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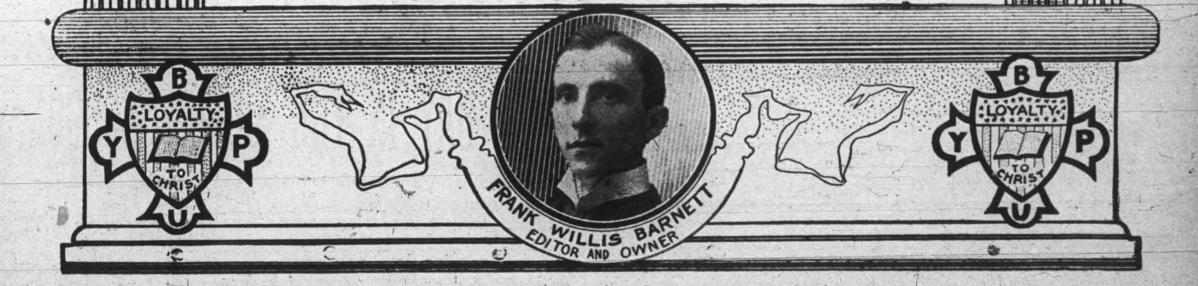
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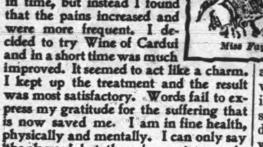
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Bible Day

J. M. FROST, Cor. Sec'y.

" Sunday Schools.

The second Sunday in June is the time for the collection in the Sunday Schools for the Bible work of the Southern Baptist Convention. Programs, with mite boxes and other literature, can be secured free. Samples free.

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Convention Aftermath.

Sunday School Board.

Extracts From Report of J. M. Frost, Corresponding Secretary. 1902.

We bring only good cheer from the factory and field of our labors. God has given us a prosperous year and the people have wrought generously for the furtherance of this great enterprise which they have committed to our charge.

Our sympathies were greatly aroused, and we shared in the sorrow which came to our sister Board in the death of its able Secretary, Dr. F. H. Kerfoot. No man among us was more loyal to the work of this Convention, or broader in his feelings in helping forward every department of its work. The Sunday School Board feels that in his death it has lost one of its truest friends and most earnest advocates. He was a royal man in the kingdom of the Lord, greatly honored and loved by the brethren for his strong character and genuine worth.

AN OPEN MANAGEMENT.

We welcome the opportunity of submitting our account of the year's work for inspection, for correction or approval, and for instruction as regards the future.

The financial statement, though brief, is comprehensive and makes thorough exhibit of the Board's business condition. The Treasurer's report, necessarily much condensed, shows each source of receipts; it also shows that the disbursements are classified under four heads, namely: Denominational Work, Periodicals, Merchandise, Operating Expenses.

RESULTS FOR THE YEAR.

The receipts have exceeded those of last year by \$10,964.74, giving the handsome total, \$89,345.71. The Reserve Fund has been increased by \$6,000 and now stands at the even sum of \$50,000, invested in safe, interest-bearing securities. In addition \$12,000 have been set aside to start a building fund-this does not include the house and lot in which the Board conducts its business at present and which in the table of assets is placed at something over ten thousand dollars.

PLEA FOR THE RESERVE FUND.

Remembering the discussion in the Convention last year regarding the Reserve Fund and the strong sentiment awakened in its favor, we offer a plea in its behalf and express the hope that that sentiment shall become the permanent sentiment and the unwritten law of the Convention.

BOOK ENDOWMENT PLAN.

We are glad to report another Book Endowment of \$500. It is a gift from P. D. Pollock, LL.D., President of Mercer University, Macon, Ga. He specifies as its purpose that, in accordance with our plan it shall be used for the publishing of books, and shall be called the CONSTANCE POLLOCK PUBLISHING FUND. Coming from a distinguished educator, the gift gives emphasis not only to the Board's work in general, but to its book endowment feature in particular, and to the value of book publication.

The Book Endowment plan requires the gift of \$500 to be used in publishing books, and in each case the Fund bears such name as the donor may in-

PERIODICALS.

The periodicals are as follows: Price List per Quarter.

The Teacher\$0 1
Bible Class Quarterly 0
Advanced Quarterly 0
Intermediate Quarterly 0
Primary Quarterly
The Lesson Leaf 0
B. Y. P. U. Quarterly, single copy 1
Six copies to one address, each 0
The Primary Leaf 0
Kind Words (weekly, 8 pages) 1
Youth's Kind Words (semi-month
ly) 0
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we added to our list the Bible Class Quarterly for senior grade work. The readiness with which it was received into public favor and its rapid increase in circulation show there was no mistake and two Quarterlies have been enlarged and otherwise improved.

SEMINARY LECTURE COURSE.

In response to a request from Dr. Mullins, President of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, the Board furnishes the means for an annual Lecture Course in that institution distinctively on the Sunday school work. This arrangement has awakened favorable comment throughout the country among Sunday school workers and will do much for the advancement of the cause. The first course was delivered by Dr. W. E. Hatcher, in February last, on "The Pastor and the Sunday School," and is published in book form by the Board.

OUR FIELD WORK.

As promised in the report last year we secured Rev. B. W. Spilman as Field Secretary. He has visited several States and never fails to awaken enthusiasm in the interest of the Sunday school

The Board proposes to expend its energies more and more in this kind of work. Nearly forty years ago Dr. Manly called the Sunday school "the great missionary to the future," and Dr. Broadus spoke of it as "one of the greatest movements of the age," and pointed out how Sunday school missionaries were needed everywhere, and in ringing words to the Convention, stated how the Sunday school helped every other line of Christian activity, "a help to all and a rival to none." Since that time the movement has become immensely larger, the need for Sunday school missionaries is still pressing, the Sunday school is still a helper in every other department of work, and is still the "great missionary to the future."

We need to get a larger conception of the magnitude of this work, and to

get the Sunday school rightly placed in management of Miss Armstrong, 233 our efforts more earnest and better directed for the improvement of our Sunday school condition. Five, or even ten thousand dollars expended by this Board annually for this work would not be extravagant if wisely placed. Hardly any point in our denominational life is more capable of development, or would yield better returns.

THE BIBLE FUND FOR BIBLE DISTRIBUTION.

The Bible department with each passing year is growing in power, and the people are increasing their contributions for sending the Word of God into destitute places.

While there are other agencies seeking gifts of our people, the Southern Baptist Convention, representing the Baptist churches of the South, proposes to do its own Bible work as it does its own missioin work. In doing this, it is only adhering to the policy which it has followed from its origin to the present.

PUBLISHING BOOKS AND TRACTS.

During the year we made a new issue of the story of Yates, and also of the Young Professor, and are now preparing for a new issue of Baptist Why and Why Not. The Pastor and the Sunday School—the course of lectures in its issue. Besides this the Teacher - already mentioned, now published-adds a new book to our list. We are sure it will be very popular and useful. During the year we have also published several new tracts, with a large number of reprints of tracts previously issued. METHOD OF APPROPRIATION.

> At first the appropriations were made in cash, but this policy failed to work satisfactorily, and the Board adopted the plan of appropriating books, Bibles, and tracts, having from the first given Sunday school periodicals wherever they were needed in mission schools.

> It is our method to make appropriations through State Boards, and sometimes also through District Association Boards. Sometimes an exception is made, and the appropriation sent to some needy locality. Appropriations are also made through the Home and Foreign Boards for their respective fields.

MISSIONARY DAY.

We call attention to Missionary Day in the Sunday schools on the last Sunday in September. The collection on this day is intended for the Home and Foreign Boards, but should be sent through the Sunday School Board, that we may know what the day is yielding in the way of money returns. This Board furnishes the programs for the day's service, and arranges them so as to contribute largely to education in missions. The returns for this day have fallen off as compared with former years;

MISSION LITERATURE DEPART-MENT.

As was mentioned in the report last year, what was formerly the Baptist Mission Rooms have become the Mission Literature Department of the Southern Baptist Convention. It is under the direction of the Home Board and Sunday School Board jointly, with headquarters in Baltimore, and has the

the Christian programme, and to make North Howard St., Baltimore, Md. There is here, perhaps, the finest collection of mission tracts that can be found in this country.

MISSIONARY BOXES.

The sending of missionary boxes is a method of benevolence which the Womans Missionary Union has conducted first through the Home Board, and more lately also through the Sun day School Board. They send these boxes only to missionaries whose names are furnished by the State Secretaries of the Home and Sunday School Boards. The Woman's Missionary Union forwards these names to churches and mission societies who prepare the boxes and send them to the missionaries, placing a value on them, and reporting them to the Boards through the Woman's Missionary Union.

In this connection we take pleasure in speaking again, as we have so often had occasion to do, of the good work which the Woman's Missionary Union accomplishes year after year, and of the very earnest support which is given not only to the Sunday School Board, but to each of the Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention.

THE OUTLOOK.

The prospect of the Board's work, is as bright as the promises of God, and as large as the future. Its possibilities have no limit save in the wish and purpose and co-operation of the Baptists of the South. It is with them to determine its future, and they can make of it almost anything they wish.

One thing for the near future, and shortly to become an imperative need, is a new building. This has been authorized by the Convention, but the , Board will proceed with caution. It has as yet no matured plans for its erection, but when the time comes will erect a building commensurate with the needs and demands of this great enterprise, and one that will be an honor and pride to the denomination.

Fathers in Israel

Dr. Hawthorne introduced Rev. Dr. Charles Dana Boardman, son of Dr. George Dana Boardman, the first Baptist missionary to the Karens of India. Dr. Hawthone in introducing the distinguished gentlemen said that for over half a century Dr. Boardman had been pastor of the First Baptist church of Philadelphia, Dr. Boardman who is very aged and feeble was assisted to his feet by Dr. Hawthorne, and the latter delivered to the standing audience the words which the venerable divine was only able to whisper in his ear. My dear brethren, I, too, am a Southerner, for I was born 12 miles from the equator. I greet you. I too am a Baptist for I have studied the New Testament all my life. I esteem this a very distinguished honor which I cannot too fully appreciate. I hope and trust I am a Christian as I hope you all are. May God bless you."

Governor Northen then introduced H, Hickman of Augusta, who wat, Th. ent at the organization of the El duri-Baptist convention and is one propos only two left in life who were prese that occasion.

Extracts from Annual Report of Corresponding Secretary, W. M. U.

(Auxiliary to S. B. Convention.)

After another year of service, once more it is our privilege to assemble together, to look into the faces of coworkers who year after year have attended the Annual Sessions of Woman's Missionary Union, and to greet with cordial welcome those who known through their works, are meeting with us for the first time.

As Southern Baptists, with thanksgiving we look back upon the work which God hath wrought through the women and children of our South land since the formation of our general organization. In reviewing what has been accomplished during the past year, shall we not also unite in praying that God may give to us and to those not vet connected with Woman's Mission

ing more and more interested in the work of their substitutes.

Towards work in Home and Foreign lands as promoted by the Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention, the Baptist women and children of the South have contributed in cash during the past year, \$54,776.52, an increase of \$1,803.25 over last year.

CASH CONTRIBUTIONS.

\$34,787.17 to the Foreign Board: \$19,510.48 to the Home Board; \$478.87 to the Sunday School Board. In contributions to the Home Board is included an offering of \$1,000 for the Church Building Loan Fund from Montgomery, Alabama.

BOX CONTRIBUTIONS.

369 boxes, valued at \$24,459.47, were sent to missionaries of the Home servance of the Week of Self-Denial.

CHILDREN'S DAY IN JUNE for the Sunday School Board is another special line of work. This was inaugurated in 1898 for the benefit of the Bible Fund, and Woman's Missionary Union has since endeavored to stimus. THE HOME DEPARTMENT, WO late interest in the distribution of God's word by Southern Baptists through their own agency-the Sunday School Board.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSIONARY DAY.

As in previous years, Missionary Day was emphasized in recommendations of the Boards for the year 1901-1902. Appreciating that this service is acceptable to the Great Teacher, who gave to children a place in the new dispensation, Woman's Missionary Union again sought to interest pastors, superintendents of Sunday schools, members of Mission Societies in making this a feature of their Sunday schools.

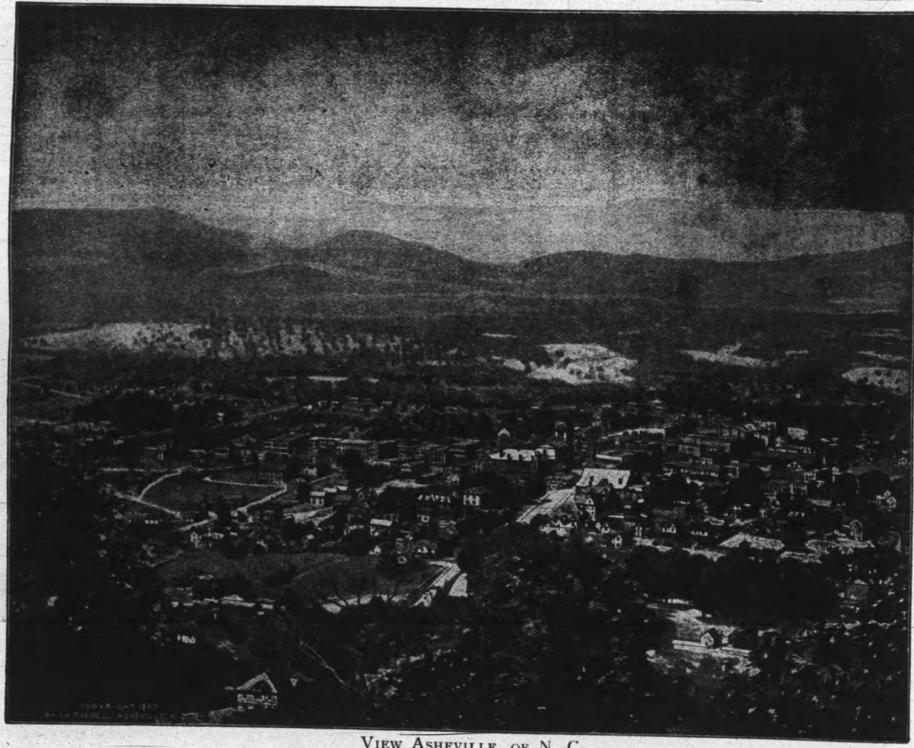
co-operation in securing successful ob- Hyde of South Carolina, who furnishes the first week of every month a program and helpful catechism on the subject of study, and by other women writers throughout the South, who consecrate their ability to the developing of young lives.

MAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

The purpose and plan of the Home Department, W. M. U., are very simple, and to those familiar with the Sunday School Home Department, the idea is readily grasped. Its purpose is to reach those who do not or cannot attend missionary meetings, or those who have no meetings to attend.

TRAVELS OF THE CORRESPOND-ING SECRETARY, W. M. U.

During the past year, in the interest of Mission Work, 10,606 miles have been traveled, 68 places visited or revisited. The number of places visited in different states during the year are as follows: District of Columbia, 1,



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Societies, a higher conception of the purpose of life and greater dependence upon Him who has given the promise, "Lo, I am with you always?"

THE BASIS OF W. M. U. WORK being recommendations of the Home, Foreign and Sunday School Boards, persistent, painstaking, prayerful effort has been made to render every possible assistance along all suggested lines of service.

RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR 1901-1902.

In studying the condition of foreign uselds, we note that there has been perfectly growth, in some cases unusual one the ry inspiring progress. Wars, tuwill reliamines, sickness, all these trials tely. So n endured, but misisonaries and Its have stood the test, while those Sub are "holding the ropes" are becomBoard; 126 boxes, valued at \$8,894.08, to Sunday school missionaries.

CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

China, "the greatest mission field in the world," was again selected by the - nal and Our Home Field, edited respec- and helpful conference with Mrs. Chas. Foreign Board as the object of the work for which offerings should be made at the season of rejoicing because of the gift of a Saviour.

WEEK OF PRAYER AND SELF-DENIAL FOR HOME MIS-SIONS.

The third week in March has for several years been set aside as the time for making a special effort in behalf of the Home Mission Board.

Through State papers and the Foreign Mission Journal, the President of Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. Chas.

W. M. U. DEPARTMENTS Corresponding Secretary W. M. U., sienary Union. special pains are taken to present such matter as can be utilized in Missionary Meetings, and will keep our workers in touch with the plans of the General Organization. A Band Department in the Foreign Mission Journal is in charge of Miss F. E. S. Heck.

Kind Words grows better with advancing years, is a delight to readers of all ages, but is especially adapted to young people. Miss Alice Armstrong, who most ably edits the Young People's

Louisiana 3, Mississippi 3, Alabama 3, in the Foreign Mission Journal, Our Georgia 2, Virginia 6, Maryland 13, Home Field and Kind Words are con- Tennessee 20, Kentucky 4, Ohio 1, tinued. Through the W. M. U. De- Florida 12. Three times during these partments in the Foreign Mission Jour- travels we had opportunity for lengthy tively by Miss Alice Armstrong and the A. Stakely, President of Woman's Mis-

> Too much cannot be said of the kindness of leaders in states visited. In every instance, Central Committees made arrangements for meeting the workers, and when possible, State officers accompanied us from place to place.

PEOPLE-SIGNS COLORED PROGRESS.

In 1900, the Colored Baptist women of the U.S. formed a General Organ-A. Stakely, made an earnest appeal for Department, is aided by Miss E. Y. iary of the National Baptist Convenization known as the Woman's Auxil-

tion. They began work with ten dollars, and by systematic effort reported over \$2,000 at the end of the first year. Recognizing the good results which have attended the united efforts of Southern Baptist white women, the leaders wished the Woman's Auxiliary of the National Baptist Convention to be somewhat similar in methods work to Woman's Missionary Union aux. S. B. C. Repeatedly help has been asked of the Corresponding Secretary W. M. U., and cheerfully given.

During a recent trip in the interest of mission work, which included Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana and Florida, at four places one in Louisiana, three in Florida—unexpectedly we addressed meetings of Colored people. The cook in one home asked in the morning if we would not speak that afternoon to the Colored women. We were surprised to find a crowded church.

IN MEMORIAM.

After two years as Corresponding Secretary of the Home Mission Board, years crowded with work, rich in proofs of wisdom and foresight in devising and carrying out great plans, Dr. F. H. Kerfoot, the strong, aggressive, enthusiastic leader, whose heart was consumed with burning desire to bring into active co-operation with S. B. C. interests every Baptist church in the South, was called to lay down the burdens of life. For him the change was a blessed one, but how great was our loss! Though he is with us no more, "As a thought of heaven-sent help to

Bravely, faithfully what our God may send us;

This is the memory that shall attend

That shall gild all the days of absence through."

During the year, another well-known and honored worker has gone before us into the presence of the King, Dr. H. A. Tupper, for many years Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board. With appreciation of the support given by him to Woman's Missionary Union, we bear tribute to his memory and recal! the beautiful message, "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord, for they rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

EXPENSES.

The expenses of W. M. U. for the year are \$3,014.85. Of this amount the Home Board furnished \$1,300.00; the Foreign Board \$1,300.00; the Sunday School Board \$400.00.

IN CONCLUSION,

obligation for carrying out the commission of our Lord and Savior is emphasized by two relations which we bear to Him. He is our Master, we His servants, and, as the true soldier obeys his officer implicitly, so loyalty to Him "Whose we are, and whom we serve" demands perfect devotion to His will.

National Baptist Education Society.

The American Educational Society held its annual meeting Thursday afternoon in the auditorium, convening at 3 o'clock. President Pollack, of Mercer University, was made temporary president in the absence of President Boatright, who arrived later. The executive board submitted its report showing \$127,000 subscribed to schools, and a great increase in numbers.

The president then addressed the society on the revival of educational matters in the South, and Dr. J. P. Greene, president of William Jewell College of Missouri, talked on "The Bearing of the Modern Educational Revival on Denominational Colleges." He stated that the high schools are not irreligious. "Baptists should go in and help run these high schools and see that they are kept free from unbelief as now. In some places church academies may be necessary. A man who wants to be a professional man should go to the university. But we don't need a university which tries to make a professional man out of an academy student-it should confine itself to professional training. The boy who is in college wants to get out at 21 and go to work and the boy who isn't in college wants to be a "specialist." He wants to "follow" that. But what is he going to do with himself? So many of our preachers want the "quick meal" course-to get in and out early. You want a good education if you are going to build high. Nearly all the boys that are ruined religiously are not ruined in the academy or university, but in the college."

After the conclusion of the address. of President J. P. Greene, Dr. E. M. Poteat, of Philadelphia, addressed the educational society. Visitors were constantly arriving and the audience was quite large at this time. The speaker, approved by the society. deprecated the attempt by ministers to attend to too many affairs, and advocated specialism-religious teaching.

Dr. Gunsalaus, he said, one of the most graphic preachers, had announced to his congregation that hereafter he would not vie with their other sources of information but would preach the gospel. Dr. Washington Gladden had retired from the city council of Columbus, Ohio, because he was not fitted for its duties. The only authority this age will recognize is the authority of specialists. The "soup kitchen,' theology is waning. Berkely Temple, Boston, will cease many of its deivces of attracting people and have four religious services on Sunday.

The secretary stated that it was customary in the election of officers to have a nominating committee, but no committee had been named he suggested a list of names as officers. The society meets one year with the Southern Baptists and the next with the Northern Baptists and the officers are selected alternately from South and North. The list submitted was:

President, A. Gaylord Slocum, LL.D., Mich.; Vice Presidents, John F. Forbes, Ph. D., Fla.; John H. Harris, LL.D., Pa.; Recording Secretary, Rev. II. B. Grose, Mass.; Corresponding Secretary, H. L. Morehouse, D.D., 111 Fifth Avenue, N. Y. City; Treasurer, E. V. Cary, Esq., Montelair, N. J.; Auditor, G. W. Murray Esq., N. Y.; Members of Executive Board, 1902-5, Eugene Levering, Baltimore, Md.; Rev. E. T. Tomlinson, Elizabeth, N. J.; Rev. Fred T. Gates, New York City; H. K. Porter, Pittsburg, Pa.; W. C. Bitting, D.D., New York City; Joshua Levering, Baltimore, Md.; G. W. Murray, New York City; Col. J. A. Hoyt, Greenville, S. C.; F. W. Stephens, Columbia, Mo.; J. W. Bailey, Raleigh, N. C.; J. B. Gambrell, D.D., Waco, Tex.

The list submitted was unanimously

As all the time had not expired the president called for brief addresses. Dr. Gray, president of Georgetown College,

was called for and after a few humor- must be turned to making manly men. remarks complimenting Dr. meeting had been so satisfactory that it had best adjourn.

University and acting pastor of the First Baptist church, Washington, made a short talk, saying that the authoritative life of a minister was a force and that studies and training a close.

Rev. J. N. Porestridge, of Louisville,

Greene's ideas he suggested that as the Ky., the editor of The Argus, spoke briefly. Dr. Thomas Hume, of the University, said that Baptists were not Professor Edward B. Pollard, profes- hide bound and could accept the truth sor of Biblical Literature of Columbian as they found it. The Baptists are not bound by anything that is past except Jesus Christ and his teachings.

Dr. Whitsitt pronounced the benediction and the society's meeting came to

Editorial Welcome to the Southern **Baptist Convention.**

The Southern Baptist Convention meets in this city tomorrow in its forty-seventh annual session.

It will probably be the most largely attended gathering in the history of the Convention. For several days delegates and visitors have been coming in, until it is now estimated that little less than 3,000 will be here.

To them Asheville extends a cordial greeting and bids them a hearty wel-

The Southern Baptist Convention is easily the largest and most imposing religious body in the South and it is doubtful if there is in the world any other evangelical gathering representing so large a membership. It is a representative body of the whole family of Southern Baptists. Its growth during the last half century has been most wonderful, until there are now in round numbers five million Baptists in the world, and three million of thesemore than half-are in the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The census of 1890 gave the total number of Baptists in the United States at 3,712,468; and by 1900 there were 4,253,676. In the Southern Convention there were last year 3,251,102 Baptists, of which 1,657,996 are white and 1,593,106 are colored. Baptist membership in the world is 5,008,960. The number of churches in the Southern Convention last year was 19,558; value of church property, \$20,025,344; contributions to all objects, \$3,456,013; number of Sunday schools, 10,115, with a total enrollment of 670,569.

both home and foreign-and out of this zen.

spirit has grown their great educational institutions. The white Baptists of the South own and conduct more than twenty important colleges, some of which have gained wide reputation for scholarship and excellence of management. Among these is the largest theological school on the continent. And what is better still, there is no element of our citizenship more enthusiastic in behalf of general public education than are the Baptists.

This latter fact is in large part responsible for the rapid growth and present strength of the denomination. It has given the Baptists an educated ministry and membership. Men who are not only graduates of its denominational institutions, but of the world's greatest universities are filling its pulpits and directing its thought. They count such in the South by thousands and among them are men of high scholarship, authors of real parts, preachers of true eloquence and power. And the influence of these upon the world has been most potent.

In a word, the Southern Baptists are a united, enthusiastic, intelligent working body. They have ever been staunch friends of liberty and may usually be counted on to stand by the great fundamentals of a free government.

It is to such a gathering that Asheville today extends a hearty welcome. It is a gathering that deserves the respect of all and the hospitality of veryone that is able to render it.

The Citizen gladly extends to them a cordial greeting, a most hearty wel-These statistics give some idea of the come, and begs to express the wish rapid growth and present strength that their stay among us may be pleasand importance of the denomination. - ant to them and profitable to the great The Baptists are a mission people- cause they represent.-Asheville Cti-

Commencement M. M. I.

The faculty and the Corps of Cadets, of Marion Military Institute, request the honor of your presence at their final exercises, May 23, 8:00 p. m. Annual debate between the literary societies. Subject: "Resolved, That the Secondary School should take the place of the College.

May 27, 5:00 p. m.-Battalion Drill and Dress Parade.-Competitive Drill for the medal in the manual of arms. p. m.-Competitive May 28, 5:00 Company Drill.

May 29, 11:00 a. m.-Final Exercises. Address by Charles W. Dabney, Ph. D., L.L.D., President of the University of Tennessee, Director of the Southern Education Board.

President Dabney's distinguished pre-eminence as an educator and as a man of affairs, causes his address to be looked forward to with great interest. His work for education in the South at the University of Tennessee

is a source of boundless hope and promise; and all friends of educaton in Alabama will welcome the words of one who can speak with such knowledge and authority. The Southern Passenger Association has granted one and one-third rate fares from all points in Alabama, Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana to the commencement exercises of the Marion Military Institute and the Judson Female Institute, May 24-29. A large attendance of patrons of these schools and those interested in the cause of education is expected to hear the address of President Dabney.

According to the new Year Book, the Northern Baptists, numbering 1,059, 753, gained last year 3,766, or one-third of one per cent; Southern (white) Bar tists, numbering 1,628,710, increased 329, or a little over 1 1-3 per cent. The southern white Baptists gained duri the year four times as much in propo. tion as did northern Baptists.

Baptist Young People's Union.

(Concluded).

The closing session of the Baptist Young People's Union at the Auditoium Thursday night was eminently satisfactory-it was a great meeting. Dr. Madison C. Peters, of Baltimore, who was a leading minister of the Reformed Church in New York City up to two years ago, gave a clear and authoritative exposition of Baptist doctrine. Many present were not Baptists, and it was evident that they were much interwested and glad of the opportunity to hear this enunciation of doctrinal points.

President J. P. Greene, of William Jewell college, spoke , plainly, briefly and entertainingly on the promise given to those who follow the commands.

After the opening exercises the president called for nominations for officers. Dr. H. C. Roseman moved that President Dawson-be re-elected, and the motion was unanimously adopted. Rev. J. B. Searcy of Biloxi, Miss., nominated for first vice-president the present officer, E. S. Candler, M. C., of Corinth, Miss. Dr. J.-N. Prestridge nominated for second vice-president Dr. H. E. Tralle of Louisville, Ky., and both gentlemen were elected by acclamation. For secretary, W. W. Gaines was reelected by acclamation.

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Dr. Peters Address.

Dr. Peters was introduced. Dr. Peters said that he was to speak on a denominational subject, "Baptists," and that it was hard for him, because he had always been a doer, and not a maker of creeds. "About two years ago I began to study doctrine, and soon I found myself out of a fine situation. Always baptism by immersion has been regarded as a proper method. Sprinkling had its origin with the Church of Rome, which alleged its right to change the method. The Greek church, the oldest church, representing one-third of the church, practiced immersion. About the middle of the third century sprinkling began by pouring water around a sick man; and it was called a "sick" baptism. Well named, was it not, and its recipients were not called Christians but "clinics"-sick bed Christians. About \$17 we read of the first public-authority or sprinkling. Stephen, the second, the colle ope, said that sick infants might be toaptized by sprinkling.

the Episcopals, said that for the first "evangelize," lead men to Jesus; "bap-

13 centuries immersion was the proper

John Calvin, the founder of Presbyterianism, while contending that people ought to be free, said "baptism" meant to "immerse," and this method should be used.

In the Westminster assembly the vote on immersion was a tie-24 to 24, and Dr. Lightfoot, the presiding officer, cast the vote for sprinkling. And so by one vote Presbyterians escaped being Baptists. (There was a general applause at this). John Wesley refused to sprinkle a child unless sick, and so our good friends, the Methodists, if they followed the practice of John Wesley, would be good Baptists. (There was applause again). Our Episcopal neighbors, if they followed their church history and creed, would also be good immersionists.

Notwithstanding the completeness of the Greek language, the several writers repeat 125 times the word "baptidzo," "immerse," and never the Greek word which means "sprinkle." Immersion among the Jews was a national custom. John immersed at one place because there was "much water," and much water was not necessary to "sprinkle." The Greek preposition "in" is admitted everywhere to mean "into," except into the baptismal waters.

The stars and stripes stand for the nation on sea and on land, but the flag is only a symbol; so with baptism, a symbol of Christ, that he died to save man. It/is argued, however, that Lydia's "household" was baptized, and that as children could not be immersed, they must have been sprinkled. Now, to prove this, our opponents must prove three things: That Lydia was married, that she had children, that they were infants, and they can prove neither, for Lydia was an old maid. If every Baptist should die today, there would be Baptists tomorrow. The speaker read the Episcopal baptismal service, and said it paid to do that sort of thing. You get \$5 and quite often \$10 or \$20.

I baptize people, not to save them; but because they are saved. Baptism, while not essential to salvation, is essential to a complete compliance with the law. Baptism is a privilege. It is enough for us to know that Christ was baptized, and he has commanded us to be baptized. To change the act of Christ is to change the ordinance. I had Baptist convictions for many years, but there a difference between a man having convictions and convictions having the man."

The speaker closed with "If you love me keep my commandments, and whosoever shall break the least of them and shall teach men, so shall he be least in my kingdom."

Dr. E. E. Folk, of Nashville, Tenn., moved that Dr. Peters be requested to furnish his sermon to the Sunday School Board for publication, and this was carried.

President J. P. Greene of William Jewell college spoke on "The Promise," which with evangelize and baptize, formed the key-thought, "The Great Commission. "Lo I am with you always, even to the end of the earth," The promise follows the commands, said the prepcher, and it is not to be gotten by jumping over the commandments, We may cross the seas and give our bodies to be burned, as Paul says, and Dean Stanley, who stands high among it will avail nothing. They are easy,

tize," and if we are to get the full promise, we must know what is meant by the commands. We have a right to feel that the Lord is with us if we are doing his will. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. J. B. Taylor, of Geor-

Convention Dots.

Georgetown College at Georgetown, Ky., is a co-educational school under the control of the Baptist Educational Association of Kentucky. B. D. Gray, the president of this college, in talking of it today, said: "Our school is 75 years old and we have in property and buildings \$200,000, an endowment fund of \$230,000, and are working for \$200,-000 increase in the endowment. The Board of Instructors is composed of twenty men and women who come from such institutions as Harvard, Hopkins, University of Michigan and other leading schools of the country. We have 345 pupils, from every State in the Union.

"Young men and women enter this school on the same basis which is always acceded to in all colleges. There is also a very fine musical conservatory with the very best instructors in the country at the head of this department."-Asheville Citizen.

Rev. F. C. McConnell, D.D., of Atlanta, Ga., who will preach the introductory sermon in the auditorium on Friday night and Rev. G. W. Truett, Dallas, Tex., who will occupy the pulpit of the First Baptist church on Sunday morning are easily among the great preachers of this country. They were both born in the mountains of North Carolina and their relatives still live in Macon county. They still love the hills of North Carolina. Dr. McConnell says that he had rather spend one day riding a hickory sapling on the mountain side in North Carolina than spend a week resting in the Waldorf-Astoria. When the convention is over Drs. Mc-Connell and Truett are going on a buggy ride through the mountains from Asheville to Atlanta, preaching somewhere every night.—The Citizen.

The Southern Baptist convention has been held in North Carolina only twice before, although it has been organized since 1845. In 1872 it met in Raleigh and in 1897 in Wilmington,-Citizen.

Joshua Levering addressed convention on the subject of the Seminary, urging more interest and more appropriations.

He was followed by Dr. E. Y. Mullins, president of the Seminary, who told of the great work which the Seminary is doing in educating young men for the ministry. These young men he compared to seeds of corn, which scattered far and wide would produce an abundant harvest of good.

The interest of the delegates in the Seminary was evident from the close attention paid to the address of President Mullins, and once more there was insistence on missionary work. Its advocates were earnest and untiring--more work for missions, more money for missions, more missions urged the zealous speakers.

Dr. J. W. Bailey, editor of the Biblical Recorder of the committee on missions east of the Mississippi, presented its report. It stated that when these missions were in Baptist territory the changing conditions from farm to factory and the growth of the South made greater efforts necessary.

Rev. A. E. Brown, the general missionary, was introduced by Dr. Bailey as, an expert on mission work in the mountains. The report was first adopted. Mr. Brown said the mountain people came from the Virginia colonists and landed gentry who fled to the mountains to escape British persecution. Their traits were simplicity and hospitality. They were the most hospitable people on earth. They are the descendants of the original stock that settled this country and gained its freedom. "I do not know any country where there are more proportionate church members. Their great need is education. Of the 225,000 people in the 16 western North Carolina, 50,000 are actual members of the Baptist church, and many others are acquainted with our doctrine.

"We must hold this country; we must educate. Our Presbyterian friends in the North are pouring in their hundreds of thousands to make these people Presbyterians."

One of the brightest young ministers at the convention is John Roach Straton who is now a student at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., and editor of the seminary Magazine. Mr. Straton has had a conspicuous career in the field of college orator in the South, having won both the State and Southern championship in oratory while he was a student at Mercer University in Georgia. He is a brilliant platform lecturer, but recently determined to consecrate his powers to the Christian ministry.

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Address Mrs. C. A. Stakeley,

President Woman's Missionary Union at Asheville, N. C.

An Introspection.

There are times in the history of organizations as in the experience of individuals when self-examination profitable.

I am today speaking for the most part to those women who in the providence of God have been made especially responsible at this time for the conduct of the affairs of the Woman's Missionary Union auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, and I ask you to join me in a brief introspection, heart-to-heart talk over family matters.

I find myself constantly wondering if we realize fully the magnitude of our undertaking; the fact that there are one million souls to be cared for, whose missionary endeavor, whose relation to this work, will be to some extent molded and directed by us. Is it worth our while to give long and patient thought and unremitting labor to such a busi-

Are we who lead in this work so filled with the Master's spirit, so in love with perishing souls, that we are ready to make such sacrifices as are necessary to carry on this work? Do we realize that the time for "playing at missions" is over, that the business that we are engaged in is the most important this side of Heaven?

I like and am ready to commend the motto of the student volunteers-"God wants nothing less than the lives of men."

And now as we look into the work represented here, I do not hesitate to say that to my mind the most promising feature of the same is the indoctrination of the children in the great missionary idea.

For about ten years the whole civilized world has been studying childhood.

In the new idea of education, which issorapidly advancing the teacher must know the pupil as well as the text-book; yea, must esteem the pupil of more value than the text-book; and the spiritual interests of the child are claiming the attention of the religious world. The work of training the children in the line of their highest being should be regarded as one of great dignity and involving untold possibilities. We should not be content to have the children grow up without a knowledge of the principles for which we as Baptists stand, or without a share with us in the great work of evangelizing the world. It is worse than folly to neglect this early training, and then expectthat these same children will in manhood and womanhood bring forth fruit to the glory of God.

A distinguished educator has said with truth that: "Childhood is the very best period of human life-the richest and the largest has most sympathies, most capacities."

I believe it to be one of our greatest privileges and most urgent duties as Christian leaders to arrange and conduct a systematic course of missionary instruction for the children. This is necessary for the best development of the child, it is necessary for the church, and nothing is more effective in staying the tide of unbelief and indiffer-

time and better thought to our Sun- with all that it stands for, and if we

beam Societies and Children's Mission Bands. This work is fundamental and it must be constant and painstaking, "The child is impressible, and impressions repeated become permanent condition and character. Pictures, songs, scripture narrative, object lessons of truth, are fascinating to children, and in the hands of a loving and trained teacher will be used of God in the divinest work of this earthly life."

To our faithful band leaders everywhere I bring affectionate greetings and urge that they keep ever in mind the words:

Sow in the morn thy seed, At eve hold not thy hand, To doubt and fear give thou no heed Broadcast it o'er the land.

Thou canst not toil in vain, Cold, heat, and moist and dry Shall foster and mature the grain For garners in the sky.

Thence when the glorious end The day of God shall come, The angel reapers shall descend And Heaven cry, "Harvest Home!"

But our work would only be partially performed did we give ourselves over entirely to teaching the children. We must not forget that to those who are older we also have a ministry.

Recently one of our members said to me, "I am discouraged; for after all these years of work we have so many women who are not interested in missions." It is painfully true that in all our churches can be found those who perhaps on account of the lack of early training, are persistently indifferent to the claims of the Savior's love, and are not enlisted in the effort to preach the gospel to every creature. On the hand, when was there ever a time whe so many women were responding with enthusiasm and gladness to the cause of the Lord Jesus? No, my sisters of the Union, this is not a time for discouragement, but for joyous hope, for constant thanksgiving. There has never been a brighter day in the history of missions. We are not responsible for success, but we are responsible for doing our Lord's will. The prophet must have seen all the difficulties of the work, yet he did not hesitate to write: "The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them; and the desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose."

We may live too much in the valley. We should frequently climb to the Pisgah heights of prophecy and take the distant view.

It is enough for us to know that our Lord says go, and we cannot be true to Him and halt long by the way.

One of the most potent factors in the success of our work is that of creating in our homes a missionary atmosphere, an atmosphere that will aid in the development of young men and women especially fitted for work such as

You remember for a long time we. heard much about woman's sphere in religious work-many were profoundly interested in getting us properly located, in helping to decide what we could and what we could not do. But no one I am anxious that we devote more will deny that to us belongs the home,

will take these homes and so order them that Christ is honored and God glorified in them, what a contribution will

There is another feature that we cannot afford to underestimate, and that is the printed page as a missionary force. The living voice and personal influence have been and will be the greatest factors in attaining the desired end, but these cannot go everywhere. But the printed page may become omnipresent. "Type is lifeless, says another, and paper is a non-conductor, but the printed page is a thing of life." Are our women, whom God has endowed with the ability to write, using their pens to His honor and glory? How many ever feel called of God to write a tract or weave a story for Christ's sake? Our Corresponding Secretary will tell you that it is often difficult to secure just the needed leaflet for distribution. Can we not remedy this? Can we not here and now resolve to do what we can to arouse more interest in the preparation and distribution of tracts, and lay this need upon the consciences of those whom we represent? Hundreds of instances could be recalled that emphasize the farreaching usefulness of this method of work. The Rev. Samuel Cornelius dropped a tract into the hands of Noah Davis, the father of our honored professor of moral philosophy of the University of Virginia, and the reading of the same led ultimately to the founding of the American Baptist Publication Society. Truly, that writer being dead, yet speaketh.

But after all, is it not true that Christ's work is best known by the character of its workers. We may teach and write, but when it is done, it is still true that we ourselves will be more closely studied than the message bring. Teaching must be transmitted into life before it is effective, and for this reason let me urge the necessity of reconsecrating ourselves to this high and holy mission, the necessity for more thorough preparation on our part, more prayer, and more confidence in prayer, and a baptism of the Holy Spirit for sacrifice and service.

Then shall we indeed be able to testify with power "Both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

Woman's Missionary Union.

(Concluded.)

The Woman's Missionary Union opened Saturday morning with brief devotional exercises, conducted by Mrs. F. P. Robertson, of Virginia.

Mrs. Stakely, the president, called the meeting to order. Miss Wright, Recording Secretary, read the minutes of Friday's meeting. It was announced that the collection taken Friday for the building fund was \$841.

Recommendations.

The meeting then proceeded to the consideration of the recommendations of the Home Board. They were as fol-

1. That the Church Building and Loan Fund be continued as a special feature in the work of the Union.

2. That the women be directed to prayer and effort in behalf of the services of women working under the auspices of our Board.

3. We would remind the societies that notwithstanding the love and sympathy shown by sending boxes, they cannot be counted on salaries, and urge that this good work shall be additional to cash contributions.

4. We call the attention of our devoted women to the vast work of our Board in the aggregate of its special fields: Negroes, Cities, Foreigners, Frontiers, Mountains, Cuba, Church Building, etc., and to the sum necessary to meet the several appropriations, suggesting \$35,000 in cash as the object of their combined consecrated efforts for the coming year.

5. The increasing value of the special week in March, of prayer and effort for home missions is apparent and its continuance is requested.

While possibly not so apparent results from other efforts, we are convinced that no work of the women is more valuable than the formation of societies and bands to train the children, and we most heartily commend to the women this noble foundation work.

The Reception.

The delightful reception tendered the delegates and visitors of the Woman's Missionary Union Friday afternoon at the Battery Park Hotel was attended by several hundred of Asheville's visitors and a number of ladies from the various churches of the city.

The affair was given in the palm parlor, where palms and ferns were beautifully arranged as decorations.

The hours were from four to seven, and all during that time the parlors were thronged. The Battery Park orchestra furnished music and delicious refreshments were served from dainty tables at each end of the room.

The reception was given by the women of the Baptist churches of Ashcville.

The delegates from Alabama: Mrs. D. M. Malone, Mrs. C. A. Stakely, Mrs. Florence Harris, Mrs. Law. Lamar, Mrs. Mallory, Mrs. J. T. Nuckler, Mrs. M. C. Scott, Mrs. J. H. Eubank, Mrs. Clanton, Miss E. E. Wood.

Quite a large number of the sisters were in attendance, but the above are the official delegates.

Officers Elected.

Mrs. C. A. Stakely, president; Miss Annie W. Armstrong, corresponding secretary; Miss Nellie Martien and Miss N. E. Wright, of Georgia, recording secretaries; Mrs. Wm. Lownes, treasurer.

Executive committee: Mrs. O. F. Gregory, Miss Alice Armstrong, Mrs. W. Nimmo, Mrs. J. W. Marriott, Mrs. T. Holloway, Mrs. W. Graves, Mrs. J. M. Millard, Mrs. F. Biggs, Mrs. J. Ty-

The nominating committee's report was accepted and the vice-presidents from the several States were elected by acclamation. They are:

Mrs. D. M. Malone, Ala.; Mrs. Jas. P. Eagle, Ark.; Miss E. M. Dickinson, D. C.; Mrs. W. D. Chipley, Fla.; Miss M. E. Wright, Ga.; Miss E. S. Broadus, La.; Mrs. J. H. Eagar, Md.; Mrs. J. C. Hackett, Miss.; Mrs. J. L. Burnham, Mo.; Miss F. E. S. Heck, N. C.; Miss M. L. Coker, S. C.; Mrs. A. J. Wheeler, Tenn.; Mrs. C. C. Slaughter, Texas; Mrs. A. M. Gwathmey, Va.; Mrs. M. Choate of Indian Territory; Mrs. W. H. Kuykendall, Oklahoma.

Mrs. Watson of Georgia, read a letter written to missionaries to be sent by the Woman's Union.

Mrs. Draughn led in prayer for Dr. Owen, now in China. "God be with you till we meet again" was sung and Mrs. Hackett, of Mississippi, led in prayer, closing the session of 1902 of the Woman's Missionary Union convention. The Union will meet next year in Savannah.

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We distributed about 500 copies of the Alabama Baptist at the Convention and were cheered by the kind things said about it. Many of the great leaders in other states were greatly interested in the improvements being made. We were surprised to know what a stir the paper was making among the strong men throughout the Convention, and deeply grateful for the counsel and encouragement of some of the wisest men in our ranks, while the friendliness of our brother editors was refreshing and helpful; but what touched us most was the loyalty of our preachers in Alabama, who made themselves known and pledged us their hearty co-operation. The Alabama Baptist is daily growing in favor, and we believe the \$1.00 offer from now to Jan. 1st is going to be the means of putting it in many new homes.

Frank Willis Barnett.

The Church and Fraternities.

The frequent attacks on secret and benevolent organizations raises several pertinent questions.

1. Is there necessarily antagonism? Does membership in a benevolent organization prevent the performance of duty in the church? Some of the most faithful and active members of our churches are Masons, Odd-Fellows, Pythians, etc. If their membership in these organizations does not prevent their faithful attendance upon the services and their performance of other church duties, why need others be hindered. The man who gives his membership in a lodge as a reason for not doing his duty as a member of a church is guilty of a subterfuge too patent to deceive sensible people.

2. Was the Church designed to monopolize social duties and privileges? Why should there be jealousy between these two kinds of organizations? Is there not room enough for both in the great field of benevolence? Is it not true that they may be and are, unconsciously, perhaps mutually helpful? Few thoughtful members of lodges will deny the value of religious influences exerted by the Church on the Christian members of fraternities. Their religion surely makes them better men in every sphere of life. On the other hand many a church member has been trained to take public part in lodge exercises and thus been fitted for more effective service in the church. Surely there is enough of sin and suffering in 'the world to furnish occupation for every benevolent organization, and a spirit of pugnacity, save against evil, ought to be foreign to them all.

Our Convention Aftermath.

Our account of the Southern Baptist Convention in the last issue, was necessarily brief in order to get the paper out on time. This week, however, we give our readers a dish of Convention hash which we trust will prove both palatable and wholesome.

Dr. L. W. Munhall's Baptism.

The following is taken from the columns of the Texas Baptist and Herald:

"The Rev. Dr. Munhall, the evangelist who held revival meetings in Dallas some months ago, like the lamented President McKinley, though a Methodist, was baptized as commanded by the New Testament. About twenty years ago, Dr. Munhall, we learn, visited for the first time the Holy Land. It is related of him that while traversing the region of the Jordan, he took out his Bible, determined to follow the example of Christ in baptism, whatever it might appear to him to be. Dr. Munhall at the same time resolved that he

would be baptized not only in the manner of Christ, whatever it might be, but also as nearly as it could be ascertained, the exact spot where Christ was baptized. Having read the New Testament account of Christ's baptism, Dr. Munhall had no doubt left on his mind, and entering the historic river at Bethabara, he had the satisfaction of being buried with Christ in baptism. This information is gathered from one of our friends in the First Baptist Church of Dallas. Dr. Munhall not only practiced Christ's ordinance, but commends."

We commend this to the consideration of those who are still "justifying themselves" by claiming that the Jordan at the point where Christ was baptized was "too deep," "too shallow," or too something else for immersion to be performed there. The testimony is more timely in view of the fact that Dr. Munhall is held in high esteem in Birmingham and vicinity for great blessings have come to us through his labors. Follow him "as he followed

Editorial Paragraphs



Mrs. C. A. Stakeley.

Turn to page 7 and read the beautiful address delivered at Asheville by Mrs. C. A. Stakeley, President of the Woman's Missionary Union, and then thank God for the great work being done by our noble, consecrated women.

The election of Dr. L. O. Dawson to lead the B. Y. P. U.'s for another year is an honor worthily bestowed.

What a Secretary we have in Dr. Lansing Burrows! The Convention closed on Monday afternoon, and the minutes were on our desk in Birmingham Friday afternoon.

Now let every church and pastor give diligent attention to our State work, viz.: Ministerial Education, State Missions and the Orphanage, so that they may make a good report at our State Convention which mets at New Decatur June 24th. Let the motto be "No debt at the Convention." Don't be afraid to ask your people for the Lord's money, brother pastor; there is a deal more danger of their giving too little than too much.

We wish to thank the Asheville papers for the splendid way in which they handled the news of the Convention, By courtesy of the Gazette we were enabled to give our readers a picture of Gov. Eagle, and the brillant editor of

the Citizen gove us permission to use his matter, which we freely did, both the reports and Convention Notes were examples of up-to-date journalism. .

Dr. Cranfill, the hustling editor of the Standard, sat near us on the opening morning of the Convention. I reached over and said: "Cranfill, I am Barnett of the Alabama Baptist. You have taken Joe Howard away from me, and now Dr. Provence is reporting the Convention for you. Can't you use me, and in this way silence my paper altogether?" He laughed good-naturedly, and said: "I'll have to think about it." I had made arrangements to have the Convention reported, and Dr. Cranfill, knowing Dr. Provence's ability in this line of work, borrowed him for the occasion. If you want to read a good account of th session at Asheville, get the Standard and read what our gifted associate editor has set down.

Dr. E. E. Folk, of the Baptist and Reflector, made a strong speech in nominating Dr. Marsh, of North Carolina for the presidency. Brother Folk is one of the sweetest spirits in the newspaper fraternity, but is ever ready ought to be a matter of State pride. It when necessary to take a decided stand on questions of the day as was shown in the great fight he made for temperance and in his book on the Mormon Monster, which ought to have a great circulation.

> We had the pleasure of being in the same home with Brethren Stewart, of Virginia, and Musselman, of Kentucky, and found them delightful fellows, and up-to-date men in every way. They gave us their subscriptions to the Alabama Baptist without any solicitation on our part. We are expecting great things from these bright, active and attractive young preachrs and hope that at the next Convention they will have joined the ranks of the Benedicts.

> Brother Crumpton seemed to enjoy every minute of the Convention. Few men followed the speeches closer; few men got more out of it than did our beloved Secretary. Many of our churches will be stirred by his report of what he saw and heard.

Howard College Commencement,

We open our hearts and homes to all who desire to attend our commencement. We hope many desire to come. If you desire to attend, you will come.

We cordially extend to all Baptists and friends of our College an invitation to be present at the beginning of commencement and remain through until the boys go home.

Dr. Tupper of Philadelphia preaches the sermon on Sunday, May 25, and Dr. Sampey, of Louisville, Ky., will make baccalaureate address. The program will be published in another place.

The best people in the world live at East Lake and they desire to see you. J. M. Shelburne.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES.

Following is the program of the sixtieth annual commencement of Howard College, May 22 to 28, 1902.

Thursday, May 22, 8:30 p. m.—Final meeting Franklin Literary Society. Frday, May 23, 8:30 p. m.-Final

meeting Philomathic Literary Society. Sunday, May 25, 11:00 a. m.-Commencement Sermon by Dr. Kerr Boyce Tupper, Pastor First Baptist Church, Philadelphia, Pa.

Monday, May 26, 10:00 a. m.-Sophomore Declamation Contest for Gold Medal. 8:30 p. m.-Athletic Exhibition in the College Auditorium.

Tuesday, May 27, 10:00 a. m.-Junior Oratorical Contest for Gold Medal. 3:00 p. m.—Battalion and Prize Drill, Cadet Corps, College Campus. 8:30 p. m.-Address before Society of Alumni, College Chapel, by J. T. Collins, Jr., Birmingham, followed by a General Reception.

Wednesday, May 28, 10:00 a. m.-Commencement Day. *(1) Baccalaureate Address, by Dr. John R. Sampey, Professor of Hebrew and Old Testament Interpretation, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. (2) Awarding of diplomas by President F. M. Roof. (3) Announcements for the Board of Trustees, by Dr. A. C. Davidson, President of the Board.

The Board of Trustees will meet in Annual Session in Franklin Hall, Tuesday, May 27, 9:00 a. m. sharp. The Society of Alumni will hold its Annual Business meeting in the College Auditorium, Tuesday, May 27, 8:00 p. m.

All railroads in Alabama sell round trip tickets at one and one-third fare, certificate plan.

Ministerial Education.

To the Baptist pastors in Alabama:

Dear Brethren: Only a few days and the present session at Howard College will close.

The Treasurer, Bro. C. C. Jones, informs me that we owe on Ministerial Education over \$500. Will not every pastor who feels an interest in the education of our young preachers, send at once a contribution to Dr. C. C. Jones, East Lake, Ala., that we may close this session without a debt?

Brethren, I urge you in God's name, in behalf of our young ministers, who are trying earnestly to prepare for future usefulness, and in behalf of the faithful faculty of the College, send a contribution at once.

I have not time now, to write each of you a letter, but will ask you to consider this personal. A little help just now will lift a burden from my heart.

J. G. Lowery, Pres. Board Min. Education. Warrior, Ala., May May 16.

President Eagle abundantly vindicated his friends.

Vice-Presidents E. W. Stephens, Missouri, and Joshua Levering, Maryland, both showed skill as presiding officers.

The auditorium is a success. Its appointments are admirable, and it goes to sustain Asheville's reputation as the "Convention City."

Chairman J. H. Tucker covered himself all over with glory. His address of welcome was a gem, and his constant and untiring efforts, together with his imperturbable good humor, are worthy of all praise.

The arrangements for singing were uncommonly good—the best the Convention has had in years. Conductor Milligan showed himself to be the right

Was the Convention ever more gracefully handled? If any one was crowded it was his own fault, for there was plenty of room a few minutes out by the electric cars.

The writer of these lines, who had come unexpectedly, requested a committeeman to send him out of the crush. Consequently, he found at 163 Chestnut Street (Miss Hill's) delightful entertainment and had a handsome room all to himelf.

Every now and then somebody hints that the Convention is too large and ought to be divided; but that time has not yet arrived. One thing that showed this conclusively was the ease with which the agitators were squelched.

There is no doubt that many of the most gifted and cultured men in the Convention are rarely heard, but they are not the kind who are jealous of others on account of prominence.

The most touching incident in the Convention was when Calder Willingham, after his tender and modest farewell remarks, turned and clasped his father's hand. The great throng was moved to tears.

Secretary Frost was still too unwell to speak, but he was a profoundly interested onlooker, and the expressions of love and confidence on all sides greatly cheered his heart. He is doing the work of his life.

At 10 o'clock Friday morning President Northen called the Convention to order. Dr. Dunaway, of Virginia, read a lesson from the Scripture and offered

Dr. B. D. Gray looked just as natural as life sitting on the stage next to Dr. Willingham, who seemed very happy. Drs. Carroll and Gambrell, of Texas, were near by as was also Dr. Landrum. and Dr. McDonald.

There was a re-union of the Jones family at Battery Park Hotel. Dr. J. Wm. Jones and his wife seemed very happy in the midst of their preacher boys, Carter Helm, Ashby, Howard and Pendleton.

The first song sung at the Convention was, "How Firm a Foundation," the audience standing. The next was "Come Thou Fount." It was worth a trip to Asheville to hear these two songs.

secretary, sat at his desk looking eager for the Convention to open. Dr. Bur-, rows is a genius in his line. Dr. Gregory, the assistant secretary, is a great help for he understands his business.

Dr. George Dana Boardman, one of our great old men, was at the Battery Park Hotel, the center of many friends who were drawn to him in sympathetic interest for they felt that his race was nearly run.

The auditorium was decorated with maps and just in the rear of the stage was a large missionary map of the world -"The World for Christ" is an inspiring motto.

The Auditorium is a magnificent place for a Convention, but I noticed that such trained speakers as Drs. Hawthorne and Madison Peters seemed to dread to speak in it, but I heard Dr. Peters from the rear without any trouble. Up to this writing there have been seats for the crowd.

The roll call of a Convention is a necessary but tiresome piece of business. Alabama comes first on the roll and I was interested while the names of my people were being called, but I almost went to sleep before we reached the tertainment committee and the citizens names of the Texas delegation.

We had such a delightful home in Asheville, a large sunny room, looking out on a scene of surpassing beauty and a delightful hostess, pleasant guests, plenty to eat, beautifully served and an appetite whetted by pure mountain air. We hope the Convention will meet here

My wife and I drove out through the Vanderbilt estate yesterday afternoon. It is a 14-mile drive and one of the prettiest in the world. This is the first Convention that Mr. Vanderbilt has ever opened his grounds to and it is being thoroughly appreciated. How I longed that every reader of the Alabama Baptist could see the way in which one rich man was spending his money.

The Southern Baptist Convention is getting very popular from the way cities are seeking to get it for next year. They want it up North, down South, out West and in the East. The "pay plan" makes it very attractive. The hackman who drove me out to Biltmore said: "This Baptist Convention was the biggest thing Asheville had ever had, and was the only thing that had ever been too big for the hackmen to keep riding." This is a Baptist town,

Rev. Wm. Vines, the pastor of the First Baptist church of Asheville, and the host of the Convention, hasn't that tired look which usually is worn by the overworked pastor who has to provide entertainment for a great Convention. He could not well afford to look bored as his bride is helping him to carry the burden. Bro. Vines is a royal good fellow and deserves every happiness.

thing. I have attended many notable and just across was Dr. Hatcher gatherings and Conventions in this country and Europe, but as I sat down at the reporter's table and looked into the faces of such men as Drs. Hawthorne, Carroll, Hatcher, Gambrell, Stakely, Crumpton and hundreds of others, I felt a thrill of joy because I was a Baptist preacher and a brother of these men.

I thought our religious papers were pressed at the Georgia Convention, but that was mere child's play to what I have seen here. The papers are showing great enterprise, as both the Herald and Argus have beautiful convention edi-Dr. Lansing Burrows, the great big. tions, but the Alabama Baptist was to the front with 500 copies of Brother Crumpton's great Missionary Edition. Many of the leading brethren from other States have complimented it. 7

Nearly all the speakers in nominating or seconding the candidates made reference to division in geography. We heard a good deal about North, East, South and West. It was like going to school again and learning that "all Gaul was divided into three parts, etc."

The livery stables did a thriving business. They were taxed to their utmost capacity.

Appalachian mineral water was dispensed free at the auditorium during the Convention.

Rev. E. E. Chivers, D.D., of Chicago, brought the greetings of the young people of the North.

Within the bounds of the Convention are 16,690 churches, 762 associations and 13,473 preachers.

Dr. Burrows was re-elected secretary; Dr. Gregory, assistant secretary; G. W. Norton, treasurer, and W. P. Harvey, auditor.

Hon. Joshua Levering left the floor and made his way to the platform and was the first to congratulate Gov. Eagle upon his election to the presidency.

Too much cannot be said for the enof Asheville. Every one seemed to be anxious to do something for the pleasure of the visitors.

Rev. John D. Jordan, of Savannah, was active among the brethren in the interests of Savannah. Brother Jordan's many friends in Birmingham will be glad to know of his great work in Savannah.

Rev. A. N. Crouch nominated ex-Gov. J. P. Eagle, of Arkansas, and Dr. W. E. Hatcher seconded it, and gave his reasons for doing it, and as usual when he undertakes to champion a man or a cause he does it ably.

Hon. T. G. Bush, of Birmingham, who seconded the nomination of Hon. Joshua Levering, made a splendid impression on the Convention by his fine presence and strong, straightforward and able speech. His voice was clear and carried to the farthest end of the auditorium. It was a striking case of one business man paying a tribute to another business man.

When Gov. Northern after the roll call, rose and spoke of having been president three terms and thanked the Convention for its generous support, we knew that the precise psychological movement had arrived when several brethren were undergoing a great nervous strain for many wanted to make nominations for the presidency.

We counted twenty-five editors and reporters around the desks set apart for them. It was a busy crowd, Next to me was Alex Bealer, then Dr. Provence, just in the rear Dr. Cranfill and on my right Drs. Eaton and Pitt. Dr. Folk, the editor of the Baptist and Reflector, The Baptist Convention is a big was just in front of me on the stage,

> Prayer was asked for Drs. White, of Macon, Ga., the former pastor of the First church at Asheville; for Dr. A. J. S. Thomas, of the Baptist Courier, Dr. Palmer, of New Orleans, and Dr. I. T. Tichenor, and Brother Jones, of Kentucky, as these brethren were kept away by sickness. Dr. Willingham led the prayer and the audience sang, "Blest be the Tie, etc.," and the Convention sent to each of the brethren telegrams of sympathy.

One of the pleasantest memories brought away from the Convention was a talk we had with Will Bailey, the brilliant, fascinating and handsome young editor of the Biblical Recorder of North Carolina. We spent an hour together on the piazza of the Battery Park Hotel, looking out on the wonderful panorama and telling one another of our work. The North Carolinians are fortunate in having such a leader. We wish brother Bailey would drop down on us at Decatur, take in our State Convention, and get acquainted with

our people.

Dr. Spilman, of Nashville, of the Sunday School Board, is known as Fat Man of the Convention.

The Southern Baptist Convention is a big thing and when it sets down on a fellow it is ime for him to "go way back."

Rev. John D. Jordan, of Savannah, is a hustler and knows what to say and how to say it when he is championing a cause. He is a royal good fellow and will make a great host at Savannah next year.

We met Bailey, of Jackson, Miss., who is giving the Mississippians such a good paper. We literally sat on his knee for awhile as he said he wanted to have a heart to heart talk with us (and there was only one chair vacant.) It was a kind of editorial flirtation, as a matter of fact a young man could sit at Bailey's feet and learn many things for as Dr. McConnell put it, "Bailey writes sense."

Two good stories were told at the Convention and both must be put down to the credit of newspaper men. We all thought Dr. Pitt's "ground squirrel yarn" was about the best the Convention had ever heard, when Dr. Eaton brought down the house by his interpretation of the Scripture, "Salute no man on the way" which he acted out with Chairman Tucker to the great amusement of the audience.

Another of our younger men made his maiden effort before the Convention though widely known as one of the most incisive editors. When he read the report of his committee on Cuba, and questions began to be fired at him from several directions, he showed a masterfulness that few had supposed him to possess. He was overwhelmed with congratulations afterward. Just keep an eye on R. H. Pitt.

Dr. Madison C. Peters, who recently came to the Baptists, is a nervous, energetic young man. He hopes to visit Alabama before very long. He seemed pleased when Brother Crumpton told him that he had just ordered 100 of his books, "Why I Became a Baptist." Dr. Peters told about 5,000 people on Thursday night the story of his conversion and baptism. I wish every man, woman and child in Alabama could have heard him. I think Bro. S. O. Y. Ray would have shouted for pure joy and wanted to take him with him on a tour of the Tuscaloosa Association.

After the strain of the nominations, the appointing of the tellers, and the distributing of the ballots, the audience rose and sang, led by Gov. Northen, "Nearer my God to Thee." It was restful and helped to clear the charged atmosphere and then Dr. Carroll prayed.

Drs. Hatcher of Virginia, and Gambrell of Texas, those veteran newspaper men, cheered us with their kind words and sympathetic interest. Dr. Gambrell has already written a strong article for the Alabama Baptist, and Dr. Hatcher promised to send us a contribution in the near future.

One of the chief incidental benefits of the convention is its maintenance of the denominational esprit de corps.

The churches that sent their pastors to the Convention will be more than repaid in the freshness and vigor of the preaching they will hear for months to come. What can be more restful to mind and heart and soul than these short but delightful greetings from friends and fellow-works. Old friendships renewed, new ones formed, a wider and more inspiring view obtained, make these meetings a great joy. No wonder they grow!

New Orleans Work.

Every church in this city has its peculiar difficulties and discouragements, but it is the consensus of opinion among the Baptists of New Orleans that our work is in the best condition for years, and we might say the best in its history.

Rev. Gilbert Dobbs is doing a splendid work at Coliseum Place Church. He says he has more to encourage him than at any time since he took charge of the work. He has organized a Men's League, which he feels is going to be a great support and help to the church. In co-operation with the Home Mission Board, Coliseum hopes soon to have an assistant pastor, and a lady missionary. With this added force we may look for forward movements all along the line.

Rev. John A. Lee has readily found his way to the hearts of the St. Charles Avenue church members. His membership has had increasing additions, and his congregations have steadily grown. The Sunday school of the St. Charles Avenue church has had a marvelous growth recently. Some of the other older and larger churches will have to move up or the youngest will soon be leading in Sunday school work. This church in co-operation with the Home Mission Board has already located a lady missionary among them, and the good work goes on.

The Valence Street Church has been without a pastor for several months and of course has not moved forward in local work as they have desired, but they have invited Rev. B. F. Swindler, of Covington, Ky., to be with them two weeks, and have taken advantage of his presence to have a union prayer meeting for the Baptists of the city. These meetings have been held at each of the other churches. Many are hoping that Brother Swindler and Valence Street Church may fall sufficiently in love with each other, that a union between them will be necessary. The other three churches have learned to love Kentucky pastors, why should not Valence complete the quartette?

The First church has just closed a meeting of nineteen days, in which Rev. P. G. Elsom, of Danville, Va., did the vived and fifteen have been baptized. into the fellowship of the church, and one restored. Five others are to be baptized next Sunday evening.

There has also been a revival of Christian living and Bible church discipline in the First church. This is one of the great needs of Christian tirely new Board, to be known as the work in New Orleans. The Romanists and Episcopalians have all the ritual and formalism that our city needs. We, as Baptists, need to send forth living epistles that they may be known and read of all men.

Too many church members are trying to do what the Great Teacher pronounced impossible serve two Masters. This stand taken boldly and firmly by the First church has not been without opposition, but God and all His promises have been on our side. Some have been turned out, and others have called for their letters, but the Lord has added to us daily those that are being saved, and our numbers increase instead of decrease.

We remember that with God on our

side one may chase a thousand and two put ten thousand to flight. The First church secured the efficient labors of Miss Georgie Barnett as our city missionary. She has been on the field since last October and has been a great factor in what the First church is accomplishing. The Franklin Street Mission of the First church is doing an excellent work and Miss Georgie is one of the most powerful factors in it.

Brethren, pray without ceasing for the Baptist work in New Orleans. We have battles to fight which you know not of.

Pastors of other States can greatly assist the work here by writing letters to the pastors of this city when you know of Baptists who have moved here. This is a great place to lose Baptists. Brethren, help us keep up with them.

C. V. Edwards.

The Preston Resolutions.

W. G. Curry, D.D.

These resolutions, I think, voice the sentiment of a large per cent. of the Baptists of Alabama, and I think would have been adopted by the Convention at Brewton but for the unwise declarations of some of the warmest advocates of the measure. For instance, when it was said on the floor of the Convention that the agent to be appointed would be expected to represent the cause of education in general in the State, soliciting students not only for the Howard, the Judson, and other Baptist schools, but for the State University and other State schools in Alabama, there was an evident weakening on the part of some who had been up to that time in favor of the resolutions. But the resolutions do not admit of so broad a construction of the duties of the agent.

As I understand the resolutions as offered by Bro. Preston, the one sole object contemplated is the endowment of Howard College, and incidentally to solicit students for the Howard and other Baptist schools in the State.

With this view of the meaning and intention of the resolutions, I do not see how any friend of the Howard or the cause of denominational education, could oppose them.

But it is contended that all that is preaching. The church was greatly re- contemplated by the promoters of the new board can be accomplished through the present Board of Ministerial Education. Perhaps so, but will they? While I do not question the wisdom of the brethren who compose the ministerial Board of Education, it seems to me it would be better to establish an en-Education Board, which should have the management of all our educational matters, just as the State Board of Missions has the management of our missionary operations. This, it seems to me, would simplify matters, in that it would place all our benevolent machinery in the hands of two Boards, thus doing away with the multiplicity of Boards, which have hitherto been a serious hindrance to our denominational progress. Let us remodel and simplify our educational work by instituting an entirely new Board composed of men who love the Howard, and who have faith in its mission. And then let that Board employ a great, strong man, upon a salary commensurate with his

dowment of the Howard and for all our denominational schools in the State, just as our beloved brother Crumpton lays himself out for the cause of missions, and in a little while we will see results which will gladden all our hearts. May the Lord prepare our hearts to do the right thing when this matter comes before us at New De-

Judson Commencement.

Judson Anniversary Exercises.

Sunday, May 25, 11:00 a. m.-Commencement Sermon. 8:00 p. m .- Sermon before the Ann Hasseltine Missionary Society, by the Rev. J. L. Gross, D.D., of Selma, Ala.

Monday, May 26, 9:00 a. m. to 12:00 m.-Art Exhibition. 8:00 p. m.-An Evening with the Classes in Expression. Tuesday, May 27, 8:00 p, m.-An-

nual Concert.

Wednesday, May 28, 10:00 a. m.-Annual Meeting of Society of Alumnae. Laying of corner stone of Alumnae Auditorium. Address by the Hon. Joseph B. Graham, of Talladega, Ala. Masonic Ceremonies, led by Major John G. Harris, P. G. M. of F. & A. M. for Alabama, Montgomery, Ala. 8:00 p. m .- Class Night.

Thursday, May 29, 2:00 p. m.-Annual Meeting of Board of Trustees. 8:00 p. m.—Presentation of Diplomas. Commencement Address by the Rev. Charles Manly, D.D., of Lexington, Mo.

On account of the exercises connected with the Judson Commencement the Southeastern Passenger Association has granted reduced rates on the certificate plan to all who wish to attend. Each visitor desiring to avail himself of the reduced rate must purchase a first-class ticket to Marion at the regular tariff rate, and at the same time procure from the ticket agent a certificate of standard form. If through ticket cannot be procured at starting point a ticket should be purchased to the most convenient point at which a through ticket can be procured and there repurchased to Marion. Procure a standard certificate from each agent from whom a ticket is purchased. Before returning from the Commencement, those holding certificates must have them signed by the President of the Judson and vised by the agent at Marion. Tickets for the return journey will be sold at one-third the firstclass tariff fare only to persons holding certificates of the standard form duly signed by the President of the Judson and countersigned by the special agent appointed for that purpose.

In view of the fine program and of the importance of this commencement, it is hoped we will have the largest attendance in the history of the institution. Reduced rates have been secured at the hotels for all visitors.

All former Judson girls will be entertained if their names are sent at once to Miss Amie Vary, Marion, Ala.

Robert G. Patrick, Pres.

Some Notes from Brother Crump ton.

I exhort the Convention people, to look up the missionary number when they return home, and read it. There is no chance to read a newspaper at the While the missionary Convention. number had some serious blunders, it did very well considering the little time that could be given it by the editor. Doubtless many looked for the supplement, but it was not printed. On inability, and let him work for the en- vestigation, I found it would cost too

much to print it. It would have been made up almost wholly of columns of figures.

After Convention services ought to be held in every church. The delegates ought to be expected to bring the Convention to the churches. At the Associations, at least half hour ought be given to the brethren representing the Association to tell about the session. Let no Association fail to elect a delegate and alternate to go to Savannah next year. Don't forget to raise the money to pay his way. W. B. C.

Ministerial Education.

I am writing to pastors throughout the State. Dear brethren, will you not join me in an effort to close our Convention year out of debt? Let Sunday, June 1st, be Ministerial Education Day. Please take a collection-for the Board of Ministerial Education that day and send it in as soon as possible. We need about \$700, and if every pastor who reads this will lend a helping hand for just one day, it can be easily raised, Dear pastors, will you not do it! If you can't take the collection on the day I suggest, by all means do so before the Convention which meets in New Decatur June 24th.

J. V. Dickinson, Cor. Secy.

Help the Storm-Stricken.

Adamsville, Ala., April 30, 1902.—At 7:30 last night a great hail and wind storm swooped down on us at Adamsville, doing much damage to gardens, breaking out many window lights, splitting shingles on house tops, and damaging to some extent the store of H. O. Adams; but the greatest damage done was to the Baptist church, which is almost a total wreck. It will be remembered by some that only a few months ago we were without a house to worship in, and by much self-denial upon the part of the church we had a good house erected at a cost of about \$800, which was all paid out with the exception of about \$200, and now it is so completely wrecked that it will be necessary to tear down and rebuild at a cost of about \$300.

I take this method, by permission of the editor, of appealing to the entire brotherhood and all others who may feel disposed, for help. Brethren, if we did not need help we would be far from asking it, but the church is in a state of embarrassment financially, and unless we get help from some source and get it at once, the cause is going to suffer here; and I can only pray God to put it into the hearts of His people to help us in this time of need. Any amount will be highly appreciated.

Send any amount that you feel disposed, to L. A. Cannell, pastor. Adamsville, Ala.

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OBITUARIES

Long obituaries keep coming in so fast that we are compelled to enforce our rule. For actual subscribers we print 160 words free, but we charge one cent a word for all over 100. Count the words and if there are over 160 cut them down or send the cash if you want them inserted.

McCREARY.-Died, on the 26th of April, 1902, Mrs. Mary Ann McCreary, at her home at Turnbull, Monroe county Ala. Mrs. McCreary was born Sept. 23, 1811, in Darlington District, South Carolina. She was married to Mr. Samuel McCreary December 30, 1835. Shortly after her marriage she was baptized into the fellowship of the Flat Creek Baptist Church. Mrs. McCreary was an admirable specimen of a true and noble woman. She made no stir in the world, her life was quiet and unobtrusive, but she filled well the sphere of a woman, and her superior among women cannot be easily found. She was kind-hearted, amiable, charitable to all. She merited and received the respect, the admiration and the love of a large circle of acquaintances.

In all her relations in life, she was known as a woman of undoubted piety. Her end was peace. With nothing to mar the memory of her long and well-spent life, she stepped from earth's shadows into the light of God's glory. Her exemplary Christian life is a most precious legacy to her children and grand-children. And by her life and her death she still speaks to all who knew her, and says: "Be ye also ready."

HORTON.—On Sunday morning, May 4, 1902, Sister Florence Horton yielded to the call of God and the angel of death conducted her spirit to a world of eternal bliss and happiness.

Mrs. Florence Horton, nee Mathews, was born January 10, 1864. In 1883 she was married to Dr. J. J. Horton, who, with five children, survive her.

In 1882 she professed a hope in Christ, and attached herself to the Missionary Baptist Church, of which she was a member at the time of her death.

Who can picture the life, the sweet influence, of this true and noblehearted woman? She was a faithful and devoted wife, a kind, indulgent mother, and a devout; humble Christian. One who believed thoroughly in the Bible, and lived up to its teachings in her daily walk through life. Her Christian character was beautiful, patient, unselfish, godlike. She did not live for self alone, but delighted in making others happy. She possessed a sunny nature, and always had a kind word and pleasant smile for all. I never heard her speak unkindly of anyone. On the contrary, she would make excuses and overlook the faults of others, and derived great satisfaction in returning good for evil.

Our sister fought a good fight and kept the faith; therefore she has received a crown of everlasting life and glory in the great beyond.

Ah, little did we dream that death was so very, yery near. But so it proved. "In the midst of life we are in death." Oh, how wife and mother will be missed in the new and beautiful home! No one can fill the vacant place. Father is desolate and lonely because the object he loved has been taken away, the gentle form which always met him at the door with a word of

cheer and a pleasant smile, is sleeping in the cold, cold grave. God comfort our brother. Fill the aching void with thy satisfying love. Bless her children and lead them gently through this cold dark world. May they ever remember the teachings of mother, and yield not to temptation, folly and sin. May they strive to meet their mother in the Eternal City of God, where she has gone to await their coming.

Farewell, Sister Florence, until we meet again. Although we miss you, we are comforted with the knowledge that you are at rest. Resting so peaceful and calm in the paradise of God.

Farewell, dearest Sister, thy work is complete,

Labors, temptations, and trials are o'er; Over death's river, and resting so sweet,

Resting with Jesus on Jordan's bright

Rejoicing with angels, and waiting for loved ones,

Earnestly watching and beckening "Come,

Nearer, come nearer, I'll guide you, my

darlings, Come to the crossing, and fear not the

gloom; Enter the City beyond the dark tomb." Bettie Power.

BYNUM.—James Elmer Bynum was born near Walnut Grove, July 12, 1866, and died at Walnut Grove, March 24, 1902. Bro. Bynum had been suffering with consumption for more than a year. On March 24, 1901, he professed religion in his own home, and on March 12, 1902, joined the Baptist church at Walnut Grove, as was described in the Southern and Alabama Baptist of Apr. 30.

Bro. Bynum leaves a wife and two children, a large circle of friends and relatives to mourn his loss. May the blessings of God rest upon the bereaved to whom we extend our sympathy.

J. T. Campbell,
J. H. Richards,
Deacons of the Baptist Church.

COLE.—Martha Amanda Cole was born near Walnut Grove March 28, 1877, died April 23, 1902. She professed religion and joined the Baptist Church at Walnut Grove several years ago. She lived a consistant Christian life and died in the full triumph of a living faith. In her last moments she exclaimed, "how much it has paid me to keep my promise to my Savior. Mamma, there is not a doubt before me."

To the bereaved mother, friends and relatives, we extend our sympathies.

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Resolutions of Respect.

AT REST.

In accordance to the will of Him that doeth all things well, the career of our beloved brother, R. W. Grubbs, was ended March 21, 1902, at his home. He was born in Calhoun county, March 10, 1849; joined the Baptist church at the age of 14, and was married to Miss Cynthia Murra, November 25, 1869; moved to Georgia in 1877, from there to

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Second. That we extend to the be-

reaved family our heartfelt sympathy.

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Carrollton, Ala.

It is with pleasure I read the Bartist every week, though very few familiar names I meet in its columns. Some years since I left the State; many changes since then.

This is my old association in which I was raised, and in which I spent my first two ministerial years. I find the cause is at rather a low ebb, but few churches alive to their duty to the Great Head of the Church. There are some excellent disciples, however, in this part of the vineyard.

I feel especially desirous to do protracted meeting work this summer, either in the country or town. I could give several weeks to this line of labor. Any churches needing help in this way, I would be glad to correspond with. Will refer to my old Mississippi brother and companion of former years, S. O. Y. Ray of North Port.

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In this cause it being made to appear to the Judge of this court in term time by the affidavit of B. F. Moore, agent of complainant, that the residence of said detendants is unknown, and, that they are absent from the State of Alabama and further, that, in the belief of said affiant, the defendants are over the age of 21 years. It is therefore ordered that publication be made in the Southern and Alabama Baptist, a newspaper published in Jefferson County, Alabama, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring them the said Emma Scott and W. D. Scott to answer, plead or demur to the Bill of Complaint in this cause by the 18th day of June, 1902, or after thirty days therefrom a decree pro confesso may be taken against them. This 8th day of May, 1902.

Wm. W. Wilkerson, Judge of the City Court of Birmingham.

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Side Lights.

My wife went with me out to the Vanderbilt estate and had the pleasure of visiting the poultry farm and got a peep into the incubaters and saw the little chicks breaking through the shells and she was happier over it than when she stood in front of the great. palace.

The dairy at Biltmore looks like a Swiss village and it seemed curious after being dazed by Vanderbilt's wealth to meet on the road a milk wagon drawn by a mule, showing that George was turning a penny by selling milk and butter, but the greatest surprise was the "Piggery." Vanderbilt is engaged in farming just as earnestly or strenuously as if it was a ease of "root hog or die."

My wife remained at home while I went to fish, in order to take a drive in the afternoon. When I returned found that she had been out to the reservoir which was being cleaned and had with her own hands caught a string of fish and two bull frogs. The joke was on me until breakfast was served when I ate fish with as much relish as if I had caught them with my own little hook, and had a frog all for my share. Sometimes it is well not to take ones wife fishing.

I went to Johnson City, Tenn., the home of Gov. Bob Taylor, situated in the large Watauga Valley and overlooked by beautiful mountains. It was there I put in my first year in the pas torate. I made the trip to shake hands with old friends and to go fishing. I went and fished for a whole day and never got a bite, but it was a red letter day. I took three naps stretched inthe sand, ate ravenously and drank out of one of the sweetest springs and rode home on horseback, and went to bed and slept again and woke and felt as if I had a new lease on life. You can have a lot of fun fishing without catching fish.

The thing that gratified us most at Asheville was not Vanderbilt's mansion, but the great number of lovely modest homes dotted around on the hills. It is a city of homes or rather of boarding houses for nearly every one in Asheville takes boarders. It is the winter tourists from the North that keep up the city for they pay much better rates than do the summer boarders from the South. We lived in a private home and our stay was simply charming, owing to the continuous thoughtfulness of the Misses Atkinson, who made us feel like guests instead of boarders. I prayed for a good home in which to stay and my prayer was answered.

The Rector of the Episcopal church felt called upon to answer Dr. Madison C. Peter's address on Baptism before the B. Y. P. U. and rushed into print the next morning much to the amusement of the preachers and delegates, for he showed such ignorance upon the subject that his reply was not seriously considered. Pedo-Baptists usually do, say, or write foolishly on Baptism. The latest story I have heard is in an article by Ruth McEnry Stuart, called "Sonny," where a Rector goes to baptize a boy and finding him up a tree, and failing to get him down to be sprinkled, a gentle rain begins to fall whereupon he recites the Episcopalian Baptismal formula and explains to the gratified parents that "Sonny," their boy, has been baptized.

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Here and There.

North Carolina contributed last year \$9461.36 to foreign missions; she contributes this year \$12,693.77, an advance of \$3,232.41. The figures are from Dr. Willingham's books.

The work of the Convention is divided into three great departments: Foreign Missions, Home Missions and Sunday Schools. Each of these departments is represented by a board and the reception of reports from these boards will consume most of the time of the Convention. Of the Sunday School Bard, which is located in Nashville, Dr. E. E. Folk is the president and Dr. J. M. Frost the secretary. Dr. W. W. Landrum is president of the Home Mission Board, which has its headquarters in Atlanta and has for secretary Dr. F. C. McConnell. The headquarters of the Foreign Mission Board are in Richmond. Prof. C. H. Winston is the president and Dr. R. J. Willingham the secretary.

The reports of the various boards this year show unusually gratifying progress in denominational work. The outlook for Foreign Missions in particular, was never so bright. Heretofore Virginia has been the banner State in regard to the amount of contributions for the foreign mission field but this year Kentucky is in the lead, with Georgia and Texas close seconds. The reports also show that the year has been one of unusual activity in the Sunday school department.

Dr. E. Y. Mullins, president of the Southern Theolgical Seminary at Louisville, Ky., is also here for the Convention. Dr. Mullins is a young man, was elected three years ago in June. He said the seminary was never in better condition than just now. It has 243 students, and is the largest seminary in the world. Many of the students will be missionaries, about twenty-five of them. The seminary ought to have a million dollar endowment. Dr. Mulien is laboring to increase the endowment. The seminary draws students from all parts of the world. It has added acourse of lectures on the Sunday tures on this subject were delivered by thousand miles. W. E. Hatcher, of Virginia. This step is considered a good move for the seminary.—Asheville Citizen.

Trip Notes.

By Frank Willis Barnett.

We left Birmingham on Wednesday morning about one hour late with twenty-five loyal Alabama Baptists aboard. It was a jolly good-natured crowd and although the train was crowded every one seemed to enjoy the trip.

My wife and I got off at Knoxville, Tenn., to spend several hours very pleasantly with Col. Noble Smithson, my former law partner, who lived several years in Birmingham. Col. Smithson has just finished a book on Procedure, which promises to be of great help to the legal fraternity.

The trip from Chattanooga to Asheville is a beautiful one. The mountains, with their green, the blue waters of the French Broad and the fertile valleys filled with growing crops, all made a scene of wondrous beauty. A May shower at Morristown cooled the air and made the trip delightful.

We reached Asheville at 9:15 p. m. on time, and in ten minutes we were housed comfortably and ready for the night's rest. We had a beautiful home overlooking the valley and the mountains beyond make a lovely setting for the thriving city.

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Florence Normal Convention.

The Twenty-ninth Commencement of the State Normal College, Florence, Alabama, is announced as follows:

Thursday, May 29, 4:00 p. m.-Annual Meeting Board of Directors.

Sunday, June 1, 10:30, a. m .- Commencement Sermon, Dr. John F. Pursr, Opelika.

Monday, June 2, 10:30, a. m.-Joint Anniversary of LaFayette and Dialectical Societies.—Delivery of Medal for Declamation.

Tuesday, June 3, 10:30 a. m.—Essays and Orations by Members of the Graduating Class.-Delivery of Medal for Essay.

Wednesday, Jun 4, 10:30 a. m.—Address to Graduating Class, Hon. Wm. C. Fitts, Mobile. 8:00 p. m.-Alumni Anniversary.-Oration, Mr. Cecil A. Beasley, Florence. Essay.-Miss Lula Scott, Auburn.

Prof. Brand Honored.

The following from the bulletin of the American Mathematical Society, will be of interest to the friends of Prof. Edward Brand, of Howard College:

"The Council announced the election of the following persons to membership in the Society: Professor Edward Brand, Howard College, East Lake, Ala., Mr. David Raymond Curtiss, Harvard University; Miss Alice Bach Gould, Boston, Mass.; Dr. Carl Gunderson, New York City; Mr. A. F. van der Hayden, Middlesbrough High School, England; Dr. Jean de Seguier, Paris, France; Mr. J. W. Young, Cornell University. Fourteen applications for membership were received.

Mobile Meeting.

· Was with Bro. Shell for about ten days at Palmetto St., Mobile. We had a good meeting. Church somewhat awakened and twenty-five additions to term. I left the meeting continuing after I was called away. None more faithful than Shell. He has a good hold on the Lord and on the people and his church is certainly a very great power for righteousness in a place where it is much needed

W. A. Taliaferro.

From the Orphans' Home.

After camping at the farm all week the boys were delighted with the good supper at the Home on Saturday night, and especially with the feast of straw-- BIRMINGHAM, ALA. berries served in soup plates, and the and said go.

attention and seeming delight of the girls at their return. Perhaps it is news to some of the readers of the Baptist to know that four miles from the Home the boys are managing 80 acres of land in corn, oats and hay, and all without any South Alabama black skin being allowed to make a track on it. This, with 30 acres at the Home, makes more than 100 the boys will have to stand by till the hot June days have come and gone.

Fort Deposit.

Monday night was spent with Bro. J. S. Catts and his family. We preached for his people to a fairly good congregation-good for Monday, night-and they gave us a good collection and promised to do more. Catts reigns in this town and in all the surrounding section, and his people think his equal is not to be found.

Avondale.

We have just closed a good meeting of two weeks which resulted in quite an uplift to the church and thirty-six accessions, others were converted and still a number of others will unite with the church right soon. In fact we receive members at almost every service. Have had fifty-six additions since Jan. 1st. While the meeting was quiet, still the Holy Spirit worked nightly with the people and I am sure the work is permanent and will continue. Our congregations are good all the while. Often at night the question is, where to put the people.

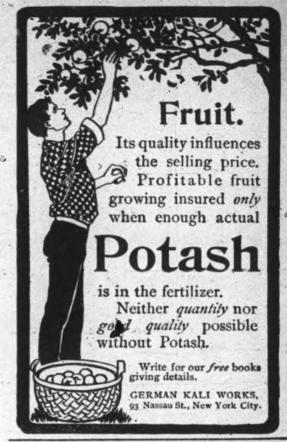
The Pastors' Aid Society has grown to have quite a large membership and with the assistance of the young people and children they are bringing things to pass. Last month they made more than \$150 to make some needed repairs on the church

The Sunbeams, led by Miss Birdie Ethridge, numbering 224, are doing some good work, laying by some money to fit up the pastor's study, when completed. The contract is let for the addition of three rooms to the pastorium, one of which is for the study.

We have a large B. Y. P. U. presided over by Rev. Thos Morrison. They meet every week. The attendance is good and they are rendering valuable assistance to the pastor, in fact they are the prime movers in the erection of the study.

The Sunday school with Bro. A. B. Sudduth at the head, is prospering and since the organization of the Home Department the attendance has increased

We find these people ready to take hold of every good work sugested by the pastor. They have done almost everything I have asked them to do and a few things that I did not ask. We have not given for missions as I hoped we would, but we are going to move up on that line in the future. We feel that the lines have fallen to us in pleasant places; the good people of Avondale have given us a very cordial welcome and remembered us in so many ways and times that I hardly know how to tell it. They began by presenting me with a handsome roll top desk, and have continued till the last was a baptismal suit by the ladies, and now they have put the money in my pocket to pay all my expenses to the Convention L. M. Bradley.



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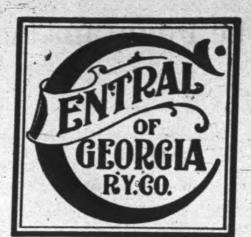
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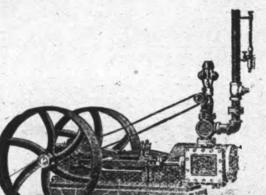
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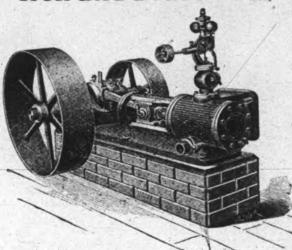
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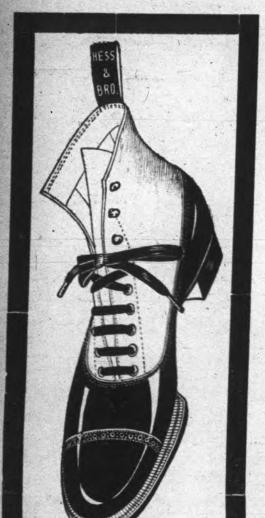
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I am at Woodstock this week attending a meeting being held by brother Overton, a Presbyterian preacher. We are having a good meeting, five having joined the Baptists to date, one the Methodists, several have professed who have not joined anywhere. I am holding the fort for brother White while he is away at the Convention.

S. O. Y. Ray.

Left here Saturday, May 3, 1902. Opelika meeting, forty-five additions to church. L. O. Dawson.

Mrs. Thomas Dixon, Sr., the wife of Rev. Thomas Dixon, and the mother of Thomas Dixon, Jr., of New York City, Rev. Dr. A. C. Dixon, of Boston, Mass., and Rev. Frank Dixon, of Hartford, Conn., died suddenly at her home in Shelby, N. C., on April 18th. The funeral was held on Standay, April 20th.

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Prof. S. P. Brooks has been elected to succeed Dr. O. H. Cooper as President of Baylor University. He is an alumnus of Baylor and is now doing post-graduate work at Yale University.

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