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Home Evangelization.

A SHORT DISCOURSE.

Our State Missionaries are doing a good and a great work in persuading the churches to establish every Sunday meeting for the study of the Word of God. By this arrangement the Lord's day will be set apart to sacred uses, the worship of God will be maintained, and the churches will be edified and strengthened for the evangelic work. And with the increasing knowledge of the Lord's will, there will come a larger measure of his Spirit. We may expect to find piety, social virtue and domestic happiness promoted in every community where the people steadily assemble on the first day of the week for Christian conference and Bible reading.

But this is not all our churches need. They must be set to work. What is learned must be put in practice. The more God's people appreciate the privileges of the church relation, the more they will desire that the blessings they enjoy shall be shared by others; and, on the other hand, the more others will be inclined to seek a share in their fraternal communion and their fellowship with God. In this way a motive and an opportunity are given for home evangelization. Let the church members make it their business to invite and encourage church attendance. The desire for God's ordinances may be awakened in the hearts of many who have fallen into the habit of neglect. Their own sense of duty may be appealed to, or the memory of God-fearing parents, or the effect which their own example may be expected to exert upon their own families. Brethren and sisters undertaking the duty of district visitors may thus bring the neglected and neglected to the church and the Sunday school, and through these agencies to the cross of Christ. Once a month, or more frequently, the visitors might meet to report progress and to consult and pray together. Then they might arrange their plans for visiting every one, for renewed efforts to bring out the adults and the children, for the appointment of special seasons of prayer and evangelistic services.

In Scotland the enlisting of "workers" from the ranks of the private membership has been attended with the most gratifying results. In some of the city congregations there are as many as three hundred of these visitors. They represent all classes of society.

Among them are artisans, clerks, merchants, students, professional men; the women of course take part—not only the ladies, but the female servants also. After the Sunday morning service they meet for prayer, and then start out with their packages of tracts, to their districts, to invite the people to the sanctuary. Thus they carry out the divine injunction: "Let him that heareth say come," and fulfill the prophecy of the Psalmist: "The Lord gave the word; great was the company of them that published it."

Besides this, as we learn from Blaikie, of Edinburgh, who has contributed a valuable article on the subject to a review; periodical meetings of "the workers" have become an institution in the active earnest congregations in Scotland. All who are engaged in any part of the church's work spend an evening together, perhaps once in three months, and addresses are given fitted to guide and stimulate the actual workers and enlist the sympathies of more. These meetings are over and about the periodical meetings for prayer and consultation held from time to time among those who are engaged in each particular branch of the work.

Of course in agricultural communities there would be no need of anything more than some simple plan of organization. Cumbersome machinery would fall to pieces of its own weight. But any plan, however elementary, which would recognize the necessity and the obligation of evangelic work,

and would lead the membership to do something personally for the honor of Christ and for the salvation of the souls of men, would be certain to yield grateful and blessed returns. Our private members little realize what power for good they can wield.

What I Think of Dowie.

BY J. B. MOODY, IN

Texas Baptist Standard.]

Having received several letters with this inquiry, I thought I would make a public answer of the last letter received. I give both letter and answer, except the correspondent's name and place. I was once her pastor.

Dear Mr. Moody:

"No doubt you will be surprised to receive this from me. I have not forgotten some of God's wonderful prophecies, which you made clear to my understanding, and one especially, of which I wish to speak—the coming of Elijah. You did not pretend to tell when nor how he would come, but you said Elijah will come. I believed what you said and that God inspired you to say it.

"Now, what I want to say is, that Elijah has come, and the world and the false churches reject the declaration. I don't know what you will say, but I do believe you know enough about the prophecies of God to recognize the Bible earmarks when you see them. I send you a paper (Leaves of Healing). No doubt you have heard of them and perhaps have seen them. I am sure you will take no offense at my sending them to you, for I do it in all due respect to your calling, which I believe to be of God, and I heard you say that such is the highest call a man can receive.

"Please read the paper and tell me what you think of it, if not too much trouble. I close, hoping you will remember me as one who has always revered and loved you in the Lord. Your sister in Christ.

ANSWER.

Dear Sister:

Your letter gives me mingled pain and pleasure—pleasure in hearing from you, and pain to know that you have wandered from the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints. The Scriptures abundantly speak of those who were to arise in the last days, saying: "I am." These are to do wonders, in so much that if it were possible they would deceive the very elect. I know Mr. Dowie is doing wonders, and others are to follow and do still greater—even causing fire to come down out of heaven, and the whole world will be deceived by these pretenders and wonder workers. So did Simon Magus. The opposers of Christ cast out devils, etc. And note how these will base their claims on their gifts: "Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name, and in thy name cast out devils and in thy name done many wonderful works?" Note how they work in Christ's name. Yet he will profess unto them: "I never knew you," etc. There are many such things coming to pass, instead of wondering and being astonished, I simply say that these things must needs be, that the scriptures should be fulfilled. They are signs of the last time. They may claim some of God's people, but I believe the Good Shepherd will go after them and deliver them from captivity.

"Be not ye the followers of men." Mr. Dowie has followers, and for this he works and labors. Yes, I believe that Elijah will come, and that he will die, because it is appointed unto man once to die, and once to be born of woman. If Elijah has come (not in the spirit of, but) in the person of Mr. Dowie, then he has been twice born of woman, for Mr. Dowie has a mother and so had Elijah.

True, Christ had a pre-existed state, and he came into the world through birth of a woman, but that was not necessary to his earthly existence,

for he had been on the earth before, and has been since; but he was born of woman that he might be partaker of our nature. Elijah has our nature, and he got it the same way. When Elijah comes, he will come as he went—a full-grown man. It is folly to talk about a man entering the second time into his mother's womb to be born. When Elijah comes, he will turn the hearts of the people not unto himself, as Dowie does, but unto the Lord God. I doubt if Elijah will be recognized, for he will testify not of himself, as Dowie does, for, if so, he would turn the hearts of the people unto himself, as Dowie has.

A. Campbell and Joe Smith and Swinburn and a hundred others in my day have come, saying "I am"—the one spoken of in the prophecy—the millennial harbinger, the great reformer, the restorer of all things—the voice of one crying: "Come out of here, my people," etc., ad nauseam. They stressed their mission (?) their high calling (?) and thus, unconsciously perhaps, they preached themselves instead of Christ Jesus the Lord.

But you say Mr. Dowie preaches Christ. Certainly. So will all false Christs who preach themselves. They could not deceive unless they did. They may be willing for you to believe in Christ, even to the saving of your soul, if you will only follow them and obey them; so they can make merchandise or gain of you. "I am" fellows want to be somebody, and they always succeed in making somebody believe it. "Many shall follow their pernicious ways."

My dear sister, I still believe that you are one of the elect, and, if so, God will give you repentance for your unsteadfastness in the faith. Many Christians are fine subjects of "winds of doctrine," and are easily led away, because they have despised doctrines and have no emotions. They have sensations because they play upon the emotions. I am sure of this, that Mr. Dowie, like all his predecessors, as well as his successors, will at last come to grief and shame, and so will those whom they seduce from the faith. May God deal gently with you and yours, and others there, whom I still love in spirit, and once loved in the faith and the truth, though they have greatly grieved me by these aberrations and vascillations. It is superlative slander to say that Christ's church, which is the bride, which he bought with his blood and promised to protect and present at last without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, I say it is slander to say that during the absence of her betrothed she spent her time as a harlot in the harem of Babylon. It slanders both Christ and his bride. And yet so good a woman as you seem to intimate such a thing. When the Lord comes I want him to find me "so doing"—in the same old service, contending for the same old faith, and eschewing all innovations and inventions of men who come with supernatural claims. These things must needs come, but woe to those by whom they come; and woe to those whom they cause to stumble.

If greater than Dowie should come, by the grace of God they will find me at the old stand, contending for the one body, the one Lord, the one faith and the one baptism.

The Greensboro Debt Again.

At the meeting of the Board at Brewton it was resolved to regard contributions to the Greensboro debt as State Missions, and Bro. Crumpton will receive all money contributed for that purpose and give receipt for it as State Missions. So let all who have pledged anything to Greensboro send it at once to the secretary at Montgomery. Many have promised collections when no definite amount was pledged. Let me urge all my brethren to see to this matter at once. We have about \$300.00 on bond but there remains \$300.00 to raise before Jan. 17th, 1902.

Fraternally,
W. W. LEE.

Atlanta Letter.

I never had the pleasure of serving an Alabama church as pastor, but have had the pleasure of preaching to several Alabama churches and knowing and loving many Alabama brethren and sisters, especially one Alabama sister, formerly Miss Mildred Stevens, of Ramer, who is now Mrs. E. H. Walker, who shares my sorrows and joys. I am therefore a kind of brother-in-law to Alabama Baptists. And as two of my babies were born in Alabama, I am also a kind of step-father, as it were, to other Alabama Baptist children.

When it comes to the brethren and the churches, I have specially strong attachment over the State line of the Chattahoochee. How I love the cheery spirit of B. D. Gray, and how I enjoyed preaching to the saints under his care at the first church, Birmingham, when he was an Alabamian. He is gray only in name, for his added years only increases his spirit of perennial youth. Brethren, don't let Kentucky have him any longer.

The sweet spirited Thompson, how I enjoyed preaching for him at Clayton Street Montgomery; and the scholarly Apollos, Bro. G. B. Eager, I love. Montgomery First church is a good trader; being compelled to part with the gifted Eager, they capture Apollos No. 2, Stakely.

Then I have enjoyed very much preaching for Hobson, my Seminary mate, at Woodlawn; for Bro. M. M. Wood, at Pratt City; for Bro. Lee, at Avondale; for the saints at Alexander City, where I was so hospitably entertained by our Baptist banker, Bro. Maxwell. Also for the saints at Phoenix City; and for the Huntsville saints, spending a week in the Baptist home of brother ("Rep") R. E. Pettus. But to the subject, Atlanta Baptists: The First church is now a mighty power, under the leadership of Landrum, than whom no greater leader of Baptists has arisen in these times.

Bro. J. L. White, who recently came to the magnificent Second church, is a counterpart of B. D. Gray; nothing more is necessary when that has been said. Bro. White is a North Carolinian, a preacher of "purest ray serene," and the Second church has the most elegant edifice in this city.

Broughton, of course, is the liveliest live wire in all the galaxy of great preachers of Atlanta. His tabernacle church, seating, I believe, about 3,500, is the largest church in Atlanta, and with it's fearless, inspiring preacher is storming the very citadel of Satan at every point in Atlanta, from Decatur Street to Peachtree. He attacks and puts to rout the minions of the devil, the old serpent, the destroyer of souls, whether in the mayor's household or the slime pits of the saloon and brothel; whether in the dirty alley shanty or in the Peachtree Street mansion, it's all the same to Broughton, for as Sam Jones truly said, "He is one per cent hair and 99 per cent backbone," and his whole church, a mighty multitude, has caught his John the Baptist spirit, and are making the welkin ring for Christ. God give Montgomery, Birmingham, Mobile and every big city a Broughton.

All the other fifteen or twenty Baptist churches of Atlanta and suburbs are prospering and we are happy, on the way and in the work. The writer has recently resigned the pastorate of the Edgewood Ave. church, and for some time will devote his time to putting his now Famous Dyspepsia Cure in reach of every suffering dyspeptic. Would be glad to send to any Alabama brother or sister a sample of the Famous Dyspepsia Cure, the advertisement of which is in this paper, as the brethren, who have taken it by the hundreds, all say it is a certain cure for this terrible malady, which so sorely afflict almost one half of our adult population. It is of the highest scientific character, an unfailing specific for dyspepsia.

We Georgians have just triumphantly completed a stirring campaign for our beloved Mercer University,

in raising the conditional sum of \$50,000 and thereby securing the gift of John D. Rockefeller, of \$15,000, and can therefore succor ye Alabama brethren who are now "tempted," with a hearty and loving sympathy. Again I say, we Atlanta Baptists are happy on the way.

Fraternally yours,
REV. EDWARD H. WALKER,
Box 92, Atlanta, Ga.

Out of The Depths.

BY HOWARD WAYNE SMITH.

Helen Keller, as everybody knows, is a marvel. Her experiences in being delivered from the chrysalis which enfolded her soul in darkness are most interesting and instructive. She has told of many first things in her life, among others of her first plunge into the bounding billows of the sea. Her interest in the ocean had been exciting and she desired to feel the swaying of the waves that by her remaining sense of touch she might know it. With glad heart she sprang out on the sand and into the cool water. It was a delicious experience, that surrender to the buoyant, exquisite throbbing and ebbing of the waves. The delight of her childish nature was as boundless as the great deep itself. Soon there was a change. The wave came with a rush; the girl slipped; she fell; the water eluded her grasping hands; it overwhelmed her. The delight of a moment ago became the despair of the present moment. She was the toy of the billows, until at last they tossed her on the sand exhausted and excited with fear. But mother was on the shore and she soon found solace in her loving arms.

This experience is a parable. Its parallel is to be found in the lives of countless young people. They have heard of the great world outside of home. The music of its currents of life call them. They rush into its giddy whirl with joyous anticipations. The first moments are those of delight. There is a delicious movement in the waves of pleasure upon which they float and by which they are drifted hither and thither. But at length comes the tidal wave of sin or sorrow which carries them from their feet. They are overwhelmed in the depths. What now? Blessed fact, God, better than father or mother, stands on the shore and he will stoop to embrace the weary heart worn out by its experiences of the waves of the world's sin and sorrow.

It were better to keep out of that ocean. But if one must, because not content to heed the caution of the experienced, let him call out of the depths to the Master of the ocean and earth and skies and he will bid the billows yield up its victim on the shore beneath the cross, where the weary find rest.—Baptist Union, Baltimore, Md.

Biblical Studies (new.)

This is the title of a new periodical for those who desire thorough and comprehensive study of the Scriptures. The lessons are not the same as the international uniform series; they are entirely distinct and different from that series in plan and scope. The first course will consist of one hundred lessons. Thirty lessons are from the Old Testament, under the general heading of "Preparation for Christ"; forty lessons are from the Gospels, under the general heading of "Personal Presence of Christ"; thirty lessons are from the remainder of the New Testament, under the heading of "Christ in His People." It will be issued in monthly parts, the initial number being ready early in December. Price, single copy, thirty cents a year. In clubs of five or more, seven cents each per quarter, twenty-five cents each per year.

Send for samples and order promptly to avoid delay. The demand is likely to be large. Published by the American Baptist Publication Society, 1420 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

Life's Story.

They say the world is round, and yet
I often think it square;
So many little hurts we get
From corners here and there.
But one great truth in life I've found,
While journeying to the west—
The only folks who really wound
Are those we love the best.

The man you thoroughly despise
Can rouse your wrath, 'tis true;
Annoyance in your heart will rise
At things mere strangers do.
But those are only passing ills;
This rule all lives will prove—
The ranking wound which aches and thrills
Is dealt by hands we love.

The choicest garb, the sweetest grace,
Are oft to strangers shown;
The careless mein, the frowning face
Are given to our own.
We flatter those we scarcely know,
We please the fleeting guest—
And deal full many a thoughtless blow
To those we love the best.

Love does not grow on every tree,
Nor true hearts yearly bloom;
Alas for those who only see
This cut across the tomb!
But, soon or late, the fact grows plain
To all through sorrow's test—
The only folks who give us pain
Are those we love the best.

Selected.

Historical.

The following words were spoken by Rev. Joshua H. Foster, D. D., to the Tuscaloosa Baptist church, on the occasion of the ordination of two deacons, recently elected. Mr. Reid and Col. Henry B. Foster, son of the speaker.

Attention is made to the sudden taking off of Mr. H. Foster Hill, a deacon of the church, who died while taking part in the exercises of Memorial Day.

I deem it not a miss to call attention today, to the interesting fact, that the whole history of the State of Alabama, from its earliest to its latest event, has been made since the organization of this church. In the early Territorial days, when the luxuriant foliage of the native forest shaded these fertile plains, and the great canebrake of the lowlands stretched out its long arm up every ravine, encircling and fringing the brows of all these hills, when the Indians in peaceful bands, yet roamed through their ancient hunting grounds, eighty-five years ago the heralds of the cross came on their mission of love, bearing the Gospel banner, and preaching the great salvation.

Amid the informalities and easy access of a boundless hospitality, characteristic of a colony in process of settlement in a wilderness, they had little difficulty in discovering the Christians of whatever denomination among the pioneer settlers. A few Baptists found one another. In their occasional interviews they talked of church organization, and soon, by general agreement, they met in the log house of one of their number, and in regular order, after due deliberation and prayer for Divine guidance, constituted a Baptist church, on the 24th of January, 1818, nearly two years before Alabama became a state. The name they gave was significant and suggestive. Gathered from various localities in different states, each member recognized the good hand of the Lord, which had led them securely along their perilous journeys, and brought them to worship together here. They had read of the stone that Samuel reared, and named in commemoration of God's help to Israel at Mizpah, and wished this new monument to give expression to the gratitude with which their hearts glowed. They called it Ebenezer—saying, hitherto hath the Lord helped us.

In process of time, the church took the name of the town, and has since been known as the "Tuscaloosa Baptist Church." This change of name did not even slightly imply any change of doctrine, nor any forgetfulness of dependence on Divine help. On many occasions, as now, the church has paused for a little while, to think of the mercies of God, and give thanks for his help. Such retrospect cannot overlook the conflict and troubles, experienced; struggles in which our spiritual enemies would have gotten the victory had not the Lord thundered from Heaven against them as he did against the Philistines. Our chastenings, so bitterly grievous for the present, would have taken the spirit

out of our hearts, and cast us down in despair, had not the Lord gently whispered, "nevertheless afterwards, they yield the peaceable fruits of their righteousness to them who are exercised thereby," and had He not repeated what we had so often heard before:—"My grace is sufficient for you, My strength is made perfect in Weakness." What was that event that led us on to this day's work but an appalling affliction? A noble deacon passed away. He "walked with God and was not, for God took him." From the moving columns of men, spared the pangs of death, he simply stepped into the chariot that came for him, and was borne away to the skies. Bereaved, crushed, bleeding, our wounds are scarcely yet healed. But his part of the work was done, well done. And this is God's way of dealing. When one has finished, he is removed, and another lifted to his place, and offered the gracious privilege of glorifying the Divine name by like faithful service. Service, we should never forget, is the real test of true greatness. "If any man would be great, let him serve." "He that is chiefest among you, let him become the servant of all." This is the law given by the Master, and can never fail. Following this law,

"He that hath used the office of a deacon well, hath purchased to himself a good degree." And when you have elected one to the office of deacon, you have simply endorsed him, and thereby enlarged the possible sphere of his service, made it possible for him to accomplish more. When a company of soldiers elect their officers out of their ranks, they do not endow them with greater gallantry, more intrepid bravery, but with greater authority, more power, but the members of the company, may not, therefore, shirk the duties of private soldiers. For what can a gallant captain do, if rank and file fall back, and fail to support him in every order and every onset against the foe? So when you have elected your officers, and endorsed them with the power of your combined influence, you have somewhat increased their responsibility, but have not in the slightest measure diminished your own. All the service you could render was your duty before—certainly nothing less is your duty now. Have you enlisted as soldiers of the cross? Then like other men, enlisted under other banners, you need organization. God, who knows your needs, has graciously provided for such organization. He gives you office in the church and qualifies some to fill them, and bids you seek them out and put them in place. You have chosen your pastor and deacons, whose leadership you are expected to support and follow. And how can you do this? You should first of all recognize them as God's gracious gifts, and give unfeigned thanks for their bestowment. Then you should pray for them, that God may give the spirit of love and of a sound mind; may bestow upon them that wisdom which cometh from above, which is pure, peaceable, gentle, easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy, make them such leaders as you will delight to follow. Wise and efficient leaders of yourself and the church, bringing you all to that sort of service, which shall make demands upon your hearts, your hands, your time, your money and whatever else the gospel calls for, leading you out in the foremost ranks in the aggressive warfare, whose aim is the subordination of the world to Christ. And finally, give them your support by kind words to them, good words in their behalf, and by co-operating with them in every good work.

I hesitate, knowing my time is nearly out. But let me tell you of an old deacon of this church nearly fifty years ago. Having just begun to preach, I was called to the "pastorate" of this church, and tremblingly accepted, profoundly conscious of my insufficiency. Deacon Martin Richards lived on the top of the hill beyond North Port. Every Sunday in his seat not far from the pulpit, he listened with prayerful reverence to the words spoken. Every Tuesday night, he lighted his lantern and walked more than a mile to our prayer meeting. We all loved to hear him pray. In child-like simplicity he talked with God, much as a loving child would talk to a venerated father. In the prayer meeting we have heard him plead, "Lord, seven times a day we lift our hearts to Thee." We knew that he told the

truth. And somehow when he prayed, we felt that God had bowed the Heavens and come down to listen to his prayer. "I went to see him in his home, we talked of the church, of its condition, outlook &c., he drew a slip of paper from his vest pocket, and carefully unfolding it, he said:—"Brother Foster, when I go to prayer, I spread this out before the Lord, and beg for his blessing on every one here named or referred to." Then he read the list he had so often read before the Lord. "The Pastor, the other officers of the church," many names of individual members, names of young members, some exposed to peculiar temptations, names of many unconverted—I need not tell you brethren ministers how the burdens began to lift—the clouds to break. The man whom God hears seven times a day praying for me! my work! my people! It was a precious season, and I can not tell you, my brethren, what was the value of this man's prayers and godly life in binding the church together, and attracting the unconverted to Christ. Brethren, pray for these deacons of your choice, and this pastor, servants of the church. Join now in the prayer soon to be offered—pray for them every day, that God may fill them with the spirit of prayer and of service.

The Convention Illustrates.

Having published an article in the ALABAMA BAPTIST several weeks ago, advocating a reduction of the number and an increase in the strength of our District Associations, I beg permission to cite the State Baptist Convention as an illustration of the soundness of my argument. One can hardly fail to notice how much more ability to attract, impress and inspire hearers, and to devise plans and methods and push them to a successful issue, there is in a large body composed of men of diverse gifts and habits of thought, hailing from distant localities and furnished with extensive and various information on the subjects to be considered, than in a small gathering of persons from one vicinity, nearly all having substantially the same views and stock of information, and this equipment being for the most part on a very limited scale. In the Convention we had not only strong men from all sections of the State, but some from other States. In the Woman's Missionary Union Convention, also, there were women noted for godliness and mental culture hailing from far and near. How much more profit to the delegates, the visitors, the community and the cause in general than were possible from an assembly composed of a few people, all gathered from one narrow "neck of the woods."

Let me repeat what I have said again and again: By dividing up the denomination in the State into scores of puny Associations, we are defeating the prime object of Associations, which is to bring together a large number of our strongest brethren from many churches for mutual help in prosecuting the Lord's work. By this policy we are seriously retarding the progress of the work in every direction. We ought to have a few large, strong Associations, and subdivide each of these into smaller bodies (but scarcely so small as some of our Associations are now) that can be easily entertained as Fifth Sunday meetings by the weaker churches. This arrangement would carry greater benefit to even the weakest churches than any of the churches, whether weak or strong, are getting out of Associations as they are now constituted.

If the proposed change deserves to be made, why put it off beyond our day and thereby delay the results it is capable of yielding? The cause needs the results now. The sooner the question is got before the churches on its merits, the sooner will they settle it wisely.

A. B. CAMPBELL.

Troy, Alabama.

Bad people help a good cause when they oppose it.

God never calls any man to high positions who has no convictions for which he is willing to suffer.

Those who are determined to have their own way in religion are always enemies to the cause of Christ.

It takes a lifetime to build a noble character; it may be destroyed in one unguarded moment.

Jesus and Mary.

A. C. SWINDALL.

Mary's freedom from the devil's was followed by pure, simple devotion to her Master. She was the last to leave the cross, the first at the grave. All others left, but she stayed till she saw her Lord. To her the saddest of all mornings began the brightest of all days. Who can not imagine the sadness of that morning, when she, with other women, go with hands full of spices, and with broken hearts, to the lonely spot where, as they thought, lay in death's cold embrace their loving Lord, whose sweet voice had ceased to speak words of comfort and power?

How comfortless is her heart! How sad is her face! How dark is her future! Not one ray of light! All hopes had faded and sunken into death. She reaches the lonely spot and stands alone, weeping. Poor Mary. Darker still to her grows the cloud, as she sees the empty grave. Seeing no Lord she weeps bitterly. What an awful question the angels ask her, when it seems that she can bear no more! "Woman, why weepest thou?" What else could she do? Was it not enough, looking at it as she did, to make her weep? No Savior, living or dead, to anoint! The source, as well as the object of her devotion, was gone. All was gone. Life was stripped of all but bitterness. Can you imagine a darker hour? What emptiness! Who could thus bear it long? And as if though to make her burden greater, the gardener, as she supposes, asks: "Woman, why weepest thou?" What awful words! In her ignorance, how she weeps. See how humanity stands in her way. See how her eyes are hidden. How thin is the veil, but how dark to her, that hides heaven from her view! The crisis has come! No longer can Heaven's Son be hid. As she stands trembling before Him, like Joseph in the presence of his brethren, He can not longer refrain. Oh, Mary! You know not what glory there is soon to burst in upon your soul. Now in the darkness of the darkest hour hear Him saying, as of old: "Mary!" She knows that voice too well. See the clouds break away! See heaven flash on its light! See the grave blossom into paradise! What a vision! How can she stand it? She recognizes that face. Look at her as she leaps toward Him, saying, "Master!" But hear Him saying, "Wait, Mary, I have not yet been to heaven to my Father and yours." No mystery in these words! They remind her of days ago.

But don't you think Mary thought that was heaven enough for her? Just wait, Mary, angels are ready to welcome me home, and when I return to earth you may handle me and know that I am the Lord! But she knows this full well now, for hear her saying, "I have seen thee, Lord." Her hopes have revived. She knows this is no dream, for too real was her sorrow, and no one but her Lord could bring such a change. Thomas, you may doubt, but this is Mary's Lord.

Is not this the blessed experience of all who have seen the Lord since that memorable morning? And is not a deeper hold on Christ the blessed fruit of every darkness and trial like this? Do we ever go away without seeing the Lord when we stay like Mary did? Oh, child of God, go with Mary's experience to every troubled, sorrowful, sobbing child of earth saying, "I have seen the Lord." Break the box of precious ointment in the cold air of trouble and sin. Let its fragrance go Christward, heavenward and heavenward. Bid them all lean upon the Lord. Oh, come and place your hand where the spear entered, and rest! Come see His bleeding side. Come with your burdens and sorrows. Come thou and lean upon his arm so strong. Put your weak hands and troubled hearts to His so strong, so pure, and let Him electrify you. There is no emergency He is not equal to. There is no trouble so great and no cloud so dark but that life to us when the Lord speaks is sweeter. How glorious when he is near and says, "Peace, be still."

Medhinks she who at the grave did first meet Him, will, on the bright morn of eternity, be the first to greet and praise Him. Happy woman!

A good motive impugned is better than a bad one indorsed.

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The Christmas Number of Scribner's Magazine is especially notable for charming fiction and novel and effective art features. The old-fashioned Christmas story does not prevail, but in its place has come the story of bright and cheerful social phases, delicate sentiment, wit and humor. The best work of the best writers is used in these special numbers rather than Christmas tales written to order. In this number appear such authors as Thomas Nelson Page, F. Hopkinson Smith, William Henry Bishop and Arthur Cosslett Smith.

The December number of Country Life in America announces the result of the recent competition in which the publishers offered four cash prizes for the best photographs illustrating country life subjects, and the four superb harvesting scenes which gave the first prize to Henry Troth, of Philadelphia, are published with the magnificent display of the large pages and fine make-up of this clever magazine.

"The World's Work" for December sweeps an even wider range of topics than ever and it is well written—with a swing and movement that vivifies the workaday activities of the month. Particularly striking because of its author and his recognized interest in the subject is President Roosevelt's article concerning Mr. A. G. Wallihan's remarkable Camera Shots at Wild Animals, illustrated by some of Mr. Wallihan's best pictures. Julian Ralph's outline of the results of the Boer War to Date contains much that is new about the conditions now existing in South Africa. Greater New York is being rebuilt, and M. G. Cuniff and Arthur Goodrich, in a splendidly illustrated article, tell how the new city "built of steel and founded on a rock," is replacing the old. By the recent election, also, New York has been politically remade, and Lindsay Denison sketches a number of stirring scenes from the recent unique municipal campaign.

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A Good Soldier of Christ.

W. R. WHATLEY.

Paul said to Timothy: "Thou, therefore, endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ." (2 Tim. 2:3.)

1. A good soldier volunteers—he does not have to be forced into service.

2. He has on the uniform to distinguish him from the enemy.

3. He answers to every roll call and drum beat for the exercise proposed.

4. He is always on time, according to the requirement of every command.

5. He will not desert the ranks for any cause, and falls out only when sickness or death overtakes him.

6. He will not entangle himself in any wise with the enemy in any form.

7. He suffers all the "hardness," that loyalty to duty incurs, and does not court treacherous alliances with the enemy to save himself.

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9. He has no excuse to offer as a pretext to escape any military requirement.

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13. He makes no attempt to fight under any flag, nor to heed any tactics, save his own, knowing the reverse means defeat, shame, and disgrace in the end.

14. He does not seek easy places, at the expense of duty, but sacrifices the former, for the latter, that he may be accounted worthy the designation "a good soldier."

15. He has nothing too valuable for him to sacrifice that his cause may abound and he be able to rejoice with the victory of a common weal over personal interest.

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There are two things which, if a man have, no rest comes to him, namely, Desire and Doubt. Of the two, I think the latter by far the most restless and most unpleasant to a human being. Let us, especially young men, steer clear of doubt, whatever may happen, hold fast to the faith that is in you. The world is a mystery. It is left to religion—the owner of the key to all mysteries—to reveal to the world the deep things of life.

When the Heart is Affected

From Brazil.

PERNAMBUCO BAPTIST MISSION.

Pernambuco, Box 178, 25-10 1901.

My DEAR BRO:—Just a few lines to tell you that the foundations and the baptistry of our new church building are ready; and you will be surprised to know that it was all done for about \$300.00. What do you think of that for work? But this is chiefly due to Bro. Robinson's able administration. He says that with \$2,500 more he can finish the work, and you can imagine how anxious I am to obtain that amount of money, for Bro. Robinson expects to return by next May. Is there no one who can loan us that amount? We can pay it back in a few years. Only \$2,500! It will enable us to preach to hundreds of people more. Just now we have not room enough to hold all that are anxious to hear the good news of salvation. The work is prospering wonderfully. Thirty-two were baptized last month and this month fifteen more have joined. The Lord is with us and is blessing us abundantly. But our greatest need just now is a larger and better preaching place. Pray for us that we speedily receive this great blessing.

Bro. Robinson and his good wife are a great help to us. I wish some more of your Alabama Baptists would come out here. They seem to be the right material. God bless you all abundantly. Remember us in your prayers, as well as this great and important field.

Yours in Christ for Brazil,
SOLOMON L. GINSBURG.

Improvement of Periodical.

The Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention will make several changes and improvements in its publications, beginning with the issue for January.

1. The teacher will be enlarged in size of page, adding an equivalent of about eleven pages of present size, with addition of departments and other improvements.

2. A new Bible Class Quarterly for senior grade work, forty pages same size as the Teacher page, only acts per quarter. This will be a periodical of highest character and be maintained in first excellence.

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COMFORT, an abiding comfort, is what the earnest, devout Christian wants; he yearns for this as he yearns for nothing else. This comfort is within the reach of all. What a blessed thought to know this. Selden said he had taken much pains to know everything that was esteemed worth knowing among men; but with all my disquisitions and reading, nothing now remains with me to comfort me, at the close of life, but this passage of Paul—"It is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." To this I cleave, and herein I find rest. This was the great mission of the Son of God, and here are the terms. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved. None but those who can know and love Jesus, and can repent of their sins, can realize and appreciate and appropriate that comfort that links us with Christ. If our treasure and our hearts are with him in heaven, then comfort will come and the soul will rejoice and be glad.

HEROISM is a virtue or principle that commands the admiration of all people. It should, above all other places, find a ruling center in character, life and activity. There are oppositions to meet, and battles to be fought and victories to be won in every Christian warfare. Life is a battle ground; it is a constant struggle with difficulties and disabilities. Abraham was put to the test and conquered. Jacob yielded for a time, but rose again and stood for the right. Paul was a hero—first in opposition to Christ, and then for him. I have fought a good fight, said the apostle—and in the end he saw the crown of righteousness.

What we need in our pulpits and pews is heroes, Christian soldiers, who cannot be daunted, and who will never cease the conflict till victory perches upon their standard.

HUMILITY is likened to a valley, in that it is the lowest part of the surrounding country. But there is another picture—it blossoms and blooms and sends forth richness and sweetness. John the Baptist who was a heroic soldier of the right, braving death, is a worthy illustration of humility. How beautiful it is to compare his testimony of himself, and Christ's commendation of him! John never forgot his inferiority to Christ. "I am the voice—Jesus is the word. The latchet of his shoes I am not worthy to stoop down and unloose. He must increase, but I must decrease." On the other hand, hear what the Master said of John: "He was a burning and shining light."

Look at Mary, a very object lesson of humbleness—three times we read of her "sitting at the feet of Jesus." Solomon says, "Before honor is humility." "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth."

MAKE UP YOUR MIND NOW.

Don't delay making up your mind before the time comes, then you may be unprepared. Selfishness is sin; stinginess does not belong to the devout Christian; the Lord loveth a liberal soul. We may not have gold or silver, but such as I have give I unto thee.

The above is written to draw your minds to CHRISTMAS and your pastor. This festival is an occasion for bestowing gifts; for making hearts happy—the grown up, as well as the little ones. It is more blessed to give than receive. We all are seeking blessings; here it is offered to us.

No one deserves our contributions more than our faithful pastor, who goes in and out before us, breaking the bread of life. If our devoted pastor sows unto us spiritual things, ought we not, in turn, let him reap of our carnal things? Did it ever occur to you that we are in duty bound to support our pastor? Listen to the Scriptures: "Do ye not know that they which minister about holy things live of the things of the temple? and they which wait at the altar are partakers with the altar? Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live of the gospel. Who goeth a warfare any time at his own charges? Who planteth a vineyard and eateth not of the fruit thereof? Or who feedeth a flock and eateth not of the milk of the flock?" These inspired words puts upon us the religious duty of caring for our pastor.

Now then, what are you going to send your pastor and family as a Christmas present? You ought to show your love and appreciation in some expressed way. But you say, my pastor is a country pastor, and he lives miles away. That may be true, but is no excuse, you have plenty of time to arrange about it if you have a mind to do something for him. Your gift may be small, so was the widow's mite yet it weighed more than all in the mind of our Savior. Don't forget your pastor on Christmas day. If you have nothing you can give, then write him a letter, telling him of your appreciation. Of all men on earth the consecrated preacher deserves all the help, both spiritual and material we can give. Then we urge old and young and children to make a donation to your pastor as a Christmas gift.

VIGILANCE AGAINST TEMPTATION.

As once the angel sentinels stood at the eastward path of the Tree of Life to prevent guilty men from entering Paradise, with the same stern fidelity should we guard every avenue by which sin can gain admission to our hearts.

For the senses which God has given us to connect us with the outer world and which are the sources of so much pleasure, are the gates through which sin steals into the human heart, like a foe into an unguarded city, to ravage and destroy. The eye was made to enjoy the works of God; but here licentiousness forces a passage. The ear was made to listen to the harmonies of nature and heed the oracles of inspiration; but here the flatteries and blasphemies of the world find admittance; so every faculty which makes this life delightful may be abused.

We cannot even trust our own hearts. They can easily be corrupted. They are like those delicate porous vessels of the East, whose stains penetrating into the substance could not be eradicated, and which must therefore be broken because they could not be cleaned. An evil thought will corrupt them. A criminal desire tolerated there for a brief season will be like a hot coal falling on the floor and leaving a permanent,

dark blemish upon the spot where it expired.

Wherefore keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life. Repress its desires for forbidden objects of every means that God has put in your power—by resolution, by prayers, by perusing the Word of God, by meditations on the perfections of God, the sufferings of the cross, the brevity of life, the terrors and glories of eternity. O man, when a sinful object begins to allure, realize the season of your greatest danger has come; reject it with every power; and herein exercise yourself to have a conscience void of offense toward God and toward man.

The means of safety which religion proposes, are mainly the study of the Word of God, the conviction of the real facts of existence, and an earnest, devout and perpetual vigilance against sin. Put upon yourselves, dear readers, this Christian armor for the campaign of life and the wars of the Lord, and having done all these things, stand to your posts like faithful soldiers of the Cross.

THE GREAT FACTS OF LIFE.

A potent safeguard against sin is the conformation in our minds and hearts of the great facts relating to our present existence. We are pilgrims, sojourning for a little season in a perishing, deceitful world—and bound for a joyful or terrible eternity. These are the facts that should be written indelibly upon our hearts; these are thoughts that should serve as a shield to us in the season of temptation.

Thus you must learn to condemn the world. Its interests and its indulgences are the chief dangers which assail the purity of conscience. Advancement in the world is what tempts men in so many acts, to so much violence, fraud and injustice. The influence of the world is what effects religion most injuriously—even organizing churches by filling them with professors who are lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God; who now, when the livery of Christ ensures confidence and honor, are encouraged to put it on, and who now, when a choice must be made between profit and place on the one hand, and the service of God on the other, are induced to cast it away as a filthy garment, so base is that spirit which passes with many persons for religious zeal.

As thus conceived, religion is the most pitiful and ruinous speculation in which a human being can engage, a speculation in which conscience is bartered for a consideration! How necessary is it for every true man to feel; "There is nothing in the whole world that can buy my conscience; I myself am worth more than all the vanishing possessions of time. And there is nothing here that can daunt my conscience. A thousand times I would rather endure the world's brief wrath than the reproaches of the inner monster; than the fears of death without preparation, and the anguish of a hopeless eternity. As an immortal I feel myself made for something nobler than the world, and the hope of that blessing makes the world contemptible in my sight."

How strong the position of the man who, in his heart, cherishes sentiments like these! who, standing here on a fallen earth, sees an endless and joyful heaven before him! With his eyes fixed upon that uncreated light, with his soul yearning for the blessedness of angels and the vision and love of an everlasting God, how can he live for the world? Or when sinful indulgences would lead him astray, how his heart revolts from them with horror, as he beholds the flames of hell—the fierce and quenchless flames in which the ungodly will be consumed forever! That one

spectacle which shall precede the final sentence, the great white throne on which Jesus shall sit as judge, is enough to excite all our hopes and fears. Did we but keep it before our minds, we would esteem the idols of earth as the veriest baubles, and we would go forth to the conflicts of life with the calm and resistless strength of eternity upon us.

Let each of us then inscribe these facts upon his heart: "Life perishes, eternity endures, and I am hastening to eternity." For herein we should exercise ourselves to have always a conscience void of offense toward God and toward men.

Good-bye proud world! I'm going home:
Thou'rt not my friend, and I'm not thine,
Long thro' the weary crowds I roam;
A river ark on the ocean's brine;
Long I've been tossed like the driven foam:
But now proud world I'm going home.

REV. A. W. MCGAHA, D. D.

With profound sorrow we tell our readers that Dr. McGaha died in Huntsville on last Friday. So young, so noble, so true; gifted, devoted, consecrated; we mourn his death.

He was one of our leading young preachers. We call him young, for he had just reached middle life. All who knew him loved him. There was no guile in his composition. He was faithful, constant, zealous. The Huntsville Tribune speaks thus:

In the death of Dr. A. W. McGaha, the eminent Baptist minister, the Christian world has sustained a heavy loss. Dr. McGaha was not only a pure, lovable Christian gentleman, but a man of marked ability, firmness and character. Huntsville deeply mourns the loss of this brilliant minister who once filled with distinction a Huntsville pulpit, and Huntsville specially tenders her tenderest sympathy to the bereaved widow and orphan children who are bereft of loving husband and father.

We shall expect an extended notice of our brother from the pen of some one who has known him during his career.

HARVEY SEED Co. has an advertisement in this week's paper. Read it. It is a new enterprise, such as has been needed in Montgomery for a long time. Here you can get every kind of seed you want—if they do not have what you want on hand they will order for you. Mr. Harvey, who is at the head of it, is a native of Union Springs, but has been a citizen of Montgomery for several years. We insist on our readers calling on the Harvey Seed Co. and examining their stock. The firm is composed of honorable men, who will deal honestly with you. We can endorse them.

CALL ON THEM.

We invite the attention of our readers to the advertisement of Messrs. Ellis & Gay, furniture dealers of this city. They are thoroughly reliable and carry one of the largest and handsomest stocks of furniture in the State. Be sure to call on them and get their prices.

Resolutions

Adopted by Louisville Baptist Church, Oct. 19th, 1901.

Whereas our beloved Bro. T. M. Thomas has seen fit to sever his connections with us as pastor of this church, be it therefore Resolved, 1st, That it is with much regret that we accept resignation of Bro. Thomas. 2nd, That we commend Bro. Thomas as a faithful consecrated Christian minister of the Gospel and pray God's blessings upon him wherever his lot may be cast. 3rd, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the church, that a copy be tendered Bro. Thomas and also that a copy be furnished the ALABAMA BAPTIST for publication.

Done by order of church in Conference.

G. GACHET,
G. W. LITTLE,
M. N. McEACHERN. } Deacons.

FIELD NOTES.

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

Bro. Joe Vesey is conducting a free night school in the basement of the East Florence Baptist church.

Prof. H. O. Murfee, of Marion, has been selected to succeed Mr. J. B. Lovelace as trustee of the Judson Female Institute.

Mrs. and Mrs. Geo. W. Ellis have been called to the bedside of Miss Lizzie Anderson, aunt of Mrs. Ellis, who is critically ill at Uniontown.

The annual meeting of the Baptist State Board of Missions, which was to have been held here Tuesday has been postponed until the 10th inst.

Rev. W. G. Baker, of Bankston, who was recently called to the pastorate of the Fayette Baptist Church, will fill his first appointment here Sunday and Sunday night.—Fayette Banner.

In the Report of the Treasurer of the Central Committee, in last week's issue, the types made the Ladies' Aid Society of the Wetumpka church say they gave \$1.30 when it should have been \$130.

Miss Lily Caldwell, of Tuscaloosa, came to Montgomery one day last week with two little orphan girls en route to the Baptist Orphanage at Evergreen. The Baptist church of Tuscaloosa has been taking care of them for sometime.

In the absence of the pastor at the Baptist Church on last Sunday morning Rev. J. P. Hunter occupied the pulpit and delivered a most excellent gospel discourse. All present were glad to have Brother Hunter preach for them.—LaFayette Sun.

A southern newspaper, The Sunny South, has discontinued the serial story "No Other Way," by Sir Walter Besant, because the heroine is forced to marry a negro criminal, and every true Southerner will applaud the editor for his action.—Ex.

Col. W. A. Hanley, a very prominent citizen of Boanoke, Ala., an ex-Congressman, and member of the late Constitutional Convention, united with the Baptist church at Roanoke on Thanksgiving Day. This step caused much rejoicing, as his influence for good will be greatly felt.

The Baptist congregation is going to make some important repairs and improvements on the church building. Three Sunday school rooms are going to be completed in the rear of the building and arranged so that two of them may be thrown together forming a prayermeeting room.—Auburn Correspondent to Opelika Post.

Dr. S. M. Provence, one of our best preachers and writers, gave us a surprise call yesterday. He preached a delightful sermon to a good congregation at evening worship. He is to stay for a while at the home of his son Rev. H. W. Provence, Montgomery, Ala.—A. B. Campbell, Troy, Ala., Dec. 2nd.

Rev. Mack Stamps, pastor of the Dallas Avenue Baptist church of this city has tendered his resignation to take effect Jan. 1st, 1903. He gives no reason for resigning, but the deacons of the church say the resignation will be accepted. They have no other pastor in view.—A Huntsville Special.

Dr. B. H. Crumpton honored the Record office this week with a short call. He is now pleasantly situated in Belleville, having just completed a new home, and in the future will devote his time largely to farming which he enjoys, but more especially to the improvement of his health. Dr. Crumpton is always a welcome visitor.—Conecuh Record.

Rev. J. L. Thompson, of LaFayette, preached two eloquent sermons at the First Baptist church Sunday morning and night. Large congregations were present at both services and it is the unanimous wish of the members of the church that Mr. Thompson will accept the pastorate here.—Bessemer Workman.

Rev. Geo. D. Harris has again been called to serve the Baptist church here another year. The church was indeed wise in its selection of a preacher. Bro. Harris preached two excellent sermons Sunday, the one in the evening being especially to the Knights of Pythias. All churches rejoice over the fact that Bro. Harris will preach for us another year, and the town should send up one united

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petition to the Giver of all good for his restoration to good health, and that he may be permitted to attend his appointments regularly.—Edwardsville News.

Wedowee Baptist church, Randolph county, now has a located Baptist preacher. We have moved Bro. C. T. Culpepper from Clay county and settled him in Wedowee and called him for half his time. This is a long stride for Wedowee church for it is few in numbers. We feel the Lord is in it. Bro. Culpepper's first step was to take up a collection for missions.—Truly, "47." Wedowee, Ala., Nov. 24th.

Thanksgiving services were appropriately held in Georgiana at the Baptist church—a union service. The edifice was beautifully decorated with evergreens, ferns, etc. Appropriate songs were sung, and talks were made. The following ministers beginning with Methodist and Baptist pastors, Revs. Sanders and Metcalf, Revs. E. L. Selman, J. M. Fortune, and A. S. Browning, all making splendid and appropriate talks. A collection amounting to about thirteen dollars was taken and equally divided between the Baptist and Methodist Orphanages. The congregation was then dismissed by Rev. W. I. Powers.—Enterprise.

Last Sunday was a red-letter day at the First Baptist church, this city. Large congregations both morning and evening service. Sunday school perhaps larger than ever before, unless on some special occasion. Bro. Cody, the superintendent, was delighted. At the celebration of the Lord's Supper the number of communicants exceeded anything witnessed in a long while. The membership seems to have taken new life and are moving forward in every line of work. The sermons of the pastor are so helpful and inspiring that the whole church seems to have caught the spirit of their leader and are following his leadership. We give God the glory.

The Baptist Young People's Union held its regular monthly social meeting with Miss Julia Ferrell on last Thursday evening, and it was well attended. Each one present came away with the impression that it was decidedly one of the most enjoyable affairs of the season. After the program was completed, which consisted of a prayer, hymns, a chapter, read by Miss Verina Ferrell, a paper, read by Mr. Phillips, and a solo by Miss Hallie Apsey, the young people employed the remainder of the evening informally and pleasantly as best suited them. The entire program was interesting, and it will be no disparagement of the other features to make special mention of the violin and piano selections by Miss Elise Minor and Miss Hallie Apsey, which were greatly enjoyed by every one present.—Eutaw Mirror.

The singular coincidence of the pastors of four of the churches of Florence all leaving the city about the same time is a remarkable incident illustrating the multitality of

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READ THIS.

Ripley, Tenn., June 1, 1901.—Dr. E. W. Hall, St. Louis, Mo. Having tried various remedies without satisfactory results, I was persuaded to give your "Wonder" a trial. I have used one bottle and although my case is one of long standing that baffled the skill of the best physicians, yet it yielded at once to the "Texas Wonder," which I heartily recommend to all suffering from kidney troubles. Yours truly, W. H. BAXTON, Pastor Baptist church, Ripley, Tenn. 28-31-1y

earthly things. Revs. Hall, Kirk and Kingham, of the Baptist, Presbyterian and Episcopal churches, respectively, have resigned their charges here during the present month, and will all leave about the same time; while Rev. Cullom Booth, by reason of the expiration of the conference year, leaves the pulpit of the First Methodist church vacant. This vacancy the conference at Anniston now in session will fill; but in the case of the other churches uncertainty necessarily exists. They will all commence to look around for pastors, but how long their pulpits will be vacant is a matter of conjecture. It is earnestly hoped that all these congregations may soon have acceptable ministers.—Florence Times.

Winter Revivals.

I recently closed a glorious meeting at Jemison with pastor Isaac Windsor. Last week we had another splendid meeting in Centerville. Why not have revivals in the winter as well as in the summer? There is no "times and seasons" in the salvation of a soul.

I had to cancel several engagements last summer, but have now fully regained my strength and am ready for a solid winter campaign. I would like to aid in a meeting every week or ten days this winter. No preference in churches; had as soon aid weak ones as the strong—only want to know God has impressed the church to invite me. Let us pray for a great awakening in Alabama this winter.

JOHN BASS SHELTON,
Montgomery, Ala.

The Orphanage.

The Orphanage needs your help as it has seldom needed it before, owing to the failure to collect about half the amounts pledged for the infirmarium. We have been obliged to use some of the current funds to even get the building under a roof. This has caused us to have a current debt. Will the friends remember that 72 children look to them for bread?

JNO. W. STEWART.

TYPEWRITERS—Easy Terms, large discounts. Rev. J. W. B. Brookside, Ala.

Southern Railway has inaugurated Pullman sleeping car line between Washington, D. C., and Atlanta, Ga., on their "Atlanta and New York Express" trains Nos. 33 and 34; first car southbound leaving Washington November 3rd; first car northbound leaving Atlanta November 5th, 1901.

This affords Pullman service on these trains through from Atlanta to New York, the Pullman cars having heretofore been attached to the Atlanta and New York Express at Charlotte, and no Pullman service between Charlotte and Atlanta.

From Middle Alabama.

At the last session of the Mulberry Association, October 1901, in Chilton county, nearly all the churches asked for letters looking to the formation of county Associations.

Rehoboth church, in Bibb county, did not call for letter, but invited all the churches that did not purpose going into the Chilton County Association to meet with us on Friday before the first Sunday in December, 1901, to consider the propriety of continuing the old Mulberry Association, or organizing a new one. And in answer to this call three out of the four churches in Bibb county, of the old Mulberry, met in the new building, together with brethren from other churches in Bibb county, November 29, 1901.

Rev. Geo. Freeman preached at 11 o'clock—John 3:9. Then a splendid dinner was served; and at 1:30 p. m. the council met; Bro. DeKalb Langston was made chairman, and Bro. J. C. Carley, secretary.

It developed that all the churches, except Rehoboth, favored a Bibb County Association, and we yielded. A motion then prevailed to meet at Antioch church, some ten miles east of Centerville, on Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in July, 1902, to organize, and your humble scribe was elected to preach a memorial sermon on the old Mulberry; and I will be very grateful for any information on the history of said Association that is available. I want the names of all her moderators; and how long they served.

Please send to James D. Martin, Lawley, Bibb county, Ala.

From Riverview.

I would like to beg a small space in your valuable paper to thank the brethren of the East Liberty Association for the warm-hearted and liberal response they gave to our call upon them for help in building our new house of worship at Riverview.

Riverview Baptist church is situated in the extreme northeast corner of Chambers county, at a factory town of about one thousand inhabitants. There are three different denominations with organized churches at this place. All meet in the same house, a small chapel built and controlled by the factory company.

The Baptist church was organized about four years ago with sixteen members, mostly women and children. Since that time they have been using the same house. We have grown some, but we, as Missionary Baptists, decided that we could not do the work we ought to do until we had a house of our own, therefore we came together and resolved that we would undertake to build a house of worship of our own, where the gospel of Christ could be preached to the needy in decency and in order.

We secured a nice building lot, convenient enough for all, just out of the business part of town; secured some material and commenced work on the building of a twelve or fifteen hundred dollar house, and the house is being built as fast as we can get means to build with. We don't hope to complete this house soon, but we do want to get it where we can use it.

We asked the churches composing the East Liberty Association to help us. At their last session, held at Jackson's Gap, they responded, by giving us over one hundred dollars. It was a God-send to our little struggling church, which only has about four members that own their homes; yet we have boys and girls that work daily in the mills; that have nothing but their daily earnings, who are giving from five to ten dollars each to complete this work.

We want to thank our brethren for what they have done for us, and we thank God daily for giving us such big-hearted Christian men and women. We feel grateful not only for the material aid given, but for warm words of encouragement that has made us stronger to go on with this herculean undertaking, for we know it is a big thing for a church like ours, very weak, numerically and financially, to undertake to build a twelve or fifteen hundred dollar house. But we are strong in faith and Christian zeal, and we believe God will put it in the hearts of brethren to help us. When King David purposed in his heart to build a house for the Lord, Nathan, the prophet, said to him go and do what is in thy heart for the Lord is pleased with thee, and we feel that the Lord is pleased with us in this, and will see that we are able to complete this work. We ask the help of any one who feels like it, but we earnestly beg all Christians to help us by their prayers—we need them.

J. R. BRADFELD,
November 30, 1901.


HOLIDAY RATES.

Southern Railway announces Christmas Holiday Rates between all points on its lines one and one-third first-class standard one-way fare for the round trip. Tickets to be sold December 23d, 24th, 25th, 30th, 31st, 1901, and January 1st, 1902; final limit January 3d, 1902.

To students of schools and colleges, upon presentation and surrender of certificates signed by Superintendents, Principals or Presidents of the various institutions, tickets at these rates will be sold December 16th to 22d, 1901, inclusive, with final limit January 8th, 1902.

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DECEMBER: CHINA.—"Thou wilt prepare their heart; thou wilt cause thine ear to hear, to judge the fatherless and the oppressed." Missionaries, 49; native assistants, 62; churches, 24; out-stations, 36; membership, 2,440; baptisms, 200; day schools, 26; scholars, 622; Sunday school scholars, 798; contributions, \$1,556.25.

STUDY TOPIC.—Southern, Central and North China Missions, S. B. C., where the missionaries labor. Medical mission work. The Chinese Baptist Publication Society. Losses and gains from the late "Boxer" riots. The character of that movement. Hopeful outlook.

A Christmas Message.

ANNIE W. ARMSTRONG.

The last message of the year 1901—what shall it be?

Angels sounded its key note when centuries ago, the shepherds were told: "Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour which is Christ the Lord."

The Christian world is now preparing to celebrate as our most joyous holiday, this great event, the central point in its history. Gladness and expectancy fill the air. Little ones talk in whispers over their plans and hopes. Parents are considering what gifts will be most appreciated by the children. Friends are on the alert for suggestions as to offerings for those they love. None are so poor but that they would give something to make the Christmas-tide brighter for somebody near and dear. Homes that are colorless if not really dark during the year are happier at this season. It is a time of giving and receiving. Yet, how strange that while year after year, earthly friends are kindly remembered. He who made the day what it is, whose coming has brought peace and joy to our hearts, is forgotten in many homes, is slightly remembered in others, receiving in but few the first and best gift!

The Christmas to which we are looking forward, being the first of a New Century, is a most appropriate time for reflections upon Christmas Giving. From personal experience, we know that the happiness of the family circle, the joy of children, the pleasure of friends is not dependent upon the amount expended, but upon the loving thought. We also know that the glad message to which the shepherds listened was intended for "all people"—all nations, all classes, throughout all ages. Yet, while we take up the glad strain:

"Glory to God in the Highest,
 Peace on earth, good will to men"

in the dark lands of heathendom, there are millions who have no heard that "unto you is born a Saviour." Why then should we hesitate to be true to ourselves and to those whom we influence, true to our God-given part in the wondrous plan of redemption, by placing the claims of Him

whose birth we celebrate, far above all others? What though we can not see Him at Christmas-tide! What though his voice is no longer heard by mortal ear! Love makes His presence felt, and causes His words to echo and re-echo in the hearts of those who would serve Him. In the picture and prophecy of the great judgment, did He not say "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these * * *, ye have done it unto me." Of the poor, thus classed as His representatives, surely none so needy as those without the bread of heaven, without the water of life, bound in the prison house of sin, sick and lonely in spirit, "without hope and without God." In behalf of such as these in China, the Foreign Board in its recommendations to Woman's Missionary Union of this year, makes special appeal. S. B. C. Missionaries who have returned to this field bear most encouraging testimony to the joy with which the glad tidings are being received. Mrs. T. C. Britton in a recent letter to the Corresponding Secretary W. M. U. writes: The work has been carried on constantly and with as much interest as before the Boxer troubles. The people are friendly and we have been made glad because of several additions." Another writes glowingly of the happiness which shone in the faces of the native Christians who welcomed her, and wishes "the sisters at home could meet these who have endured reviling, persecution and stood firm, not one recanting." True, many have returned evil for good. They have insulted us through ill-treatment of missionaries and converts, but they are blinded by sin and the compassionate, loving heart of our Saviour yearns for them. How great is their need of kindness, mercy, forgiveness! In remembrance of the "Inasmuch" of Him whose birth will soon be celebrated, the officers of Woman's Missionary Union now emphasize the appeal of the Foreign Mission Board for a Christmas offering for China. Nor is this all, but it is hoped that each woman and child in our Baptist South-land will

"Give as you would to the Saviour if you met His loving look.
 Give as you would if His dear hand the proffered offering took."

In past years, many have had a part in the Christmas Offering, but how many in planning for their Christmas giving have obeyed the command: "Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness"? Why not begin now to practice true giving? Not that which is confined to those of our own household and circle of friends, nor which is influenced by an artificial or conventional motive, but the giving, which prompted by great gladness because unto us a Saviour is born, will embrace "the least of these" who have no part in our Christmas joy. The giving which shall be an evidence to ourselves, our friends, our God that we do indeed regard Jesus of Nazareth as "the unspeakable Gift", the one to whom at Christmas-tide our heart's best love and best offerings shall be given.

Aspiration as a Success Winner.

There is always hope for a youth who aspires—who has a divine hunger for growth, a real affection for goodness, a longing to be better and to do better; who does right because he loves to; whose very soul yearns for the atmosphere of the good, the pure and the true.

Somewhat, everybody loves an aspiring soul that looks up, that longs for the light, that shuns darkness, that loves harmony and purity, and shrinks from discord and ugliness. Aspiration—the longing for the good, the beautiful, and the true—purifies the mind, clarifies the faculties, sharpens the intellect, and gives unity, purpose, and direction to the life. An aspirer does not dissipate his energy as does a groveler. His singleness of aim gives purity of purpose, and his transparency of character adds power to the life-en-

ergy, to the faculties; it gives confidence, and makes his success easier. A man who does not feel any need of shiftiness and sneaking, but stands out boldly in the light, fearing nothing but to do wrong, is the man who carries conviction and weight in a community.

It is astonishing how hard a wrong-doer works to succeed—the shifting to which he resorts to cover up his crookedness. The excuses and apologies which he is compelled to make, to cover up his tracks and conceal his real thoughts, are pitiable. How unfortunate it is, if a youth does not know when he stands upon the threshold of active life that absolute honesty and transparency of character are the quickest means of promotion; that integrity is the shortest road to success! Success.

The man who is close to the Lord is filled with gratitude and praise for all the blessings of life.

The Bitterness of Childhood.

When I get settled after tea
 With some big bully book.
 Ma, she'll commence to watch the clock.
 An' I'll oughter see her look!
 An' jes' when I get down to where
 The hero bees for bread,
 Ma's jes' as sure as fate to say,
 "It's time to go to bed."

Or, of pa knows a funny yarn
 What ain't for me to hear.
 An' gets so wrapped up tellin' ma
 He clean forgets I'm near.
 You'd better guess she shuts him up;
 She kinder shakes her head.
 Looks solemn like at me an' says,
 "It's time to go to bed."

An when they's company at night,
 Don't I wish I could stay
 Down stairs to watch the big folks an'
 I hear the things they say!
 But 'tain't no use a-sit-in things.
 For ma comes out ahead
 An' says to me afore them all,
 "It's time to go to bed."

I'd like to be an angel in
 A thing what's long an' white
 An' fly around when other folks
 Was sound asleep at night.
 But like as not ma, she'd wake up,
 An' pull me in the house as say,
 "It's time to go to bed."

—Florence E. Russell.

Fretful Child: "I want to look at the moon!"

Weary Father: "Well, why don't you? It is right up there in the sky. Look at it as much as you please."

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In this enormous grasping after earth God is largely, if not wholly, left out of consideration. Vast schemes are projected without him as co-partner. Most builders are erecting their Babylons irrespective of his existence and control. Fortunes are obtained without regard to his portion in their distribution. The god of this world, not the God of Heaven, is too generally served and honored. Usually, men plan, plan and operate according to the laws of trade, not according to the principles of right and truth, which the Scriptures inculcate. Nations, as well as individuals, for the most part consult what seems to be for their own immediate interests, not for the needs and requirements of Christ's Kingdom. Onward movements are ordinarily inaugurated as if there were no God and no accountability.—Presbyterian.

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Dr. H. G. Seller and Miss Effie Day were united in wedlock at the home of the bride's parents near Flint, Ala., Nov. 27th, 1901. Rev. F. M. Yeager, pastor of the Baptist church, performed the ceremony. The happy couple left on the afternoon train for a visit to the home of the groom's parents, carrying with them the very heartiest congratulations and best wishes of their many friends here. JULIA LEE GIBSON.

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Names.	Sermons.
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Arnold, H. R.	6
Barkley, P. C.	6
Barnard, F.	2
Beal, J. A.	8
Colley, J. O.	2
Crutcher, M. H.	3
Darden, W. A.	0
Davis, W. T.	4
Emfinger, A. E.	1
Fenn, E.	2
Gross, A. J.	4
Jackson, J. L.	6
Knight, W. L.	0
Langston, O. P.	2
Loftin, A. F.	0
Neal, T. V.	8
Ray, T. D.	2
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OBITUARIES.

We print one hundred word resolutions, obituaries or death notices free, and for every word over this number we charge one cent a word.

Died, at Trinity, Ala., on the 26th day of November, Miss Viola Gunn Burdette, aged 18 years. The deceased was a member of the Baptist church, and a faithful, good Christian, loved and admired by all who knew her. She was the daughter of C. T. Burt and wife and the grand-daughter of the writer.

JACKSON GUNN.

God in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to remove from our midst Miss Hettie Holston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Holston. She was a consistent member of the Baptist church and had just passed seventeen summers.

Resolved 1st, That while earth has lost one of its brightest charms, heaven has gained its own. Hettie was one of the purest types of Christian character we ever knew; so meek, so kind, and so devoted to brothers and sisters, father and mother.

Resolved 2nd, That in her the church has lost a Christian example, the Sunday school a good helper, and, while we weep on the earthly side of the grave, we commit her without fear to Him who doeth all things well.

Resolved 3rd, That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the church, one tendered to the bereaved family, and one sent to the ALABAMA BAPTIST for publication.

J. M. Ford,
J. R. Holbrook,
J. J. Stivender,
Committee.

Mrs. Julia Bolling was born July 12, 1838, joined the Baptist church early in life, lived a consistent Christian, and died at her residence in Selma, Ala., of paralysis, October 20th, 1901. She was a member of the Second Baptist church. The Woman's Missionary Union adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved 1st, That this Society has lost a valuable member; one who was always ready to do the duty assigned her; one who was prompt in her attendance, a personal friend. We will miss our dear sister in her noble and unselfish labor and companionship; but we know our loss is her gain, and we bow in submission to the will of the Lord, who doeth all things well.

Resolved 2nd, That we place a copy of these resolutions on the minute book of the Society, and have them published in the ALABAMA BAPTIST.

Mrs. A. M. Turner.

Mrs. Laura J. Williams.

Committee.

In Memory of Anne Nagoe Lee.

The news that Anne had passed away was a shock to her many friends. She was so young, so bright, such a ray of sunshine, that it is hard to realize that we will never see her any more. She graduated from the dear old Jackson in 1900, and the following January was married to Mr. Ed. Lee, of West Perry. She died Friday, November 22, 1901, at her home near Marion, and on Saturday afternoon they laid her to rest in the cemetery near the home where she was born, and near the church where so often she had met to worship her Savior, for she was a true follower of Him. She left to the care of those who loved her a baby boy a week old. She possessed that sweetness of temper and kind consideration for all about her, which made her a general favorite with all who knew her.

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A. B. L.

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