. Kimball was the mother of ten children; three sons and seven daughters. Nine of her children reached maturity. Only three of her children—daughters—survive her. Mrs. Mary I. Burns, Mrs. James Johnson and Mrs. Dr. Gertrude Vines. She had eighteen grand children and twelve great grand children.

Mrs. Kimball came of intense Southern blood, and all her sons and sons-in-law enlisted in the southern army, and two sons and one son-in-law perished on the field of battle.

Judge David B. Culbertson, of Texas, that distinguished jurist and U. S. Congressman was her son-in-law.

Her grand-son, Chas. Allen Culbertson, is a strong and brilliant man, and was honored by the great state of Texas with her highest office, Governor, and from the gubernatorial chair he was called to the U. S. Senate. One of her grand sons served as U. S. District Attorney, and another as Capt. in the Spanish American War, and a great grand son, as a Sergeant in the same war. Of her daughters who survive her, two of them live in Dadeville, Ala. Mrs. James Johnson and Mrs. Gertrude Kimball Vines; and their husbands are men of good character and fine standing. The other daughter, Mrs. Mary Isabella Burns, lives near the old homestead at Roxana, in Lee Co., Ala.

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Being her old pastor and friend, I was called to assist her pastor, A. S. Smith, in administering the last sad rites. Farewell dear sister 'till I meet you in our Father's home.

Affectionately,
Jno. P. Shaffer.

Died, near Augustine, Perry county Alabama, September 18th, 1901. Mr. Hugh Kelley, age 83 years, after two weeks illness. He came from Galway, Ireland, when a young man. He won many friends. He leaves a wife and three children. He mourns his loss. He said he was ready to go when the summons came. His favorite song was: "When I can read my titles clear to Mansions in the Sky."

He said he would soon be there. His funeral was conducted by Rev. J. A. McCrary.

May the Lord bless the bereaved family.

A FRIEND.

Tribute of Respect

Whereas, it has pleased our Father in his wisdom to take from earth's garden our beloved friend and pupil, Miss Mollie Vines, and transplanted her into his garden above, October 1st, 1901. Therefore be it resolved:

First, that while we weep on the earthly side of the grave, we commit her without fear to Him who fulfilleth His promise, "where I am there ye shall be also."

Second, That our Sabbath school has lost a faithful friend, and a devoted and obedient member and pupil, whose admirable qualities of character have endeared her memory to each of our hearts.

Third, That we feel deeply this bereavement, and extend to her grief-stricken family our tenderest sympathies, and commend them for comfort to Him "who doeth all things well."

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of our school, a copy be sent the ALABAMA BAPTIST and Canton Banner for publication, and also a copy sent to the bereaved family.

By order of Sunday school, October 6, 1901. E. B. Benson, Judson Strook, Mrs. W. H. Foshee, Miss Lella Adams, Committee.

Resolutions of Respect.

By the Sunday School of Cuba Alabama to A. D. Fortener.

Whereas it has pleased God in his infinite wisdom, to remove from our midst, our beloved friend and brother, who died Oct. the fifth 1901. Resolved,

First, that our community has lost a faithful friend, a faithful Sabbath School worker, and good Christian.

Second, That our Sabbath School deeply deploras its loss, and shall ever cherish his memory.

Third, That we feel our loss is his eternal gain, as he had made peace with God and mankind, and we feel that he has joined the heavenly throng of angels and archangels, to sing praises to our God.

Fourth That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our minutes, and a copy sent to the ALABAMA BAPTIST for publication. Mr. L. Poole, Chairman.

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Bro. E. P. George, our moderator, presided at all the deliberations with such a spirit as to endear himself to all our hearts.

Pastor Magill, of the Mt. Hebron church, wore a pleasant smile and heartily welcomed every messenger as he came. He has married him a wife but he got there just the same and made the rest of us feel glad that we were there.

The people had killed the fatted calf and every one was royally entertained. There must be some of the salt of the earth about Mt. Hebron.

We meet next year with Medline church. We are going to advance more as the years roll by till we shall again be a banner association.

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