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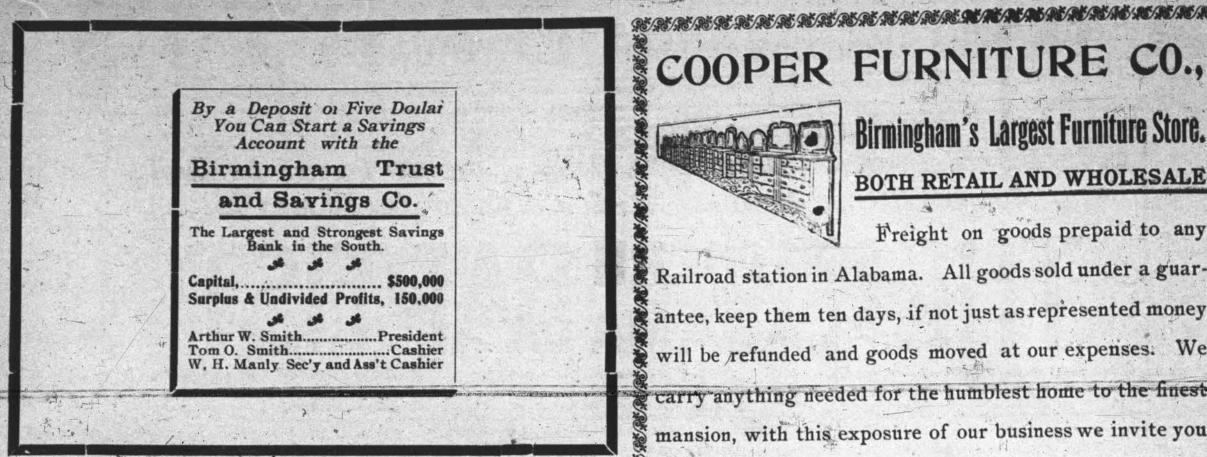




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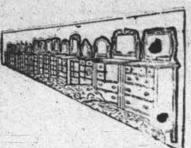
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Men in Washington.

II.

The next President, whom I saw many times but never met, occupied a position as remarkable as it was unpleasant. In all probability, to start with, Mr. Hayes was not elected President, but was awarded the office by that wonderful committee of fifteen nonpartisan statesmen, chosen from the Supreme Court, the Senate and the House, every man of which committee, in the end, proved to be a partisan of the most pronounced type.

When put into the Presidency, he began with his troubles; and it was not long before his own party both hated and despised him, while Democrats regarded him with some pity and more indifference. He seemed an amiable, well-meaning man, who wore an official hat many times too large for him. His administration was, in one respect, remarkable and that for the excellent government of White House affairs by Mrs. Hayes, an ardent temperance woman, who had the courage of her convictions, and gave no wine at dinners, no punch at receptions. The German minister got no beer; French attaches, whose daily drink was wine, went dry at White House dinners. Mr. Hayes might have pitied these bibulous foreigners and given them something stronger than water; but his wife was firm. All honor to the woman, the pure-souled, Christian woman, who stood for principle, even though her standing therefor evoked the criticism of the silly paragrapher, clashed with the practice of a century, and enraged wine-bibbers and whiskey sellers.

We remember with profound gratitude that during the Hayes administration the time of a second declaration of independence began for the South, which then broke the shackles of negro rule and carpet-bag spoliation.

With the next President I had the pleasure of personal acquaintance, seeing him often in his simple home, a short time before he exchanged his seat in the House of Representatives for the chair which he filled for a brief season and nearly all that time amid sickness. sadness, and trouble. While General Garfield was in Congress, he was a happy, genial, kindly gentleman, who entertained his friends after the manner of an open-hearted Westerner or a hospitable Southerner. Once I dined at his table, the occasion being, if I remember, the birthday of his mother. After the dinner, which was substantial and without ostentation, we went into the parlor and there Mr. Garfield produced a box of cigars, with the remark, "No room in my house is too good for the enjoyment of my friends and myself."

This gentleman was, perhaps, the best Latin and Greek scholar that ever, with instant, profound, and universal occupied the White House. He told me that he made it a rule to read some Latin, and, if time allowed, some Greek also, every morning before going to the of a world. But all the love and all the Capitel. I believe that he attributed a sympathy could not share with him his large part of his success as a writer suffering. and speaker to the influence of the Greek and Latin languages.

thoughtful, self-contained, and culti- assassin's bullet he heard the voice of

my private pupils, had been taught by their mother, and she had trained them well and thoroughly. These two young men, unlike many youths in Washington, sons of distinguished men, were fine, generous, noble lads, whose early days were prophetic of the honorable and useful lives which they are living today. One of them is a lawyer in the West; the other is a United States Civil Service Commissioner in Washington.

When Mr. Garfield was chosen President, the whole nation, knowing his ability and the kindliness of his nature, expected a great administration. But soon clouds gathered; Mrs. Garfield became very ill; two prominent Republican Senators, angered by the appointment of a man as collector of the port of New York, who was to them persona non grata, resigned their seats; and on a bright summer day, in the Pennsylvania Railroad station at Washington, the President fell, the victim of a foul assassin's hatred.

On Feb. 27, 1882, in the Hall of Representatives, Mr. James G. Blaine, Garfield's Secretary of State and chosen friend, delivered a memorial address. This oration was pronounced in the presence of the President and his cabinet, the the supreme court, both houses of Congress, representatives of the great foreign powers, and others who were fortunate enough to obtain admis-

In this magnificent address, the most eloquent panegyric of later days in America, Mr. Blaine said: "Certain texts of Scripture had a very strong hold on his (Garfield's) memory and his heart. He heard, while in Edinburgh some years ago, an eminent Scotch preacher who prefaced his sermon with reading the eighth chapter of the Epistle to the Romans, which book had been the subject of careful study with Garfield during all his religious life. He was greatly impressed by the elecution of the preacher and declared that it had imparted a new and deeper meaning to the majestic utterance of St. Paul. He referred often in after years to that memorable service, and dwelt with exaltation of feeling upon the radiant promise and the assured hope with which the great Apostle of the Gentiles was 'persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

The closing words of the oration are very touching and remarkable for eloquence. "Before him desolation and great darkness. And his soul was not shaken. His countrymen were thrilled sympathy. Masterful in his mortal weakness, he became the center of a nation's love, enshrined in the prayers.

unfaltering faith he faced death. With need not notice this letter. If have Mrs. Garfield impressed me as a wo- unfailing tenderness he took leave of taken subscriptions and they are not all man of great force of character, life. Above the demoniac hiss of the paid, won't you see to it that they are

vated. The two elder boys, who were God. With simple resignation he bowed to the divine decree.

As the end drew near, his early crav ing for the sea returned. The stately mansion of power had been to him the wearisome hospital of pain, and he begged to be taken from its prison walls, from its oppressive, stifling air, from its homelessness and its hopelessgreat people bore the pale sufferer to the longed-for healing of the sea, to live sight of its heaving billows, within sound of its manifold voices. With wan, fevered face tenderly lifted to the cooling breezes, he looked out wistfully upon the ocean's changing wonders; on its far sails, whitening in the morning light; on its restless waves, rolling shoreward to break and to die beneath the noonday sun; on the red clouds of evening, arching low to the horizon; on the serene and shining pathway of the

Let us think that his dying eyes read a mystic meaning which only the rapt and parting soul may know. Let us believe that in the silence of the receding world he heard the great waves breaking on a farther shore, and felt already upon his wasted brow the breath of the eternal morning

A. P. Montague.

My Dear Brother Crumpton: In answer to your call for a statement as to present conditions and the spirit of the students in Howard College, I gladly comply with your request.

1. More students are here today than were present at flood-tide last session, and others are yet to come.

2. The boys will, one and all, become active canvassers, and will endeavor to swell the numbers, and that too right speedily.

3. The order and discipline is the best I have ever known in a college; the spirit of the students is high and helpful, their purposes being hard work and loyalty to the Howard; there is not a better or stronger faculty from Washington to Mexico.

4. The causes for the present excellent condition are apparent:

(a) The admirable work of President F. M. Roof, in the years of his administration.

(b) The careful and wise management and the fine services of Professors Waldrop, Hogan, Brand, Moon and Cunningham and the several assistants.

(c) The incomparable spirit and conduct of the student body.

The present is gratifying and delightful. Will not the great Baptist brotherhood and sisterhood join hands to make this present but an earnest of a far nobler future?

Yours for service, A. P. Montague.

My Dear Brother: So many of the pastors have failed to write me about the Howard collection, I have determined to make one more appeal to them. Brother, if your church churches He trod the wine-press alone. With have made respectable showing, you all collected at once and the amount mingham.

forwarded to me. If you forget the November collection, please press the matter now.

Some have done nobly, even going beyond the amounts named. Others have only taken hat collections, which amounted to but little. A collection like this needs to be worked up before hand Men who would give from one to five ness. Gently, silently, the love of a dollars, if approached privately, will be content to drop a quarter in the hat.

This is a collection every preacher or to die, as God should will, within in the State ought to want to be represented in. Every man who has ever been to the Howard, or ever had a son there, ought to give at least \$5. I beg you to make it a point to see every one of them and ask him privately for a contribution. We owe much to the Howard and we need it now more than ever. It was never in a more hopeful condition. We must bridge it over a year or two by extra efforts and then it will have smooth sailing.

Brother, help us please, and at once. Fraternally yours,

W. B. Crumpton.

Education and Christianity.

Education and Christianity are the human and divine means of elevating man: Christianity to teach the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man; education to train for efficient service in the cause of Christ. "He is perfectly educated who is taught all the will of God concerning him, and enabled through life to execute it," is the ideal of education held by a devout disciple of the Great Teacher. Education without Christianity teaches man only of the visible, temporal things of life which are soon to pass away; the things which are not seen and are eternal, remain a sealed book. Every effort to make education more a matter of the soul and spirit and less a matter of material things should be welcomed as a wise movement in the training of the

Such an effort is now being made at the Marion Military Institute. Although the faculty of this institution are distinguished graduates of the greatest American universities, men skilled in the learning of language and versed in the achievement of science, they all heartily concur in giving the English Bible the first place in the course of studies. Every student is required to pursue a systematic course of study in the English Bible as essential to liberal culture and as a very necessity for life. In connection with this course a series of sermons will be delivered at the Institute during the session by distinguished ministers of the gospel. The purpose of these sermons is to present the teachings of Jesus as the way of life.

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Letters from Sunbeams.

Red Level, Ala., Dec. 4, 1902. Dear Mrs. Hamilton: I guess you think I have forgotten you, but not so. I have not been very well for a month and have not felt like writing to any one. Mr. Bush has been sick for a week, not hardly able to be up, in fact has not been up all the time, but I hope he will' soon be all right. I think of you so often, and hope for you to be with us again soon. The little children speak of you so often, and, of course, we all feel benefited by your coming.

Mrs. Sims and myself are doing all we can to get the ladies interested in the Master's work, but they don't seem to care anything about the great work that ought to, and could be, done by them. It is a great pleasure for me to meet the little children and help them all I can. We have out several of the Miss Willie Kelly cards. Last Saturday and Sunday was our fifth Sunday meeting, but the weather was so bad our meeting was almost a failure. Brother Lawrence and wife of Andalusia, were over Sunday. I was not with them but a short while, but like them fine. Brother Lawrence will preach for us the third Sunday. I hope it will not be long before you can be with us, again. We need and appreciate all the advice you can give us in this work. I pray that we will sure! have a lively working society here at this place, for it is certainly needed. I am attending to the postoffice this evening and I have to stop so many times, I will quit for this time and promise to do better in the future. Mr. Bush joins me in love to you. I hope to hear from you soon. As ever a faithful worker, I am,

Your true friend. Mrs. W. W. Bush.

Moulton, Ala., Nov. 24, 1902.

Dear Mrs. Hamilton: We have organized our Sunbeam Band with twenty-one members-boys and girls, as we did not have enough children to do without the boys. I am so proud of them. They are very much interested and I do hope they will continue. We have the Journal and Kind Words. I find both necessary. The pastor from the Haleyville Church was here several days ago and asked me for instructions and literature to organize a Sunbeam Band at their church. I told him all that I could and promised to write to you for him. Please send literature and directions to Mrs. W. H. Clear, Haleyville, Ala. They want to have everything ready to begin work the second Sunday in December. I will be glad to hear from you at any time in regard to our work and will be delighted to have all help that I can get. I cannot express to you how I rejoiced when I heard that you had been appointed State Organ-Yours with love.

Bettie Irwin.

Andalusia, Ala., Nov. 18, 1902. My Dear Mrs. Hamilton: Mrs. Lawrence requested me to write you for some mite or missionary barrels for her Sunbeams. She does not know how many to ask for as the band is growing. think she will soon need three or four dozen or more. Our last meeting of the ladies was the best we have had. I believe every woman present (the attendance was unusually large, too), left the meeting with the determination to do her best. Hereafter we shall meet twice a month instead of once. We have a large and needy field and one of the first things we intend to do is to get all our women interested and informed. Our corresponding secretary or reporter will write to the Alabama Baptist about our work some time soon. I regret so much that I could not be with you some during our Association. You have helped us so much by coming and I hope you will find it profitable to the work to

> Sincerely, (Mrs.) Julia W. Price.

Gamble Mines, Nov. 28, 1902.

visit us again and again.

Dear Mrs. Hamilton: I want you to send us a program for Christmas for our little Sunbeam class. I say a little class, not so little, from thirty to forty precious little ones. Oh, they seem to be so eager to do something for the Master. Pray for us that we may be able to lead them right. Our Aid Society is quite small, but very earnest, hoping for the best. Do come at the earliest chance. So glad to get the help already received.

Your sister in Christ, J. A. Kilgore.

Eufaula, Ala., Dec., 1, 1902. Dear Mrs. Hamilton: It gives me

pleasure to state that we have organized a Sunbeam Society here. Miss Pauline Couric is our leader and Miss Addie Skillman is president. We are very much interested and I have been renuestioned to ask your for suitable literature for use in the Society. Hoping to hear from you soon, I remain,

Very respectfully, Marie J. Locke, Corr. Sec.

My Dear Sunbeams: I know you are all rejoicing that Christmas is coming great Apostle to the Gentiles said, to "stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance," regarding the pretty time envelope I have sent out to every band. They mean you are to show how glad you are that you have Christmas joys izer. I have felt for some time that ners or Christmas trees, or Christmas would help our work more than any- joys of any kind. Remember the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, for He said, "It is more blessed to give than to re-

ceive," and also, "Inasmuch as ye do it to one of the least of these, ye do it unto me." Let us send up a generous Christmas offering, "not grudgingly or of necessity, for God loveth a cheerful giver." Ever your loving friend,

Mrs. T. A. Hamilton.

Huntsville Ala., Nov. 29, 1902. My Dear Mrs. Hamilton: Your appreciated letter came promptly. Glad you are willing to make us a visit, but suppose from what you say, that you could not well come until after Christmas, hence I would suggest that you come as soon thereafter as possible, fixing your own date. Would prefer you being here on the Salienth day. Since writing you Mrs. Buttrey has announced her inability to hold or lead the Sunbeams longer, so again they are without a leader, but not without at ... tention on my part. I meet with them and what a pleasure it is to me! I am determined that this one organization shall go in our church if I must give up my other positions and work to carry it on. I know I can, with God's help. They had a lovely meeting last Sunday, led by one of their little members, a girl and tomorrow a young boy will lead. He has an excellent program. Wish you could be here. I think I shall propose some changes to them tomorrow. They have members now who are old enough to act as president and deem it best for them to have their own president, with an older person to superintend as it were. I do think they will have more interest manifested and realize more fully that it is their work when such responsibility is placed upon them. We have a promising band. Will be so grateful to you for any suggestions that will help us on in our work. Ou new pastor, W. M. Murray, seems full of life; is wide-awake to every Baptist interest here. We pray that he may take up every broken thread and carry the work on bravely. Let me hear what you think as to your coming.

Yours in His love and service, Willie M. Neece.

Judson Notes.

Everybody at the Judson has been so busy that no one has taken the time to send you the news recently. It must not be supposed, however, that we have had an uneventful fall session. The enrollment has grown considerably since our last report, and teachers and pupils have been enthusiastic in their work. Among many other things worthy of note we may mention the visit of Miss May Blodgett, who spent a week in lecturing to the girls on the Life of Christ. Her work created a great deal of interest and was beneficial in promoting the desire among the pupils for a thorough study of the Bible in the regular classes conducted by the Judson teachers.

Rev. A. J. Moncrief, of Union Springs, recently conducted a meeting in the Siloam Baptist Church, which was greatly enjoyed by everybody and real soon, and I am writing as the .which proved to be a blessing to the church and the schools. We of the Judson are especially happy that a number of our girls were converted and that all of us have received a new inspiration in the Christian life.

Under the auspices of the Conversaby sending in them a Christmas pres- tional Club two entertainments have ent to the poor little heathen children, been given since we last wrote. One who know nothing of Christmas din- by Mr. Edmund/Vance Cook, the noted Ohio Poet and Personator, and the other by Mr. Cliff A. Wiley, the great Barytone. Both of these evenings were enjoyable and instructive. Other at-

tractions will be presented after the Christmas holidays.

Beginning Jan 18th, the Ann Hasseltine Society is to have a course of lectures delivered by Rev. W. O. Carver. D.D., Professor of Missions in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. FOUNDERS' DAY.

All of us are looking forward with bright anticipation to the celebration of Founders' Day, Jan. 7th. We have been fortunate in securing President A. P. Montague, of the Howard, to deliver the main address, and there will be other great attractions which we will ans nounce later. In honor of the 64th Anniversary of the establishment of the Institution there will be on the night of Jan. 7th, a "Mother Judson Birthday Party," to which all our friends are invited. A pleasing program has been arranged, and it is expected that all who honor us with their presence will remember Mother Judson with a birthday gift. The indications are that we shall have a large attendance from abroad as well as from Marion.

THE ALUMNAE

are working with great earnestness for the completion of the Auditorium. Work was discontinued in the early fall for financial reasons, but with the faithfulness and energy of the noble daughters of the Judson it will not be long before the work is pushed forward again. We are axnious for all former Judson girls to contribute toward this building as it is to be a monument to. the devotion of Judson girls to the Institution. The Marion Alumnae have recently raised nearly \$200 and they will raise much more There will be quite a number of pupils come in after Christmas, and as the building is already nearly full the president would be pleased to hear definitely from all who. wish to attend in order that room may be reserved. Ethel Salter.

Wiggins' Directory for 1903.

We have just received a copy of Wiggins' Directory of Birmingham for 1903. It is a large book containing nearly 1,000 pages chocked full of interesting things about Birmingham. It tells of the city movement, churches, clubs, libraries, newspapers, lodges, trades and councils and in fact is a directory not only of the names, but of the institutions. The preface ought to be read by every one, as it gives some idea of Greater Birmingham and the following statistics tell their own story: Birmingham, in corporate limits, 45,-000; Avondale, 4,000; Woodlawn, 3,750; East Lake, 3,500; North Birmingham, 3,500; West End, 1,000; Pratt City, 7,-000; Ensley, 6,000; Bessemer, 8,000; Wylam, 2,000; East Birmingham, 1,000; Kingston, 1,000; Elyton, Smithfield and Powderly, 4,500; Thomas, 1,500; Gate City and Irondale, 2,500; Sayerton, 2,-000; Lewisburg, 1,000; Clifton, 1,000; making a grand total of 98,250 or nearly 100,000. Buy the book and read the preface, the chapter on "The Mineral Belt," and then the one setting forth our industries and take pride in your city and resolve by God's help to make it the cleanest and best possible place in which to live and raise a family.

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ASSOCIATIONS.

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Jane	Missions	Christian Education	Church Building and Aged and Infirm Ministers Sunday Schools and Bible and Colportage	
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August	Sunday Schools and Bible and Colportage	Sunday Schools and Bible and Colportage		
September	Christian Education	A State	Home	
October	State	Home	Foreign	
November	Home	Foreign	State	
December	Foreign	State	Home	

A SCHEDULE.

Pastors have often told me they wished we had a uniform schedule for collections in our churches. I have been studying the question for several years. Not able to invent one myself, I have studied those used in other States. The all my heart.

I ask its publication in two issues of the Alabama Baptist for criticism. If it strikes the brethren favorably, as I believe it will, it can be easily adopted and put in operation at once.

I give only three Associations to illustrate the plan. It will be observed that the most important objects or rather those we wish to raise the most for, are arranged at different times in different Associations. So that, if the schedule should be generally adopted, the collections will not entirely cease for any one object at any time, except for the months of July and August.

Of course with the large number of Associations in Alabama, no one knows the number at this writing, several As-

sociations will be collecting for the same objects at the same time.

The months of July and August are not the best months for collections. The objects named for those months are important, but we do not need for them so much as for other purposes.

The objects needing the best collecone submitted now, I can commend with, tions are given the best months. It will be observed that one is given for missions. The three Mission Boards each have two months; it was thought one month more might be thrown in for missions to be divided between the three or in any way the churches might sug-

With the schedule of each Association tacked up in every church building and complete schedules of the Associations before the representative of each interest, everybody knows what we are trying to do at any given time.

Information can be imparted on each object just at the time when that particular object is before the churches.

What do the brethren say? W. B. Crumpton.

Montgomery, Ala.

Great Weather Calendar.

The Chattanooga Medicine Co., the manufacturers of McElree's Wine of ets 50 cents, half tickets 25 cents), be-Black-Thedford's Cardui and Draught, have just issued the 1903 edition of the Cardui Weather Chart This Calendar has and Calendar. sprung into universal prominence by accurately foretelling the Galveston flood and predicting the droughts and floods of the past summer, a year ahead of each occurrence. This office has just received one of the calendars, which consists of twelve sheets of paper, 13x20 inches in size, all fastened together with a gilt tin strip and a brass loop hanger. Each sheet contains the calendar for one month in large figures that can be read across the room. Under the figures patent weather signals indicating Prof. DeVoe's Weather forecasts for every day in the year appear. We understand a few copies of it can be secured by sending 10 cents apiece in postage stamps to The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

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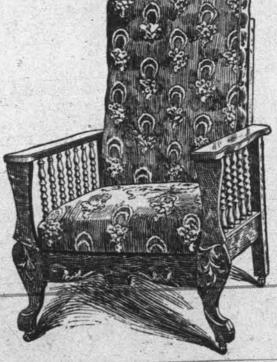
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The Georgia Baptist Convention.

Yes, I did, as you say, attend the recent meeting of the Georgia Baptist Convention at Americus. We, that is to say, Mrs. Campbell and I, used the occasion for a threefold purpose: first, to get the pleasure and benefit of the two Conventions there assembled, the Convention of sisters, which met first, and the Convention of brethren; secondly, to meet friends from all parts of the State; and thirdly, and not least, to mingle once more with the people of Americus, among whom we spent eleven of the happiest years of our life and whom we learned during that period to esteem and love in a very high degree. Had I anticipated your very brotherly request for some "observations" on what I saw and heard, I certainly would have tried to prepare myself for the same by taking notes. But "here goes" for the best I can do under the circumstances.

The Americus people are the same delightful folks they have ever been from the beginning of long acquaintance with them. I was not allowed to witness what the sisters did in Convention, for I in common with all the sons of dear Mother Eve was inexorably shut out. Their year's work came up for discussion in the Convention of brethren, but I am sure it was not treated entirely to their notion, for the brethren were afterwards informed from the platform that the sisters desire to have their work discussed on similar occasions in the future by speakers who will say less about them and more about what they have done. Isn't there a whole freight train load of wisdom in that suggestion?

Georgia Baptists have a "Committee on Co-operation" to "apportion" among the Associations the amounts asked for all objects, and the Associations are requested to "apportion" these amounts

among the churches.

They also have an "Education Committee," whose business it is to have the oversight of such Baptist schools as desire to come under the direction and patronage of the Convention. The commission made its first report this session. One of its rules, which has special significance at this time, provides that "all schools under this system shall be under the management of Baptists exclusively and absolutely separate from all direction by the State and not subject to State appropriations for support and maintenance." The schools admitted to this group reap a generous harvest of moral and financial favors from the Baptists of the State. The report was adopted unanimously and without discussion. It gives Monroe Female College, Forsyth, the right of way for twelve months in raising \$40,000, and Shorter College, Rome, a like privilege the next year in raising \$50,000. This is the feature Bro. A. J. Preston is trying to get Alabama Baptists to introduce into our educational

The Convention asks the churches for \$70,000 for missions alone this year; \$25,000 for Foreign, \$20,000 for Home, and \$25,000 for State Missions. Judging by the past, these amounts will be forth coming.

Mercer University is in splendid condition with one exception. Of the 215

students in the classes only twenty-two are studying for the ministry. This is not the fault of the trustees, nor of the faculty, nor of the student body. The cause must be found among the churches. I made bold to call attention to the matter in a brief speech. The strongest Baptist State in the world, as Georgia is confessed to be, ought to produce educated preachers enough for its own pulpits and have equally as many to spare for the rest of the world. Seminary instruction cannot easily be overestimated, but even our splendid Seminary cannot displace the necessity of college training. Mercer ought to have st all times 100 students preparing for the Seminary. The same is true of Howard. The world needs more educated men in the ministry than in all other occupations combined. God is able to call the men if we will ask Him to do so, and we are able to provide for their education and afterwards for their support, if we will apply His temporal bounties according to his directions. Of course, education can never take the place of spiritual gifts, but it is no hindrance to their bestowment. I am infinitely removed from depreciating the glorious work done, through God's grace, by preachers who have had to toil without the advantages I am soliciting for the future occupants of our pulpits. Those heroic saints, possibly without an exception, would endorse the appeal I an making. Baptists of Alabama, let us pray God to give us a host of young preachers, and with the prayer let us couple a resolve to do all we can toward helping them to prepare for a useful career.

Some of the Baptist schools of Georgia have been receiving pay from the State for educational work. The arrangement has excited a lively discussion. Aside from approving the resolution of the educational commission as already stated, the Convention took no other action than to refer the whole matter to a committee of five to investigate particulars and report at the next session. By indulgence of the Baptist and its readers, I will take the liberty of writing a separate article on that subject.

We have recently changed the time of our Convention from November to mid-summer. After meeting in the spring for eighty years the Georgia Baptists have changed the time of their Convention to November. After all, when is the best time for Baptists to hold a State Convention?

Another change just adopted is that after this year complimentary copies of the minutes be sent to officers and delegates of this Convention, officers of Associations and members of Woman's Missionary Union, and that everybody pay 20 cents each for as many copies as they want.

There are thirteen Associations in Georgia that have no connection with the Convention or its Boards.

A. B. Campbell.

Troy, Ala.

About Our Young Preachers.

My eye has just now rested upon the statement that there are 117 students for the ministry in William Jewell College, our Baptist institution in Missouri. The announcement has set me to

thinking about the young Baptist preachers of Alabama. I do not know how many of them are in Howard, but nothing like so many as the above number, nothing like so many as there ought to be. Why is this so? Surely there must be scores of young brethren in the churches who expect to preach. Are they all educated? Have they finished the course at Howard or any other college? Do they think an education of no account as a preparation for the ministry? Are they unwilling to lay out their means in an education for this purpose? Are their pastors and other brethren doing nothing to stir them up on this subject? Are churches neglecting to provide means, where necessary, for this object? Are churches willing to license preachers who are too lazy to take a course of education or too conceited to feel the need of it? Are churches willing to license preachers and yet unwilling to look after their preparation for effective work? Are our pastors silent on this subject? Some of the most magnificent work ever done in the cause of ministerial education, both by way of awakening an interest in it and by way of providing means for it, has been accomplished by Christian women. What of the Baptist women of Alabama? Are they saying and doing nothing in behalf of this great cause? I appeal, I beg for a mighty revival in our State in behalf of ministerial education. I am an advocate of theological education in our superb Seminary at Louisville, but it is not of that I am now writing. I have no fears for Seminary education if the churches. and young preachers should once realize that the preaching of the gospel deserves the best mental development possible for men to acquire. My plea is for 100 young ministerial students in Howard College preparatory to the Seminary course. If that number are not now prepared to enter the lowest class in college, then there is work to do toward getting them ready for it. Let us begin without delay. If there are not 100 young brethren in our churches intending to devote their lives to the ministry, it is time for humiliation and prayer that our sons may be divinely called to this most needful and glorious work. But let us first pledge the Lord that none of these anointed ones shall be denied the best facilities toward the development of the faculties to be used in this sacred service. Clinton Jones.

Regeneratoin: What It is, and What It is Not.

My object in this article is not so much to show what regeneration is, as to show what it is not. The word occurs but twice in the Bible, which two passages we will examine further on. Webster teaches that generate means to beget, to procreate, to propagate, to produce a being similar to the parent. The prefix "re" means "again," so that regenerate means to beget again, to procreate again, to propagate again. Regeneration simply expresses this act. Now the question is, Does the Bible teach that God causes men to be begotten and born twice, either of the flesh or of the Spirit? Nicodemus put this very question to Jesus-John iii:4-"Nicodemus saith unto him, how can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?" What was Jesus' answer? Whatever the answer was, it holds the complete solution of the matter. Here it is, in the next two verses

verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water (flesh) and of the Spirit, (God) he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is Spirit." A second birth of flesh, and Spirit, is a thing unknown, unheard of, either in nature or grace. Now for the two passages in which the word occurs. First, Matthew xix:28. "And Jesus said unto them, verily I say unto you, Ye which have followed me in the regeneration, when the Son of Man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel." What does the word regeneration used here refer to? We answer, not to the Lord, for he had not been begotten and born twice. Not to the Apostles, for they had had their "two new births," one of the flesh, and the other of the Spirit; then to what does the word refer? We answer, that it refers to the reform-ation or making anew, of his system of religion in the world, which in the context is called the Kingdom of God See Daniel ii:44, and Hebrews ix:10. Now for the second passage, which is found in Titus iii:4-5. "For we ourselves also were sometime foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating another. But after the kindness and love of God our Savior toward man appeared, not by works of righteousness which we had done, but according to his mercy, he saved us. by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Spirit" Read also the sixth and seventh verses. Does this passage teach cr imply that Titus and these Elders in Crete had not been born of the Spirit before this washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit was shed upon them? We think not. This washing or renewing of the Holy Spirit, was shed upon these ministers after they had been born of the Spirit, had been called by the Spirit into the ministry of the word. See the seventh verse in particular. This renewing of the Holy Spirit comes upon God's children often, while they sojourn in this world; not having received the full benefit of redemption in the body. See Romans viii:16-21. washing, or renewing of the Holy Spirit, means simply his reviving grace. See Psalms lxxxv, 4, 5, 6, 7, and other passages, on God's reviving grace shed upon his children. Now the Scriptures teach that there will ocme a time when the bodies of God's children shall be regenerated, changed, begotten and brought forth out of death and into life, which hope fills the breasts of his dear children with holy joy. See First Corinthians xv:51-54. Read also Phillippians iii:21; also First John iii:1-3.

-John iii:5-6-"Jesus answered, verily,

May God the Holy Spirit breathe upon us, that we may understand the Scriptures. Amen.

James F. Edens.

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Alabama Christians and the Whiskey Business.

I am sorry that Alabama Christians seem to be satisfied with the whiskey business as it is in the State. I do wish that something could be done to arouse our people from their apparent apathy. And yet, on a second thought, I believe I have used the wrong word. Instead of being unconcerned many are openly espousing the Dispensary. which I believe is the most dangerous form of the whiskey business.

Brethren, let's do something practical for prohibition. There is absolutely no reason why a constitutional amendment should not be submitted to the vote of the people prohibiting the manufacture, sale or purchase of intoxicants as a beverage. And before the election, let every preacher in the State canvass the 'territory in which he lives, and put such arguments before the people that they just can't keep from seeing the importance of prohibition.

Even the whiskey men are not ignorant of the possibilities of prohibition. One of their most popular papers recently said: "The whiskey trade has a big fight on, that is growing every day, and unless something is done to stem the rising tide of prohibition, our business will be swept out of existence."

Some people are narrow enough to say that "prohibition does not prohibit." We are living under prohibitory laws in reference to all other crime, and . I affirm that prohibition is as great a success in reference to the whiskey business as anything else. It is the disposition of men to violate law, which makes law necessary. And perhaps there has never been a law, human, or divine, which has not been violated. Shall we repeal a law because men will violate it? or shall we refuse to make a law which is for the common interest of the country, just because some one will evidently violate it? The one is as reasonable as the other. Well, what about "Blind Tigers?" If we must have whiskey, let us have it in "Blind Tigers." It is there in its proper atmosphere. There is no danger of men's being deceived by its "respectability" (?) in a "Blind Tiger." But we do not have to have "Blind Tigers" or the "Jug business" either. Let us copy Kentucky's anti-blind-tiger law which makes the place of delivery, the place of sale. Also if a person has United States license in a prohibition district it is positive evidence that he is violating the prohibition law. I believe that the friends of prohibition should rise in their might and sweep the infamous business out of existence. "The demand for prohibition can be made none too J. W. Standlin. strong."

Ft. Payne.

A Disgrace to Alabama.

Our sister State of Mississippi has voted out the saloons, except in a very few of her largest cities. Even the city of Columbus is noted as a moral city without saloons and their usual accompaniments. Before the Dispensary craze struck Alabama Pickens was a prohibition county, and it would be now by an overwhelming majority if allowed to vote on the subject as a county. But, against the wishes of a majority. of its citizens, whiskey is being sold at sissippi, there are three or four saloons dealing out the deadly poison to the

against the wishes of the people of that State, and in defiance of its laws. Only a few days ago the people of Mississippi near the line held an indignation meeting and protested against this outrage that is being perpetrated on them by the laws of Alabama. The majority in Pickensville beat are against the saloon. But it requires a petition signed by only twenty names to procure the license. Thus this whiskey loving minority have power to force the saloons on the law-abiding majority.

What is to be done? What can be done?

First. Let the moral, law-abiding citizens of the State arise as one man and press the matter on our present Legislature to give the State of Alabama a chance to vote the whiskey business out of the State as a State.

Second. Let the Legislature pass an anti-blind-tiger law like the one the last Legislature of Kentucky has passed, making the place of delivery the place of sale, and every one who sells, buys or handles the stuff a particeps criminis in the transaction. The people of the State have a right to a say in this business, and if permitted to speak at the polls they will wipe out this stigma that now rests upon them-that Alabama may no longer be a reproach in the eyes of the good people of adjoining B. F. Stamps. States.

Carrollton.

Briefs.

Sorrow opens the window of life, It is good to forgive but better to

Virtue is woman's only armor of

Love must be the foundation of every

Only a woman with a soul can make a home for man. Fate does not ask you to sacrifice all of your life.

Self-imposed troubles are seldom borne with patience.

All the waysides of this land are not dark as Erebus-travel on, there's light ahead.

If part of your life has been a mistake, give it up, seek other companions and start anew.

'Have you been sitting a long while in the rear? Then go to the front, you may find something to do.

So long as there is one sin left to rattle at the door of conscience, the heart cannot be happy.

If there be a breath of unchastity about the worldly flower you admire turn back and select a poor bud from the home garden.

Children who never see their parents bestow the kiss of love, lose one of life's sweetest examples.

Don't be contented to stay in the marsh, but climb upon the hills and let the sunshine of success shine upon your shoulders.

It matters not in what obscure work you sow your seed, God and the angels Zula B. Cook. can find them.

Anniston, Ala.

Editor Alabama Baptist: It, has again been my misfortune to have to spend several months from home for medical treatment. On my return a few days since, I found my subscription had expired and my husband and son had overlooked it, although both claim to several places in the county. In the be close readers. I will write you a Pickensville beat, on the line of Mis- left-hand letter rather than get so far behind, as I cannot use my right hand.

If there is a place on earth where it people, negroes, etc., of Mississippi, is pleasant for one to be sick, it is the just finished a waist for myself, and if Co., Decatur, Ill.

beautiful, cultivated and sympathetic town of LaGrange, Ga., the county site of Troup, my old home county. I had been away eighteen or twenty years and it was sad to return suffering almost beyond endurance, and the disease was slower to yield to the X-ray treatment than I had anticipated. But when I found that the love of my childhood friends had spanned all of these years, and they were ready with cheerful words and kind deeds to help me, I realized it was not so bad to be afflicted with such lovely surroundings. But a more beautiful thought came to me; if the love of earthly friends contribute so much to our happiness, how much greater is the love of our Divine Friend that spans eternity!

Dr. Vaughn is the pastor of the First Baptist Church of LaGrange and is much loved by all. Our church at Hatchechubbee has called Rev. A. S. Brannon for our pastor next year.

> Sincerely, Mrs. A. R. Williams.

Hatchechubbee, Ala.

A Child's Savings.

It was my pleasure recently to assist in a Ladies' Missionary Society to send off a box to one of our frontier missionaries, which I am sure will bring joy and comfort to that far-off home.

While the ladies were discussing the subject, my thoughts went back to little incident which came under my observation while engaged in the work of getting up a missionary box in a distant State. Mrs. ---, a lady living near the church, had lost a dear little girl, the idol of her heart, about two years before, and among the treasures left by this loved one was a little bank, such as children have to collect pennies in, which contained about a dollar and twenty-five cents. One day while one of our members was calling on Mrs. the subject of the missionary box came up and she happened to mention how tenderly the missionary had written of his little daughter, who was nearly blind and therefore denied so much of the pleasure which other children enjoyed. Mrs. - asked several questions concerning this gentleman and his family, and the call came to an end. The next day she came to return the call, bringing the little bank with the pennies collected by her own little girl, saying, I have kept this little bank for two years and I felt I could never part with the money collected by my lost darling, but since hearing of the little blind girl, I have decided to send it to her. I hope it will buy some little things she needs, and that will bring some light into her darkened life." In sending it off, I had the pleasure of writing a note telling the little girl the circumstances, and when the grateful letter came from our missionary in the far East telling of the delight of this little blind girl over this present, we felt sure that the bereaved mother would feel repaid for the sacrifice she had made in sending the little bank she had valued so highly, because of the association it had with her loved one.

Another incident is worthy of mention, too, in connection with this subject. When the various articles for our box had been collected, we found that our missionary's wife had been supplied with wearing apparel, with the exception of a waist to go with the pretty dark skirt to be sent. "After talking"

the ladies think it will be nice enough, I will be glad to send it." We hesitated to accept it, as we felt that she needed it, knowing as we did, that though she was older than most of us, she was dependent on her own labors and had an invalid sister to care for; but she insisted and we could not refuse. When she brought the pretty new waist and with radiant face placed it in the box, I felt that like the widow's mite-it must prove a most acceptable offering, and it taught us a lesson of real self-sacrifice. So in doing this work we not only send comfort and help for those who in the waste places of earth are doing our Master's work, but we gain many beautiful and valuable lessons of self-sacrifice, which help and encourage us in the work in which we are engaged.

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Following the custom of the Alabama Baptist there will be no paper next week. This issue closes our first year's work as the editor of the organ of the Baptists of Alabama. It has been the busiest year of our life. We have learned to know something of "the strenuous life." Looking back over the year we see many hills that were hard to climb, and many places where we stumbled and fell, but we are thankful that along the pathway we walked with Him and had many friends to encourage us on the way. And now with the closing year our heart is filled with gratitude to God and thanks to those who have helped us. If we have offended any one we ask their forgiveness for we forgive those who have grieved us and our prayer is that this may be a season when all old hatchets will be buried out of sight forever. We wish our readers, young and old, a Happy Christmas.

With this issue Dr. Provence severs his connection as Associate Editor of the Alabama Baptist. He has been our associate for a year and during all that time we have found him sympathetic, loyal and capable. He will return to the pastorate. We pray that his ministry will be greatly blessed.

We note with great pleasure that some of the country preachers are sending in their subscriptions in advance for 1903. They are setting the pace for their city brethren. Take them all and all we wouldn't swap our preacher constituency with any editor in the landour heart is truly grateful for the many kindnesses we have received during 1902 at the hands of the Baptist ministers of Alabama.

Some good brethren and sisters blessed with this world's goods are taking advantage of our offer to send the paper to those less favored for \$1 during

CHRISTMAS FOR THE STAFF.

Judging from recent mails, the Herald's subscribers must be saving up their money for Christmas. But what about Christmas for the Herald's staff?—Religious Herald.

We, too, are afraid Santa Claus will forget to put anything in our stockings, but if he does we won't take them down until after Jan. 1st. If you forget us Christmas, please remember us at New Frank Willis Barnett.

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A Word Personal.

With this issue of the Southern and Alabama Baptist my official relations with the paper will terminate. This statement causes me genuine regret. I have greatly enjoyed the work, although the strictly editorial part of it has been limited, and I would have gladly continued in it, if that could have been.

My relations with Brother Barnett have been at all times most cordial and fraternal, and he has my wishes for the success of his great enterprise. I shall hope to write for the paper even more than I have hitherto done, but no longer from the editorial point of view.

S. M. Provence.

Pistol-Carrying and the Saloons.

Our wide-awake neighbor, the Birmingham News, has these trenchant sentences in a well-considered editorial on the question of a license for pistol carrying:

"When pistol-carrying is licensed it becomes reputable. The law puts its sanction upon it, and a man may take advantage of the law without risk of incurring opprobrium. * * * If pistol carrying is an offense against society, the law-makers have no right to compromise with it. It will not do to be over-squeamish about legislating against pistol-carriers. * * * Whatever action the Legislature may take, it is to be hoped that it will not endeavor to legalize pistol-carrying. Better no legislation at all than that which must necessarily give encouragement or at least toleration to a practice fraught with dire consequences to the peace and well-being of society."

Let us make a little change in our neighbor's argument and see how it will read:

"When liquor-selling is licensed it becomes reputable. The law puts its sanction upon it, and a man may take advantage of the law without risk of incurring opprobrium. * * * If liquor-selling is an offense against society, the law-makers have no right to compromise with it. It will not do to be over-squeamish about legislation against whiskey-selling. * * * Better no legislation at all than that * which must necessarily give encouragement to a practice fraught with dire consequences to the peace and well-being of society."

The News is right. Every pistol-carrier is a possible murderer. Over and over again he rehearses in imagination the program which is carried out when

But whiskey kills a hundred times more men than pistols and knives both, and even when these are used whiskey is generally behind them. The license has made the liquor business "reputable," and is responsible for the enormous preportions to which it has grown.

Brother Crumpton was in our office a few minutes the other day. He had a sort of tired look on his face and said: "After I fill my appointment with Lee at Blocton next Sunday I am going to rest three days at East Lake, the Lord willing. I am not especially tired. but I am awfully worried, thinking about the missionaries who are hoping that I will send them what is due them Jan. 1st. I am going to try to do it if I have to borrow the money; but when will I ever pay it back? If the pastors will do their best for State Missions during January, I will promise not to have a tired look for six months. February, March and April, we usually drop everything else and concentrate on Home and Foreign Missions.

If we do not settle with the missionaries by Feb. 1st, it is not at all likely they will get their salaries before fall, when the Board goes heavily in debt with the bank. This I do not want to do-we need not do it, if the pastors will give the help in January."

What do the pastors say? Let's cheer the heart of our hard worked secretary by giving the needed relief in January.

Editorial Paragraphs.

We take pleasure in calling special attention to the schedule of church collections which Brother Crumpton offers in this week's paper. It is a modification of a plan already in successful operation in some other parts of the country. Cut this out and paste it in the church book or make an enlarged copy and hang it in front of the pulpit. As sure as you live, brethren, something like this (and this is good as we have seen), is an absolute necessity to the vigorous prosecution of denominational

We were greatly shocked and grieved to hear of the sudden death of our lifelong friend and college mate, Dr. Charles F. James, President of the Roanoke Female College, Danville, Va. Dr. James was stricken with paralysis on the 3d inst., and died on the 5th. For ten years he had been President of the Danville school. He was an authority on the early history of Virginia Baptists, and his vindication of the claim that they were the pioneers, and the leaders in securing religious freedom in the Old Dominion was complete. Dr. James was held in the highest esteem for his many noble qualities. He was in the prime of a useful career when the summons came, but he was ready. A Christian gentleman, without fear and without reproach, was Charles F. James.

In consequence of his re-election as Corresponding Secretary of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, Rev. H. L. Morehouse, on Dec. 11, 1902, tendered his resignation as Corresponding Secretary of the American Baptist Education Society to take effect Jan. 1, 1903. He has served in this capacity since 1893.

A matter of interest in coal-bearing regions is a review by a writer in "En-

his victim lies weltering in blood, gineering" of a paper written by a Berlin chemist on the history of coal formation. The discussion practically destroys the popular view, based on the theory of La Place, a result we have rong looked for. The reviewer frankly acknowledges that there has been no conclusion reached "as to the genesis of coal;" that is, none which the scientists can make out.

> Ford's Christian Repository for December is on our table. The contents are: The Lord's People (Frontispiece); The Seven Promises to the Victors in the Seven Churches. S. H. F.; Sunshine in the Heart (Poem), S. H. Ford; How can a Sinner Stand Justified in God's Sight, S. H. F.; Gladness in Gloom, S. 11. F.; Romanism v. Christianity, Kirwin; The Great Preacher-The Qualities that Make Him-Reflections Suggested on Hearing Dr. Joseph Parker in His London Pulpit, Rev. Clandis Clear, D.D.; Jesus the Jew, and Other Addresses, Harris Weinstock; Justification by Faith, W. Jas. Robinson. Notes on Texts: "Ecce Homo," S. H. F.; John 10:11; Psa. 122:1; Hugh F. Oliver (IIlustration). The Hom Circle: Along the Wee-Nee's Banks! One Less, S. H. F.; James Lowell; or Character versus Reputation, Sallie Rochester Ford. Editorial. Address Ford's Repository, St. Louis, Mo.

With the January number of the Repository Dr. Ford will enter his fiftieth year as editor. We trust it may be indeed a Golden Jubilee for him. He has made a noble history, and won for himself a most honorable place in the annals of American Baptists. His wife, Sallie Rochester, has been part, and a large part, of his work, though she has made her own place also. Her "Grace Truman" has passed through many editions and is still doing a great service. A splendid example of consecrated industry this now aged couple present to our young men and women. We stand reverently with bared head before them. Our Father's blessing abide upon both.

Dr. W. F. Cook, one of the oldest and most prominent Methodist divines in the State, died late this afternoon from a stroke of paralysis.

For forty-five years he was engaged in the active ministry in Georgia, but his health failing, he was two years ago, placed on the superannuated list, since which time he has resided with his daughters at Newnan.

Dr. Cook was born at Culloden, Monroe county, Georgia, and was educated at Emory College, which conferred upon him the degree of D.D.

Dr. Cook's last charge before being superannuated was at Washington, Ga., and by a coincidence he was succeeded by his son, Rev. Ellison Cook.

We were pastor at Washington during the pastorate of Dr. Cook and learned to leve him very deeply. He was one of the sweetest spirits we have ever met. May the Lord be with his family is the prayer of one who almost feels as if he were a member of it.

THE GREATEST OF THESE IS CHARITY.

And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.- I Cor. xiii, 13.

Though the "charity" of the apostle is not to be construed in the everyday sense, still the implied love of man, as rooted in love of God, is comprehensive enough to include all that the blessed term can carry, whether it be fondness

for one species in the abstract, or the virtue of almsgiving to God's ever-present deserving poor. And what better practical proof can be given of the influence of that God-inspired spirit of love than the inviting-nay, even compelling-the little ones who chance to have too little of this life's favors to share at the glad Christmas-tide in the material joy at the birth of Him who bore our humanity from infancy to manhood.

Thus do we "add brotherly kindness to charity," that greatest of the Christian graces, which is to survive the wreck of worlds, and to be exercised also in the hereafter, when faith is "lost in sight" and hope absorbed in fruition. Chicago American.

PERSONALS.

Bro. H. F. Head, of Lawley, gave us a pleasant call while in the city and renewed his subscription to the paper.

Rev. C. E. Livengood, of Bessemer, passed through the city last Friday for a visit to his father at Winston-Salem, N C. He will spend the holiday's with the father, whom he had not seen in twelve years.

Bro. D. E. Dortch, of Columbia, Tenn., was in our office for a few minutes last Friday en route to Carrollton. Brother Dortch is widely known as a singer in evangelistic work, and has published a series of song books for such meetings. Pastors desiring his assistance or copies of his books, should address him at Columbia, Tenn.

FOR A WORTHY CAUSE.

Editor Phil Painter, of the Brookwood Herald, is preparing to get out a great edition of his paper during the holidays. His purpose is a most landable one. The Brookwood Herald is raising funds for the Confederate Soldiers' Home at Mountain Creek and the special edition will be in the interest of that cause. It will consist of twenty-four pages and will contain a number of special articles relating to the Confederate Home and other subjects. A handsome color section will be a feature. Editor Painter is an enterprising journalist and deserves to be congratulated.-News.

There are few young men in Alabama who are more accommodating than Phil Painter. We wish him every success.

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Rev. John A. Wray.

We print above the picture of Rev. John Wray, who recently held a meeting with Brother Hagood at Ozark.

Brother Wray is a native of North Carolina, and is only thirty years old. He graduated from Wake Forest College and afterwards took a post-graduate course at Harvard University. He also attended the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville and the Neff School of Oratory at Philadelphia.

He has been in the ministry about eight and a half years, and pastor of the Baptist Church at Milledgeville for a little over five years. Mr. Wray is a cousin of Rev. A. C. Dixon, the great Brooklyn preacher. He has filled many pulpits in the North during the summer season and attended Mr. Moody's Bible school at Northfield.

We have known John Wray for a number of years and have found him to be an agreeable companion, a consecrated pastor, an earnest preacher and a useful evangelist The Lord bless him in his pastorate and in his evangelistic

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FROM COLUMBIA.

Half my Baptist was blank sheets last week, so I hasten to send in my renewal, lest it should all be blank next week. My time was up Sept. 25th, but under pressure of other business, I neglected to renew. Please don't punish me with blank sheets any more, and I will be more prompt next time. You are giving us a splendid paper and I hope to have it visit more of my members this year than ever before. The work down here is looking up some. Brother Gable, pastor of Columbia Church, is a great helper, and a tireless worker. He is full of tact, energy and perseverance, and is a tower for good in this part of our State. If you have any old copies of the Baptist issued April 16th, please send me some to distribute among my people. That article on the Problem of the Country Churches is worth a year's subscription to the paper. I have been trying to get the country people to adopt that plan for some time. Eight years ago I was missionary and colporteur for Columbia Association for one year, and a few of the churches promised me to try that plan, but when the time came for calling the preacher, they went the same old way.

I do hope Bro W. B. Crumpton will keep the subject before the people until he gets some of them at least to work along that line. If anybody can bring it to pass, he is the man. Wishing you great success in your noble work and praying God's blessing on the same, I am, Yours fraternally,

W. P. Stewart.

WHY I AM HAPPY.

First. While our membership is not as large as some churches here, yet I am told our congregations are as large, if not larger.

Second. The church is paying the pastor up better than ever, and, of course, that makes a fellow preach bet-

Third. Our prayer service has more than doubled in attendance and seems to be more spiritual.

Fourth. Bro. W. B. Crumpton was with us recently and \$100 was subscribed and a goodly part of it collected. This makes \$140 the church and Sunday school has given and subscribed to State Missions in the last three months.

Fifth. The Sunday school has lately increased in attendance.

Sixth. During the past year we have paid off all floating debts, amounting to about \$300 and nearly \$500 interest money.

HOW'I COULD BE HAPPIER.

First. If I could be as in earnest as Paul was when he could have wished himself accused for the salvation of his kinsmen.

Second. If I could see more souls saved.

Third. If I could see Pentecostal efforts put forth to bring men to Jesus. Fourth. If I could see more vital godliness in the world.

Fifth. If I could see Christians resorting to the influence and power of the Holy Spirit rather than resorting to other influences.

Christians as it was said of Judson, "A Jesus Christ man."

J. W. Kramer.

Brewton, Ala.

FROM SHILOH.

Shiloh Church and Sunday school, Russell county, has recently put in nice new heater and chairs for the pulpit and decided to continue the Sunday school during the winter. Society Hill Church has just put in a \$15 pulpit, a nice swinging lamp, and done some other repair work. The ladies have organized themselves into a Woman's Missionary Union, with Sister Baily as president, Miss Lela Glass, secretary, and Miss Ada Myhand, treasurer.

FROM HIXON.

The cold rain was very much against us in the progress of our fifth Sunday rally at Peterman, but it was not by any means a failure. Though no ministerial help came except Brother Huckabee, the crowds did come out in the blizard. On Sunday the great house was full with the exception of a seat or two. Enthusiastic crowds pressed out through the storms of cold, cold rain, and although Brother Huckabee left us after delivering his second sermon, the meeting continued until Tuesday night, when, in the midst of a pouring rain, we received four happy young converts into our membership. Several others are expecting to join soon. Our new house is one of the prettiest designs in our Association-modern, up-to-date.

We at once pledged to keep up an evergreen Sunday school and a live prayer meeting was organized to meet same week. To God be the glory.

J. B. Kilpatrick.

PAY THE PRESIDENT'S TRAVEL-ING EXPENSES.

When we paid Dr. Montague's expenses to Blocton he remarked that Blocton was the first church he had visited in Alabama that gave him money for his expenses. Brethren, when you invite him to speak for you, do not neglect to pay his expenses. It will be a small amount to you, but a large amount to the college. This is a very important matter. Fraternally,

W. W. Lee.

FROM MARION.

The dear old Siloam Church has recently experienced a gracious revival in which Rev. A. J. Moncrief, of Union Springs, did the preaching. I had to ask Brother Moncrief twice before he would come, and I am now doubly glad I did so. Pastor and people were more than charmed with him, both as a preacher and as a man, and the Lord did a gracious work in our midst through him. Several were added to the Lord, but possibly the greater work was in the deepening of the spiritual lives of God's people. His preaching was clear and clean and convincing, and we believe God has great things in store for him.

With the end of this year I shall have been in Marion as pastor of the Siloam. Church six years. They have been six blessed years. A more loyal and considerate people it would be hard to find, always willing to do up to their ability Sixth. If it could be said of all what the pastor suggests. We will again

give this year to Foreign Missions enough to support a missionary.

I suppose the Siloam Church is one of the oldest churches in the State. It was established just seventy-five years ago. What an eventful history it has had, and how blessed it has been of the Lord! Paul V. Bomar.

FROM OPP.

We had good services yesterday at Opp. We ordained Brethren Alex Hart and W. E. Soles to the deaconship. Presbytery consisting of Elders A. J. Brooks, J. C. Brown and the pastor. Brother Brooks did the preaching. Our nice, new house of worship will soon be ready for occupancy. When completed it will be decidedly the most beautiful house of worship in Covington County, fifth Sunday meeting of the Zion Association will be held with the Opp Church in March. We want you to attend. A. T. Sims.

Dec. 15, 1902.

FROM LINEVILLE.

Our work here demanded attention yesterday that interfered with Alabama Baptist Day, so we will have to give another day to the work.

I trust the responses will bring good cheer to your heart.

I have denied you the benefits of my wise counsel all the year. I vent. a this one word. "Mr. Hopeful is the man who makes stepping stones of all his difficulties. Mr. Doubtful has been on exhibition too long."

Pardon me if you are over stocked with good advice, and accept my best wishes for the success of the paper.

Your fellow servant,

J. R. Stodghill.

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Paul Keeton, Post-Adjutant. R. J. Waldrop, Chairman of Faculty.

THE DISPENSARY.

In view of the fact that the Dispensary question is to be quite in evidence in the approaching session of our Legislature, isn't it a timely topic for our religious papers just now? What bearing will the dispensary movement have on the temperance sentiment that has been worked up within the last fifty years? When the friends of prohibition supplant the open saloons with a dispensary has the prohibition cause been permanently furthered? Where the saloon was becoming more disreputable every year, will not the respectability with which the dispensary is vested, turn the tide of sentiment back to the "decanter on every sideboard" period? To supplant the open saloon with a dispensary, works advantage, in order and decency, to the town itself, but what advantage does it bring to the contiguous country district?

To my mind we have among us, in

the dispensary movement the worst foe that the cause of temperance has faced in the past fifty years. Respectability and revenue are its towers of strength. In every town that prohibition has won, the battle will again be joined. The dispensary is a financial success. It supports the town. This argument in its favor, is to many, unanswerable. As against prohibition, it carries all of the saloon strength and a vast deal besides. If the final end of struggle is prohibition, are we not losing both time and ground when we establish a dispensary in place of the saloon? If our fight is for decency only, have we seen the gravity of the situation?

A. G. Moselev Evergreen, Ala.

FROM CHESTER, S. C.

That was a handsome thing done by Rev. John Bass Shelton, pastor of the Chester Church. When the Convention by a close vote decided to go next year to Sumter instead of Chester, after some tangling motions, amendments, etc., Mr. Shelton got the floor and very gracefully moved to make it unanimous to go to Sumter.

One of the enjoyable features of these Convention meetings is the informal, hearty welcome greetings given those pastors who have recently moved into the State.

Shelton, of Chester, a new pastor in the State, is a striking figure in the Convention and a platform prince. His speech on aged ministers' relief was a great effort.-Daily State, in report of Baptist State Convention.

From Opelika's New Pastor.

Editor Alabama Baptist: Since it was determined that I should come to Opelika I have received so many letters from brethren in Alabama extending to me a cordial welcome to the State that I cannot hope to answer all of them personally, so I wish, through your columns to express my appreciation of every one of them, and to say to the brethren who wrote them that I am now with them in every effort for the advancement of the Lord's kingdom in the State. Many have not only welcomed me but congratulated me on coming to such a noble church and fine field. I sell, L. T. Reeves. Royer, Sams, A. L. am sure that there are just reasons for my congratulation. I left in Georgia a noble church and friends tried and true to whom I was bound by strong ties, and it was bitter to part with them. But the people here have received us so cordially, and so many accounts of their goodness and nobility have come to our ears, that our hearts are rapidly healing. I am here to give the church I serve the very best that is in me, and to be used by my brethren in the State in any capacity in which I can serve the cause dear to all of us. Thanks for your kind words, and believe me, Yours for service,

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But ye'll have a time a-searchin'—
Eyes will be er-achin' bad
Ere you'll overtake er poem

At this time for pore ole dad!

No, it isn't willful in 'em—
Them that writes of mother dear—
That thar's never notice taken
Of her ole man settin' near;

Of her ole man settin' near;
No, it's never meant to slight him,
But hit looks a little sad—

All the bouquets made for mother, Not a bloom for pore ôle dad!

True, our mother watched above us
Till her dear ole eyes wud ache,
But ole dad, he humped to feed us
Till his back wufd nearly break.
Mother crooned above the cradle,
Gave devotion—all she had;

Still, that wasn't any circus
At this time for pore ole dad!

Do not take one line from mother

When ye write the soul-sweet song,
But if thar's a word for father

No and then, it won't be wrong.

Pore ole soul! He's bent and wrinkled,
An' I know 'twould make him glad

If, while you are praisin' mother,

Somethin's sed for pore ole dad!

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To twine within her thin silver hair; They softly laid white lillies on her breast

Where her poor, weary hands were crossed in rest.

Though while she lived they never sent a flower

To whisper comfort in a darksome hour,

They decked with blossoms, beautiful, her bed

When she was dead.

When she was dead They said her lite had been so true

and grand; They told how many times her sleep-

ing hand Had aided them in trouble—how she

brought Sunshine and cheer to many a gloomy lot

And how her fingers always seemed to be

Toiling for others uncomplainingly.

They said her days in kindness had been sped

When she was dead. When she was dead

They spoke not of her faults. They

Of all sweet virtues she was wont to

They said that love and pity were her creed,

And blessed her for each kindly word and deed.

They wondered, as they kissed her through their tears,

How they could live without her through the years.

Oh, many kind and tender things they said

When she was dead.

When she was dead!

The heart that loving speech once could have thrilled

With thankful gladness was forever stilled.

In life she sought their love, and seldom heard,

In all her busy days, one grateful word, And now it was too late they came and knelt

Beside her, telling all they thought and felt.

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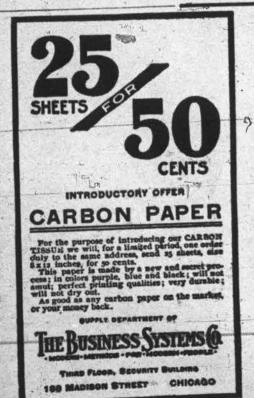
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tion.

I have read Brother Stewart's communication which appears in this week's Alabama Baptist, and also the editor's note in which he says that Brother Stewart's letter is "full of good sense."

Brother Stewart says: "Last Christmas some good friends asked for the ages of all the children in the home and sent a play thing to every one." This language is evidently intended to censure those who were guilty of such conduct. I take it as a reflection on the Sunbeam Society of the Saint Francis Street Church and the good women who had the matter in charge, for that is just what that organization did, in addition to sending a present to all the officers of the institution including Brother Stewart and his good wife.

It is evident that Brother Stewart does not believe in sending play things to the children at the Orphanage. He says that there are twenty-five boys there "who enjoy having a knife, hammer, hatchet, shoe knife, shoe hammer, composing stick, paint brush, etc., more than they would some useless trinket soon to be broken." What singular boys they must have in our Orphanage that they should prefer some tool with which they are expected to work to some play thing. I would sev the same thing about the thirty-five girls he mentions. I must hear from these sixty boys and girls individually before I can believe that Brother Stewart has guessed correctly. Perhaps this statement accounts for the fact that Brother Stewart did not so much as reply to the letter written to him year before last by the young lady who had charge of our Sunbeams when they sent their Christmas box to the Orphanage. It may also account for the fact that he wrote only three lines to the young lady who had charge of the matter last year when she had requested a letter from him that she could read to the Sunbeams.

Brother Stewart also says: "Here is a box containing a great many pieces of goods, but they are all of different sort and we could not get a girl a dress out of the whole thing, because it was all in different pieces." Now this box is the same box already referred. The pieces mentioned were some samples a good deacon gave to our young people to go in the box for doll clothes and doll bed clothes. It seems, however, that neither Brother Stewart nor any one else at the Orphanage could understand what they were for.

Some days ago a little girl ten or eleven years old, who has been confined to her bed for more than a year with a disease that has rendered her totally blind, heard that our Sunbeams were expecting to send a box to the Orphanage, and she expressed a desire to send a garment to one of the little girls as a Christmas present She then called for her pocket book and handing a lady \$1, told her to buy twenty 5-cent presents for twenty girls in the Orphanage. Brother Stewart would perhaps say, "Why this waste of money?" But to me it was a touching, beautiful act. Let the toys be sent, Brother Stewart. The children will get lots of fun out of them even if they are soon broken. When I forget that I was once a boy I hope the Lord will take me to heaven.

if Brother Stewart will make personal Hill; Dec. 14th, Mr. O. R. Bell, Jr., of

Brother Stewart's Communica. appeals to individuals in the State, and not depend on newspaper notices, he will get all the things of that sort he needs. Mrs. Farnham secured a splendid range in that way and I believe the other things needed could be secured in like manner. I believe one of the things sadly needed by our Orphanage is a board of women managers appointed by the trustees. W. J. E. Cox.

Mobile, Ala., Dec. 13, 1902.

News Items.

The church at Gadsden is building a \$2,000 pastorium. Pastor Dickinson says his people are among the best in the State. He does not make much fuss about it, but he is bringing things u pass at Gadsden.

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Several of our churches are pastorless, among them I mention Ashville, Warrior, Camden and Bayminette.

Cullman Church are building a beautiful pastor's home. When finished it a will be very pretty and comfortable. Brother McCain is succeeding well here.

On a recent visit to Camden I met many of the friends of my childhood days. The Jones, Hawthornes, Baileys, McClouds, Fetts, to say nothing of my kin, C. C. Ray and family, and many others. It was pleasant to meet these many friends and loved ones of other days.

Pastor Skinner is doing well at Atmore. What a beautiful home he has, all provided by his church there; this is a rapidly improving section of our State and some day will be one of the most desirable countries to live in in the State. I spent a pleasant night with my brother, Dr. H. G. B. Ray while there. He is still vigorous at seventy years. He is the oldest of my brothers living, while I am the youngest. Eight of the seventeen of our large family still remain.

The Deccatur Churches are in fine shape. The Central leads all on the question of missions and Pastor Quisenberry intends it shall never be otherwise if he can help it. Brother Spinks reports about the largest Sunday school in the city of any church or denomination and is expecting to make it still larger. He is a hustler and one of the Lord's noblemen. But the most enthusiastic of all the people I met up there was the Old Decatur Church people; their new pastor is running over with enthusiasm and the church is partaking of his spirit. It is certainly refreshing to associate with them even for a short while, Brother Mathison says he has the nicest pastor's home in town by long odds. It is all in "Apple pie order.' You will hear more of this church and pastor later. The preachers and brethren at all these places showed me much kindness and the subscription list of the Alabama Baptist was much S. O. Y. Ray. chiarged.

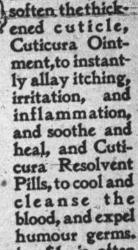
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J. P. Stiles, Judge of Probate.

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May the richest blessings of God rest upon the Southern and Alabama Baptist and her editors. Lovingly, J. H. Wallace,

- Notice to Non-Resident.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County. In Chancery. Circuit Court of Jefferson County. G. W. Hays vs Delia A.

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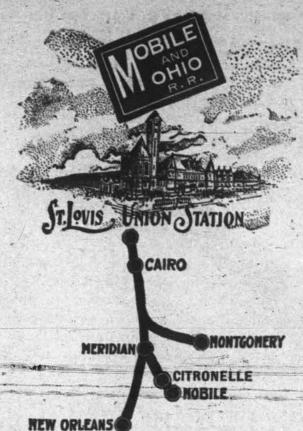
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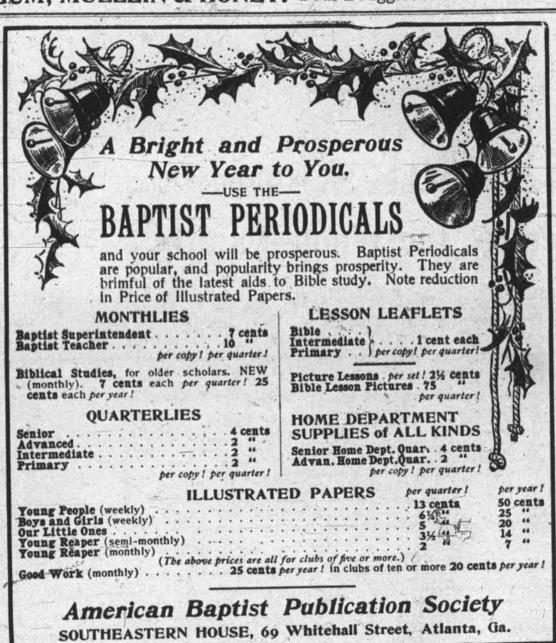
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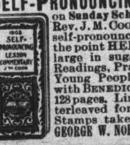
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