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In a little while there will be 2,000 people there. By the time this is read we will have a Baptist Church organized. We have bought for \$1,200 the Presbyterian Chapel, which cost two years ago \$1,600. The Presbyterians moved because they had so few members at that point.

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October 1st is the time appointed to settle for it.

Will the Sunday schools take hold of it?

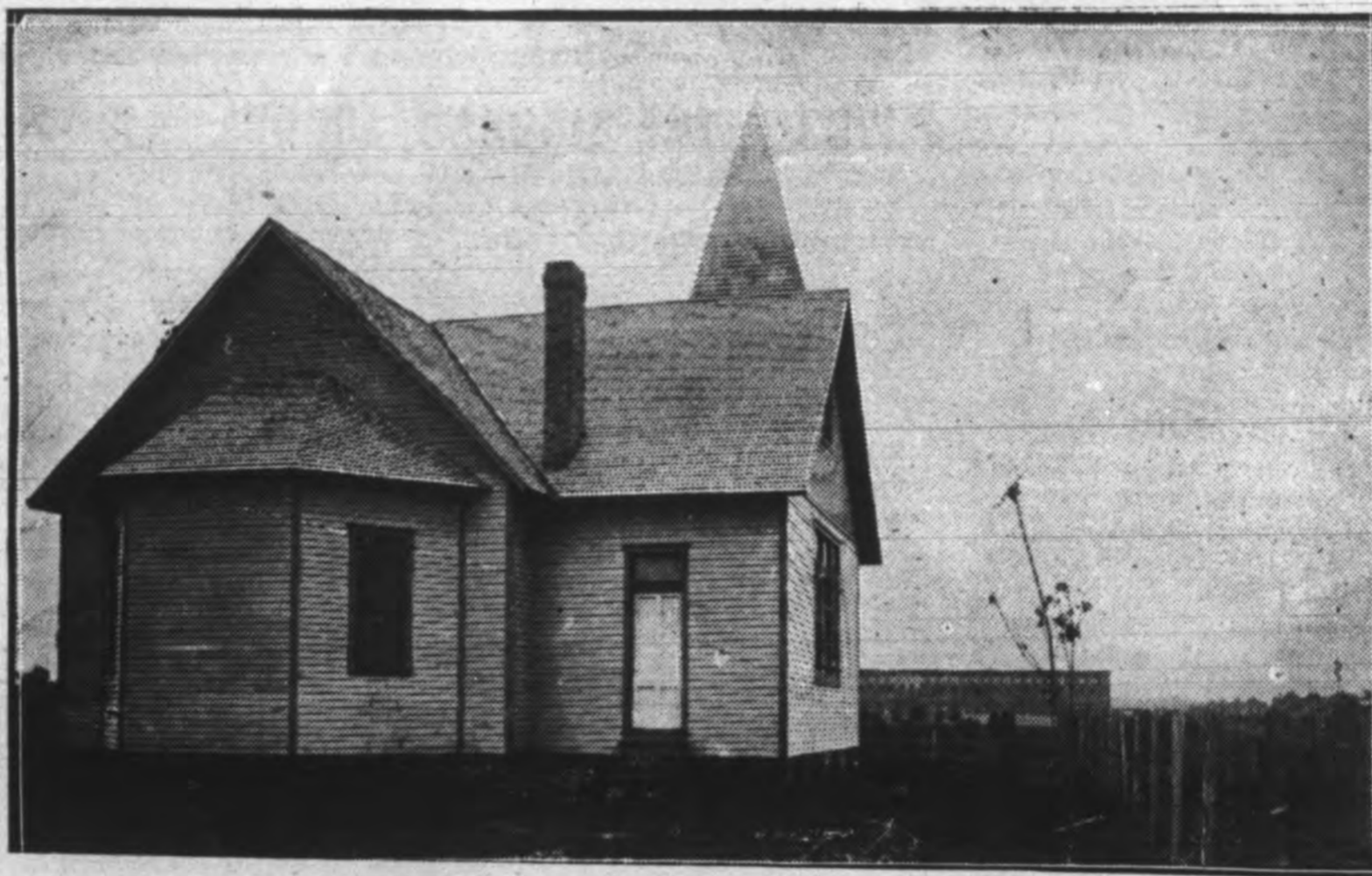
See the pictures on the other side; one shows the big mill in the distance, with a few of the many houses. We have a fine property at a very low figure.

We want every Sunday school in Alabama to help. What do the children say?

W. B. Crumpton.
Montgomery, Ala.



MERRIMAC CHURCH BUILDING. (Front View.)



MERRIMAC CHURCH BUILDING. (Rear view, with mill in the distance.)

Bro. Crumpton's Trip Notes.

So much has been written about THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

it is not worth my while to undertake to report it, I give a few thoughts in my Trip Notes, in regular order.

Those who believe in the Guiding Hand had their faith greatly strengthened at Savannah. In spite of the four days and nights continuous rain and the uncomfortably packed house, it was the universal verdict that it was the greatest Convention in our history.

One very small correspondent, of a very small paper, sharpened his pencil before he left home to belittle the Convention's work and he did it to the entire satisfaction of all his sort; but he was solitary and alone.

It was the universal verdict, also, that never again, should the Convention go to a place without ample accommodations. "Reduced rates" at a

hotel, with reduced accommodations, is a big thing for a hotel; but it is hard on the delegates. A building large enough to accommodate the great crowds is essential to the full enjoyment of the Convention by the thousands of visitors who attend. I doubt not one thousand visitors never saw the inside of the church at Savannah.

A brother, a layman, said to me, going over: "This is the third time I have been to the Convention. I have failed to get in twice; if I fail this time I will never make the trip again." I know of nothing which helps one more than a trip to the Convention. One brother said: "It is death to hardshellism." For one to make the long trip, paying out a lot of money, for the sole purpose of seeing and hearing, then to be turned away at the door—I know of nothing more chilling to a warm heart. Such a thing ought never to be possible again.

I am going to try my best to get 500 Alabamians to Nashville next year and I want to assure them that every one will get in.

Some of us can remember when the "Mass Meetings" were noted for big collections, so-called. They were only subscriptions, however. They served to get up a "Hurrah" and made some folks feel good. But the secretaries, when they came to estimate them at their true value, found them most disappointing. We have passed that now. They still cling to that way in Texas and a good brother, "a business man" from the State, tried to stampede the Convention into the Texas way by rising, loaded with a speech which he closed with a pledge for \$500; but nobody was moved.

The Convention, by its committees, suggests the amount we ought to undertake and the Boards, corresponding with the State Boards, agree upon an apportionment. The State Board suggests to the Associations and the Associations to the pastors and the church-

es. There is no compulsion at all, but all is purely voluntary. It is the result of loving co-operation. If a pastor and his church do not agree to the amount, it is all right—nobody wants to force anybody. Before long this plan will become universal and the "Hurrah collections" will forever pass away.

It was a young man's Convention. Besides President Eagle, B. H. Carfol, J. B. Gambrell and T. T. Eaton were the only ones of the "Old Guard" who figured in the meeting. W. E. Hatcher, one of the wisest and greatest leaders God has ever given us, was present a part of the time, but he was scarcely heard.

It is a great joy to see the young men coming to the front and leading out along right lines.

It was often remarked how the president had improved as a presiding officer; evidently he has been studying Parliamentary law since the Ashville Convention. With one exception, probably, his rulings were entirely satisfactory to the body. I refer to the Hylier resolutions. I heard some complaint with the loss of time occasioned by his unnecessarily repeating motions, which the house thoroughly understood, before taking the vote; but that was not a serious fault.

Returning from the Convention, without the loss of a day, I took up my appointments beginning with

THOMASTON,

in Marengo county, on the extension of the L. & N. from Selma. Bro. W. A. Parker is the pastor and his people are proud of him. This town might, very properly, be called Crenshaw. Years ago some one from that county settled in this rich country and liked it; soon some of his old neighbors joined him and year after year others have come, until the people from Crenshaw county constitute the majority of the settlers.

We have a good church, the only one in the place, and ought to have services at least two Sundays in the month.

I look for a town of considerable importance to grow up here. I preached at

LINDEN

at night. This is the county seat. Not many towns were duller than this before the coming of the railroad. Now it has taken on new life and is spreading out. A very fine court house is in course of erection and numbers of handsome new residences are being erected in the new town which extends to the railroad. Unfortunately, the new town is in the prairie. I predict the Lindenites who occupy the new town will be called "Mud-heads." That is what the Mississippi soldiers used to be called. It is very appropriate for the dwellers of all this part of Marengo. I doubt if finer prairie lands can be found in Alabama than about Linden.

The Baptists have a strong organization here. They are talking of a modern church building in a better location. Brother Hall comes from Orrville and preaches two Sunday nights in the month. He is doing a good work for them; but of course it is only temporary. They ought to have a strong preacher located there for half his time.

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Our Field Editor.

CUBA.

I spent a day in this pretty town. How it has improved in the last few years! So many new and pretty homes and such thrifty and well-to-do people. Here is the secret of some of it. They have already sold more than thirty thousand dollars worth of vegetables out of their truck farms and still they have other crops to be gathered which will perhaps pay as much more. Why can't many other towns do the same thing? One brother said to me, "This money comes in mighty handy this time of the year." It will certainly pay. The Baptist church here is undergoing repairs at the present, when it is finished it will be the prettiest church in town. Brother Morris, their pastor has just resigned his work there and will move to Moss Point, Miss., at an early date. They are loath to give him up. I met Brother Vaughn who is now quite feeble. I was glad to look into his bright face again.

After a pleasant night spent in the home of Bro. E. M. Shaw, I am off for

DEMOPOLIS

where Bro. H. W. Fancher is holding the fort as pastor of the Baptist church. This is one of the best business towns in this part of the State, the river transportation giving them decided advantage in freight rates. Here, too, is a large cement factory, where the limestone rock is made into cement. They are just now doubling their plant and there is here enough material to supply the demand for unnumbered years. Who would ever have thought it was fit for any thing? The Baptist church here has a noble band and the work they are doing is of a high grade. Some day the Baptists here will be a great people. I was entertained at the home of Dr. Lee one of the leading dentists in the town.

UNIONTOWN.

Brother Fancher went with me to this town. I secured a nice lot of new subscribers. Our Baptist church here is without a pastor at the present, Bro. Lee having left them several months ago. What a pity our people here cannot have preaching every Sunday and have a man on the ground who would be in a position to do the work so often needed and often done by others to the detriment of the Baptist cause! We dined at the home of Mrs. W. A. Robinson where we spent a pleasant evening. On Sunday I preached at

GALLION.

Brother Fancher gives half his time here. This is one of the few country communities which has preaching two Sundays in the month, and where the ante-bellum days can be seen and enjoyed as in the days long ago. What a mistake has been made by so many well meaning people in leaving the old home in the country and moving to the cities and towns! They never get anything to compare with what they lose when they go but in all most every case—taking the whole out-put of life—they lose a thousand times more than they gain. My home was with Brother Davies.

BESSEMER.

Brother Thompson took me around and showed me the foundations of the new church which is to be the prettiest church in the city and in fact the only pretty church. They have one of the best locations in the city and when their church is completed they will have just cause to be proud of it. There is not a busier man in the State than

Brother Thompson—one upon whom more demands are made. After a day's tramping over the city with him, I was thoroughly convinced that a missionary ought to be provided to assist him. This is one of the most needy districts within my knowledge. Four men for Bessemer and the suburban towns could be employed and then not supply the demand.

OXFORD.

It will be gratifying to the good people of the State to know that this town has just been saved from the inroads of the whiskey traffic. Here, as in many other places in the State, the dispensary has offered a common ground for prohibitionists and whiskey men to unite upon, (all in the interest of the education of the dear children), but for one time the better class led by Brother Ivey, won the day. It took as hard fighting almost as we used to have ousting the saloons. Just how we are to stay the encroachments of this awful Upas no one can be able to say—unless it be the sort of work done by Ivey and the good people of Oxford. All honor to them!

OXANNA.

This is but another name for a part of Anniston. Brother Hutto is pastor of the Baptist church and Brother Ivey is assisting him in a meeting. The interest is good and increasing. Several have joined and many more are expected soon. Brother Ivey is preaching some very strong sermons and the people are much pleased with him. Brother Hutto is giving half his time to missionary work in the Calhoun Association. He is doing a great work. He has held this year twenty-five or more Baptist Rallies besides preaching in many waste places. I spent two pleasant nights in his home.

ANNISTON.

Brother Foster is pastor of the banner mission church in the State, all things considered, and has decidedly the prettiest church building. Here, too, the law and order people have recently asserted themselves led by the modest but courageous Foster; the cause of right prevailed and the city today has one of the cleanest governments in its history. This is another demonstration of the fact that if the good people of our State would make the proper effort we could rid the State of every whiskey shop in it. Why will not some Moses rise up and lead the fight in Alabama against the whiskey traffic that we may do something worthy of ourselves and the cause we are pledged to support? The First Church of Anniston is now without a house of worship and without a pastor. They are at present worshipping under a tent. Brother John Barnard, their former pastor, will hold a meeting with them beginning the first of July. This is the church about which so much was written a year or more ago, where three or four hundred were baptized in a day. How sad that they should be in such a pitiable condition so soon! After all not everything is so wonderful as it sometimes seems.

JACKSONVILLE.

Bro. A. J. Johnson has just returned from the Seminary to this fine old town. He will spend his vacation here, preaching to the Baptist church. He expects to return to the Seminary in the fall where both he and his wife are taking a course preparatory to missionary work in China in the future. This is one of the fine old towns in the State with an intelligent population. One of the State schools is located here and has

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PIEDMONT.

Brother Harrison is pastor at this place but is at present building a railroad while Brother Wright, of Oxford, is doing the preaching. This, too, is a good town. The Baptists have a good church. One of the large cotton mills of this section is located in this town, and the need of aggressive work is almost as great here as any place I have been. I am much indebted to Brother Ledbetter, a Confederate Veteran and the proprietor of the Dixie Hotel for favors shown me in many ways and to Bro. W. C. Bentley for a pressing invitation to come back again when chickens and fruit are ripe, which thing I shall endeavor to do at no far distant day.

On the second Sunday, I was with the saints at Union, one of the suburban towns of Bessemer. I preached for them morning and night. They were sorter sampling of me and I was doing a little of that sort of thing myself. Time will tell what the results may be. The woods are full of Baptists to say nothing of the number in town. This is one of the oldest churches in that part of the State and has done a good work. The negroes of this community have had a great revival. Twenty-six were baptized the Sunday evening I was there.

The Powderly congregation on last Sunday was constituted into a church. Rev. W. S. Brown was chairman of Presbytery. Rev. J. L. Thompson delivered the charge and Rev. G. F. B. Stovall led the prayer. The church has called Rev. J. F. Parker as pastor for the ensuing year. We regret that we could not be present.

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A Card to Woman's Mission Societies.

At the late session of Woman's Missionary Union held in Savannah, May 1903, upon recommendation of the Southern Baptist Convention Boards, Home, Foreign and Sunday School, it was voted almost unanimously to attach a salary to the office of Corresponding Secretary, W. M. U., the amount to be left to the decision of the Boards.

By this card, the one elected to the office for this year, Annie W. Armstrong, declines to accept a salary and will give her services as she has done for the past fifteen years, as an offering to the cause of missions.

Annie W. Armstrong,
Cor. Sec. W. M. U.

Dr. B. F. Giles writes: Success to you. You are giving us a good paper. You were so liberal and kind in your write-up of the Central's commencement.

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Hon. C. W. Thompson's Eloquent Address at Howard College.

Education is the All—If the Sons of the South Cling to Their Heritage the Perpetuity of the Nation is Assured—The Glorious Inspiration of Howard—Words that Ring out Clear—Ark of the Covenant of American Ideals.

This is the text of the address delivered by Hon. Charles W. Thompson to the literary societies of Howard College, in the chapel Monday night, May 25th. His subject was "The Ark of the Covenant of American Ideals."

Mr. President, Young Gentlemen of Howard College, Ladies and Gentlemen:

I greet you with sincere pleasure on this auspicious occasion and with hearty appreciation of the cordial invitation which has brought me here. I approach this great institution of learning with the reverence which should be shown to age when accompanied with the honor and renown of noble deeds. Established in 1833, Howard College has now reached its "three score years and ten." At this ripe old age, its vigor is quickened, its perspective broadened, its usefulness enlarged. With the mellowness and ripe experience of seventy years, it retains the power and strength of youth; and in its hopeful horizon, looks out upon a future that gladdens the hearts of its loyal devotees everywhere. Looking into the faces of this strong faculty, where gentleness and kindness are blended with courage and progressiveness; receiving the attention of these two literary societies, under whose special auspices I proudly appear before you, and which are composed of you handsome and ambitious young gentlemen of the student body, who inherit all the advantages and culture that have gone before, and are the very embodiment of all that is suggestive of the great and good in a glorious future; cheered by the presence of such a multitude of visitors from far and near—fair women and brave men, patriots all and lovers of learning—I can but thank you for the pleasure and opportunity of addressing so distinguished an assemblage. I approach my task, however, with fear and trembling. To measure fully up to it is more than I can expect and all that I could hope. Paraphrasing the remark of a cynical Frenchman that, "The more I see of men, the better I like dogs," I can truthfully say, the more I see of people from the North, the East, the West, and even other parts of the South—though most worthy is the American citizen from every section, especially Virginia—the better I like the people of Alabama and the more proud am I to be one of them. I intend no reflection whatever on Virginia, doctor. That is a good State to come from.

HOWARD'S GREAT RECORD.

The first thought in my mind today is the great record of this institution. In Mr. Willis G. Clark's History of Education in Alabama, published by the Bureau of Education at Washington (1889), I find it said that the moral and intellectual impression which this institution has made during its career, commencing in 1833, has not been surpassed by that of any other institution of learning in Alabama—that of all its students not one has proved to be a bad man, but so far as known, all of them have had useful and successful careers. An institution with such a record is an honor to the State and the

nation; an honor, indeed, to Anglo-Saxon civilization and to the whole race. But, when we find that among its earlier presidents were numbered such men as J. L. M. Curry, but lately gathered to his fathers, Samuel Freeman and J. T. Murfree, and more recently such men as Drs. Dill, Riley, and your most worthy and efficient president, who is the peer of any man, North or South, in intellect, culture, gentleness, refinement and knowledge; all blended with strong executive force of character which cannot fail to impress itself upon the lives and characters of the young men who are so fortunate as to attend this college, it appears to be the most natural thing in the world that Howard College should have a faultless record in the benign work of character building.

FAME OF DR. CURRY.

Dr. Curry's fame is world wide; it is a fame based upon the high qualities of head and heart which make for true patriotism and true manhood; a fame in which is reflected the best thought of the South, which is the best thought of our entire country. Through good business ability, and through a happy marriage with a very wealthy lady, Dr. Curry became rich in this world's goods; but, instead of devoting his life to pleasure and ease, he devoted it through all of its long years to the same sort of good work that characterized his efforts at Howard College, and that has characterized the efforts of his successors.

As manager of the Peabody and the Slater funds, he once wrote an appeal in behalf of southern educational institutions, in which his lofty ideals and profound patriotism were unconsciously exhibited in a striking manner.

"The South," said he, "in her past history, from the administration of Washington to that of Harrison, inclusive, has been conservative. Often have her statesmen and her public opinion interposed to preserve the ancient landmarks and prevent departures from the constitution and the precedents of the fathers. She has been as much maligned as misunderstood. If she remains true to herself, she can save representative government and our civil and religious liberties. Her freedom, present and prospective, from heterogenous and foreign elements, and her consciousness of the perils of the race question, should make her again, as often before, the great conservative, controlling, saving section of the country."

Loyalty to the principles of the reformation, the revolution, and the republic was the chief characteristics of Dr. Curry and of all those who succeeded him in the management of the college; and on dissemination and preservation of those high principles, religious and political, our culture, no less than our history, as a nation, depend. Would that we had hundreds of colleges like Howard in our land! For here, and wherever we find the spirit of the Baptist dominating as a religious and ethical force, we find men and women thoroughly imbued with the sacred doctrines on which rest our political and religious liberties.

SOURCE OF THE TOPIC.

A Baptist minister, Rev. Thomas Dixon, Jr., native of North Carolina, famous pulpit orator of New York, now the proud possessor of an old-fashioned southern home in Virginia, where he mainly devotes his talents to literature, has written a strong and attractive book upon the reconstruction period and given it the title of "The Leopard's Spots." In it is related an incident of an opulent deacon, representing a wealthy Boston church, who comes to North Carolina and offers to a Baptist preacher, who is there receiving \$900 a year, a salary of \$8,000 to serve the church in Boston. The tarheel preacher declares that his proper life's work is in North Carolina and declines with thanks. An argument follows in which the relations of the sections are reviewed. The deacon argues that the preacher is throwing his life away; the preacher nobly defends his work and his section. Said he:

"The South has been voiceless in these later years. * * * But when these children we are rearing down here grow, rocked in their cradles of poverty, nurtured in their fierce struggle to save the life of a mighty race, they will find speech, and their songs will fill the world with pathos and power.

"I've studied your great cities * * * Against the possible day when a flood of foreign anarchy threatens the foundations of the republic, and men shall laugh at the faith of your fathers, and undigested wealth beyond the dreams of avarice rots your society, until it mocks at honor, love and God—against that day we will preserve the South.

"Believe me, deacon, the ark of the covenant of American ideals rests today on the Appalachian range of the South. When your metropolitan mobs shall knock at the doors of your life and demand the reason of your existence—from these poverty-stricken homes, with their old-fashioned ideas, will come forth the fierce athletic sons and sweet-voiced daughters in whom the nation will find a new birth." (The Leopard's Spots, p. 334.)

WONDERFUL, TRUE THOUGHT.

It is, indeed, a wonderful thought, and yet I believe it to be true that "The ark of the covenant of American ideals rests on the Appalachian range of the South." The association of great conservative moral ideas with the conception of pyramidal strength and industrial possibilities, which at once arises in the mind from the contemplation of this section of the South is truly sublime, and the more we dwell upon this thought the more we are impressed with the belief that it is, under divine Providence, the mission of the people who dwell in the region east of the Mississippi river and south of the Ohio and the Potomac to give to the world the highest expression of civilization ever achieved by man. Behold its wonderful adaptability, alike to agriculture, to mining, to manufacturing and to commerce. In shape, it is a gently sloping pyramid, whose fertile base is washed by wide-rolling rivers and the sea, and whose culminating dome rises in the very center of

the district. From its swelling crown a thousand rivulets leap forth to meet the sunshine, forming the tangled silvery hair of the Grandfather mountain; and here, too, the Watauga and Kanawha burst out in full panoply, like the goddess from the forehead of Jupiter. Down its verdant sides sweep fountains, streams and floods, whose aggregate mechanical power exceeds that of 10,000,000 horses. Look at your maps. With the exception of the St. John's river, the streams flow from their sources to their mouths throughout the greater part of their courses in nearly straight lines from a common center, radiating like the spokes of a wheel.

These numerous rivers are available, not only as convenient channels of internal navigation, but also to supply mechanical power for manufacturing; to irrigate and fertilize our fields, and to facilitate the construction of railways and common roads.

Rivers are always the friends of the civil engineer, and already the courses of those to which I have referred have to a vast extent been utilized as railway routes, and every year we see new thoroughfares projected along their banks. And I venture the opinion that, within the next fifty years, the internal navigation system and the railway system of this section, marching onward, hand in hand, will have made every valley the track of a double highway—one by water, the other by rail—operating as mutual checks upon freight rates, and preventing those extortions and adverse discriminations which have so often harassed and hampered our industries in the past. The South will then possess the most perfect transportation in the whole world. The points of competition between railway and water lines will be so numerous, and approach so near to the center of the system, that the railway companies must necessarily lose the power which they have heretofore possessed of controlling internal commerce. So much may be fairly said respecting our commercial possibilities.

OUR INEXHAUSTIBLE RESOURCES.

Our supply of good raw materials is in exhaustible. Our forests are the wonder of our times, and when these shall have been diminished in extent and value, there will still remain the most remarkable resources of coal and iron in the world. There will still remain our limestone, dolomite, phosphate, and gypsum beds, our marl and peat beds, our mountains of marble and granite, our great fisheries, and above all, our great staples, cotton, sugar, corn, rice and tobacco. We can, moreover, produce nearly every variety of cereals, fruits, edible plants and healing herbs, and can raise cheaply and abundantly all the useful domestic animals. The silkworm thrives upon our coasts, and birds and flowers gladden all our plains and mountain slopes everywhere. We have petroleum, salt, and fountains that supply the place of drugs. Our southern latitude gives us the most equable division of time into hours of daylight and hours of darkness, and renders our labor efficient beyond that

of any other country, when skilfully applied. Our climate, with a wide extended range, is everywhere salubrious, and our ports all favorably situated for external trade.

Such is our southern pyramid; not, like frowning Cheops, built by mortal hands, but fresh from the workshop of the Almighty with the blooming flush of youthful life spread over it all. Here stands immortal betuty, in all her infinite variety. Upon her august head the earliest rays of morning light that greets this Western world are shed; and there, too, the lingering glories of the parting day are gathered, and reflected down upon her teeming bosom far below, where, in contrast with the doleful music of the Sphinx:

To many a row of pipes the soundboard breathes,

and anthems of new life and hope are wafted back from farm and factory, from forge and mill—steam-fleeting chariot, rushing keel, and lightning-whispered thought.

Such, I say, is our southern pyramid; such is the Appalachian range of the South, on which rests the Ark of the Covenant of American Ideals. Is it not, indeed, a fit abiding place for the spirit of Washington and the fathers of the republic? Why should not the South, if true to her traditions, religious and political, remain the "great conservative, controlling, saving section of the country?"

THE INSPIRATION OF HOWARD.

My dear countrymen, remembering our history and guarding well our future by means of the strictest adherence to those sound principles of which Howard College has furnished, both among its faculty and among its alumni, so many fine exponents, let us move forward to embrace our opportunities. Let us think and act. The right of free inquiry and private judgment, born of the Reformation and secured by the Revolution, is ours by inheritance. Let us, therefore, I say, think and act. The time is propitious. Look around you and behold what great things God hath done among you in these late years. This new temple of learning, richly endowed, and standing in the midst of industrial institutions that have made Alabama famous throughout the world—these form elements of moral and material well-being which bid us hope and strive as never before. Here liberty, tempered by law and true religion, sheds her glandsome light abroad; knowledge strews flowers in the pathway of her votaries, and labor spreads for all her wholesome store.

Men of thought, be up and stirring, night and day;
Sow the seed, withdraw the curtain, clear the way;
Men of action, aid and cheer them, as ye may.

And in all our efforts let us remember the great truth so strongly urged by another great Baptist minister, Dr. Alva Woods, in his inaugural address as the first president of the University of Alabama, in 1831—the truth that prosperity, no less than the safety, liberty and moral and religious improvement of man is, in the long run, the result of education. We witness great prosperity at Howard College today, with these two splendid literary societies. We witness great prosperity at Birmingham today. All this is the result of education—of good education.

A SINGULAR COINCIDENCE.

And it is a singular coincidence that

the beginnings of the development of the marvelous natural resources of this section are associated with the early efforts of men trained at Howard College. There is an old case in the reports of the Supreme Court of the United States called Huckabee against the Bibb County Iron Company, which did much to spread the fame of the ore deposits of North Alabama throughout the world; and in that report it is shown that the Huckabees, who were once students of this college, while located at Marion, were men of keen wits and high character, who, before the war, were pushing enterprises for the material development of their native State. In the splendid endowment of this institution by the people of this section, therefore, those people were unconsciously returning to Howard College the bread which it had cast upon the waters long before. This region had felt the impulse of this institution through its alumni at a time when it was impossible to realize what that impulse meant. And in the sequel the people of this region felt again that they needed just this institution; and thus, by a phenomenal reciprocity of impulses, Howard College was brought here to exert, let us hope forever, controlling and saving influences upon the destinies of the richest mineral region on the globe, and through the ramifications of commercial and intellectual life, upon the entire South—the Ark of the Covenant of American Ideals.

Whoever fails to perceive in such benign coincidences the finger of Providence directing us towards the fulfillment of a noble destiny, must be devoid of faith itself.

I hope you will pardon an innovation just here: (I want to impress upon every alumnus of this institution the importance of endowing it; and I believe I will make you this proposition—I will agree to be one of 500 men to give you \$250,000 as an endowment fund, or one of fifty to give you \$5,000 on your building fund, provided you will find them within one year from this date.)

THOSE VISITING CONGRESSMEN

The manner in which such influences may be extended is illustrated by an incident within my own experience, connected with my tour of the South in company with a number of Congressmen from other States, last year. In this State, we visited Tuskegee, Mobile, Montgomery and Birmingham. My object in inviting these gentlemen to make this tour was to afford them an opportunity of witnessing for themselves the marvelous progress of the South and the general good order and good feeling which prevail here. It was a typical company of northern men, headed by the Secretary of the Treasury and including many other distinguished men, members of Congress in which I have the honor to serve. They came, not as political emissaries, but as friends and fellow countrymen, desirous of making the acquaintance of our people and gaining a better knowledge of the condition of our affairs. These gentlemen were greatly impressed with what they saw in this neighborhood. When they visited the great furnaces and rolling mills of Birmingham, and were told of the immense deposits of iron ore in Red Mountain, running in a vein twenty feet thick and extending a distance of ten miles northeast and fifteen miles southwest of the city; when they were told of the Warrior coal field, which

would cover 500 square miles with coal seventy-five feet thick; of the Cahaba coal field, whose deposits it would require 1,100 years to exhaust, though 10,000 tons were mined there every day; of the Coosa coal field, whose deposits it would require 165 years to exhaust at the same rate of mining; when they were told of the marvelous deposits of limestone and dolomite, found in close proximity to those of coal and iron, and all within a few miles of Birmingham, they were amazed at the mineral wealth of this region, and were brought to realize the fact that the sceptre of the iron king must speedily pass from Pennsylvania to Alabama. Yet it was the moral, even more than the physical, conditions existing here which impressed them. There were few foreigners, no strikers, no socialists, no anarchists. The laborer and the capitalist found equal protection before the law. The people were orderly, frugal, industrious, free, brave, hospitable and intelligent. A sound public opinion, nurtured and developed by the influences of a sound Protestant Christian education, was everywhere manifested. Those who came with me on that occasion returned with new ideas of the South; and, especially, with new ideas of her people. They had, of course, heard much of this section; but they freely confessed that the half had not been told.

WHAT IS THE ARK?

If the Ark of the Covenant of American Ideals is truly here, what, then, is that ark? In what does it consist? Dr. Curry has partly indicated the answer by saying that it consists in our freedom from heterogeneous and foreign elements among our people. But, that is not all. It consists less in the absence of foreign blood in our veins, than in the absence of foreign ideas in our public opinion. It consists in those sentiments, feelings and principles of thought and action which we call our race. Plato well expressed the idea in his great work, called the Republic. "It is in the field of education," said he, "that our guardians should erect their guardhouse; for there it is that foreign opinions creep in by stealth, professing to do no mischief. And, indeed, they do none, except—that, gradually gaining a lodgment, they quietly insinuate themselves into manners and customs, from which they go forward in greater force and make their way into compacts. And from compacts they go on to attack laws and constitutions, displaying the utmost impudence, until they end by overthrowing everything, both in public and in private."

It was in the field of education, indeed, that our guardians who framed the constitution of Alabama did erect their guardhouse. In the convention which met at Huntsville on the 5th of July, 1819, they adopted as a part of the fundamental law of Alabama, this provision:

"Schools, and the means of education, shall forever be encouraged in this State, and the General Assembly shall take measures to preserve from unnecessary waste or damage such lands as are, or hereafter may be, granted by the United States for the use of schools within each township in this State, and apply the funds which may be raised from such grants in strict conformity with such grant."

BEGINNING OF UNIVERSITY.

In October of the same year, Governor Bibb brought to the attention of

the Legislature the liberal donation by Congress of lands for the endowment of a seminary of learning, and for the support of schools. In 1822, the Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama was organized. In December, 1827, the University of Alabama was organized. In April, 1831, Dr. Alva Woods, an eminent Baptist divine and educator, was elected president of the institution, and a complete faculty organized. On the 12th of that month Dr. Woods delivered his inaugural address, selecting for his theme, in accordance with the dominant spirit of that heroic age, "The importance of learning and knowledge to the safety, liberty, prosperity and moral and religious improvement of man."

The University having no theological department for the training of such young men as had the ministry of the gospel in view, the different Christian denominations of the State at once set about supplying such institution out of their own resources. In this particular field, the Baptists took the lead. The Baptist State Convention, in 1833, appointed a committee "to establish in Alabama a seminary of learning on the manual labor plan, for the education of indigent young men called to the ministry." This was the beginning of Howard College. In 1841, the convention resolved to establish a regular college of high order, with a theological department attached, and obtained for that purpose a charter from the Legislature. The permanent buildings were erected at Marion in 1846. By a resolution of the convention the college was removed to this place in 1887. Situated, as it now is, in the heart of these mineral regions, within easy reach of foundries and manufacturing plants of the first order, ample facilities for scientific research are accorded its students in connection with classical, ethical and religious instruction.

With such educational institutions and natural resources as we find here, what more is needed to make and keep us a happy and prosperous people?

Argue not

Against Heaven's hand or will, nor bate a jot

Of heart or hope, but still bear up and steer

Right onward.

ALL IN EDUCATION.

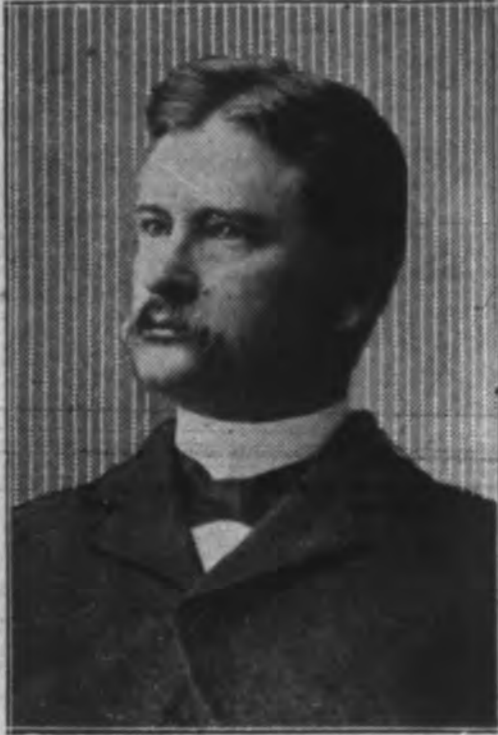
When we consider that we are just entering upon an era of the greatest prosperity for the South she has ever enjoyed; and that over a quarter of a century has been spent by the grandest, the bravest, the most patient, the most chivalrous people on the face of the earth—in building up and reclaiming what was once the fairest and most prosperous section of our continent, we must acknowledge that the continuation of all development and progress in Alabama lies in the enlargement of our system of education. Education is like water; to fructify it must descend. Pour out floods at the base of society, and only at the base, and it will saturate, stagnate and destroy. Pour it out on the summit, and it will quietly and constantly percolate and descend, germinating every seed, feeding every root, until over the whole area, from summit to base, "will spring the tender blade and then the ear, and then the full corn in the ear."

The most important work in our educational system now, in Alabama, the first, the highest, the holiest duty

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THE EDITORIAL PAGE.

Dr. Montague's Plea for Howard College.



D. A. P. MONTAGUE.

Howard College, East Lake, Ala.
To the Baptists of Alabama:

Dear Brethren and Sisters: As it is impracticable to reach every one of you through the mail, allow me to address you an open letter, that I may state certain facts and prefer certain requests.

Some brother may say here, "That new man at Howard College is always asking for something." Yes, my Brother; and if I live and remain in your service, I shall continue to remind you of your college and bring its wants straight to you.

I. The coming session should be the greatest in the history of our college. Why so? Because our people are more numerous and richer than they ever were before, and because the pastors of the State are showing more interest in the institution; again, because the students are enthusiastic, and they will canvass with zeal and success.

Now, I beg each one of you to canvass for Howard College, and to turn Baptist boys to your Baptist College. Our Faculty next session will be one of the very strongest in this State; and

our college will do as much mentally and morally for the boys of Alabama as any other college in the South.

II. Some churches have done nobly in complying with the request to redeem the pledge of the last convention, i. e., to give \$6,000 to Howard College until an endowment of \$100,000 shall be secured. Some other churches have not "hurt themselves"; some have done nothing. It seems to me that an exact report of the amount given by each church to this cause should be read before the next convention, when the crowd is largest. I have recently written with my own hand to 187 pastors in regard to this matter. A few kindly responses have come to me.

About one month now remains before the convention: will not every Baptist church in Alabama have some part, great or small, in this enterprise?

III. Renfroe Hall, the new Dormitory, is more than half finished; it will cost, unfurnished, \$15,300; nearly all of this sum will be given by Jefferson County; men and women of all denominations are contributing; the largest amount thus far was the gift of Bro. W. T. Smith, \$500; Bro. J. W. Minor, a Baptist, and Major W. J. Milner, an Episcopalian, gave the next largest sum, each \$250; then came a Baptist, Bro. J. H. Eubank, with \$200. In company with these gentlemen in liberality is Prof. A. D. Smith, long and honorably connected with the college, now one of the most valuable trustees in the country.

If any brother or sister, a believer in Christian education, mindful of the great work of Howard College in the past, in honor, too, of the man of God for whom the building is named, wishes to make a contribution towards the building fund, it will be gladly received; and it will be needed.

Now, while this house will be built largely by the Birmingham District, it is our hope and plan that the Baptists of the State furnish the rooms, after this wise: There will be forty-six rooms; deducting the kitchen, dining room, reception room, and two rooms for our matron, we shall have forty-one rooms to be furnished. It will cost \$35

to furnish a room, the furniture to consist of two single iron bedsteads, two mattress, three chairs, one table, one wash-stand, one mantel, bowl, pitcher, and, if possible, one bureau.

In order that all the rooms may be furnished in similar style—that no distinction be made—we shall buy the furniture. Now, let any church or any person who wishes to furnish a room, to be known by the name of the church or the person or of some honored man or woman of God, who has gone to his or her reward, send me by August the first \$35. A number of churches have already "spoken for" rooms. I would be glad if these and all others would very soon notify me, that I may reserve the rooms to be furnished. Are there not prosperous sons or daughters, who would like thus to honor a father of blessed memory, or a sainted mother? As long as Renfroe Hall shall stand, the steel letters above the doors of the rooms will tell the story of a church's sacrifice or of the dead, who are not forgotten. And in those rooms will dwell boys who are to stand for Christian citizenship, boys who are to preach the Gospel of the Kingdom. Brethren, Sisters, on, on, with your directions as to the reservation of rooms. My heart swells as I think how we may thus honor our blessed dead.

As to the other three rooms: the furnishing of the kitchen, no unimportant thing, will cost from \$225 to \$300; that of the dining room about \$300; that of the reception room about \$75. What great churches or big-hearted men or women will take these rooms? For the furnishing of these more expensive rooms I have my eye (shall I say my heart?) on seven churches and six men.

IV. The B. Y. P. U. of Alabama, in convention assembled at East Lake, some seven or eight weeks ago, pledged \$1,000 to the Dormitory fund. We need that money to-day. I would not impeach the business sense, much less the good faith, of the Baptist Young People's Union of Alabama by the faintest intimation that a single dollar of this pledged sum will remain unpaid. Have the committee of brethren,

to whom Bro. Thompson entrusted this important matter, written again and again, and yet again, to every B. Y. P. U. in our State and urged the payment of this money?

Brethren, Sisters, my heart is in this great enterprise of Christian education, whose chief exponent for us of Alabama Howard College is. Forgive me, then, if I speak urgently and insistently; I speak also in affection and with high respect for you.

Your brother,
A. P. Montague.

Howard College, East Lake, Ala.,
June 20, 1903.

My Dear Brother Barnett: It seems to me it would be an excellent plan to publish and send forth to thousands of readers the great speech of the Hon. C. W. Thompson at our last commencement. Mr. Thompson, besides giving us assurance of sympathy, has given evidence of support by sending me a handsome check for our Dormitory fund.

Yours fraternally,
A. P. Montague.

Tuskegee, Ala., June 16, 1903.
Dr. A. P. Montague,
President Howard College, East Lake, Ala.

My Dear Sir and Brother: Complying with my proposition made to the alumni of your college during your last commencement, I beg to hand you herewith my check for \$100 on your building fund. I was greatly impressed with the splendid work you are doing for the young men of Alabama, and especially for those who have the ministry of the gospel in view, as well as the high character and sterling worth of the young men whom it was my pleasure to meet while there. Every citizen of Alabama should be justly proud of your efforts in their behalf.

Wishing you great success, and hoping that you will soon have funds enough in hand to complete the additional buildings you so much need. I am, with high esteem,

Sincerely your friend,
Chas. W. Thompson.

Editorial Paragraphs

Dr. W. B. Crumpton was requested by Mrs. Malone to fill up the Woman's Page this week, as Mrs. Hamilton was indisposed and unable to write to and edit the letters of the Sunbeams.

Did you look over that important table printed in last week's paper—"Churches that gave \$100 and over"? Hunt it up and study it. If any mistake was made, the Secretary would be glad to have his attention called to it.

We believe the Baptist preachers in Alabama ought to know one another better and love one another more. The Convention ought to be the great rallying place of the year where the brethren by coming in touch with each other could get closer together.

Unfortunately some of our preachers have gotten out of the habit of going

to the State Convention while many have never acquired the habit. If you used to go don't miss this one, and if you have never been be sure and make a start with the one at Troy.

If any brother has attended a Convention in the past and didn't exactly like the way things were run, he won't help himself or the cause any by staying away. Try it again, brother, and perhaps things will go off to suit you.

On another page will be found the program for the Ministers' Meeting to be held the day before the Convention proper at Troy. This ought to be well attended. We feel that it could be made a great day. Let all of our preachers make an effort to be on hand.

The appeal in behalf of Merrimac ought to be responded to heartily by the

Sunday schools. Look at the pictures of the nice property. Visitors to Alabama City are surprised and delighted at the house of worship the Baptists have there. The Sunday schools of the State paid most of the money. Now let them pay for the Mission Chapel at Merrimac.

We are deeply interested in Howard College. We are hoping great things for it and we believe that within five years the attendance and its efficiency will be more than doubled. Dr. Montague is getting the ear not only of Baptists but people of other denominations and many who have no church connections. The time for croaking has passed, the hour for praise has struck. Let's go to work with a vim and make the opening in the fall a big thing for Baptists.

Let's get behind Howard College this summer and push it all we can. Some can give, some can send boys, some can

influence others to send their sons, and all can speak a good word for it. Let the work be insistent and persistent. Fill the new dormitory with boys and let the Baptists of Alabama know that money is needed to keep the college up to a high standard.

We are pleased to state that our brother, John T. Barnett, the business manager, is again at his post. We believe a few remittances would prove a helpful tonic. If you agree with us please send him a dose at once. If his constitution proves too weak to take only homeopathic ones don't be afraid to increase the amount for we will gladly let him lean on us.

We hope every Baptist church in Alabama will see that its pastor gets to the State Convention in Troy. A few brethren in each church could make it possible to send their pastor without its being burdensome on any one. Every Baptist preacher in Alabama ought to

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be there. We fear that we do not make enough of our Baptist gatherings. Let's get ready and go, and let's do a lot of talking about it and get others to go. Troy is given to hospitality and will take care of the delegates. We hope it will be the best attended convention in the history of the State.

The Alabama friends of Dr. and Mrs. George B. Eager will join us in congratulating them on the distinction won by their sons in the Louisville schools. William G., the eldest took the first honors in the large Junior class of the DuPont Manual Training School, and George B., the medal for highest place in a freshman class of the Male High of exceptional excellence. The Courier-Journal says the latter "achieved a phenomenal standing in an exceptionally smart class—a class breaking all records." Only a little while ago Wm. G. took the gold medal in the Inter-Scholastic Oratorical Contest at Vanderbilt University.

The meeting of the Alabama Educational Association in Birmingham last week was well attended. The addresses and discussions were of a high order. We looked in on them several times and wished that we had time to hear all that they had to say. It is a fine body of men and women and we realize the debt of gratitude that is owed them by the parents of Alabama. We hope during the coming year they will have shorter hours and better pay. It is a noble profession and ought to be better rewarded. We hope the readers of the Alabama Baptist will use their influence in the communities in which they live to help the teachers get all that their

labors deserve. Parents can do a great deal towards making the lives of teachers pleasant by co-operating.

Officers were chosen as follows:

President—C. B. Glenn, principal of Paul Hayne School, Birmingham.

First Vice President—C. L. McCartha, professor from the State Normal College at Troy.

Second Vice President—D. P. Christenbery, professor of English, Southern University, Greensboro.

Third Vice President—Mrs. S. F. H. Tarrant, Oxmoor.

Secretary—C. W. Dugette, president of the State Normal College at Jacksonville.

Treasurer—W. E. Striplin, superintendent of schools at Gadsden.

Executive Committee—President, H. J. Willingham, president Agricultural School at Wetumpka; J. H. Foster, superintendent of schools at Tuscaloosa; Miss Lulie Jones, Florence.

There are several indications which show us that a strong effort is being made to get our Southern students to attend other schools than ours. In some cases remarkably large sums of money are offered to young men who are planning to enter the ministry. We do not think many of our Baptist young ministers will be drawn off by financial inducements, and yet it is true that the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary does not attempt to aid one one dollar beyond the actual needs of the student and cannot make an offer of a lump sum to induce any one to attend. Within a week one of our brightest young men stated to us that he thought of going to one of the Sem-

inaries at the North. We believe our Seminary at Louisville is the best place for our theological students and hope that the graduates and those interested in it will use their influence in directing our ministerial students there.

The Biblical Recorder says: Dr. E. M. Poteat, of Philadelphia, has accepted the Presidency of Furman University, South Carolina. The South Carolina Baptists have come through much tribulation, but this compensation goes to explain it. Dr. Poteat is one of the most scholarly and devoted Baptists in this country, and his presidency will surely prove a brilliant one. His return to the South is a blessing to the entire section.

While attending lectures at Yale College, Dr. Poteat was the pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church which is just across from the college and we had the pleasure of seeing quite a good deal of him. We congratulate the Trustees upon their selection and feel sure that under his leadership Furman will continue to be a great power for good in South Carolina. Dr. Poteat, besides being a ripe scholar, is an unusually gifted preacher, and original thinker.

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PERSONALS.

Dr. Geo. B. Eager and family are spending the summer in their cottage home at Monteagle, Tenn.

Mrs. Fannie Sheppard Simms invites you to be present at the marriage of her daughter Mae, to Rev. Condie Collins Pugh, on Wednesday afternoon, the twenty-fourth of June, at six o'clock, at First Baptist Church, West Point, Georgia. At home after the tenth of July, Lafayette, Ala.

Mr. and Mrs. John James Cater request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Virginia Carolyn, to Dr. William Torrance Jones on the morning of Tuesday, the thirtieth of June at nine o'clock at the Baptist Church, Forsyth, Georgia.

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Hon. C. W. Thompson's
Eloquent Address at
Howard College.

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now pressing upon every Alabamian is to build up and endow our universities and colleges. This is our summit. This is the Ararat on which the ark that bears all that is left of our old civilization must rest from the storms and waves of revolution and send out the life and strength and hope of a better civilization, which shall make our great State bloom and blossom like a rose.

One of the great lessons learned by the party of northern congressmen on their tour through Alabama last year was, that God is his infinite wisdom had endowed the white man with those superior qualities which fit him for governing and forever controlling the affairs of our State and nation.

MIND IS A RACE QUESTION.

The question of mind is largely a race question. As the meaning of every idea is its history, so the character of every race is its history; and the same may be said of every man. The mind of the greatest man in any race determines the character of that race. Hampden may, in a sense, be said to have created modern England, and Jefferson, in a similar sense, and with equal propriety, may be said to have created our own nation. The Anglo-Saxon race, of which these two men are probably the highest types, is now the dominant race, not only on this continent, but on all continents. The Anglo-Saxon mind is today the master of all international events.

When the Anglo-Saxon came to this country he left behind him, so far as he himself was concerned, feudalism and all things pertaining to caste, including what was then known in England, and is still known on the continent of Europe as "divine right." When he enunciated his political faith, he placed in the forefront of his declaration, as self-evident truths, that all men are created equal, and that they are endowed with certain inalienable rights. The American mind has been built up on these principles. The freedom of speech and of the press and the freedom of religion are the results of those principles, and all our progress has been the result of that freedom. For, where the mind is free progress is inevitable.

America's triumphs have not been triumphs of war so much as triumphs of popular intelligence. Her greatest work, of course, is her national constitution; but the inventive genius of her sons, freed from all the fetters of caste and State religions and false religions, and national prejudices, has worked a national revolution in the world, only less important than the political revolution which made her independent of Great Britain.

Jefferson said: "Almighty God hath created the mind free." In speaking of the mind, then, I speak of that which alone of all God's works is free. Perhaps it is on this account that the men who founded this government of ours were all so careful to urge upon the people the necessity of general education.

Madison said: "A popular government without popular information, or the means of acquiring it, is but a prologue to a farce or a tragedy, or perhaps both. Knowledge will forever govern ignorance, and people who

mean to be their own governors must arm themselves with the power which knowledge gives." These are significant words. To arm ourselves with knowledge then is our first duty, not only to ourselves, but to our families and our country. Yet knowledge is not all which goes to make the mind; will and faith and hope and charity are its indispensable accessories. Without these, power which is born of knowledge may be useless, or it may be used far more to the detriment than to the benefit of mankind.

THE ONLY EDUCATION.

A Christian education is the only education worth having. It is the only safe education. The Christian mind is the only sound mind.

Oliver Wendell Holmes, on being asked when the education of a child should begin, replied, "300 years before it is born." I believe the education of every child should begin 1,900 years before it is born. I believe that the education of every Christian child did begin more than 1,900 years ago, for when the wise men were guarding their flocks in the east, they heard a voice from heaven which brought them glad tidings of great joy and announced that a child was born, a Savior of the world; those tidings come to us now and no life or character is complete without faith in that Savior who came to seek and to save.

For the glory of our State and nation does not consist so much in our mineral wealth, our great cities, our broad acres of agriculture, as it does in the manhood of our men, and the womanhood of our women.

A GLORIOUS INHERITANCE.

Young gentlemen of Howard College, 'tis your task to guide and guard and improve the inheritance bequeathed to you by your fathers; 'tis yours to maintain the proud birthright of an American citizen, to maintain those inalienable rights of man to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness; to make Alabama in these later years more lovely and more lovable, more gracious and more great, even than in the hallowed past. It is your task to make every tomorrow fairer than today.

Far off I hear the crowing of the cocks,

And through the opening door that time unlocks,

Feel the fresh breathing of tomorrow creep.

And so in the spirit of love and hope and emulation, let us part to take up each his own burden, but all to strive in common for the glory of our native State. Let us carry on the good work which Howard College has begun, and let us not weary in it or waver from the purposes which inspired it; let us be up and doing, with a heart for any fate, but a resolution to attain the best. And whatever comes, do not let hope die within us. To the uprightness of demeanor, to care in the choice of companions, to prudence of speech, to diligence in study, add the crowning virtue of modesty. In a book full of advice of various sorts to his son, Lord Chesterfield said many things worth remembering, among them this: "Wear your learning like your watch in a private pocket, and do not pull it out merely to show that you have one. If you are asked what o'clock it is, tell it, but do not proclaim it every hour, unmasked, like the watchman."

And another, as wise as Chesterfield, but not as famous, has said:

"If wisdom's ways you wisely seek,
Five things observe with care:
Of whom you speak, to whom you speak,
And how, and when, and where."

CLINGS TO IDEALS.

Young gentlemen, do not relinquish those high ideals which formed the basis of a just and upright life. Do each of you, a man's manly part in bearing the sacred ark of our covenant. Let us so act that each tomorrow finds us wiser than today. Let us comprehend that true wisdom is to know what is worth knowing and to do what is worth doing. We cannot see far into the future. Even the lantern of experience does not enable us to thread its labyrinth or discern its sinuous paths. As Henry Ward Beecher has told us: "One might as well attempt to calculate mathematically the contingent forms of the twinkling bits of glass in a kaleidoscope as to look through the tube of the future and foresee the pattern of a picture."

It was the custom of an old German professor to always tip his hat to the boys of his class when he came in before them. On being asked one day why it was that he was always so polite to the boys of his class, he replied: "I never know who is among them." And it turned out that Martin Luther, the greatest revolutionist the world ever knew, was one of the boys in his class.

The educated men of the South of this generation, must be responsible for the future of the South. The educated men of Alabama now before me must be responsible for the future of Alabama. That future will be anything we now command. From every section of this dear old commonwealth there comes this day an earnest, anxious voice to you, saying, Shall we command or shall we serve? Shall we rise, or shall we fall yet lower? Shall we live, or shall we die? Gathering in my own the voices of you all, and with hearts resolved and purposes fixed, I send back the gladdening response: We shall live! We shall rise! We shall command!

The illustrious Ben Hill of Georgia, said: "He who saves his country, saves all things; and all things saved bless him; but he who lets his country die, lets all things die, and all things dying curse him."

It is also worth remembering that men can be wise without having much learning, and that they can be very learned without being wise. Aspiration is the great strength of the scholar. Carlyle said: "What one needs most is not so much to realize the ideal as to idealize the real." As Theodore Parker said in one of his uplifted moments:

"All men need something to poetize and idealize their life a little—something which they value far more than the use, and which is a symbol of their emancipation from the mere materialization and drudgery of daily life."

A WORD TO THE FACULTY.

Gentlemen of the faculty, you are constantly demonstrating that religion, morality, and education are necessities to the maintenance of free government. Your work is beneficial not only to the young men whom you prepare here for careers of usefulness and honor, but equally beneficial to the State and the entire nation. As a loyal citizen of Alabama, I bid you God speed, and invoke the blessings of heaven upon you and your successors.

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One of our deacons makes himself exemplary to all our deacons by saying, "We are going to raise one-twelfth of our apportionment at every monthly service."

The brethren at my home church, Hamilton Hill, resolved in conference to raise our apportionment at once, which is better still.

At one of my late meetings at Pleasant Hill, Manistee, Deacon Grimes, "that good old man," embarrassed me by saying in the presence of the brethren before the preaching hour on Sunday, "Brother Kilpatrick, take out your book and pencil and write down the amounts given by each brother," and he proceeded to ask every person present, "What will you pay this morning on pastor's salary?"

The brethren received the plan well and paid well also. The young men sent for me to meet them at a store where, to my extreme delight, they measured my length, breadth, height and depth, and said, "Pick for yourself the very nicest sample you can find in these sample books and we will do the rest." I am especially indebted to young Dr. Harper and his good wife for a beautiful suit of tailor-made clothing.

Our young ladies led in the same church in purchasing a fine library for the Sunday school, and now the good women have just had a strawberry festival for the purpose of purchasing a beautiful piece of church furniture, a handsome secretary for said library, song books, etc., to be kept under lock and key. These good ladies have already seated our pulpit with beautiful oak furniture and the church with a chandelier that is a beauty to be sure.

At my home church, Hamilton Hill, our last two services were the happiest we've ever held. Two good sisters pledged each other to never fail to attend Sunday school with their own children whether another should attend or not. Now they are thankful to announce that they have the valuable services of a faithful gentleman superintendent and that their school is growing and doing well. Their pastor leaves them a blackboard exercise for every Sunday. The good women and children render delightful missionary programs at every monthly appointment.

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tions are very large and attentive, and our Sunday school and mission society are thriving.

At Bell's Landing I have a people dearly beloved and faithful, but they've lost recently five of their members who were like the salt of the earth. She has been the banner church in Pine Barren Association in some respects. Will you, dear reader, pray for this noble, afflicted people.

We are expecting Bro. Graves White to do the preaching for us at our home church embracing the second Sabbath in July and he and Bro. B. J. Skinner at Peterman, embracing the fourth Sunday same month.

God bless you, Brother Barnett, and your co-workers in improving yet more our dear growing paper.

J. Bunyon Kilpatrick.

Some Phrases.

In the Baptist's account of the closing exercises of the Marion Military Institute, Dr. Penniman is quoted as speaking of "the importance of schools in every part of this country of ours." The phrase "this country of ours" is in common use. Benjamin Harrison wrote for the Youth's Companion a series of helpful articles under that title. Dr. Penniman is Dean of Pennsylvania University. There is no lack of high authority for the usage; and yet one may modestly question the force of the adjunct "of ours." This country is ours; it is our only country. It may be designated as "this country" or "our country," but why "this country of ours." The phrase always recalls a sweet young lady, now no longer young but still single, who once introduced her father to a young gentleman: "Mr. Smith, this is a father of mine." Poor Smith does not know to this day whether that man was the girl's father or her paternal grandfather.

Mr. Editor, can't you get Col. Murphee to explain the matter for Smith's benefit? And, while he is at it, let him tell us about "this country of ours."

While the general subject is up, can't you get some of the brethren who speak of "troubling the baptismal waters" to tell us what they mean by the phrase? Some do go at the matter as if they felt obliged to baptize the Pentecostal thousands all in the same day, and they do make a great splashing, the more's the pity; but their pet phrase is not intended to describe their unseemly haste and awkwardness, is it? Probably they have borrowed the phrase from the reference to the pool of Bethesda (John v, 4). But even if the record is authentic, the brethren surely do not mean to suggest that they consider themselves as troubling angels, or that the waters so troubled receive any power to work healing of soul or body. Would it not be well for the next brother that writes of "troubling the baptismal waters" to add a foot note telling his readers just what he means by the phrase?

Then what about the "Southland? Who ever heard of the Northland? Eastland? Westland? The Africans speak of certain sections of their country as "lands"—Zululand, Kaffirland, and so on; but that is hardly a sufficient reason for the foaming orators of the Southern Baptist Convention to draw out "this beloved Southland of ours" with so frequent iteration. There is nothing in the nature of the

case to consign every man who lives in the South to incorrigible provincialism. And if the present generation be beyond hope, it is hardly fair to set the brand upon unborn generations.

And why, pray, should we be informed that the church that has just had a great ingathering "expects others?" Isn't that true of every church? Is it really news to state that the dear old church at Possumtrot expects to receive other members as the days go by? or was she expected to shut up shop, and go out of business?

These matters are respectfully referred to those who know a great deal more than

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Lookout Mountain Conference.

There will be held at Lookout Mountain, July 1-8, a very valuable conference on "Young People and Missions," planned and provided for by several consecrated laymen in connection with mission secretaries and leaders of young people's organizations. The mornings will be devoted to discussions, mission study, addresses and symposia, the afternoons wholly to recreation and the evenings to denominational "Councils of War."

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Write for further particulars to the editor or to Mr. Chas. V. Vickley, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

From Cook Springs.

Here at the delightful Cook's Springs for a few days' recuperation, my thoughts turn to the many overworked, tired and restless pastors of the State. Seven years of continuous work, on the road, in the home, in church and prayer-meeting, and the summer protracted meetings without a week's recreation is a thing that no pastor should undertake. His people are loath to give him up even for a month. He feels that the work needs his continuous attention; but to tax himself bodily, and mentally to this extent without rest is overtax from which the pastor suffers mentally and physically and his congregations suffer for lack of fresh, clear and well digested thought. No church should allow her pastor to serve longer than one year without a month's vacation. It will brighten his mind, strengthen his body and qualify him for another year's better service.

Country pastors have but little chance for this month's vacation because their protracted meetings are to be held in the summer months, but the churches should see to it that some time should be fixed in which their pastor could go away for a while.

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is the thing that needs our most careful attention now in church work. How we hope to see our beloved Secretary W. B. Crumpton smile and "jump" at the State Convention at Troy. "Everlastingly at it" is surely the cry.

Savannah! O, Savannah! What will come of those wonderful Convention resolutions to broaden the work? May our fondest hopes be realized. I believe the enthusiasm there engendered was indeed holy, and that prayers and efforts will be made throughout our Southern Zion to the end that all our aims may be fully realized.

God bless the Howard and the Judson. How they are growing! Let us pray! In the language of dear old McConnell at the Convention, "O, brethren, let us stop and pray" for these schools, their presidents and teachers.

Our orphanage. Have we forgotten it? We are doing great things, brethren, we can do greater. Let us work and pray and praise God.

O. P. Bentley,
Vincent, Ala.

Convention Notice.

Delegates to the Alabama Baptist Convention, and those to the W. M. U. Convention, and preachers who expect to attend the Preachers' Conference which meets in Troy on the day before the Convention, are requested to send their names as soon as practicable to John T. Trotman, chairman of Committee on Hospitality. Prompt compliance with this request will prevent confusion on their arrival here.

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Ministers' Meeting, July 21, 1903**TUESDAY MORNING.**

9-9:30. Devotional Exercises—Rev. A. S. Smith, Alexander City.

9:30-11. Strong and weak points in Baptist Church Government and Polity—Rev. J. F. Edens, Girard. General Discussion.

11-12. The New Testamentized Life—Rev. A. G. Moseley, Evergreen. General Discussion.

12:30. Adjourn.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

2:30-2:45. Devotional Exercises—Rev. C. M. Morris, Cuba.

2:45-4. The Deacon's Office—Rev. J. M. Shelburne, East Lake. General Discussion.

4:00. The Baptist Principle—Rev. W. B. Crumpton. General Discussion. Adjourn.

TUESDAY NIGHT.

8:00. General Topic, "Our Church Life"—With reference to

1. Our Church Fellowship—Rev. C. C. Pugh, Lafayette.

2. Church Finances—Rev. O. F. Gregory, Montgomery.

3. Church Activities—Rev. B. L. Mitchell, Livingston. General Discussion.

Thirty minutes allowed for opening speeches; ten minutes to volunteers.

Alabama State Convention, July 22-24, 1903.**WEDNESDAY MORNING.**

9-9:30. Devotional Exercises—Rev. A. C. Davidson, D.D., Birmingham.

9:30-10. Organization—Report of Program Committee.

10-10:15. Welcome Address. Response—(President to select speaker.)

10:15-10:30. Presentation of visitors and new pastors.

10:30-11:30. Read reports. 1. State Board of Missions. 2. Ministerial Education. 3. Trustees of Howard College. 4. Judson Institute. 5. Scottsboro School. 6. Orphanage. 7. Board of Directors. 8. Treasurer's Report. 9. Statistical Secretary.

11:30. Convention Sermon—Rev. C. A. Stakely, D.D., Montgomery. Alternate—Rev. J. L. Gross, Selma.

Adjourn.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

2:30-2:45. Devotional Exercises—Rev. J. J. Hagood, Clayton.

Finish hearing reports.

3:00. Discussion of State Missions.

1. Bible and Colportage—Rev. W. Y. Quisenberry, New Decatur.

2. Our Destitution—Secretary Crumpton. General Discussion.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

8:00. Report on Foreign Missions—Rev. H. H. Shell, Mobile. Home Missions—Rev. John F. Gable, Columbia.

Discussion by Secretaries Willingham and McConnell.

THURSDAY MORNING.

9-9:30. Devotional Exercises—Rev. J. R. Stodghill, Lineville.

9:30-9:45. Miscellaneous Business.

9:45-11:30. Our Convention Schools. 1. Howard College—Dr. A. P. Montague.

2. Judson Institute—Dr. Patrick.

3. Scottsboro Institute—Rev. W. Y. Quisenberry.

11:30. Sermon—Rev. H. W. Williams, Opelika.

Adjourn.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

2:30-2:45. Devotional Exercises—Rev. T. V. Neal, Tusculumbia.

2:45-3:00. Miscellaneous Business.

3:00-3:45. Report on Temperance

Rev. R. C. Risner. Discussed by Rev. J. V. Dickinson, Jasper.

3:45. Report on Woman's Work—Prof. E. P. Hogan, Birmingham. Discussed by Rev. F. H. Watkins, Florence.

Adjourn.

THURSDAY NIGHT.

8:00. Ministerial Education. In Howard College—Rev. J. M. Shelburne. In Louisville Seminary—Seminary Representative.

FRIDAY MORNING.

9:00-9:30. Devotional Exercises—Rev. J. R. Curry, Athens.

9:30-10:00. Our Denominational Publications. Discussed by representatives of the press.

10:00-10:30. Young People's Work—Rev. J. G. Dickinson, Gadsden. Discussed by Rev. J. L. Thompson, Bessemer.

10:30-11:00. Report on Sunday Schools—Rev. A. Y. Napier, Auburn. Discussed by representatives of the Board.

11:00. Miscellaneous Business.

11:30. Sermon—Rev. J. H. Foster, Jr., Anniston.

We suggest that speeches be limited for principal speakers to thirty minutes; others to ten minutes.

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Dr. Stone is one of the former prominent educators of this State and Mississippi. We welcome him into our State again, both as pastor and brother, and congratulate the St. Clair College people on securing the services of so able and eminent an educator as Bro. Stone. We hope to hear from him occasionally by way of news from his field.

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B. Y. P. U.

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National B. Y. P. U. Convention, Atlanta, July 9-12.

The Christian Index says that every Baptist in Georgia who can ought to attend the Atlanta Convention. The same is true of Alabama Baptists.

Dr. Calley in the Baptist Union calls attention to the importance of local Unions sending delegates to the Convention and paying their expenses. We think the suggestion a good one.

Bro. Gwylm Herbert is now ready to give any information wanted about the B. Y. P. U. Convention at Atlanta. He is the Transportation Leader for Alabama. Write him sending a postage stamp for reply, and you will receive a prompt answer.

The Atlanta Unions are making the educational feature more and more the central idea in their work. After all, the real conception of the B. Y. P. U. is that it is for the training of young Christians for more efficient work. It means the church at work training its own membership.

The Baptist Argus tells us that the B. Y. P. U. Quarterly, published by our Sunday School Board at Nashville, has been introduced into Missouri, and is coming into quite general use. We think it richly deserves the recognition it is receiving everywhere.

Dr. W. O. Carver is to be one of the speakers at the Atlanta Convention. He was one of the speakers at the recent B. Y. P. U. Convention of Alabama. The program committee and the Convention are to be congratulated. It is always a delight to listen to Dr. Carver.

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Inquiries are being made by some of the Unions in the State about publishing the minutes of the last Convention. As no funds have yet reached the secretary for this purpose, it cannot be done. The Convention by resolution requested the local Unions to send to the secretary ten cents per capita for the State work, and if sufficient amount was received the minutes were to be published. The fault is not with the secretary, but with the Unions in not sending the money to him.

From Lafayette: The B. Y. P. U. at Lafayette, under the leadership of Mr. G. E. Burnette, has grown to be quite a branch of earnest workers in the church. A number of members have been recently added to the roll, and the zealous interest manifested by all who attend can but be encouraging to the faithful leader, as he sees his efforts to make this Union a success not proving in vain. The programs arranged for each Tuesday evening are very inspiring and helpful, furnishing so many opportunities for doing some little service in the Master's kingdom. The main feature being the beautiful black-

board work, drawn and led by the president. The artistic manner in which the lessons are presented is very pleasantly anticipated and enjoyed by each member.—Ozella Greer.

Don't forget to raise the amount the Convention pledged for the Howard College Dormitory Fund. The Unions of Alabama ought to find it an easy matter to raise \$1,000 for this purpose. The building is nearing completion and money is badly needed to pay for labor and material. Send your money at once to Brother Wood at East Lake, who was appointed chairman of the committee who has this matter in charge. Surely the young people of the State are not going to allow this important enterprise to lag.

Montgomery, Ala., June 12, 1903:
 Dear Brother Thompson: Probably you have not heard from the B. Y. P. U. at the old First Church here lately; so we are going to say a word now. We noticed mention of the "Contest" plan in the "Baptist" and wanted to tell you then we had already adopted it. Now we want to tell you how much good it is doing us. The "Reds" and the "Blues" are both very enthusiastic, and each is eager for the victory. Consequently, the meetings are well attended and a lively interest is shown in all the work. We made one addition to the system of counts suggested, namely: Each person participating in the devotional meetings in any other way than singing, or praying is entitled to five counts for his side. We do not count any one thing more than five. It would do your heart good to see how the leader's burden is lightened, for we now study the topic, and when the opportunity is given, we are ready to give some thought in His name. The "Contest" has engendered a rivalry in well doing from which we have gotten nothing but good results. We would be glad to induce other Unions to adopt the plan, and pray that they may be as successful as we have been. Yours sincerely, Janie L. Rives.

We called attention to the above plan several weeks ago without knowing that any Union in the State had tried it. It is gratifying indeed to know that it has been tried and has proven so successful. Let other Unions follow the example of the one with which Miss Rives is connected. She is one of our most active and most consecrated workers, and knows whereof she speaks. We are always glad to hear from the Union of the "Old First."

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Going East	*66	*68	-70	
Lv. Elba	6:15am	12:30pm	7:50am	
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Ar. Opelika	8:25pm	3:45pm	
Lv. Opelika	8:25pm	3:45pm	
Ar. Atlanta	11:40pm	8:00pm	
	37	35	33
Ar. Selma	11:30pm	11:30am
Lv. Montgomery	9:35pm	9:00am
Ar. Montgomery	9:30pm	10:55am	6:25 pm
Lv. Opelika	7:40pm	8:50am	4:25pm
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