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### The Beneficence of Two Alabama Baptists and What is Coming of It.

The most enduring monuments are Technology, and the University of Virnot of stone or of brass. Time will turn these to dust. But the monuments that are built of human love, of the desire to serve generations yet unborn, are eternal. Such was the work of William Washington Wilkerson and Jesse Butler Lovelace, through whose beneficence the Marion Military Institute was founded in 1887.

By a deed of dedication executed by them to J. T. Murfee, property valued at fifty thousand dollars, consisting of eight acres of land and three brick buildings specially designed for college purposes by Noah K. Davis, was placed in the hands of a self-perpetuating board of trustees to hold for educational purposes and uses, in order that "an institution of learning of the first class and high grade (no one but an educator of known ability and successful experience being eligible to the office of superintendent thereof)" might forever exist "to accomplish the greatest amount of good." This beneficence, united with the wisdom and ability of Colonel James T. Murfee, brought into existence the Marion Military Institute. Incorporated by the General Assembly of Alabama, session 1888-89, this institution has become one of the leading educational establishments of the South for the advancement of the cause of education.

In a scheme of education, the Institute occupies a position between the academy or the city high school and the great university. With instructors from the great universities, men who have attained special distinction in some field of scholarship, and with modern means and methods of instruction, the courses in the Institute are designed to be integral parts of the courses at such universities as Harvard, the University of Chicago, and the University of Virginia. The purpose of the instruction is to give a liberal education, and to furnish special training for study at such great universities. Thus the Institution exists for the advancement of the interests of secondary and superior education as well. Occupying the place of the old time college, it allies itself with the great universities to educate completely the youth of the country. It holds that university education should not be the privilege of the few, but that it should be the blessing of the many.

A visitor to the Institute is struck by three things: the nature of the students, the homes which are integral parts of the institution, and the system of government.

The students are characterized by a uniform politeness and gentlemanly bearing, and by a marked studiousness. In their faces are revealed moral principles and habits, and in their deportment may be seen the careful training of cultured homes. Studiousness is universal, and even the youngest seems to have a purpose in being in the school. A large proportion of the students are preparing for advanced study at the great universities-Columbia, Cornell,

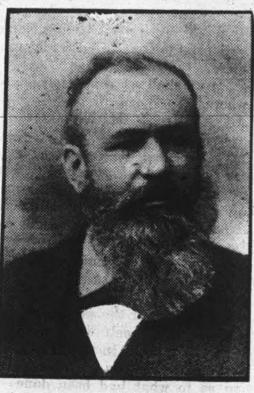
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The high purpose of these has been a stimulus to the entire student body to accurate and thorough work. Thus may be read in the faces and lives of the students the two capital and sole regulations of the Institute: Be a gentleman, and work.

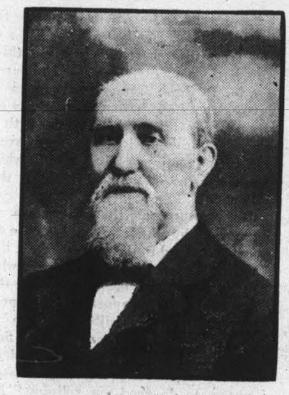
other dormitory. These homes exist to aid in that supreme part of a boy's education, social culture, gentlemanly conduct, and moral principles.

Another distinguishing feature of the Institute is the system of government. The principle of the government is that the students should be taught to do right because it is right; the purpose of the government is to develop in the student power to govern himself and to take an active interest and share in the government of others for the common good. Montesquieu wisely says that the laws The homes which are an integral part of education should be in relation to the of the school also strike the attention principles of the national government.

COL. JAMES T. MURFEE, LL D., Distinguished Educator and Founder of the Marion Military Institute.



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Two Alabama Baptists of Memorable Beneficence.

of the visitor, and remind him of the Thus in such a government as ours, wisdom of that great statesman, Thomas Jefferson. Thomas Jefferson, in his far-seeing wisdom, designed the University of Virginia so that the professors and their families should share the life of the students. The dormitories of the students and the homes of the professors were built side by side. In the Marion Military Institute also the homes are integral parts of the school: the home of Colonel and Mrs. J. T. Murfee and of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Murfee is in one dormitory; the home Harvard, the Massachusetts Institute of of Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Murfee is in the

where its very existence depends on, every citizen taking an intelligent, active interest and share in it, the educational institutions should have a system of government founded on the fundamental principles of the national government. This Thomas Jefferson also regarded as the chief part of education. The government should be of the students, for the students, and by the students; the purpose of the government should be, not to keep order merely, but to train the students to take an active interest and share in the great work of

government. Such is the Honor System of self government in the Marion Military Institute. Suggested no doubt by the distinguished service of the University of Virginia to higher education in "the promotion of self government among the students, with the cultivation of an esprit de corps sustaining high standards of academic honor and scholarship," it is more definite in its principles and practices. Sharing the same high spirit of the Honor System of the University of Virginia, it is embodied in a constitution as noteworthy in the history of school government as our federal constitution is in the history of national government. The Constitution reads:

#### Preamble.

Whereas, We believe that God has im planted in the hearts of all an unalienable sense of honor and right, and that the only means of permanent and cient government lies in appeal to this sense, and whereas, we believe that the chief end of education is learning to govern one's self and to discharge one's duties in the common government of others:

We hereby petition the Superintencent to permit us to establish among ourselves a complete system of self government as laid down in the accompanying Constitution; and the students of the Marion Military Institute, do hereby pledge our sacred honor to administer such a government fearlessly, faithfully, and without respect of per-

#### Constitution of the Students of the Marion Military Institute.

We, the students of the Marion Military Institute, in order to form a more perfect union, and to establish a government in which we shall be the guardians of our rights and the administrators of our obligations for the common welfare of us all, and to secure for ourselves and our successors the blessings of trust and self government, ordain and establish, with the sanction of the Superintendent, this Constitution for the students of the Marion Military In stitute.

#### Article I. Executive Department.

The executive power is vested in the Superintendent of the Marion Military Institute, who possesses supreme authority over all matters pertaining to the Institute.

#### Article II. Legislative Department.

Legislative powers shall be vested in the Faculty and in a Council of Stu-

#### Council of Students.

- 1. The Council of Students shall be composed of members chosen by the Superintendent.
- 2. The Assistant Superintendent shall be President of the Council, but shall have no vote unless they be equally divided.
- 3. The Council shall choose their other officers, and also a President pro tempore in the absence of the Presi-
- 4. The Council shall meet the first Friday night in each month at half past nine, and also on the last night of

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### WOMAN'S WORK

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

#### President's Address.

Dear Sisters: It is a great pleasure for me to greet you this morning-to meet you face to face, and we humbly pray that God will bless our gathering with His gracious presence and give us wisdom to plan our work for the coming year, so that all shall redound to His honor and glory. We have all come from our various homes to keep an appointment with one another to recount the work of the past year, to express our gratitude and joy for what has been accomplished, and wherein we have failed, to counsel together and from the wisdom and experience of many, draw such lessons as shall aid us in our onward work.

In all efforts to accomplish great results, we must remember that we are not always borne on the floodtide, that as in the physical world, there are opposing forces to progress, so in the spiritual world. Some of these opposing forces to Mission work are spasmodic efforts in our circles, lack of sympathy on the part of the pastors, want of information among the majority of our women. We cannot think that in this enlightened age that there are any among us who do not recognize the divine command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

But setting aside any discouragements that may have arisen, the results, as our secretary and treasurer will tell you, have rejoiced our hearts, and our expectations have been more than realized. But greater possibilities are before us, let us not withhold our help, but rather press forward in the glorious work of sending the gospel to earth's remotest bounds.

For our encouragement let us look at some of the nameless women of the Bible, whose devotion drew forth words of commendation from our Saviour, that have come ringing down all the

The first we find at Jacob's Well. Jesus in a wonderful manner holds up the mirror before her and her past life with all its sins and horror is revealed, a desire for a better life is awakened, and He sends her back with peace and pardon in her heart to spread the glad news that the Messiah was at the gate of the city.

Again, at a feast given by Simon, a woman who was a sinner bearing an alabaster box of ointment enters, and standing weeping at the feet of Jesus, began to wash them with her tears and wipe them with the hairs of her head. You all know Simon's objection to the woman, and the parable uttered by Jesus, which closes with this golden sentence: "Wherefore, I say unto thee, her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for she loved much."

Again, as He journeys to heal the little daughter of Jairus, the ruler of the synagogue, that among the throng that pressed upon Him came a timid woman, but with triumphant faith, and laid a finger on His robe and whispered, "If I may but touch His garment, I shall be made whole." Jesus, recognizing the contrast between the touch of the throng and the touch of faith, said, "Who touched me?" Peter said, "Master, seest thou the throng that presseth thee and sayest thou, "Who touched

me?" The woman, finding that she was discovered, cast herself at His feet, pouring out the story of her twelve long years of suffering and her faith in His power of healing. Jesus said, "Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace." The overcoming faith of this woman is only surpassed by the Syro-Phoenician woman who flung herself at His feet and pleaded for her daughter. Faith triumphed, and the Master said: "Be it unto thee as thou wilt."

For our last example of the nameless women of the Bible, we turn to the Temple of Jerusalem. In the outer court of the women the treasury had been placed, and sitting near it one day, Jesus watched the people as they cast in their offerings. Many that were rich cast in much; but there came a poor woman who cast in two mites, all that she had. One has said that her courage spoke in the daring which was not ashamed to give a little. Her consecration in devoting her entire day's living to the Lord's house, calling from the Master that peerless sentence, hath done what she could."

Memorable sayings are recounted of each of these examples—To the penitent: "Thy faith hath saved thee;" to the long time invalid, "Go in peace;" to the Syro-Phoenician, "Be it unto thee even as thou wilt;" to the poor widow, "She hath cast in more than they all."

May these words of commendation from the Master prove an inspiration to us all.

#### How can this Society do Better Work?

(Paper read before the Greenville Society.)

I trust that the ladies will not think this little paper too didactic in character for far be it from one who so plainly sees the mote in her own eye, to endeavor to instruct others in the path of duty. But indeed it is this very realization of remissness in myself, which has suggested to me the thoughts that follow.

It seems to me that there are many ways by which we can increase our efforts for good in the mission field, that I scarcely know where to begin or when to stop, but it has occurred to me that some of the most important lie in prayers, self-denial and willingness to do all we can to help those in any field, echoing the words of old Stephen Girard when he exclaimed, "The world is my country, to do good my religion." Not many of us would hesitate to deny ourselves some temporary pleasure, in order that we might have something we much desired for the home, or a pleasure trip. Then why not send the sums which they would cost to cheer our substitutes in the Master's vineyard and thus aid them in leading souls to Him? am sure that when we read their appealing, pathetic letters so fraught with gratitude for the little we have done, we feel that the denial is not in vain. No matter how trifling the sum if freely given it has its reward. You have all read the poem of the little star which

"I cannot do much to make this dark world bright,

But I'm only a part of God's great

So I'll just shine on, and do the best that I can!"

Oh! to do one's best! Angels cannot do more, and then there is unity of purpose, which we sometimes lack. Let us all work together and be ready at all times to respond, even though it be in a small way, for if we only give as freely as we have received, God's blessing will as surely rest upon our offer; ings as upon the widow's mite.

In unity lies strength, and if we are all of one purpose having the glory of God nearest our hearts, our labor is not lost. Some of us do not believe in missions because we cannot see with our own eyes the good resulting from our offerings. This is a material age and we are all prone to lack faith in things unseen for

"Our doubts are traitors

And make us lose the good we oft might Win, by fearing to attempt."

And then, too, we forget the divine injunction, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel," and some of us would like to confine our donations to missions right around us. This is well enough, but knowing that "there are neerrors in the great eternal plan," let us give just as freely to the heathen on "India's coral strand" as we do to the pleading orphan at our doors.

As we were forcibly reminded by our pastor in his sermon yesterday, it is as much our duty to pray God their souls to keep and ask His blessing on the work of our missionaries, as it is to contribute to their support, for we are told that "the prayer of the righteous availeth much," and we must not think them

"Not answered yet! Nay, do not say ungranted.

Perhaps our part is not yet fully done; The work began when first the prayer was uttered

And God will finish what He has begun.

If we but keep the incense burning there,

His glory we shall see some time, some where."

Mrs. B. H. Whittington. Greenville, Ala.

Dear Sister: As I promised to send my report for the State Conference, I will now do so, though it is but a repetition of what I recently wrote you. Having been engaged in the work so short a time, dating from April last, I cannot expect a harvest so soon from my small seed sowing.

Being ignorant of the work and wishing to acquaint myself with it, I first wrote to every pastor in the Association—thirty in all—asking each for information as to what had been done in woman's missionary work in their respective churches. Where a society existed to give me the name of the president, and where there was none, the name of a lady suitable to organize one. I received replies from seven pastors, representing ten churches. Two reported good, active societies, one at the Sycamore Church and the other at the Sylacauga Church.

The other five pastors wrote there were no societies in their churches, regretting the fact and expressing the wish to aid me in organizing societies, giving me the names of ladies suitable to organize. I then wrote to the ten ladies whose names had been given me, also sent literature to each. From these I have received no reply.

To accomplish any permanent results in this branch of Christian work, personal attention must be given to it. The difficulty is in finding one who has the time to give to it, and the ability to do the work. In addition to these requirements must be a genuine love of the work for the sake of the Master, and one whose life is fully consecrated to His service. Failing to find such a person in the Talladega Church, I agreed to engage in the work for a year, and whether any good will result time alone will disclose.

In every grand structure there are many buried stones upon which it is erected. I would gladly be a buried stone in some good building of my Savior, if I may be so privileged.

May you have a delightful meeting in Decatur, and may great advances be made on all lines of woman's work. May you have the wisdom and guidance of the Master Himself, and may the blessed Holy Spirit so fill each heart that whatever is done you may have the assurance that it "seemed good to the Holy Spirit" that it should be so.

(Mrs.) E. R. Dean,

Vice President Coosa River Association, Talladega.

#### Woman's Missionary Work of Harris Association.

We number seventy. Not so large a band, but union gives strength and there is a greatness in small things that is not always apparent to the unthinking, else St. Paul might not have written, "God hath chosen the foolish things of this world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty."

This allusion to our weakness is made because some of our women do not seem to realize the greatness and importance of the little words, little deeds and little gifts when accompanied with a prayerful Christ-like spirit. \*It is very uplifting and comforting to be allowed to do even a small part of the stupendous missionary work, required to bring a sinful world to the foot of the Cross and to be instrumental in setting in motion even one bright ray of gospel light that shall help to bring about that glorious time when "the knowledge of the Lord shall cover the earth as the waters cover the sea."

Another reason for this allusion is because opposition from some of the brethren of the ministry-who, above every one else should be enlightenedhas cramped and embarrassed our movements. Southern women are not ambitious to follow in the wake of Susan B. Anthony and others, but they belong to this grand Missionary Union on the very same principle that many ran with glad and willing feet to tell the news of a Risen Lord to sorrowing disciples. We are glad that this hindrance to our progress is gradually breaking down and that many of our ministers encourage us by saying that wherever these societies are well rooted and growing their labors are lightened, their salaries are better paid, their hearts are comforted and life, growth and sunshine are seen on every hand. Our literature is dis tributed, but is that all?

Rains, dews, warmth, etc., are distributed freely by mother nature to her numerous children and each has its influence and is rightly used, but how about the "thoughts that breathe and words that burn" sent to our women in the form of missionary literature?

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### B. Y. P. U. @

#### Ho! For Collinsville.

Ho! for Collinsville and our Baptist Young Peoples' Convention. How many of us are going? We have been thinking and planning for it all the year, now for the result. Let's all go. Let every Union in the State send a large delegation. Over 100 young people met at Lafayette last year. Such a glorious sight. That sea of eager, earnest young faces, their hearts full of zeal for the Master's cause. What a mighty work this army of young people can do for the Lord, and I believe will do. Look what is before us. Come, let us gird our armor on and go to work in the Master's vineyard. Let us accomplish more for the Lord this year than ever before.

The Convention at Lafayette was a feast of good things. At Collinsville is will be even better. We ought to have 125 delegates (and don't you remember we were all promised "bear meat" when we came to the Convention). We have had such a glorious meeting in our Church, so many young people brought into the kingdom and a few gray-haired ones. Our pastor, Rev. A. J. Monerief, has only been with us a short while, but is beloved by all his people.

Success to the Baptist and its new editor. The paper is better every week. Let us all meet at Collinsville July Johnnie McGowan. 16-17.

#### We are Building.

A paper read before the Pinkard B. Y. P. U. by Bro. W. N. Harris.

This life is no more nor less than a great work-shop. Each individual is his own architect. The paths of our lives are strewed with many little and simple things, sometimes things of greater magnitude, all go to make up our character. We are all building for time; and for eternity. Every thought that we entertain, every word that we utter, and every act we perform, whether good or bad, is material used in the building of our character. Reputation is what others think we are; character is what God knows us to be. Reputation dies with time, character blooms afresh in eternity. Our B. Y. P. U. at Pinkard should ever be active in their efforts, liberal in their views, and inseperably united in heart and desire to extend their bounds and reach out for others, who are less fortunate, so they, too, may enjoy some of the good results of our enterprise. When Solomon built the mighty temple for God, he did not confine himself to home circles for material, but the cedar he used grew in Lebanon, and the fir trees at Joppa, and the marble in dark quarries under the surface. The temple at Jerusalem was a temporal building and is no more, but the results of it is a memorial for God, and an everlasting covenant with Solomon. Some men the world calls great build for time alone. They foolishly neglect to build for eternity. The Bible tells us, "the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." Thoughts formulate desires, words build reputation, but deeds build character. So "say what is good, but do what is bet-

So we see thoughts are the branches, words are the leaves, but deeds are the fruits. May the Holy Spirit persuade us to be always ready, waiting and watching for the second coming of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Some people (sad to say) are so attached and endeared to the pleasures

and allurements of this life that they are forgetful, that the great Creator of heaven and earth sends us the sunshine and the showers, that so refresh us, and gives us all these pleasures and joys. They do not realize that they are waiting till the last moment comes for reformation, but when the last moment does come, it will not wait for them.

Some people are so wise in their own conceit and their hearts so callous, that they fail to yield to the gentle influence of the Holy Spirit, which is ever nesting around their hearts, and inviting them to look to Jesus who died, that they might have eternal life.

#### 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 17th day of July, at 9:30 a. m. All those who expect to attend will please send their names at once to Mr. W. H. Marsh 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 W. H. Marsh.

Arrangements have been made with the railroads for reduced rates on the Certificate plan, one and one-third fare for the round trip.

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. Conven tion.

Bessemer, Ala., 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 ence to me the full name of each delegate and visitor that will attend from their Union.

W. H. Marsh, Cor. Sec. Collinsville, Ala.

#### Program

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.

-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.

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.

2:45-Devo-2:30—Song Service; tional 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.

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.

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

delegates to the State B. Y. P. U. Convention. Remember the date is July 16th and 17th. If there is no Union in your Church, then let the Church send dele-

Make your arrangements to stay through the meeting. Two days is real ly not sufficient time to attend to the work of the Convention. Be on hand at the organization and stay till the gavel falls announcing the adjournment. You will not regret it.

It is the earnest wish of every Unioner that we may receive the greatest possible good from the Convention. Then how much we need the present and power of the Holy Spirit. I suggest that next Sunday we make the Convention a special object of prayer.

The State B. Y. P. U. Convention of Georgia has just closed a most profitable and enthusiastic session at Savanuah. Our Georgia young people introduced the innovation of a Convention sermon. The Convention met on Tuesday night and the Convention sermon was the first thing on the program. We like the new departure. The report of the Enrollment Committee showed that 592 delegates were present. Georgia started two years behind Alabama, but for some reason she has outstripped us. The Index gave a very full report of the meeting.

"Our B. Y. P. U. is one of the best and most potent factors for good that we have."-Pastor Henry E. Summers, Plainview, Hale county, Texas, in Baptist Argus.

It is a rare thing that we see anything in the papers about the Junior work. This may prove to be one of the sources of our weakness ere we are aware of it. We would be glad to have the Juniors through this department.

"The Alabama Baptist says that Georgia, next to Texas, has the largest State organization of any State in the tist Union.

The Baptist Argus tells us of a novel 10:45-Enrollment of Delegates; 11:00 "give an outing on the steamer Colum- at some time in the future.

Let every Union in the State send bia to the Kentucky river. Among the things that will be full of interest will be the renewing of old friendships, etc. They will be accompanied on the boat by their present pastor, B. H. Dement, and also their former paster, M. P. Hunt, now of St. Joseph, Mo.

Arrangements have been made with the railroads for reduced rates to the Convention at Collinsville. See the announcement in another column in this issue. You will buy a ticket paying full fare at the point of starting, and ask the agent for a cerificate which will entitle you to one-third fare returning.

Pastors and official members of Unions are urged to see that delegates are appointed to the State Convention. This is a matter of too great importance to be neglected. Pastors, we appeal especially to you. Will not each one of you assist in making the Convention a great meeting? Surely you will.

It is delightful to take the religious papers, all of which have a B. Y. P. U. Department, and see the progress that is being made throughout the country by our Baptist young people. We cannot allow Alabama to be left behind in this onward movement.

Most of the official members of our Unions seem to have gone on a strike Why is this? Is it the extremely hot weather? It is a rare thing for any item to be sent to this department from the field. What is the matter, fellow-workers? Put down your palmetto, come out of the shade and tell us what you are doing.

The Church at Highland Park, Louisville, Ky., has just closed a very fine meeting in which thirty-seven were added to the Church. On Thursday night following the meeting, the Church met and organized a B. Y. P. U. That was a very natural thing to do as the result of a revival. It must have been the genuine article.

The B. Y. P. U. Convention of Flor-Union. Georgia is not prepared to ad- ida met in the city of St: Augustine mit that even Texas leads her."-Bap-s on the 10th, 11th, 12th. It was largely attended. Among the prominent workers of the Convention was Dr. W. A. plan to entertain all the Unions of the Hobson, formerly of Alabama. We city of Louisville, Ky., that has been charge the brethren of Florida to treat adopted by the Union of the Twenty- him well, take good care of him, and be second and Walnut Street Church. One ready to return him in good repair when Aug. 2d, the Union of that Church will we call for him, which we are sure to do

### **Proceedings** of the Sunday School Convention.

Of the Cary and Clay Associations, Held with the Lineville Baptist Church, June 28th and 29th, 1902.

At 9:30 a. m. June 28th the Convention was called to order and devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. W. T. Davis.

Rev. W. M. Garrett was elected president, Rev. Charles Harris vice president, Bennett W. Pruett, secretary, and the Convention was announced ready for business. A roll call of the Sunday schools within the two Associations showed a good number of the schools represented.

The superintendents of the various schools reported the progress of their respective schools. It was observed that interest is growing in our Sunday school work, and considerable progress was noted in the reports of this Convention and the one held one year ago.

#### Afternoon Session.

Convention was called to order at 1:30 by the chairman, and the program carried out as follows: "The Reflex Influence of Giving the Gospel to the World:" (a) Upon the Individual-Address by F. J. Ingram. (b) Upon the Sunday School-Paper, Bennett W. Pruett. (c) Upon the Church—Discussion, J. W. Dean. General discussion on the above subjects by J. R. Stodghill, W. T. Davis, Charles Harris, and others. A recitation was impressively delivered by Miss Jessie Horn of Spring

Report of Bro. B. W. Matthews on "The Sunday Schools of These Two Associations." Bro. Matthews is our Sunday School Evangelist, and has been doing some effective work. He says our denomination should be more enthusiastic in Sunday school work, and although our interests are growing it is not more than half what it ought to be. Several of the Sunday schools had arranged short programs which were made an interesting feature of the Convention.

Saturday, 8:30 p. m. Danger Signal Mass Meeting, General discussion by the following brethren, viz.: C. L. Harris, W. M. Garrett, W. T. Davis, J. R. Stodghill, F. J. Ingram, J. W. Dean and W. H. Preston.

Sunday, 9:00 a. m. The Convention prayer by Bro. T. Davis. in was led of quarter's lessons. explana-Blackboard drill and careful tion, by Rev. J. R. Stodghill. Recitation, Miss Amy Whatley. How to interest the older people in Sunday school-Discussion, led by R. H. Moon. How to interest and instruct a classled by J. M. Leveritt. Recitation-Esther Vowel. We had several other recitations appropriately rendered from the different schools represented. Liberal collection was taken for the support of the Sunday School Evangelist.

Eleven o'clock sermon by Rev. W. R. Whatley, of Alexander City, Ala.

#### Afternoon Session.

Address, Religious Literature and Library, led by Bro. W. H. Preston. General discussion. J. D. Johnson, Oak-Lone, Cleburne county, and others. Bro. W. R. Whatley stressed this point, that if we will put good literature into the hands of the young people and live godly lives before them, they will make infidels tremble and take this country for

This Convention was well attended, m., Sermon.

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and never has a Convention been better entertained than was this one, by the people of Lineville. Much enthusiasm was awakened and great good accomplished. Superintendents went home encouraged over their work for the Master, and teachers went home determined to do more faithful work and to live better lives before their classes. The people of Lineville showed their appreciation of having the Convention meet with them, and many expressions of gratitude for their hospitalities were made by the Convention.

Bennett W. Pruett, Secretary of the Convention.

#### **Sunday School Convention.**

Russell County Sabbath School Convention to be held with Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church July 12 and 13, 1902.

1-Song. 2-Scripture reading and prayer, Rev. C. A. Gavin. 3-Address of Welcome, R. E. Lindsay. 4-Response to Welcome, T. L. Nisbet. 5-Song. 6-The Relation of the Sabbath School to the Church, W. H. Banks. 7-Song. 8-The Influence of the Sabbath School on the Community, Dr. Z. A. Johnson. 9-Song. 10-The True Requisites of a Sabbath School Teacher, J. T. Nuckolls. 11-Song. 12-How Best to Conduct the Sabbath School so as to Enlist the Interest of the Older Members, Dr. W. Z.Joiner. 13—Song. 14-What Constitutes a Model Superintendent? W. M. Burt. 15-Song. 16-The great Responsibility of the Teacher of the Infant Class, Mrs. F. B. Nuckolls. 17-Song. 18-The Sabbath School as a Factor in Missionary Work, Mrs. F. L. Nisbet.

F. B. Nuckolls, President.

T. L. Nisbet, Sec. and Treas.

Delegates who will come by rail, and we sincerely hope every Sabbath school in Russell county will send a delegation, are requested to write at once to J. E. Sims, Laflin, Ala., and he will have conveyance for them at Cottonton, Ala., on Seaboard R. R. on Saturday, July 12, which is two miles from Mt. Lebanon.

L. W. Williams, Mod. W. M. Land, Clerk.

#### Stanton Institute.

An Institute for the benefit of ministers, deacons, and all interested, will be held at Stanton, Ala., beginning July 22, and continuing through the 23d and 24th. The following is a suggested program. It may be altered or amended, as desired.

Tuesday.

9:30 a. m., devotional exercises-W. O. Perry. 10:00 a. m., "How to Study and Understand the Bible"-P. G. Maness. 10:30 a m., "The Need of Prayer in the Study of the Bible"-W. H. Connell. 11:00 a, m., Sermon. 3:00 p. m., Praise and Song Service-Conducted by the Pastor. 4:00 p. m., The Holy Spirit in Regeneration-J. B. Shelton. 8:00 p. m., Sermon.

Wednesday.

9:30 a. m., Service of Song. 10:00 a. m., The Holy Spirit After Regeneration-J. B. Shelton. 11:00 a. m., Sermon. 3:00 p. m., Song Service. 3:30 p. m., New Testament Giving-J. L. Gross. 4:00 p. m., How Shall I Prepare My Sermon-J. V. Dickinson. 8:00 p.

#### Thursday.

9:30 a. m., Prayer and Praise. 10:00 a. m., The Need of Divine Help in the Delivery of the Sermon-W. J. Ruddick. 10:30 a. m., The Preacher and His Audience-J. L. Gross. 11:00 a. m., Missionary Sermon. 3:00 p. m., Praise Service. 3:30 p. m., How to Organize a Church for Work-J. V. Dickinson. 4:00 p. m., How to Make Organization Effective-J. H. Loncrier.

Preachers' Experience Meeting. p. m., Sermon, "The Deaconship."

All the exercises will be interspersed by singing and prayer. Rev. J. V. Dickinson, of Birmingham, will have charge of the entire program. He will conduct a revival service at the same time and place. Everybody who comes will be cordially welcomed and enter-P. G. Maness, tained.

Pastor.

### Bro. Crumpton's Trip Notes.

ALABAMA CITY.

It will be remembered that a few years ago I appealed to the Sunday schools to erect a house of worship at this model Mill City. The schools responded nobly, the people on the ground labored earnestly, the Company and other friends helped in letting us have the material at cost, and here is the house all complete and now occupied. It is worth every cent of \$2,500. It is the first time I have seen it since its completion. Bro. J. M. Solly is the pastor, and Bro. E. E. Georg: their first pastor, was helping him in a great meeting. Large congregations are attending and many have been converted. The town is continually growing-there are probably three thousand souls there now. What multitudes throng the streets and sit about their homes who never darken a church door. A sad thing about it is that hundreds of them were Baptists, back in the country where they came from, but alas, they have surrendered to the tide of worldliness which is sweeping about them. The church is there, and it is usually well filled, but it could be easily jammed at every service if the people would go. I thank God at every remembrance of what we have been able to do at Alabama City. Oh, that we might be able to do as much for the numbers of other mill towns in the State.

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of every sort are abroad in the towns and in the country. I heard of one fellow who called himself a "Come-Outer." He was really a "Turned-Outer," I suppose, but he put it the other way. The sinless craze is being preached everywhere; Churches and preachers are denounced, and the simple-minded are being led away. One fellow told the people he was not chargeable with anything he did, but God took it all on Himself. There was sinlessness for you!

I ran in at a morning service with the Church at

GADSDEN.

where for ten days Pastor J. G. Dickinson has been carrying on a good meeting, Bro Rutherford Brett assisting. The preachers did not treat the visitor politely at all, but forced him to preach to a congregation gathered to hear another man. I hear that Gadsden is growing. I am sure the Church is improving, for now they send money for Missions every month, whereas only the Woman's Mission Society was heard from formerly. Several persons told me how strong was the hold the pastor had on his people. I failed to see Pastor Harris at

ATTALLA.

Can I ever forget that half-mile walk at 2:00 p. m., only to find the pastor's home closed!

From what the pastor has been writing me, and from what I could learn from his members, I guess they are all well pleased. It was wonderful how the atmosphere changed that hot afternoon as the train ascended Sand Mountain.

I do not know the elevation, but the change was very marked. I am now at ALBERTVILLE,

a delightful place of probably 1500 inhabitants. The land about is level, and usually makes good crops. It is very dry here, as everywhere, but I heard one farmer say to another who had been away for some days: "We are awfully dry; but you know how Sand Mountain land is; it holds on in spite of dry weather." That is singular, but it seems to be a fact that crops are more certain here than in the valleys. How rapidly the country is filling up! Most of the newcomers are from Georgia. One can judge of the condition of the farmers by watching the horses. I haven't seen a poor, ill-fed horse on the mountain. If I wanted to start a bone yard, I would go down about Montgomery or Selma, into the rich lands. The teams seen on the streets of either of these places on Saturdays, this time of the year, are disgraceful.

Bo. J. W. Sandlin is the pastor at Albertville. I found his home in the deepest gloom, because of the drowning of his oldest son, just one week ago. He was in bathing and slipped into deep water. At such a time one feels his helplessness when he undertakes to comfort the bereaved. The Lord be praised for the calm resting upon God that has come to this godly couple.

The Church here is strong, and should have preaching every Sunday instead of half the time. They have a beautifulproperty, on which they have lately completed a comfortable home for the pastor. Brother Sandlin preaches at Boaz, another thriving town five miles away, and at Fort Payne in DeKalb county.

The State Agricultural School is located here, and is doing much for the education of the children of this section. As many of the children are Baptists. it makes it all the more important that the Baptist Church should be opened every Sunday.

The Baptists are largely in the as cendancy in this region. How long this will continue, who can tell? Nearly all the preachers are forced to farm for a living. From what I can learn they are a noble set. I suppose Sandlin is the only one in all this region who is giving himself wholly to the ministry. For abundant supplies of the purest free stone water and for a pure atmosphere, commend me to Sand Mountain!

For years Marshall county has been prohibition. I doubt if there is another county in the State where it has worked more satisfactorily. I hear there is a movement on foot to try to bring in the dispensary. It seems to be the policy of the liquor men to hold the saloon where they can, against the dispensary, but to run the dispensary in where there is prohibition. Unless the temperance people make a manly fight, many a county is going to be swept out of the prohibition column and the dispensary installed in its place. It need not be, if the temperance people will exert themselves.

### Report of Woman's Work. Paper Read by Hon. R. E. Pettus.

The most beautiful home that can be pictured by the imagination is one where brothers and sisters dwell together in harmony and love, each working for the joy, comfort and happiness of the other. Our Savior while on earth sought the pleasure of that Christian home at Bethany, because there were exhibited there friendliness, sociability, service and worship, all of which were delightful to Him. This kind of a home is but a type of the Christian's home, the Church, where brethren and sisters are called upon and expected to do the Father's bidding, for He has said, "Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you." Ye sisters as well as ye brethren (2 John). Woman's work in the Masters vineyard has always been co-equal and co-existent with man's; it is just as important, responsible. Why Bible readers have been so slow to recognize and recommend the grand work the godly women are doing is beyond our comprehension. At this advanced age we had almost as well argue the benefits and benevolence of the pulpit as the necessity and importance of the Woman's Work movement. The powerful Paul, whose utterances I believe are not well understood by many sisters, and brethren, too, says in Rom. xvi., 1-4: "I commend unto you Phoebe, our sister, which is a servant of the Church which is at Cenchrea; that ye receive her in the Lord, as becometh saints, and that ye assist her in whatsoever business she hath need of you; for she hath been a succorer of many, and of myself also, Greet Priscilla and Aquila, my helpers in Christ Jesus: Who have for my life laid down their own necks: unto whom I gave thanks, but also all the Churches of the Gentiles."

We ought never to forget the monument that Mary erected for herself by doing what she did for the Savior, a monument more enduring than brass or granite, for Jesus said Himself, Matt. xxvi., 13: "Verily, I say unto you, wheresoever this gospel shall be preached in the whole world, there shall also this, that this woman hath done, be told for a memorial of her."

Dear sisters, if you want your memories perpetuated, do something for Jesus, rather than something for the applause of men. Two of the most notable missionaries mentioned in the Bible are Mary and the woman of Samaria who was converted at Jacob's well. The first one commissioned by Jesus after His resurrection was Mary. He sent her to tell His brethren that He had arisen. (John xx., 17,) and to the woman of Samaria in the fourth chapter of John He said, "Go, call thy husband," etc., and very soon after she went her way into the city inivting the people to come to Jesus. "Then they went out of the city and came unto Him."

The Central Executive Committee of the Woman's Missionary Union of Alabama, is located in Birmingham. It is appointed annually by the State Board of Missions. Its president is Mrs. L. F. Stratton, Birmingham, Ala., and the corresponding secretary, Mrs. D. M. Malone, East Lake, Ala.

It is their duty to organize and stimulate the interests of Women and Children's Missionary Societies in the Baptist Churches of Alabama. Their reports show that there has been a steady

increase in both number of societies organized, and in the contributions to Missions, in those churches where the ladies have joined and fostered those societies. In the year 1889, Alabama reported \$426.27 contributed to Missions, through the societies. In 1902 the cash contributions of societies and Sunbeam bands amounted to \$6,380.13. This does not include value of boxes sent to the frontier, which is estimated at \$3,911.83. There is no phase of our church work more promising today than that of our consecrated women. The Woman's Missionary Union of Alabama is a potent factor of the greater Union of the Southern Baptist Convention. In his report before the Asheville Convention, Dr. George Cooper, of Virginia, says: "No part of our work has more serious difficulties to overcome, or disastrous dangers to avoid, than our woman's work. In none has the guiding and overruling wisdom of the Master been more apparent. Fourteen years of patient self-sacrificing toil have now put it where it deserves our hearty thanks and hearty commendation."

The cash receipts of the year toward the work in home and foreign lands have been \$54,776.23, an increase of \$1,803.25 over last year, divided as follows: To the Foreign Board, \$34,787.-17, to the Home Board \$19,510.48; (c) the Sunday School Board, \$487.87; to the Church Building and Loan Fund, \$1,000. In addition, 495 boxes, valued at \$33,350, have been sent to such missionaries of the Home Board and colporteurs as have been suggested to them by the State Secretaries. This shows an element of industry so aptly portrayed in that memorable picture of the "virtuous woman," given in the last chapter of Proverbs. King Lemuel's idea of virtue in woman seems to have been that of the Apostle James, something practical, to be evinced by works, and not that which prevails too much in modern times, a sentimental and unpractical thing, which evaporates in talking and reading, and a few gentile accomplishments that accomplish nothing. Let us look at some of its strongly drawn features: "Who can find a virtuous woman or a woman of energy, as it might be rendered, for her price is far above rubies. The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her. She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life. She seeketh wool and flax, and worketh willingly with her hands. She riseth also while it is yet night, and giveth meat to her household, and a portion to her maidens. She girdeth her loins with strength, and strengtheneth her arms. (No sickly, inefficient woman is she, like many modern wives.) She perceiveth that her merchandise is good (having a practical knowledge of things): Her candle goeth not out by night. She stretcheth out her hands to the poor (having wherewith to bestow charity, without asking her husband): She is not afraid of the snow for her household, for all her household are clothed in scarlet. She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness. Praise her according to the fruit of her hand, and let her own works praise her in the

To those who think that work is degrading to a woman, and who think it more respectable to eat the bread of idleness, or selfish dependence, let me rec-

gates."

ommend the study of this portrait. The Bible tells us:

"The King's business requires haste." This is not always evidenced by our conduct as Christians, we are often slothful and indifferent. Many are the heartrending appeals made to our foreign missionaries.

"O, Chally, Chally," said a dying African woman to Du Chaillu, the great traveler, as he ministered to her, "Won't you tell them to send us the gospel just a little faster?"

"A cry comes up from the darkness, A wail of agony rolls

Through the night of sin, in this world of ours,

'Tis the cry of perishing souls.

), who will go to the rescue? The world mere pittance doles. 'Tis the Christian, saved by redeeming love.

Who must help the perishing souls.

"From East to West we will tell it, To all men between the poles, We can tell it best who feel it most, For we were perishing souls."

In a recent letter from Mrs. D. M. Malone, State Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union, she writes: "Nearly every society formed within the last year has been a 'Missionary Society.' A great deal of the prejudice against woman's work is wearing away. North Alabama is waking up. There are many things for which to feel thankful and encouraged, still how we long for improvement, for practical suggestions, for more system, for enlisting more of our good women who, if they were approached aright, would join us and love this labor of love. We want a society in every church, a vice-president in every association who will have the supervision of the societies of the association, the aid and sympathy of the pastors, for our object is to aid them in speaking the gospel and we always expect to be guided by them.

"We are anxious for a State Organizer, and I believe Mr. Crumpton is going to give her to us. We also want more expense fund, so that we may get out to the associations and meet the women-the only way to do efficient work. Another thing to be desired is that more of our good workers come to the convention. In so many cases they cannot afford it. I wish there was some way of sending our vice-presidents. They ought to meet with the Central Committee once a year at least, if not at the convention, then at Birmingham, and their expenses of stationery and stamps ought to be paid by the association or by the societies of the association in some way."

We are proud of our noble, self-sacrificing Christian women who compose the Union of Alabama. They are helpers in the Master's causes as were Miriam, Deborah, Jehosheba, Anna, the Marys, Martha, Dorcas, Lydia, and so many others whose names are now recorded in the Lamb's Book of Life. world's needs are made known, and to you, dear sisters, through God's word, and through His servants, the missionaries, the pleading appeals come.

"Will you not offer yourself today To the service of the King? Yourself redeemed by the Savior's blood To the feet of the Savior bring?

Will you not offer yourself today While it costs you something to give? priceless gift may never be yours To offer again while you live."

#### From Johns, Alabame.

Pleasant View Church.

On the third Sunday in this month, our pastor, Rev. M. Milligan, of Adger, Ala., began a revival meeting here. He was assisted by Rev. W. L. Jones, of East Lake, Ala. They are both good and safe preachers.

Their sermons were scriptural, forceful, and well delivered.

The meeting continued until the fourth Sunday night. It was a glorious meeting. The whole Church and community was revived, and seemd to realize that they must work while yet it is day. And they went to work in the right way.

They would meet in the evening and have grove meetings, where they would praise God with song and prayer.

God was with them in great power in those meetings. Souls were saved and sinners were made to realize that "'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus." During the meeting there were 34 additions to the Church, 15 by letter and 19 by baptism. The ordinance of baptism was attended to the fourth Sunday at 11:00 a. m. by our beloved pastor, assisted by Bro. Jones. Dear Baptist people, I wish you all could have witnessed that nice baptizing and heard the grand sermon delivered by our pastor at the water. It would have done you good.

There were others converted during the meeting, but wished to unite with other churches. On the last night of the meeting there were at least 350 persons present, and great interest manifested.

This is a new church, erected about this time last year. Have Sunday school every Sunday, prayer meeting Thursday night, preaching first and third Sundays in each month.

We want all the Christian people to pray for us, that we may go on in this good work and do God's will fully in leading souls to Him. We are profoundly grateful to the Lord for His gracious blessings during our meeting. Unto Him we give the praise.

Carmella Alexander.

#### Invitations.

Mrs. Kate Miller Hardy invites you to be present at the marriage of her daughter, Elizabeth Bell, to Mr. Calder Trueheart Willingham, Thursday evening, July the tenth, nineteen hundred and two, at nine o'clock, Salem Baptist Church, Salem, Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Binns request the pleasure of your company at the marriage of their daughter, Sara, and Mr. Henry L. Gardner, on Tuesday afternoon, July the fifteenth, at two o'clock, at home, Washington, Ga.

#### Married.

At the residence of the bride's parents, June 18, 1902, Dr. Kirven Miller and Miss Elizabeth Crenshaw, the writer officiating.

Mr. Miller is a young physician of Still the responsibility increases as the promise, and "Miss Bettie" one of the brightest and best young ladies in all the country.

Possessed of a charming personality and many of the Christian graces, she has gathered around her a host of admiring friends.

Both are members of the Baptist Church and we bespeak for them a life of usefulness and happiness.

I. N. Langston.

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#### The Stete B. Y. P. U. Convention.

We are afraid that the Baptist preachers of Alabama are leaving undeveloped a great number of young people because they fear to take hold of the B. Y. P. U. work, and yet we feel sure when rightly understood the movement offers great opportunities for strengthening our pastors and developing our boys and girls, and young men and women in Christian service.

Bro. L. D. Geiger, of Mississippi, said he was converted to favor the B. Y. P. U. movement by attending a meeting of a Junior Union, and hearing their earnest, heartfelt prayers for the divine blessings upon the pastor and his work, and we know from personal experience the value of having as helpers in a revival a band of loyal B. Y. P. U. students whose minds quickened by the Christian Culture Courses and study of the Bible were able to talk helpfully to those seeking the Lord.

We met Dr. Willingham recently at Roanoke fresh from his trip to Texas where he had spoken to the B. Y. P. U. workers of that great State and how his heart thrilled as he told of the wonderful gathering and what it all meant for our Baptist cause in the Lone Star State. And just think of it, over 500 delegates to the State Convention of B. Y. P. U. workers recently held in Savannah. There was a Convention sermon preached by that most lovable of men, Dr. R. B. Headden, of Rome, and the speeches were of the highest order.

Brother Van Deventer, in his report as chairman among other things, said: Do not let us think of our Conven-

tions as outings or pleasure trips; but let every unioner help to keep them up to the high standard which places them by the side of the best meetings held in the State.

Let's take this as our high aim and come together at Collinsville after days and nights of preparation expecting God's blessing upon the work. We can get along with a small company if we have the presence of the Spirit and do more for the Master's cause than if we gathered in great numbers with much shouting and flourish of B. Y. P. U. banners and only bent on making it 1 religious picnic.

#### Dr. Henry Urquhart Breathes His Last.

The Rev. Dr. Henry Urquhart, one of the most eminent Methodist ministers in Alabama and editor of the Alabama Christian Advocate, died at Tate Springs, Sunday morning, at 10 o'clock. Dr. Urquhart had gone to Tate Springs just one week before his death with the hope of recuperating his

health, which has been quite bad for several weeks.

Dr. Urquhart was one of the best known ministers in Alabama and more especially in the southern portion of the State, he having served as a member of the Alabama Conference for almost fifty years.

Three years ago Dr. Urquhart was elected as editor of the Christian Advocate, the joint organ of the two Methodist Conferences in the State. He filled his position with much credit.

Dr. Urquhart was a lovable, sweet-spirited, cultured Christian gentleman, and his genial interest in me as editor of the Alabama Baptist has been one of the pleasantest features of my connection with journalism. We join the bereaved family in their sorrow for we shall miss his kindly and sympathetic greetings.

#### **Bro. Dickinson Retires.**

On July 1st my connection with the Southern and Alabama Baptist ceased. In retiring I beg to say that my relations with Brother Barnett have been uniformly pleasant and I leave the paper with the kindest feelings and really grateful for the kindness and courtesy which he has shown me throughout. I should have been glad to remain as his associate, but for the interference of ministerial duties, which must ever occupy the first place in my life. I bespeak for Brother Barnett the prayers and hearty support of all the brother-hood and pledge him my own.

J. V. Dickinson.

We will miss Brother Dickinson in many ways. Our association has been delightful. We found him always a true, warm-hearted, honorable Christian gentleman. To know John Dickinson is to love him.

#### A Changed Creed.

Our Presbyterian brethren have at last rid themselves of the horrible tenet of infant perdition. It is an illustration of the strange persistence of a glaring misbelief, in the presence of age-long protest, that the papal error of baptismal regeneration should have passed into protestantism and allied itself so closely with fundamental Scripture teaching, notwithstanding the strenuous efforts to prevent such a coalithe papal teaching, that unbaptized infants are lost, is the ground of the belief held by Calvin in regard to "elect infants." That view, that only "elect infants" are saved, seemed less objectionable to him than that only baptized infants are saved, since the former referred the matter of salvation to the divine sovereignty, while the latter made it a thing dependent upon human agency. Neither has the slightest warrant in the Scriptures, but the papal error is centuries older than that which has now been stricken from the Presbyterian confession, and no doubt was its progenitor.

We trust that this break with their papal inheritance is really a promise of greater things. The doctrine of infant perdition is still held by some protestants, though we may well believe it is rapidly falling into disrepute. It would be to the immeasurable honor of the people who have held this doctrine and that of infant baptism out of which it grew, if they would boldly renounce both and return to the Scriptural baptism (the immersion of believers), which was first repudiated by those who had come to believe in baptismal regen-

eration. Thus they would come up abreast of the best Biblical scholarship, cut loose from the incubus of papal dogma and give a tremendous impetus to the forward movement of the gospel.

We give our Presbyterian brethren hearty greeting. We devoutly believe that they will at last give themselves release from the popery that has clung so long to them and to others. We say this in the kindest spirit. There is not a shred of proof in the Scriptures for infant baptism. It is essentially a papal institution. We devoutly believe that it will one day be repudiated. And we expect our Presbyterian brethren to take the lead in that movement when it comes.

#### A Word for the Local Paper.

At a recent business convention ex-Gov. Francis, of Missouri, who evidently knows what he is talking about, paid tribute to the local newspaper as follows:

"Each year the local paper gives from \$500 to \$5,000 in the free line to the community in which it is located. No other agency can or will do this. The editor, in proportion to his means, does more for his town than any other ten men and in all fairness with men, he ought to be supported-not because you like him or admire his writings, because the local paper is the best investment a community can make. It may not be brilliantly edited or crowded with thoughts, but financially it is of more benefit to the community than the preacher or teacher. Understand, I do not mean mentally or morally, but financially, and yet on the moral question you will find most of the local papers on the right side. Today the editors of the home papers do the most for the least money of any people on the face of the earth." Support your home paper and help the editor to make it a great factor in the upbuilding of your

# Editorial Paragraphs

In another columi we print the conclusions of the Committee on Co-operation, of the Southern Baptist Convention. The committee, as noted in our report of the State Convention, met at New Decatur last week. We earnestly commend the suggestions they make. Let the churches see to it that some real effort be made to meet the situation. If there are difficulties, let them be faced bravely and patiently. The object to be attained—the enlistment of all our people in the work of spreading the gospel—is worthy of hard and patient labor.

The Entertainment Committee at New Decatur did everything in their power for the pleasure of the delegates and visitors, and Brother Malone simply gave his whole time to the brethren.

The boat trip up the Tennessee was greatly enjoyed by all. It was certainly good of the Church and business men to give the Convention an opportunity to get out of the dust and see what a noble river rolled by their doors.

strenuous efforts to prevent such a coalition. It hardly admits of doubt that the papal teaching, that unbaptized infants are lost, is the ground of the belief held by Calvin in regard to "elect infants." That view, that only "elect infants" are saved, seemed less objective.

We had a long, pleasant talk with Dr. Gambrell one morning at The Tavern. It is wonderful the keen interest he takes in so many different things. He has his finger on the public pulse and is an unerring diagnostician. He told us that he liked the picture we printed of him better than any he had ever seen. Dr. Gambrell is one of our great writers, organizers, and leaders, and it is good to hear him talk about the great work ahead of us.

The Conversationalist, the Year Book of the young ladies at Judson Institute is filled with beautiful faces, bright articles, and humorous sketches. It is a beautiful piece of book-making and will no doubt be treasured by those fortunate enough to own a copy.

Bro. J. R. Speakman writes from Rienzi, Miss., that he has baptized seventy-two candidates since his ordination in July, 1901. He prays God's blessings on our work for Howard College, and sends his love to the brethren in Bibb county.

Dr. Davidson has seconded the motion to re-organize the Union of the Birmingham district. Now who will take the lead? Such an organization could be made a great power for good in all this section.

John T. Bozone, of Womock Hill Ala., died June 3d. He was a member of the Baptist Church at Womack Hill. He leaves a wife and little babe. He was a good man and will be missed. He was a son-in-law of Rev. S. O. Y. Ray, of Northport.

While on a side trip from Asheville recently we saw some very interesting pre-historic relics of the aborigines (so called) of our country. A collection of such things would be of great scientific and historic interest. The Richmond College Museum, the Tulane University Museum, the Department of Archaelogy in Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass., and other like institutions have arrangements for the safe-keeping of such relics. They are worthy of preservation. Either of the above named schools would no doubt be glad to hear from persons who have any "Indian relies" in their possession.

After all that our boasted civilization may justly claim, there are in it some sad gaps. Human life seems less secure and property rights less sacred than they were fifty years ago. Every day has its story of appalling crime, and there seems to be no power to prevent it or adequately to punish it. What is the good of our universal education, our splendid material advancement, in short, our "strenuous life," if there be no way to diminish the current of crime? Is there not abundant proof on every hand that civilization itself is helpless? And is it not true, as President Mullins said in his noble address in Asheville, that the penitentiary is the conclusion of an argument in which a godless education is the major premise? There is no help and no hope but in the Gospel. The appeal is mighty and insistent from the storm and stress of life for a tremendous and world-wide evangelical revival.

In the Holy Land. By REV. GEO. B. EAGER.

I was at the Jaffa Gate waiting to enter the Holy City when I wrote last to my Alabama friends. Perhaps it will be best to retrace my steps and say something of Jaffa and the memora-. ble trip up to Jerusalem.

On the night's trip from Bayrout to Jaffa one of the sudden storms so commen in this part of the world, struck our ship and I had the experience of a storm on the Mediterranean. The landing at Jaffa, which is always dangerous, there being really no port there, was fortunately unusually good. The ships anchor out in the open sea, and multitudes of little boats, manned by natives, came out for the passengers, carrying them over a very treacherous reef, and through a white crest of break-

As we see Jaffa, the ancient Joppa, what a host of Bible characters and scenes came trooping in. It was here that the great Cedars of Lebanon ordered for Solomon's Temple floated in 3,000 years ago. Who knows but the wise old king himself came down to see them landed. Then sometime about 800 years ago there sailed out from this place, a vessel with a prophet on board, whose face was turned the wrong way, and he soon had an "experience."

The supreme interest to us, of course, in Joppa, is it's connection with the Apostle Peter. Here he lodged in the house of Simon the tanner, saw that divine vision that opened the gospel to the gentile world and here he brought back Doreas, the founder of those blessed Ladies' Aid Societies, to continue her good work. The home of the tanner is shown to this day. Two thousand years seems a long time for a house to stand, but it is likely that this is at least on the very spot where the original house stood. It is without the city. the business being considered unclean, by the sea, and the remains of a tannery are in existence. It is now a sacred place for Christian and Moslem. And at any time you can see prostrate figures on the roof, chanting the creed of Mohammedanism, "The only God is God, and Mohomet is His prophet."

five miles. On the railroad train it is sun broke through the clouds, and flooda journey of five hours. We take a carriage, so as to drive through the beau- city with a golden radiance. We were tiful plain of Sharon, which at this season is a wonder world of bloom. The Star of Bethlehem, the Rose of Sharon, the lilies of the field are carpeting the ground just as they did in Solomon's day. As we drive on, before us are the foothills, the Shepelah, to the south the plain and Philistia, and northward we distinguish Mt. Carmel.

We are winding up one of the most wonderful highways in history, sacred or profane. This was the ancient Caravan road to and from Egypt, and the direct route between Asia and Africa. No doubt along this very route the captive boy Joseph was carried. Over this great highway some of the greatest armies of the world have marched. The Egyptians under Thothmes, and later Rameses, the Assyrians with Sennacherib, Cambryses, then the great Macedonian as he carries vis et armes Greek letters and culture into the turning from our first camping town, Orient, and then Pompey with the Ro-. but we forgot our hardships, our faman Legions, Titus, Saladin, the tigue, or wet clothes, as we stood en-Crusaders, the Man of Destiny, Napo- tranced. Much of the old Jerusalem, leon. What dazzling hosts have march- resting upon the everlasting hills, with

ed over this plain under these same soft skies up to Mt. Zion.

In 1860 there were a large number of watch towers built in the Valley of Ajalon, to guard the raod up to Jerusalem. They are now without garrisons. Near here is Bethhoran, where a battle of such stupendous moment was fought that the "sun and the moon stood still."

How clear the "running sound of history" becomes when we see where it was made. "We are impressed with the unchanged and changeless East as we go through this land. Jesus speaks of the man who puts his hand to the plow. The plows have today, as then, only one

The ox goads we see in use now as they were in Elijah's day. Does it not seem that the wonderful preservation of so many of the curious customs, the ancient life, the peculiar ceremonies, are of divine ordering, that the land may prove the Book be in truth a Fifth Gos-

Once more I bring you to the Jaffa gate. There are six open gates now in the walls of Jerusalem. Jaffa is on the west, Damascus north, Zion south, St Stephens east, and at other sections the new gate and the Gate of the Moors.

The tide of travel is greatest through the Jaffa gate. All day long, until the gate is closed at sunset, men and women, horses and camels and donkeys, pass in and out. After the gate is shut the needle's eye can be opened for people who wish to enter. This is a small door in the large portal, and not easy for the camel to get through.

Through the Jaffa gate many sacred and historic characters must have passed-Peter, as he went to Joppa, Jesus on His way to Emmaus, Saul of Tarsus, the disciples, and many others.

Jerusalem, once the "joy of the whole earth," is still beautiful for situation "and will ever remain a type of the New Jerusalem, that wonderful city not "built with hands, eternal in the Heav-

From Mt. Olivet or Mt. Scopus, the Jerusalem of today, with all its sad changes, presents an impressive picture. I stood one evening, after a day of rain From Jaffa to Jerusalem is forty- and storm, on Mt. Scopus, just as the ed the Mount of Olives and the whole standing where it is said the Roman Titus stood when he first beheld Jerusalem, and where he camped while he beseiged it. The scene under the great, black, receding clouds and slanting glories of sunset, was indescribably impressive. Every salient point of the landscape was in full view, and stood out with remarkable distinctness. There just to the left was Olivet, crowned with Mosque and Minaret of Moslem-There the splendid tower of the Greek Church of the Ascension-In the valley of the Kedron below lay Gethsemane, above it and the Eastern Wall, the great Dome of the Rock, the Mosque of Omar, that stands on the Temple site, the great Coptic Church, the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, the Russian Hospice for the Pilgrims, the Tower of David, etc., etc.

All day we had ridden in the rain, re-

the valleys about it, was before us, as when David sang of its beauty, and the Savior of the world wept over it.

walls within the last quarter of a century a new Jerusalem has been built, covering more territory than the old city, and having almost as many people. The population of the two cities is about 60,000, 40,000 of them being Jews, the balance about divided between Moslems and Christians of all creeds.

Our first days in Jerusalem had to be spent largely indoors, because of the pouring rain. We investigated the city gates, the subterranean wonder known as Solomon's Quarry, the Tombs of the Kings, the Grotto of Jeremiah, the place of the Holy Sepulchre, etc. We went in the driving rain with our devout and scholarly guide, Nejeb Hassan, to Calvary, the Garden of Gethsemane, and the Mount of Olives.

With our genial host of Hughes Hotel as guide, a Greek driver, and two Arabs armed to the teeth for our guards, we went down to Jericho, thirty miles away. The temperature was as bracing as an autumn day in the Rockies. The sky was a dome of deepest blue, and the sun poured a revealing and glorifying radiance over the hills of Judea and the vast outlook of mountain and wilderness. Every turn in the road changed the panorama and brought into view some historic site or luminous scene, illustrative of scripture. Here were the "shepherds abiding in the fields with their flocks," here was the wheat "choked by thorns," "thriving in good ground" or perishing on the "stony ground," here was the "covert," the "shadow of a great rock in a weary land," the "birds of the air," the "lilies of the field," the "grass which today is and tomorrow is cast into the oven," the brook, and even the "hart that panteth" after it-here they all were, and many other things we read of in the Book. At every stage our intelligent guide pointed out the places and things of interest-There is Bethany, there the defile in the mountains where the men 'fell among the thieves'-there the inn, or its successor, where the Good Samaritan took the poor fellow, there the brook Cherith, and over there, beyond that gorge, the place where Elijah found a refuge from Ahab's wrath."

As we neared Jericho the descent was very steep, it being 3,700 feet below Jerusalem. The roadway is a fine piece of engineering, but so precipitate that in many places we got out and walked. We got a view of the Mount of Temptation, the remains of a Crusaders' Tower, built on an old Roman fortress, and the broken sections of an acqueduct built by Herod to carry the pure water of the brook Cherith down to Jericho. Six miles from the Jordan is the site of ancient Jericho. A huge mound is there, and from its base issues a fountain claimed by tradition to be the one whose bitter waters were made sweet by Elijah's intercession. Under this great mound it is said seven cities lie buried and great treasures await the excavator. Traces of a mud brick wall have been found, and archaeologists feel sure they are the remains of that wall that Joshua saw fall.

The Jericho or Riho of today is an Arab village of 300 , souls, two miles from the old city.

After luncheon we drove nine riles to the Dead Sea, marvelous body for beauty and grandeur and situation as well as for unique depth and quality. Of course we took a bath and swim in its briny

waters and were "salted down," if not cured.

On our homeward journey we visited Much of the city is new. Outside the a genuine Bedouin camp, shook hands with an Arab sheik from far east of the Jordan, and drank coffee with "his majesty." As we left the camp the children came out and performed for our entertainment, the fantastic Arab dance, singing, striking their hands and swaying their bodies-all for "backsheesh," of course.

After one of the remarkable Oriental sunsets, when the "trailing garments of the night" swept down, I stood out on the roof under the starlit sky, the silver crescent floating through the blue of the West, and thought of all this wonderful land meant to me. Above the noises of the Arab village, the howling of the jackals and hyenas, the croaking of the night birds, the still voice of my gentle Master spoke to me as never before. Through all the discords and clashes of the intervening years it came to me like wireless telegraphy from Heaven, and under the stars of Syria I worshipped out of a full heart. Oh, blessed and changeless Son of God! O Heart of God and Healer of hearts! O, Helper of our infirmities!

#### Rev. J. W. Hamner-Sketch.

A native Alabamian, eldest son of Dr. L. P. and Mrs. Elmira Hamner; is descended from one of the best old Virginia families of English origin. His paternal great grandfather, the first of the name in America, came to this country from England, and settled in Albermarle county, Virginia.

His educational advantages have been good, as he had the benefit of four years of academic training at Roanoke Institute during the presidency of Dr. Jno. P. Shaffer, leaving at the close of the session of 1883 with first honors. Was graduated from Howard College with the class of 1887, after taking a three years' course, and was one of five of that large class permitted to speak on commencement day; an honor conferred by the president and faculty of the cellege. During his senior year was assistant professor of elocution, and local editor of the Howard Collegian, the former an honor conferred by President J. T. Murfee, LL. D., the latter by the student body.

After graduation, he studied for a year in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., under Drs. Boyce, Broadus, Manly and Kerfoot.

Since leaving the Seminary, Bro. Hamner has devoted his time and talents to the pastorate. No ambition has possessed him, save that of being a good minister of Jesus Christ. Dr. J. P. Shaffer says of him: "He stands in the front rank of the preachers of his class." He has filled acceptably some of the leading pulpits of East Alabama, and is now pastor of the Second Church, Selma, and the Waverly Baptist Church, at which place he makes his home.

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#### At Adger.

We had a three weeks meeting, resulting in receiving 18 by baptism, one letter. The Church was greatly revived. We had Bro. J. G. Lowery to help us part of two weeks. More than ten years ago he organized the Church there with only four members. We now have about 40, and a Sunday school any Church of its size should be proud of. We have on roll 145 with an average of about 75 or 80. Out of the 18 that were baptized, four of them were Methodists. It gave us great pleasure to bury these with Christ in baptism, for I know how to sympathize with any who thus discharges his duty; for I was a member of the M. E. Church for ten years and I know what it costs to give up the Church of your mother, but thank God I did so, and have never regretted it; for I verily believe the Baptist people are the best people on earth.

It gives us great pleasure to say we never had better crowds and better behavior than we had at Adger. We had the most profound interest all the way through. We need a church nearly three times as large as we have, for we have plenty to fill it. I am supplying for Bro. Arnold, who is greatly beloved by his people. He has done a great work there.

Let me say that just before going into the water, I was called upon to unite in marriage a middle-aged couple. Two of those baptized were husband and wife. They are about fifty or fifty-five. The Lord did great things for us.

A. F. Loftin.

#### A Word to the Young People.

I wish to say a few words to the young men on the subject of drinking. I believe the drinking habit is growing every day. It is one of the most degrading habits man can indulge in. Dear boys, what do you expect to make of yourselves, when you start out drinking before you are grown? Don't you know you will lower yourself in the estimation of the young ladies and bring trouble to your dear mothers who care for you as no others can? Don't you know you will do and say many things while under the influence of intoxicating liquors that you would not do or say for anything if you were not drinking? You may think you will quit some time, but let me tell you that the longer you put it off the harder it will be for you to quit. So it is growing on you all the time. Just think of the mother whose heart is aching and ready to break because her son is a drunkard Just think of the girl whose heart is aching on account of her dissipated sweetheart. How true the poem:

The boy who minds his mother Seldom makes a wicked man."

whose heart you can gladden with joy or cause it to ache till ready to break. So cherish that mother, boys. None can or will do what she has for you. What have you for her ever done? Why is it that boys expect so much more of the girls than they are themselves? When they seek a companion, they look for a girl that stands well in society, and a lady in every respect. They think nothing of asking a nice, refined lady for her company the next day after reeling and staggering under the influence of

strong drink-yes, cursing and swearing. What would you think of us girls if we were to get in a crowd and go to standing over for baptism and three by -drinking and swearing around? I know what you would think. You would not speak to us or notice us any more than you would a common cur, and you would be treating us right, too. Haven't you as much right to stay in a gentleman's place as a lady has to stay in a lady's place? You desire the most refined lady for your associate, and you should strive to make yourself worthy of their associations. Think of the words: "No drunkard shall enter the Kingdom of Heaven." No man should ever go into the presence of ladies with fumes of Aiquor on his breath. He should be honorable and respectful. Nerve yourselves against the vices which beset you. Have more respect for your mother, yourself, your sister, your sweetheart, than to partake of anything so degrading. Don't let your associates persuade you into anything that would be degrading in any way. It will injure you physically and morally. Beware of the first drink. Oh, my young friend, if you could only realize the heartaches and tears that are shed on account of your waywardness you surely would not indulge in such habits any longer.

Boys, I am not scolding, but what I am saying is meant for your good. May the good Lord guide and protect you from the error and evil of your ways, is the sincere desire of one who feels a great interest in your welfare.

Jessie Ray.

#### Baptism and Communion.

In the issue of the 18th of June, Bro. Pate asks, "Does baptism have anything to do with the remission of sins?" And what about close communion?

We are not saved by works, but by grace are ye saved through faith, and that not of yourselves—it is the gift of God-not of works, lest any should boast.

Baptism is not for the remission of sins, but an evidence thereof. Peter says it is not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God, by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

He who has been baptized has a mind Baptist Rally at Sautuck Church. void of offence. In my judgment it requires three things to constitute baptism, viz.: A legal administrator, and the candidate baptized in water; and when I speak of baptism, I do not mean sprinkling and pouring. There is as much difference between these words as there is between Shibboleth and Siboleth. I would not give the words baptize and baptism for any other word in the English language. Immersion is not sufficient; anything put in water is immersed, whether it is taken out or not. Dip is the next best word. You have only one mother, boys, In the Old Testament the word dip is There is employed. as much Bible proof for close commundifferent as there is for denominations. When we all say in chorus, "One Lord, one faith, and one baptism," then we will be one; but how can two walk together that do not agree? Open communion would be crying "Peace, peace, when there is no peace."

Oh, that we all could be one, as God and Christ are one.

James D. Martin.

#### Likes Brother and Sister Catts.

Brother Catts is a success as a pastor. He is a wise and aggressive leadin the Church and community-always ready to speak words of comfort and consolation to the bereaved, sociable, friendly and kind to eevry one.

Our Church is in a prosperous condition under his ministry, and today is on a higher plane of Christian living than ever before.

On last Sabbath, June 29, we had "Children's Day" in our Sunday school. It was truly a success. The children were trained in songs and recitations by Sister Catts and did themselves and Sister Catts great credit on that occasion.

Sister Catts is a woman of lofty Christian spirit and has a superior talent for training children. She is an anchor to our Church and to our organization.

I speak the sentiment of our Sunday school and Church.

Hoping that Brother and Sister Catts may be blessed with a long life in this world doing good for the Lord, and when the time comes for our blessed Christ to take them from this world, may He say to them, "Come into Heaven and wear the crown which thou didst add many stars unto while on the earth, working for the salvation of souls," I subscribe myself, a devoted friend and C. H. Pricster. brother.

#### From Wedowee.

We held our Sunday school review of the last three months' lessons at night in the Baptist Church to which the public was invited. The exercises were presented from the Bible lesson pictures. A number of questions were answered by the school in concert, and then every pupil had some answers to give individually. Even the smallest took part. This exercise was pronounced novel and unique by those who witnessed it. We took a collection for the Orphans' Home \$5.55. This amount was increased to \$7.55 today by those who could not attend. We hope to make it \$10.00 in a day or two. If any Sunday school superintendent would like to know more of the details of this exercise, write me and I will furnish the material on one lesson, from which the other lessons can easily be prepared.

Geo. W. Stevens.

Pastor Hudson had arranged a printed program and invited several brethren to join him in a rally at Sautuck. Sautuck is about eight miles from Wetumpka. Bro. Schraum came with his big missionary map. Brother Crumpton was present on Saturday. Bro. Provence came with brother Crumpton, and stayed till the close. Judge Lull, of Wetumpka, was present on Sunday and gave a thoughtful address on the importance of the Sunday school work. The immediate result of this address was the re-organization of the Sunday school at that place. Bro. Crumpton went on to Central Sunday afternoon, but his talk will bear fruit. Bro. Provence preached at 11:00 a. m. on Sunday and spoke several times during the rally on the matters considered.

There is an awakening interest at Sautuck. The people were there in large numbers, excellent dinners were served on the ground, much good seed was sown, and pastor and people are hopeful. A remarkably interesting crowd of young people were present, and the order was excellent.

Alabama Baptist First.

I want all my people to take, pay for and read pour paper. I have been urging my people to take the Southern and Alabama Baptist, and I find to succeed I must take their names and addresses whenever I can get their consent. Country people do not always have \$2.00 cash with them, or even one. I want to send you the names and addresses of every member of my churches who will take the paper (and when I think they will pay you when they sell cotton) will you send it on?

The paper is much improved and very helpful to all or nearly all who will read it. I thank you for a good home paper. Blessings on you.

We take the Christian Index, the Texas Baptist Standard, and some others with the Alabama Baptist. My wife says the Southern and Alabama Baptist is first now. It has not been so long. I will do all I can to extend the circulation of the paper and send you some news items when I have them.

> Fraternally yours. Z. S. Wyatt.

#### Baptist Rally.

We had a great meeting at Bethlehem Church in the northern part of Tuscaloosa county.

For three days we discussed missions, pastoral support, Sunday schools, distinctive Baptist doctrines, and then we preached sermons each day which were among the best things we had. brethren present were Brethren O. N. and Lew Dobbs, J. B. Ferguson, Walter Utley and your scribe.

The Church entertained us in a royal way. The crowds were large every day.

This was once the banner Church of North River Association, but for years they have fallen off in their contribu tions to missions and have now a corresponding decrease along all other lines. But they are on the up-grade again. They have a fine Sunday school and a lot of choice people, and will be heard from again as of yore.

S. O. Y. Ray.

#### Goodwater, Ala.

The Lord has greatly blessed our Church and town recently. We had the assistance of Bro. C. J. Bentley from Lanette, who preached the "old, old story" with great power and to the delight of all. Bro. Bentley is a forceful speaker, and a pleasant and helpful colaborer in a meeting. We thank God for his young and promising life. There were added to our Church fourteen by experience and baptism and four by letter. We had one come to us from the Presbyterians, Mrs. Will Gilliland, who is a very prominent and helpful woman in the Lord's work. To God be all the praise. W. J. D. Upshaw.

#### A Revival Service.

Rev. J. W. O'Hara will assist me in a meeting at Old Rehobeth Church. The services will begin on the second Sunday night in July. James D. Martin.

I think your presence at the Convention will do our paper good. We certainly ought to make it go as we grow.

Wasn't there a fine spirit manifested at our Convention? And the character of the delegates present was charming.

There is great hope for us with the class of young preachers we have now forging to the front, and with the assistance and co-operation of so many of ou rstrong laymen. R. E. Pettus.

#### The Beneficence of Two Alabama Baptists and What Is Comig of It.

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the term examinations at the same hour. It shall also meet on the call of the President, and at the request of any member, for special session.

5. The Council shall determine the rules of its own proceedings, and with the concurrence of two thirds vote, remove from the Council a member for neglect of duty or for misconduct.

6. The Council shall keep a journal of its proceedings, with the yeas and navs on every question entered, and present it to the Superintendent after

each meeting.

7. Powers Granted to the Council-(a) To recommend to the Faculty and Superintendent laws to conserve the common rights and obligations of the students. (b) To report to the Superintendent all violations of the rules and regulations which relate to the common welfare and honor of the school, and to request that the offenders be deprived of the common privilege which they have abused, or otherwise punished. (c) To institute a special tribunal to try students suspected of lying, cheating on examination, stealing, persistent drinking, hazing, and participation in any combination against government; and to request the Superintendent to remove from the Institute any student found guilty.

8. Mode of Proceeding-All reports and resolutions shall be presented in writing to the Council through the President, with the related facts and reasons. Every report and resolution which passes the Council shall be presented to the Superintendent; if he approve it, he shall sign it and it shall become a law; but if not, he shall return it with his objections to the Council, who shall enter the objection on their journal and pro-

ceed to reconsider it.

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#### Revivals and Evangelists.

An Address Delivered Before the Ministers' Conference of New York

City. By Rev. Arthur Crane (Evangelist), Charleston, S. C.

The Bible is a history of revivals. The Church was born in a revival. Her great advancements have all been made in revivals. The reformation, the world wide missionary organizations, the young people's societies, and indeed all the mighty forward movements of Christ's cause in the earth, were born in times of revival.

A Revival has relation to the Church. It does not consist, but ends in the salvation of the unsaved. Such need quickening, not reviving. The Church is the body of Christ. Only through His body can He reach the unsaved. The Holy Spirit was promised, not to the world, but to the Church, that through it "the world might be convicted of sin, of righteousness and judgment."

The Church, however, too often sleeps, her garments of purity and charity become defiled by contact with the dead around her; worldliness, selfishness and sin, like vermin, feed on her life's blood. The first step toward men's salvation is to arouse the Church from her sinful lethargy. A sleeping Church, for aggressive work, is as useless as a dormitory. "Awake! Awake! put on thy strength, O Zion; put on thy beautiful garments, O Jerusalem!" is the note of alarm of the servant of God. The breastplate of righteousness must be girded on and the beautiful garments of purity donned by an alert Church, before she will reflect the glory of the Lord, and appear to the world "beautiful as Tizrah, comely as Jerusalem and terrible as an army with banners."

There Are Always Two Sides to a Revival.-Man's preparation. God's power. All God's comings must be prepared for. John the Baptist, before Pentecost. "Make this valley full of ditches," was the prophet's ery to the Confederates in dire distress. The ditches were digged at cost if earnest effort. God filled them with water and victory was assured. We cannot "open the windows of Heaven," but we can bring in the tithes, and God has promised to open the windows and pour us out a blessing. The most concise receipt for a revival is found in 2 Chronicles, xii. 14.

When the Church has met the conditions she becomes imbued with the Spirit of Christ, a great concern for the unsaved is in her heart, and the love of Christ constrains her to make earnest effort for their salvation.

The Evangelist is Needed.—It is seldom that a pastor can successfully do the work of an evangelist in his own

an army, another to lead it to success. Special gifts and special training obtained only in the school of experience, are needed to bring men to the point of decision. Particular sins must often be dealt with. The evangelist can deal with these without being charged with personalities. He brings to bear new methods, a new voice in warning, and it is human to want to hear the "new babbler."

Great care is needed in selecting one who for the time being is to be the leader of "God's hosts." He may do untold harm. Experimenting at such a time is dangerous. What captain would engage an unqualified pilot to guide his ship through the dangerous channel that

leads to port?

The religious journals are filled with complaints of evangelists and their methods, and too often these complaints are just. But are not the churches and pastors to blame? They rush to engage a man who can create "a stir," but look but little at his "gospel" or his methods. The speaker receives many such letters as the one he holds, received a few days ago from a city in Kansas: "We have had the 'Great!' Evan-- in our city. For God's sake come and help us."

Hypnotic power is often mistaken for the power of truth, applied by the Holy Spirit. There is much that passes for evangelistic work that is sheer buffoonery. Such parodies of religion as the speaker has, often witnessed under the cognomen of "revival meeting" bring reproach upon the name of Christ, make the churches participating therein the laughing stock if intelligent people, bring many into church membership without a change of heart, and the name "evangelist" into disrepute. For too many churches are willing to cater to morbid curiosity and turn Gods tabernacles into "dime shows."

Under the magnetic influence of the "evangelist," the emotions excited by the modern 'two-steps" and "cake-walks" palmed off as the "Songs of Zion," hundreds are induced to unite with the churches without submission of heart and will to Christ, and consequently devoid of the power for righteousness by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, and having but little or no knowledge of God's plan of salvation. The papers herald a wonderful work of grace, with hundreds converted, and other pastors and committees rush off to engage the "great evangelist."

A few weeks, and the excitement has died out, the bubble has burst. The pastors are unable to keep up the high pressure, the congregations dwindle, and the new church members are back in the world, bringing disgrace on Him whose name they have professed, but whose person they have never known. The true evangelist cannot be made in three months in a "Bible school." He certainly needs all the intellectual equipment of the pastor, with special gifts added. He will be a Bible preacher, because he believes it to be God's message to man. A fisherman, not a sport. An earnest man of piety, not a sanctimonious buffoon. A student, not an ignoramus. A skillful soul winner, not an amateur. Foolish bodily exercise and unscriptural "mouthings" may create a stir, but will not regenerate a soul.

His theme, for he is engaged for a special work, will not be disputed doctrines, and differing Church governments, but the old time story: Ruin by the fall; redemption by the blood; regeneration by the spirit. It will not

be My Church, but My Christ; and regeneration as the root of reformation. Each sermon preached to the unsaved will clearly outline God's plan of salvation. He will be loving and tender in spirit, but positive in utterance, leaving his philosophies for other occasions, and preaching "thus saith the Lord."

He should have a "crisp and to-thepoint" way of presenting truth, that he may attract and hold those who are "without." He must be able to touch every note on the keyboard of human emotion, that he may arouse God's people, and induce stubborn wills to bow to King Jesus. He must be a man of spiritual experience, in close touch with God, and must know, and be in touch with men. Theoretical preaching has but little power to move men to action.

Where Possible, Special Meetings Should be Held in Union.—This brings together the spiritually minded and the power of united prayer and effort. It also prevents denominational jealousies from interfering with attendance, and it goes a long way in breaking down the religious indifference of a community, showing the world, that notwithstanding the difference of our "heads," our hearts unite around Christ.

Good, bright singing of the legitimate sort should be a feature of the services. It attracts and prepares hearts to receive the message. But above and before all, there must be an utter reliance upon God, for "it is not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord."

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age of seventeen he manifested faith in Christ and united with the Baptist Church. He was ordained to the ministry at Zion Church, Crenshaw county, Feb. 1, 1868. The greater part of his life was spent in point-ing sinners to the Lamb of God who taketh away the sin of the world.

We lament the loss for no one ever came to him burdened with sin and grief without

his kind admonition. For those whose sorrow is too deep for us to touch without words of comfort we invoke the encircling arm and tender care of Him who wept with the sisters at the grave

of their friend and brother.

Resolved, That a copy of this be spread on our Church book, a copy be sent the family of the deceased and a copy be sent the Southern and Alabama Baptist for publication.

Wells, Callie Morgan, Leslie De-Priest, Committee Union Church, Honora-ville, Ala.

WRIGHT.—The sweet spirit of Sister Ka-tic Wright passed into its reward Nov. 27th, last. Her faith in Jesus as her Savior was strong and unfaltering. Her Bible was her daily companion during her long illness, and from it she drank sweet draughts of com-fort to thelast. She possessed a beautiful missionary spirit and requested that articles in her possession be sold after her death and proceeds given to the Lord's cause. She also requested that her two little girls be brought up in the Sabbath school. She died in the fellowship of Pine Hill Baptist

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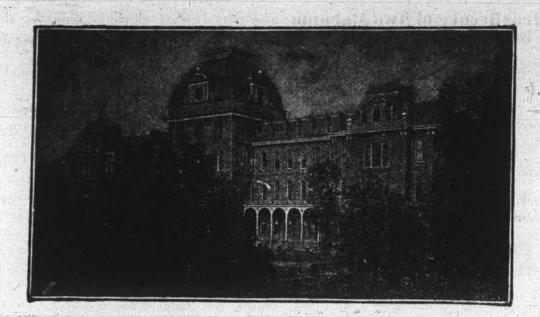
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W. B. C.

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Sincerely, L. O. Dawson.

Tuskaloosa, Ala., July 5, 1902.

#### COMMITTEE ON CO-OPERATION.

The Committee on Co-operation appointed by the Southern Baptist Convention at Asheville, N. C., met in New Decatur, Ala., June 26, 1902. After a delightful conference they unanimously made the following recommendations: PLAN FOR THE WORK OF ELIC-

ITING AND COMBINING.

1. The enlistment of all the denominational papers in the direction of eliciting co-operation in our general work.

2. The printing of statistics showing the gifts of each Church in every Association. The furnishing of these statistics to the State Secretaries for their use in their work, and to keep these statistics before the people in every way possible.

3. A concerted movement to induce all the churches to use the associational letter blanks prepared by the Committee on Co-operation. To try to induce them to fill every blank, and this to be followed year by year until uni-

formity in our denominational statistics is attained.

4. A concerted movement to induce each State Convention to give to the work of eliciting a distinct place in the deliberations, and to give full time for its discussion, and to request that the District Associations do the same.

5. A well considered effort to revitalize and broaden the Associations in their work, so as to induce them not only to pass reports favoring the work of the Boards, but to make provision for collections, aiming to secure a collection from each church and as nearly as possible, from each member, for each approved object.

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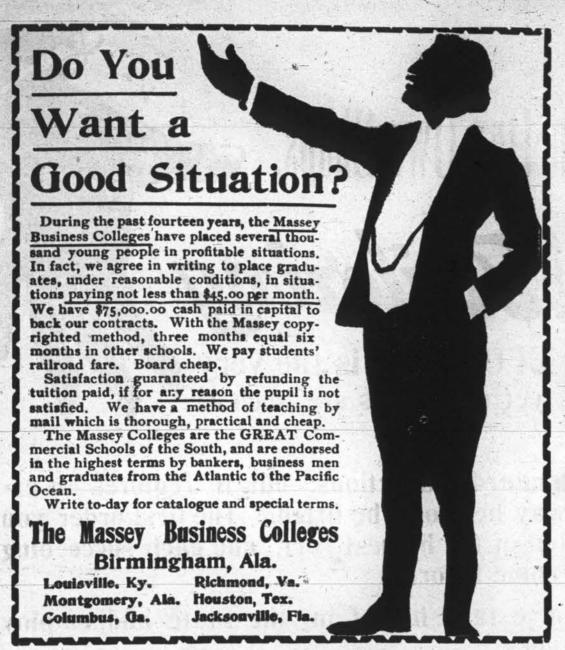
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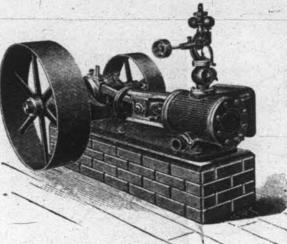
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