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An Open Letter to the Baptists of Alabama.

DEAR BRETHREN:

Some of you think I am too full of enthusiasm, others smile and call me an optimist, while many bluntly say "I am still quite young"; but enthusiast, optimist, or boy, I believe Howard College is on the eve of a great uplift.

Coming back to Alabama, my native State, in my heart of hearts, my object in consolidating the Baptist papers was to try and build up our denominational interests, and if I can help to make Howard mean as much to the boys of our State as Judson does to the girls, I will be amply repaid for all the sacrifices I have made and am making.

One of the ambitions of my life is to be instrumental in making Howard College the greatest school in Alabama.

And what we need more than buildings or endowment just now is a MAN.

Let us go to God in earnest prayer that He will send us the right man, and let us go down in our pockets and pay him, and then let's go to work in the State and back him up every way in our power.

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Yours for service,

Frank Willis Barnett



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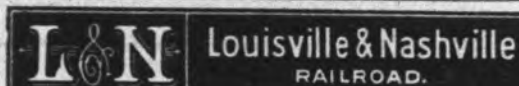
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Field Notes

ORDINATION.

At Panola Church, Crenshaw county, Ala., Brother George R. Vickery was ordained to the full work of the Gospel ministry last Sunday, May 11, 1902.

It was the happy lot of the writer to be present and participate in this solemn yet delightful service.

The ordaining presbytery was composed of Elders W. H. Cheatham, T. E. Morgan, C. C. Lloyd, and R. S. Poole.

Brother Vickery is an earnest, consecrated man of God, and we predict for him much usefulness in the work of the Master.

C. C. Lloyd.

GREAT DAY.

The Bethlehem church recently held a memorial and there were more people than the house could hold. After a devotional exercise by J. W. Jones, and the address of welcome by the writer, there were beautiful addresses by Revs. G. M. Lowery, B. C. Hughes and J. A. Davis, after which the choir marched from the door to center of the cemetery and sang beautiful hymns, while the ladies decorated the graves. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon Bro. G. M. Lowery preached a most effective sermon on the resurrection. We look for great things from the pastorate of Bro. Hughes at Bethlehem.

R. R. Brasher.

FROM TALLASSEE, ALA.

My meetings at Tallassee are now over. In East Tallassee we began on 3rd Sunday in April and for 10 days we had a most glorious revival, and it continues. Lack of room was the only trouble.

Bro. Foster, of Notasulga, was with me most of the time doing a good part of the preaching. He is a good, sound man, and a strong preacher. He has a great many friends here. There was added to the church about 15, some of whom were by baptism. It was a true revival.

On the first Sunday in May we began in West Tallassee and continued till last Tuesday night. I was assisted throughout the meeting by Bro. A. B. Metcalf, of Georgiana. He, also is one of our good, strong preachers. He has his own peculiar way of reaching the people; but they are reached. He preaches a clear, irresistible sermon.

During the meeting 64 united with the church and on yesterday we received 4 others. 48 of this number were by baptism, 41 of whom I baptized yesterday afternoon.

A. C. Swindall.

RED LEVEL.

Interest in the Master's cause at Red Level continues unabated. We always have good services, but our last was, to me, the sweetest and best of all. There are several brethren who take an active part in all of our church work. Brethren W. M. Bush, Jno. M. Sims, the Beasley's and that means many, are among the older ones who are always ready to do what they can. Then we have among our young men Prof. J. T. Vaughn, a cultured, conservative, wide-

awake Christian worker, also young Brother Hunter Parken, who will be heard from some day in the Master's vineyard. Not only the brethren are at work but the ladies under the leadership of Sisters Bush, Sims, and Spears are doing a good work.

On my last visit there I was surprised by these good sisters, in having torn away the old "stand" and had built a most modern rostrum and furnished it neatly.

The brethren are to have the house ceiled on my return. We have a large, interesting Sabbath School.

The Sabbath school and the Ladies' Aid Society presented me with a suit of nice clothes. God bless them.

My salary is always ready for me when I go there and there is no waiting till fall with them.

One feature of our last service was a touching, timely solo effectively rendered by young brother G. F. Beasley. I am not "much" for solos only when they are as was this, from the heart. God is wonderfully blessing us at Red Level through the brethren and sisters.

S. P. Lindsay.

MAJOR HARRIS AT MT. HEBRON.

Bro. Jno. G. Harris came to Mt. Hebron a short while ago and preached Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The subjects used were: "Where art thou?" "God's Revelation by Character," "The New Commandment," "The Closed Door," "Jehovah's Masterpiece," and "The Prodigal Son." Bro. Harris said "I am not a preacher nor am I a deacon" but the great crowds who heard him are profoundly impressed that God has called him to a special work.

Each subject discussed was freighted with Gospel truth. His mind was clear and active while his soul was stirred with deep convictions. We were in a receptive mood "In the Spirit," and heard the voice of our Father speaking through his servant. Both pastor and people were glad to have such a sweet-spirited man in their midst. Come again, Brother Harris, and we will give you our most cordial welcome and tenderest love.

Jas. R. Magill.

FROM SIX MILE.

We had a good service at Antioch church the 4th Sunday in May, and a most excellent sermon by our pastor, Rev. W. G. Hubbard, from the text, "Remember now thy creator in the days of thy youth."

M. D. Langston.

NEWS FROM CONCORD.

We constituted our church three years ago next September, in the forest two and a half miles east of Clanton. I believe we had twenty-five members at first. We have some over fifty members now, and have built our church and painted it. We have a good organ for our church to aid in the song service of our church and Sunday school work. We organized our Sunday school in March, 1900; it has been making very good progress ever since.

Our Sunday school consists of about seventy-five members, of which nearly all are regular attendants. We had children's day Sunday, June 8; there was a large attendance and the exercises of the day were a success. We have good preaching. Our pastor is Rev. W. J. Armstrong, whom we all love. Everything is moving along very nicely now because every one seems to be doing their duty. The collection for Bible fund, taken on children's day was \$5.15, though I think we should work with more energy and zeal another year.

E. H. Parrish.

MEETING CONDUCTED BY PASTOR W. B. EARNEST.

A glorious meeting was held recently at Kansas Baptist church. The church has been greatly revived. Twenty-two additions to the church, among them a Methodist preacher of 12 years standing and wife. Our beloved pastor preached the Bible hard but strait. Men and women were compelled to believe it. Here are the texts to which Bro. Earnest spoke: 1. One thing is needful. 2. Take or roll the stone away. 3. The Lord God called. 4. Where art thou? 5. Come unto me. 6. Follow me. 7. Come for all things are ready. 8. I will arise and go. 9. There is rest for you. 10. Come thou and all thy house into the ark. 11. Give heed to things that ye have heard. 12. Who is my neighbor? 13. Go forward. 14. Except ye repent ye shall perish. 15. Seek the Lord. 16. The Lord has done great things for us. 17. If you will be my disciple follow me. 18. Promise is unto you and your children. 19. Deny thyself. 20. Go in peace. 21. A little child shall lead them. 22. Prove all things, hold fast to that that is good. 23. Whosoever will let him come. 24. It is finished. 25. The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved. 26. Now I leave you. Dear Alabama Baptist, give room for the above. We have the best pastor in the land. He will go next week to Jefferson county to hold some meetings.

Moses Livingston, C. C.

MARRIAGE.

A brilliant wedding took place at the Baptist church in Hurtsboro at 9 o'clock p. m. on the 27th inst. in the presence of a large audience. Mr. J. C. Cox to Miss Rena Bell Hightoner, Rev. R. A. Cumbee officiating. Mr. Cox is a young and prosperous merchant. Miss Hightoner is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hightoner, all of Hurtsboro. Tokens of congratulations and good wishes are not a few for the future success of this charming young couple.

R. A. H.

NEW CHURCHES ORGANIZED.

We have recently organized churches at Opp, Ala., and Century, Fla. At the former place we organized with nine members, continued the meeting several days and closed with 31 additions, six by baptism, the remainder by letter. Brother J. B. Shelton did the preaching. Opp is a rapidly growing town, of something near one thousand inhabitants, located on the Ala. and Fla. R. R., in South-east Covington county.

Century is a city in miniature, and the location of the great milling plant of the Gen. Alger-Sullivan Lumber Co., and located just across the State line on the Florida side, two miles south of Flomaton.

We have a membership of twenty at Century. Elds. J. L. Byars, I. Spence, and the writer composed the presbytery.

We have just closed a four days' meeting at Muscogee, Fla. Ten were added to the church. At the close of the meeting we had a very impressive moon-light baptismal service. At all three of the points mentioned, Opp, Century and Muscogee, the writer has organized promising Ladies' Missionary Unions.

The missionary work of the writer is being done by the liberality of Deacon W. T. Smith, of Chapman, and under the auspices of the State Board of Missions.

The Lord bless you in your work.

A. T. Sims.

ORDINATION SERVICES.

After having heard an able gospel sermon by Pastor J. T. Whitaker, on Saturday and another by Brother C. T. Lambert on Saturday night, the church, together with a large congregation of visitors, met early Sunday morning and after Sunday school was over, a presbytery having been previously invited, came forward for the purpose of ordaining Brother Charles T. Lambert to the full work of the Gospel ministry and Brethren Spurgeon Absher, John Giles, and William Vann to the office of deacons.

The presbytery was organized by electing S. J. Cox Moderator and J. E. Creel secretary.

The examination of the church and candidates was conducted by S. J. Cox, ordination prayer by J. T. Whitaker, charge to candidate by W. H. Absher, ordination sermon by W. Y. Adams, and final charge to church by S. J. Cox. At the close of the service many brethren and sisters came forward with streaming eyes and gave these newly ordained brethren their hands as a token that they would pray for, and co-operate with them in all their labors for the Lord.

Brother Lambert has been called to the care of Mulberry church in "The Warrior River Association." May the Lord make him wise in winning souls to Christ is our earnest prayer.

J. E. Creel.

TWO GREAT MEETINGS.

On the second Sunday in April Bro. A. T. Sims and myself organized a Baptist church at Opp, Ala., with nine members. I preached all the week following and thirty-two more souls were added to them. I went from there to Blocton and preached five days with my own church and there were twenty-eight additions. Then on last Sunday I preached three times at Centerville and two grown people were saved and three added unto the church. The revival season is opening with blessed results. I have never seen more demonstration of the Spirit's power than was in our Blocton meeting. This means the beginning of a new era with the Blocton church. During the meeting I resigned the pastorate of the church to devote more time to

revival meetings, but the church unanimously rejected my resignation and agreed that I might furnish a supply during the summer which will enable me to devote more time to the blessed work of evangelistic meetings. May the Holy Spirit edify all saints and save thousands of souls in Alabama this summer.

John Bass Shelton.

A GREAT REVIVAL.

We had the greatest revival meeting at this place for the past week ever known. Rev. F. M. Turner, better known as the Evangelist, conducted the meeting. He is pastor of the Canoe Baptist church. He is a great power for good everywhere. He organized a church for us; a very strong little church. We have a nice house of worship and is well furnished. We called Bro. Turner for our pastor, and he will preach for us again on the 2d Sunday and will baptize several candidates. Bro. Turner closed a glorious meeting at his home, Pensacola, before coming to us, near Mobile, Ala. Hoping to see this in our paper next week, we are yours in Christ and for souls,

Many Friends at Doliver, Ala.

FROM BLISS, ALA.

I have been greatly impressed with reading Bro. Crumpton's appeals to the pastors of Alabama. I can say for one that I am in sympathy with the various boards of our denomination. While I can not compel my people to give a great deal, yet we give as much as we can at this time.

Most people are in tight circumstances for money to buy feed to get through their crops; though we take collections every Sabbath for the Home and Foreign Boards. I have three churches that have given and will give \$10 each for missions during the year. I am traveling one hundred and twenty miles per month to preach to the churches. I can say that our people down here can not say that they are not informed and up with the needs of the boards of missions, because that is the subject of most of my appeals, that if we have the spirit of Christ we are all missionaries.

We will have a 5th Sunday meeting at our church, Hepzibah, and if Bro. W. B. C. will come I will give him five dollars and meet him at Stanton on Saturday before.

A. M. Perry.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE.

At a convention of the Mulberry Association held at Rehoboth, November 29, 1901, the Mulberry was dissolved. Looking to the organization of a Bibb county Baptist Association there will be a convention held at Antioch church on Wednesday, July 23, 1902. All the churches wishing to be in the organization are requested to be represented in that convention. Rev. J. D. Martin will preach a memorial sermon on the destination of the Mulberry.

M. D. Langston, Moderator.

Z. T. Corley, Secretary.

FROM BILLINGSLEY.

Rev. P. G. Maness preached two splendid sermons last Sunday to fine congregations. Our church is getting along nicely and we have a good Sunday school of which the writer is Superintendent. We also have a good prayer meeting. Billingsley is on the M. and O. R. R., and is a small village of about 300 people, has a saw mill, shingle mill, and other industries. We are hoping to have Rev. John Bass Shelton in a meeting in July.

I like the paper very much and hope to send in some subscribers soon. Have the promise of some. Come to see us. I wish you much success.

W. L. Price.

FROM BRO. HUTTO.

Bro. Hendon, of East Lake, preached two excellent sermons for my people at Glen Addie and Oxanna. Also he preached a splendid sermon at Seymour Chapel, a union chapel in West Anniston in the afternoon. My people were delighted with him and his preaching. He was here in the interest of the Southern and Alabama Baptist. We gave him a nice little list of subscribers. We will welcome him back any time. The next night we ordained two deacons at Glen Addie church. Brethren Ivey, of Oxford, and McCain, of Anniston, assisted the pastor. Bro. Ivey delivered a splendid discourse on the qualifications and duties of deacons. The deacons ordained were J. L. Jackson and W. M. Muscott. They are splendid brethren and we confidently expect good work from them.

Oxanna church is making some valuable improvements on their house of worship. The entire cost will be about \$125.00. We expect to begin a meeting at Oxanna church the fourth Sunday. Bro. Upshaw of Goodwater will assist us. We have much to encourage us in our work, but oh, how we long to see all church members strong, godly and zealous!

A. A. Hutto.

All the churches in Bibb county are requested to send representatives to the meeting at Antioch church on Wednesday before the 4th Sunday in July, 1902, for the purpose of organizing a Bibb County Association.

Four churches of the old Mulberry that are located in Bibb county that are left alone in consequence of all the churches in Chilton county organizing into a county association, have letters and will organize in July and set a time for first meeting late enough this fall for all the churches to get letters from their association and come and join us.

Yours for success,
James D. Martin.

FROM BILLINGSLEY.

For sometime I have been thinking of writing about our church work here. Our church is getting along nicely. We have a good Sunday school. The writer is Superintendent. Our pastor, Rev. P. G. Maness, is a graduate of the Seminary at Louisville and is a splendid preacher and our people like him very much. Billingsley is a small village on the M. and O. R. R., has six stores, a saw mill and a turpentine distillery. In your rambles over the State we would be glad for you to come and see us.

W. L. Price.

FROM FAYETTEVILLE.

Have just returned from Lanette, Ala., where I assisted Rev. C. J. Bentley, pastor of the Lanette church, in a meeting of days.

It was delightful to preach to those people and to find them responsive to the wishes of the beloved pastor. Bro. Bentley is a good pastor, a never-tiring worker and a good preacher. He is doing already a great work in Lanette. His people love him and he is laying plans for a greater work. The field is fraught with peculiar difficulties in the way of opportunities to do very much personal work among the young people,

but Bentley will bring things to pass. you may keep your eye on him. He is fast forging to the front. It was enjoyable to be in the houses of those good people.

Senator J. D. Norman, a noble man of God, is a great power in his church there. He and Bro. Gaines are faithful, wise and painstaking deacons. There were more than thirty additions to the church and the Christians were left rejoicing in a revival of Spiritual life.

God bless Lanette and her dear pastor.
O. P. Bentley.

FROM WYLAM.

I have just closed my protracted meetings at both my churches. We have had showers of divine blessings. My meeting here at Wylam lasted two weeks. It was quite an inspiration to all who attended. I received 26 members, 16 for baptism. We had Brother Watson, the Pratt City pastor, to preach a part of the meeting. Brother Watson is a fine preacher and an earnest worker. He will live long in Wylam. Come again, Brother Watson.

FROM COTTONDALE.

I went from Wylam to Cottondale and held an 8 days' meeting. That was a great meeting. Many professed faith in Christ, and I received 45 members, 27 for baptism. I had Brother S. O. Y. Ray to assist me in that meeting. Bro. Ray is a capital preacher. His sermons were strong and full of Gospel truth. The Lord be praised for all his mercies shown.

Success to the Southern and Alabama Baptist. The paper gets better all the time. May it soon fall into the hands of every Baptist in our country.

G. W. Lovell.

AT ROANOKE.

A few weeks ago the Roanoke church enjoyed a fifteen days revival. It was our privilege and delight to have with us the Rev. Dr. Cox, of Mobile. Dr. Cox is a preacher of such marked reputation that any comments concerning his preaching ability would be uncalled for; suffice to say that sinners were converted and saints were edified. On next Sunday, June 15th, we hold our memorial service in the old church, this being the last service in that church. We look forward to a great spiritual feast; the older members will lead in singing some of the old time music without any instrument. On June 22nd we are to dedicate the new church. Dr. R. J. Willingham will preach the dedicatory sermon. We cordially invite any friends and brethren to be present on this occasion. From what travelling men and church furnishing men say, we have one of the most handsomely furnished churches in the South. The hearts of the members are more magnanimous than is the church elegant.

H. C. Risner.

FROM PALMETTO STREET CHURCH.

We recently had a good meeting at the Palmetto Street church, in which we were assisted by Bro. W. A. Taliaferro, the gifted young pastor of Greenville. Bro. Taliaferro is excellent help in a meeting. He did us good work and I believe a work that will be lasting. He is a strong preacher and has a bright future. His sermons to the church were especially strengthening and helpful. Thirty-five have been added to the

church as a result of the meetings, thirty by baptism, and I am sure others will join soon. Our church is in a better condition than it has been for years; peace, harmony and brotherly love prevail. I believe that we have the best working church in all the land. The Sunday school has recently gone above the two hundred and fifty mark. Our missions at Oakdale and the Backer Cotton Mills are flourishing. We need very much a house at each of these places.

H. H. Shell.

REVIVAL AND COMMENCEMENT AT EVERGREEN.

We have just concluded a series of special meetings, in which the preaching was done by Dr. W. J. E. Cox, of Mobile. Bro. Cox was not a stranger in our midst before, but he is the more endeared to our town since giving us a series of such strong, helpful sermons. His morning sermons to Christians were especially good. There were twenty accessions to the church, and others to come, as one of the results of the meeting.

Then, our town has just passed through the commencement exercises of the South West Alabama Agricultural school, the most notable part of which was the two commencement sermons by Dawson of Tuscaloosa. The preacher not only captivated the people, but preached exceedingly helpful sermons.

We of "these parts" are looking with interest to our Decatur gathering, even if it does seem a "fur ways off" from this end of the State.

A. G. Moseley.

AT HOME AGAIN.

Bro. Editor: I wish to announce to my correspondents that I have returned to Alabama, and am now at my old home near Trinity, Morgan county, Ala., at which place my correspondents will please address me.

I resigned as pastor of the Baptist Church at Richland, Ga., last month. I enjoyed my work there very much and was among good Georgia Baptists. The Lord blessed me in my work there, by the addition of thirty-eight members, one-half of them by experience and baptism. My heart yearned for my old home and North Alabama. I am at home again, and here I expect to remain until my Heavenly Father shall take me to "my Father's House," in which "there are many mansions."

If there are any churches along the line of the Southern Railroad or the Louisville and Nashville Railroad within a reasonable distance that need a pastor and will put up with one who can only visit them at regular appointments, I will say my service can be secured, or if there are pastors and churches that need help in protracted meetings, I can help them. I would like to spend a few months this summer in evangelistic work.

Jos. Shackelford.

Trinity, Ala., June 2, 1902.

OXANNA.

We have just closed a meeting at Oxanna in which Rev. W. J. D. Upshaw did some splendid preaching and made many friends, but the results were meager, being only two additions. There was much sickness, three deaths of my members and two excursion picnics during the time. So we were much hindered. The work is ours, the results the Lord's.

A. A. Hutto.

OUR SERMON.

Rev. W. Y. Quisenberry.
New Decatur, Ala.

Beloved Fellow Pastors of Alabama, "Grace be to you and peace, from God our Father and from our Lord Jesus Christ." Many of you I do not know in the flesh, but for His sake and the work's sake, I love you. My heart goes out in deepest sympathy for you in the difficult yet glorious service to which the Master has called us. I am wholly unworthy to come to you with any formal letter, yet my heart does yearn to ask, if each of you are doing your very best for the great cause of Foreign Missions. If not, may I ask for His sake and the sake of lost millions, that you will strive more earnestly to awaken your people in behalf of the world's evangelization. I am confident now as I look back over my life as a pastor that I have not done my full duty.

lines of denominational work, for there is an increase along all lines, but we are making an especial effort to get our people intelligently interested in world-wide evangelization.

1st. We are trying to make them see that it is God's will. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." John 3:16.

2nd. That it is the strongest and clearest command given by Christ. "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." Mark xvi. 15. "And ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." Acts i. 8. If one command of God can be more clear and

ment or trusted to the emotional feelings of the hour, of the appeal for a collection? Have we striven prayerfully to preach the Bible doctrine of missions?

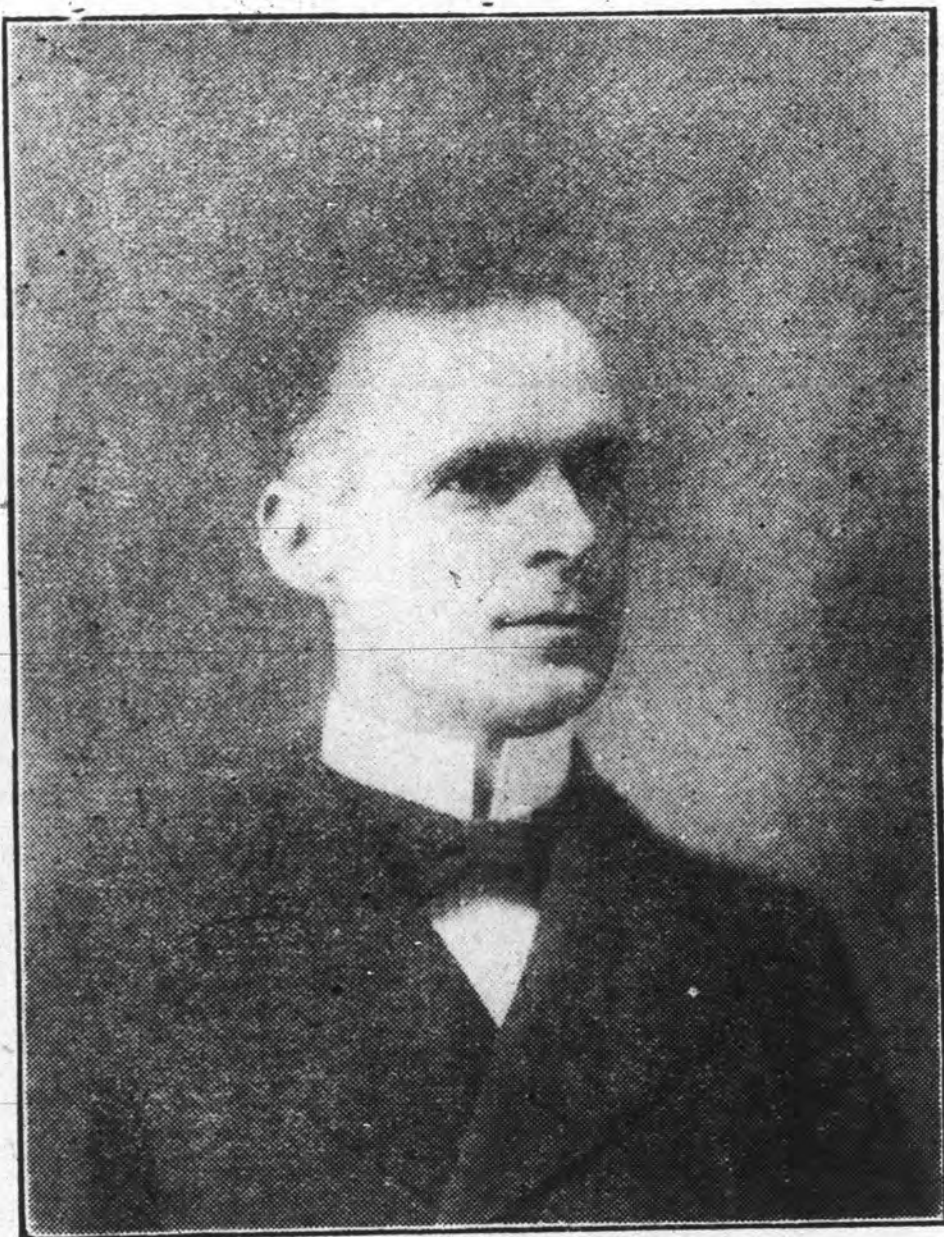
3rd. Then have we always taken the time and labor of informing ourselves of the mighty things God is now doing, among the heathen, through our missionaries? Who can learn of the gracious work already being accomplished in China—419 baptisms in the South China Mission this year—the many who are crowding to hear the Gospel preached. My heart glows with gratitude to God when I contemplate the possibilities before the Chinese Baptist Publication Society. Then when I think of what can be done, and will be done through the preaching of our 120 missionaries and the 180 native helpers, and of the 50 young men who have been called into the ministry from among the converts in China, Africa, Brazil, Italy and Mexico, who are now studying in our theological training schools, under such strong, godly and able teachers as R. H. Graves, Geo. B. Taylor, Whittinghill and others. Who can tell what great things God is going to do through these trained native preachers!

4th. Again, have we shown our people the real condition of the heathen as they are without the Gospel; their physical, mental, moral and spiritual destitution? Do we ourselves truly realize the horrors of a lost soul? The heathen are lost without the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Against this darkness there is light, for very many of the heathen are beginning to realize their condition and are now crying to us to send them the Gospel. All the nations are now open to us. This has not long been a fact, e. g. Japan. This picture is still more hopeful because of the many of our brightest and best young men and women who are offering themselves for service in heathen lands. What does it mean, that thousands of our picked young people, now students in our colleges and universities, are prayerfully studying

the subject of Foreign Missions? Is God getting ready for a wondrous display of His saving grace?

5th. Have we taken the pains to show the wisdom and economy of the business side of the enterprise to our successful business men? Many of these have not taken time to look into this matter, and still believe the old lie that it takes 90 cents of a dollar to pay expenses. If they would study the reports of the Foreign Mission Board they will find that this work is carried on with less cost than any business, of the same dimension, in the home land—for instance, life or fire insurance.

Now, brethren, when I have been able to make people see that it was God's will to give the Gospel to the heathen, that it was His command to do it, that the heathen needed the Gospel, and are gladly receiving it, that the opportunities were never better for giving the Gospel, and that it is being given at the smallest possible cost. When these facts are brought out, the people have been generally willing to give of their means. I try to do this in two ways—by asking His help, and getting some live illustrations from the work. Make them willing to give, and they will give. At the Asheville Convention four States were asked to give \$25,000 each, this year, for Foreign Missions. The four States honored by this request were Virginia, Kentucky, Georgia and Texas. I felt in my heart that Alabama was able to do this much, and that for His sake we ought to do it. Now, brethren, I propose that by His grace, we do it, without being formally asked. We can do it if we have faith in God, His people and ourselves; and then try real hard, and keep on trying. Fellow pastors we can do it, and in doing it not in the least hurt our other denominational work. We ought to give \$25,000 for Foreign Missions and at least \$15,000 for Home Missions and \$20,000 for State Missions. May His Spirit wake us up to the full sense of our duty and privilege, and do it at once, for Christ's sake.



REV. W. Y. QUISENBERRY.

A royal host, a faithful pastor, a useful evangelist and a great mission worker.

(May He in His great mercy forgive me.) If I had, my churches would have done better. I know this to be true from the experience of the last three years here. The year before I became pastor the church gave less than \$100 for all missions. The first year of the present pastorate, we gave for Foreign Missions about \$240.23, the second \$101.85 and this year, notwithstanding we are improving our church house to the amount of \$1,000 and are to entertain the State Convention, we will give largely over \$500. Then I believe the Mussel Shoals Association will give as much for Foreign Missions this year as it has ever given in any one year for all other mission interests. The reason for this is, that by His grace a few of us pastors have decided that we will be more faithful in laying this work upon the hearts of our people. We are not neglecting other

binding upon His followers than another, I believe this is the most important. It is seemingly more important than the command to be baptized, for one can be saved without baptism, in fact we are saved before we are fit subjects for baptism, yet no one can be saved without the Gospel: John xiv. 6. Romans x. 13-15. Rom. iii. 20-30.

How many of us pastors would be willing to receive into our churches and retain them year after year, members who would refuse to be baptized? We have made the people see that it is His will and command that they be baptized and they obey Him. Have we made it as clear and strong that it is His will and command that they give the Gospel to the heathen? If not, we are untrue to Christ and untrue to our people and criminal toward the lost heathen. Have we not dealt in this matter of missions too much on mere senti-

Graves-Murfee.

The Charlottesville Progress contains an account of a marriage which will be of interest to Alabamians:

A beautiful home wedding was celebrated in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Graves on East Lawn at the University of Virginia yesterday evening, at nine o'clock. Miss Mary Turner Graves was united in marriage to Mr. Walter Lee Murfee, of Marion, Ala.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. G. L. Petrie, D.D., of the First Presbyterian church. The hall of the home was artistically decorated in pink and green, and redolent of Alabama cape jasmine and magnolia.

The bride, a beautiful blonde, was attired in white chiffon over satin, carrying white roses. Her maid of honor, Miss Margaret Graham, of Lexington, wore green organdie, carrying American Beauty roses. The two bridesmaids were Miss Clara Cocke, of Brems Bluff, Va., gowned in white carrying American Beauty roses; and Miss Sadie Dunnington of the University of Virginia, also gowned in white carrying American Beauty roses. The ribbon holders were little Miss Juliet Graves, sister of the bride, and Master Fletcher Harrison, son of Professor and Mrs. J. A. Harrison of the University. The groom was attended only by the best man, Mr. Robert G. Robb, of Port Royal, Va.

A reception to the bridal party and a few friends followed the marriage. Among the guests from a distance were

Miss Prather of the University of Texas, and Mrs. E. B. Washington of Washington, a sister of the groom.

The bride is the daughter of Professor Charles A. Graves of the University of Virginia Law School. She is an exceedingly beautiful blonde with a very attractive personality, and possesses rare culture. The groom is the son of Colonel J. T. Murfee, Superintendent of the Marion Military Institute, Alabama. He is a distinguished graduate of the University of Virginia, taking his Master of Arts in 1900, and is now Controller and Professor of Chemistry in the Marion Military Institute.

Mr. and Mrs. Murfee left on the early morning train for New York, from which city they will sail on Saturday to spend the summer in Europe. They will visit the great English schools of Eton, Harrow, Winchester, and Rugby, returning in the fall to their future home in Marion, Ala.

Howard Trustees.

You are earnestly requested to assemble in the Baptist church at New Decatur on next Tuesday, the 24th inst., at 8 o'clock p. m. The State Baptist Convention will then and there be in session. Matters of vital interest to the college demand our attention. May your loyalty to your denomination and your college cause you not to allow any trivial matter to prevent your attendance. A. C. Davidson, Pres.

C. C. Jones, Secy.

to assist us. Bro. Jester came and we continued the meeting for about two weeks. There was a good interest from the start, which grew in intensity and pervasiveness to the close. One rarely hears the Gospel preached more simply, pointedly, and powerfully than it was presented by Bro. Jester to our people at Dadeville. He is intensely earnest in manner, apt in the use of illustrations, forceful in application, and Scriptural throughout. Withal he is a fine personal worker. As a result of the meeting the Christian people of the town were revived, thirteen persons were received for baptism and two by letter. Many were the confessions and good resolves made. Our people are very thankful that the Lord sent Bro. Jester among them, and are praising His holy name for the manifestations of His grace.

Arnold S. Smith.

At Green Springs.

Dear Brother: Allow me a little space in your valuable paper to say that one of the most enjoyable days in the history of Green Springs was spent on the third Sunday in May, 1902, when it was announced there would be an all-day singing, then they came from the east and from the west, to sit down with those big-hearted brethren to the most sumptuous barbecued dinner that any people ever enjoyed. It was so bounteous that there was plenty left for supper, to which everybody was invited to stay that would. That was to be served at 6 o'clock p. m. The singing was delightful to the hearers. Some of the singers in attendance were Professor Bunn Williams and his family, Professor J. A. Gaddis and H. C. Gore, of Irondale, from Professor Showalter's school, which added very much to the class of singers. The writer had the pleasure of meeting W. B. Newman, of Powderly, Brother Algood, of Oneonta, and a great many other brethren of whom it was our delight to meet and to form the new acquaintances.

Green Spring is a small church, but with the wide-awake pastor, Brother Parker, that they now have and the liberal-hearted brethren to work with him we see them coming to the front. Success to Green Springs and may God's blessing attend them.

The afternoon session lasted from 2 until 4 o'clock in the evening, and after a few exhortations the closing hymn was sung, led by W. D. Parris, "We'll never say good-bye in heaven, we'll never say good-bye." Thank the Lord. J. H. Aldridge.

From Bro. Pate.

Today finds us at Shiloh Baptist church studying Paul and Barnabas as missionaries. The church at Antioch was blessed with great men, such as Paul, Barnabas, and Manean the foster brother of Herod Antipas. He represented the royalty. Perhaps like Moses he had given up all of his royal hopes for the reproach of Christ. The Gospel was meant for all, rich and poor, high and low. We learn that it was while they ministered and prayed and fasted that the Holy Ghost spake to them. It is while we are performing life's duties and observing at the same time our devotions that we please God best. It is then that He communes with us. Acts ix. 15, tells us of Paul's call. Here we might pause and study what a call to the ministry means. In a few words it means this: God's spirit speaks to the soul of a man, and ever after that he

feels like Paul felt when he said, "Woe unto me, if I preach not the Gospel." Dear Brethren, will some of the old fathers in Israel give us a letter each week and tell us why we believe in communing with only our Baptist family? And if baptism does not have anything to do with remitting our sins, why not use sprinkling or some other form? I would be proud to see a good letter on these two subjects; I believe it would be of much interest to the members of the Baptist church. You know that there are a few people that belong to the great Baptist family that just know that they are Baptists and that is all. Our Baptists need to be informed on Baptist doctrine. Will some able Brother like Bro. Crumpton or others tell us what they think Peter meant on the day of Pentecost when he said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost, dear brethren, I ask this for my own information. May God bless all of his servants and help them to stand on the walls of Zion and cry aloud and spare not is my prayer. Brethren, remember me in your prayers.

William D. Pate.

In South Alabama.

Since coming into this part of the State circumstances have been such as to hinder me becoming acquainted with the surroundings in general, but anxious to speak of the few things that present themselves to my mind in a practical way. The majority of our churches here have fortunately gotten pastors of worth, men who are either noted for their deep spirituality as well as their intellectual qualifications. It would be time wasted to speak of the ministerial traits of such men as Metcalf, A. T. Sims, A. G. Moseley, E. C. Clayton, Lawrence of Andalusia, and many others who would have to be mentioned should we go into details. The question does not consist in, "who are the workers," but "what of the work." This gives me a chance to say that those churches which have pastors are each in itself a power, differing only in attainments. But there are quite a number of churches in Covington and Conecuh counties that have no pastors. This requires a more careful consideration because of the fact, The new railroad running from Georgiana to Geneva by the way of Andalusia opens up a new field to the outside world that needs developments in every way. As a rural district it is scarcely inferior to the best but it now needs new churches, up-to-date pastors, well regulated schools and so on, that would make it an excellent country. I am glad to be able to write the glorious news that the Baptists on all occasions are here in for their share of the spoils, and "Baptist Contentions" and "Baptist Conventions" are alike in that they take possession of all where they go. This at no distant day will be one of the leading countries of the State and be a power within itself.

W. E. Fendley.

A Grand Day at Mt. Pisgah.

Rev. W. B. Earnest, of Carbon Hill, Ala., held the first service in our new house last Thursday night. He preached Thursday night, Friday night, Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night. He preached some impressive sermons. He has returned to his field of work. We hope to have him with us again. We love Bro. Earnest very much; he is a

good preacher. Bro. G. W. Redd, our pastor, is a courageous man. He has pressed the work to a finish here; we love him very much. He says that we must have Bro. Earnest in this field of work. We have our new house so we can hold services. We must ceil and seat it in the next sixty days. Dear Alabama Baptists will you send us a liberal contribution to help us finish our house? We want to complete it soon; we want Bro. Earnest to preach the dedication sermon. He held a meeting here last fall and helped us to build. We have had a hard time; our house will cost \$700 when completed.

Jack Mullino, C. C.

Walnut Grove.

Since our last to the Alabama Baptist a number of events have occurred in this part of the State, which would perhaps interest many of the brethren, among them we will mention a few; first the death of old Sister Culbertson, widow of the late Rev. H. R. Culbertson; she died and was buried near Walnut Grove. Then the death of Bro. Bynum and Sister Harris, wife of Bro. A. Harris. Bro. Bynum and Sister Harris were buried the same day.

The next death that we will chronicle was that of Rev. G. S. Sloan, who was buried last Sunday at Oneonta. Bro. Sloan will be badly missed in Blount county, as he was among the leading Baptist ministers of the county. We will also mention the death of sister Minnie Cole which occurred at her home near this place April 23rd.

Mr. J. C. Jenkins, of Bessemer and Miss Nora Lowery of Oneonta were married at 6:30 p. m., Easter Sunday, the writer officiating. The Walnut Grove Baptist College has just closed one of the most prosperous sessions in its history. Bro. J. W. Sandlin, of Albertville, preached the commencement sermon, which was greatly enjoyed by all.

We all feel lonely since the boys and girls have gone back home, but we hope they will all come back again the second Monday in September, as the next session will open at that time. We are still making efforts to get up an endowment fund for this school. Brethren, we want your prayers in this work, and will appreciate any substantial aid that you may feel like offering to the school.

We hope to have a glorious revival of religion in all our churches, in this part of the State, in the next few months.

W. J. Nash.

Dots from Red Level.

Well we have had another big day at Old Fairmont Church. Last Sunday was Children's day in the afternoon.

Bro. Lindsay preached at eleven o'clock to a packed house and as usual did his very best. After preaching was over it was announced that there would be dinner on the ground and the program for the children would begin at two o'clock, and all were requested to remain. The dinner was spread, and a spread it was. There was an abundance for all and to spare. The crowd was estimated to be anywhere from a thousand to twelve hundred. If you want to attend an all day meeting with dinner on the ground and always find plenty and to spare, come to Red Level and you will never be disappointed.

At the eleven o'clock services Bro. Lindsay took up a collection for the Orphans Home. Notwithstanding this church had already vindicated its pledge

made at the association for the Home, there was a very liberal response to this collection. The children's program was carried out to perfection, which received the hearty applaudit of all present. Too much praise could not be given to the indomitable perseverance of Sisters Sims and Bush for their untiring efforts with the children, for through them the children's day was a grand success. At the conclusion of this service a mission collection was taken which was indeed satisfactory. The Ladies' Aid, the Sunbeams and the B. Y. P. U. Societies are flourishing.

Jno. M. Sims.

Rev. Paul V. Bomar.

The above named brother, pastor of the First Baptist church of Marion, Ala., was invited by Prof. Riddle to preach the commencement sermon of Hartselle College on the 18th inst. He came and delighted the school and town with one of the most timely and appropriate discourses I ever listened to on such an occasion. I will not attempt a synopsis of his sermon. Suffice it to say that he came up to our most sanguine expectations.

Then at night to a full house at the Baptist church he deepened the already fine impression he had made at the college by one of his sweet, tender and very impressive Gospel sermons which was listened to with marked attention. It was indeed rich food for the Christian and a strong invitation to the anxious unbeliever.

Bro. Bomar's messages, which we believe, were from the Holy Spirit will not soon be forgotten by our people. We hope he may come this way again.

F. C. David.

Dr. Dawson in Opelika.

Bro. Dawson is a great man, and we had a great meeting. For the first time since he entered the ministry he preached near the home of his boyhood, to his many kinsmen, friends and acquaintances, who have watched his career with pride. He remained with us twelve days, preaching morning and evenings to crowded houses of earnest listeners, and God blessed the word from the beginning of the meeting to its close. Dr. Dawson as a preacher is simple, earnest, direct, soul-reaching, persuasive, elegant. He has the rare gift of making each hearer feel that he is a personal friend, in touch and sympathy with all. The Lord honored his work and fifty five were added to the membership of the Baptist church; of these forty-seven were candidates for baptism. Yet this was but a small part accomplished through the coming of this Godly brother to our town. The church was revived, the entire community benefited, and we believe that a number of persons were led to trust in God as their savior, who have not yet connected themselves with any church.

He endeared himself to us all; his visit was a benediction to Opelika, and he has our heartfelt prayers for his prosperity and happiness in his own field, where he is so greatly beloved.

J. F. Purser.

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CORRESPONDENCE

From Mississippi.

I make my bow and ask admittance. I am a stranger to you and somewhat hesitated to write, but the pleasure of the last few days has been too great to keep all to myself. I arrived in Greensboro Friday after an absence of two years and the joy I have felt is inexpressible. I attended services in the Hardy Memorial Baptist Church Sunday for the first time since it was dedicated. The church has grown wonderfully and I am sure those who helped us with their prayers and means during the dark days, will rejoice with me.

Mr. Lee preached one of the finest doctrinal sermons I ever listened to, and a more attentive audience was never seen. After the sermon he administered Baptism to a young man. It was indeed an impressive scene. He was married recently and now comes and consecrates himself on the altar of the Lord. I trust he may be a great help in the Master's vineyard. Many Baptists have moved in and since Mr. Apsey moved his family here, we feel that our cause will make more rapid progress than ever. They are all such good workers.

The congregation was good at both services, and a nobler band of Christian workers could not be found anywhere than the ladies who met Monday in the Ladies' Aid Society. This struggling band has toiled much, suffered much, yet believing, and today we rejoice that we have a church in Greensboro that promises to do great good in this part of the vineyard. All who have known of the many trials in the past, I am sure will rejoice in the glorious good news that the church has now about seventy members, good prayer meetings, fine Sunday schools and Sunbeam Society, a well organized L. A. S., and the best preacher in the State. These facts make my heart too full for utterance. My dear husband hoped to see the good day we enjoy, but alas! he is gone, yet we bless and praise God that we have been spared to see the Baptist flag waving in Greensboro.

Let me express my pleasure and appreciation for the Baptist. I enjoy it greatly and pray God to abundantly bless your every effort, and that this year's Convention may be the greatest meeting Alabama has ever known.

Jennie M. Hardy.

Coastwise.

The Gulf Coast from New Orleans on the west to Mobile on the east is rapidly becoming a great country.

Materially its resources are great. Its vast forests of fine yellow pine has only attracted considerable attention within the last eight or ten years. Now, its shipments to foreign ports alone amount to millions of feet per week, and as the dredging gives deeper channel from Gulf Port, Scranton and other places, its shipments will continue to increase at a number of places along this coast. Oysters are now canned and shipped in large quantities. Biloxi leads all in this industry. She is now the largest oyster shipping port in the United States. The shrimp and crab business are also very extensive. The shipments from this section amounted to a million and a half dollars last season.

The climate here is ideal both in

winter and summer, and the number of visitors each season are enormous. Both health and pleasure seekers come here and find what they seek.

There are more children along this coast to the number of inhabitants than any place I know of. Biloxi only claims a population of 8,000 and has a free school population of 2,300. We are beginning to have very good graded schools along the coast.

Biloxi was settled in 1799 by the Spanish General D'Abbeville. He was a bitter Roman Catholic and under the direction of his priest, Dona, no Protestant or Baptist was allowed to conduct worship on the territory of this coast. So, for 200 years this coast has been dominated by Roman Catholicism. The Bible till this day is an unknown book in the homes of many well to do citizens. Until within a few years the only way you would recognize the Sabbath was by its being an extra occasion for drunkenness, open licentiousness, and sporting of every character. It was understood that after early morning mass all restraints were taken off. Two hundred years has shown what Romanism can do for a people. But "Ichabod" is today written across it. The hand-writing on the wall "Mene Tekel" tells its doom—Romanism and evil are giving way. Many Catholics are sending their children to the free schools and some of them attend our services quite constantly. We have seven Baptist churches on this coast now in active co-operation with the Gulf Coast Association, which closed its 21st annual meeting with the First Baptist Church at Moss Point last week. Of these seven churches, two, Biloxi and Moss Point, have a pastor each for his entire time; three, Gulf Port, Scranton and Escatawpa, have preaching half time, while Handsboro and Ocean Springs have preaching one Sabbath each per month.

All these churches have good houses of worship. Biloxi has a new brick church worth \$6,000 and a pastorium worth \$1,500. Moss Point has a church building worth \$2,500 and a pastorium worth \$1,500. Handsboro has a church building worth \$2,000 and a pastorium worth \$1,000. Gulf Port has a church building worth \$2,500. Scranton has a church building worth \$2,000 and Ocean Springs a building worth \$1,500. Escatawpa church property is worth, say \$1,500, and they have preaching half time.

J. B. Searey.

The Right Way.

[Here is a lesson for our churches and their absent members.—Ed.]

I send you a letter from a young man, a member of our church, who has been in the Philippine Islands for the last three years as a soldier. I want you to publish the letter in your paper and let the brethren see that a man can be a Christian under circumstances which must try a man's soul.

A. F. Caselen,
Clerk of Church.

Platsburg, N. Y.

To The Liberty Church:

Dear Brethren—Since I wrote the last letter I have returned to America. I feel that the Lord has been very good to me; He has blessed me with good health during my travels and hardships

in the tropics; He has answered my prayers and at last has brought me back to my native land, and I hope soon will bring me to you and my church and friends.

Brethren, you have been very kind to me, the letters received from the church while in the Philippine Islands were food to my hungry soul and let me thank you from the depth of my heart for your kindness, which I hope to repay. I am glad to know that you are having a good Sunday school; may much good be done in bringing the young ones into the fold is my prayer, and may the Lord bless you in the work that is before you and crown your efforts with success. I will be with you the last of May. I can't tell whether or not I will remain in the vicinity of Weldon, though I will be near enough to be with you often. I hope to hear from the church again soon.

Pray for me.

Your brother in Christ,

Amos Adams.



S. P. Lindsey.

Some twenty-two or three years ago when I first left my home to seek my fortune among strangers I first went to Pine Apple. It was then and there that I first met Nathan J. Adams, who died at Beatrice March 12, 1902. He was then a young man of about thirty years in the midst of a young and happy family.

I was attracted to him by his big-heartedness. He always had a kind word for every one. Another thing that impressed my young mind was his love and devotion to his family. He was especially thoughtful for "Maria," his noble wife, to whom the tender sympathy of all of God's great family should be extended for her life is now a peculiarly sad one.

Scarcely one year prior to the sudden death of her husband their beautiful daughter, Mable Adams Bails, was called from her young husband and loved ones to her reward. She was only eighteen years of age, but was ready for the change. "Uncle Nath," as I loved to call him, was ready for his eternal home, except that he regretted to leave his loved ones, especially Sister Adams. Brother Adams left other children, one brother, Thos. J. Adams, and one sister, Mrs. John M. Sims, of Red Level.

May God's richest blessing attend the bereaved ones.

A Good Meeting.

Brother Barnett: Please allow me space in your valuable paper to tell the Baptist of our great meeting recently held in Packer Memorial Baptist

Church, Avondale, Ala. After listening to that eloquent commencement sermon by Dr. Tupper to the Howard students on May 25th, I went to the above named church and very much to the surprise of all present, announced a protracted meeting to commence that night. I would go up there at night and preach and then return to Howard College to take in the commencement in the day. I believe at the beginning it was the Lord's appointed time for the meeting and the longer the meeting continued the more profound I was in those convictions. Eternity alone can reveal the good that was done during this meeting. The old church would become vocal with the praises of God while parents saw their sons and daughters turning from sin and accepting Christ as their personal Savior. There was from two to eight saved every night during the last week of the meeting, and Brother Editor, I felt every night that if not only the converts but also the Christians "should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out." We can unite with David in saying, "The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad." Our meeting closed on the 8th inst. with twenty-seven accessions to the church and many will unite with us in the near future as a result of the meeting. I'm under great obligation to four of our ministers for giving us one to two sermons a piece during the two weeks meeting. Pray for us.

W. R. Adams.

P. S.—There are seven of us ministerial students, who have churches in the Birmingham District, still at Howard College, but, O, my! how anxious we are to see father, mother, brother and sister. But wherever duty calls we must respond. So we are contented.

From Lafayette.

Dear Brother Barnett: It has been just two months since I came to this field, and I am feeling quite at home. This is a strong church, a noble people, and while we have not constituted ourselves into a "mutual admiration society," yet we are working well together. It was understood in the beginning that we were forming a partnership not to coddle and pet each other, but to do business for God, and I am pleased to say that the spirit of this contract is being carried out. We are having large congregations, and all the services of the church are growing in interest. Several have united with us by letter and baptism. On last Sunday morning we raised in a few minutes the remainder of the indebtedness on the pastorium, and we are now ready for advance movements along all lines. It is a great pleasure to be a co-laborer in my native State with such an able band of pastors, and especially on a field where men like Brewer, Bledsoe, Thompson and others have labored. May God help me to be a worthy successor of such worthy men. I am looking forward with pleasure to the meeting of our Convention at Decatur, where I hope to enlarge my acquaintance with the ministry of Alabama.

C. C. Pugh.

A Good Meeting at Dadeville.

For some time the brethren and sisters at Dadeville have felt the need of a revival. To this end earnest prayer was made. We appointed the fourth Sunday in May as a time to begin a meeting of days. Bro. J. R. Jester, of West Point, Ga., having been previously invited

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Some brethren are feeling a little hurt because we have failed to print their communications as promptly as they expected, but we feel sure of forgiveness when we state our reasons for having held them as everything gave way for the two Convention Numbers and the College Issue, but in this paper Correspondence and Field Notes have the best place. We are always delighted to get news from the brethren and beg to assure them that if their articles do not appear promptly we have some good cause for holding them back. We were absent at the Convention and made the round of College Commencements and Brother Dickinson, who edits the Field Notes and Correspondence, was indisposed for a week or more. All of these things together made it appear as though we were slighting our correspondents. Continue to send in news items of your work, and be sure and write your name so that we can read it for if your name is spelled wrong it is because the editors, business manager, publisher, proof reader, printers and "office devil" failed to decipher your signature.

Two Hard Questions.

Here is a question which we cannot answer: How can it be explained that a member of a church will receive a paper a year or more and then refuse to pay for it? We are sure of this, however. It would be just as wrong to receive a quart of milk every morning and then refuse to pay for it under any pretext. The live milk man comes until he is paid off and told to stop. Of course he does, and so does the religious paper come. A first-class religious paper costs its seller just like milk does the milk-seller. They are both in an honorable, helpful business, and people who are fair treat them just alike. Here is a hard question we would like to raise: If a man is dishonest who receives milk and refuses to pay for it, what is to be said of a man who received a newspaper and refuses to pay for it?—Baptist Argus.

How we do sympathize with dear Bro. Prestridge. We do not wonder that this amiable brother seems a little bit vexed. It is a case of righteous anger. Just think of it. There are church members who are mean enough to take as good a paper as the Argus for a year or more and then refuse to pay for it. We hope no church member in Alabama is guilty. If you are, brother, pay Brother Prestridge and then while your conscience is hurting you don't fail to make us a remittance. We can then pay our milk bill.

Baptists in Politics.

The political pot is beginning to boil in Alabama. Crops may fail, a financial crash may come, but we are certain to have lively times in this State until the November elections are over. Baptists are going to be in the scramble with the others. It is all right for them to seek office or to try to put their friends in office.

As a denomination they can never become a political machine or a part thereof. It is impossible for them to unite on a candidate—they are too independent for that. I am glad this is so.

Candidates for office, if they are consistent Baptists, will in a modest way let their brethren know about their church relations. There can be no objection to this. I would not vote for a man simply because he was of my faith; but other things being equal, he would get my vote every time.

The Baptists and Methodists are a power in this State and men who are consistent members of either, when they want office, will not injure their chances in the least by announcing the fact privately and publicly.

More and more Christians are going to demand that candidates for office shall be men of good moral character. The candidate who proposes in the canvass to disparage a godly life and make fun of religion, is going to be left. That was clearly demonstrated not long since in Alabama. I hope to see the day when no drunkard or gambler or any one who is a friend of such men, will dare offer for public office in this State. I hope that Baptists will have independence enough not to vote for such, even though they get nominated. There is another set we ought to turn down: the men who care nothing for their church, seldom attend; but suddenly, just before they announce, become exceedingly zealous and run their Baptist faces all through the campaign. Of course, whether elected or not, they lapse again into their old indifferent state as soon as the election is over.

I have in mind one who offered for an important office and run his Baptist face for all it was worth. I doubt not he secured the support of many of his brethren. I doubt if he has darkened the door of a church of his denomination since. Another who held an important office a few years ago was lately heard by a comrade to swear. His companion in surprise asked: "Are you not a Baptist?" The reply was: "Oh, H—, I could once pray the horns off a billy goat."

I would a thousand times rather vote for an out and out sinner than for such a Baptist.

Some say, "Religion and politics ought not to be mixed," and that is true in a sense; but we are sinners before God if we do not let religious convictions influence us in the very important matter of choosing our rulers.

I don't want to see a church party—would never encourage by word or deed the organization of such a party; but Christians are so largely in the majority in Alabama, none but good men could get into office, if their religion was felt at the polls. God will not hold us guiltless, if we allow unworthy men to be chosen. W. B. Crumpton.

Is It True?

Have we candidates for office who are public drunkards? It is being rumored that such is the case. If it is so, what are Christians going to do about it? Sober, honest men for office! That ought to be the demand. W. B. C.

State Convention.

Basis of Representation.

This body shall be known as "The Alabama Baptist State Convention," and shall consist: (1) of three delegates from each Baptist District Association in Alabama, co-operating with this Convention, if said Association shall have 500 members, or under, and one additional delegate for every 500 members, or fraction thereof above that number, whose annual election or appointment shall be duly certified by the printed minutes, or certificate of an officer of the Association represented by them; (2) of one delegate from each church co-operating with this Convention, if said church shall have fifty members, or under, and one additional delegate for every fifty members, or fraction thereof, above that number; (3) of persons who contribute funds, or are representatives of churches contributing funds for the regular work of this Convention, on the basis of one representative for each \$100 actually paid into the treasury of the boards of this Convention during the fiscal year preceding its assembling. But in all cases must delegates to this body be brethren of Baptist churches in good standing.

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Wm. A. Davis,

Secretary Alabama Baptist State Convention,
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Howard College Trustees.

You are urgently requested to meet in called session at New Decatur Baptist Church on next Tuesday evening, 8 o'clock. The election of a president and other matters of vital interest demands our consideration. Let no ordinary excuse prevent your being there. C. C. Jones, Sec.

Is It So?

It is rumored that several of the prominent candidates for State offices are public drunkards. If it should prove to be true, what are the Christian voters going to do about it? Now is the time, before anybody is nominated, to ask questions. No drunkard or gambler for office should be the motto. W. B. C.

A Word from Our Host.

Will you please say to the brethren and sisters throughout Alabama that we are now prepared to entertain them and hope they will come in large numbers. They will greatly help us if they will send at once their names to B. L. Malone, chairman of the Hospitality Committee. We have eleven passenger trains entering our city, arriving as follows: L. & N. from South at 3 p. m., 7:45 p. m. and 11:50 p. m.; from the North at 6 a. m. and 1 p. m. The Southern from the West at 9:30 a. m., 5:20 p. m. and 2 a. m.; from the East at 2:30 a. m., 8 a. m. and 12:25 p. m. Our Reception Committee will meet all trains except those at night. We find it impracticable to place our guests at these late hours. Those who have to come at night will find The Tavern the most convenient to the church.

W. Y. Quisenberry, Pastor.

A Handsome Book.

A neatly bound, well printed volume of 400 pages by Miss Mary Emily Wright, of Augusta, Ga., with introduction by Dr. Lansing Burrows, published by the American Baptist Publication Society, gives a history of the Southern Baptist Convention and its noble Auxiliary, the Woman's Missionary Union, of exceeding and helpful interest. Price, \$1.25 net, postpaid, \$1.40.

Dr. John Bass Shelton, of Montgomery, preached a very impressive sermon at West Side Baptist Church last night to a large congregation. His sermons are full of gospel truth all the way through. There is something in them that holds the attention of his hearers to the end. Some times in tears and then in smiles—at some witty illustration employed by the speaker. Large crowds have attended each night. Services again tonight. More than fifty for prayer last night.—Columbus (Ga.) Daily Enquirer-Sun.

DR. W. B. CRUMPTON'S AFTER THOUGHTS OF THE ASHEVILLE, N. C., CONVENTION.

After thoughts are sometimes the best. Much will be written about the Asheville Convention, by many writers, and yet more may be said by others which will not be without interest.

The Railroad.

(There was but one system, as we all discovered, to our sorrow.) I have seen but few who were not complaining at the Southern Railway for its unsatisfactory service. For instance, we were assured that we would have a through train from Birmingham with an observation car attached. We changed at Chattanooga, packing into the regular train to Bristol, like sardines, with another change and two hours wait over at Morristown. Even where a good service was given going, as from Montgomery, I learn from the brethren, they had the worst sort of service returning.

Parties by Birmingham, seventy-five or a hundred strong, lay over five hours at Knoxville and were packed into a belated train, hardly having standing room. I have heard said: "Competition is the life of trade." When the railroads all enter into one huge combine, we will all have reason to pray: "Good Lord, deliver us."

The Auditorium.

How people do differ! One brother said: "This is the meanest hall we ever met in. You can't hear anything but the clatter of feet on the floor—too big entirely. I believe we ought to meet in a church just big enough to hold the delegation." Another said: "This is a magnificent hall, just finished the day before we got here. The acoustics are splendid. No trouble to hear at all. Every delegate is comfortably seated in easy hearing of the speaker, and ample room for all the visitors who want to look on. I am opposed to ever again meeting in a church. We ought not to think of going anywhere, where they do not propose to furnish ample room."

To this last view, I say a hearty Amen! A wise pastor will induce as many of his people to go to the Convention as possible. It does them a lot of good, if they can get in and hear and see.

Hundreds were greatly disappointed last year at New Orleans, because it was with great difficulty they could find room, after all the delegates were seated.

If the Committee at Asheville had put on the floor cotton bagging or saw dust, there would have been no complaint whatever.

What is Savannah Going to Furnish?

is a question I heard asked more than once. It was rumored they contemplated putting us in a church. Pastor Jordan says they will give us what we want. By all means let the word go out in a way that cannot be misunderstood: We must have abundant room.

The Brother With the Figures.

I have been reading after him all my life. It is said that a wretched fellow died who had committed every crime known to man. His relations called on a preacher who was noted for saying good things of the dead, to preach the funeral. Everybody was wondering what good thing the preacher could find to say on this occasion. When the time came, the preacher got there with the

remark: "As for our friend whose mortal remains lie before us, you all know he was powerful good in Rithmetic."

A Texas editor has figured it out thus: "So many thousand, messengers and visitors, attended. It cost so much. Now, if the Convention would meet only every other year and these people would pay the money into our Boards, whoopee! what a pile it would be. Yes, and suppose we should meet only every ten years, and every year the brethren and sisters, good liberal souls that they are, should send to the Boards, all they would have spent going to the Convention, my, what would we do with it all!"

What makes brethren write so? The great crowds that go, God bless every one of them, carry back to their churches enthusiasm and zeal, kindled at the Convention, and that is one of the great reasons why the mission cause is leaping forward so rapidly. All my life I have been looking for the pious soul, who staid at home, figured out the cost of the trip he didn't take, and sent it to the Boards.

My prophesy is: the Convention will continue to meet annually and the crowds will increase as the years go by, and finally we will be compelled to divide the Convention, because of the immense throngs that no town can entertain, and each one of the two bodies will do more than the one is now doing.

The Diaz Matter

has been talked up and talked down. Now we will write it up and write it down. I have seen a few brethren shake their heads ominously and say: "Ah, we made a great mistake. Diaz ought to have been heard. How the Catholics will roll all this under their tongues." Let us think about it a little: the Home Board sent to Cuba on two occasions some of the wisest men of the denomination. They are honored brethren, distinguished for ability and uprightness. They make thorough investigations and bring the facts back to the Home Board, every member of whom would have done anything on earth to save Diaz to the cause which they so ardently loved. The painful conclusion is reached and so reported to the Convention. There is no evasion or mincing of words in the report. A committee composed of men, who are not regarded as partisans of the Home Board, take that part of the Board's report under advisement, and make a report, remarkable for its clearness and thoroughness. Abundant opportunity was given to anyone desirous of asking questions. The answers were frank and there was not seen the least effort to cover up anything.

After this a brother moves that Diaz be heard. This was referred to a committee who met and asked Diaz to meet with them, which he refused to do. The committee reported that in their judgment it would not be wise to hear Diaz, and from the way the vote sounded out, I judge the Convention, by an overwhelming majority, agreed with the committee. After all this how can anybody say it would have been wise to have heard him? Suppose he had spoken—of course he would have defended himself, and some other brother, who was posted, would have had to reply—nothing but a wrangle could have come of it.

As to what the Catholics will have to

say; that has nothing to do with it. I remember distinctly when we had trouble with our Italian Mission, and only a few years back, with our Mexican Mission. Each time somebody dreaded what the Catholics would say and do; but the King is on His throne and His cause marches bravely on in both of those countries.

The Educational Society

was fortunate in selecting the two speakers I heard. Dr. Poteat's address, delivered without manuscript and apparently fresh from the heart was one of the most impressive I ever listened to.

It is too late now for me to grieve over what I missed when I was a young preacher; but under the influence of a great man with a great subject, I frequently heave a sigh and say to myself: "If I could only have heard that years ago!" I hope, as I go on to the end, to be continually making some improvement. I trust I may never become a bump-on-a-log sort of preacher, but my greatest anxiety is for our young ministers.

As the earnest man of God poured forth the burning words like a torrent, I thought of many of our younger men and wished: "O, that they were here to hear that." Some of them were in Asheville, but they were sight-seeing and others had not arrived.

I can't begin to tell them what they missed. The best service I can render them is to suggest that they write the Religious Herald of Richmond, Va., for a copy of its issue of May 22d, which contains the address. "Ministers and the New Education" was the theme.

When I say that

President Greene, of William Jewell College,

was the other speaker, every one who ever heard him, knows we had something worth hearing. His plea was for the Christian College. Here are a few of his thoughts I jotted down:

"Do you know that nearly all the boys ruined at school are ruined, not in the high school or the university, but in the college? Let a boy be four years in a good Christian college, a Baptist college, I say Baptist, for their colleges must be Christian or they are not worth having; I mean one whose faculty is made up of men of the old-fashioned prayer meeting variety—let a boy be four years in a college like that, and all the infidelity and skepticism of the university will not shake him."

"The State has taken from us the primary and high schools and they want to rob us of the college, the

GIBRALTAR OF OUR EDUCATIONAL WORK.

"Are we going to let them do it? I, for one, will not give up another inch of our ground. Some want us to give up all our colleges except the Theological Seminaries, and these they would have us group around the universities the States would furnish. That would be a mess, wouldn't it! We want to save our colleges and make them strong."

I had a wish in mind during the delivery of this remarkable address, not for the preachers particularly, but for Alabama Baptists: "Oh, that our people could hear that," was in mind at the end of every sentence.

"ARE WE GOING TO GIVE UP OUR COLLEGES?"

the speaker said earnestly time and again. "If we are not, then we must

endow them," was the inevitable conclusion. I rejoice in all

The Educational Society

is doing for our institutions. In Alabama we are grateful for the offer of \$12,500 of a \$50,000 endowment for Howard College. It is a great grief to many of us that we were not in condition to meet the requirements. Some of us have felt that the society, in canvassing the situation in Alabama ought to have allowed the fact, that we have paid off college debts, amounting to many thousands of dollars in the last few years, to have had some weight. We know that the same generous souls, who furnished the money to pay these debts must be relied upon in any movement we make, looking to endowment. But unfortunately, one iron rule seems to govern the society. May the first, the time limit of the offer has passed, and no application has been made for an extension. Meanwhile the faculty have reached the end of their tether and the Baptists of Alabama are face to face with the serious problem:

What Shall We Do With Howard College?

There ought to be but one answer. We dare not think of surrender. As President Green would put it: That would be giving up the Gibraltar of our Strength. We must endow. Whether we get little or much or nothing from the outside.

B. Y. P. U.

meeting has been criticised every year because of the absence of the young people and because the speakers generally are not young men. Brethren forget that there are a multitude of preachers present from every variety of church and community. Some are from associations where everything is opposed to the organization of the young people; hundreds have never felt the importance of training the young, while others long to do something, but they know not what or how to do.

I am sure they found no fault with what they saw or heard at the B. Y. P. U. meeting. The committee very wisely took the "Great Commission" as its key thought, dividing it up among several speakers. Strong men they were, rich in experience and knowledge, just the kind of men, who ought to be invited to speak on such occasions. But some think that young men, since it is a young people's meeting, ought to be brought forward, to encourage them.

But the speaker is not all there is to be considered. We are not in the encouraging business when we go so far away from home. If the young man has the stuff in him to make the speech the people need to hear, by all means use him; but for mercy's sake don't let us fall into the idea that these great gatherings are to furnish an audience for young fellows to practice on. It might be "fun for the boys, but death to the frogs," and I'd be among the latter.

Dr. Peters.

on the "Baptising" part of the commission made a great speech. Of course much that he said was perfectly familiar to most of the preachers; but I dare say there were thousands who had never heard it, though their pastors knew it. We are either taking it for granted that our people know all about our doctrines and the reasons for our belief, or we are afraid some of our folks or their kin won't like it, if we preach on our distinctive views.

The fathers never allowed a visitor to go away from the service without knowing from the sermon they heard, they'd been to a Baptist church. Maybe they were a little too strenuous; but that is no reason why we should go to the other extreme and be mum on the great doctrines which distinguish us from others. "You couldn't tell him from a Methodist to save your life, from his preaching." A woman said that to me about a Baptist preacher, and she thought "he was just too sweet." From my heart I pitied the poor weakling. An old lady went to see her grand daughter, just set up to house-keeping. The young house-keeper knew that grandma loved tea, so she was extra careful in making it. When the old soul tasted it, she reached down in her pocket and got out something which she began chipping in her tea. "Why grandma, what is that you are putting in your tea?" the young woman asked. The reply was: "It is a little Calamus root, my child, I alers like for my tea to taste of something?"

Give me a sermon that tastes of something.

I am sure Dr. Peters coming to the Baptists from the Dutch-Reformed—practically a Presbyterian, if I mistake not their doctrine—means much to the Baptists. He has written a book on "Why I Became a Baptist," in which he discusses the subject in such a tender spirit, and yet so forcibly, it is destined to have a wide sale and exert a powerful influence in bringing people to see the subject in its true light.

I could write much more after thoughts, but they are too long after now.

I close with two or three

Wise Sayings

I took note of.

Brown, of North Carolina, speaking of the mountain people of North Carolina: "Some say, 'if we are to take these people we must educate them.'" "We say, 'if we hold these people we must educate them.'" "They are ours now." And right there in full view of us was a northern Presbyterian College said to have in it 500 mountain girls. They mean business.

A flood swept away a church and the homes of the people. The preacher came to the discouraged people and said: "There was a bigger flood than this once, and the old hero that was left stood in the midst of the desolation and made an offering unto the Lord, of a part of that which was left. So let us lay hold now and build God's house. His words re-assured the people, they responded and soon a neat house of worship was erected.

Dr. John Green: "When you are considering the question of where to start a mission there is only one thing to settle: Are the people there? If the folks are there, a mission ought to be established."

"A God-called, consecrated preacher will always win where there are folks."

Dr. Mullens delivered a great speech in which he said: "Broadus and Boyce and others met to pray and consider the question: 'Shall we let the seminary die?' The conclusion reached was: 'We will die first.' They died, but the seminary lives.

A brother said: "Some talk of abolishing the Home Board: that might do if the country was dead or dying; but the continued growth and development of the South makes the Home Board indispensable."

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Program.

Woman's Missionary Union of State Convention to be held at Central Methodist Church Tuesday, June 24th, 9:30 a. m.

Opening Exercises—Mrs. R. H. Allison. Appointment Committee on Enrollment. Address of Welcome—Mrs. W. H. Simpson. Response—Mrs. A. J. Dickinson. 10:00. Address of President—Mrs. L. F. Stratton. 10:15. The Year's Work. Report of Corresponding Secretary. Report of Treasurer. Report of Associational Vice Presidents. 11. Necessity of State Organizer—Led by Mrs. D. M. Malone. 11:30. Address—State Missions—Dr. W. B. Crumpton. 12:00. The Orphanage—Miss Sallie Stamps. Appointment of Committee on Resolutions. Collection for State Missions. Adjournment.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2:00 p. m. Prayer service in charge of Mrs. Lizzie Jones. 2:15. Address—Foreign Missions—Dr. R. J. Willingham. 2:30. Our Missionaries—Pledges for Miss Kelly. Report on Babies Branch—Mrs. Florence E. Harris. 3:00. Open Parliament on Missions—Conducted by Mrs. N. A. Barrett. 3:30. Address—Home Missions—Dr. F. C. McConnell. Collection. Adjournment. WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25TH, 9 A. M. Devotional Exercises. 9:15. Report of Southern Baptist Convention. 9:45. An Hour With Our Associational Vice Presidents. 10:45. Reports of Committees on Constitution and By-Laws and Resolutions. 11:00. Twenty Questions. 11:30. Symposium of Sunbeam Work, "Children's Work in Missions," Past and Prospective. 12:00. Sunday School Board—Dr. J. M. Frost. Miscellaneous Business. Collection. Adjournment.

THE UNITED STATES IN CUBA AND THE GREAT REFORMS.

Every town of importance on the island has been provided with a hospital well equipped with the necessary supplies and appliances. Asylums for orphan children have been established wherever necessary. It is the purpose of the insular government to establish four State institutions; two for boys and two for girls; two to be industrial and agricultural and two to be correctional and industrial.

The prisons have been overhauled and repaired from one end of the island to the other, and the sanitary conditions greatly improved. The military government has had its agents go over the island, investigating every case under detention, and many hundreds of prisoners who have been detained for long periods of time awaiting trial have been released; only such being released, however, as had awaited trial for a period as long or longer than they would have been sentenced had they been found guilty. Judges who have been found derelict have been summarily dismissed, and every effort is being made to impress on the community at large that individual rights and individual liberty are the foundation of every good and stable government. Correctional courts have been established throughout the larger cities, where the trial is oral and summary, as in our police courts. Their success has been phenomenal; and while opposed at first, every town is now anxious to have one, and orders have already been published establishing many more. The writ of habeas corpus has been published to take effect December 1, 1900.

The United States troops have not been used during the present year for the maintenance of order. The police work in the rural districts is done by the rural guard, which amounts to about 1200 men for the entire island of Cuba. These men and their officers are all Cubans.

Sanitary work of great importance has been carried on from one end of Cuba to the other. The two eastern provinces in the island of Cuba for the first time have passed through a summer without a case of yellow fever, and no

doubt there has been the greatest improvement in health throughout the island. Plans in detail are now ready for advertisement for paving and sewerage in a thoroughly first-class and modern manner the city of Havana and its suburbs, and there is every reason to believe that in a few years yellow fever in Cuba can be got under the same control as now exists in Jamaica.

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NEW LIFE FOR CUBA.

The Americans are beginning to show that Cuba the "Queen of the Antilles," reduced to chaos by the tyranny and mismanagement of Spain, may be transformed again into a fruitful garden. Large tracts of land, now overgrown with timber, are being cleared and planted with tropical fruit. The unsanitary, fever-haunted cities and towns are being drained and cleared of infection, so that soon the natural advantages of the climate will be free from the incubus of a deadly danger. Better than all, the American churches are making a special mission field of Cuba. The special conditions of land and tenure just now make it possible to evangelize the country after the manner of Paul, the tent-maker. A preacher can make a living and in the meantime can do mission work and establish a church.—London Christian.

TEACHING CUBAN WOMEN TO TEACH.

In the beautiful historic valley of Wallkill, in the quaint old town of New Paltz, N. Y., an educational experiment of vital importance to the Republic of Cuba is being conducted. Sixty young Cuban women, some of them representing the oldest and most influential families of Cuba, under contract with the Cuban government to teach in the public schools of Cuba, are receiving their professional training in the State Normal School in New Paltz. The school authorities of the State of New York entered into contract with the

Cuban government to receive these students, to assume the responsibility for their professional training and to provide rooms, board and ordinary washing, for the sum of six dollars a week for each student. The use of the school equipment is given free by the State. In addition to traveling expenses to and from this country, each student is paid by the Cuban government twenty dollars a month to meet personal expenses. These students have had some educational advantages in the schools of Cuba, and they gained the privilege of professional training by passing special examinations conducted by the school authorities there. Many of them bear the names of men identified with the Cuban struggle for freedom—men who have given their all in defense of that cause. Others are the daughters of wealthy families impoverished by the war, who, like the daughters of our Southern families at the close of the Civil War, find themselves confronted with the problem of self-support. These students are utilizing their training, acquired for a life of social ease and luxury, to meet the new problems.

THE WORK OF GENERAL WOOD.

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WORK TO BE DONE.

We have, as a people, only partially completed our duty towards the island. We have expelled Spain, it is true. We have cleaned up the island, have laid the foundation for good government; but this work will be largely useless unless we give Cuba the means to continue the work which we have so well begun. Her present condition is not unlike that of a child who has been taken charge of by a society for the prevention of cruelty to children on the ground that its parents were unfit to care for it. All its domestic relations have been severed, and those who have assumed charge are now called upon to provide for the education, protection and maintenance of the youngster, and they are morally bound to do it.—Report, Gen. Wood.

Something to Ponder.

Dear Mrs. Malone: I am sitting at my window this sultry afternoon and as I gaze far down the dusty road, I see two travelers marching like soldiers, side by side. This is such a usual sight I know at once that those sleek-coated, well groomed, umbrelled strangers are Mormon elders. On they come, passing down a side street, avoiding the night, distribute tracts, and teach their pernicious doctrine at some lonely farm house unmolested or unrebuked—who cares? The law protects them; they are safe to come and go as they please. What is our church doing to warn the poor, ignorant mountain people against their persuasive, evil tongues? I

never even hear them mentioned from the pulpit. Are our preachers and people ignorant or indifferent? Or am I silly to have foolish fears and think with horror of the Master's words: "The fields are white unto the harvest;" and shall these be the reapers? These emissaries of the Evil One, coming under the guise of religion, with the "Wisdom of serpents and innocence (?) of doves?" Let some one wiser than I answer these questions, and assure me that they are doing no harm. I have known one poor mountain woman that left this county with husband and little children for Utah. She died and was buried there. Her husband moved back last year with a new wife. He is a poor, uneducated fellow, not worth mentioning, perhaps, except that his mountain hut is a stopping place for Mormon elders. Are we women of the South alive to this great evil that threatens our land? Some one told me not long ago that there were several strong, healthy mountain women got on the train in charge of a Mormon elder, bound for Utah.

I think we need some one with earnestness of purpose to teach us our duty on this subject, and to snatch these deluded ones as brands from the burning. I am sure you think this an unusual letter; I live at the foot of the hills, you see, and feel alarmed, and jot down these disconnected thoughts, which are surging through my mind, as the Mormons are marching by.

Truly yours,

Mrs. E. R. Hodges,

Ashville, Ala.

We have been thinking of Mormonism as away over in Utah, and although we know something of the evil of their doctrine, still it has all been so remote that we have not had much feeling about it. But now, since the vice-president of St. Clair Association is in the midst and tells us how vigorously the Latter Day Saints are working in an adjoining county, in a neighboring Association, has not the closer view given the danger a more horrible aspect?

By all means let's help the State and Home Boards to give the pure gospel to these poor, simple mountain folk.

Dear Baptist: I have been wanting to tell you for some time of our Ladies' Aid at Dadeville.

We have been working with renewed spirits since the new year came in and we trust that we have had a blessing.

Self-Denial Week was observed by us and what a precious feast it was to our souls! We were so uplifted and our hearts were so filled with love for the Master's cause and service that we resolved to observe this special season of prayer whenever it is our privilege.

We have been able to make a nice round sum since January, which will go towards buying a new church carpet.

We enjoy that department of the paper devoted to Woman's Work and think it would be very helpful to have a column given to letters from the different societies, "an exchange of ideas," as it were.

Mrs. Tom Herren.

Capt. C. E. Clark has declined to go to London as a member of the special coronation embassy. The nearer he got to the event the more he realized that it would mean an outlay for display and entertainment beyond the limits of his purse. Admiral Watson will supply his place.

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Charles Manly, son of Rev. Dr. Basii and Mrs. Sarah M. Manly, was born in Charleston, S. C., May 28, 1837. He graduated at the age of eighteen from the University of Alabama, and was licensed to preach by the Tuscaloosa Baptist Church, October 2, 1855. In the fall of 1856 he entered Princeton Theological Seminary, N. J., from which institution, after taking a three years' course, he graduated in 1859, receiving the same year the degree of A. M. from the University of Alabama, and being ordained in the full work of the ministry, entered upon his first pastorate at Tuscaloosa, Ala., where he served with great acceptance until 1871. A large part of this time he was president of the Alabama Female College.

From Tuscaloosa he was called to the pastorate of the church at Murfreesborough, Tenn. While here he was also president of Union University. In 1872 William Jewell College conferred upon him the degree of D.D. In 1873 he removed to Stanton, Va., as pastor. While at Stanton he aided greatly in building up churches in that vicinity. From there he went to Greenville, S. C. In 1881 he became president of Furman University, in which capacity he served the denomination for 16 years. When he took hold of the University there were 24 students. Under his faithful administration it built up to the enrollment of 170. During all this time he served regularly as a pastor of country or village churches, preaching fully as much as while he was in the regular pastorate. For 17 years he was pastor of the Baptist church at Belton, S. C., and for 12

years at Seneca.

In 1898 he accepted a call to the First Baptist church at Lexington, Mo., where he labors with great acceptance and usefulness; also giving instruction in the Bible course in the Baptist Female College. In addition to his pastoral and college work Dr. Manly's pen is ever busy, making frequent contributions to our religious periodicals, and for a number of years preparing the notes for the Baptist Teacher and Advanced Quarterly published by the American Baptist Publication Society. In gentlemanly conduct, refinement, charity and kindness he is a standard.

Dr. Manly is blessed with a most amiable and estimable family, who are ever ready and willing workers in all departments of church work. Dr. and Mrs. Manly are at present making a visit of some six weeks among friends in Greenville, Belton, Anderson, Seneca and other points in South Carolina where in other years they have lived and labored and where they are held in the highest esteem. The church here esteems itself fortunate in having obtained the pastoral services of one so abundant in labors, ripe in experience, scholarly in attainments, bright in spirit, warm in heart and withal unflinchingly loyal "to the glorious gospel of the blessed God" as Dr. Manly, and earnestly prays that the God of his fathers, whom he so faithfully serves, may spare his life, and that he may see it to be his duty to remain with the church yet many years to make known the unsearchable riches of Christ.—R. T. Jesse, in Lexington (Mo.) News.

Turning Tables.

I so often read in the Alabama Baptist where some grateful pastor from the fulness of his heart writes that "The good sisters of my church sent me to the convention." That is just as it should be, and is lovely. But I have been thinking lately if it would not be a capital idea for these good pastors to see that the sisters go to the Convention

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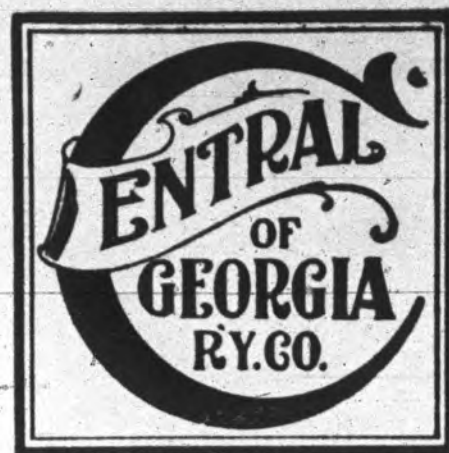
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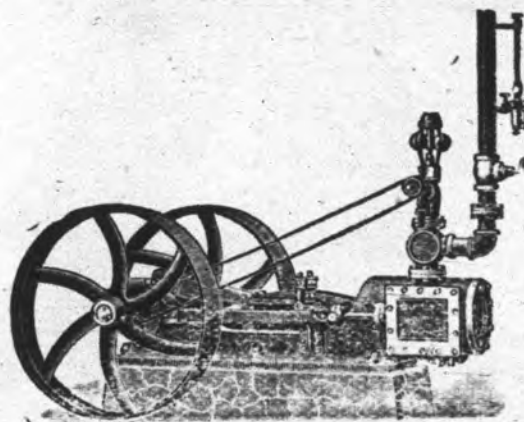
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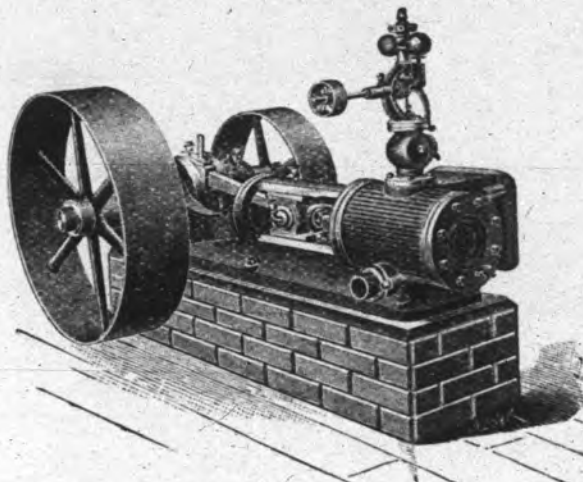
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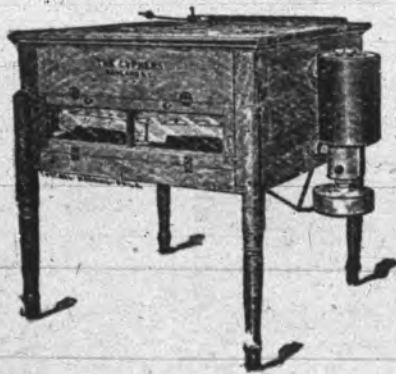
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