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AT THE

**ALABAMA NORMAL COLLEGE,**  
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To Teachers and Candidates for Teachers' Certificates:

The Alabama Normal College will have a Review Term from the 20th of March to the 9th of July—four school months.

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For teachers, the charge for board during the Review Term will be ten dollars per school month, and a normal fee of one dollar and seventy cents per term paid at entrance; also a physician's fee of one dollar. There will be no charge for Tuition except for Instrumental Music, Voice Culture and Special lessons in painting and Drawing.

The Board of Examiners state that the papers sent in by the students of this college are among the best that they receive. Ninety-four per cent of the students of the Alabama Normal College who tried the State examination up to 1901 obtained certificates. The percentage since that time cannot be exactly ascertained; but is probably not less favorable.

A State Examination will be held in the college hall July 7th, 8th and 9th.

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## BIRMINGHAM NEWS.

The lecture of Mr. Robert Bonsall to the Sunday school teachers of Birmingham have been greatly enjoyed, and we doubt not, have proven exceedingly helpful to all who have been so fortunate as to hear them. It does not take his hearers long to learn that Mr. Bonsall is an enthusiastic Sunday school man, and that he has been an earnest student and discriminating observer of the needs of teachers and the best methods of teaching. We believe that his coming has been a great blessing to the Sunday school teachers of Birmingham, and can most heartily commend him and his work to any people desiring really solid, practical, helpful lectures or teaching.

The Union prayer services being held at the First Presbyterian Church preparatory to the coming of Evangelist Munhall have been very helpful. Dr. Munhall is expected as we go to press and we hope to give our readers some account of his preaching in our next issue. Will not Christians of all denominations pray for a great revival in Birmingham? There is no greater field for such work than this busy, populous city and section and the needs are very great indeed. Dear brethren, pray for these meetings.

The Birmingham Medical College held its closing exercises in the Jefferson theatre last Friday night. Dr. R. M. Cunningham, the orator of the Faculty, delivered the final oration. The graduating class was composed of the following: Doctors L. L. Lee, pres.; L. Gary, vice-pres.; L. L. Starkey, sec'y and treas.; C. L. Murphree, valedictorian; Chas. N. Carraway, Rufus B. Fore, E. K. Hanby and M. J. Williams. Success to the young medici. May each be a "Luke the beloved physician."

Rev. John E. Barnard is assisting Pastor Watson in a series of revival meetings at Pratt City. Brother Barnard is preaching with great earnestness and power, and the meetings are steadily increasing in interest. Prospects as far as man can judge are most hopeful.

East Lake Church has set a pace for the churches of this section—\$1,400 for missions. Good! And Woodlawn comes out a good second with \$1,200. Two of the happiest men in this section of the country are pastors Blackwelder and Shelburne.

Yesterday was a great day at the South Side Baptist Church, for it was then that contributions were made for the mission work. Rev. A. C. Davidson, pastor of the church, is highly gratified at the amount contributed.—News.

## STATE NEWS.

Montevallo, Ala., March 21, 1902.  
Dear Brother: I completed my month's supply at Selma last Sunday. Am here for a day or so, go to Florida for a few days, and then back to Indiana.  
Yours truly,  
E. G. Shouse.

Brother W. L. White is preaching some stirring sermons to the saints at Northport, and there is some talk of having him preach there full time. That is the proper thing to do, and they are well able to do it—but Vance and Woodstock would object.

Brother G. W. Lovell, of Wylam, is pastor at Cottondale and is doing a fine work up there. They have already paid their pledge to our Associational mission work. Brethren Ray and Stamps spent the fourth Sunday with them. Brother Ray preaching morning and night.

The Rev. R. A. J. Cumbie and wife left Saturday for Pittsboro, where the former will preach Sunday; and from there they will visit his wife's mother a few days; then to Dadeville to spend a few days with his daughter. In all, he will be absent about two weeks. We hope for him a pleasant visit.—Union Springs Herald.

### A Model School.

Prof. James Walker teaches a model school a few miles from Alexander City, known as the M. I. Academy. Very few, if any men are brighter and better trained in schools than he is. He impresses pupils with strict exactness, the importance of abstaining from all vice, whisky, tobacco, cigarettes etc., and all stimulating beverages. The Bible is studied and taught in his school and its truths deeply impressed on the minds of the children. Music song and prayer are chief in his work as they stand properly related to the Bible. Pictures of the good and great hang on the walls of his school room in connection with others, to inspire laudable ambition. He is a Baptist of the true type, liberal with his money to vindicate the right, recently giving ten dollars to a good, aged man of God. With heart to heart and hand, he has stood faithfully by me, in my work. It is pleasant to go in his school room.  
W. R. Whatley.

### Marriages.

Miss Connie Griffin to Samuel McKinley, both of Franklin, Monroe county, Ala., Nov. 24, 1901. Miss Cladie Watson to W. T. Thames, near Chestnut, Ala., Jan 16, 1902. Miss Lula Salter to Clada Kearley, Beunavista, Ala., Jan, 22, 1902. Miss Carrie Lambkin to S. H. Watt, Nadawah, Ala., Feb. 9, 1902. Miss Sallie Matt McNeil to Lee Simmons, Axle, Ala., Feb. 27, 1902, Rev. A. P. Majors officiating.  
May prosperity be in their hands and happiness in their homes.

## DOMESTIC NEWS.

Dr. S. Y. Jameson, Secretary of the State Board of Missions of the Georgia Baptist Convention, resigns that position to accept the call of the First Baptist Church, of Griffin, Ga.\*

Rev. Rufus P. Johnston, D.D., pastor of the Fifth Avenue Church, has consented to preach the annual sermon before the American Seamen's Friend Society of New York, in his church on Sunday morning, April 27.—The Examiner.

Over in Kentucky a Baptist church was raising money for the payment of a debt for which it was mortgaged to the extent of \$3,000. Instead of putting the money, as raised, in a savings bank, or other safe hands, they put it into the hands of an investment company which was to give them "three dollars in return for one" invested. Of course the company failed, and now the holder of the mortgage forecloses for the amount of his claim. Baptists are not all gulls, but some of them are amazingly gullible.—Journal and Messenger.

### Oklahoma.

I have to report two Baptist churches and a new Baptist preacher in Woodward county. February 13th we organized with fifteen members at Weston, 30 miles southeast of Woodward. Brother M. R. Vontana was elected clerk. There are enough Baptists in reach of them to double the membership. Brother Vontana offers ground for the erection of a meeting house.

February 26 an organization was formed at May, 35 miles northwest of Woodward, with twenty-two members. Mrs. Julia Enlow was chosen clerk and J. J. Hall and J. C. Enlow deacons. Four of these members were added by baptism, and among these were Rev. Edward R. Williams and wife. Brother Williams comes to us from the Methodists, among whom he has been a preacher for nearly twenty years in Kansas and Oklahoma. He is a preacher of fine ability and a good singer. Within an hour from the time of his baptism Sunday, March 2, the church licensed him to preach, and called him to its pastorate for half time. A council for his ordination will be called about April 9. This church starts out vigorously and is planning to build this summer. We hope to organize one or two more churches in this vicinity right away.—Word and Way.

### Chapel Car.

Chapel car "Evangel" is now at Ft. Gibson, I. T. This is one of the oldest towns in the Indian Territory, and the Baptists have never tried to do anything here. The congregations have grown so large the car will not hold them, and have been moved to the Presbyterian church. Quite a number of Baptists have already been found. The meeting is being conducted by Bro. J. S. Thomas, manager of the car.—I. T. Baptist

## FOREIGN NEWS.

A new Spanish cabinet was formed last week with Senor Sagasta as Premier. \* \* King Edward has notified the mayors of London that £30,000 has been put at their disposal, and that he invites them to make the necessary arrangements to entertain the very poor to the number of 500,000 at a luncheon during coronation week. \* \* Prince Henry reached home from his trip to America on Tuesday of last week. \* \* Russia and France have issued a joint declaration that the Anglo-Japanese treaty is in accord with their policy. \* \* A Constantinople dispatch says that Turkey has refused to pay to the United States the amount of Miss Ellen M. Stone's ransom. \* \* Several Venezuelan towns are besieged by insurgents, and the condition is reported serious for the government. \* \* A rare edition of William Caxton's "Royal Book for a King" brought \$11,125 at a London auction last week. \* \* A rebellion against the government exists in Southern China. It seems to have assumed some proportions, but has not as yet affected any foreigners.—Religious Herald.

What of the Baptist cause in this city of Vienna, with its teeming population? About thirty years ago a small and insignificant Baptist mission was started, which resulted in the formation of a weak and struggling Baptist church, which kept on weak and struggling, chiefly for want of adequate means of support and a suitable house of worship. Within the last ten years, however, the work has come into a new state of spiritual prosperity, and since the going to this important field by Rev. H. Koch, the son-in-law of the honored Dr. Philip Bickel, who is at the head of our Publication Society in Germany, and who has done such noble and self-sacrificing work in our German Baptist cause abroad, the work in Vienna has been greatly prospered. Mr. Koch, who is an able preacher and a man of real power, with marked executive ability, has in the six years of his pastorate in Vienna, in spite of all outward hindrances, been signally blessed by the Lord in baptizing 130 persons into the church, which now numbers 225 members, and has two preaching stations in the city in rented halls at an annual expense of \$500.—The Standard.

President Remsen, in his inaugural address at the Johns Hopkins University, showed with great clearness and force the true connection between "academic training and practical work." He made it plain that the so-called practical man is dependent on the work done in the classroom and the laboratory for his success. The thinker is always before the thought. Theory is before practice, and he who affects to belittle the studies of the college betrays the narrowness of his own mind.



**OUR SERMON.**

By Rev. N. S. Jones.



Rev. N. S. Jones.

"If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me."—Math xvi:24.

God wants everybody saved. If any man goes out of this house tonight and goes down to hell it will be his own fault. Some men can't get riches, others can't get health, and still others will never be famous, but there is not a man that can't get eternal life. Your poverty and ignorance need not damn you, neither will your leprosy of sin turn the face of God from you and send you down to hell.

"God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have eternal life."

Will you come? If ANY MAN will come after me. Here is the sweeping invitation, as broad as time, and as deep as eternity.

God does not deal with man as if he were a brute, but as a rational and responsible being. Free agency has never been torn from its throne. It may have staggered and reeled like a drunken man, but it must rise again and again, and face the awful responsibility of time and eternity. What would your hypocritical following of Christ be worth when there was no willingness in it? You might follow Him for the fishes and loaves, or from the fear of going down to hell, but at last the horrors of hell would take hold of you.

**Give Up Your Way.**

Self-denial is a fundamental principle in the Christian religion. The Son of God exemplified the great doctrine when He left the courts of Heaven, clothed Himself in flesh, suffered and died upon the cross.

The association of angels and splendors of Heaven were His, and these things He gave up, for the redemption of a ruined world.

He might have walked the streets of gold throughout an endless eternity,

and left us to go down to eternal night, but pity, love and mercy brought Him to our rescue. He gave up the blessed associations of Heaven, suffered the shame of the cross and the pang of death to teach us the greatest truth in the world, that "Man doth not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." We may feed the flesh and lose the soul. "Flesh and blood cannot inherit the Kingdom of Heaven." "But the soul shall return to God who gave it," either to be blessed or damned forever. "He that saveth his life shall lose it." Is self-preservation the first law? It depends upon what you mean by self. If you mean the flesh, its gratification, and the lusts thereof, it were better that you had never been born than to live to this end.

The greatest victory ever won by any man was on the day when he conquered self. The carnal mind is enmity against God, not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. Deny thyself and this day begin to live for God and for righteousness.

**Will You Carry the Cross.**

Most people are willing for the cross to be carried, but prefer that some one else carry it. There can be no greater honor in this world than for God to count us worthy to bear and to suffer for Him, and let us count it all joy. My brother, take up the cross with joy. It may at times feel too heavy for you, but bear it nobly, and God will not let you faint under it. One day you will lay it down, not to be crucified there, but by the power that was wrought upon it; rise to the eternal home of the blood-washed throng.

"They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk and not faint."

"If any man will come after me, let

him deny himself, and take up his cross daily and follow Me." "Him that cometh unto Me I will in no wise cast out." "I am the root and the offspring of David, the bright and morning star. And the Spirit and the Bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst Come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely."

**Sketch of Rev. N. S. Jones.**

Rev. N. S. Jones is a North Carolinian. He was educated at Wake Forest College and the Baptist Theological Seminary. After leaving the Seminary he filled country pastorates in North Carolina for four years, after which he began a pastorate in Salisbury, N. C., which lasted about six years and was signally blessed. Following that, he was pastor at Winston and Tarboro, coming from the latter place to this State and the pastorate of Montevallo church, where for more than three years his work has been abundantly blessed and honored of God. He now goes back to North Carolina, where the Burlington church will welcome him as its leader in the great work.

Whereas, Bro. N. S. Jones, the pastor of the Baptist Church, after careful consideration, and through the guidance of the Great Ruler, has seen fit to

**President A. K. Yancey.**

It will be a source of profound sorrow in Alabama, as well as in Missouri and Virginia, to learn that this distinguished educator is no more. He had been in failing health for some time, and a year ago planned for a season of rest in Florida. On Tuesday, February 4, he passed away, after a long season of suffering, in the sixty-seventh year of his age. He kept about his work up to within a few days of his death, but he doubtless knew that the inevitable was not far away.

I first became acquainted with Professor Yancey in Richmond, Va. The first time I ever saw him was when he wedded Miss Gasena Watkins, the accomplished daughter of Henry W. Watkins, and the leading soprano in the choir of the First Baptist Church of that city. It was a love match, and the beginning of a long and happy wedded life. The Yanceys were among the prominent Virginia families and so were the Watkinses. A. K. was educated at the University of Virginia, and soon after his marriage he took up his life work, the education of women. He had large and noble conceptions of the possibilities of thoroughly educated women, but he was no visionary. He was a master of detail, and kept a steady hand on the business part of his calling, but he was satisfied with nothing short of the best class-room work.

For six years he was president of the Alabama Female College at Tuscaloosa, and during that time I had opportunity of becoming acquainted with both his ideals and his methods. His modesty amounted almost to a shrinking from publicity, and only those who came into touch with his work knew how thoroughly and how conscientiously he was doing it.

In the winter of 1883-4, if I remember rightly, I was approached in a railway car in Florida (where I was enjoying a short vacation), by an elderly gentleman of distinguished bearing, who asked if I was a physician. On receiving a negative answer, he still had

sever his relation with us; and in so much as he has endeared himself to us as a preacher, whose discourses are elevating, persuasive, and incentives to higher conceptions of life; as a pastor that is kind, tender, sympathetic and unsparing in his relations to the people; as an organizer and director of the church forces for good, and as a financier through whose efforts the church has been able to discharge all financial obligations; and as a Christian gentleman whose life has exhaled a healthy moral influence, and whose generous impulses and gentle manners are in every respect exemplary, be it resolved: (1) That in his departure from our midst, as individuals we will severely feel the loss of his warm and personal friendship. (2) That our town and community sustains the loss of an upright man and a true citizen. (3) That the Church will be deprived of the services of a most efficient minister, and a sympathetic pastor. (4) That copies of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the church, and published in the "Sentinel" and "Alabama Baptist."

(Signed)

T. B. Ward,  
H. D. Latham,  
Chas. Davidson,  
J. H. McMath,  
M. P. Jeter,  
John Adams,

Committee.

a question in his look, and I volunteered the information that I was pastor of the First Baptist Church of Columbus, Ga. At that his face brightened, he forgot his temporary ailment, introduced himself and then introduced me to his wife. He was Governor Hardin, of Missouri. The burden of his heart was the college which he had built and endowed in his own town of Mexico. He told me that he was on a "still hunt" for a president. He described the man he wanted and asked me if I knew such a one. I said "Yes, Governor, I believe I do; but I don't know whether he can be moved or not." Instantly he replied: "Give me his address." And he said it with an air that meant "I'll move him." And move him he did. The announcement soon went the rounds of the papers that President Yancey was going to Missouri. And there he did the greatest work of his life. Governor Hardin stood faithfully by him. The college facilities were enlarged, the curriculum was broadened, the standard of excellence was raised, until Hardin College stood the leading Baptist Woman's College in the West. It stands today a monument to the breadth and liberality of its founder, and the skill and wisdom of its great president.

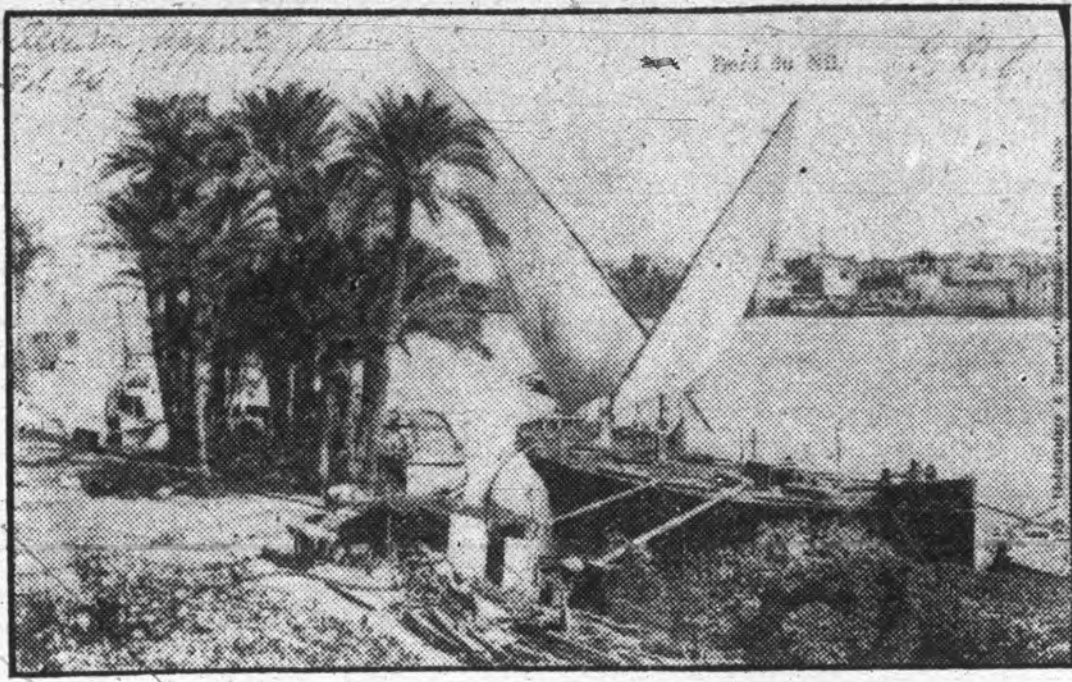
"Happy the man who finds his work." President Yancey found his. Thorough culture, added to the nameless charm of high breeding, and a quenchless zeal for his work, made him almost an ideal president for a college for women. He was a gentleman of the old school, with the guilelessness of a little child. His graduates all over the South and West will cherish his memory while life lasts.

This humble tribute to his memory must not be closed without at least a word for the noble woman whose smile of approval was his richest earthly reward. How faithfully and sympathetically she toiled with him only those knew who came within the charmed circle. With two daughters she survives him. God be gracious to them!

S. M. Provence.



## A Glimpse of the Orient.



ASSUAM, UPPER EGYPT.

From a Postal Card Dated Feb. 26th, and Received by Rev. C. A. Stakely From Dr. Geo. B. Eager.

Cairo, Egypt, March 5, 1902.

My Dear Brother Barnett: I am just on the back-threshold of the most novel and wonderful and awe-inspiring experience of travel I have ever had—three weeks of ideal sight-seeing in Egypt! Perfect weather and perfect health, together with the most congenial companionship, have made the whole experience to approximate perfection. The quarantine that shut us out of Palestine for the time and changed our plans and those of many others, has seemed to prove a blessing in disguise, in this, at least, that it shut us up to Egypt at a time of all others when it is delightful to be in Egypt, and promised to put us in Palestine when weather conditions, at least, would be far more favorable than they could be during February and the first half of March.

Now we sail for Beyrout—to be in quarantine there four days or less, and then to go to Joffa and Jerusalem to pursue our travels and our studies at

will. So far I have found since this new-old world of the Orient flashed upon our vision, so strange, so bewildering, so enchanting, almost no time for writing, save to jot down my experiences and impressions in my notebooks and write letters to loved ones. Now I hope to have time and opportunity to put some of my gathered material of experience and thought into some of the promised letters of travel from the Orient for your columns.

Bear with me for the delay in sending the letters so that they might appear in a series without a break. The traveler proposes and the Turk disposes—setting the boundaries of his quarantine where he pleases.

I trust I may be able to send what may appear as "weekly letters" hereafter, letters from Egypt, Palestine and Syria, and later a few from Europe.

With love for friends and brethren, for dear old Alabama, and for my native land, "Sweet Land of Liberty," I am,

Sincerely yours,

Geo. B. Eager.

## Pen Picture of an Honored Tennessee Layman.

By Rev. Lansing Burrows, D.D.

Maj. John Wilson Thomas is a native of Nashville, sprung from a sturdy Carolina stock, and inheriting much of the personal valor and noble characteristics of an ancestry which wrought to effect upon the battlefields of the Revolutionary struggle. Independence being achieved, a new home was sought by the immediate forebears of Major Thomas in the new but inviting territory west of the great mountain ranges, and thus he became a native of what once was known as the "Deceded Territory," when his people pressed into the new settlements upon the banks of the Cumberland. Here he was born about the year 1832, when Tennessee had become one of the fairest of the union of States. He had the inestimable advantage of a pious parentage; the influence of a godly mother was particularly impressed upon him, and he was led in early life to accept her teachings and practically apply them in his daily living. He made a profession of religion in his early days, and has remained faithful to the doctrines carefully instilled into him through parental solicitude. He had the opportunity of a practical mental training under one of the best educators in the South, by whom he was prepared for college. He first attended Georgetown College in Kentucky, where he made a fine record for scholarship. An epidemic brought his studies in that institution to a close, and he returned to Tennessee to finish his collegiate course in the old Union University at Murfreesboro, graduating with the highest distinction in 1851, and becoming a tutor for three years in that institution.

The days of his young manhood were simple, devoid of the show and glitter of mere extraneous circumstance, and wherein the estimate of a man was based up sterling worth, diligent attention to any honorable calling and straightforward administration of affairs. When the necessity appeared to care for himself, the opportunity presented itself in the management of the hotel at Murfreesboro, an enterprise checked by a disastrous fire, which left

him practically penniless. Through the aid of friends who were impressed with his indomitable energy and manly courage, the way was opened to the management of the dining station upon the railway leading from Nashville to Chattanooga. From this apparently humble beginning the young man mounted step by step until he reached the presidency of that great artery of commerce. At the commencement of the war he had become agent of the railway at Murfreesboro. When the notable battle at that place was fought, the affairs of the road had naturally become disarranged. It was needful to save as much of the rolling stock as possible; the movement of trains was abandoned and portions of the road destroyed. Major Thomas was given charge of the property that could be removed, and amid the gravest difficulties and obstacles he succeeded in bringing off all the portable property and carrying it southward, and so faithful was he to his trust that at the close of the war much of it was returned for use. He was rewarded by being constituted auditor and paymaster of the reorganized railway, and three years afterward became the general superintendent. This position he occupied from 1868 to 1884, when he was made president and general manager of the whole system, which at that time covered 554 miles.

From this time the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis Railroad began to achieve its distinction as being one of the most important links between East and West. The new president threw himself with remarkable activity into every department of work, mastering many details, and, as occasion required, bravely meeting every emergency, from handling the throttle of an engine to fencing with the diplomatic railway magnates in their offices, comprehending the details of mechanical work and the intricacies of financial management; pushing spurs into the coal beds of the flanking mountain ranges, creating valuable connections with adjoining systems, adding smaller roads to the main trunk, penetrating

into Georgia by a wise utilization of the road owned by the State of Georgia, and reaching out to Memphis on the west by acquiring a road that promised little financial returns for its projectors, until in less than twenty years he had an admirably equipped line reaching from Atlanta on the east to Memphis and Hickman and Paducah, Ky., on the west, and covering 1200 miles of solid road-bed constructed according to the most approved rules of engineering and greatly increasing the value of the property in the stock exchanges. Through all this formative period of a great railway his spirit and genius was so recognized that it has become literally true, as the common expression goes, that it is "Thomas's road."

Maj. Thomas as a man interests even more. No man enjoys such unbounded popularity among all classes. His employees regard him with a species of worshipful esteem. Easily approached, he is the incarnation of justice in dealing with men. He is transparently frank, always courteous to the humblest, but exacting in a degree where faithful administration of trust is required. The man who will be diligent and faithful in discharge of duty finds a sincere friend in him; but the shirk or indifferent do not find an unreasonable oppressor. His eye is upon every detail of the complicated business which he directs with the hand of a master.

The early training of Maj. Thomas, with an inherited talent and subsequent wide reading and observation, have combined to make of him an exceedingly interesting speaker, and on occasions where his views are desirable, he is entertaining as well as instructive. There are no great oratorical gifts, but what is better, the power of expressing his views with a limpid clearness and choice diction which is impressive and conclusive. Few men have the power of getting to the bottom of a situation and in few words defining its needs and remedies than he. The idea evolved from his brain is set forth without obscuration of verbiage. He says what he means, and there is no room for mis-

understanding, and usually his statement is the end of controversy.

As a member of the First Baptist Church of Nashville, Maj. Thomas is loyal to its interests, a constant and sincere friend of its pastor, a liberal contributor to its needs, a ready counsellor in its emergencies and problems, and a constant attendant on its Sabbath services, morning and night, and a familiar figure in its prayermeetings. When his seat is vacant in any of these gatherings it is because pressing duties have called him away from the city or some emergency has arisen in which conscientious regard for duty has demanded his presence. His manly qualities have given him an unbounded influence in the commercial affairs of his native city and State, and he shines with no less luster in this phase of his many-sided character. A zealous citizen, a sincere friend, a master of details, an expert in his vocation, and withal an humble disciple of Christ—these go to make up an almost ideal character.

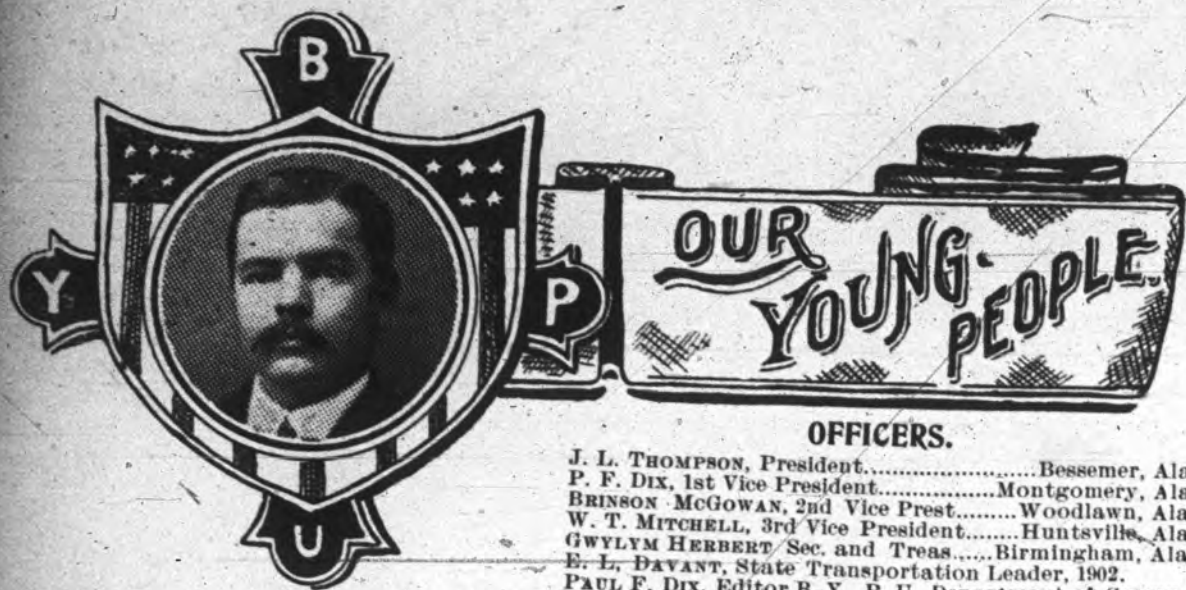
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## March.

## BAPTIST UNION.

Monday 31. Ephesians 5:15-33. "Making melody with your heart to God" (v. 19). Compare I Cor. 14:15.

## April.

Tuesday 1. Ephesians 6. The armor of those who have grace and knowledge. Compare II Cor. 6:4-7.

Wednesday 2. I Timothy 1. The purpose of the charge (v. 5). Compare II Tim. 2:22.

Thursday 3. I Timothy 2. Who desires that all come to a knowledge of the truth? (v. 4.) Compare II Tim. 2:24-26.

Friday 4. I Timothy 3. The pillar and ground of the truth (v. 15). Compare II Tim. 2:19.

Saturday 5. I Timothy 4. Why we labor and strive (v. 10). Compare I Tim. 6:17.

Sunday 6. Prayer Meeting. Growing in Grace and Knowledge. II Peter 3:17, 18; I Peter 2:1, 2; Ephesians 4:12-15.

S. S. Lesson. Saul of Tarsus Converted. Acts 9:1-12.

## Sylacauga Union.

We take the liberty of publishing below a letter just received from one of Sylacauga's enthusiastic workers. Would that we had more such unions and more such workers. Unions that are doing something and workers who are willing to tell about it. We trust we shall hear from the union workers more regularly:

## Sylacauga.

"Our Union is doing good work. We meet every Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m. and spend one hour studying the Bible, singing and praying; we have also original papers read, recitations, special songs, short talks by members, etc.

"Never before during the six years of

its existence has our union been so well attended. The interest is all that could be desired and we feel like we are going forward especially as we find ourselves for the first time in our history "Giving." You will find enclosed one dollar on the debt; it ought to be more; I wish it was five or ten, but why can't every union in the State give one dollar? With the greater gifts from our banner unions like the First church in Montgomery would, added to the "dollars," make more than the fifty promised.

"Much of the success of the union depends on the Program Committee; if they do their work conscientiously and if in notifying the persons who take part they will add a few kind words of encouragement they will find very little trouble in getting their programs carried into effect.

"Our officers are Mr. Batson, president; Miss Wallace, secretary; Mr. Langley, treasurer; Mr. Oharo, Miss Gross, Miss Barnes, Program Committee."

## Bro. Dix's Misfortune.

No one would think from the cheerful tone of our B. Y. P. U. page that Brother Dix is suffering intense pain from a fractured knee cap, but that is like him to hide his own suffering and give good cheer to others. We sincerely trust no other harm will follow our brother's misfortune, and that the wound may speedily heal.

## B. Y. P. U. Paragraphs.

A new Union has been organized at Carmi, Ill.

The Union at Russellville, Ky., has sixty members on its roll.

The next meeting of the B. Y. P. U. Convention of Mississippi will be held at Oxford.

The Union of the First church, Danville, Va., has been reorganized with F. M. Brown as president.

In the State there are 130,000 white Baptists and about 180,000 colored Baptists. Out of this number only 297 take the Baptist Union.

The President of the State B. Y. P. U. will be glad to give any information about the organization of Unions. Write him at Bessemer.

Let every one who can, attend the National Convention at Providence, R. I., this year. The roads will give a rate of one fare for the round trip.

It has been quite a long time since Vice President Mitchell, of Huntsville, has told us anything about the Unions in his section of the State.

The monthly social of the Union of the Bessemer church will not occur in March. Under existing circumstances it was deemed wise to postpone it till April.

The Unioners of Indiana are looking forward with much interest to the meeting of their State Rally on June 19th, at Woodruff Place church, Indianapolis.

Organize a Union in your church at once. Write to the B. Y. P. U. A., 324 Dearborn St., Chicago, for model Constitution and such other literature as you may need.

It would be a right nice thing for the Union to arrange to send the pastor to the Southern Baptist Convention. Bring the matter before your Union at its next meeting.

Jellico, Tenn., will have the honor of entertaining the District Convention of the B. Y. P. U. April 9th-11th. Dr. J. G. Bow, once pastor at Enfaula, is one of the speakers.

The papers tell us that the young people of South Carolina are all astir with enthusiasm over their approach-

ing State Convention which meets at Gaffney on April 3d.

Pastor Bentley has recently organized a Union in his church at Lanett. No pastor in the State is more in sympathy with the work of the young people than Brother Bentley.

It is time for our young people to begin to plan for the next meeting of our State B. Y. P. U. In planning your trip for the summer, do not leave this convention off the list.

There has been no response to the suggestion to resurrect the Union that once existed in the Birmingham district. What do you say about it, brethren? Who will be the first to speak out?

For some time we have been expecting to hear from the Union at Troy. Several months ago we received inquiries about literature, etc., but we have heard nothing more. Was the organization effected?

Nothing has been done yet about the Birmingham District Union. Will not Drs. Davidson and Dickinson bring the matter before their young people? Then let the other pastors in the district take up the matter.

Bro. O. M. Sutton writes to inquire about literature for the organization of a Union in his church at Tuskegee. This is a movement in the right direction, and Sutton has the "push" to make it a success.

The regular business and social meeting of the B. Y. P. U. of the First church, Montgomery, was held on the evening of the 13th at the home of Miss Janie L. Rivers, 716 Madison avenue. These meetings are held monthly.

Rev. W. B. Crumpton will lecture for the B. Y. P. U. of Bessemer on April 7th. Subject: "The Original Tramp." The lecture is a most thrilling and interesting one. It is so pronounced by those who have heard it.

Very informing and interesting are the "B. Y. P. U. Paragraphs" in The Alabama Baptist. Bro. Paul F. Dix, of Montgomery, is the writer.—Baptist Argus. We take off our hat and make our best bow to the Argus.

The cheering news reaches this department of the good work that is being done by the Union at Auburn. O. I. Hudson is the president. We naturally expect to hear just such things from the church presided over by the Auburn Bishop.

"The Baptist" of Mississippi has inaugurated a B. Y. P. U. Department with the following staff: Rev. W. P. Price, editor, with Rev. R. L. Bunyard, Prof. A. J. Aven, Rev. H. C. Rosamond and Mrs. R. L. Bunyard as associate editors.

Those who need excellent help in preparation for the devotional meetings can get just what they want by writing to Dr. J. M. Frost of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., for the B. Y. P. U. Quarterly. It costs only six cents a quarter.

Many hearts will be saddened as they read the obituary of "Aunt Duckie" Fluker. She was a member of the Union in her church. Though she was seventy-seven years of age, she was one of its most active members. We will miss her at our next convention.

Mr. Charles E. Eberman, General Field Secretary of the United Society

of Christian Endeavor, had a forty-five minutes heart to heart talk with the Montgomery Endeavorers in the lecture room of the Central Presbyterian church on the evening of March 19th.

Dr. B. D. Gray, President of Georgetown College, formerly pastor of the First church, Birmingham, will deliver an address before the next meeting of the Louisville Union on April 11th. All Alabama is interested in Dr. Gray. It is right hard for us to forgive him for leaving us.

Will some one please tell us through the B. Y. P. U. Department of the Alabama Baptist how to conduct a Christian Culture Class? There is no doubt but that this department of our young people's work ought to receive more attention than is given it by most of our pastors.

No announcement has been made yet of the meeting of the Southern B. Y. P. U. Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, but no doubt it will be held as usual on the day preceding the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention, and all of our Unions ought to send a delegation.

Every Union should have a Flower Committee. This committee can be very useful in preparing flowers for the pulpit on Sunday, and also for the meetings of the Union. Don't be afraid to put flowers in your church. How many hearts have been cheered by the coming of the Flower Committee into the sick room.

## Young Men Wanted.

The young man who can write a good, plain, legible hand, who is a competent stenographer or book-keeper, who can spell accurately, and is energetic and reliable, is in demand today.

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## WOMAN'S WORK

Send all Communications for this Department to Mrs. D. M. Malone, East Lake, Ala.

### Foreign Missions.

It was my privilege to hear Dr. Wil-  
lingham before the Woman's Mission-  
ary Union of the S. B. C. in New Or-  
leans last May, and, although months  
have passed, those thoughts are still  
vivid in my mind, it seems almost as if  
it were yesterday. I shall never forget  
the impressions made evidently on the  
hearts of all present. In his quiet, im-  
pressive, pathetic way, he spoke of the  
fall as coming through woman, and  
briefly of that long night of sin and  
despair, that for four thousand years  
hovered over the children of disobe-  
dience. Then of the dim star of hope  
that glimmered in the promise, "The  
seed of the woman shall bruise the ser-  
pent's head," and of the fulfillment of  
that promise in Christ our Savior.  
Truly, our hearts did burn within us;  
so vividly did he portray the events of  
the resurrection morning. We heard,  
as it were, the music of that same sweet  
voice revealing Jesus to the heart-  
broken Mary, and those other women,  
whom he so graciously honored, in  
that he permitted them, first of all, to  
herald the glad news of the resurrec-  
tion.

So it was, that the burden was lifted  
from our hearts and we were made to  
rejoice because of the call which, also  
came through woman.

"God so loved the world that he gave  
His only begotten Son that whosoever  
believeth in Him should not perish, but  
have everlasting life." Oh! my dear  
sisters, have not your hearts been mov-  
ed with compassion for those un-  
fortunates for whom Christ died? Do  
you not long to go and tell to them  
the beautiful story of Jesus and His  
love? Those who do not go in person  
should go by proxy. Southern Baptist  
women are asked to contribute enough  
this year to support our female mission-  
aries on the foreign field. Will they do  
it? With profound gratitude to God,  
we note that the women of Alabama,  
last year more than met the increased  
apportionment for Foreign Missions,  
contributing the sum of \$2,088.40.

Miss Kelly, our own missionary to  
China, during her vacation, did very  
much to awaken and stimulate mis-  
sionary zeal among our women. Then  
turning her face to her adopted home  
across the waters, she joyfully resumed  
her work of going from house to house,  
breaking to those poor, secluded, de-  
graded Chinese women the bread of life.  
We cannot do a nobler work than to  
sustain her, both by our prayers and  
our offerings.

My dear sisters in Christ, let us re-  
consecrate our lives to the Master's  
service, determining in our hearts to do  
more for the great cause for which he  
died. Mrs. Phila Carden.

Cuba, Ala.

### & 1,000 Behind in Foreign Missions

Such is the report from the Treas-  
urer of the Central Committee and our  
books close on April 10th. Isn't this a  
dreadful state of affairs? What are we  
going to do about it? Surely the so-  
cieties have reports and money for Fir-  
eign Missions that have not been for-  
warded yet. All quarterly reports must  
come in this week to be incorporated in  
Alabama's Annual Report.

How rejoiced we all were last year be-  
cause Alabama exceeded her appor-  
tionment of \$2,000. This year we are  
asked for \$2,300. Will we rejoice again  
or grieve over a deficit? Are we go-  
ing to appear remiss in appreciation of  
the wonderful blessing we have enjoyed  
this year, the visits of our two mission-  
aries, Miss Kelly and Miss Hartwell?

Let every society take a special offer-  
ing for Miss Willie Kelly the first Mon-  
day in April and report immediately.

You only needed to know the facts. I  
feel sure now that the reports and con-  
tributions will pour in. Lovingly,

Mrs. D. M. Malone,  
Sec. Cen. Com.

### Miss Armstrong in Mobile.

It was with great pleasure the Bap-  
tist ladies of Mobile received the news  
that Miss Annie Armstrong would make  
their city a stopping point on her trip  
to Florida. We planned for a meeting  
to be held in St. Francis Street Bap-  
tist church. The missionary societies  
of Palmetto Street and St. Francis  
Street united in the program and in-  
vited the ladies of the churches to be  
with them. The day dawned clear and  
beautiful after the fearful storm and,  
as the hour arrived a large number were  
disappointed in learning that our be-  
loved secretary was delayed at Ever-  
green, as the road bed was deep under  
water. We decided to hold our meet-  
ing, as we did not know when she  
would be with us; if at all. The papers,  
viz: "The Spirit of Missions" and "Wo-  
man's Work in Missions," were well  
written and listened to with interest.  
The discussions were spirited and very  
helpful, stirring up our minds to the  
duties of discipleship. While the sing-  
ing, consisting of solo and duets, was  
delightfully rendered being the prayer  
of our hearts in song. The interest con-  
tinued to the end and many remarked:  
"If our meeting was so interesting,  
what would it have been if Miss Annie  
had been with us!" It seemed strange  
that such a disappointment should come  
to us for we were hoping to hear those  
things that would give added zeal. It  
may have been that we were depending  
too much upon her to tell us great  
things, and the Lord showed his children  
that their earnest efforts were blessed  
by His presence and carried on to suc-  
cess. We all felt that we were living in  
a glorious age and enjoying great op-  
portunities to obey the parting words  
of our Blessed Lord. Even if persons  
of note cannot be present the union of  
societies make such a meeting very  
profitable. Miss Armstrong arrived  
late that evening feeling very ill, but  
she was too unselfish to disappoint us  
entirely. The following morning she  
addressed a small audience, but it was  
a precious time to those who were pres-  
ent. We are observing the "Week of  
Prayer and Self-Denial" and expect a  
great blessing. Mrs. A. H. Pettit.

### Quarterly Reports.

Societies should send reports to their  
vice presidents the first week in April.  
Vice presidents should forward reports  
before April 10th. The special offering  
for Miss Willie Kelly send the day it is  
taken direct to Mrs. G. M. Morrow,  
1711 8th Ave., Birmingham.

### Hartselle.

Dear readers of Woman's Work: We  
trust that a word from our society at  
Hartselle will be encouraging to our  
contemporaries in the same work and  
hope that the course we have taken in  
the past conventional year will be a  
true beacon to those who have been less  
progressive and be worthy of a loving  
"God Bless You" from those who have  
been more successful.

As a result of very earnest efforts we  
have raised money for one year's school-  
ing of a Chinese child, to be placed in  
Miss Price's school, Shanghai, China.

We are now endeavoring to rally our  
church and society members who do  
not attend our meetings by distribut-  
ing "Home Mission Literature" in  
their homes.

Saturday evening at 8 o'clock our so-  
ciety met at the home of Mrs. Har-  
grove and carried out the program of  
Self-denial week. We did not have ser-  
vices every day, though a special time  
for prayer was appointed and each  
member observed it in her home.

### Program of the Evening.

Hymn—Walking in His footsteps.  
Prayer—Mrs. Hamilton.  
Hymn—Gather the golden grain.  
Bible References.  
Messages from God—Miss Fannie  
Johnson.  
Hymn—Go work in my vineyard.  
Self-Denial—A condition of discip-  
le-ship—Miss Eula Hargrove.  
The Example—Mrs. Kithens.  
The Reward—Miss Bettie Lindsey.  
Prayer—Mrs. Hutchinson.  
Giving—Everything belongs to God  
—Mrs. Hargrove.  
Elements of acceptable giving—Miss  
Lilla Johnson.  
Hymn—The Lord of the harvest calls.  
The Best Gift—Miss Effie Hutchin-  
son.  
Love Your Neighbor—Miss Mary  
Hamilton.  
Prayer—Mrs. Hargrove.  
Hymn—Forth to the harvest.  
The Reflex Influence of Missions—  
Expands the Heart—Mrs. Hutchin-  
son.  
Increases Praise—Miss Effie Hutch-  
inson.  
Brings life to the home church—Mrs.  
Coxe.  
Spiritual Blessings of Self-Denial—  
Open Discussion.  
Opening of Mission Envelopes—Col-  
lection amounted to \$5.75.  
Things that impressed me most in  
the evening's exercises—Mrs. Coxe.  
A motion was made and carried that  
the secretary write the result of Self-  
Denial Week for publication in the  
Southern and Alabama Baptist.  
Hymn—Praise God from whom all  
blessings flow.  
Prayer of dismissal—Miss Bettie  
Lindsey.

### Treasurer's Books Close April 10

### Just From Georgia.

I am just back from the Georgia  
Baptist Convention which met at Rome  
last week. It was a great session. Gov-  
enor Northen was unanimously re-elec-  
ted president, for the brethren would not  
hear of his resigning. Dr. S. Y. Jame-  
son, Secretary of State Missions, has  
handed in his resignation and will take  
charge of the Griffin Baptist church  
early in April. Georgia thereby loses  
one of the best secretaries she has ever  
had. Rome is a lovely city and the  
Romans a most hospitable people. It

### Saying and Doing.

In the Cathedral of Lubeck, in Ger-  
many, there is an old slab with the fol-  
lowing inscription:

Thus speaketh Christ our Lord to us:  
Ye call me Master, and obey me not;  
Ye call me Light, and see me not;  
Ye call me Way, and walk me not;  
Ye call me Life, and desire me not;  
Ye call me Wise, and follow me not;  
Ye call me Fair, and love me not;  
Ye call me Rich, and ask me not;  
Ye call me Eternal, and seek me not;  
Ye call me Gracious, and trust me

not;  
Ye call me Noble, and serve me not;  
Ye call me Mighty, and honor me not;  
Ye call me Just, and fear me not;  
If I condemn you, blame me not.

### Southern Baptist Convention.

The Forty-Seventh Session of the  
Southern Baptist Convention will be  
held in the Auditorium, Asheville, N.  
C., beginning Friday, May 9, 1902, at  
10 a. m.

The Annual Sermon will be preached  
by Rev. F. C. McConnell D.D., of  
Georgia, or his alternate, Rev. Curtis  
Lee Laws, D.D., of Maryland.

### Woman's Missionary Union.

Auxiliary to S. B. C.

The annual meeting of this society  
will be held in the meeting house of  
the First Baptist church, Asheville, N.  
C., beginning Friday, May 9th, at 10  
a. m. All who intend going to the con-  
vention should send in their names at  
once.

### Why People Call Them "So Nice."

Always shielding others at her own  
expense.  
Making a sacrifice cheerfully when-  
ever one is made.  
Avoiding discussions in the presence  
of a third party.  
Apologizing without reservation  
when an apology is needed.  
Conforming her tastes, when visit-  
ing, to those of her hostess.  
Always repressing criticism when  
there is anything to praise.  
Inquiring after the friends and fam-  
ilies of those whom she meets.  
Expressing an interest in that which  
she sees is interesting to others.  
Avoiding jokes of a personal nature  
likely to wound another's feelings.  
Wearing the breast-plate and shield  
of "malice toward none, love for all."  
Showing "small courtesies" to hum-  
ble people without an air of patronage.  
Looking at people and speaking  
pleasantly, although she may feel dis-  
turbed.  
Taking no notice of accidents which  
happen to others, unless she can give  
aid.  
Drawing cheeks on her own happiness  
to bridge over the impending bankrupt-  
cy of another.—Great Thoughts.



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## Please Stop My--What?

"Times are hard, money is scarce, business is dull, retrenchment is a duty. Please stop my—" Whisky? "Oh, no; times are not hard enough for that yet. But there is something else that costs me a large amount of money every year, which I wish to save. Please stop my—" Tobacco, cigars and snuff? "No, no—not these; but I must retrench somewhere. Please stop my—" Ribbons, jewels, ornaments and trinkets? "Not at all. Pride must be fostered, if times are ever so hard; but I believe I can see a way to effect quite a saving in another direction. Please stop my—" Tea, coffee, and needless and unhealthy luxuries? "No, no, no; not these. I cannot think of such a sacrifice. I must think of something else. Ah, I have it now. My weekly religious paper costs me four cents a week, two dollars a year; I must save that. Please stop my—paper; that will carry me through easily. I believe in retrenchment and economy."—Armory.

Major John W. Thomas, whose masterful but kind face adorns our front page, is one of Tennessee's strong men, whose good influence is felt in business, social and religious life. Long may he live to continue his good works!

Frank Willis Barnett.

## Pastoral Restlessness.

One of the most fruitful causes of restlessness in the pastorate, perhaps, is the awkwardness with which both the pastor and the church go about oiling the machinery. Sometimes, indeed, that is hardly attempted at all. It is unreasonable to expect that things will always be as delightful as on the first day of the pastorate. The pastor will probably make some trying blunders, and the people will suffer their ardor to cool. Is the pastor, therefore, a misfit? By no means. Did he make a mistake in coming to this field? That does not follow. Is it time for him to move, now that he has not been as wise as he might? Emphatically, no! There are some church members and some pastors who seem to think that the sovereign remedy for all the asperities of church life is for the pastor to move. Sometimes the deacons take it upon themselves to suggest that he ought to move. That is an unwarrantable assumption of privilege. The deacons have nothing to do ex-officio with the pastoral relation.

Deacons sometimes play the tyrant and make the life of the pastor miserable. Is the pastor to run? No. Let him first spread the whole case before

the Lord, asking only for guidance. If it seem right and wise, let him call the deacons, together with the most influential brethren, and candidly, prayerfully, talk over the situation. It ought not to be difficult to determine, with due care and patience, whether the machinery can be made to run smoothly, or whether the trouble (whatever it is) is likely to disappear if the pastor should go. Taking it for granted that he came after earnest prayer upon both his own and the church's part, the relation ought not to be disturbed without some very strong reason. No amount of discouragement should move him. No petty criticisms on the part of those who contribute least to the church's moral force should be allowed consideration. Let there be earnest, heart to heart talk as to the sources of friction, if friction there be. If there be nothing more, it can be overcome. Let the church be patient. Let the pastor take admonition kindly. Let both pray constantly for the divine leading.

We earnestly believe that many pastors are too sensitive. There is reason for it, but it is hurtful. Let the pastor stick to his post till he have a clear indication that his marching orders have issued. He will gain strength by calmly facing his discouragements. And his people will feel his growing strength and forget their disaffection.

## The Incarnation of Truth.

"I am the truth," said Jesus, and John tells us that "the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us." The New Testament ever leads us away from the abstraction to the personification of truth. "He that heareth these sayings of mine and doeth them." Not what one knows, but what one does, is the standard of divine judgment. A little of the truth lived is better than much truth simply held in mind. In fact no one really knows the truth until he has to some extent practiced it.

That text, brother preacher, is an unknown quantity to you and your audience till it becomes a part of your own experience. Until you have lived it, you cannot properly proclaim it. He who preaches the Gospel must not only "live of the Gospel" but also live the Gospel. "The words that I speak unto you, they are spirit and they are life," is true in a double sense. Is your preaching a part of your life? If so, it will be "in demonstration of the Spirit and of power."

Sunday school teacher, what of the lesson? Have you learned it, not in theory, but in practice and experience? Truth cannot shine but in human life. "We speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen," said Jesus to one who wished to know the theory of regeneration. The lesson must be a part of you before you can make it known to others. You cannot give what you do not have. Square your own life with the lesson. "If any man is willing to do his will he shall know of the doctrine."

In this issue Dr. A. J. Dickinson reopens the discussion of the "Preston Resolutions." It will be remembered that at the last meeting of the Convention they were opposed on the ground that they had not been discussed in the Alabama Baptist. We hope this objection will not be needed next time. Let the brethren speak out on the subject. The "organ" is ready for any brother to play his own tune, provided it is one of harmony rather than discord.

# Editorial Paragraphs

April 30th.

Is the day the books of the Home and Foreign Mission Boards close. We must raise \$9,000 in April for these Boards from Alabama, if we give what is expected of us. Shall we do it? We can if all will get to work. Not a dollar ought to be left in the treasury of any of our churches, Sunday schools or societies. Let us hear from you, brethren, in every mail. W. B. Crumpton.

It is nothing to a pastor's discredit that he should wish to change his field of labor, unless the wish is a result of his own fault. This, we venture to believe, is not often the case. We have abiding faith in our preachers. The desire for a new field is more frequently due to failure on the part of church members to do what they ought to do. Sometimes one member can make life a burden to the pastor, and his only refuge is in flight. The church that cannot keep a pastor surely should not suppose that the fault is always his. Some pastors ought to learn to "endure hardness," even when it comes in the senseless faultfinding of those who take this method of giving expression to their own discontent; and some churches ought to learn that pastors have both feelings and rights which they are bound to respect.

There is divine wisdom in the division of labor by which the temporal support of the pastor is taken out of his hands. As a rule he is not fitted for the labor of the desk or the shop or the store or the field. He ought to keep to his own work. We have allowed cases of emergency to shape a policy. Because the Apostle Paul made tents in Corinth, or more probably because in the early struggles in our own country for life and freedom our forefathers found it necessary to earn their own living by manual labor, some churches at this late day are unwilling to adopt the divine plan, and give the pastor a living. There is greater reason than ever, in the stress of modern life, why the preacher should give himself wholly to the ministry of the Word. He cannot do the work of other men. They cannot do his work.

The true aim of education is to put one in possession of his developed powers. What use he will make of them afterward is quite another matter. To put one in possession of his powers trained for use may be a blessing or a curse. It is not an end in itself. Neither is it a short and easy road to the acquirement of wealth or even to the solution of the question of how to get a living. Men who belittle education, and point triumphantly to those who have "succeeded" without it, only show that they themselves are the victims of a misplaced emphasis. To be able to enter the "brotherhood of learning" is richly worth all that it costs, and no man ought to feel himself hindered but rather helped in any honorable calling, by his high kinship.

Remember that money received by the Foreign Mission Board after April 30th, cannot be counted on this year's work. Send it on in time to get to Richmond, Va., by April 30th.

Rev. J. A. Howard, who has hitherto been the field man for this paper, paid us a final visit last Friday. The Southern and Alabama Baptist gives him up with regret. He has been energetic, wise and faithful as a representative of the paper, and has made many friends for it in his travels in its interest for nearly five years. Many friends and the brotherhood in the State generally will regret his emigration to Texas. He will occupy a similar position with the Texas Baptist Standard. We congratulate Brother Cranfill and his co-workers and hereby express our good wishes to all concerned, and heartily commend Bro. Howard to the Texas brethren as eminently worthy of their confidence and affection.

The Foreign Mission Board can only continue to advance, as the churches make it possible. No one desires the work to begin next year with a debt. The number of missionaries sent out this year is fifteen. Four others are under appointment and others are applying. The debt of the board was \$44,069.50 on March 15th. Surely the churches will rally, and put enough money into the treasury to pay off this debt. Go to work now; give now.

In many parts of the country the weather has been such that meetings on Sunday were small. Only a few more Sundays remain until April 30th, and the end of the convention year. Mind you do not put off your Foreign Mission collection too long, and hit a rainy Sunday towards the latter part of April and thus miss getting in your collection this year.

The receipts of the Foreign Mission Board up to March 15th, were \$95,086.28. We are as yet hardly in sight of the \$200,000; asked for by the convention, but a very great deal can be done between now and the end of the convention year, April 30th. Let everybody go to work for Foreign Missions. The debt for this year is \$44,069.50.

The Mississippi Baptists, under the leadership of Pres. W. T. Lowery, are pressing forward in an endeavor to raise \$45,000, in order to secure John D. Rockefeller's offer of \$15,000 more for the endowment of Mississippi College. They are meeting with gratifying success so far.

## How Alabama Stood March 6th.

For foreign missions, \$7,443.74.  
\$5,556.26 less than the \$13,000 asked for.

For home missions, \$3,750.50.  
\$6,249.50 less than the \$10,000 asked for. In other words Alabama must raise in six weeks \$11,805.76 for the two Boards, if we give the amount expected of us.

We can do it easily if pastors will lay hold at once. Some of the strongest churches in the State have not made their contributions to these Boards yet. W. B. Crumpton.

These startling figures ought to stir every Baptist heart in Alabama. But if they do half as much as that, our quota will be overpaid. There is not a day to lose, however, and the hardest kind of work will be necessary to make up what is expected of us.



## Letter from Bro. Crumpton.

(No. 8.)

One who travels and observes could write letters indefinitely about what he sees and hears, but the question is, "How long will the readers stand it?" Just what to write about and when to stop, are perplexing questions, but I must close with this letter. Besides a day in Oakland and Berkley where the State University is located, and a short run on a railroad to San Quinten, all my sight-seeing was done in San Francisco. There are over half a million people in and around that city. Probably 350,000 in San Francisco; Oakland, Alameda, Berkley and several other towns across the bay, practically one city, have over one hundred thousand more. Just two weeks was the length of my stay thereabouts. Everybody was very kind to give advice to the traveler, some of which he took—if he had taken it all, he would have been gone a year or more. Before I left, on the way, and about San Francisco, I was told I must not return without seeing

### Los Angeles.

I gave two days returning, one of them Sunday, to this surpassingly beautiful city. "You must see Pasadena, Long Beach, Riverside and Mount Lowe," a friend said and another suggested a trip to San Diego and I know not how many other places, but the line had to be drawn somewhere and this is the last place for me on this trip. "There is nothing in a name," but here is one, I found there is something in: "Pueblo de la Reina de los Angeles." That was the original Spanish name: the meaning was: "Town of the Queen of the Angels." It must have been a beautiful place in those far off days, 1781. It was rather damp, raw weather while I was there and I saw but little. The display of fruits and farm products and natural resources of Southern California at the Chamber of Commerce is simply marvelous. The immense hotels of the city are full all through the winters. I was told there were 60,000 tourists in the city the day I was there. These great hotels are not run for fun either, as I happen to know from what I paid for one night's lodging. At all the suburban cities, I learned, the hotels flourish as they do here. In Florida it is said, "the people live on golfers in the summer and on Yankees in the winter." These people certainly have a fine chance at the Yankees in winter. Southern people, too, find their way here and many have made it their home. Mrs. Scarborough, a Judson girl, into whose home I was received with an old fashioned southern welcome, told me there were four Judson girls and several Howard College boys there. The Daughters of the Confederacy have two chapters, and I think the old Confederates have an organization, too. Her old friends in Alabama will be glad to know that Miss Sue Donnell makes this her home and that she is well and happy. How many people she knows in Alabama and how they do love her! She loves the Lord and His work here as she did in Marion.

### "Seeing Los Angeles."

is the name of the observation car which will give you a two or three hours ride through the city for a small sum. I can't begin to tell of all we saw. There are hundreds of palatial homes here in the midst of grounds surrounded by the rarest of plants. I can't understand

why they do not have the orange as an ornamental tree, for it grows beautifully all around. It is a lovely tree and when loaded with fruit, it surpasses anything I have seen. I was never tired of eating oranges until now. I shall never forget the acres on acres I saw, covered with trees laden with the luscious fruit. The growth of the population in this Southern California city is something marvelous.

In 1860 there were 4,500; in 1880, 11,000; in 1870, 50,000; in 1897, more than 100,000, and at this time, probably 150,000. What is the attraction? The reader asks. The climate is the first thing, of course. It is only 293 feet above the level of the sea, the air is dry and entirely free from Malarial influences. There is not much need of fire in the homes, so spring-like is the weather most of the time. The ocean is only a short distance away on one side, and the mountains on the other side are only a few minutes ride. Besides all this, the rich lands abound. Oil wells are abundant in the southern part of the city. Many persons mortgaged delightful homes to develop wells in their front and back yards and afterwards lost all. Some of the wisest feel that the discovery of oil was a calamity to the city. The conductor on our observation car, in his excellent description of things, as we went along, would occasionally venture to perpetrate a piece of wit at which there was the faintest sort of a smile on the faces of some of his passengers, on others, it was entirely lost, but he made one happy hit, which brought down the house. "On the left you see many hundreds of derricks showing that Los Angeles has among her many other resources, oil to burn. You will observe that the oil wells come to an abrupt termination at the fence of the old cemetery. Many people insisted that so much valuable territory should not be given up to the dead since the occupants had either gone to where they did not need oil or to where fuel was furnished them free."

### The Return

Was by the same route I went. If I had to make the trip again, I should go one way and return another. I am not at all displeased with the Southern Pacific. It was as good as I wanted and I guess the equal of any others. I counted myself fortunate to get a place on the Limited returning! Beyond the saving of a day, I discovered but little advantage over a place on the sleeper on the regular train. Everything was nice and convenient of course, and if I had plenty of money and loved to smoke and drink, I think I would put great store on the Limited; but a lower berth on a sleeper on the regular train is good enough for me. I saw many points of interest returning, which I passed in the night, going.

### "The Pit"

Is a depression in Southern California through which the road runs which reaches at Salton, two hundred and sixty-three feet below the level of the sea. Only a few miles away across the mountain range is the Pacific ocean and here at Salton they have great salt works, where the waters of the Salt Springs, found in the neighborhood, are evaporated. All this region was once covered by the ocean, no doubt, and the probabilities are that it will be again some day. Here, they say, in this

atmosphere is the place for consumptives and there are very many to be seen. At Indio, twenty feet below sea level, there is a good hotel and neat little cottages, fitted up especially for the accommodation of invalids.

### The Mirage.

I thought I saw it going out, but was mistaken. I am not prepared yet to say it was not a lake of water or mud, for they say the Salt Springs and the Volcanic springs of mud are hereabouts. One dares not approach too near the latter. It spreads itself out over many acres and maybe many miles. If it is dangerous to explore, who knows but the so-called mirage is a real lake of mud and water! But there it is out a few miles from the railroad, and for miles you can see it. You see distinctly the shadow from the other bank and little knolls and islands all through it cast their shadows distinctly on the face of the water. Yet they say it is all a delusion, there is no water there! Maybe so, but I am a skeptic. In a former letter I spoke of the four wire fence on either side of the road and suggested that it was more than 3,00 miles long, but I discovered in the Colorado desert which I passed at night while going, there is no fence for hundreds of miles, nothing but bare sand, and of course no cattle to get on the track.

### Old Fort Yuma

Is a historic spot on the Colorado river. This was the crossing place in the early days of all the thousands of gold hunter from the East. If its history could be written what stories of adventure and suffering would it contain! It was here my brother in 1849 caught the first glimpse of California after a long and perilous trip across the plains from Fort Smith in Arkansas. If he would write the story of his ups and downs before and after getting to California it would make mighty interesting reading.

The town of Yuma is not far from the Gulf of California—I saw two little steamboats tied up there. If anyone has been trying to do anything in the way of teaching and evangelizing the Yuma Indians, a company of whom we saw, they certainly have reason to be discouraged. I have seen nowhere more wretched specimens of humanity. The government policy of continuing the Indians as "Wards of the Nation," supplying them with a living without any effort on their part, and the efforts of the Catholics to Christianize them, have been, alike failures.

Now my trip is ended. I have traveled 205 miles in Alabama, 63 in Mississippi, 300 in Louisiana, 947 in Texas, 249 in New Mexico, 414 in Arizona, 728 in California, making in all 2,906 miles. It has been a great pleasure for me to write these letters. I doubt not they seemed very commonplace to many who are used to travel. I haven't had that class in mind at all. I have thought of the many hundreds who were "Shut-Ins" by reason of circumstances, and will in all probability never make this trip or anything like it. I will be glad if the letters have proven helpful to any.

With one more letter about religious matters, the series will close.

### From Florida.

Dear Brother Barnett: I am away down here in Florida—in two States, as the name indicates. Have just read your Georgia issue. Good for Jorgy.

You mention it prominently that

the Foreign Board is in great and pressing need. I am glad you call attention to it so frequently, but we must not forget the fact that the Home Board is in a critical condition also. The books of the two Boards close April 30. We must have \$9,000 from Alabama for the two Boards in April if we give the amount expected of us.

We can get it if we try. Please help me to get everybody to try.

I want to commend with all my heart what brother Smith says about the missionary work pastors can do at school houses and in neighborhoods near their fields on Sunday afternoons and other odd times. This is the best kind of missionary work—God's blessing will attend it.

Please do not fail to keep the brethren reminded about the needs of the Home and Foreign Boards through April.

I hope we will have a good meeting here.

Fraternally,  
W. B. Crumpton.

The Sunday School Times, one of the best papers of its class published in English, naively remarks that "translators are not likely to realize all the difficulties of readers of the English Bible." The remark suggests a reason we had not thought of before, why English and Greek students are mutually helped by being in the same class, as in our Theological Seminary in Louisville. The "Greek" learns the difficulty of his "English" friend, and the English student gets the benefit largely of his Greek friend's learning.

Has your church taken its Foreign Mission collection? It is astonishing how many people will gladly give, if the work is presented prayerfully and everybody is given an opportunity to contribute. Make the collection a thorough one.

### "A Poem in Leather."

The Spring Catalogue of the J. K. Orr Shoe Co., of Atlanta, is truly a work of art. It gives life like illustrations of the latest styles in footwear, and what is more important, their lowest Spot Cash prices. You can get one for a postal request, giving the name of your nearest Cash buying merchant, and mentioning this paper.

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Rev. W. A. Whittle, D.D.

It will be refreshing to his many Alabama friends to look again on the face of Dr. Walter A. Whittle. Born and reared near Pine Apple, in this State, educated at the Howard and the Southwestern University at Jackson, Tenn., and at the Seminary at Louisville, he has been a successful pastor in Indiana,

Texas, Kentucky and Alabama. The Second Baptist Church of Birmingham was built during his ministry. He has widely traveled, and is a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society. Many people in Alabama have been charmed and edified by his elegant lectures on his travels, and are glad to number him among their friends.

## From Kentucky.

For some time I have been thinking of writing you, and perhaps this is as good a time as I will get. I am not afraid of an indifferent hearing, for Alabama is always interested in her exiled sons. No son was ever more lovingly loyal to his native state than I to mine. I love every foot of her soil, from the mountains to the Gulf. I love her brave sons, her consecrated daughters, and her noble institutions, especially the Judson and the Howard.

How rapidly time passes! How fast changes are wrought! When I bade farewell to Alabama some five years ago I left Drs. P. T. Hale and A. W. McGaha and B. D. Gray in Birmingham; Drs. Geo. B. Eager and J. J. Taylor in Montgomery and Mobile respectively. And now Hale is in Owensboro, Gray in Georgetown, Taylor in Norfolk, Eager in Palestine, and McGaha in Heaven.

Bro. Editor, please excuse this pause. In writing the last name mentioned above, I found myself so blinded by tears that I had to stop for a time. I loved McGaha as one brother loves another. While life lasts I will tenderly cherish his memory. Giles, McGaha and Sampey! I have prayed for these men by name almost every day for twenty years. Now I pray for two of them and dream of the other, and thank God that he permitted me to know him.

## Franklin.

is on the main line of the L. & N. road between Louisville and Nashville, and it is said to be the prettiest town in Kentucky. We have a population of about 4,000 people. Ours is a wheat growing

and stock raising region. The Baptists are strong here. We have the leading church in town, with a membership of three hundred, a great number of whom are bankers, lawyers, doctors and merchants. Some of them are rich, and most of the others are well fixed. But they are not all liberal givers by any means. It will soon be four years since I became pastor here, and truly they have been pleasant years. The Lord has graciously blessed our church.

I have frequently been requested to hold meetings in Alabama, but I have not been able to leave my work.

In my next I will have less to say about local matters, and more about our State work in general.

May the Lord richly bless Editor Barnett and his new paper, and make them a great blessing to my beloved Alabama.

Walter A. Whittle.

Franklin, Ky.

## Florida Baptists.

According to promise I will write you a few lines concerning the workings of the Baptists in Florida. The first acquaintance that I had with a great many of the brethren of the State, was made at the State Convention which met at Marianna on the 11th day of December, 1901. There I had the pleasure of meeting that grand old "Father in Israel," Dr. W. N. Chandoin. He is truly a great man. He has been in the service of Florida Baptists as president and secretary of missions of this Convention for more than 20 years. He is greatly beloved by all the brethren

and is frequently spoken of as "Uncle Chad," and his noble wife as "Aunt Carrie." Owing to old age he was forced to give up the Secretaryship of Missions of the Convention, and it was an impressive scene when, on one night during the Convention, we gave him the parting hand as he retired from the position he had so long held. He was succeeded in the Secretaryship by Rev. L. D. Griger, a noble man of God. It was a wise selection, as there is hardly a man in the State more competent for the work than Bro. Griger. In consequence of his election to the office of Secretary, he was forced to give up the most of his churches. It was my pleasure to succeed him as pastor at Brooksville. I know of no people among whom I would like better to labor than the noble brethren and sisters here. They have been very kind to me since I have been here. Being a stranger in the State, I know but very little about the workings of the cause in general. The Baptist cause in Florida, however, is practically very weak. The churches are not large in number, but I'll tell you of the fine quality of some of them. They seem to be in a growing condition, though.

The place at which I am located is a town of perhaps 700 inhabitants and is called the "Hill City of Florida," owing to its high elevation. It is one of the most beautiful towns I ever saw. The freeze of five or six years ago was a great calamity to Brooksville, as well as many other towns in Florida. Before the freeze it must have been a paradise. I am told that before the freeze they paid their pastor \$1,000 a year.

We recently had Dr. J. S. Felix, of East Church, Louisville, Ky., with us in a meeting, in which our people were very much revived and the church and pastor strengthened. There were no additions by baptism. Two were received by letter. Bro. Felix is truly a great preacher.

Well, I must say a word about the Alabama Baptist before I close. There are so many things in it helpful to everybody, it seems to me. I greatly enjoyed reading Dr. Teague's "Talk" in the March 12th number. Oh, what a pleasure it is to hear of the success of the brethren in the State of my nativity. I love to see their names in the paper, at the heads of articles, etc., even if I never have met many of them. I hope God will bless you, Brother Barnett, in continuing to give the brethren a good paper, and though I am "far away in Florida," I will enjoy reading and derive benefit from the articles printed upon its pages. We have a fine paper here in Florida, too. The Baptist Witness, published by J. C. Porter at Ocala, is one of the best State denominational papers in the South. Yes, it is our paper here in Florida, and we must stand by it. May God ever bless Major Harris. It was my pleasure to meet him last year, and oh! how closely I was drawn to him by his affectionate manner. Well, I hope you haven't gotten too tired of reading, so I'll stop for fear you do. With best wishes and Christian love and greeting to all the Baptists of Alabama, I am,

Yours sincerely,

Brooksville, Ala. W. R. Lambert.

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## A Woman's Monument.

When one is out of one's home State, and reads the home paper, how associations and memories arise!

The mention several times lately in your columns of the Citronelle church brings vividly to mind the one whose labors and consecration built that church—Mrs. Coleman. And proves so conclusively to us that one soweth and another reapeth—for our Friend.

You said: "The church at Citronelle which was taken up by the State Board less than two years ago, now pays the pastor for half his time, has subscribed fifty dollars for missions for 1902, is raising funds to build a pastor's home, and expect next year to have the pastor for all his time. Heaven's blessing be upon them."

When Citronelle was only a village, I recall a visit, with a cousin, to her farm-home—because she was sick. As she lay on her couch ill and suffering, her eyes beamed in sparkling hope as she told me her plans and purposes to raise "funds" to build a Baptist church in the village. She spoke of how few there would be to enter it—as members, but that she could live no longer without a spiritual home of her faith. So, despite her fragile health and limited physical strength, she labored and prayed, and inspired others to labor with her, until the church was erected, furnished and organized. But only a few years of enjoyment of this spiritual home and she was called to the one eternal.

I never see the mention of the Citronelle church, nor pass it on the train that I do not bow, as it were, in veneration before it as a "monument of service" left by one sick, consecrated woman.

Marble slabs and magnificent tombs of elaborate inscription placed over us by those who survive, availeth not. But a church built in love, toil, faith, prayer and hope is an indisputable testimony of that one's inner self having been burnished with truth and righteousness and the attributes that come from God—and we are now reaping the harvest of that sowing of—one woman.

Lida B. Robertson.

## Likes Evangelist.

"Evangelist" is derived from two Greek words, "eu," good, and "aggello," to announce. That is to say things consonant to the doctrines and precepts of the gospel. If "The Evangelist" has said anything at variance to the doctrines of the gospel I have failed to detect it. Possibly, his critics are more profound. I think Paul mentions to Timothy, that "The time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine," etc. I hope his critics will read (know again) those articles of "The Evangelist," and try to catch his spirit.

David S. Hurst.

## Southern Baptist Convention, Asheville, N. C., May 8-15, 1902.

Account of this occasion Southern Railway announces rate of one first class fare for the round trip from all points on its lines to Asheville, N. C., and return. Dates of sale May 6th to 10th, inclusive, final limit May 21, 1902, except that by deposit of tickets with Joint Agent, Asheville, on or before May 15th, and payment of fee of 50 cents, an extension to not later than June 2, 1902, may be obtained.

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## A Great Trip in Mexico.

By J. G. Chastain.



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A few hours run on the train took me a hundred miles out from Guadalajara to Zamora, whither I had dispatched Pablo Venegas, a Mexican brother, with the mules, four days in advance. He awaited me at the station, which I reached at 4:00 p. m. We are soon packed up, mounted, and on the road to Tangancicuaro, twelve miles out, where we are to sleep that night. We continue our southeastern journey for ten days, the mountain trail leading us through some delightful country, and, as we are just above the frost line, the climate is delightful. We wind our way along between mountain ranges, through fertile valleys of black land in a high state of cultivation, and, as the numerous mountain rivulets are brought into requisition for irrigation, the crops of corn, (Louisiana) cane, and all manner of tropical fruits have come to be superabundant.

We passed large towns, villages and haciendas, some of which had never been visited by a gospel missionary, and, so far as the Bible is concerned, the people have never seen a copy of it in all their lives, hence are in Egyptian darkness. Many of the grown people have doubtless never seen a foreigner; they would stand and gaze at the stranger as he passed, while the children, half-clad and with blowsy hair, would run away and hide. Large numbers of these Indians speak no Spanish, but hold on to the Tarascan, the language spoken by this tribe when Cortez landed at Vera Cruz on Feb. 10, 1519. We visited and feasted our eyes on the famous old Tzintzuntzan picture which represents the interment of the body of our Saviour, but a description of this I must leave for a separate article.

### Baptism of Animals, Jan. 17.

On this Catholic feast day we reached the town of Santa Clara at 4:00 p. m., at the hour the people were gathering in front of the cathedral, bringing their horses, mules, donkeys, cows, hogs, dogs, cats, chickens, canaries in cages, etc., each animal and bird being adorned with streaming ribbons of bright colors. Just such a neighing, braying, bleating, bawling, barking, meowing, squealing and crowing I have not heard—evidently something like that which occurred in Noah's ark, but it was royal fun for the boys, and a hilarious occasion for all. Not the least sign of solemnity or even of decorum, and yet all this in the name of Christianity! The parish priest, clad in his sacerdotal garments, but with uncovered head, stood at the church door, holding in his hand a large sprinkling brush, and, muttering a few

words in Latin, he dipped it into a large vessel of holy (?) water, and, in the name of the Trinity, sprinkled his menagerie, claiming that, through the merits of the blessed Saint Anthony, these animals and birds, by means of this so-called baptism, will be preserved from famine, sickness, danger and death through this year.

In Tacambaro we stopped three days and held some delightful meetings which were well attended. The brethren had been apprised of our coming and seemed happy to receive us. Felix Aito, an old brother seventy-four years of age, came over the mountains on foot twelve miles to meet us and attend the meetings. A woman fifty years old, who had only heard of, but had never heard the Gospel, walked an equal distance for the same purpose. They told the writer that she returned to her home greatly pleased. Brother Hatchell has six or eight members here at Tacambaro, having baptized one recently, and he hopes to organize them into a church some time this year.

### Michoacan Association.

According to previous appointment, this body met January 24, at San Juan, more than one hundred miles south of Morelia, and within tierracaliente. The attendance of delegates and visitors was not large, some of the brethren having to come a long distance on foot. This is Brother Hatchell's field, and he greeted us with his presence, his smiles and words of encouragement. The Rev. W. H. Sloan of Mexico City was present also. He is the editor of our Baptist paper, La Luz (The Light), and rendered us valuable service by his timely speeches and uplifting sermons. Committees, appointed a year ago, reported on the following subjects: Temperance, Literature, Christian Education, Sunday Schools, Sunday Observance and Missions. The brethren entered heartily into these discussions, taking a firm stand on the right side. The nineteen baptisms within the bounds of the Association last year, constitute a very small per cent. of real progress made. Reports from the different fields or districts were highly encouraging. All the sessions of the Association were beautifully harmonious and devotional. The brethren return to their respective fields with joyful hearts, resolved, by the help of God, to cultivate better the territory now occupied and push out into new fields. The next Association is to be held with the Guayameo church in October of this year.

Pastor Josue Bautista and his people of the San Juan church did the handsome thing in their bountiful entertainment of the Association, yet that is their way of doing things, and none seemed happier than they. Within the bounds of this Association there are more than a dozen unsalaried native workers, and among them two or three ordained Indian preachers, who never have received a cent of salary from the Board or Mission. There is one self-supporting day school, and the brethren are planning to start another. The Morelia school, supported by the Board, is doing well. Two colporteurs, paid by the American Bible Society, give all their time to the work, and are doing most valuable service. One of them told of an Indian mountaineer into whose hands the Bible fell, and it so stirred his heart that, quitting his

home and companions, he came down to the town of Zirandaro, where, as he had been informed, lived some believers. Clad in his rustic mountain dress, nothing daunted, this anxious soul walked through the treetops of Zirandaro, going from door to door inquiring for a Protestante. Finally he was directed to Tiburcio Arzate, a zealous and efficient Baptist layman, who gladly taught him the way of the Lord more perfectly. But this is only one of many instances where people have been awakened by the simple reading of the Word.

### Home Stretch.

On our return we circle toward the west and north, traveling through some beautiful country, a happy variety of scenery being produced by the many rivulets and crystal lakes, then the forests of coffee trees, orange trees, bananas, etc., all bending under the burden of their heavy crop of fruit now ripe and ready for the harvester. We also have been active in our attempts to sow broadcast everywhere the seeds of eternal truth. An unusually large number of tracts have been distributed along the whole journey, a goodly number of Bibles, Testaments and hymn-books have been sold and four subscribers taken for religious newspapers. These will continue to do their work among the people long after we are gone.

### A Burning Volcano.

While crossing a high mountain which lifted us far above the surrounding country, we came into full view of the Zapotlan volcano, one hundred and seventy miles away. We were traveling directly towards it, and on the fourth day, when we were within forty miles of its base, apparently for our special accommodation and entertainment, it became active about 4 p. m., and continued until after dark. At first the smoke was white and sluggish, then white and black columns issued side by side or intermingled, the black being more active. Finally the white disappeared, and an immense volume of jet black smoke, resembling an angry cloud, leaping from the crater, shot violently upward toward the skies, forming a perpendicular column of gigantic proportions, and apparently half a mile high. At nightfall the mouth of the crater took on a crimson cast. This being our first view of a burning volcano, was greatly enjoyed. From this spectacle alone we would have felt ourselves richly repaid for all the toil and hardships of our twenty-four days' journey.

### Closing Reflections.

Almost this entire circuit of six hundred miles was over roads entirely new to us—we frequently missed our mountain trail and found ourselves lost. Other missionaries or even colporteurs have seldom entered here. It is an agricultural country with superb climate, fine land in a high state of cultivation, well timbered and well watered. Except at two points, where we found small Methodist congregations, this large section has been worked by no denomination. While the inhabitants are woefully ignorant and fanatical, being an agricultural people, they are the most hopeful class among whom to work—most susceptible to Gospel impression. Two railroads have already traversed this part of the country, and two more branches are now in process of construction. Many Americans are coming in; old customs must give way to new ones. These thousands of Indians, so long hoodwinked

and held down in ignorance, poverty, superstition and idolatry, will soon be aroused from their long sleep and open their eyes to scenes of beauty, physical, intellectual and spiritual, of which they had never before dreamed. The world is moving, civilization advancing, the onward march of nations is seen and felt, and Mexico is catching the spirit of progress and falling into line. The railroads and public schools are causing a mighty upheaval in every branch of business, in every department of knowledge and in all classes of society, but without the purifying and elevating influences of Christianity there is no permanent security, no moral hope for any country or people. Mexico has reached a crisis in her great history. Above all things now, she needs the Gospel. Many grave obstacles which confronted and embarrassed the first missionaries to this country have been entirely removed. There were never so many open doors and so many calls for new men as there are today. God has thrust this opportunity and responsibility upon us. Delay means not only a loss of time, but loss of opportunity. Let every person who reads these lines make a contribution to foreign missions, and thus enable our Richmond Board to go up to the Asheville Convention free from debt. This will do much to encourage the workers at home and abroad, and the missionaries will not only hold the ground thus far occupied, but new recruits will enable them to extend the work.

Guadalajara, Mexico.

### Rev. Henry Allen Tupper, D.D.

This prince in Israel passed away at his home in Richmond, Va., last week. So ends an earthly life as full of good works as that of any man who has lived among American Baptists. The whole brotherhood mourns with the distinguished family, and with them thanks God for the privilege of being associated like. We hope to give a more extended account of his life in a later issue, contenting ourselves for the present with the following from the editorial columns of the Birmingham News:

"The announcement of the death of Rev. H. A. Tupper, D.D., at Richmond, Va., will be a source of deep regret to many Birmingham people. Dr. Tupper was well known in this city where he had a wide circle of friends and a number of relatives. He frequently visited Birmingham and always found a warm welcome here.

"Dr. Tupper was the highest type of the refined, Christian gentleman. Few men in the Baptist denomination of the South enjoyed so broad a reputation for their charity, sincerity and good works. His efforts for the cause of foreign missions, to which he gave a large part of his life's work, were fruitful of invaluable results, while his work for the advancement of the cause of Christianity generally was broad, faithful and effective. In religion he was a noble spirit, in the educational field a power of help and encouragement, in social life one of the most charming men the South has ever produced. No man excelled him in culture, refinement, kindness of heart, purity of life. Well may it be said of him he made the world better for having lived in it."

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## Department of Methods

### Ways and Means.

Illustrations and Explanations of How it Was Done and How it Can be Done Again.

One of the greatest needs of our church is willing workers. We have some in every church, but we need more. We have many lines of activity and so need a large volunteer band, who may be called upon for help in each one of these departments of work. An idle church is dead or dying; so is an idle church member. It is for every Christian, a necessity that he do something to exercise and bring to healthy maturity, the Christianity that is in him.

We believe there are many among us who would be willing and glad to do something, if only that something could be pointed out to them.

It is usually vain to tell inexperienced Christians to "go to work" without giving them some further information. Most persons do not know how nor when to take hold. They shrink from the responsibility of attempting lines of work on their own judgment, but if given definite things to do, and relieved from all anxiety about planning, they will execute according to the direction given. The pastor or leader must furnish the patterns and cut out the work for others. The president of the B. Y. P. U., and Juniors or other societies of the church must be like the superintendent of a shop or foreman of a department. He must not say, "Here is work," but "Here is your work;" "do this, do that." Most persons will respond when asked to do definite things.

### A Most Excellent Way.

To fix and focalize responsibility, issue a circular letter mailing one to every member of your church. In this letter (let it be brief, plain, practical) set forth the need of a forward movement, the importance of united effort, and necessity of co-operation. Then outline the special needs of your church, and suggest or outline a plan of action. Close with an earnest appeal to the individual, and urge a "long pull, a strong pull, and a pull altogether," affirming the truth that a church cannot be led to any success unless her members fall in with the plans of her pastor and leaders.

It is of the utmost importance that the individual members commit themselves to some definite line or lines of work, and we suggest the following form to be enclosed with every letter.

### FORM OF PLEDGE.

Membership involves obligation to support the church in every way to the full measure of your ability and opportunity. Below is a list of the different ways of helping, arranged so that you may indicate to the pastor how much you are interested in the Lord's work. By marking a cross opposite a number or numbers, thus (X). The pastor asks you to pledge yourself, by God's help, to perform such duties as you may indicate by the crosses made opposite the several items. Such duties to be performed except when prevented by reasons you can conscientiously give to the Lord. Check off all you will try to do and be sure it is more than you did last year, if possible. "Seek first the Kingdom of God."

Will you cast your vote for a strong

or a weak church? Ask God to make you willing to do your whole duty.

1. Attend Morning Worship.
2. Attend Evening Worship.
3. Attend Prayer Meeting.
4. Attend Sunday School.
5. Financial Support of the Church.
6. Visitation Work.
7. Observe Daily Prayer and Bible Reading.
8. Attend B. Y. P. U. Meeting.
9. Attend Ladies' Aid Society.
10. Attend Woman's Missionary Society.
11. Attend Choir Rehearsal.

What advance have you indicated over last year? Please mark, sign name, and return this page to the pastor.

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### Pointed Paragraphs.

#### PERTAINING TO PLANS OF PROCEDURE.

"Plunging your hoe into a potato hill with your eyes shut may bring up enough potatoes for dinner, but the chances are you will cut your best yams in two, and cover up half the remainder. You can drive a nail with a rock, but the likelihood is that you will lose the nail, lose your temper, and do a poor job. Digging with your eyes open will save potatoes, driving with a hammer will save trouble, and the results in both cases will be more satisfactory all round." The point of these epigrams is in their application in the matter of modern methods of work in the church.

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There are ways and ways. Some men accomplish results, as the old man said, "by main strength and awkwardness." While muscle and luck may accomplish something, mind and method "gets there" every time.

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Since system surely sends salvation to sinful souls, sound sense would suggest the selection of such safe, Scriptural plans, as have served to save sinners and sanctify saints, as operated by successful soul winners.

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The best way in the world to do anything, is just to do it.

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"Whatever is worth doing at all, is worth doing well."

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Mere method may mean mortifying failure, and most surely will unless Divine blessing is sought and obtained for the men and upon the means.

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One does not miss a thing he has never had. A man who has never carried a watch can't fully appreciate the inconvenience of being without one. The man who has always written his letters by hand is not readily impressed with the time-saving qualities of a typewriter. But once a man adopts the conveniences of this wonderful century, they become a necessity, and are indispensable. No pastor need be surprised to meet indifference and even active opposition, who undertakes to introduce Twentieth Century Methods in the work of his church, but if by patient perseverance he succeeds in getting his plans under way, they will demonstrate their right to live, and indeed, the most active opponents often the most enthusiastic supporters.

## The Preston Resolutions.

By A. J. Dickinson.

Resolved first, That the Board of Ministerial Education and Institute Work, now located at East Lake and Opelika, respectively, be and are hereby consolidated into a board to be known as the Educational Board of the Alabama Baptist State Convention, said board to be located in the city of Birmingham and to consist of nine members, five of whom shall reside in Birmingham and vicinity. A majority of the members of said board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Three of the members of said board shall be elected to serve for a period of one year; three for two years, and three for three years, and thereafter the election in each instance shall be for the term of three years.

Second, That said board shall have charge of the educational work of this convention: (1) in the education of students for the ministry which has hitherto been committed to the Board of Ministerial Education, and (2) the work of organizing and holding Institutes in the State, which has hitherto been committed to the Institute Board at Opelika, and (3) the soliciting of funds for the better equipment and endowment of our schools, and (4) the awakening of our people to the importance of educating their children, and urging their attendance upon our denominational schools.

Third, That said board be commended to our people as worthy of their confidence and support and we appeal to them to contribute through this board for education out of the means which God may have bestowed upon them.

Fourth, That said board is authorized to appoint such agents and agencies as its work may require and its means may warrant, only in no event is it authorized to involve this convention in any debt.

Fifth, That said board is authorized, whenever in its judgment the time may be opportune, to formulate a plan for the correlation of our several Baptist schools which shall be submitted to their several boards of trustees with the request that they report on same to this convention.

The above is a copy of the now famous Preston Resolutions, which were introduced into the convention at its last session by Bro. A. J. Preston. It will again be brought before the brethren at the coming session in Decatur. Some of us think it an exceedingly wise and timely proposal and would like to be heard in that behalf. This hearing would be best had through the columns of the paper where the pros and cons can be more maturely considered and weighed. If we are not right in our opinions on this matter we would be grateful to the brother who will set us right. We have every reason to think that the brethren of "the contrary mind" feel the same way about it.

It is proposed in these resolutions that the convention enter the work of education as it has that of missions through the approved method of a board in charge of the work. The method is that which our denominational experience has shown to be best and will hardly be questioned by any. The work contemplated is: 1. The education of young men for the ministry; a work already well established among us

in the Board of Ministerial Education. 2. The helping of ministers already on the field in better equipping themselves for their functions. 3. The inciting of our people to a more adequate appreciation of the importance of educating their children and especially in our own denominational schools. 4. The eliciting of pecuniary help from the benevolently disposed owners of wealth for the better endowment and equipment of these schools. The first two spheres of work the convention has already formally launched. The last two are spheres in which hitherto the convention has operated only indirectly through the Howard and Judson trustees and only in a sporadic and spasmodic way.

In advocating this movement we claim: (1) Here is enough work of a sufficiently homogenous nature to warrant the creation of a separate board for its prosecution. Whatever may be said as to the volume of business assigned to the Boards of Ministerial Education and Institute work there can be no question that here we have enough work amply worth the doing to warrant the employment of a good secretary for all his time—a very important consideration in creating a new board. State Mission work alone would hardly at present warrant the employment of our excellent secretary, but we have grouped all mission work under his leadership and if anything the present fear is that it is too heavy a burden for one man to carry.

(2) This work needs the constant attention of a competent man to be efficiently performed. That this is true of Ministerial Education, and Institute work the convention has already recognized. The other two spheres, viz: educational evangelism has never been tried except in an occasional campaign in behalf of the Judson or the Howard or the Scottsboro Institute. And every time we have inaugurated such a campaign we have to improvise the necessary machinery and organization, and even then we are able to carry on such campaigns only by drawing off brethren who are engaged elsewhere in important services. Those of us who have undertaken these campaigns know how our work and purse suffers in the time we are engaged in them. The officers of these schools are taken away from their respective colleges when the management of their plants sorely needs their presence. Besides such campaigns are unsatisfactory because the leaders are not skilled in the work nor sufficiently acquainted with the field. Also they are limited in their results because the field deteriorates between these harvest periods by a cooling down of interest and zeal in behalf of education. The work of seed-sowing and cultivation is neglected, and the harvest is meagre and only in favored spots. The illiteracy in Alabama among our brethren abundantly warrants a vigorous and sustained effort for many years to come. If the raising of fifty thousand dollars for the endowment of the Howard warrants the employment of a man for five years at twenty-five hundred dollars a year, how about this work certain in my judgment to yield more than that for the Howard in the time mentioned and fruit in manifold other blessings in education all along the line.



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## Field Notes

### Tuxedo Park.

Tuxedo Park is a village just east of Ensley. Nestled at the foothills of the park is a Baptist church. This church was built last year at a great sacrifice to the small struggling band of members. I have never worshiped with a more devoted or self-sacrificing band than they seem to be. But their house of worship is still unfinished. They need some help to complete their house. They have done the best they can and I am sure the master is pleased with the offering they have made Him. W. T. Davis, of Howard College, is their pastor. The deacons are T. D. Sorrel, W. M. Grimsley and J. H. Watkins. I look for and hope for much good to be done for the Master's cause by these faithful few.

I feel a very great interest in this church, for in that neighborhood I have passed some of the happiest moments of my life. And in thinking of the church and its surroundings, there come to me memories of my youth. Within a stone's throw of the spot where the church now stands is an old farm house, and in that house lived the fairest woman between the seas. On July 26, 1860, I visited her to converse with her on a subject that concerned me very much at that time. On that day, together, we walked down to the spring and while sitting on the rocks at the dear old spring the union of two loving hearts was registered in heaven. With the point of a knife we inscribed our names on the rock on which we sat. But our hopes were not realized as we expected. The cruel war soon came and our hopes were blasted for a time. For four long years of toiling, suffering and sacrificing, we were separated, but we remained true to our pledge, and on Oct. 12, 1865, the crowning day came. On that day in the old farm house we were made man and wife. For twenty-five years God permitted this fair woman and myself to fight the great battle of life together. And the wisest thing we did early in the battle was to put our trust in God. To this union seven children were born and I feel thankful to God that I have been permitted to see each one buried with Christ in baptism to rise and walk with Him in the newness of life. But the hard, cruel days will come in this life. On Oct. 5, 1890, the angel of death came for my dear companion, who had been so faithful to me for twenty-five years. Oh! what a sad day this was. But one after the other five of my children were called away. But whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth. The waters of affliction which I have passed through have been deep and chilly. But God in whom I have put my trust has never forsaken me.

A few days ago I stood on the same rock at the old spring, with the sparkling water murmuring at my feet, just as it did forty-two years ago, and all the sweet and sad memories of the past forty-two years clustered about my mind. How different my surroundings—then and now. Then I was confronted by life's battle, and the many problems that would be met on the journey of life. Now—today, I stand on the same old rock, confronted by the problems of death. I have almost made the journey of life. Now I must meet death and judgment. In that great and awful day, oh! what shall the answer be?

All of my dear ones that have passed away have roamed over the hills and plains of Tuxedo and around Grandpa's old homestead, and it is yet a dear old place to me. Is there any wonder that my soul should be stirred for the up-building of a church in this place?

How I wish they could raise the means to complete their house. God will never forsake such a noble struggling band of His children. He will accept their offering on earth and will crown them in glory.  
J. M. Huey.

### From Bro. Aldridge.

Shades Valley Baptist Church, Just Out of the Smoke of Birmingham South.

Dear Bro. Barnett, my friend and brother: We wouldn't have you and the brethren to forget us. We have just entered into our fourth year's struggle. We have labored under many difficulties but we feel that the Lord has helped us. Our house is near completion. The young men and boys' prayer meeting has raised the money to have two coats of paint put on it and she shines like a pretty school girl with a white apron on; many thanks to the boys. We have a good Sabbath school, well attended. Notwithstanding the cold season a band of little workers, under the supervision of Mrs. Aldridge, are doing a good work.

We also have a good Ladies Aid that seems to be in winter quarters at present, but when the sun shines they will come to the front again and give us another bell to ring. Our prayer meetings held each Sunday night are of great interest to the young ladies and young men of this community. Bro. W. J. Armstrong of Clanton, Chilton county, our pastor, comes every fourth Saturday, and Sunday shoots his gospel gun fast and loud; leaves deep impressions on all that hear him. I don't feel like that we are entirely neglected by the brethren near by. Brother Robert Jane, of Birmingham, paid us a visit a few days ago, gave the children a fine lecture and had a pleasant time with the young people, and made many friends. Also Bro. Dewden, of Howard College, was out the second Sunday and preached for us. We wish him much success in his well begun work. We haven't done a great deal yet in way of missions, our circumstances have been such, but look for us, we are coming by and by.

### A Postal from Mississippi.

Pastor W. M. Burr, after five years successful work, has resigned the Greenville church to accept a call to Greenwood.

It is quite gratifying to the Baptists of Mississippi that Brother Burr will remain in the State, and it is doubly gratifying to our Delta forces that he will not leave that section.

Pastor A. J. Miller has announced that a series of revival services will soon begin with the Columbus church with Pastor W. A. McComb, of Crystal Springs, to do the preaching.

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**MOORE.**—It has pleased our Heavenly Father to call from our midst Sister Moore, wife of Bro. George W. Moore, to a world of eternal bliss and happiness. Who can picture the life, the influence of a truly good woman? She was a faithful wife and ideal mother and a devout Christian. Death to her was "only a dream" and heaven a sweet reality. She was a member of Carbon Hill Baptist church. We bow in humble submission to the will of our Father, knowing that He doeth all things well. The church with the writer express our sympathy to her grief-stricken loved ones and pray that they may find comfort in the promises of a Heavenly Father, who so tenderly cares for His sorrowing children.

W. B. Earnest.

**M'CARY.**—Sister H. E. McCary, while attending her sick daughter at Heflin, Ala., died Feb. 17, 1902. For more than forty-three years she had lived with her husband, Mr. Neut McCary, at their home near Blake's Ferry in Clay county, Ala.

She was dearly beloved in the home, in the community and in the church. She will be greatly missed.

She was born in Cherokee county, Ala., March 5, 1839; became a Christian at the age of fourteen years; lived a consistent church member for almost half a century. She is survived by her husband and five children. May the Lord sanctify her Godly life to the salvation of many souls.

We would commend to the bereaved the Savior whom she trusted, and may His blessing rest upon the husband and children.

J. R. Stodghill.

Lineville, Ala.

**YARBROUGH.**—Mrs. E. Yarbrough was born Feb. 16, 1836, died Jan. 25, 1902. She was a consistent and devoted Christian, was a member of the Baptist church for fifty years. She loved music and often her voice was heard in the family circle singing some favorite song, such as "We shall sleep but not forever," "There will be a glorious dawn," "We shall meet to part no never on the resurrection morn."

For forty-eight years she was the devoted and affectionate companion of the Rev. J. S. Yarbrough. She was the mother of a large family of devoted sons and daughters, six of whom survive her, two sons, Rev. Byron and Homer Yarbrough, and daughter, Mrs. Fannie Head, had preceded her, and was "waiting and watching at the beautiful gate" to be joined by their loving mother, who, dying so suddenly, could not say good-bye to loved ones left behind, but whose sweet face in her peaceful sleep seemed to say, "All is well, all is well."

Mrs. Yarbrough was on a visit to relatives in the city of Montgomery, Ala., when the sad end came so unexpectedly. She had been confined to her bed a few days with lagrip. Retired at night cheerful and improving, but soon her daughter, Mrs. Ellsworth, heard her struggle and raised her head as she breathed her last. Her remains were laid to rest at Orion, Ala., in the presence of her family, relatives and many friends, after one of the most appropriate, instructive and consoling sermons delivered by Dr. A. B. Campbell, of Troy. After all the congregation had taken the last look at the face they had known so long, then the grief-stricken husband came and said: "Dear wife, it is hard to give you up. For forty-eight years you have shared with me the trials, sorrows and responsibilities that came into the life of father and mother, but you are at rest now, where all is peace and joy and sweet content. Our separation will not be long. Soon my body will lie in the grave beside yours until the resurrection, then we will meet again to part no more. Till then farewell."

May heaven's blessings rest upon all the bereaved.

Her Nephew,

L. Lasseter.

**THOMAS.**—Mrs. Minerva Thomas was born June 7, 1819, and fell on sleep February 2, 1902.

Married to Dr. John Thomas in 1837, she was blessed with a long and happy married life, her husband going before her nine years ago. The union was blessed with twelve happy children, nine of whom survive her, and six are useful members of the Baptist church. The living children are: Dr. John Thomas, Marion, Ala.; Mrs. Dr. McCants, Tahadege, Ala.; W. K. Thomas, Supt. of Education, Marengo county; Mrs. Kelly, of Demopolis; Dr. C. B. Thomas, of Thomas, and Messrs. H. C., A. C., J. I., and M. Thomas, of Rembert Hills.

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Her Christian walk was a great stimulus to many lives about her. Her faith was strong to the end. Her life was as calm and beautiful as a stormless sea, and she

approached death as serenely as if she were going out to visit a friend. Her strong life and influence will be felt amid the changing scenes of Rembert for years to come. We mourn not for her as for those with no hope, for,

"Tis sweet to know, when all is o'er,  
And we shall touch the mystic shore,  
That we shall know as we are known,  
Rejoice with loved ones 'round the throne."

Her pastor, I. N. Langston.

### MARRIAGES.

**HASTY-WILLIAMS.**—In the Baptist church at Nanafalia, Ala., March 4, 1902, Mr. N. L. Hasty and Miss Marie Williams, the writer officiating.

Miss Marie is the daughter of Hon. and Mrs. J. B. Williams, and is one of the strongest and sunniest characters I have ever known. Mr. Hasty comes from one of our best families and is a young man of character and sound business ability.

Bright prospects are before them and they begin life amid the love and good wishes of many friends. May God's tender love follow them all the way.

I. N. Langston.

**HEILMAN-RAINS.**—At Simcoe, Ala., on March 16, 1902, Mr. John D. Heilman to Miss Lula Rains, the writer officiating.

Mr. Heilman is a member of Simcoe Baptist church, and is superintendent of the Sunday school, his father is a Deacon and a good one.

Miss Lula is a Methodist and is a cultured young lady; I think she will make the German brother a good wife, and it would not be out of the usual order for her to become a Baptist in the near future.

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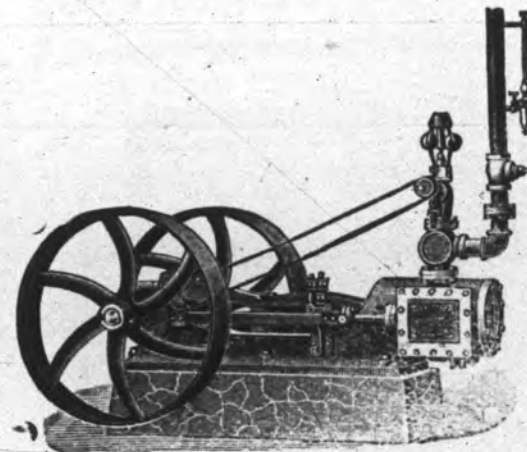
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Dothan.....	.....	11 12am	12 01am	.....
Bainbridge.....	.....	1 10pm	2 05am	.....
Climax.....	.....	1 25pm	2 22am	.....
Thomasville.....	.....	2 20pm	3 15am	.....
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Ar. Enterprise.....	11 30am	4 30pm	3 55pm	.....
Ar. Elba.....	12 30am	6 00pm	4 50pm	.....
Going East.....	*66	*68	-70	.....
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