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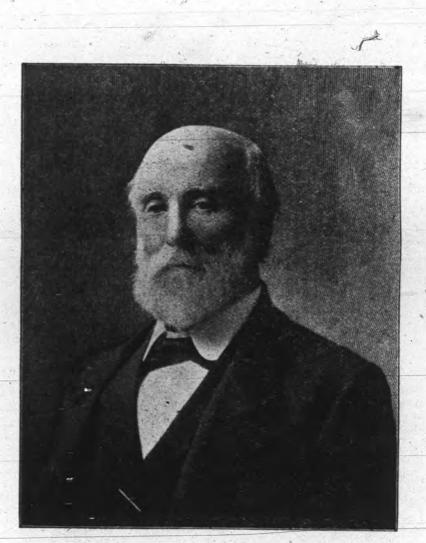
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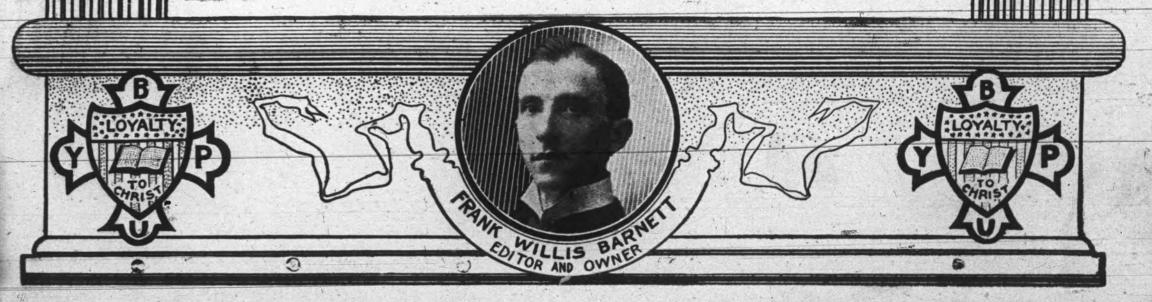
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# The Beginning of State Missions in Alabama.

By T. M. BAILEY, D.D.

tion of the State Mission Board, a number of brethren felt that something ought to be done to develop the missionary spirit in the churches of the State.

Before the war Alabama gave large gifts to home and foreign missions. Those gifts, however, came from the few; the masses of the people gave but little. The results of the war stopped, to a large extent, the gifts of the rich, so that in the beginning of the seventies contributions to the general Boards were exceedingly small. Some brethren, dissatisfied at the low ebb of the missionary spirit, began to agitate the formation of a State Mission Board. Like every new movement, it met with opposition sharp and fierce. The advocates of Associational Missions were unwilling to give up their time honored plan, and looked upon the proposed new movement as tending to centralization; while the friends of the Home Mission Board looked upon the movement with no friendly eye. Feeling in the matter was deep and strong, and many good brethren dreaded the meeting of the Convention in 1874.

The State Convention met in Marion and the formation of a State Board was the burning question of that meeting. Strong brethren were arrayed on each side and at a night session, when the question came up for final decision, there was a battle of giants. Near the midnight hour the conclusion was reached, in the passing of a resolution to organize a State Mission Board, to be located in Talladega. The organization was effected by the election of Rev. J. J. D. Renfroe, as president, and the writer as corresponding secretary.

On the first Sunday in January, 1815, I preached my first sermon in the interest of State Missions to the Selma Baptist Church, from the text, "No man cared for my soul."

In the afternoon, in company with a number of brethren, I went to the Colored Baptist Church and preached there. The sermons of that day bore fruit. Before we left the Colored Church the big, warm-hearted R. C. Keeble con sented to become the superintendent of the Colored Sunday School. I then became an itinerant preacher, or a Baptist circuit rider for two years.

The State was canvassed by Associations as far as one man could do it. I preached every day in the week, sometimes giving the entire day to one church and sometimes on the same day preaching to two churches that would be several miles apart. At night, as a rule, brethren would come to where the traveling preacher was being entertain-

For a long time before the organiza- preaching twice and traveling several miles, this was sometimes a weariness to the flesh, but it gave me an opportunity to press practical religion on the hearts and consciences of the listeners.

> During those two years travel, I came in contact with a great variety of Baptists, Methodists, Anti-Missionarics, and not a few who were O-Missionary. Some choice spirits who loved the Lord Jesus Christ and who were willing to spend and be spent in advancing His cause, were found. Others were found who were so busy settling doctrinal questions, that they had no interest or time for anything else. Many a time as I appeared among a crowd at a church, I would be confronted with the question, "Are you sound?" to which I often replied that I occasionally had a touch of indigestion.

For two whole years I wandered here and there over the State, putting forth my best efforts to arouse the churches to a sense of duty to their Master and to their fellow men. During that time I failed to raise the salary promised by the Convention. The truth, however, began to take hold upon the people. Their hearts were opened, and consequently their pocketbooks, so that the Board began to see its way to put additional workers in the field.

Greenville, S. C., April 17, 1902.

## State Missions.

Twenty years ago the Liberty Association, West Alabama and Mississippi, to which I belonged, was practically anti-missionary-missionary in name only, never giving a cent to any of our benevolent objects, not much for pastoral support, and nothing to missions. I began preaching under influences like these, and in full accord with them.

About this time Rev. P. E. Kirven, State Evangelist, visited us. In some respects he was one of the most remarkable men I have ever known; a great preacher with a great heart and a fine knowledge of men. He paid us two visits, and during the time visited many of our churches and came in contact with nearly all of our pastors. The result was that in two or three years the whole Association was revolutionized. new Association was formed with more aggressive views on the question of missions.

to missionary views under a sermon of Elder Kirven' was sent out as a mission. ary to a neighboring county under the employment of the State Board and the Association jointly. This county had two or three small Baptist churches with two Baptist preachers—one of whom went over since to the Anti's. The balance of this large county, in-Baptist church.

appointments where he preached once every other Sunday. ed, just to hear the brother talk. After a month. Nearly every one of these

appointments now has a Baptist church and a large Association has been formed of churches within the bounds of this county. That is a sample of what has been done in many counties of our State.

Here is another item of a different sort of work brought to my mind by a recent trip down the A. G. S. railroad:

At many of the towns I was reminded of the history of State Mission work in the last twenty years. Beginning at

WOODSTOCK, where they have a beautiful house of worship, costing about \$2,000, a firstclass pastor, preaching once a month, and a fine congregation. The handsome property was saved by the timely assistance of our State Board. South of here we come to

#### EUTAW,

where for many years the Baptist cause seemed hopelessly lost. One man and five or six women was the sum total for five or six years. The State Mission Board provided these people with preaching for ten or fifteen years. It seemed to be a hopeless effort. But now they have the handsomest church in the little city, a congregation second to none, and a pastor that measures up with the best in the State. This is one of the clearest vindications of the wisdom of the Board. I wish I could describe the church building and say more of the people, but you will have to visit them to appreciate them. Just below this is

#### EPES,

where the Baptists have struggled for years, and where the Board has helped and helped. Here, too, they have built a house for the Lord costing at least \$2,000, one of the handsomest village churches I have seen. With a membership of fifteen they are holding the fort. And fifteen means a great deal in the black belt.

Were I to go on down this road into Mississippi, I would tell you of Pachuta, Vossburg, Heidelburg, Laurel, Ellisville, Tuscanola, Eastabuchie and Hattiesburg-new towns, all organized by the missionaries of the State Board of Mississippi, Many of these towns are large cities, when the missionaries helped roll logs from the lots on which the churches were to be built. A similar work has been done at Stonewall, State Line and Citronelle on the M. & O. R. R.

And what shall I say of

#### GREENSBORO.

not forty miles from where I write-A young man who had been converted where for thirty years the Baptists were practically unknown? How the missionary rallied the few scattering Baptists and after great difficulty and much discouragement from many sources, and no little chagrin on account of many humiliating conditions, a church organized with ten or twelve members. Later, our dear brother Hardy here gave his life to the further establishment cluding the county site, was without a of the cause. Now they have a neat church, a congregation comparing fav-The young missionary had seventeen orably with the best, and preaching The Second Church at

#### SELMA

was established after a struggle of twenty years as a mission station, largely as the result of a great meeting held by missionaries of the State Board. This is a sample of the work done all over the State; not to mention the influences in other lines that have been put in motion where these men have gone. The stimulus given to the churches to support their pastors, thus enabling them to do more effective work; churches saved from the rot and decay of inactivity; the young ministers sent away to colleges, and young men and women put into our schools where they are better prepared for the duties of life. The gospel preached to the waste places; the souls saved, the people more fully instructed in divine things-all this and more than will ever be known save by Him who takes account of all our work, and has said that our labors shall not be in vain in the Lord.

But for the labors of this State Board many of our most prosperous churches and communities would have been lost to the Baptists of the State. And still demands are coming in for help at important places both in the towns, city and country-help that must be given, or the cause will suffer. Better supply the aid this Board needs to hold these important centres than to seek to establish ourselves in them after they have been occupied by others.

S. O. Y. Ray.

#### State Mission Secretaries.

Dr. Bell, of the Christian Index, published a State Mission issue, Many of the secretaries wrote of their work. And here is the editor's estimate of the men who fill the position of Secretary in their respective States:

"We do not wish to flatter, nor do we use over strong language when we say that, in our judgment, no finer set of men can be found in all our ranks than those who are leading our Baptist hosts in this great State Mission work. And no men among us are doing more or harder work. There are few, if any, of them who do not preach almost as much as the average pastor; travel as much as a drummer; carry on as large a correspondence as some business men; help to raise, receive and disburse a goodly sum of money, besides planning constantly for the work in its many and multiplying features. They are men of conspicuous ability, wide sympathies and much labor. The work they are doing is second to that of no set of men among us, and they deserve and ought to enjoy the loving sympathy and cooperation of every church member whom they serve. It has been our privilege to work in the secretaryships of two of our generol Boards, and we can say, without any exaggeration, that both when in such positions and now, we have felt like pulling off our hats to these State Secretaries, who were doing a work which, in large measure, lies at the foundation of all our prosperity as a people. All honor to these consecrated, indefatigable, hard-working leaders of our mission hosts.

#### Alabama.

Your request for something about Alabama work has been on thing about Alabama work has been on my desk for weeks, but you know about these Secretaries. Years ago, an insurance man called at my office. Didyou ever have an interview with one? Well, then, you know how he talked. I let him say his piece and I said not a word. When he was finally through, I came near taking away what little breath he had left by telling him I couldn't, shouldn't, just wouldn't under any sort of circumstances, insure with him. Did you ever see one of them surrender? It is not a graceful departure they make. Well, he got off, saying, as he left, in a sort of despairing tone, "I didn't get anything out of you." "But," I replied, "I got something out of you; I see your policy has on it, 'We keep everlastingly at it;' that is a good motto, and I am going to have my girls to paint it on a scroll and tack it here above my desk." The girls never fixed the scroll for me, but all the same that has been the motto: "Keep everlastingly at it." That is one reason why your letter has not been answered. But now to

ALABAMA MISSION AFFAIRS.

I am a poor statistician, hardly ever look at figures of a year ago, but so we are making progress, I am very well satisfied.

We gave last year for State, Home and Foreign Missions, \$30,000; about \$3,000 less than we started out to do. That is a very small sum for 135,000 white missionary Baptists to raise, but if you knew these Alabama Baptists like I do, you would join me in praising the Lord for what they did.

We have several kinds of destitution in Alabama. We have some country which is very nearly destitute of everything except pine trees. In a few places in some sections, we need churches; but generally people can get to a Baptist church in the country in Alabama by going a few miles. Then there is destitution in some of our towns and cities. Some people think there can be no destitution in towns. Our country

Baptists need to feel more sympathy for this kind of destitution. It is the worst kind, most dangerous, and the hardest to supply. But here is our greatest destitution; people destitute of Bibles, and churches destitute of Sunday schools and information, and, consequently destitute of zeal for the support or spread of the gospel. This great mass of the unreached and, in some cases, the almost unreachable, "have eyes, but they see not; ears have they, but they hear not."

We are going out after them in every way we know. The Alabama Baptist is being sent among them by the thousand copies free; strong men meet with the Associations to give information and answer objections; mission literature by the bushel is being sent out; in the summer, Baptist Rallies and Ministers' Institutes, of from one to three days, are being held at important centres in some of the Associations. Nearly all of this without much cost to the Mission Board. Then our Board helps Missionary pastors at important centres and sends out colporters into the Associations. We are ashamed that we are doing so little. We need \$20,000 for State Missions; we need \$1,000 for Aged Ministers and \$2,000 for Bible and Colportage funds. I am called a crank about tracts. Oh! if somebody would give the money so that thousands of fine articles going through the press, never to be printed again, might be put in tract form and scattered among the people.

So far as I know, we are all in good humor over here, and anxious to see the kingdom advance. A few more years, the Lord helping, we are going to show you a very marked change for the better in Alabama.

You may say we are working for cooperation over here with all our might. And we do not want to be interfered with from the outside, unless somebody wants to give us some money. We have everything else needful.

What a field is open before you Baptist editors! God help you to be true and faithful.

> Fraternally yours, W B. Crumpton, Secretary. - Christian Index.

# Letter from Miss Willie H. Kelly.

New Rifle Butts, Shanghai, China,

Feb. 24, 1902.

quite two months since I wrote you, and you have not been in much of a hurry to write me since my return; two letters in five months. But I know you are busy, and I hope you have had that trip to California, and that now you are all right.

I got my box from New York, the one I shipped before leaving home. We have to pay duty now on everything that comes from home; that's the penalty e pay for the riots last year; previous-

there was no duty on anything. am to have another Bible woman ork with me this year, Mrs. Zee, who will live at Quin San most of ner time, visit the women and keep up the meetings when I am not there. Two came down with me last Saturday to be baptized: two young women, one a former pupil in the school, and the other from my little class of thirteen, who were frightened away by the story that for the North, one for the South, none I was buying up children to take out for us. We want a young woman who their eyes for medicine. Two of these is a real teacher and has many acquiregirls come now when I am up there

reform is taking the lead. Many desire to unite with the church, but we must be My Dear Bro Crumpton: It has been careful just now, lest they come from a wrong motive.

There is such a desire for studying English that the demand cannot be met, and everywhere, over every shop, you see "English as she is spoke;" for instance, over a blacksmith's, "Ponie Shoo Mak," and a gardener's sign is "Wo Shing has for sal every description flowers, elmers, etc."

Yesterday I met three young Chinese women on bicycles, so you see what we are coming to, in this large cosmopolitan city and port. We ought to have twelve missionaries here at work, instead of five. We are asking for two married couples and four single ladies.

Miss Price is going home and there is no one to take her school but Mrs. Tatum, who has no strength to take on extra work, but it must be done. I was so in hopes that one young lady would be sent to us this year, but two came ments, one who can teach the girls to Prejudice is fast wearing away, and sing, sew, knit, and anything else that



MISS WILLIE H. KELLY.

will make them useful, and last, but remember the class about whom some

We have a fine lot of girls in the beginning, six years ago, died last week, of searlet fever. She had been home She professed religion and we had every reason to believe she was a Christian, but her father would not permit her to be baptized. We know she is saved.

Scarlet fever has been fearful here, and is now. It seems to be as fatal for adults as for children; thus far the Lord has wonderfully preserved us, as we are perhaps exposed to it every day. precaution.

I did want to write this week on "Who Can Say Missions are a Failure?" but am too busy to write it as it should be. We had a practical demonstration on yesterday-fourteen confessed Jesus by baptism-seven women and girls and seven men and boys. Five of these were Quin San gleanings, so you know it was a happy day for me. A young husband and wife were among the number, and she was such a timid girl. I asked her if she was afraid when she went into the water, "No," she said. "I just prayed and all was well." Another dear girl from my little class in Quin San; she had never been away from home in her life, and had never seen anyone baptized, so when Brother Tatum led her down into the cold water, she was frightened and cried out. He just stopped, and, holding her hand, Is a field for home mission work on help me," then as calm and serene as the water, and arose with a look of them self-sustaining! trust which was beautiful.

been praying for that class; they will there next year.

not least, the daily teaching of the wicked person circulated stories to the effect that I bought children and took their eyes for medicine. They did not school now, and they are doing good come then for a long time, but this one work. The first one has died, I mean has come lack, indeed. Isn't it wonderthe first death in the school since the ful, the power of the gospel to triumph over the Devil?

We spent the whole day at the church several months when she contracted it. yesterday, and many eyes were full of tears from joy. One mother, speaking about the baptism of a daughter, said, "I have been praying for this." One young man was baptized and such a number of his heathen relatives were there upon the front bench to witness it, and I never saw a more orderly, respectful crowd.

Our Christians say, "Oh, if we only The Chinese know nothing of sanitary had more missionaries. The harvest is plentiful, but the reapers are few." We need a young woman for the girls' school, and a young married couple for the boys', and we must have them. Won't you make it a special subject of prayer as soon as you read this? Just earnestly ask God to send them and He will do it, I know. I have great faith in your prayers. God bless you all in the Alabama work this year. Remember me to all your friends as you go over the State. I need to write so many letters to the ones who have written; only last mail I sent off fourteen letters and it just seems impossible to write so much, but I shall write a good many this summer, when it is too hot to

#### New Orleans

prayed. Then she said, "Lord Jesus which fifty thousand dollars could be profitably spent each year. Four white any one could be, she was buried beneath Baptist churches there and only one of

We ought to enable the Home Board The young people of Thomasville have to put a dozen more strong young men

## World Wide Missions.

By J. W. Sandlin.

"Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to the whole creation."

What a responsibility is resting on those to whom this command was and is given!

Every spot of It is world-wide. ground where man may be found without Gospel privileges, must bear the footprints and echo the voice, of the faithful servant of the Lord. "All the world" does not permit us to be home missionaries and not foreign missionaries. There was no favored spot of earth in this command. Christ, as a man, may not have loved the country around Nazareth better than any other place on earth, but there is not even a remote hint of such a feeling in this command. And he who is being guided by the Spirit of Christ, will show no special favors.

But, some say, it is natural for us to love our native land better than any other. Well, yes, that is true. It is natural for us to do so. But, my brother, religion is not natural; it is divine. It is natural for us to hate our enemics, but it is God-like to love them. Christianity is in an everlasting and universal warfare against nature.

Christ loved the whole world. Brother, do you? "If any man hath not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His."

One of the things the State Mission Board is for is to arouse our 137,000 Baptists to the obligation of giving the gospel to the whole wide world.

And the churches are beginning to recognize it, too. It is only a question of a little while when opposition will disappear and all will joyfully join in the glad work.

#### Were I A Pastor.

The substance of an address delivered by the Corresponding Secretary of Alabama before the Meeting of Secretaries at Memphis, March 19th.

I think I would first have an interview with myself. I would want to feel sure that the person I was about to interiew had religion, was thoroughly honest, and had good sense. It is not worth while to waste talk on a preacher who is lacking in these qualities.

The first question I, would discuss with myself would be: "What is a pastor for?" What's his business? I think I would answer the question about this way: His business is to preach the gospel, having two purposes in view; first to make disciples, then to teach the new-made disciples to observe all the commands of Christ. This would require much studying of the Scriptures gospel to a lost world was a bleak and choosing a committee of young people merely to preach and expect that to do the work, would be like teaching military tacties to raw recruits and expecting them to become efficient soldiers. I think I would come out of the pulpit and as nearly as I could, show them how to do the Commandments.

Then I would put myself through a rigid examination to discover if I was a real missionary in heart. Until a pastor believes with all his heart that the spirit of missions is the Spirit of Christ, he will make his appeals from wrong motives, and all his efforts will be by fits and starts. I would certainly make myself decide whether I was missionary enough to give my own money to help on the mission cause. For a pastor to preach missions to his people and then be represented but seldom in the contribution box, and then very meagerly, will ruin the whole business.

and praying and talking are tested right Lord's goodness in providing for those He loves. It takes hard licks and the most skilful management along with the prayers: Praying for missions, if it is genuine, will be followed by a fingering of the pocketbook. There may be little in it, but some part of the little. thereby be increased.

Then, I would want myself to ponder and in a little while both preacher and will give by the month for the year, long and well the question, believed by people will become disgusted with it. I hope there is not a member of our some, whether anyone could be a true- We would settle another matter, also. hearted missionary and give nothing to If members refused to come into measthe missionary cause. All the singing ures and help in the cause, they should not be abused and called hard names. here. A crop is not made by praying Calling one a stingy hard-shell never. for it, or talking piously about the made a missionary yet. If we can't win people to their duty, you may be sure they cannot be driven.

Having decided what we would not do, I would explain fully what I wanted to accomplish. I would want some one to agree to take charge of the mission committee for one year. I would take will go in the direction the prayer took the list of members and go over it with and, as sure as you live, the little will that one and make a rough estimate of what we could reasonably expect from I would then discuss with myself the each member by the month. It is well effect missionary working, praying, to make a mark and work to it, if you singing, talking and giving would have miss it. Many a boy has bursted every on the church. I would want to bring button off his breeches trying to jump myself to believe that a church without to a mark that another boy had made sympathy with the effort to give the for him. I would aid my chairman in

REV. F. C. McCONNELL, D.D., Corresponding Secretary of the Home Mission Board.

out the commission of our dying Lord.

terviewing has religion, is thoroughly same spirit. If I should find many, I would thank the Lord; if only one, I should not be discouraged. If that one happened to be a warm-hearted, intellibe, I would go over the question. We would all cheerfully agree to it. would decide most positively that in no education in that sort of an effort, sign a card saying how much each one demned. The pastor should carefull

and studying of the people, too. But chilly iceberg in the world, and that the to be known as the Missionary Commitbest way to make it a great spiritual tee. We would have them together and force would be to get it aroused to carry talk to them about missions. I would have my missionary map at hand, and I believe that if the brother I am in- show them the fields of missionary labor. Then I would put something in their honest and has good sense, he will see hands to read on the subject of misall these things as I see them. Having sions. At another meeting of the Comended the interview with myself, I mittee, we would study together the would turn to my membership and see Missionary Boards. Get familiar with how many of them were animated by the their locations, their Secretaries, the figures of the year before, the amount given by our State, our Association, our church. After the second meeting with them, I would ask them to give themgent woman, I would be especially glad. selves to the work under the lead of the With her, or them, as the case might chairman for one year. I am sure they literature falling into my hands, before

> putting the case before the congrega- next Sunday: "We have a Committee tributing, and some others would tion, it should not be done by frantic on Missions. They begin their work the cause damage if read. The indiappeals or by uproarious fun. There is next week. They want every member to criminate use of tracts is to be con

church who will refuse to sign a card for some amount. Every first Sunday will be Mission Sunday in the church and Sunday school. On Friday or Saturday before, you will have handed you by a member of the committee, or you will get it through the mail, a Mission envelope with your name written on it. On Sunday morning be sure to put in the envelope the amount you pledged and bring it to church. If your envelope is not found there, the Committee will conclude you forgot it or lost it, and will send you another with a polite note asking you to bring it the next Sunday. Now, I ask every member to co-operate with the Committee in this labor of love they have undertaken at the request of your pastor. The Committee will be right here at the table with the cards when we dismiss. I hope as many of you as can, will come and sign the card, and thus save the Committee as much trouble as possible." I would meet the Committee frequently to encourage them and instruct them. The cards and envelopes can be had free on applica tion to the State Mission Secretary; but if mine was a town or city church, with a large membership, I would have them printed myself.

On Friday before the Sunday, when the collection is to be taken, the members of the Committee would go out two and two, in the districts assigned them, to deliver the envelopes-the name of each member having been written disfinctly on his envelope. The next Sunday the basket would go around just a usual after the sermon. I say after the sermon, because all will then be in their places, and possibly the services or the sermon may move some one to give who would not otherwise do so.

Let the collection be turned over 1 the Committee. The cash they would carefully count on the spot, the envelopes would be taken home, opened, and the money counted. On the next Sunday, some of the delayed envelope would be in the basket. I would furnish the Committee with a book, in which page should be given to each member.

About Monday after the second Sun day the Committee would forward the money to the Board or Boards, and when receipts were returned, they would be turned over to the Treasurer of the church.

The discouragements which the Committee met with. I would never report to the congregation. But every encouraging word I heard, I would tell in my most eloquent strain.

Every quarter, there would be church rally, when the pastor, the superintendent of the Sunday school, th deacons and the Mission Committee would all make their reports to the church to be recorded on the minutes. Occasionally I would preach a sermon devoted exclusively to the discussion o missions, and frequently my other ser mons would contain illustrations draws from the mission fields. I would no eternally talk of missions and wear th subject threadbare. I have known som indiscreet brethren who set the mission ary plow too deep, thereby injuring themselves and the missionary caus

I would read diligently all missionar, giving it to my people. Some of it-I would announce from the pulpit the not to the point and is not worth di

select the tracts and as carefully select the people to read them.

It seems to me this is about the way I would do if I were pastor. Nothing is said about putting the matter before the church or consulting the deacons. I am taking it for granted that the church and deacons have religion, are thoroughly honest and have good sense.

If I am correct in my supposition, I am sure they will encourage the pastor in leading his people out on the line of missions.

## The Remedy for Every III in Church Life.

At the Hot Springs Convention there were present a missionary from the mountains of Eastern Kentucky and a negro missionary from South Africa, who made speeches before the Convention. The brother from the mountains said: "Brethren, our mountains are full of Baptists who are doing nothing for the cause of Christ. They are wholly undeveloped along lines which are perfectly familiar with your churches in more favored sections. I am persuaded there is no way in the world to bring them forward on other lines until we get them interested in giving the gospel to the heathen world. I appeal to you to help us get the great foreign mission idea on their hearts and minds, then they will become interested about other things. This seems a long way round, but we have tried the other way and it has failed."

When the negro's time came to speak he said: "Ah, brethren, I don't want this money," turning to the money which his enthusiastic audience had piled there after his wonderful, souithrilling speech, "Give it into the hands of our Home Mission Board with instructions that they use it to send strong men among my poor, ignorant race, most of whom are Baptists, and lay upon their hearts and consciences the great obligation they are under to give the gospel to the heathen. Nothing on earth will arouse them like that. I look for them to go on as they are in their folly and their ignorance, until that great duty comes with a crushing power upon their poor souls and they will rise from their sloth to do that and will awaken to the doing of their neglected duties."

Here were two appeals almost alike. Each one felt that the weight of the condition of the lost world was the remedy for all the sloth and idleness and selfishness. Not long since in Alabama, I related this at a preacher's meeting, and said I believed these men were right and this was the thing to save our churches, in town and city, from the flood of worldliness which now seemed to be sweeping over them. A city pastor who was present, out of the fulness of his heart, shouted "Amen."

You may make rules against dancing, theatre-going, card playing and the like, but those rules by themselves will never save your members from such scandalous living unless you can make them see that life is real and earnest living for the promotion of the gospel. They can be brought to this if they are truly regenerated people.

Right along with these let this go. Immediately after Carey left for In-

dia, Andrew Fuller wrote these words: "We had time for reflection. We could scarcely believe that such a number of impediments had, in so short a time, been removed. Fears which we had in the beginning had insensibly given way to hope and joy. We were

glad also to see the people of God offer- tians of different denominations discoving so willingly and all uniting in pray- ered a common bond of affection; and er to heaven for a blessing."

between distant ministers and churches. pleasure in uniting in those wherein Some who were backslidden from God they were agreed. In short our hearts were restored; and others, who had long were enlarged and if no other good had been pouring over their unfruitfulness, arisen from the undertaking than the having their attention directed to Christ effect produced upon our own minds, and his kingdom, lost their fears and and the minds of Christians in our found that peace, which, in other pur- country, it were more than equal to the suits, they had sought in vain. Chris- expense.

instead of always dwelling on things A new bond of union was furnished wherein they differed, found their

# Death of Dr. H. A. Tupper.

Dr. Willingham in Foreign Mission Journal.

A prince in Israel has fallen! March a woman, yet courageous in duty, and 27, 1902, in Richmond, Va., Dr. Tupper finished his work on earth and was not, for God took him. This noble servant of God was born in Charleston, S. C., Feb. 29, 1828. In early life he was instructed by Dr. Dyer Ball, a returned missionary, and it is likely that from him he received missionary impressions which influenced his future life. Dr. Tupper attended Charleston, S. C., College, Madison University (now Colgate University, N. Y.), and Hamilton Theological Seminary. He was a pastor at Graniteville, S. C., and Washington, Ga. From the latter place he was call-

true to all he believed right.

He married in early life Miss Nannie Boyce, sister of Dr. James P. Boyce. She was a true, blessed wife to him. Six children survive them-Mrs. T. A. thorne; Dr. Kerr B. Tupper, of Philadelphia; Dr. H. A. Tupper, Jr., of New York, and Paul Y. Tupper, M.D., of St. sympathy. We add a few words, taken teem in our religious press. In the Christian Index, Dr. T. P. Bell says:

Hamilton, Birmingham, Ala.; Misses Annie and Mary; Mrs. Hartwell Haw-Louis. To all of these we extend our from many expressions of love and es-"For nearly seven years it was our privilege to serve as Assistant Secretary of the Board under Dr. Tupper as Sec-



ed in 1872 to the position of Corres- retary, and we learned to know him ponding Secretary of the Foreign Mis- well. And to know him was to know sion Board, to succeed Rev. J. B. Tay- man so high in character, so pure in lor, who had been Secretary for twenty- thought, so gentle in manner, so true in seven years. Dr. Tupper remained in every relation of life, so devoted to office till June, 1893. So that these two Christ and His work, that the recollecnoble servants of God held this important position for forty-eight years. The work, well begun by Dr. Taylor, grew to much larger proportions under Dr. Tupper's care. He loved missions, and while active in pressing it forward was careful and methodical in all the details of the office. For several years past Dr. Tupper has been Bible instructor in Richmond College. He was of that type of men who love to work while life

Descended from one of South Carolina's best families, he was a hightoned Christian gentleman, kind and gentle as

tion of association with him will ever linger as one of the great privileges of life."

The Western Recorder well says: "Born to wealth and position, Dr. Tupper was one of the kindest, gentlest, most unassuming men we ever knew. His generosity and his hospitality seemed to have no limits. His high sense of honor, his profound reverence, his knightly courtesy, his open-handed generosity, his bright cheerfulness and his whole-hearted consecration to the cause of Christ-these were his chief characteristics."

# The Harry Martin Fund

Has done a world of good in printing tracts and sending the Bible and good books into the homes of the poor. Can't somebody else establish a fund like that?

# Workers for the Summer.

We want to put every Howard boy and Seminary student from Alabama to work this summer. Will the churches enable us to do it?

## Home Missions.

Not much is said in this issue of the paper about home missions. It is not because we are not interested in the work of the Home Board. We are going to take care of it. The Board assists us in Alabama to the amount of \$1,000. As soon as possible we must release it from this obligation. "Why ask any assistance now?" a city pastor asked, The dear brother doesn't know the need in Alabama. His church does but little for either State or Home Missions. We have needs in the State as pressing as can be found in any State. There are more Baptists here to look after this need than in many States; but they are slow to take hold. Soon we hope to have them aroused.

#### Envelopes

Won't work themselves. Somebody must be behind them and follow them up. "I gave them out and never heard any more of them."-What will become of a church with a pastor who takes no more interest than that?

Seeing a lot of Mission envelopes in the pulpit, I asked, "Why, brother, you don't seem to have used them after I sent them." "No," he said, "Brother - runs things here, and he opposed it." Brother Blank was the rich man of the church and bossed everything. The poor pastor and people were always trembling in their boots for fear of displeasing him.

## Study the Supplement.

Besides the monthly reports for seven months, you will find the financial report as taken from the Minutes of the Associations for 1901. That is an important document. It will be an eyeopener to many.

A more interesting table still, is "churches which gave over \$100 for missions in 1901." Some little churches gave large sums; some large churches, alas, gave small sums.

Clip these tables out for future reference. They are valuable.

## Paul's Exhortation.

Under the departments of methods a circular letter to the pastors will be found. This letter is based on Paul's exhortation to elders of the church at Ephesus. Every pastor ought to read it and the replies of the brethren. More time given to the churches by the pastors is a crying need. We can never make much progress until the defect of monthly preaching with no pastoral work is remedied.

# Registered Letters

Often contain silver, loosely put in the envelope. With every transfer, it changes place and often breaks through the envelope and some of it loses out. It can never be recovered once it is lost. A letter on my desk now, contained two silver dollars and a quarter. When received it had worn its way through the envelope. As it happened, it all reached me safely. If silver must be sent, let it be confined so it cannot move.

# Expansion is the Watchword.

Our State Mission work , must expand. That means more money to employ more men, and to buy more Bibles and more books The Lord is blessing the work. He points us to wide fields unoccupied. Will we occupy them?

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# Department of Methods

# **Letter of Secretary Crumpton** to Country Pastors.

Montgomery, Ala., 1902.

Dear Brother: I trust you know me well enough to excuse the liberty I take in addressing you this letter. I was once a pastor in a country church. I know every burden you have to carry on your hearts. I thoroughly sympathize with you in your efforts to advance the kingdom. I want to ask you to study Paul's exhortation to the elders of the church at Ephesus. It is a very important passage: "Take heed therefore unto yourselves and to all the flock of God, over which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with His own blood." As I grow older, I often say to myself: "How I wish I had been impressed with this exhortation when I was young and strong as I do now when I am growing old! How much better preacher I would have been and how much more good I would have done!"

In a letter, I can't preach you the sermon that is in this text. The church at Ephesus had more than one elder and I feel quite sure they gave themselves wholly to the ministry of the Word, the church supporting them. We have reduced the number of elders to one and have put on him the care of from two to six flocks and most of our elders support their families by laboring with their own hands. They cannot "Take heed to all the flocks of God!" "They cannot feed," or tend, that is the meaning of the word, "The church of God." HOW MUCH THE CHURCHES LOSE BY THIS NEGLECT!

There are thousands of homes where no preacher has ever entered. The children have grown up in these homes without feeling the influence of a pastor. This is a sad calamity to befall a child. A brother whose home had sheltered many preachers and whose children had enjoyed the best advantage in school and college, said: "The best part of my childrens' training came from their contact with God's ministers in my home." What burdens anxious souls carry on their hearts, which they long to communicate to the pastor and seek his counsel and there is no opportunity to talk to him.

HOW MUCH THE PREACHER LOSES BY THIS PRACTICE.

He would be so much better preacher if he could hear out of the full hearts of his people, all that troubles them, and with brotherly sympathy point them to the source of comfort. "My best sermon came to me from visiting my people." That is the experience of many a pastor. Preachers often seem cold and without sympathy, because they haven't had heart-to-heart talks with their people around the fire sides. We have in Alabama only fifty-two churches which have preachers for all their time. So. Indeed I think you are only using the far as I am informed, there is not one country church in the State with preaching every Sunday. Probably one hundred will cover the

number of preachers in the State who are giving themselves wholly to the ministry.

only stating deplorable facts. Can we es.

hope to make much progress while these conditions continue? Have we a right to claim to be Apostolic in doctrine while we fall so far short of apostolic give the pastors a better support. With pastors, there would soon be a Sunday school in each church, every family would have family worship, the membership would feel under obligations to help in evangelizing the lost world and great revivals would follow. In a little good coming to them by having pastors unfettered by business cares and would regard it as a privilege to support them. ship of the churches I am supplying.

I lay this matter, so vital to the best

the claims of home must be met and at as your letters always do me good. the same time realizing that his full time is needed in visiting and ministering to his flock. Oh! that it was different.

I don't know when I have received a letter I have appreciated more than yours. If you knew how seriously I have been considering this great question for quite a while, you surely would see how nearly our minds are together. I sometimes think when I see how imperfect the work I am doing and know practice? I make a plea for more time what ought to be done, I get to where to be given to the churches. Of course I am halting between two opinions and this means that the churches should I am in a strait betwixt two. I see the necessity of a minister devoting all more time given to the churches by the his time to the work, giving himself wholly to the work. It has not been the custom with country churches to have their pastors devote their time to the work. I don't know how long it will take to get them to see the importance of having the pastor devote his entire while the churches would see the great time to the ministry. I see the importance of face to face, hand to hand, heart to heart work with the member-

For the past three months I have

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pray over it and talk to the brethren about it. Every word of this comes from a heart that loves you and I pray God to bless you in its reading.

Fraternally yours, W. B. Crumpton. "RESPONSES.

Here are a few of the letters in re-

sponse from pastors:

Dear Brother: Your strong, kind letter of recent date impressed me very much. Yes, I think I know you well enough to excuse the liberty you take. liberty divinely given by a man of your age and experience and office. I am sure it is encouraging to be assured of your fellow sympathy and Christian

stand the life and experience of a man Brother, I am not finding fault, but who serves many of our country church- low up your thought in your letter. So With the cares of life pressing your letter has been a great help to me.

interests of Christ's churches, on the nearly settled the question to devote hearts of those whom God has made more time or decline supplying church-Bishops or overseers. I beg that you es. A man with the care of a family, a farm, and of several churches, oh, what a strait.

I thank you for your kind letter and the tracts you sent with it.

Received your letter today, in which you draw some helpful suggestions as to Paul's exhortation to the elders at Ephesus. As I read it, I am made to feel how far we fall below the true ideal Paul sets before us. Also I am made to feel how gloriously would the kingdom of our Lord and His Christ triumph over the world, until all nations and people shall hear the Glad Tidings of great joy, were this exhortation a practical realization in all our churches.

Next Sunday, the Lord willing and helping me, I shall preach from this I think that few people fully under- text, using as a subject: "The Fettered and Unfettered Ministry." / I shall fol-

hard upon his shoulders, feeling that Would be glad to hear from you often,

On arriving home at 10:30 p. m. last night from my church, fifty-five miles away, I found awaiting me your encouraging, sympathetic and much appreciated letter, referring to the study. of Paul's admonition to the elders of the church at Ephesus.

O my dear brother, how my very heart and soul has poured over that Scripture and how I have desired with a zealous desire to be able to give more time to the work of the Lord, and to be with my people more in their homes. But, alas! the small amounts paid me by the churches and the great demand upon me at home forbids.

Today I start on my fifty-ninth year, with your helpful letter to encourage me and with new resolves I set out to do better and more faithful work for the Master.

I think that you readily lay your finger on the situation that needs remedy. We are not even Missionaries to ourselves so lo g as we have preaching and pastoral work but once a month, then how can we be Missionaries to the "uttermost" with such little training and exercise in righteousness.

I thought nearly nine years ago, when I preached my first sermon as pastor, that "once a month" was mighty poor service and have sometimes been almost alarmed at the ease with which our churches and many preachers go along on such service.

Dear Brother Crumpton: I have read the letter you sent out to all the pastors whose addresses you could get and fully endorse what you say. I believe that more time spent with the people by the pastors is what is needed. I read also with interest "A night in a Cabin." It reminded me of an experience I had in Blue Grass, Ky. I dined with a poor family living on a blue grass farm as laborers. The fact is I hinted to them one day that I would accept an invitation to dine with them and the day was fixed. Their joy in having me was very evident. There were two children in the family that were nearly grown and yet the father said to me, "You are the first preacher that ever dined with us." None of them was a member of the church at that time, but afterwards all of them came into the church. Your little tract brought tears to my eyes as I read it. More faithful pastoral work is what is needed to make our churches more efficient.

Dear Brother: Your letter received a few days ago, and though you did not require an answer, I feel impelled by a sense of its merits, to write you and express my appreciation of it. I have been of the opinion for a long time and have often preached to my people on this subject; and I am convinced tht the only way we will succeed in developing the churches, and bringing them up to that high standard of Christian living, is for each church to have its own pastor located among them and have service every Sunday. As it is, I may go to my church Sunday and get up an interest on any one department of our Mission work and before I get back, it is gone. Thus the country pastor may work himself to death, almost, and do nothing and get but little.

I do believe you have struck the keynote and if all the pastors would work

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We turned the paper over to Brother Crumpton this week and he deserves the credit for getting out such a fine Missionary Edition. Brother Crumpton has worked faithfully and under his leadership the Baptists of Alabama have done nobly for Missions. Read every line in the paper and see what great things can be accomplished under the guidance of the Holy Spirit when we follow the lead of those called to the work. May God bless and keep our great-hearted Secretary fresh and strong for his arduous labors.

This Missionary Issue is published and sent forth into every corner of the State. As I have prepared the matter, I have prayed God's blessings on it. Into how many homes it will go where no religious paper has ever gone. I want to beg all such, for the sake of their children, to subscribe and let it come every week. From now until Jan. 1st, new subscribers can get it for \$1.

Alabama has done well for the Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention as telegrams from the secretaries show:

For Foreign Missions, \$1,392.46.

For Home Missions, \$7,180.

We have gone a little beyond the amount asked of us for Foreign Missions, but nearly \$3,000 behind on Home Missions above what was given last year. The boxes sent by the ladies will make up the full amount.

#### A Letter Easy to Understand.

My Dear Brother: The campaign for Home and Foreign Missions closed on yesterday. I do not know how the figures for Alabama stand, but I am hopeful that they are more than last year.

The work must go along on other lines now. The Missionaries in the State have been waiting for what was due them. With a noble spirit of selfsacrifice, they have labored on their fields to swell the amounts for the other Boards. Our State Convention meets June 24th. We do not want to report a debt to the Convention. We will be compelled to do so, unless we have the immediate assistance of all, for State Missions.

I write this personal letter to seven hundred brethren and sisters in the State. I beg them to send relief. Please urge it before the church, the Sunday school, the Woman's Missionary Society, and the Young People's Society, if you have one.

If you fail to secure a collection, I ask you to make the most liberal personal contribution possible. But you will not fail, I am sure. It is impossible for me to visit all the churches.

I must seek the aid of others, so I appeal to you. In thirty days we can have every cent of the indebtedness paid and a nice sum in hand for the summer, if we will all cheerfully join hands. See the enclosed circular: "The Work Before Us." Be assured I am busy every minute, pressing with all my might the good work you have entrusted to me.

Please help me.

Fraternally yours, W. B. Crumpton. Montgomery, Ala., May 1, 1902.

#### The Work Before Us.

Besides the Missionaries we are trying to support, we ought to give employment this summer to all the young preachers at Howard College and the Seminary. They are good men and anxious to work. There will be no trouble to get fields of labor for them.

The Summer Campaign ought to be pushed for all it is worth in the Associations holding Baptist Rallies. We want to employ forty brethren for two weeks to hold two-days meetings central points in the country, preaching Missions, Education, Pastor's Support, and Church work generally. Some of them will do the work without charge; others ought to be paid for their services. Shall we attempt this work? Will the churches enable us to do it?

What answer will you give?

#### Our Pictures.

His old friends will be glad to see the face of Dr. W. C. Cleveland, for many years the president of the Convention and a conspicuous leader among his brethren. As a true yoke fellow with him will be found the face of Bro. T. M. Bailey, the first Corresponding Secretary of the State Board. Then two old heroes, Drs. Tupper and Tichenor, Corresponding Secretaries of the Foreign and Home Boards. The former has passed over the river, the latter lingers with us, loved by all who know him.

The young secretaries of the Foreign and Home Boards, Willingham and Mc-Connell, have good faces, and we are glad for our people to see them: Qur Missionary, John McCollum, and his interesting family, of Japan, and Miss Willie Kelly, of China, we are proud of. Sorry we did not have the pictures of Dr. Ayers and his wife, of China, and of Mrs. McCormick, of Porto Rico -these are all Alabamians.

## Bro. T. M. Bailey.

Many of our people will be glad to read a line from the "Wild Irishman," says: "You well know I don't like to write for publication-never did and never will; but somehow I could not refuse your request."

What a pity that one who knows so much and can tell it so well doesn't like to write! The success of our work-toyears, when he wandered alone over Alabama, not getting so much as his salary, I will remember. I was often with him, little dreaming that God had me in training as his successor.

Coming from Ireland, where to be anything but a Catholic or a member of the church of England, meant persecution, he greatly appreciated the liberty of a Baptist and the freedom of this country. Having been a Moravian, he learned his Bible in his youth and always had a great store of Scripture



T. M. BAILEY.

quotations ready on any and every occasion. Having been a Foreign Missionary in the West Indies, his soul was afire with the duty of giving the gospel to the lost world, and being an Irishman, he was physically strong and bubbling over always with good humor and mother wit. All these peculiarly fitted him for the great work to which God and the Baptists of Alabama called him.

He was especially gifted in entertaining children. He knew all the nursery tales and used them to good advantage to win his way to the hearts of the lit-

tle fellows. His brogue of course made him more interesting. Going into the house of Brother Ashcraft in East Alabama, the father, as his custom was, when strangers came into the home, had all his boys come in to see the stranger. In a little while the fun for the boys began: "Say John,' said the secretary, "what makes a rooster shut his eyes when he crows?" It was a new one on the boys. They were more taken up with taking the stranger in than they were in answering questions like that. Finally the secretary answered: "Sure, and he knows it by heart."

Before retiring that night, the good father had Brother Bailey to lead the family devotions. In a little while after prayers, the secretary turned to the boys again. One of them plucked up courage to ask, "Mr. Bailey, what makes you shut your eyes when you pray?" Not many knock downs have been reported on our Irish Brother, but he was well nigh "spacheless" after that ques-

Hundreds of men and women as they read these lines will call to mind interesting evenings in their childhood homes with Brother Bailey.

TELEGRAM.

Montgomery, Ala., May 3. Rev. Frank Willis Barnett, Birmingham, Ala. Latest returns put Alabama fourteen thousand eight hundred and fifty. Good! Out of debt!

R. J. WILLINGHAM.

Now, old Devil, when the preachers read, "Were I pastor," you will be sure to stand close by and, if he is a country pastor, put this thought in his mind: "Yes, that will do for the city and town churches, but it won't do here; Brother Crumpton don't know my people. If I get up one collection a year just before the Association, I think that is doing right well. True, we don't get much and the folks growl awfully about giving any; but I don't like to go to the Association and hear all the letters reporting money for Missions and my letter a blank. I ain't much of a Missionary anyhow 'cause the people ain't able to do everything. The Bible says they ought to pay the preacher and I preach that duty to them. True, they pay powerful little, but they wouldn't give me nothing, if I should get them to giving for Missions."

"I wish Crumpton and these fellows who are so ready to give advice would as we used to call Brother Bailey. He get in my shoes a while and let me try theirs. Don't reckon I could do much besides draw my salary, but I would surely do that, and I just know in two months time the people would get tired of the fellows who talk so much about money and would run them off."

If it happens to be a city or town day in Alabama is largely due to this pastor you will whisper these thoughts consecrated worker. Those weary two to him: "Well, that is a right good scheme, but there is a lot of work and bother about it. God called me to preach and somebody else must look after that machinery Crumpton has invented. Once every quarter I get up a rousement and pull them for all I can for Missions and other things. I find many times my wealthiest people are not there and each time the rousement has to be more rousing. Some quarters we do right well, if I happen to be in a happy frame and the weather fine; but many times I am much mortified at the Association, at our meagre report. Generally I get out of it by laying it on the clerk or treasurer for not being more careful to report every-

"These secretaries make me tired when they go to talking or writing. They are clever fellows and earn all that is paid them; but they don't know how to manage a church like this. Nearly everything we can raise outside of paying the pastor and keeping up repairs goes to our choir. True, they can't sing much, but it's the fad to have a paid choir and first-class churches have got to have them.

"'Were I pastor,' indeed, were I secretary, I'd let the pastors alone not be bothering them with my unasked advice."

Yes, you horrid old deceiver, that is about all you are fit for. When we want to stir up the preachers and get them out of the old ruts, you put your infernal brain to work to stop it. You want the preachers to go on in their easy way and let the churches sleep on and grow in stinginess. You know well enough the wide awake preachers are the men for you most to fear. A dead church and a sleepy preacher is your delight. I know you, I have made you a study for many years. You have been a great hindrance to me everywhere I have ever worked, but I have seen some of your best laid plans come back on your miserable old head. And you are going to fail right here. God's ministers are rising up and shaking you off everywhere. You will not be able much longer to get off your pious cant in Alabama.

Never mind, some sweet day our Prince will give the finishing stroke to your old bleeding head and in chains you will be confined and go out to deceive the nations no more. That will be a glad day to me and these servants of God whom you have followed with your temptations these years.

#### A Rare Chance.

Not many times a preacher has a chance to go to a dance, but I had. "But I don't dance," I said to the young girl who stood at my desk offering me a ticket for only one dollar. "You don't have to dance," she said, "but this is the dancing of children, whom Prof. has trained." "So much the worse, I'd rather dance myself, he's training the children to the thing." "Did you ever see a preacher who would patronize thing like that?" "But," she persisted, "we help support the churches and besides the church is to get a part of this."

Here in Montgomery there is a craze now over this business, and the women are raving over it. "Children you know, certainly no harm for them." Yes, it looks mighty innocent, but once they learn, they would sell their souls before they'd give it up. If mothers could know the danger to their daughters in the dance, and the damage to their sons-but that wouldn't change some of them: the fad is on and they'll follow it, even though it exposes their daughters to ruin. No harm! But it looks powerful strange that one never discovers a devout soul, who loves the Bible, the church, and prayer meeting among the dancers or the advocates of dancing. These women that are raving over these dancing children are not of the prayer meeting variety.

The atmosphere of the dance is death to all spirituality.

### Is There any Harm in Dancing?

What do you ask for? The asking of the question shows there is a doubt in your mind. If there is the slightest doubt, let your conscience have the beaefit of the doubt and let it alone. You don't have to dance, you can get to heaven without it; the chances are, if yet yield, the dancing crowd, one way or another, will make a wreck of your soul. They are not on the Lord's side. You may put that down certainly. Generally they are out and out enemies of the Lord. Possibly you may find now and then a genuine Christian among them-beguiled for a time; but the most of those professing religion among them have only the form of godliness, while they are strangers to its power.

But you asked for the harm. Here it is in as unvarnished language as I dare write it. Dancing panders to the lowest and most vulgar passion in human nature. Nobody knows this so well the dancing masters, who study postures and attitudes and constantly add new features to bring the persons of the dancers in closer contact. The oldfashioned square dance, where only the hands of the partners come in contact is out of date and entirely too tame for this day. Most of girls who dance do not know what I am talking aboutthey are innocent of any wrong; but the young men know too well I am telling the truth. It is all nonsense to say, with an air of injured innocence, that this suggestion is the conception of a vulgar mind.

The villainy accomplished through the dance, if brought to light, would discover scandals in high life, that would astonish the world. Down with the dance!

# Things as Bad as the Dance.

I haven't a doubt but that many a · whisky-soaked old deacon or church member will be awfully tickled over what I have said about dancing. You old wretch! What will God do to you for your hypocrisy?

Men live lives of shame, others get drunk, and yet others are notoriously dishonest, and all keep their places in the church; but dancing won't be tolerated. That is the way in the country: in towns and cities, generally, they tolerate it all.

#### Indifference to State Work.

I greatly rejoice to see the increased gifts to the other Mission Boards and am helping the movement on; but it is very sad indeed to me to see the indifference prevailing about our own State work. Some of our brethren and some of our stronger churches seem to feel there it no need at all for Mission work in Alabama. They are not informed. They will not read circular letters or religious papers or tracts, and the pastors cannot inform them about everything in the little time allotted to them on Sunday. I confess to a feeling of discouragement when I consider this great problem that confronts us; How to get our busy people informed about the Master's work?

This is a part of the report of the State Mission Board at the last Convention. Surely we will not allow this complaint to be made again.

#### "Why Don't You Come to Seek Us?"

It distresses me not to be able to reach every point. I could not do so if I traveled all the time. The work in the office has greatly increased and more of my time must be given here. Shall the correspondence be given up or the traevling? Which does the most good? If I could always get the congregations, traveling would be worth much; but so much time is wasted to no purpose. Many a time I have reached a place in the morning where I was to preach that night. The whole day was given to loafing and when night came, the congregation was very small. I have had experiences like this for weeks together. Brethren, it don't pay-it is not altogether a waste of time, but I can be profitably employed in the office every minute. I am out every Sunday, of course, and the summer, when the farmers are at leisure, I hope to be much in the country.

## About Prohibition.

With all my heart, I approve what Brother Ray said in a recent issue about Prohibition.

The time has come when we can do something, if fair elections are to obtain. When the Speaker of the House at the last session of the Legislature appointed a committee, which he knew to be hostile to all temperance reform, it was an insult to every temperance man in the State, It was meant to call a halt in temperance legislation and it did it most effectually. It is time now for Prohibitionists to unite in an organization. The liquor power is more defiant today than ever before.

They have organized what they call "A Campaign of Education" against Prohibition. They announce that they have plenty of money.

Heretofore they have always advised against public effort, confining themselves to ways that are dark. If they are coming out now to fight on the open, it is the first time in all their history and I'll venture they will never propose have for this issue the picture of Dr. it again, after one experience.

The very fact of the public announcement of their organization is a confession of their weakness., Prohibition is making such inroads upon their business, they have become desperate. Their business is doomed and they know it. They have powerful allies. There is no end to the money they can use and the daily papers are on their side.

Let Prohibitionists accept their challenge and prepare to meet them.

#### The Punch Bowl Fxalted.

The Ogden party is composed of seventy-four distinguished persons from the East. College presidents and professors, editors of great papers and periodicals, and a number of preachers are numbered among them. They constitute a part of the "Southern Educational Association." They represent many millions of dollars and will command millions for education in the South.

They travel on a special, made up entirely of Pullman cars. When they reached Montgomery for a short stay, a committee of prominent citizens took them in hand.

After they saw the sights, the Mont-

gomery Advertiser says: "AN INFORMAL RECEPTION.

"Many Montgomery ladies and professional and business men had gathered at the rooms of the Commercial and Industrial Association to participate in an informal reception which was tendered the distinguished party of visitors. The rooms of the business men's organization never before showed to such advantage. The deft hand of Montgomery women had transformed the place into a scene of artistic beauty. There was a wealth of flowers all about the place. American beauty and Marechal Neil roses vied with vary-colored carnations in lending enchantment to the scene and tall green palms bowed to the gentle spring breezes.

The tired travelers from the East were graciously served with punch of the choicest southern brew and fair women acted as the hostesses for the business and professional men served on the Reception Committee."

"SERVED WITH PUNCH," is the sentence we want especially to call attention to.

The fair women, I doubt not, prepared it and dished it out.

There were several preachers in the party and the Montgomery ministers were represented—the punch was served all the same. Wonder if the Clergy partook! What has Montgomery society, "the very best," I suppose, come to? If it was approved by the visitors,

what are we to hope from these leader in education?

This was their first pilgrimage on their new mission South. Shall the proclamation go forth to the parents and children that they who come with money in one hand to educate, bring in the other that which is worse than a fire-brand. This was certainly a bad break for the Educational Association. But I must believe the blame rests not with the strangers nor yet with the majority of those who were present, but with some irresponsible person who thrust in a vicious fad, which seems to have crept into what some are pleased to style "the best society." The exaltation of the punch bowl is a crying shame.

#### Associational Delegates to Southern Baptist Convention.

Many of the Associations seem forget that it is their privilege to be represented in this great gathering of Baptists. Twenty-five or thirty Associations in Alabama failed to elect this year.

Don't rorget it next time. Elect a delegate and alternate.

## Church Discipline.

Is one of the most delicate questions a pastor is ever called upon to deal with. It should begin, like army discipline, with the day of enlistment. If the drill master does his duty, corrective discipline will scarcely ever have to be resorted to.

## Fifty Missionaries and Colporteurs

That is the working force 137,000 white Baptists in Alabama have enabled us to put in the field this year. We need fifty more for the summer, but I fear we will not be able to appoint

#### A Great Mistake.

A brother sends a small contribution and adds: "I am so sorry so many of our Baptist people are so hard to educate in their duty to the Master's com-

### Our Girls.

Is the name of a little tract dedicated to parents. No mother should be without it. See list of tracts.

# Editorial Paragraphs

This issue of the paper is given up entirely to Brother W. B. Crumpton, of Montgomery, Corresponding Secretary of the State Board of Missions, as a Missionary number. The agreement was made with him several months since and everything gives place to matter prepared by him.

The receipts of the State Board of amounted to \$7,407.

About \$6,000 of this was for Home and Foreign Missions.

We are greatly disappointed not to among us in the days when our State Mission work was inaugurated,

the office now every day appealing for on with your work, noble Board, we will State Missions. Brethren, don't grow stand by you.

weary of these appeals. It is the only way to keep the work before the people.

Numbers of our factory towns are pastorless. This greatly grieves us. Will the churches enable us to supply them? The people on the ground will help liberally.

The editorial "We." The temporary editor is not used to it as you will see Missions at Montgomery for April by glancing through his editorials. It is sometimes "we" and sometimes "I," but it is always the one who bears the familiar initials, "W. B. C."

> "Are you an , Expansionist?" the question. "Done expanded," the answer.

That is the situation with the State W. C. Cleveland. He was a leader Board. We have expanded and we are going to keep on expanding, unless the churches call us down. We are sure Personal letters are going out from that, they will not do this, but say: Go

## "We Can Only Preach and Hope and Pray."

Preaching, hoping, praying! Three good words, surely. A better combination could hardly be found But when "only" is put before them, it is a great mistake. Suppose we try all those with "only," on a wagon stuck in the mud. "It is said that a man in the long ago, in that condition, cried to Hercules: "O, great Hercules help," the answer came: "Put your shoulder to the wheel and then call on me."

Suppose we try "preaching, hoping, praying, only" on making a crop or building a house, paying a debt or going to mill. No, brother, there are many other things we can do-and the doing of these things are the proof of the genuineness of the preaching, hoping and praying. After preaching, we can put information into the people's hands, in the form of tracts; we can inaugurate a system of regularly giving the people a chance to give; we can set before them the example of giving-all the while, the preaching, hoping and praying goes steadily on. What if we don't succeed once, twice, thrice! Continued failures don't stop the farmer from planting.

#### Thorsby.

Dear Brother Crumpton: I wish to state a few-facts as to our work in the new town of Thorsby. We organized a church Dec. 3, 1901, with nine members. Since that time I have preached for them two Sundays each month. Bro. H. L. Martin preached for me eight

We now have thirty-four members. We have purchased the old school building for a house of worship at a cost of \$400, and when altered and adjusted to our purpose, we will have a building worth \$1,200.

We take regular collections and the ladies organized an Aid Society, which has gone to work.

Thorsby is about six years old and now has about five hundred inhabitants. I was the first Baptist to preach in the town. The majority of the citizens are Lutherans.

A canning factory to cost \$20,000, will soon be completed. The town is rapidly growing; new people moving in each week.

The Baptists have the first church building in the place. I feel hopeful for our cause. If no misfortune overtakes us, in one year we will have a greatly strengthen the Baptist cause in this section of the State.

Fraternally,

S. M. Adams.

April 26, 1902.

## A Great Meeting.

We closed one of the most helpful meetings in the history of the Wetumpka Baptist church Tuesday night, April 29th. For genuine spiritual and lasting helpfulness the meeting has been remarkable in its results. There were about thirty-five or forty confessions and twenty-eight additions to church, sixteen for baptism. The town and community have not been so stirred in years. The attendance was large, especially at night, and represented all classes.

Rev. Arthur Crane, of Charleston, S. C., assisted the pastor, and for soundness, frankness and fearlessness, for ringing out in clear tones the doctrine of eternal salvation by grace, he is un- him. surpassed.

my people with great acceptance. He strives to please the Lord, therefore makes no compromise with sin. I most heartily commend Bro. Crane to our pastors and churches in their revival work. He is inded the pastor's friend and helper. He left for Alexandria, Va., Wednesday morning, the 30th, to assist in a two weeks' meeting.

W. J. Elliott.

#### Minutes Wanted.

I would be glad to get any minutes of the State Convention prior to 1880, as I can make good use of these for persons who are collecting same. The file of the Convention is complete from organization to date except 1825-26, 1830-31, '32, '33. This file is in my office in Anniston. I have recently sent to the State Historical Society at Montgomery a file from 1879 to date and to the Alabama Baptist office at Birmingham a similar file covering same years. These are at convenient points for examination by the brethren.

I would be glad also to have any min-

Anniston Chautauqua.

(The following letter from Rev. A. J. Battle, D.D., was just too late for last week's paper.)

Prof. E. H. Foster's brilliant lecture on "Hamlet, Once More."

For a full week the Chautauqua has been the center of absorbing interest to Anniston and Northeast Alabama. For six days the rush of eager thousands to the spacious auditorium has given proof of the universal approval of the remarkable series of interesting and in structive entertainments provided for them. We have had musical entertainments, humorous impersonations and recitations, feats of legerdemain and, best of all, delightful lectures on scientific and literary subjects-affording a variety of splendid entertainments, bright, breezy, elevating and healthful.

Of the entire series, the finished and scholarly lecture of Prof. E. H. Foster, of Howard College, on "Hamlet, Once More," afforded the greatest pleasure to the more cultured of the au-

dience.



self-sustaining church, which will Rev. John McCullom and his family, now Missionaries at Tukuoka, Japan.

utes of Southern Baptist Convention prior to 1876.

If you have any of these wanted, please mail to Wm. A. Davis, Anniston, Ala.

Miss Clementine Snow, of Oxford, who died two years ago, left her entire estate by will to the Foreign Mission Board. Twelve hundred dollars was paid last month into the treasury of the Board from this source and a small additional sum will doubtless be subsequintly paid. A good example! Have you remembered the cause of missions in your will?

Brother Bailey speaks of Deacon Dick Keeble of Selma. He it was who gave the first contribution to the Board. How mysterious that right in the midst of his greatest usefulness God took

What a power for good these conse-The sermons were both logical and crated laymen are. We need a great analytical and met the requirement of army of them now.

This theme of never ceasing interest was most happily treated, and the lovers of the unique drama and its unique hero were delighted as the gifted speaker wafted them along on the wings of his beautiful diction. The writer is conscious that it is impossible to convey in a short review any adequate conception of the merits of this discourse. some one has remarked, it would like an attempt to convey an idea of a beautiful statue by producing a chip from the marble shoulder with the injunction: "Observe the fineness of the work." But knowing that the many friends of the author all over Alabama would be interested in any report, however meager, of this triumph of the accomplished Professor of English in Howard College, this account is ventured.

The speaker began by outlining the facts as to the probable origin of much of the local color of Shakespeare's Hamlet. He gave a most interesting theory of the sonnets of Shakespeare and their bearing on the drama. This

and a discussion of the temper of the times formed the subject of an elaborate introduction. Then followed an outline of the plot of the play, in which the leading characters and events were given with excellent judgment and felicitous description. In this outline some of the most striking and impressive passages of the play were recited with clear elocution and fine dramatic effect. Here the speaker showed keen analysis in his portraiture of the character of Hamlet. The two pictures of Hamlet and his uncle were most impressively given in the speaker's superior elocu-

The great problem of the play, the question as to the sanity of Hamlet, was ably discussed. He adopted the view (to the writer the true theory) that his madness was feigned. He quoted approvingly the argument of Werder, that this feigning of madness enabled him to give vent to what was raging within him and what he would fain shriek out, while at the same time it drew attention away from the true cause of his trouble. Besides, by this behavior he felt no need to show respect for those whom he despised. To this degree he makes believe, he plays the madman. It would be interesting to go farther into this question as viewed by the lecturer, who has given much thought to the vexed problem, but space forbids.

The writer cannot avoid expressing the wish that every city in the State and even smaller communities may embrace the opportunity to hear the superior effort of the gifted professor, which reflects so much credit upon himself and the excellent institution he represents.

The Chautauqua has realized the best expectations of the people of Anniston, and high praise is awarded to Dr. Joshua H. Foster, Jr., the pastor of Parker Memorial church, to whose untiring efforts all the success is due.

A. J. Battle.

## Those Pictures.

As Editor Barnett is out of the saddle this week and I occupy his perch, I am going to say a word about pictures.

The little one at the bottom of the front page is a good one. I have compared it with the original and it is just like him. We all know the editor now and we like his looks. Some have asked me if the editor's picture was to stay there always, and I asked the editor. This was his reply: "I want that picture out, but unfortunately it is a part of the front, which weighs about forty pounds and cost about \$50. Would you advise me to throw the whole thing away on account of the picture?" I candidly said, "No; let it alone until times get better for the paper. I know you are paying out a lot more money now than you are taking in. We understand it now, and it is all right." Some have complained about the other pictures; but I confess that I like them, Sometimes maybe we have too many, but they make the paper look bright and cheerful. All the papers are coming to them, and we'll all get used to them after awhile.

## Ungrateful Children.

For a child to forget its parents when they are old and in need would be the meanest sort of ingratitude. about the churches, which were established or rescued by the State Board? Many of them seem to have forgotten us. In this, our time of need, they ought to come to our relief.

# Department of Methods.

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along this line, I think in time, we could work great changes in the way of church work.

May the Lord bless you in your work is the prayer of

My Dear Brother: Your kind favor to hand; would say that I highly appreciate your kindness in writing to me, and more especially to feel and know that I have the prayers of one of our noble leaders, for success in the Master's cause. I have and expect to press the Mission cause wherever I go to the people. The three churches that I serve do but little. I am forced to labor otherwise for a support. Hard times is the plea with all.

May the blessings of God attend you in all your work.

Your most welcome letter on the topic of A Consecrated Ministry to hand, and as I read I wept, because of personal guilt as a preacher, because of a lack of a consecrated ministry, because of a lack of a personal faith in God's work in this matter, because of the lack of a personal faith in my brethren, because of my inability as a preacher, because my people will not obey God's word when taught. These points flashed like lightning as I read and I could not stay the tears.

Your circular letter just received, and it stimulates me to drop you a few words of thanks for it and the other good things you are so continuously doing.

The experience in the home of one room, with a poor, barefooted woman as shostess and queen, ought to be the experience of every pastor, not once, but many times. It has been my happy lot to enjoy many of just such experiences, and I seldom fail to note beneficial results both to myself and to the people in these homes. Do the pastors, as a rule, not look for a good, comfortable home for themselves, instead of trying to make some poor humble hut aglow with joy and gladness because of a visit from the preacher, God's servant?

I verily believe that the waste places will blossom as the rose if we can carrry out the suggestions you make as to changing from one to two Sundays, so as to give the pastors a field that they can cultivate.

May the Lord bless you, my brother. I often remember you in my prayers praying the Lord's blessing upon you in your arduous work.

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cured. Subscribe for the Southern and Alabama Baptist.

## Monthly Reports.

The Secretary is expected to print his report in the Alabama Baptist each month, but sometimes he failed to get it ready in time, and sometimes the paper was crowded and the reports, were laid aside and forgotten. The supplement brings them up to date.

If you sent money, look through and see if it is reported correctly; if not, let me know at once, please.

#### A Church Letter.

This was read out in a Virginia Association: "We send nothing for State Missions, because, after helping us several years, the Board refused to help us this year." One of the ways to get people down on the State Board is for it to decline to help.

#### The California Letters.

So many have expressed their pleasure in reading the letters of travel, that I have about concluded to print them in a small pamphlet. Can't say now when it will be done, or what it will cost, but notice will be given in due time.

### A Tract Fund.

Mrs. Mamie Ellis gives the first \$5.00 for this fund. "Oh, the good we all may do while the days are going by."

I have been hoping for years that some generous brother would give \$100 for this fund.

Dr. Cleveland was one of the leading advocates for the establishment of the State Mission Board. He was President of the Board through all of its critical years and his wisdom helped to guide it until it rested on solid ground.

#### A TEXAS WONDER.

#### HALL'S GREAT DISCOVERY.

One small bottle of Hall's Great Discovery cures all kidney and bladder troubles, removes gravel, cures diabetes, seminal emissions, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women, regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months' treatment, and will cure any case above mentioned. Dr. E. W. Hall, sole manufacturer, P. O Box 629, St. Louis, Mo. Send for testimonials. Sold by all druggists and the Montgomery Drug Com-

#### Read This.

Martin, Tenn., June 3, 1901. This is to certify that I have used Hall's Texas Wonder for kidney trouble and have never found anything its equal. Its merits are wonderful. Try it as I did, and be convinced. REV. R. C. WHITNELL.

## TELL THE YOUNG PEOPLE.

The Church Economist of New York is giving free of all cost a silver "On Timer's" pin and a membership to the "On Timer's Tribe" to all the young people who write to them. The Church Economist also gives a gun-metal watch to help keep the pledge. The pin, card, and full particulars will be sent to any young person who writes to the Church Economist, 111 Fifth Avenue, New

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TAMPA EXCURSION. THE PLANT SYSTEM WILL RUN ITS ANNUAL FLORIDA EX-CURSION MAY 25TH. TICK-ETS GOOD SEVEN DAYS.

The Plant System will operate its annual excursion from Montgomery to Tampa, May 26th. Round trip rate from Montgomery, \$5.00. Special train of Pullman sleepers and elegant day coaches will be run for this occasion. Train will leave Montgomery at 11:15

This affords a most delightful trip at a very small cost to the famous Florida city. Besides being a popular resort. Tampa is verily a city of sights. It is worth many times the cost of the trip to visit these places. This is also the most favorable season of the year to visit the "Land of Flowers." Nature is now at her best in the full verdure of a semi-tropical spring time, and the balmy breezes that blow from the Gulf afford an unexcelled elimate. Nothing is wanting to make this trip a desirable one. Special excursions will be arranged by the Plant Steamboat Line to St. Petersburg and the famous Monatoe river.

Tickets will be sold only for the special train mentioned above, but will be good returning on any regular train up to and including the train leaving Tampa at 3:00 p. m., June 2d. Reservations for sleeping car accommodations should be made in advance.

For further information apply to any agent of the Plant System or address W. V. Lifsey, Division Passenger Agt., Montgomery, Ala.

T. J. Bottoms, Trav. Pass. Agt., Thomasville, Ga.

## A SENSATION SURE. WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

Plant System announces, commencing with 26th inst., its new interchangeable mileage books will be recognized by the Seaboard Air Line, Louisville and Nashville, Atlantic Coast Line, Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis, Western and Atlantic, and several other lines in the South, covering over fifteen thousand miles.

The Plant System has not interchanged passenger business before with the Seaboard Air Line for eight years.

#### NOTICE.

A meeting of the stockholders is hereby called to meet in the office at the Birmingham Medica College in Birmingham, Ala., on Saturday at 8 october p. m., May 31st, 1902, for the purpose of in-Permanent and profitable employment creasing the capital stock of said corporation to Fitten Thousand Dollars. J. C. LeGRANDE, M. D., B.L. WYMAN, M. D.,

Sec'ty. & Treas.

#### Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage executed by H. P. Jackson and Redie Jackson, his wife, on the 7th day of February, 1901, to the undersigned mortgagee to secure the debt therein named, which said mortgage was duly recorded on page 79 in volume 279 of Records of Deeds and Mortgages in the office of the Probate Court of Jefferson county, Alabama, on the 19th day of February, 1901, and default in the payment of said debt having been made the undersigned mortgagee, Ashley Payne, in accordance with the terms of said mortgage will on Saturday the 31st day of May 1902 before the door of the court house of Jefferson county, Alabama, in the cits of Birmingham, offer for sale and proceed to sell within the legal hours of sale at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash the following real estate situated in Jefferson county, Alabama, to-wit:

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The want here so earnestly expressed is not a new kind of want, nor is the trouble. The scripture for an additional manner of putting it a new method. The messenger for each \$25 is in the same Campbellites want a chapter and verse chapter and in the verse just below that for a mourner's bench. The Hardshells verse which authorizes one church to want a chapter and verse for a Sunday send two messengers and another three, School. The Webbites want a chapter as the Baptist Missionary Association and verse for an association and a Board. of Texas provides. If you will look up A good many people in different denom- that chapter and verse you will not fail inations, some of them Baptists, want to find the one you are looking for just a chapter and verse for an organ in a below it. The chapter is a long one. church. We once knew an intelligent It has a verse authorizing the Baptist deacon who would not consent to have a Missionary Association of Texas to have Dr. Peters, once a distinguished Pres baptistry in a meeting house unless two secretaries. It has another, authosomebody would show him a chapter rizing one of the general secretaries to and verse for it. I once heard an editor say that nothing that was not eighteen hundred years old was good in religion, and he wanted a chapter and verse for a Baptist Publication Society. though he could cite none for a paper. A good many people want a chapter and verse for a Baptist Publication Society. Others insist on a chapter and verse for a Woman's Mission Society. One church was split wide open because a brother, the Association to supplement pastors used a tuning fork to raise the tunes, and to appoint missionaries to operate and could not give a chapter and verse for it. The Hardshells split off from the

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ganize a mission board or a Bible society, and it is generally known that many churches have been torn up because nobody did give a chapter and verse for an organ. One brother thought it was right always to read the Bible with one eye shut, that he might read " with an eye single" to the glory of God.

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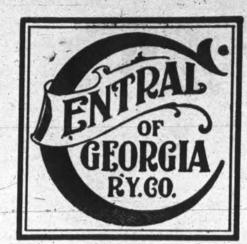
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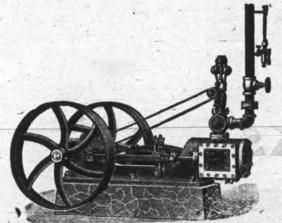
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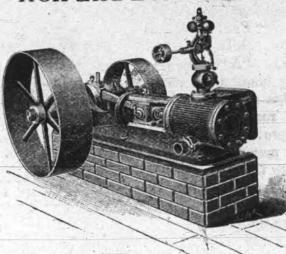
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## The Long Chapter Left Out of the Bible.

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The same chapter has a verse authorizing the publication of the Baptist Echo and the Baptist Standard and organization of the American Baptist Publication Society. The verse on constitutions of general bodies authorizes the constitution of the Baptist Missionary Association and the Southern Baptist Convention though disagreeing. The same chapter has a verse authorizing the brethren of the Missionary Association to overhaul "Dr. Gambrell." It has a verse authorizing the use of hymn books in churches and mourners' benches and baptistries and the celebration of the Lord's Supper in daytime. This same chapter has a great many verses of a negative order. One says thou shalt not bet on a horse race. Another, thou shalt not go to a ball, nor to a theatre.' Another, thou shalt not keep a saloon, nor vote for a saloon.

This chapter is of prodigious length and the whole of it was left out of the Bible for two reasons. First, because part of it was wrong, and second, because part of it was not needed.

The scriptures are a sufficient guide in matters of faith and practice, if men have common sense. If they have no nse, the Scriptures do not do them uch good. For a man to undertake give a chapter and verse for or gainst everything that ought to be done, or everything that should not be . done, is to display a lamentable ignorance of both the plan and substance of revelation. The Bible is not given on the plan of telling people all they may or may not do. There are some things

specified and commanded. Other things are specified and prohibited; but ten thousand things that come up in life must be determined by the principles of revelation. Paul points us in the right direction. Phillipians i, 9, 10 and 11. Hear him: "And this I pray that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment." The marginl reading is "sense." "That ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offense to the day of Christ, being filled with the fruits of righteousness."

The brother who raises this discussion is making the mistake of many. He confounds doctrine with methods. There is a distinct difference between-doctrine and method. Confounding the two has been a fruitful source of endless confusion and trouble. Let us specify. Teaching the Word of God belongs in the order of doctrine. A Sunday school stands in the order of method. It is a means of teaching the Word. Mourning for sin is a doctrine of the Bible. A bench for mourners to sit on while they may be instructed is a convenience. There is as much scripture for a mourner's bench as any other bench. Sowing the truth beside all waters is doctrine. A newspaper may be a means of sowing the truth. Co-operation among churches and individuals to do gospel work is doctrine. Association . conventions, boards, stand in the order of means helpful toward co-operation. Singing stands in the order of doctrine. A meeting-house stands in the order of means. Instruction for preachers stands in the order of doctrine. A theological seminary stands in the order of means. Taking collections for missions and other scriptural work stands in the order of doctrine. Missionary

rallies, circular letters, appeals through First, there must be love. The lack of the papers, missionary societies, all stand in the order of means. Baptizing stands in the order of doctrine. A baptistry stands in the order of means helpful to baptism. Attending church stands in the order of doctrine. Riding or walking or going on a street car is a means.

What endless confusions have been introduced among good people by elevating means to the dignity and authority of doctrine. To do this is to show that one is utterly incompetent to be a teachtion as to how, involves the use of means. We are told to go into all the world and preach the gospel. This involves a multiplicity of means to be determined as Paul says, by "sense" or "judgment." If a general commands an officer to attack an enemy on the other side of a stream, the command carries with it the authority to make a bridge or a ford or whatever is best to get across the

There are three great elements commended by Paul in the passage quoted which are necessary, each in its place and order to a successful Christian life.

real love for missions, or any other cause, is a fatal lack so far as understanding the right ways of the Lord is concerned. There never was a cold, hypercritical man who could do anything for missious. The work of God and the methods of God must be understood in the spirit of God. Then, beyond love, there must be knowledge. Christianity was never intended to give people softening of the brain and make them idiots. As workers we need information, not inflammation, but information, teaching the Word of er. He neither understands the plan God and the things to be done. After nor the substance of revelation. The that Christians need sense or judgment. command to do a thing without direc- A man without judgment, good, plain, common sense, will make a mess of the Bible and a mess of everything he takes hold of. That is what brings a good many people into such endless confusion. One of this sort refused to participate in the Lord's Supper, because it was not celebrated at night, upstairs, and around a table. The same man would doubtless have argued that we ought to go to church riding an ass. There is no hope for a man without common sense in religion, except that he may be saved by grace. But he will not do much good in this world.

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