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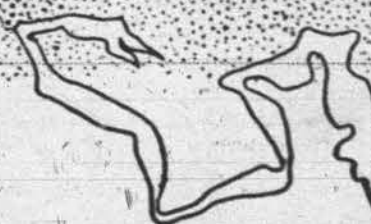
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The State Convention.

**Central Baptist Church, Decatur, Alabama,
June 22, 1902.**

At nine o'clock Tuesday morning devotional exercises were begun by W. M. Blackwelder, Woodlawn, Ala. After several hymns and prayers he read from the Gospel by John, twenty-first chapter—the second miraculous draught of fishes, and Peter's profession of love. Emphasis was laid on this profession, and an earnest plea was made for the spirit of love toward our Master, as a qualification for service.

Hon. H. S. D. Mallory, president of the preceding Convention, called the body to order at 9:30, and A. C. Davidson led in prayer. The enrollment of messengers being completed, on motion of Dr. Davidson the secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the Convention for Brother Mallory for president. R. E. Pettus and J. B. Graham were elected vice presidents, and William A. Davis, was chosen to succeed himself as secretary. The order of business as suggested by the committee on program and printed by the Alabama Baptist, was adopted by the Convention. New pastors and visiting brethren were introduced, Drs. Willingham and Prestridge and Editors Barnett and Provence, and Pastors Pugh, Morris and others responded.

The address of welcome was given by Judge Simpson, a deacon of the Central Church. The address was in excellent taste, and was well received. Fitting response was made by J. T. Ashcraft, of Florence.

G. G. Miles, President of the State Board of Missions, read the annual report of his Board. The report began with the statement that owing to a change in the time of the Convention's meeting, the time covered was only about seven and a half months. Instead, however, of a falling of interest, the report showed a marked increase in contributions. The co-ordination of the several branches of our work under one Board has worked well. The account of the corresponding secretary has been overdrawn by something over thirteen hundred dollars. Appropriate mention was made of the removal from the State of Dr. J. F. Purser. He has been a valuable worker in the Board. Secretary Crumpton read his report. The report, covering only seven and a half months, showed a healthy increase. Special attention was called to the factory people. The preachers' difficulties attending the work among them were clearly set forth. The Board has formed a co-operative arrangement with the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention for work among the negroes. The work of the Woman's Central Committee received high commendation. The report recommended the appointment of a State agent. A little more is done every year in the colportage work. The difficulties are many, but not insuperable. Attention was called to the need

of a tract fund. Generous acknowledgment was made of the assistance of the Southern and Alabama Baptist. The report closed with a clear financial statement showing a grand total of \$16,428.

The report of the Board of Ministerial Education was read by J. G. Lowery. Twenty-five young preachers matriculated last fall at Howard College. Most of these have preached in country churches and mission stations. They have done good work. Help has been extended to such as needed it. The Board has been hindered by various causes. The Field Secretary, J. V. Dickinson, has done faithful work. The report closed with a suggestion as to some method of co-operation by which all contributions to ministerial education shall go through one channel.

B. F. Ellis read the report of the Judson Institute. The report shows a most prosperous year, and is in every way highly gratifying. The steady increase of patronage made it necessary to provide more room. This is being provided, and the friends of the school are asked for aid to complete the plans already determined upon.

The report of the Scottsboro Institute was read by W. Y. Quisenberry. The year's work has been hindered by various causes, but has prospered in spite of difficulties, and is full of promise. The need of a competent teacher of the English Bible is emphasized, and the report closes with the request that some generous brother provide for this need.

J. V. Dickinson moved that the report of the Board of Ministerial Education be referred to a special committee, which was done.

After a short intermission, L. O. Dawson, the appointee of the last Convention, preached the Convention sermon. Preceding the sermon, A. B. Campbell led in prayer, and a well trained choir sang two choice selections of their own, and led the singing of the Convention.

Dr. Dawson's Sermon.

Dr. Dawson announced as his text Rom. viii. 37: "In all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us." Theme—A Battle, a Victory, a Victor.

Paul regarded life as a battle. He was no tin soldier. He waged a truceless war against sin. He needed a sword, a helmet, a breastplate, a shield, and sandals. He fought to the last, when his royal and victorious soul went to its reward.

Life with every child of God is a conflict. We sing

"Am I a soldier of the cross,
A follower of the Lamb;
And shall I fear to own His cause,
Or blush to speak His name?"

It ought not to surprise us that this life is a conflict. To the unconverted man, life is a conflict, but to him it means inevitable and irremediable defeat. To the Christian it is always a victory.

We are always victorious. We are constantly conquerors. There are no "downs" to a Christian's life. There are apparent defeats, but the darkest defeat is the most glorious victory. Out of the ashes of disappointment he makes the flowers to bloom. Out of the clouds of gloom he makes the stars to shine.

We are conquering in overcoming our difficulties. We grow by the trials of life. We climb up to God on the stones that are meant to encompass our defeat. We are more than conquerors in the growing skill and the increasing power of conflict. We come out of the conflict with a tested faith. Did you ever think of the value of a tried faith? Thanks for a faith of any kind; the chain that holds the anchor may be good though never tried. But when the test comes and it holds, it is far more valuable. When Abraham came down from the mount leading by the hand his only son, he rejoiced in a faith that God had tested to the utmost. We sing that beautiful hymn:

"When peace like a river attendeth
my way,
And sorrows like sea billows roll."

In one of Mr. Moody's meetings, a man arose and said: "Mr. Moody, I would give all the world for a peace like that you have been describing."

That very day he received a cablegram from his wife to the effect that their four children had perished at sea. That message he took to his room and fought through the long night the battle of his life. Next morning he came out, pale but calm, with this hymn that he had written.

The Victor.—One victor—only one. The victor is he who has conquered. Not unto us, not unto us, but unto thy name be honor. Boasting is excluded. Through Him that loved us. No new love, no passing fancy, but a great, eternal fact. The strength of this love and its faithfulness are beyond our comprehension. The sacrifices of love come so easily that they often seem to be matters of choice. It was this that brought Him from Heaven and helped Him to endure all that came to Him; and that was far more than we can think.

If He so suffered to rescue us from sin, what can separate us from His love? He loved to the end. Nothing can come between. No saint ever weeps without sympathy, nor rejoices without love. The shutting out of the world means the shutting in of God.

Some years ago, when my little boy was about four years old, we were out with a party of little picnickers. Before we were aware of it, a terrific storm was upon us. I put the little ones into places of safety as rapidly as possible, and then I took my little boy in my arms, and as the great trees fell around us we were in imminent danger. One great pine fell only a few feet from us. Never shall I forget the pleading of that little voice that I should make the storm cease its fury. I could have done that as easily as I could have left my child in danger and sought safety for myself.

Go back to your toils and your burdens, brethren. You shall more than conquer through Him who loves you.

This is a bare outline of a sermon of uplifting power.

Afternoon Session.

Devotional exercises were conducted by E. M. Stewart. President Mallory rapped for resumption of business at 2:45. A. B. Campbell gave an earnest and informing address on the subject of our duty toward the factory people. Dr. Campbell urged larger appropriations for this work, stating his belief that it is a most promising work. P. H. Mell followed in a speech stating his own observations in this work. J. W. Sandlin said our misfortune is that we wait till some other denomination has occupied the ground. M. B. Wharton told of some great new mills now going up in North Carolina, and in Georgia. A. J. Preston took up the strain and entered his plea for outdoor work among the factory people.

Reaching the City Baptists was the theme to which H. H. Shell spoke. He told of some of the difficulties a city pastor has in inducing the "Trunk" members to come into the churches, and of the great crowd who are useless. He said a great deal of the difficulty in the progress of missions was stinginess. If the work could go on without money it would go without much trouble. Personal work is perhaps the most efficient method of reaching the indifferent. The Sunday school is a good piece of machinery for this work. As long as the children are in the Sunday school we are in touch with the home.

How to bring about co-operation among Baptists was the subject assigned to J. H. Longier. He has learned that Baptists do as they please. Some things, however, are helpful. The average Baptist wants to know with whom he is asked to co-operate. He expects the man with whom he is to co-operate to have religion. Confidence is indispensable. Lots of our people don't know what co-operation means. I didn't always know myself. Brother Crumpton did a great work when he went up into the country and took me with him, to let them see that a man could co-operate and live. A good woman wrote to me after we got back and asked me about a good Baptist paper. Why, before we went there the people had never seen a full-fledged Baptist. They had seen the Baptist part, but not the co-operative part. We must go to these people and get close to them. They are good people.

The Country Baptists.

S. O. Y. Ray spoke on the Country Baptists. Three-fourths of our Baptist people are country people. We raise more of them in the country than anywhere else. Baptists are not the only people who raise Baptists. A man in my county has twenty-four children. He's not a Baptist, but they are. The country Baptists are evangelizing the cities, too. Nearly all the city pastors are country boys. Mr. Ray went on in his own inimitable way to point out where these city pastors came from. How can we help the country Baptists? As Bro. Longier said, they have a great deal to unlearn. The hardshells left a legacy to these people that still burdens them. How shall we get rid of this? In my county there isn't a half

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Some of Roanoke's Leading Baptists.



INTERIOR CHURCH, ROANOKE.

We regret that it was impossible to get a good photograph of the outside of the Roanoke Baptist Church as the above picture gives only a faint idea of the size and beauty of the structure which is one of the handsomest and best arranged houses of worship in the State. The arrangement of the church is excellent, and it is a delightful place in which to preach or talk. The ceiling is of curled pine and is a work of art.

The stained glass windows are exquisite, and the decorations on the day of the dedication added much to the beauty of the interior. We wish every Baptist in Alabama could see Roanoke's new church, as we feel sure it would be a help and an inspiration. The Baptists of Roanoke are a loyal, self-sacrificing set of men and women and have built a wonderful monument for the Master's cause. Long may the new church stand for our great old Baptist principles.



J. F. BARRON.

J. F. Barron, deacon in the Roanoke Baptist Church was born in Coosa county, Ala., March 20, 1848, and joined Hogansville Baptist Church, Georgia, in 1870. He moved to Roanoke in 1883, at the solicitation of Deacon G.

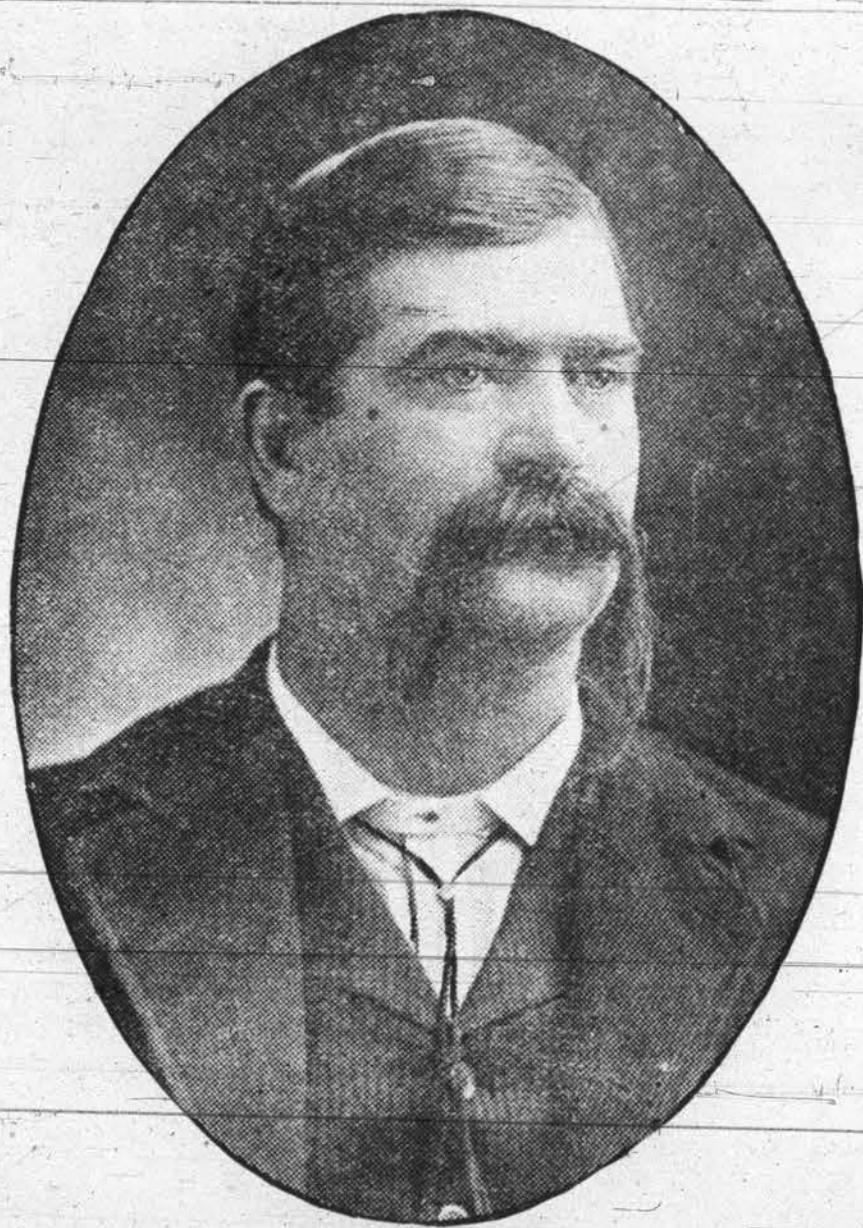
W. Hill, who wanted him for a yoke-fellow. In 1885 they were both made deacons of the Roanoke Church. Brother Barron is loved and honored by all for his faithfulness, piety and his remarkable knowledge of God's Word.



J. C. WRIGHT.

James Carter Wright, Chairman of the Building Committee of the new Roanoke Church, was born and reared in Tuskegee, Ala.; educated for civil engineer at the University of Alabama, where he graduated in 1887, after which he was in the employ of the L. & N. R. R., the Savannah, Americus and Montgomery R. R. (now the S. A. L.), as chief engineer. He is now

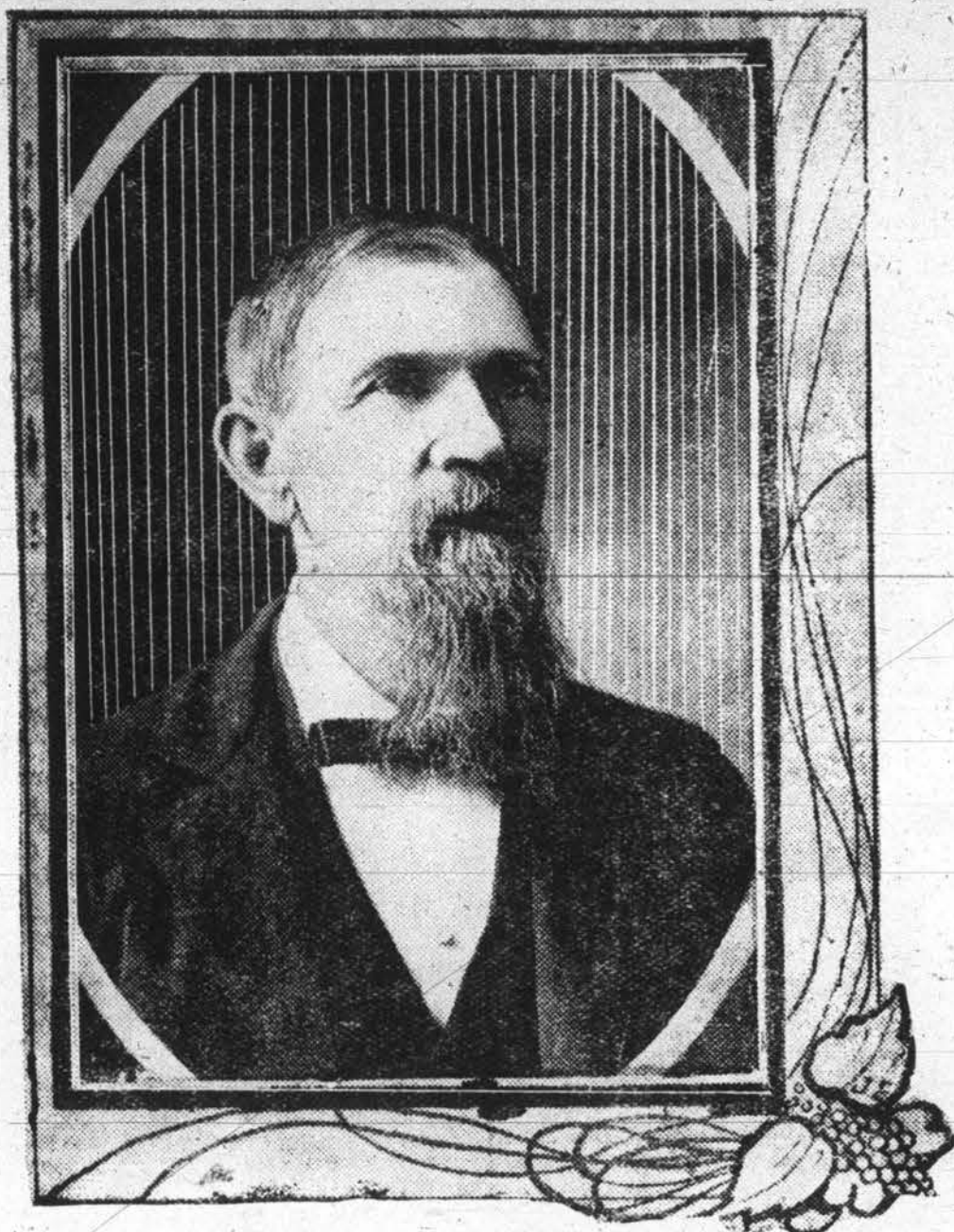
a member of the firm of Campbell & Wright, Jr., of Roanoke. Much of the finish and details which make the church unique and handsome in structure were effected by the ability and vigilance of Brother Wright, who has constructed for himself a handsome residence in Roanoke. He is faithful and highly useful along many lines of church work.



B. C. JONES.

B. C. Jones, Chairman of Finance Committee and a member of the Building Committee, was born at La-Grange, Ga., in 1864; taught school for ten years in Heard and Troup counties, Ga.; moved to Roanoke in 1890, and engaged in the mercantile business. He was mayor of Roanoke eight years, and

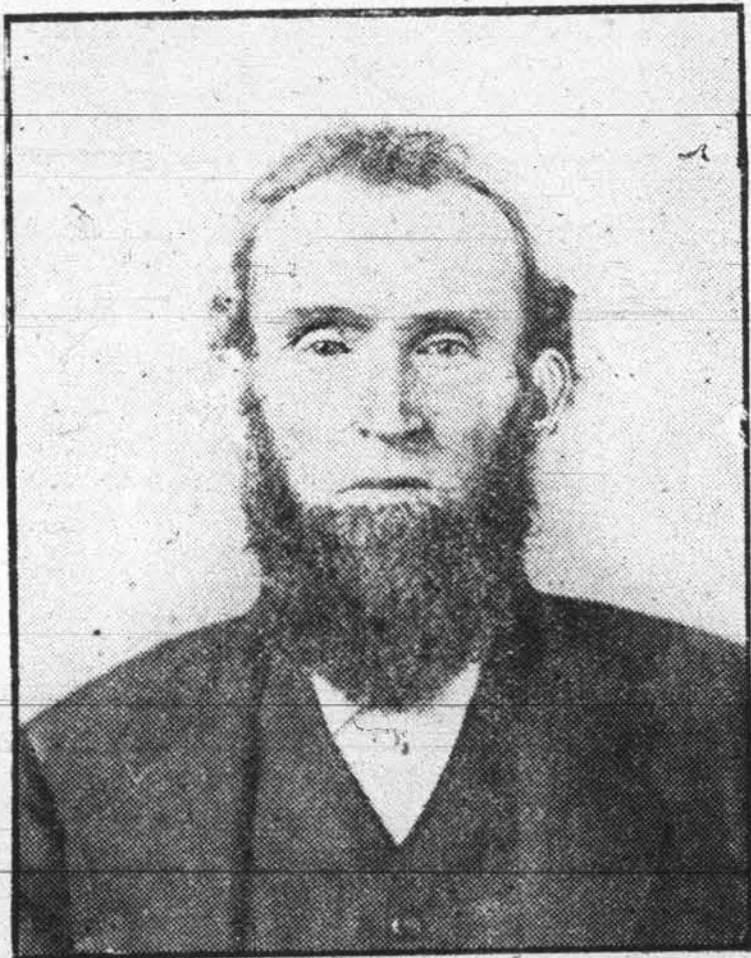
superintendent of the public school here two years. He is one of the most successful and popular business men in all this country. He is known for his great liberality; spreading the mantle of charity over all whom he sees in need; especially is he generous to his church and pastor, he never fails in kindness, and is wise in counsel.



G. W. HILL

Geo. W. Hill was born Feb. 28, 1846, in Heard county, Ga.; moved to Roanoke in 1872. He was converted in August, 1874; ordained deacon in Roanoke Baptist Church in 1885, which office he has ever since adorned as few men do. He is known as "Uncle George;" his godly life is not only felt

in his church and community, but through the country where he is known, he exercises great power for good. Few persons are more powerful in prayer; he lives for the cause of Christ; no pastor has a better friend in a deacon than "Uncle George's" pastor. Often he goes to country churches and settles insurmountable difficulties.



H. M. MICKLE.

H. M. Mickle, senior deacon and clerk of the Roanoke Baptist Church. He was born in 1837 in Randolph county, Ala., and is the oldest native-born citizen in the county; he is a prosperous farmer and has held positions of honor

in this county for a number of years. He is a man of strong character and wide influence; has been one of the pillars of the church since its organization, acting as deacon and clerk for many years. He is a man of firm sense; always loyal to his church and pastor.

Rev. H. C. Risner.

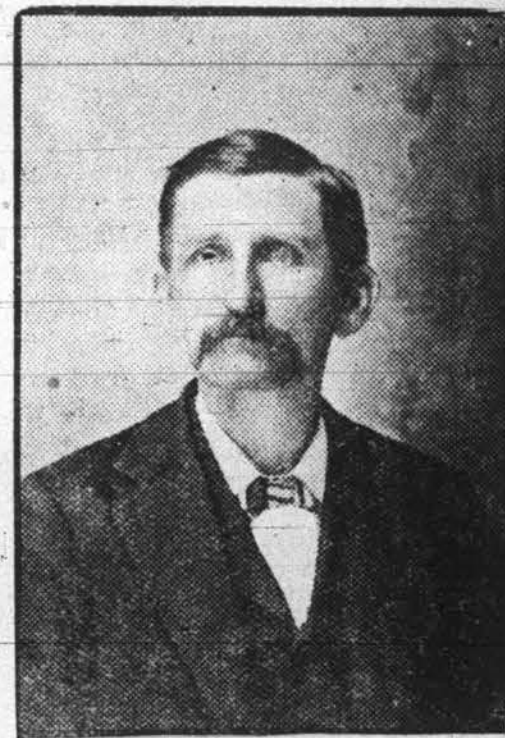
Rev. H. C. Risner was born Nov. 11, 1867, in eastern Kentucky. He was educated at Baylor University, Texas, and Georgetown College, Ky. Taught school three years in Kentucky in 1890 and 1892. He was principal in the high school at Dunkirk, Ind. He then accepted the position as manager of A. J. Convey & Co.'s business in Louisville, Ky. During his previous school years he was impressed to preach. Coming to Louisville where he was thrown under the influence of the Seminary, he entered there in October, 1894, spending four years taking the full course and post-graduate work.

His first pastorates were Cedar Creek and Mount Washington Churches, Jefferson and Bullett counties, Ky. His next charge was Pewee Valley. From there he went to Roanoke, Ala., Nov. 1, 1899. His work here has been remarkable in many ways. The church now at Roanoke has about 315 members. More than one-third of this number have been added since he has been pastor, most of whom were converted and baptized under his preaching. The church has grown in missionary contributions from about \$400 to about \$700, besides the building of the new church now estimated at about \$20,000. In all this hard work and striving for growth along all lines he has kept his church a unit. Their growth in spirituality and in the knowledge of God's word, has even surpassed their financial growth. While he is a powerful preacher he is a most remarkable Bible exegete. The church has a great prayer meeting. In the last two years and a half he has studied exegetically with his prayer meeting Philippians, Galatians, the epistles of John, Romans and the epistle to the Hebrews.

The members of the prayer meeting memorize minute outlines to these epistles and discuss freely all points involved in the lesson. Besides all this work in his own church he has had wonderful success in meetings at the First Church

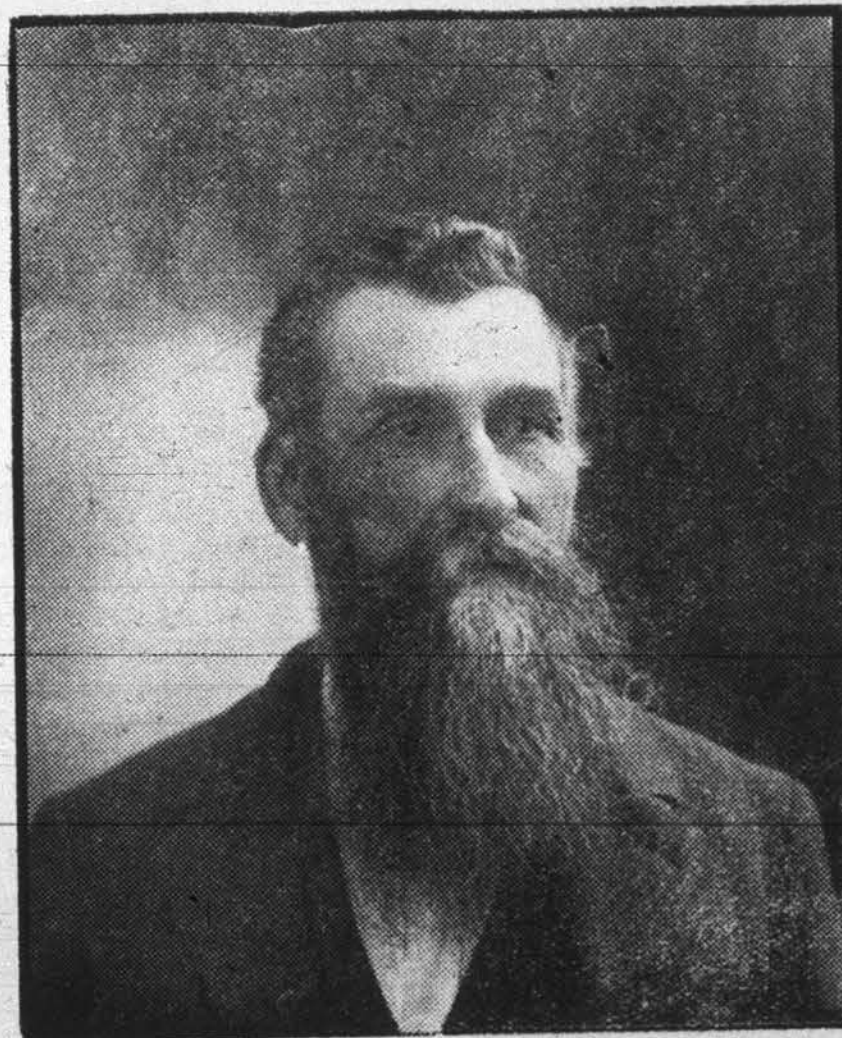
in Birmingham, in Montgomery, Lexington, Ky., Columbus, Ind., Marion, Ala., Newnan, Ga., and other places, besides a great missionary reform in the Randolph Association which has been formed since he became pastor at this place. He is a hard student; he is busy all the time except one month in each year, which he spends studying by way of travel. It is often said that when a pastor builds a church it is best for him to leave; this is not true in this case, for the pastor has his people to work for the glory of God. Hence he grows in their hearts every day.

C. D. Manley.



JNO. FAUCETT.

John Faucett, Superintendent of the Roanoke Baptist Sunday school, was born March 5, 1857, and reared in Roanoke, Ala.; taught school for several years and is now a popular and successful business man. He is a close student of affairs and a deep thinker; his knowledge of Bible principles is such that he readily appreciates the declarations made by the biblical writers. He is a man of firm counsel and makes a most excellent superintendent.



ROBT. BROWN.

Robert Brown, deacon in Roanoke Baptist Church, and a prosperous farmer, was born in Heard county, Ga., Dec. 23, 1841; moved to Roanoke January, 1892. He joined Western Baptist

Church, Georgia, July 1866, and was ordained deacon of that church in 1882. He is a useful man, a staunch Baptist; his counsel is always helpful.

The State Convention.

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dozen preachers who ever preach on missions or take a collection for missions. As long as these men hold the field there will be no change. Books, tracts, newspapers, preachers who will preach a whole gospel, are what we need.

Factory People.

Secretary Crumpton followed. He said our greatest present need is money. Men are needed to go to the country, but they must be supported. We need men to hold Baptist rallies. We need twenty-five chapels in Alabama, and he could easily point out the places where they ought to be. It is useless to quarrel with the factory people about not coming to our churches. We can't give them up, though. We must arouse an interest in these people, both in city and country. We ought to get twelve thousand dollars for State missions, twelve thousand for home missions, and fifteen thousand for foreign missions. That's what we must raise this year. We can do it easily through the pastors. Let us listen to no discouraging voice.

R. E. Pettus, of Huntsville, was called out by Bro. Crumpton. He believes thoroughly in the factory people. They are of our blood, as well born as we are, and many of them as good by practice. We ought to help develop these people. We have nine mills in Huntsville, with three thousand operatives. Bro. Pettus made a stirring speech. J. H. Shackelford discussed the question of why the city churches raise more money than the country churches. He thought it was chiefly due to the weekly opportunity and the more rapid circulation of money.

L. O. Dawson made the report of the committee on endowment of Howard College. (The report of the Board of Trustees was afterward consolidated with this by a special committee and appears in another column.)

Evening Session.

The Convention was "turned over to the choir," as the president said, and the singing was very sweet. Dr. Willingham led in prayer. Dr. T. T. Eaton, of Kentucky, was recognized and welcomed. The report of the committee on home missions was postponed till tomorrow on account of the absence of Secretary McConnell. J. F. Gable read the report of the committee on foreign missions, prepared by Chairman W. J. E. Cox. The report dwelt especially with some current objections to the work, viz.: the matter of expense and the reality of Chinese conversions. It also gave a clear sketch of the present condition of the work on the fields occupied by the Southern Baptist Convention. Bro. Gable spoke to the report and called attention to the mission work other Christians are doing. Between fifteen and twenty millions are given every year to this work, and fifteen thousand missionaries are on the field.

Pastor Quisenberry followed. He believes we ought to raise twenty thousand dollars for foreign missions this year. We are not poor. Our country brethren are not poor. Bro. Quisenberry made a moving, stirring address.

Dr. Willingham's Address.

Dr. Willingham followed in his own impressive way. He emphasized the thought that it is God's work. Let us get hold of that. Let it get hold of us. God started this work. He is carrying

it on. He divided his address as follows: A Voice, a Vision, and a Victory.

1. A Voice from God.—The prophecies of the past make us hear God's voice urging us to world-wide evangelization. I stand at the cross and hear the voice of the Christ. I hear the voice of the Holy Spirit promising the extension of the gospel to the uttermost part of the earth. It was the voice that called Saul of Tarsus to be a foreign missionary—a missionary to the heathen.

2. A Vision.—"Lift up thine eyes and see," said Isaiah. We need men of vision—men who have seen something. To me the Brooklyn bridge is a wonderful piece of mechanism. But Roebling saw it before ever a line was stretched. No man ever amounts to anything until he has seen something. Oh, the vision that Christ saw! Can we see it? If we see it, nothing can prevent us from preaching foreign missions. Lift up your eyes and see. There are difficulties. Oh, yes; but they can be overcome. Dr. Willingham related some of his own personal experiences to show how the small churches have their part in this mighty work. With great beauty and power he illustrated its claim upon every man. Another vision: Let us see what lies before us. See where your own McCollum is preaching in the Sunrise Kingdom. I saw in New York the sign brought from Japan declaring it death to open the book of God in Japan. How is it now? Look at China. Do any of you know John Lowe? The most promising young man on the foreign field today. In a walled city where we have been trying to enter for years. Ten thousand students come there every year. Lowe is sowing the seed, and begging for a young man to come and stand by him. We have applications of young men and women asking to go. Shall we send them?

Our victory is sure. There can be no failure.

Dr. Willingham spoke with great power. He is unreportable. The report of the committee was adopted.

Wednesday Morning.

Devotional exercises were led by W. W. McCain, who read the 90th Psalm.

President Mallory called the Convention to order at nine o'clock. Dr. Davidson read the report of the Board of Trustees of Howard College, which was considered in connection with the report of the committee on endowment. The Board elected Dr. Dawson president of Howard College. It has been deemed unwise to make any effort to meet the offer of Mr. John D. Rockefeller, on account of the present arrangement for handling a large endowment. Suggestions for the adjustment of this difficulty, by providing for a financial committee, and by empowering the president of the Convention to transfer to such committee for Howard College all the rights of the Convention in any properties of the College. Dr. Davidson explained the recommendations of his report. J. M. Shelburne spoke on the subject. He made an earnest plea for the College, and expressed the hope of the Convention that Dr. Dawson would accept the presidency, notwithstanding his two previous refusals to allow his name to be used. He also urged the necessity of the denominational college, on the ground that we have aims that no other people have. He spoke in high eulogy of the retiring president, F. M. Roof, who declined re-election, and stated that students had been turned away because it had been deemed best

for the work and the morale of the College.

Secretary Crumpton spoke on the subject, "What can We do for Howard College?" He said he would ask first what can Howard College do for us? It can give us the best education for Alabama boys, and it can give the boys the best moral protection. It must do both, or it can't live. We can and ought to pray for our College. We ought to send our boys to it. We ought to endow it. We can do it. The endowment that was "swept away," about which we heard so much, was a paper endowment. It was in notes that were never expected to be paid. The interest was safe. Now the time has come when we can do it. We have men who can give thousands of dollars, and they will do it. They have been waiting for a capable business arrangement. Others can give smaller sums. Others can give lands. Take anything. We can get men to build houses on the ground at Howard College.

Dr. Davidson urged that action be taken upon the suggestions already offered in the report of the trustees. In response to this the recommendations were adopted seriatim, and something over two thousand dollars was pledged toward the president's salary.

Virgil Bouldin gave the report of the committee on Scottsboro Institute. He said this was the youngest child of the Convention, and told how it came into being. The year's work has been very satisfactory, and the prospect is good for the future.

Afternoon Session.

Devotional exercises were conducted by J. B. Shelton.

President Mallory called the Convention to order at 2:00. J. G. Dickinson spoke on the report of the trustees of the Judson Institute, instead of Dr. Purser, who had been appointed for that service. He praised the Judson girls from the standpoint of refinement, of culture, of faithfulness to our denominational beliefs.

J. L. Gross, of Selma, followed in a taking speech, and President Patrick closed the discussion. His greatest need is more room. Last year he turned away about twenty pupils for want of accommodations. The school has never had to come to the Convention with a complaint or a debt. Several thousand dollars have been expended during the last session for new buildings and betterments. The religious sentiment of the young ladies has been very strong. Some of the young ladies are considering the foreign field.

R. E. Pettus read the report of the committee on Woman's Work. H. R. Schramm spoke to the report, making an eloquent plea for encouragement for the women in the Master's work.

At 3:30 the Convention adjourned to accept the courtesy of an excursion by steamer on the Tennessee river, tendered by the citizens of Decatur and the members of the Central Baptist Church. The excursion was greatly enjoyed and gave a happy occasion for recreation and social intercourse. The steamer with a barge in front, gave ample accommodation for the large company, numbering several hundred.

Evening Session.

Devotional exercises were led by W. S. Brown.

President Mallory called the Convention to order at 8:15.

Dr. Davidson read the consolidated report of the endowment committee and

of Board of Trustees of Howard College, which had been referred to a special committee. The resolutions will be found in another column. They were adopted as a whole. J. F. Watson read the report of the committee on the B. Y. P. U. It was a strong and well conceived plea for the young people's work. J. F. Gable spoke to the report. He rapidly sketched the history of the movement. He showed that the movement is not dead, and how it becomes useful. It is educational. He illustrated by the children's crusade what children may do. It offers an opportunity for soul-winning. The young people need the movement for their own protection. Two hundred thousand boys are needed every year to keep up the liquor traffic. "By all means, create appetite," is the cry of the saloon. Our boys need defense. The chief justification for the movement is the training for mission work. The cream of the young people's work probably is the Student Volunteer movement. This federation is now a great power. The report was adopted.

Place of Baptists in Education.

Dr. A. J. Dickinson spoke on the Place of Baptists in Education.

More of our people are thinking on this great subject than ever before. People of the next generation are going to be educated, and if we do not take our stand with the work, it will be done without us and in spite of us. The time is at hand when there will be a high school in every county. Beyond that, I believe the State ought not to go. We come then to questions affecting the conscience. In many things we do not yet know what to teach. Institutions that are pushing themselves under the wing of the State are injuring their own prospects. Let them cut loose and build their own schools with a character of their own. The best schools are the church schools and those of private corporations. The best work done in the State of Alabama last year was done in Howard College. Dr. Dickinson paid a high tribute to Howard College and its history and its faculty, and made an earnest plea for the boys and girls in the country. We must stand for a distinctly moral and religious life in our schools. Howard College does not need our tears. It is very much alive.

J. L. Gross followed on the subject of Denominational Education. Faulty educational methods will prove disastrous to all our work. Our Christian colleges are the source of our missionary supply. The first American missionaries were from a band of students that used to meet in a haystack prayermeeting. The world needs the denominational schools. It needs Christian men and women and these come largely from our denominational schools.

Thursday Morning.

Devotional exercises were led by Arnold Smith.

At 8:30 the Convention was called to order by the president.

Sunday School Work.

W. W. Lee read the report on Sunday schools. The report recommended the enlargement of the course of study in the Sunday schools by a series of graded Sunday school books supplementing the outlines of the International Lessons. In the absence of Dr. Frost, secretary of the Sunday School Board, of the Southern Baptist Convention, Dr. Folk, of Nashville, president of the Board, spoke to the report. He said

his Board would be glad to consider the question of publishing the books recommended in the report, and to make the venture if it would promise to be profitable. He reported the condition of the Board as excellent. It is in contemplation to build a handsome new building soon.

Orphans Home.

The report of the trustees of the Orphans' Home was read by W. M. Rabb. The report makes tender and reverent mention of the death of Mrs. Pittman, the matron. A most pressing need of some improvements is set forth. Much has been done to lessen expenses and to develop the resources of the Orphanage. John W. Stewart read his financial report which had been properly audited. Bro. Rabb spoke on the needs of the institution. He said there were more than eighty children there who eat three times a day, and he hoped every pastor would lay this fact on the hearts of his people. J. V. Dickinson offered a resolution to petition the Legislature to maintain the present law in regard to liquor selling at Evergreen. Bro. Stewart spoke on the report and gave interesting details. Bro. Dickinson's resolution was adopted. Vice-president Pettus spoke on the matter of the McGaha Home Fund and urged the payment of pledges made at last Convention.

Ministerial Education.

H. C. Risner spoke to the report on Ministerial Education. A lively discussion was precipitated by a resolution offered by J. M. Shelburne to the effect that funds for ministerial education be sent to the ministerial board, for both Howard College and Alabama students in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. W. Y. Quisenberry said he wouldn't serve a church that would not pay its pledges. He thought it was a sin to make a pledge and not pay it. He intended to stand by the Seminary and by Howard College both. Prof. W. O. Carver, of the Seminary, made a capital speech on the matter of sustaining students in the Seminary. He did not favor Bro. Shelburne's resolution. Passing to the larger question of the Seminary's work, he set forth the need of that work in a comprehensive way. He was heard with close attention. He led his hearers into a rare and breezy atmosphere, and gave them something to think about for many a day.

The resolution offered by Bro. Shelburne was adopted.

C. A. Stakely read the report of the committee on Home Missions. A gratifying increase in contributions and in enlargement of the work. Something more than \$100,000 were collected in the last fiscal year. The work never had stronger claims upon our people than now.

The Alabama Baptist Endorsed.

On motion of Dr. Campbell, unanimous consent was given to postpone consideration of this report and allow Editor Frank Willis Barnett fifteen minutes to present the claims of the Southern and Alabama Baptist. He captured the Convention. W. B. Crumpton offered a resolution recognizing the improvements in the paper, and pledging the support of the Convention. F. C. McConnell then spoke, in his own unreportable way, on Home Missions.

It was a great speech.

Dr. Campbell, who has been appointed to preach the closing sermon, moved that that order be discharged, in order that the business of the Convention might be completed by noon. Strong

objections were made, but Dr. Campbell insisted and the motion prevailed.

Dr. Booth, President of the Selma University for negroes, made some feeling remarks. He was introduced to the Convention by President Mallory, and made a good impression.

Standing committees were announced and resolutions of thanks were offered to the citizens for the excursion and for hospitality. Harvey Hatcher spoke for the American Baptist Publication Society. After some matters of detail the Convention adjourned.

Report of Trustees of Howard College.

We would congratulate the Convention upon another prosperous year of the college. The session closed May 28, 1902. The work done by faculty and students was of a high order. The total enrollment was 142. Ministerial students, 25; graduates, 13. The trustees desire to express their high appreciation of the president and faculty. They have performed their work under many disadvantages, and yet no college in the State has surpassed if equaled them in the real solid work done. The faculty were all re-elected for another year. President Roof, however, declines to accept. It was with profound sorrow that the trustees gave him up. His management of the college for the past five years, both in its monetary affairs and in its discipline and instruction has been most satisfactory, and merits the warmest praise. His bearing toward the trustees and faculty has always been most kind and cordial, and his going from us leaves a most difficult place to fill.

The property of the college is in reasonably good condition and is free of debt.

Endowment.

After much correspondence with brethren in all parts of the State and several conferences of the committee having the matter of the Rockefeller endowment in hand, it was finally deemed unwise to attempt any great movement on endowment during this last year. Reasons for such action will appear later in this report. The following recommendations are offered by both the committee on endowment and the trustees:

First. That a committee be appointed consisting of Hon. H. S. D. Mallory, Chairman; Messrs. Ray Rushton, of Montgomery, and Cabaniss and Stiles, of Birmingham, to take such legal steps as will enable the trustees of Howard College, a body corporate, to hold a larger amount of properties free from taxation than they are now allowed under their charter. And to this end they are fully authorized to take such steps as may to them seem right and proper, whether legislative or otherwise, and they are also requested to secure such further changes in said charter as are necessary and best and to them seem expedient.

Second. That at such time as the trustees of Howard College see fit and proper to call upon the Alabama Baptist State Convention to deed to them through its president, such properties as are in the name of the said Alabama Baptist State Convention, the president of the said Alabama Baptist State Convention is and he is hereby expressly authorized and empowered to convey by deed all of the right, title and interest of the Alabama Baptist State Convention, a body corporate, to the trustees, a body corporate.

Third. That a financial committee

of five of our wisest business men be appointed, three of whom must be, and all of whom may be members of the Board of Trustees of Howard College, who shall have full authority over the property of the college, holding inviolate all endowment funds, investing the same and turning over to the trustees all accrued interest on the same when collected, to be used by them for the best interest of the college. The said committee are hereby empowered to sell any and all lands or any of the lands, saving and excepting the lands known as the college campus and embraced in same and to reinvest the proceeds in any way or form which may seem to them right and proper, having in view only the best interest of the college; and upon the said committee calling upon the president of the Alabama Baptist State Convention to convey any of the properties of the college, the said president is hereby fully authorized and empowered to execute on behalf of the Alabama Baptist State Convention any and all conveyances, transferring the properties as said committee aforesaid has directed. The said committee shall be appointed by the president of the Alabama Baptist State Convention, the president of Howard College and the president of the Board of Trustees. The terms of office of said committee be as follows: One shall continue until July 1, 1905, or until his successor is appointed; thereafter one shall go out of office successively each year, continuing in office, however, until his successor is appointed. The president of the Alabama Baptist State Convention, the president of the college, the president of the Board of Trustees shall fill all vacancies as they may occur for any cause, and the members of the committee shall be eligible to reappointment.

Fourth. That an Endowment Committee, composed of three of our wisest business men in the State, be appointed to aid whoever undertakes to raise funds for endowment or other purposes. This committee shall appoint such advisory committee or committees as may seem best to forward the work. The above committee of three shall be appointed by the president of the college in consultation with the president of the Board of Trustees.

Fifth. We urge with all the emphasis we can command that the cause of denominational education be recommended by the Convention to be placed on the calendar of our churches' benevolences, and that with a determination precluding all possibility of failure we address ourselves to the task of raising annually for Howard College a sum of not less than \$6,000; this to continue until the college is in such shape that it no longer needs the help.

Sixth. That the faculty of Howard College be relieved of the expense of keeping up the necessary repairs on the college property, and that these repairs be assumed by the Alabama Baptist Convention and that the following committee be appointed by the Convention to make such repairs as may seem right and proper.

Seventh. That the Convention hereby authorize the turning over to the Financial Committee all the money now held in trust by Eugene Enslen or Capt. R. F. Manly, said trust fund being money held by the Convention for Howard College, and that all the accrued interest so received by said committee shall by them be turned over to the president or chairman of faculty of said college to be used by him for the expense of advertising for students during the present summer.

Report of the Corresponding Secretary to the State Board of Missions.

Dear Brethren: The present year, only seven and a half months, has been one of continued blessing. I do not know of a discouraging feature, which is worthy of notice. Our relations with all the Boards continue to be most pleasant. The Sunday School Board at Nashville appropriated to our work \$350 worth of Bibles. These have been put into the hands of colporters, some were donated to the Associations, some were given to the poor and some were sold and the proceeds added to the Bible and Colportage fund. Our people should remember the Sunday School Board, give it their patronage and encourage the observance of Bible Day in the Sunday schools, so as to enlarge the Bible fund of the Board.

The Home Board of Atlanta makes its usual appropriation of \$400 on the salary of the corresponding secretary, gives \$300 to the running expenses of the Scottsboro school and \$300 to our general work.

We hoped to contribute \$10,000 last year to the Home Board in cash, but when the returns were all in, we found we had given only \$7,190.98, but this was an advance over the year before of \$1,093. The merchandise in thirty-five boxes, by our women, to the Frontier Missionaries, amounted to \$2,911.

The Home Board ought to have from Alabama \$12,000 in cash another year.

The Foreign Board pays on your secretary's salary annually \$600. I might say here, this arrangement is entirely

satisfactory to all the Boards.

It will be gratifying news to every Alabamian to learn that the report at Asheville showed \$14,850 given for Foreign Missions, an increase over the year before of \$3,323, and \$1,850 more than was asked of us. This put Alabama fifth in the list of States. Something over \$1,300 of this was from bequests. We should ask for at least \$15,000 for Foreign Missions next year.

It is my pleasure to report several

Bequests.

Brother Caleb Miles, an old, crippled minister of Marengo county, requested that 10 per cent. of his little estate, amounting to a little more than \$150 should be given to missions. Fifteen dollars and fifteen cents was the amount. The first item in the will of Sister L. Doss, of Lafayette, bequeathed \$300 to missions. Miss Clementine Snow, of Calhoun county, dying, left all her estate, amounting to over \$1,200, to Foreign Missions. All these lived consecrated lives, giving heart and life and means to His blessed service and at the end remembered their best friend in their will.

"Remember Christ in Your Will," should be an exhortation from every pulpit in Alabama. Our northern brethren for years have been reaping a rich harvest every year to the denominational work from this source.

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The Credit System.

The Baptist Standard gives up the struggle for a strictly prepaid subscription list. Dr. Cranfill's experiment, and his frank statements about it, have attracted wide notice. It is a matter in which every religious newspaper publisher is interested. The object of such a paper is not primarily to make money. It has far larger and nobler aims. And yet the men whom the publisher employs must be paid. They are not in business merely for pleasure. Their families are dependent upon them for support, and the publisher's family also is probably dependent upon the paper's income. The paper itself is not always a necessity, but in most cases it is. Not to mention all, what would the Baptists of Virginia do without the Religious Herald? Or those of Tennessee without the Baptist and Reflector? Or those of Georgia without the Christian Index? There are others equally indispensable. The success of the denominational paper is bound up with the subscription list. The one thing which decides whether the paper is to live or die is its income. Every man who takes and pays for it helps it to live. Every man who ought to take it and refuses helps to kill it. But its worst enemy is he who subscribes for it and never pays.

The Pope's Dilemma.

If telegraphic reports in secular papers can be relied on, the pope is in trouble. Our government has to deal with the church property held by friars in the Philippines. The President has appointed a commission to pass on the question involved. Very naturally the claim of the friars must be heard and considered. To this end the commission is going past Rome to consult the pope, who stands in authority over the friars. At first the pope was delighted at what seemed a recognition of his claim to temporal power. An embassy from America to his court was just what he had craved. But the president let it be understood that the negotiations were to have no such meaning, and that his agents were dealing with Leo as the head of a business firm with reference to purchase of lands, and not with the pope as the head of a civil government with reference to an international question. Hence, one dispatch says the pope will meet the commission and the next one says he will not. His pride is at stake, his empty claim is in peril.

The foregoing from the Central Baptist, St. Louis, is a judicious comment on a situation which has caused some pricking of ears among those who

felt a little uncertain as to what Mr. Roosevelt might do next. But the friends of the papacy spoke too soon, unless they were merely fingering the popular pulse. In response to inquiry from this paper Secretary Hay sent

the assurance that no diplomatic relations with the Vatican were contemplated. When the pope comes face to face with a committee of hard-headed yankees on a business proposition he is not likely to get his toe kissed.

Editorial Paragraphs

We extend to the Averyt family our condolence in their sore bereavement. Bro. Alexander Averyt, of Shelby, died suddenly last week. May the Lord comfort them.

Time all gone and am not available for meetings in Alabama until the first Sunday in April of next year. God bless you exceedingly is my prayer.

Paul Price, Evangelist.

We congratulate the Endowment Committee and Trustees of Howard College upon their report to the Convention. Everyone present felt that these brethren had done all in their power to advance the interests of the College.

"Aims and Methods" is a neat publication emanating from that most excellent academy, the Marion Military Institute. It is true to its name and is not a catalogue, but a setting forth of the aims and methods of the institution, and assures the very best for any student who may attend it.

Rev. W. P. Harvey, D.D., is in Birmingham and we are daily brightened by a visit from him, but we very much regret the sickness of his loved son, which is the cause of the doctor's stay with us. His son, Mr. Frank W. Harvey, is down with typhoid fever at St. Vincent's Hospital. We are glad to say that so far he is doing well and pray that he may soon be restored.

Every delegate at the Convention regretted the absence of Rev. T. M. Calloway of Talladega. He was detained at the bed side of his child, who is ill with typhoid fever. The Lord be gracious to Bro. Calloway and his family and restore the sick one. Brother Calloway was to have reported the Convention for our paper, but in his absence that was done by our Montgomery Associate, Rev. S. M. Provence.

We have received from the Baptist Book Concern, Louisville, Ky., a tract entitled "The Lord's Supper," by Rev. W. P. Harvey, D.D. It is concisely and cogently written and is a most valuable compendium. We thank Dr. Harvey and cheerfully commend the tract as admirably adapted to inform our own people and others on the subject. It ought to be widely circulated. The price is 10 cents.

The Committee on Co-operation of the Southern Baptist Convention, consisting of the general secretaries and the State secretaries, met in Decatur Thursday afternoon. The following State secretaries were present: Holt, Tennessee; Jameson, Georgia; Rowe, Mississippi; Ware, Louisiana; Gambrell, Texas; Crumpton, Alabama. The purpose of this committee is to devise some effective method of securing the co-operation of those churches that are not interested in the general work of the denomination. These brethren added much to the interest of the meetings, and received hearty greetings.

Editor Asa Rountree achieved a notable triumph in the beautiful art edition of the Dixie Manufacturer. It reflects credit on both the editor and the publisher, for the work was done here in Birmingham by the Leslie Printing and Publishing Co.

We always look for the fathers in Israel when the Convention meets, and feel much disappointed when we miss them. Dr. Roby was on hand, feeble, but cheerful, and his presence was a benediction. How we missed Drs. Teague and Shaffer. We never look into the faces of these men that we do not behold the evening glory and realize that at evening there shall be light. The Lord crown them with blessings.

Brother S. G. Woodall, of Andalusia, writes that we ought to leave off the "Rev." as he is just plain S. G. Woodall, only an humble follower of the meek and lowly Jesus. His excellent article in the issue of June 25, on the "First Day," misled us, and we set him down as a preacher. We are glad to know that we have a layman who is capable of wielding such a facile pen.

Dr. McConnell, or rather "Mac," as he is lovingly called by the brethren was at the Convention, and what a speech he made! How hearts are thrilled by his description of the work and its needs. And the hat story. Wasn't it just like him? He is unique, for he is a composite. He has the mind of a man, the heart of a woman, and the spirit of a boy; and when these three go together in one man, something good takes place in this old, tired world. It was his first visit to our Convention, and now we will want him to come every year.

It was a wonderful tribute that the Convention paid to Dr. L. O. Dawson, for it was genuine, spontaneous, enthusiastic and long, and how modestly he took it all. Conscious of the great honor, proud that his brethren wanted him for a leader, yet fearing his unfitness, he begged that he might have time to be alone with God and talk it over with Him. Brethren, let's join our hands with his, and if God calls him into the work, we will then be ready to do what is needful.

Dr. Willingham's speech was masterly. There is something about the man that lifts him high above one's idea of the professional secretary. He seems the very incarnation of Foreign Missions, and when he talks one is swept along with mighty enthusiasm. It is impossible to hear him and withstand his message. Call it what you will, but he has the power to move men, and make them feel that the most important thing in the world is to give the gospel to the heathen. We had an opportunity to see him, the man behind the secretary, and how our heart glowed as he showed us a picture of his boy and the bride that is to be, and planned for their happiness on the foreign field.

Secretary Crumpton delivered his



CHANCELLOR W. H. SIMPSON,
Who Delivered Address of Welcome

lecture, "The Original Tramp or How a Boy Got Through the Lines to the Confederacy," at Pratt City on Monday night, and at Avondale on Tuesday night recently. It is a thrilling story and everybody in Alabama knows that Brother Crumpton can tell a story. We enjoyed it more than anything of the kind we have heard in many a day. It is not a scraping together of chestnuts and stale anecdotes like so many of the so-called lectures, but a clean, original story—Crumpton's own, and is highly entertaining from beginning to end. We heartily commend it to the societies and churches who wish to raise some money with a delightful entertainment of good moral tone.

It is occasionally urged that to help churches in sustaining pastors even temporarily encourages indifference in the membership to pastoral support. The secretary of the State board of missions of Virginia, Mr. William Ellyson, gives a partial list out of the hundreds of churches helped by his board and adds: "These churches are now not only self-supporting, but last year contributed to the boards of General Association \$17,058—more than all the churches of the Association contributed to State missions last year." Some such showing, no doubt, could be made in some other States. It doesn't kill a church to help it.

Secretary No Longer.

Since the Convention at our request relieved the Board of Ministerial Education of institute work, there is no longer need for a corresponding secretary for the Board, and so I am secretary no longer. Will brethren please take notice of that fact and send contributions to the treasurer, Dr. C. C. Jones, at East Lake? In retiring, I thank the Board and the brethren for uniform kindness.

J. V. Dickinson.

Preachers' Benefit Association

Many of the delegates were on hand the night before the Convention met, and heard a most excellent sermon by Bro. H. C. Risner, of Roanoke, after which, as previously announced, Bro. H. W. Provence laid before the brethren present the matter of forming a Preachers' Benefit Association. It was decided, on motion of Bro. J. V. Dickinson, to undertake such an organization, and Bro. H. W. Provence was appointed chairman of a committee of three (he to select his associates on the committee), to launch the movement and prepare suitable constitution and by-laws.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Dr. T. W. Ayers.

Hwanghien, China, April 21, 1902.

Editor Baptist: I inclose you a picture of Mr. and Mrs. Kao, pronounced as if spelled Gow, the two natives who tell the people of Christ who come to me for medical treatment.

Mr. Kao preaches every afternoon to the men who come to the dispensary for treatment, and he is doing a work which I am sure the Lord will bless. His salary is paid by the primary department of the Parker Memorial Sunday School, Anniston, and he is a man whom these children can well be proud to claim as their representative in China. He is a man of splendid character and one in whom his brethren have great confidence. The Church here has only one deacon and Mr. Kao has the honor of being that one selected by his brethren to fill this office.

Mrs. Kao is a woman in whose praise it would be difficult to say too much. She is conceded by all to be the most consecrated woman connected with our work in North China, and I consider myself exceedingly fortunate in having her for a Bible woman. Her life is a striking example of what the grace of God can make of the life of a Chinese woman. Before becoming a Christian she was not considered at all gentle in her manners. In fact, she now often tells of the very high temper she had before becoming a Christian; but she is now noted for her gentleness and sweetness of character. She is a woman of great piety. One of our lady missionaries recently in speaking of her said: "She is the most consecrated woman I have ever known of any nationality." When she first became a Christian she was greatly persecuted by her husband, and the members of his family. She bore this persecution in the true Christian spirit, and the members of the family were forced to see daily that she had been with Christ. The result of her life has been that her husband, his father, his cousin, and several other members of the family have been brought to Christ, and in addition to these, she has led many others to Christ.

Mrs. Kao is no doubt known by name to many of the Baptist women of Birmingham, as she was for several years the Bible woman of Miss Anna Hartwell, and I feel sure that Miss Hartwell often spoke of her while on her visit to Birmingham last year. It is largely through the kindness of Miss Hartwell that I have Mrs. Kao. She came here for treatment last summer, and after she grew strong enough to do the work, I gave her the work among the women who came to the dispensary, and after Miss Hartwell's return she saw that Mrs. Kao was so peculiarly suited to this work, and seemed so happy in it, that she insisted that she remain.

The outlook for the work in North China has never been so bright as it is now. The oldest missionaries here say the people have never been so willing to hear as they are today. The great need is for more laborers. Tens of thousands of people in this immediate section are anxious to hear who have no one to teach them. We are daily praying for re-inforcements for this station. I find myself constantly praying the Lord to send us here such men as Foster of Anniston; Dawson, of Tuscaloosa; Provence, of Montgomery;

Ivey, Oxford; Calloway, Talladega; Bomar, Marion, and others like them. The Lord's work here needs the best men and women He has. He will give unto them here much greater blessings than it is possible for them to secure at home, and in addition to the manifestations of the Lord's presence during life, they can add many more stars to their crowns by coming here than they will add by remaining in homeland. May the Lord honor many of them by calling them to come.

From Lanett, Alabama.

Our Lanett church has recently had a good meeting. I began on fourth Sunday night preaching only at night for one week, when Bro. O. P. Bentley, of Fayetteville, came, and we continued the meeting a week longer.

As is common with us here, we had fine congregations and good attention, quite a number of our membership were revived, and vows for future service were made to God.

Seventeen new members were added by letter, twelve by experience, fourteen were baptized, two having joined before our meeting. Two joined the last night, two have joined since, making in all 35 members added to us recently. This added to about thirty others before, gives us a growth of sixty-five in the present pastoral year. We are proud of every one of them in our work.

The work at Lanett is heavy for only one-half a pastor's time, but the Lord has some glory, I trust, among these good people.

Quite a number of our friends have all along been under the impression that O. P. Bentley is my brother. I have never gone out of my way to complain about it, and now, especially, since our good meeting, I am proud to be able to claim so faithful a gospel preacher as a very worthy cousin, and more, a strong brother in the ministry of our Lord and Master.

Our people here appreciate this servant of our God, and I shall ask them to release me from some of my time here that I may go over to Fayetteville during the summer and try to pay back Bro. Bentley for his good work among us.

Cusseta, with the few faithful ones, moves along nicely, and we are already praying for a gracious meeting in the further summer.

Milltown, the "nonesuch" church, has recently mourned the death of her senior deacon and a most worthy member, Bro. Wm. M. Woodall. He for many years was a strong, yet unassuming member of church and community, ready to "bear one another's burdens." One of the last acts of his business life, on his death bed, was to request his devoted wife to pay his pastor some money, not forgetful of duty and privilege, so faithful. The Lord will comfort the lonely wife and sorrowing children and relatives and friends.

Milltown is looking forward to a great meeting in August.

This is one Church, that has already, beforehand, purchased a pastor's home, and they are seeking opportunity to locate a pastor in their midst. A good, strong, worthy field, when it can be united to work contiguous for a strong pastor. The Lord bless them; they certainly know how to love a pastor and work with him, too.

At Milltown, Prof. J. R. Jarrell as principal, has recently closed a very prosperous session of what many of us think is about the best school in East Alabama.

Now, I am taking your space too freely, but must hint a little about my trip last week to Goodwater, where I assisted the pastor, Bro. Upshaw, in a good meeting. I was trying there also to pay back some of his help to me in past days. But I think I got more than I gave, surely.

From first to last I was made happy. Such good congregations, such singing, respectful attention, kind words of appreciation, so many dear friends to see again from Mt. Olive, Providence and Rock Springs, all near Goodwater. Then to get back again so near the old roads where I passed for five years and more, and visit again such a happy preacher's home as that of W. J. D. Upshaw, and then to have such sympathy and prayer as can be given a visiting preacher by Bro. Upshaw. These things make a hard-worked pastor happy when he can get off occasionally and assist his brothers in their hard work, too.

My conclusion is that the religious condition of Goodwater is incalculably better than when Bro. Upshaw moved there. He and his people seem to be married to each other. I would be glad to speak of some of his people, especially the fine class of girls in his church, but I must not attempt now to call names.

How much of our Lord's glory is coming from the earnest, consecrated work of our girls and young ladies everywhere! God bless all their labors.

I trust that you are finding sympathy and help among all our people in your paper work.

The Lord bless you and the paper.
C. J. Bentley.

A Spicy Letter.

I have with much interest recently read Secretary Crumpton's letters (when Crumpton talks he says something), besides notes and letters of other good and notable men which also appeared from time to time in your paper. Some brother in a recent letter (I forget the author now) hit the nail on the head when he wrote about so many "Pastorless Churches" and very many more localities where Baptists have perhaps preaching every other Sabbath, which to our way of thinking, is not at all the proper method, and does but little good, and in a good sized village to only have preaching a little less than half time when with only a little interest manifested, they could have regular services. To have this sort of half way service is a reflection and a shame on our denomination with such a lot of Baptists. We wouldn't criticize a sparsely settled "neck o' the woods," which is too utterly poor and impoverished to call a minister, but we have in mind some who are too measly and indifferent to act like a Baptist, but at times would have to be called such. What is more about occasional preaching, is often one is paid for say half time, and he doesn't even see one of his flock till next preaching day. And should a sheep be in need of the shepherd's care, whether one be sick, dying, marrying or dead, his shepherd, where is he? Many times one is compelled to go out and borrow or beg a minister that others are paying, to attend on sick, dying or dead. There are cases and cases where members are assisting in paying for a pastor's services

when they've never seen him, but naturally ask, who is he? Where is he? and other queries galore. We know a preacher cannot wildcat about the country serving or trying to serve several churches, and do the cause very much material good. Neither the hard worked preacher, nor it may be the indolent churches, show much results. Recently we listened to an address of W. J. E. Cox to the Junior Order American Mechanics. Among much other interesting matter he came over, was that when and where before this Order's State Council met in the States, the Mayors gave them an address of welcome. But down in Mobile there's a Romanist Mayor who was asked to make the usual address on such an occasion, but he "wouldn't do no such," as our Roman heard the Order was anti-Catholic. But right on the heels of that, came the Knights of Columbus, and 'twas then our Mayor did himself proud.

All of which and more too, was in Mobile Herald of April 28, 1902. Difference? One was wholly (not holy) Catholic and the other was not.

We notice in your latest you send out envelopes for subscribers to send in remittances in, at the paper's risk. Good scheme, and hope you have had success.
A Mobiler.

If I Were a Preacher.

It seems to me that if I were a preacher the first thing I would do, when called to the care of a church, would be to put a religious paper in every home connected with my church.

There are two things that are very queer to me. First, that a man with a family, and a member of the Church, will take all kinds of newspapers, and never have a religious paper in his home. With few exceptions such men are of very little use to their Church.

Second, and stranger still, that a preacher will preach to a church for years, and never solicit or encourage his members to take a religious paper, or say a word in the interest of his own State paper.

I know a preacher who has the care of four churches, and it has been my fortune or misfortune to hear him preach many times, and if he has ever said one word in that direction, I have failed to hear it. But I have heard him say that he had no patience with preachers writing up protracted meetings, and blowing about what great things they have done.

It is needless to say that if such a preacher ever attempts to take up a collection for missions, that he makes a miserable failure.

I am glad that the day has come when such preachers are few and far between.
T. L. Upshaw.

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The State Convention.

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three societies received \$268,404 in bequests. If their attention was called to it, Southern Baptists would do much along the same line.

Enlarging Our State Work.

By reference to the financial report, it will be observed that State Missions is overdrawn \$1,359, besides this we are due the missionaries to June 1st, \$459. Since the books were closed on the 16th, we have received for State Missions \$342.35. We began the year with increased appropriation, because of the increased demands upon us. Had the year closed in November, instead of June, I feel confident that we would have reported no debt. Just before the close of the Southern Baptist Conventional year, April 30th, we always make a grand rally for Home and Foreign Missions. In April, the receipts of the office, mostly for the two Boards, was over \$7,000. May 1st, all our Alabama work came before the churches in a lump and each interest has pressed its claim every moment since. Coming like a flood at the time of the year when money was exceedingly scarce, it resulted in more or less confusion. However the churches responded nobly, considering everything. I doubt if our debt is more now than it is usually at this season of the year. I am persuaded we must make an advance in our State work and trust to the pastors and the churches to send us the needed means. Fearing debt, probably we have been too conservative. The demands are upon us and we must meet them.

The Saddest Thing

I know of is the condition of our factory people. Nearly all of them are our own native southern white people. Many of them are Baptists or Baptist reared. When they find themselves together in a factory town, a spirit of indifference seems to settle down upon them. They will not seek membership in the city churches, where convenient; nor will they voluntarily organize churches among themselves. When the secretary stands before a country association and pleads for sympathy and money to establish churches in the mill towns, he seldom gets either sympathy or money; the average country Baptist cannot be made to see where there is any destitution in a city or town. When the secretary stands before the city churches and pleads for sympathy and money for the same people, he seldom gets either. They often say: "We have a building here, a splendid preacher, whom we are supporting, and they ought to come to us and get the benefit." It is a question in my mind how far the Board ought to go in supplying the destitution in the cities. The church or churches on the ground, God holds responsible for the fields in their reach. If the Board steps in and occupies the field, injury is done to the church there because they are relieved of the responsibility. We damage them to the extent, we take away from them the field that God has thrust upon them and their preacher. If they will not do it, of course the Board must; but it is the natural thing for them to do it. It is the very life of a church to take hold of a work like that, and I am glad to say some of our strong city churches are seeing the necessity and are struggling hard to meet it. We have joined hands with the Home Board in co-operative work among

The Colored People.

An intelligent consecrated ministry, is the need of this people. I believe the Board has acted wisely in making an appropriation to Selma University to aid the ministerial students there. Some of them are settled men, with families, pastors of churches, who can spend only a few weeks in the winter; others are young men who stay through the entire session. There were twenty-eight the past session who report — sermons preached. The colored brethren everywhere express their appreciation for the assistance we are rendering.

The Woman's Central Committee.

is doing a great work in Alabama. More and more they are getting in touch with the women of the churches. Theirs is a labor of love. Not one of them gets a salary. We have appropriated to them to pay for stationary, printing, postage and traveling expenses in attending associations, etc., \$250. Their work has grown so that the appropriation needs to be increased. I feel sure that the time has come for them to take a step in advance and employ a State organizer. If a suitable woman could be secured to go quietly over the State and interest our women in the mission work, I know of nothing which would be more helpful to the cause. Without such an organizer, the Woman's Central Committee report the year's work as follows:

Cash to Foreign Missions...	\$2632 35
Cash to Home Missions.....	3097 69
Cash to Sunday School Board	14 90

Total cash	\$5744 94
In Merchandise	\$2911 00

This sum besides the merchandise, was raised without one cent of expense to the Home and Foreign Boards, the State Board bearing all the expense. I cannot accurately name the amount given by the Women's Societies for State Missions, but I am certain the sum would exceed the \$250 paid the Central Committee on expense account. The trustees will make a report to the Convention of

The Scottsboro Institute.

The expense, as you will see from the financial report, was "for repairs," \$310.50; "for insurance," \$40; "for printing catalogue," \$52.75, and "for running expenses," \$289.73. This the Home Board shared with us. We need a new fence around the property and the building painted. When this is done the property will be in first-class condition. The patronage this year was almost entirely local, numbering 125 pupils. We hope by a vigorous canvass this summer to double the number in attendance and have many from the surrounding country. There are difficult problems to solve in the conduct of the school, but I feel sure we will solve them in a way to be for the glory of God. I believe we will see the day when we will be greatly delighted with the work of this school. Of course the policy should be to make the Scottsboro Institute a feeder for the Howard and the Judson, as far as possible.

We are doing a little more each year with

Colportage.

Many difficulties are to be overcome. The most important one is: the people don't love to read books. The colporter must cultivate among them the taste for reading. If he had to depend upon his sales for a living, he would starve before the cultivation began to bear fruit, but he should be supported while

engaged in the work. What he does in the homes of the people, organizing Sunday schools where they are needed, and distributing mission literature, besides preaching, will more than compensate for the money put out on him. The condition of the roads in the winter makes it almost impossible to haul books and the scarcity of money in the summer makes it almost impossible to sell books. So you see there are many difficulties, but we are learning to overcome them.

There is a great necessity for

A Tract Fund.

One good woman has given us \$5.00 to start it, and I believe I will get more. For \$100 a year, many thousands of tracts on important subjects could be sent into every corner of Alabama where they would be eagerly read. I have no doubt that the Missionary awakening in the State is largely due to the tracts sent out from this office. Most of them are supplied me by the Foreign Mission Board. Of course, many thousands of them are never read, but many thousands more are read, to great profit.

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under the new management, as under the old, opens its columns for anything I may choose to write. In May I was permitted to edit the Missionary number. Besides the regular issue of seven thousand, Brother Barnett very generously printed three thousand extra copies without one cent of extra cost to the Board.

The value of the paper to all enterprises cannot be estimated, and our preachers ought to diligently labor to put it in every home.

If I can carry out my plans, I expect much to come from

The Summer Campaign

I am now trying to inaugurate. Numbers of Associations have requested that Baptist Rallies be held at central country churches, where important questions, pertaining to the Christian and church life, will be discussed, along with Missions, Christian Education and distinctive Baptist doctrines. My experience has led me to believe this is the best Missionary work which can be done in many sections.

With this report I hand you a summary of Mission Work, and the Financial Report, properly audited.

Grateful for His leading hand thus far, and expecting His blessing in the future, I commend you and the work to Christ, our King.

W. B. Crumpton,
Corresponding Secretary.

Literary Notes.

Doctrine and Deed.

By Charles E. Jefferson. Thos. Y. Crowell, New York. Price \$1.50.

The title of this volume is suggestive. It indicates that the author belongs neither to those who teach that Christianity is a creed, nor to those who hold that Christianity is a life. He believes in a Christianity that consists of both creed and life. This appears in the subjects of the seventeen sermons which make up the volume. Among them are, God Manifest in the Flesh, The Reconciliation, The Holy Spirit, The Impossible Commandment, The Sinfulness of Worry and Christianity and Wealth. One of the very best sermons in the book is on The Principle of Giving. Something

of the vivacity and charm of the author's style may be seen in the following sentences taken from here and there: "We come into the world with our fists tightly clinched, and some men need an entire lifetime to get their hands opened. The shut hand is the symbol of animalism; the open hand is the emblem of the new man in Christ Jesus." "The Lord is the friend of the poor, and so He urges them to give. He does not want them to be dogs under the rich man's table. He wants them to take their places among the hosts of the redeemed." Dr. Jefferson is a strong, clear thinker, and one can readily understand why he should be so popular with his great New York congregation. H. W. P.

Author of Ben Bolt.

The Society of American Authors has appointed a committee to receive contributions for the placing of a suitable monument over the grave of Dr. English, author of the once famous song, "Ben Bolt."

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Dicky Downy.

The Autobiography of a Bird. By Virginia Sharpe Patterson. A. J. Rowland, Philadelphia, Pa.

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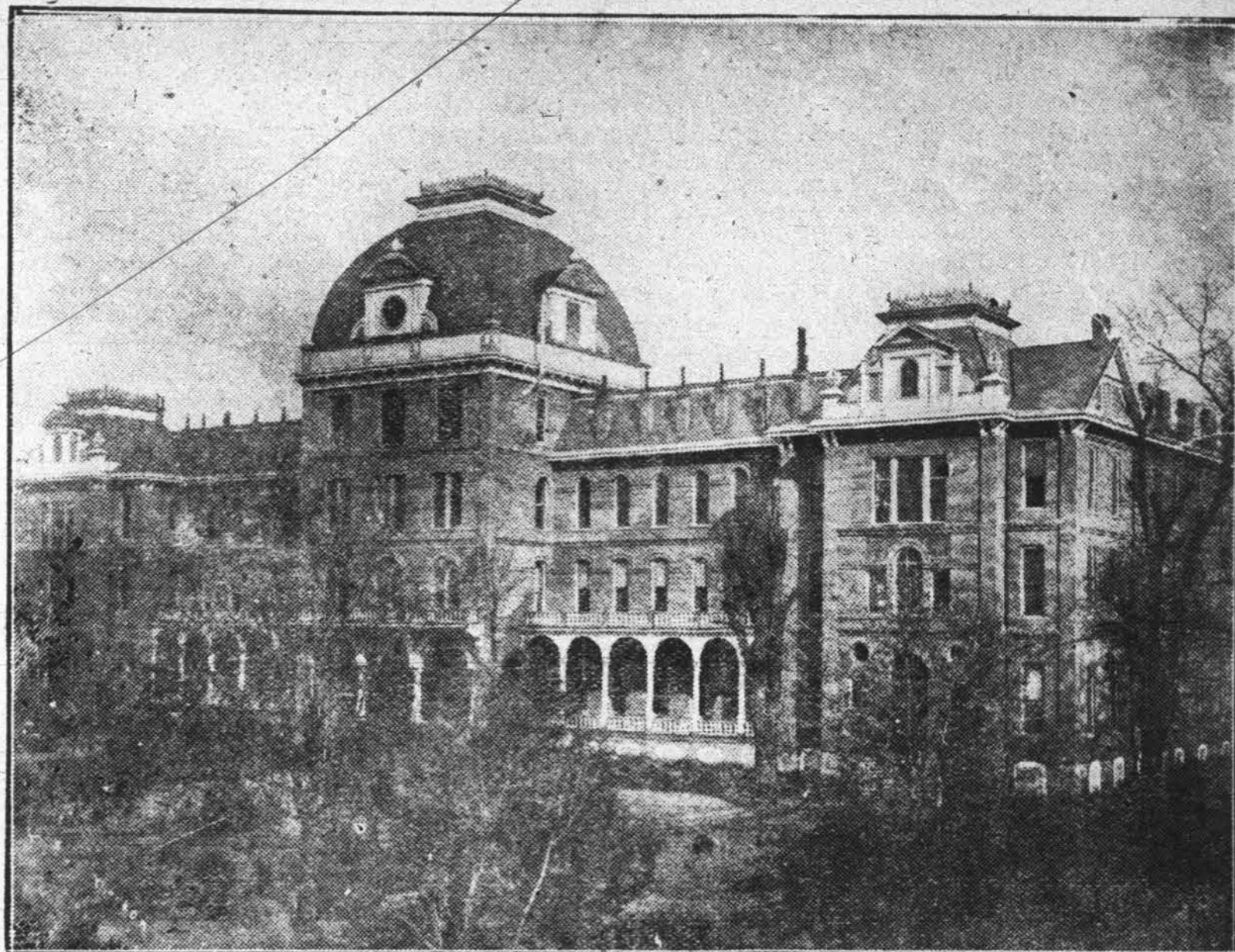
Rev. C. C. Pugh.

Rev. C. C. Pugh, of Lafayette, one of the new pastors in the State. He is, however, a native Alabamian and an alumnus of the University of Alabama as well as of the Seminary at Louisville, and one of the finest men in our ranks.

The death of the distinguished Presbyterian pastor and preacher, Dr. B. M. Palmer carries sorrow to thousands all over our country outside of his own communion. Dr. Palmer was eighty-four years old, and had been pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in New Orleans about forty-five years. The noteworthy address he made last year to the Southern Baptist Convention from his own platform will not soon be forgotten by those who were fortunate enough to hear it. Dr. Palmer was a great preacher and was held in the highest esteem by all classes of citizens in the Crescent City. He was a many-sided man, and in every way loyal to his conceptions of truth and duty. It is a sad and striking co-incidence that the venerable and beloved Dr. Moses D. Hoge, for half a century pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church of Richmond, Va., and easily the first among his brethren in the Old Dominion, met his death in the same way that Dr. Palmer came to his—the result of a street car accident. Yet no one could hold more firmly to belief in the constant divine control of all things than these great preachers. That fathomless mystery is solved for them now, as soon it must be for us all.

Dr. Madison C. Peters, Baltimore, in his address to the B. Y. P. U. Convention in Asheville, gave an uncommonly clear statement of some fundamental Baptist principles. It takes a man who has fought the truth over every inch of his ground with his own prejudices and predilections and interests, and has been completely conquered and possessed by it, to state that truth with the fervor and convincing power of Dr. Peters.

The "State Mission edition" of the Religious Herald, May 29th, was an unusually rich and full number. Its front page bore an excellent likeness of Hon. Henry Keeling Ellyson, who served the State mission board without salary from 1847 till his death in 1890. To him more than to any other one man living or dead is due the splendid work of that board for half a century and more. His youngest son, William, was chosen to succeed his father, and is amply vindicating the wisdom of his brethren in that choice.



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The Woman's Missionary

Union of Alabama.

The 10th annual meeting of the W. M. U. of Alabama opened with a larger enrollment of delegates than ever before in its history, for which we "thank God and take courage." Many of the best known among our workers were absent because of this meeting treading so hard upon the heels of the Asheville gathering, but the number of new and fresh young faces that had come up "with the hosts" to New Decatur, gave promise of the years to come. Heartfelt and fervid were the prayers uttered for our absent president, detained from her post of duty by sickness, this fact adding pathos to the tender words of her admirable address. Surely the strengthening of the "blessed tie that binds" these Christian hearts together is notably one of the precious outcomes of this meeting "face to face" of our workers.

There were many "holes" in the program as has been intimated, caused by the absence of those upon whom we have learned to lean in the annual meetings, but the affairs of the kingdom were upon the hearts of those "children of the King," and ready service was rendered by those present. The reports and conferences of the Association vice-presidents were of special helpfulness, an hour being arranged for an informal gathering on their part with the vice president of the Central Committee, who is also an Association Vice President, and in the "counsel of many" we hope there was "wisdom."

Dr. Willingham Corresponding Secretary of Foreign Mission Board, laid an added responsibility upon the women by his earnest appeal for missionary mothers, exhorting that they not only train the child in mission love, but be willing to give him to the Lord's service in foreign lands. As we listened, "did not our hearts burn within us?" There could be, of course, no "good meeting" without the love-feast, when our beloved missionaries, Miss Kelly and Miss Hartwell, fill the home with the fragrance of their lives and letters. A most charming letter was read from the former telling of the interest the Chinese were taking in her birthday, which occurs in September, and it was decided that the Alabama sisters would have a part in that celebration also. More of that anon however. It was also decided that our societies were living far below their privileges. Did they not send fond and frequent letters to these devoted women, who had made it possible for us to be obedient to the great commission by "passing forth in our stead?"

Again the Union adjourned to hear the Convention sermon which was strengthening and inspiring, but whether it is best for fifty or sixty ladies to test the gallantry of the delegates to the Alabama Convention to the extent of having the Bishops of our churches and even the president of the Convention stand up or find seats on pulpit steps and window sills while they indulge themselves in comfortable quarters, their business going by default, meanwhile, is a question. John's test as to discipleship is not a severe one, when it comes to loving the Alabama brotherhood, but what about the work of the board. Is not that what we go up to the Convention to accomplish?

The advisability of having a State organizer was discussed by the workers

and favored by the Secretary of the State Board of Missions, in his talks before the Union. It will be a long step forward when we have the right sort of women in the field for the strengthening of the "feeble knees" of our Societies.

If he did not put us to the blush by the very complimentary notice of woman's work as it appears in his report, he should surely put us on our mettle as to contributing more liberally to State Missions. We must add more of this foundation to work in Missions. It is surprising how soon our women find their tongues, when the meeting gets out of the rut of set papers and dry-as-dust reports. The Chair could not recognize the speakers fast enough when they were called on informally to tell of their ups and downs as presidents of societies or as Association Vice-Presidents or leaders of Sunbeam Branches and Baby Branches. The half hour was uplifting and helpful. Surely "Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh."

The "Parliament on Missions" and the "Symposium of Sunbeam work" were both of signal interest, and the adoption of the leaflet, "Twenty questions on Woman's Mission Work in Alabama" was very hearty, our Secretary feeling it would fill a long felt need.

The devotional exercises were particularly earnest and uplifting. The hospitality of the churches were extended the Union by their two pastors with kindest courtesy. So bright were the faces, and so cheery the service rendered by the little pages, flitting to and fro in their white dresses and picture hats, that it did not take a good guesser to opine that they were "Sunbeams." The hearty and graceful welcome extended to the ladies by Mrs. W. H. Simpson, the President of the local society, was verified and emphasized at a delightful reception given at her lovely home on Tuesday afternoon and evening. But the time would fail me to tell of all the gracious kindnesses extended in the shape of receptions, boat rides on the river, drives over the thrifty, promising little city, not to speak of the supreme compliment of opening their comfortable and hospitable homes for the pilgrims.

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Chattanooga, Tenn., July 1-4, 1902.

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Ninth Annual Convention, B. Y. P. U. of Alabama, Collinsville, Ala., July 16, 17, 1902.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

9:30—Song service; 9:45—Devotional exercises; 10:00—Address of Welcome. (a) In behalf of the Union by some one appointed by local Union. (b) In behalf of the church. 10:30—Response. 10:45—Enrollment of Delegates; 11:00—Election of Officers; 11:15—Report of Executive Committee; 11:25—Report of Secretary and Treasurer; 11:35—Report of Editor B. Y. P. U. Department; 12:00—Miscellaneous Business.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Workers in Conference—2:30 to 3:30; Prof. E. P. Hogan presiding. The Christian Culture Courses: (a) The Bible Readers' Course; (b) The Conquest Missionary Course; (c) The Sacred Literature Course. General Discussion.

3:30—Devotional Exercises; 3:45—Reports from Local Unions; 4:45 to 5:15—Miscellaneous Business.

THURSDAY EVENING.

7:45—Song Service; 8:00—Devotional Exercises; 8:15—"Some New Things and Some Others to Renew in B. Y. P. U. Work." A. J. Dickinson. 8:45—"What for the Future—Winter Quarters, or a Campaign?" C. C. Pugh. 9:15—Consecration Service.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

8:00—Song Service; 8:15—Devotional Exercises; 8:30—How May the B. Y. P. U. Help the Pastor?—J. V. Dickinson. 9:00—How May the Pastor Help the B. Y. P. U.?—W. B. Crumpton.

THURSDAY MORNING.

Workers in Conference—8:30 to 9:15. "Work of Committees."

9:30—Devotional Exercises. Shall There be an Advance Movement in 1903? 9:45 to 10:30—(1) The Spiritual Side of our Work Made Pre-eminent—John Bass Shelton; 10:30 to 11:15—(2) More Aggressive Personal Work for Christ—J. M. Shelburne; 11:15 to 11:45—The Present Needs of our State Work—L. M. Bradley.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

2:30—Song Service; 2:45—Devotional Exercises. "What Can We Put into our Work the coming Year to make it more Efficient?"

3:00—(1) More Consecration—P. W. Moore. 3:15—(2) More Enthusiasm—G. H. Bennett. 3:30—(3) Faithfulness to Committee Work—J. M. McCord. 3:45—(4) Loyalty to our own Church—Miss Mattie E. Brennan. 4:00—(5) Quality, not Quantity—Rev. Otis M. Sutton. 4:15—Question Box. 4:45—Miscellaneous Business.

From Union Springs.

We have recently passed through a series of meetings lasting about twenty days. Our beloved pastor, Rev. A. J. Monerief did the preaching. While earnestly and eloquently portraying the great principles of Theology, he humbly and vehemently implored divine help, and we think the Lord graciously blessed our Church membership and community. We think under his wise counsel and management we have a better organized system of Church work and he really seems to possess in a considerable degree that happy faculty that makes a person feel somewhat proud that he is placed on a committee of Church work.

The State Convention of the Baptist Young Peoples' Union.

The ninth Annual Session of the State Convention of the Baptist Young Peoples' Union will meet with the Baptist Church in Collinsville on Wednesday, the 14th day of July, at 9:30 a. m. All those who expect to attend will please send their names at once to Mr. J. L. Ventress at Collinsville. If you want to be comfortably provided for during your stay at the Convention, give this matter your immediate attention. Collinsville is about sixty miles north of Birmingham on the Alabama Great Southern R. R. In order to reach Collinsville in time to be at the organization, delegates should start in time to reach there on the night preceding the meeting of the Convention.

Every Union is entitled to representation, as well as every Young People's Society in the State; also every Church in the State that desires to do so can send one or more delegates. We most earnestly urge the pastors and other official members of Unions throughout the State to take this matter up at once and see that delegates are appointed from their Young People's Societies, and churches, and the names of said delegates forwarded to Mr. J. L. Ventress.

Arrangements are being made with the railroads for reduced rates on the Certificate plan. Further announcement will be made concerning this later.

Let every one who loves the work of our young people pray that the Holy Spirit may go with us in the meeting at Collinsville, and that our Convention may be one of great spiritual power.

J. L. Thompson,

President State B. Y. P. U. Convention.

Bessemer, June 27, 1902.

State Unions Attention.

The State B. Y. P. U. Convention meets in Collinsville July 16-17. The Convention promises to be one of the most interesting and largely attended in the history of the State Organization. Each Union is urged to send at once to me the full name of each delegate and visitor that will attend from their Union.

W. H. Marsh, Cor. Sec.
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Bro. Barnett and his wife will take in the Twelfth International Convention of the B. Y. P. U. at Providence. We regret that the meeting conflicts with our B. Y. P. U. State Convention, as we hoped to have Bro. Barnett, who is an enthusiastic B. Y. P. U. worker, meet with us at Collinsville.

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Lv. Montgomery.....	9 35pm		11 10am
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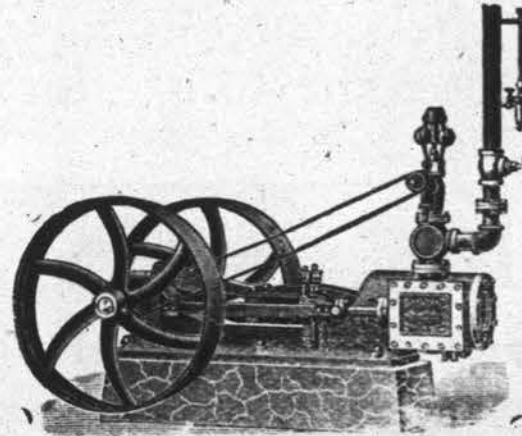
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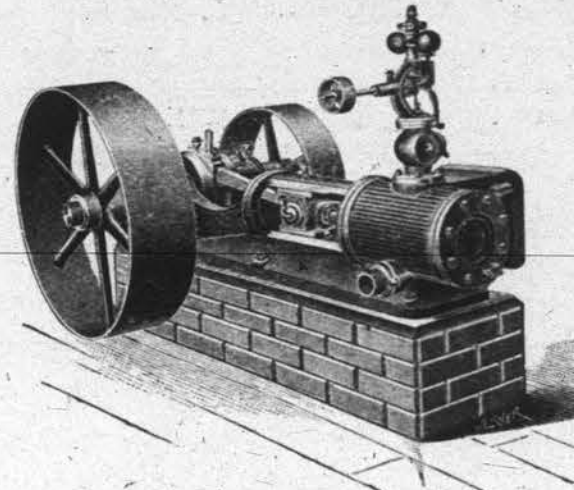
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From Pine Apple.

The two Baptist preachers living in Pine Apple have both been a little indisposed of late, but both have been able to fill their regular appointments.

We are glad to welcome Bro. Hendon as neighbor pastor at Furman. Hope the Lord may use him to accomplish much good in our section.

Camden and Rock West, we are told, are still without a pastor. Bro. Skinner, who left Monroeville to take the work at Atmore, still holds the fort at Kempville. Bro. Ray, the Carlowville Bishop, supplies at Bear Creek, one of my old charges, one Sunday evening in each month.

Bro. A. P. Majors, one of the pure in heart, is in his old place at Enon again.

My work at Monroeville, the county seat of Monroe county, I hope is getting in shape for better things. At Repton our new church is progressing handsomely, and we hope to hold services in it the fourth Sunday in July. The burning up of a part of the town there, has somewhat hindered the work. A more sacrificing people, both men and women, can't be found anywhere than is found at Repton. No pastor ever had better deacons than your scribe has there. At my appointment there last Sunday we received four more additions to the Church.

My old college mate, Rev. J. D. Cook, of Meridian, Miss., will dedicate our new house of worship on the fourth Sunday in July, and will continue the meeting for some days, and will go from there to assist me at Monroeville, embracing the first Sunday in August.

At Excel, a thriving country village,

seven miles west of Repton, where I preach Saturday and Saturday night before I preach at the latter place, there is quite a religious interest being awakened, five having joined there at the service Saturday night, among them a promising young deacon and his wife.

My hands have been over full this year, trying to pastor six churches.

W. N. Huckabee.

From Blue Eye.

Last Saturday and Sunday, the fourth Sunday in June, we had Rev. W. D. Vinson, of Brownwood, Tex., with us.

He preached us two excellent sermons, one on the organization of the Church, and one on Missions. After the sermon we took a collection and raised \$4 for Missions. Bro. Vinson was raised in Calhoun county, and was baptized by Rev. T. K. Trotter, our pastor, at Cold Water, some eight or ten years ago.

Bro. Vinson is a student of Howard Payne College, and is some thirty odd years old.

Blue Eye is an old Church, having been organized something near seventy years ago. It is beautifully situated on Blue Eye Creek, two miles from Lincoln, Alabama, and it has a magnificent spring of fine water.

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