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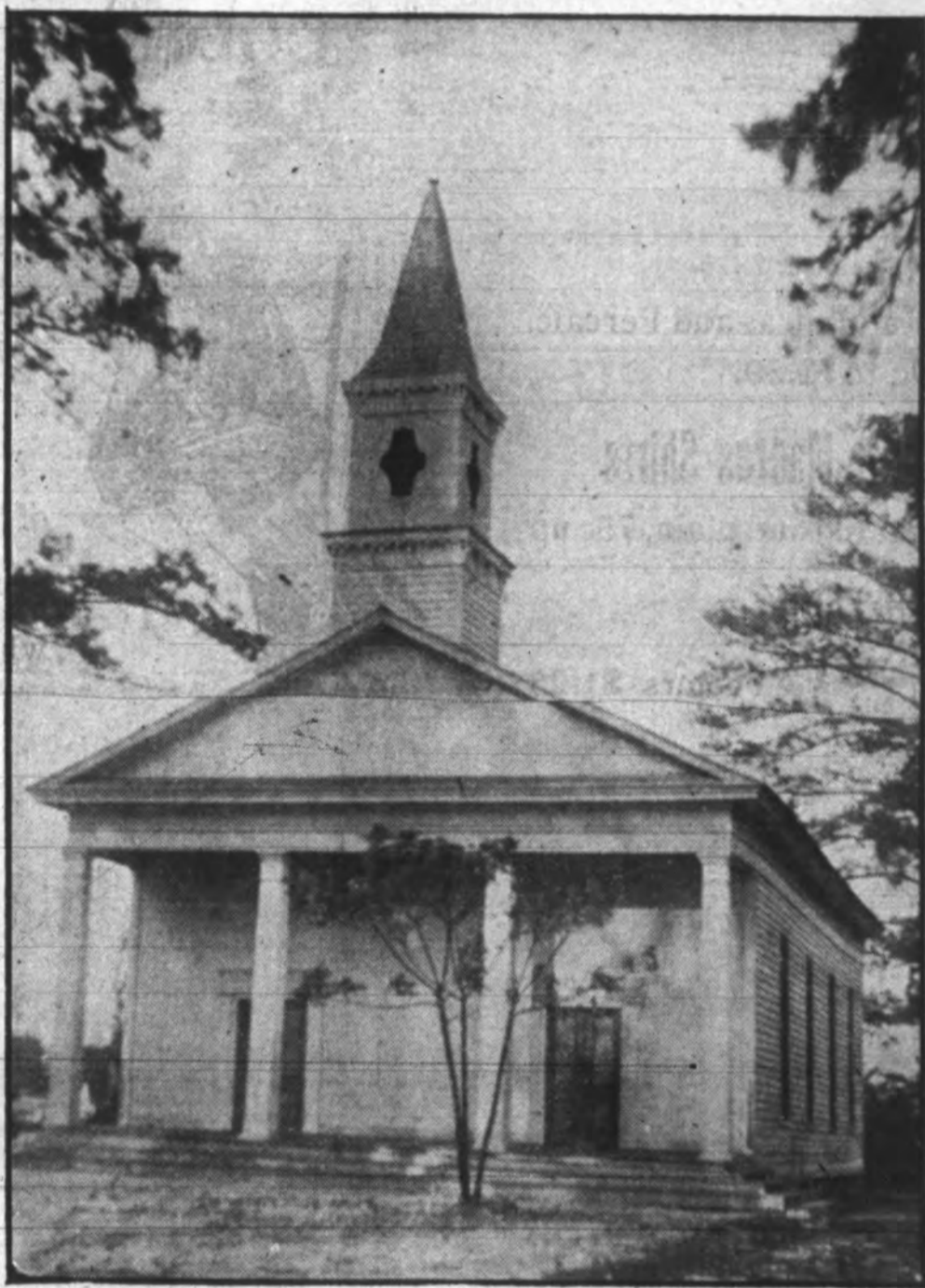
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Bro. J. G. McIntyre writes: I have been well pleased with your paper and hope that you may continue the good work until much good is accomplished.

Rev. J. E. Herring writes: Bro. B. L. Mitchell, of Livingston, will help me in a meeting next week here at Sumterville. We are hoping that the Lord will be with us in great power.

Bro. J. M. Head writes: You are giving us a good paper and I look forward to its arrival every week. I never expect to be without it. I hope that your list of subscribers will continue to increase.

Rev. A. J. Preston writes: I go to help Bro. W. J. D. Upshaw next week in a meeting at Goodwater. Pray for us. Our Sunday school is better than ever before, 210 present last Sunday. Our congregations very fine.

Dr. J. C. Wright writes: Got to tell you "howdy" at Jacksonville, Ala., and have been silent since, but my silence does not mean a want of interest in you, your paper and all our denominational work. I like you and your paper.

Rev. W. J. Elliott writes: On Sunday, June 14, we had two interesting and profitable services at Wetumpka. The congregations were above the average and two members were received into the fellowship of the church by profession of faith at the morning service and three were baptized at night.

Rev. C. C. Heard writes: My work is moving up hill. We gave here at Rockford at our April service \$50 for Foreign Missions, which was a great deal more than was ever given at one time before. I have been thinking possibly we might get on the \$100 list this year. I will write you some news before long. The paper is bright and cheering to me.

Dr. R. G. Patrick, President of the Judson Institute, writes from Lexington, Va., last week: Permit me to express my sincere appreciation of your kindness to me and to the Judson. I am here resting for a week or ten days, after which I return to Alabama, determined upon the most vigorous canvass of my life for students, and for the general work of Christian education.

The editor of the Moulton Advertiser, Brother Jourd White, writes: Maay

heaven's richest blessings crown your efforts in the publication of a paper that should be dear to the heart of every true Baptist. Our cause in this section is looking up, but we need a man who will arouse our people to a full discharge of this duty. Come to see or send us some one.

Rev. J. L. Thompson writes: On account of the confusion resulting from the two bank failures in our town, I found it well nigh impossible to get time to write last week, and consequently did not send in any thing. We are left in deplorable plight. It is difficult to tell yet what the outcome will be. It has become absolutely necessary for us to suspend work on our new church building for the present. We have to await developments.

Dr. Paul Bomar writes: We missed you at the Judson and M. M. I. commencements, wished very much you could have been with us. Come to see us some good day. If I had any news I would give it to you, but I do not know of any. I am sorry to see Quisenberry has resigned at New Decatur. If we can get him as State Evangelist it will be great. Quis is what is sometimes called "a whole team in himself," in effective evangelistic effort worth more than a score of such fellows as I am.

Rev. Paul Price of Urbana, Ohio, writes from Geneva, Ala.: It is never my custom to work in July and August, therefore, this meeting closes the season. There have been sixteen additions and I am quite sure there will be others before the meeting closes.

Brother Griffith, the pastor, is doing a grand work and is greatly beloved by the Geneva people. There have been some sixty additions to the church during his less than nine month's pastorate.

The brethren have the building proposition on the brain just now, and I pray that ere long the burden will be transferred from the brain to a corner lot. It is certainly needed.

From here I go to my home, Urbana, Ohio, for two days and thence by way of Washington, D. C., to "Days Point on the James," Smithfield, Va., for the summer. Will arrive there for July 4th.

God bless you "exceeding abundantly" is my prayer.

P. S.—Not available for meetings in Alabama until April, 1904.

In company with "Uncle Billy Thomas," as everybody affectionately calls him, I went over "the worst road in the world" to

REMBERT HILLS

Church, eight miles away. "The Flat Woods" has to be crossed to make that trip. People who go over these roads once in the winter or spring, will carry their memory to their graves.

Bro. J. M. Johnson comes all the way from Elmore, above Montgomery, to serve the "Hills" and McKinley. He is much esteemed as a man and a preacher. There are not many people about the "Hills," but they are choice listeners, as I had occasion to know at two services. "The church house ought to be the nicest, sweetest, cleanest house in the community," I said, in the presence of a good woman and she most heartily approved the remark. All over the country we need a revival in this regard. I am not reflecting on the good people of the "Hills," in saying this, for the neglect of houses of worship in the country, particularly, is almost universal.

Some one has written an article lately for the papers: "If I Were Pastor." I have about fourteen letters on that topic, if I ever get time to write them.

Many of the people about the "Hills" are related to Miss Willie Kelly, and anxiously inquired about her. Here she spent some of the happiest days of her life. Little did any one hereabouts dream that she was to become a great light to the women of the heathen world.

Faithful "Uncle Billy," though extremely busy, gave himself to the Master's service in wheeling His servant around and carried me to

MYRTLEWOOD.

This is the terminus of the railroad, only two miles from the Bigbee river. Bro. I. N. Langston is the pastor. He has done a good work in this section in the three years he has been in the county. He is living in a nice home provided for him. He serves two other churches. The church at Myrtlewood seems to be prospering and when they get into the new house, which they contemplate building, it will make more rapid advancement. I had two fine services with these good people.

This is the home of Hon. D. J. Meador, the last President of the Senate under the old Constitution. He owns a great territory of land in every direction and is a member of the church at this place. But for him, the church might never have existed.

The town is a thickly settled country community on a high, healthy ridge, with rich lands in almost every direction. The future depends upon whether settlers will come in and occupy the ridge and cultivate these lands. Good

school and church advantages will bring them quicker than anything else.

Here I turn back. The new L. & N. certainly pierces a fine region of country. The lands are rich, the resources undeveloped. It is strictly a "Black Belt" section, looking at it either from the color of the land or the majority of its inhabitants. Men, like Meador, young, strong, intelligent and wealthy have great opportunities before them. This country is going to be largely what they make it.

An industrious class of white settlers can be brought in, who will make this a live, prosperous section of our State; or it can be kept, as it is now—given over largely to the negro tenants to eke out a scant living for themselves and a small rental for the "boss man," who lives in town and never concerns himself about the lands or tenants.

While on this trip, I ventured to suggest to an intelligent man, that the people, who are purchasing lands in a good section and locating negro tenants, would do much more for the country if they would combine and bring in white settlers. To this he replied: "Mr. Crumpton, we don't need any more white people in this country. We have now all that the negroes can support." This was said, of course, in a joke; but I suspect there is a lot of truth at the bottom of it. But this does not change my opinion that it would be better for the country and better for the children of the white people now on the ground if there were more thrifty white people in the Black Belt. W. B. C.

We call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of Tulane University published in this issue.

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Mission Subject, The Sunday School Board.

PROGRAM FOR JULY, 1903.

Programs are Suggestive. It is Hoped Those in Charge will Make Necessary Changes.

1. Praise Service in song.
 2. Precious Promises: Previous to the meeting, ask several to come prepared to give one; these to be supplemented by Leader.
 3. Thanksgiving for the light, and comfort of the Bible.
 4. Nuggets of Thought: We have it in our power to put untold gladness into other lives. We can do it by learning the divine lesson of service, and by regarding every person as one to whom we are sent on an errand of love.—J. R. Miller.
 5. What Others Have Done: Selections from leaflets. "Missionary Heroes."
 6. Receipts and Expenditures of S. S. Board. (See Mission Topic Card.)
 7. Leaflet: "Our Obligations to the Nashville Board," by Rev. Z. T. Cody, D.D.
 8. Open Parliament: How may the Society help the Sunday School Board? (See Recommendations.)
 9. Appointment Committee to secure Missionary Day Literature, to bring this subject to the attention of Sunday School Superintendents. Send to Dr. J. M. Frost, Nashville, Tenn.
 10. Prayer, remembering the S. S. Board, its work; our young people, their needs; ourselves, our responsibility.
 11. Business: Minutes, collection, etc. A suggestion. What think you of giving ten cents to each member for investment during the summer?
 12. The Lord's Prayer. "And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children." Receipts, \$98,923; increase over previous year, \$9,578. Purchased building, \$60,000. Two new field secretaries. Appropriations, \$17,171.
- Study Topics—Study of Sunday School Problem. The Field Secretaries and their work. Campaign for Sunday School Extension. The Sunday School Lectureship at the Seminary. Larger Bible work. The Periodicals, the Board's life and power.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

Significant changes have taken place within the last twelve years. In 1891, the only work of the Board was the publication of our Sunday school literature. Now it is in vital and helpful alliance with all the Boards and agencies of the Southern Baptist Convention, and with many of the State Boards. It is conducting the field department, it is doing the Bible work of the Convention, and is publishing denominational books and tracts. The welfare of the Convention is involved in the work. To support the Sunday School Board is to support all that

the Southern Baptist Convention stands for, and to increase its means is to enlarge all of our work.

PERIODICALS.

The periodicals of the Sunday School Board are not only the chief source of income, but also the chief source of the Board's usefulness. They are the very life of the Board, being the means for the conducting of campaigns for Sunday School extension and for doing all its other work. The periodicals take all the work of the Convention into the Sunday School, and bring thousands of Sunday Schools into the work of the Convention.

HELPING THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

Every order that comes to the Board shares in everything the Board is doing—shares in its Bible work of sending the word of God into destitute places; shares in its distribution of books and tracts which go like seed sown broadcast; shares in what it does for the home Board and the Foreign Board and the different State Boards; shares in all that is being done in its appropriations to needy churches and their needy schools; shares in the Lecture Course at the Seminary with its far-reaching power for good; shares also in the work being done through Field Secretaries of the Board for the betterment of the Sunday School conditions in the South. Surely there could hardly be an appeal closer to the hearts of our people. It means combination at a point where combination means power, efficiency, advancement. It gives new meaning to a business enterprise. This is true of every order sent to the Board, whether large or small.

FINANCIAL SUCCESS.

The past year has been one of unbroken advancement. The receipts have reached the total of ninety-seven thousand five hundred and eight dollars. The recent purchase of the fine property on one of the best business streets in Nashville, has put the Sunday School Board S. B. C., more prominently than ever before men of affairs.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE YEAR.

The appropriations are made for the most part through the several State Boards in a desire to further the interests with which they are entrusted. Gifts amounting to over twenty-six hundred dollars in the way of furnishing periodical literature has also been given to Sunday Schools which are missionary and for one reason or another could not supply themselves.

Several thousand copies of the Scriptures and nearly ten thousand tracts, all in foreign languages, have been given to the Home Board for Miss Buhlmaier, its missionary among the emigrants in Baltimore, and also Bibles and other literature to its missionaries in Cuba. One thousand dollars was given to the Foreign Board for Bible distribution on its several fields and also much literature to missionaries.

The gift is continued to the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary to sustain an annual Lecture Course on Sunday School work.

The Board is also endeavoring to supply this year's graduates of the Seminary and the ministerial students in the denominational colleges within the territory within the Convention, each with a copy of Dr. Hatchner's and Dr. Schauffler's lectures on pastoral relations and Sunday School.

FIELD SECRETARIES.

The Sunday School Board now has three field secretaries. As part of their work, they emphasize the Home Department in Sunday School work; advocate the founding of mission schools; give instruction in methods of teaching, etc., etc., with appreciation of the fact that improvement in the Sunday school condition means advancement in everything else.

COLLECTIONS ASKED.

The Board seeks collections for only two objects. On Missionary Day in the Sunday School, the last Sunday in September, and Children's Bible Day in June. For both these occasions the Sunday School Board furnishes programs without charges. The collections of the first day are given to Home and the Bible Fund of the Sunday School Board.

HAKKA HOME.

Extracts from letters to the Foreign Mission Board regarding the house where Rev. S. T. Williams recently died, and where Mrs. Williams, Dr. C. A. Hayes, Rev. J. R. Sanders and wives are now living.

At the annual meeting of Woman's Missionary Union in Savannah, at the request of the Foreign Mission Board, Woman's Missionary Union undertook to raise \$2,500, so that a suitable house could be erected at the station for our missionaries. It was suggested that the money be secured, if possible, by the first of July. Pledges made at Annual Meeting, and other offerings for the purpose, are to be sent, as usual, through State channels, to Dr. R. J. Willingham, and designated "For the House in Kikka."

ANNIE W. ARMSTRONG,

Cor Sec. W. M. U.

Rev. E. Z. Simmons writes: The part of the house which our missionaries occupy consists of four small rooms, about 12x14 feet, two on either side of a large hall or reception room, 14x28 feet. The four rooms all open out into this large room. They are closed by sliding doors, as a door on hinges would take too much room. The large room fronts to the east and is closed by folding doors that reach about 2-3 of the way to the roof. The small rooms have no windows and are lighted, two of them, by two small panes of glass in the roof. The other two rooms are lighted with a sliding window of glass in the roof. When these are pulled back, by means of a rope, the air as well as light is admitted. The whole house is completely shut in, and one can see nothing from the narrow court but the heavens above. There is no house in Ying-tak better than this for our missionaries. For four months in the year it will be hazardous to the health of our people to try to live here."

Rev. R. E. Chambers writes: "Please allow me, personally, to urge upon the Board the importance of providing our Hakka Mission with residences as soon as possible. I have not one word of

complaint to make, and fully sympathize with the Board in the many calls that are made upon them. But the fact remains that people coming from the United States simply cannot live here, in South China, in inferior houses, no matter how zealous they may be, nor how self-sacrificing nor willing; there are limits to the endurance of the flesh that the spirit cannot control, and it is a waste of life and money not to provide good houses. In my opinion this is more important for new missionaries than for those who have gotten somewhat acquainted with and accustomed to the climate."

Dr. C. A. Hayes writes: "We are living together in the one Chinese house we have rented. It had to be remodeled quite a good deal before it would be at all habitable for us—even in the winter. When Brother Williams and his wife come up, we shall have to have another house, as we cannot all live in this one small house. Our attempts thus far to secure another suitable house have been fruitless, and we may not be able to do so, and in that case it will become necessary for one family to return to Canton until a suitable house can be secured, or some other arrangements made."

Rev. J. R. Sanders writes: "We feel assured that our place is infested with typhus germs. In the opinion of our physicians, it would be difficult to find a Chinese house not infested in this section inside the city."

THE CHILD ON THE JUDGMENT SEAT.

(By the author of the Schonberg Cotta Family.)

Where hast thou been toiling all day,
sweetheart,
That thy brow is burdened and sad?
The Master's work may make weary feet,
But it leaves the spirit glad.

Was thy garden nipped with the midnight frost,
Or scorched with the midday glare?
Were thy vines laid low, or thy lilies crushed,
That thy face is so full of care?

"No pleasant garden toils were mine;
I have sat on the judgment seat,
Where the Master sits at eve and calls
The children round his feet."

How camest thou on the judgment seat,
Sweetheart? Who set thee there?
'Tis a lonely and lofty seat for thee,
And well might fill thee with care.

"I climbed on the judgment seat myself,
I have sat there alone all day,
For it grieved me to see the children
around
Idling their life away.

"They wasted the Master's precious seed,
They wasted the precious hours,
They trained not the vines, nor gathered the fruits,
And they trampled the sweet, meek flowers."

And what hast thou done on the judgment seat,
Sweetheart? What didst thou there?
Would the idlers, heed thy childish voice?
Did the garden mend by thy care?
"Nay, that grieved me more; I called
and I cried,

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Items from the Atlanta Bulletin, Thirteenth Annual Convention B. Y. P. U. of America, Atlanta, 1903, July 9-12.

Atlanta is looking forward with liveliest interest to the coming of the hosts of Baptist Young People in July.

While the Baptists are exceedingly strong in Atlanta, perhaps the strongest denomination in the city, yet it is not these only who are interested in the coming of the great Convention—the entire 100,000 of our population without regard to religious affiliations join in the invitation and the welcome.

Atlanta desires that this session of the Convention be the largest and best in its history, and should it fail to attain this high distinction in both of these respects, Atlanta will be disappointed. Atlanta is preparing to entertain such a gathering. The amplest accommodations will be in readiness for all who come.

Atlanta is an ideal place to hold a mid-summer convention. Situated, as it is, on an eminence of more than a thousand feet above the sea level, the city never experiences the extreme heat of the great cities of the North and West. There has never been a sunstroke in the history of the city. The days are rarely uncomfortably warm, while covering is always in demand at night. Atlanta may well be termed a mountain summer resort.

ENTERTAINMENT.

The hotels of the city will entertain the delegates at greatly reduced prices. The five leading hotels will be able to accommodate some 1200 guests. The rates named by the hotels are from \$1.50 to \$3.00 and upward, American plan. Entertainment may be had in private boarding houses and in homes at from \$1.00 to \$1.50 per day. In many instances lodging and breakfast may be had in boarding houses and homes at from fifty cents to seventy-five cents per day. These hotels, boarding houses and homes have each been personally inspected by the Entertainment Committee and will prove entirely satisfactory.

In writing to the Entertainment Committee state number in the party and kind of accommodations desired; also indicating, when possible the persons who may be placed in same room. While there is to be no overcrowding, yet, in view of the reduced rates, as many as can be comfortably accommodated are expected to occupy same room.

On all matters relative to entertainment, write to S. A. Cowan, Secretary Entertainment Committee, 219 Empire Building, Atlanta, Ga.

A registration fee of twenty-five cents will be charged. The payment of this fee will be necessary before entertainment is assigned. By sending this fee in advance of the meeting of the Convention your assignment card will be forwarded you, and upon reaching the city, this card, upon presentation will entitle you, without further charge, to a badge, souvenir program and song book.

Parties are advised to register in advance. However, all who reach the city unassigned, by reporting to the Registration and Entertainment Committees, will be promptly assigned homes. All trains will be met by the Reception Committee and delegates and visitors shown every possible courtesy.

All inquiries concerning Registration should be addressed to W. W. Orr, Chairman, 5 Whitehall street.

Persons who contemplate attending the Convention are requested to correspond with their respective Transportation Leaders, and to make their arrangements through him. In many instances the Transportation Leaders have already secured reservations for whole States.

CONVENTION HALL.

The session of the Convention will be held in the auditorium at Piedmont Park. This great building has a seating capacity of about 6,000. Piedmont Park was the site of the Cotton States and International Exposition and is fifteen minutes ride from the center of the city, and through our most beautiful residential section. It is accessible by three street-car lines. A five cent fare will take you to the grounds from any part of the city.

RAILROAD RATES.

The railroad rates are practically one fare for the round trip from all parts of the United States and Canada.

On the two days following the close of the Convention tickets will be sold from Atlanta to almost all points in the South at one fare plus twenty-five cents for the round trip, tickets limited to ten days from date of sale.

W. W. GAINES WRITES FROM ATLANTA.

The preparation for the International B. Y. P. U. Convention to meet in Atlanta July 9-12 are nearing completion and by the time of the meeting everything will be in perfect readiness. Atlanta hopes that it will be in every respect the greatest B. Y. P. U. Convention ever held.

Prof. H. W. Perter of Baltimore, our great Baptist chorus leader, who will have charge of music during the Convention, has been in Atlanta since the tenth of June organizing and training a magnificent chorus which will number more than 500 voices.

The Convention Committee will operate a restaurant on the grounds at which lunches can be had at reasonable prices. This will prevent the necessity of persons having to come into town for their meals between the sessions of the Convention. The restaurant will be in charge of the ladies of the various churches.

B. Y. P. U. NOTES.

On to Atlanta! July 9-12.

Let other Unions follow the example of Lafayette and First Church, Montgomery. These two Unions are doing most excellent work.

It will be very helpful to this department if each Union in the State will appoint some one whose duty it shall be to send us the news about once a month.

John H. Chapman, president of the B. Y. P. U. A., will deliver the annual address at the Convention in Atlanta.

A large number of the young people of Kentucky have already determined to attend the Atlanta Convention, says the Baptist Argus. The Hotel Aragon has been selected for their headquarters.

Christian Index: A folder has been prepared by the Atlanta Convention containing all necessary information. Write to S. A. Cowan, Secretary Entertainment Committee, for one. Ad-

dress 219 Empire Building. All inquiries regarding entertainment should be sent to Brother Cowan at the above address.

A delightful side trip has been arranged for the delegates to the Convention. Those who go will have the opportunity to visit the beautiful Tallulah Falls on Monday, July 13th. This will be the day after the Convention adjourns. The fare for the round trip will only be \$1.50. The trip will be well worth the fare.

Will you allow us to call attention again to the pledge that was made for the Howard College Dormitory Building? Dr. Montague took it for granted that the Convention was in earnest in making this pledge. Surely the Unions of the State are not going to allow him to be disappointed. Read his appeal in last week's Baptist and find out how badly he is needing money. Three thousand dollars are needed right now. If your Union has done nothing in the matter, this squib is intended for you.

The following from the Christian Index is of very great importance to every one who expects to attend the Atlanta Convention: "A registration fee of 25 cents will be charged at the Atlanta Convention. This will be necessary before homes can be assigned. Persons are urged to register in advance. Cards have been prepared, and upon receipt of the quarter your assignment card will be provided you. And upon reaching Atlanta the card, on presentation, will entitle you, without further charge, to a Convention badge, souvenir program and song book. However, all who reach the city unassigned, by reporting to the entertainment and registration headquarters, will be promptly assigned homes. All trains will be met by members of the Reception Committee, and delegates and visitors shown every possible courtesy."

Dr. W. B. Crumpton called attention to a very important matter in one of our leading Baptist papers recently. We reproduce it for the benefit of our readers:

We have mentioned before the importance of the B. Y. P. U. in the rural districts. Our experience in a mining and manufacturing section of the State only emphasizes our previous conviction in regard to this. There is scarcely a day but what we are met by some bright faced young man from the country hunting employment in the city. It is a significant fact that a large number of the population of these new towns is from the country; and they continue to come. Many of them come to be molders of thought and leaders in every public enterprise. Before coming to a section where temptations are so many, and where everything moves with such a rush, how important that they be deeply rooted in the faith and doctrines of the word of God. And there is no better place for doing this than in the B. Y. P. U. Brother pastors of the country, I would impress upon you the importance of your responsibility.

Prayer for the Western Baptist.

We are asking every pastor in the Territories to hold one prayer meeting for the Western Baptist. Should preachers and deacons and superintendents of Sunday Schools be prayed for?

Everybody says yes. Paul wrote a church and said "Pray for us." Paul was more than we are; he was inspired. Yet Paul needed prayer. Your Sunday School teachers all need it. Your superintendent needs it. Your pastor needs it. Pray for them; they work and watch for souls. Pray for your missionaries, your colleges, your boards, and every interest of the Redeemer's kingdom. But this time we are asking you to hold one prayer meeting for God's blessings on the Western Baptist. With God's blessings it can be made the greatest human agency for good in the Territories. It must not go wrong. It must not fail to come up to the full measure of its obligations as a factor in the service of Jesus Christ. Its editors must have grace. They must be wise as serpents and harmless as doves. They must be led by the Holy Spirit. Pray for it. God will hear and answer your prayers. Let the midweek and midmonth prayer meeting of July 15th be devoted to prayers and talks for the Western Baptist. Let there be a thousand prayers offered that night. The editorial staff will pray, too. God will hear us. Remember July 15th. If that time is not convenient, then some other time. Brethren, we appeal to you, pray for us.

My Fault.

"I do remember my faults this day." This is the belated but honest confession of a man who had received a great kindness, yet did not for a long time requite it.

Is not this true of a great many pastors in our State? Cannot some of you recall the days of poverty and perplexity spent in college or seminary? You did want to remain till the end of the term, you greatly desired to finish the course; but for the life of you you did not see how such a thing was possible for you. O, what unspeakable relief came to you when the day you received that little help! Maybe it was only five dollars, but it solved the problem, the burden was removed and you gave thanks to God and said: "I love the Lord because He has heard my supplication and delivered me out of my trouble." You cannot forget the channel through which the help came. The Lord raised up friends for you. They helped you through all your school days and now He has not allowed thee to stand in the market-place idle all the day, but has brought thee into His vineyard, and has given you a good place. "Freely ye have received, freely give." Give attention and substantial help to the needy men now in college who are to succeed you. My greatly blessed brother, come, let me sit down by your side a moment and take thee by the hand and look into thine eye and ask a question: Can you, will you, send a contribution to our Board of Ministerial Education as a token of thy gratitude to God for His kindness to you during your college days? Draw thy last dollar, if need be—there is none like it—and smite selfishness and ingratitude a fierce blow by sending it to Wm. Goldsmith, Jr., for the benefit of the good men who are preparing to tell the news when thy tongue lies silent in the grave. Brother, help us.

W. J. LANGSTON, Pres. Board.
—Baptist Courier—C. C. Jones, East Lake, is Alabama's Treasurer.

CORRESPONDENCE

What Have Southern Baptists Accomplished in 58 Years of Missionary Work?

On May 21st, 1814, there was organized at Philadelphia, "The General Missionary Convention of the Baptist denomination in the United States of America" with Dr. Richard Furman of South Carolina, President; Dr. Thomas Baldwin, of Massachusetts, Secretary, and Dr. Wm. Straughton, Corresponding Secretary. This organization was commonly called the "Tri-ennial Convention." The organization undergoing several constitutional changes, continued until 1845, when the Southern Baptist Convention was organized. The remaining part of the "Tri-ennial Convention" passed into the present American Baptist Missionary Union.

Owing to the fact that the Northern Baptists were unwilling to appoint any person as a missionary who was a slaveholder and insisted on retaining such property. A call was made by the Board of Managers of the Virginia Foreign Mission Society to the Baptist denomination in the Southern States to send delegates to a meeting to be held at Augusta, Ga., to confer on the best methods to carry on the missionary work of our denomination. Accordingly on May 3th, 1845, there met in Augusta, Ga., 310 delegates from Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana, Kentucky, and District of Columbia, and there organized the Southern Baptist Convention. Rev. Wm. B. Johnson, D.D., of South Carolina, was chosen president. At this meeting a Board for Foreign Missions was appointed to be located at Richmond, Va., and one for Domestic (Home) Missions to be located at Marion, Ala.

As just stated Southern Baptists organized for work in foreign fields in 1845. Rev. Jas. B. Taylor, D.D., was elected first corresponding secretary, December, 1845, and served till his death in December, 1871. Dr. H. A. Tupper served from 1872 till 1893, and Dr. R. J. Willingham from 1893 to the present date. Dr. A. J. Barton has been assistant secretary since 1896.

The Convention closed its first session without a missionary or a mission station, at home or abroad; with no reported funds in the treasury. The first contributions reported was a subscription of \$100.00 each by the members of the Domestic Board.

As soon as the Convention was organized it was decided to carry on mission work in China. Rev. J. L. Shuck, of Virginia, was sent out as the first missionary. He went to Canton, China, and began work. We now have in South China: 13 churches, 46 outstations; 7 male and 13 female missionaries; 10 native ordained preachers; 28 unordained male and 12 female native helpers. Baptized last year 445, total membership 2,464.

The Central China mission was organized in 1847. Among the first missionaries to begin work there were Rev. Matthew T. Yates and wife who labored for forty years among the Chinese. He went to China on a salary of \$750, having refused on the day of his appointment the offer of a salary of \$2,000 in one of the Southern States. We have now at this mission: 6 churches

and 6 outstations; 9 male and 12 female missionaries; 1 ordained native preacher; 4 unordained native male and 3 female helpers. Baptized last year 50. Present membership 204.

The North China Mission was organized in 1860. Rev. J. R. Hartwell began work there in 1861. He has labored in all 45 years among the Chinese. We now have at North China Mission 10 churches, 22 outstations, 8 male and 14 female missionaries, 1 ordained native preacher, 14 unordained male and 6 female helpers; baptized 168 this year; present membership 733.

Grand total for China: 29 churches, 74 outstations; 63 missionaries; 79 native workers; 663 baptisms; 3,401 present membership; 57 houses of worship; 42 Sunday schools with 1,541 pupils; 41 day schools with 862 pupils.

Work in Africa was begun in 1850. We now have there 7 churches, 5 outstations; 5 male and 5 female missionaries; 2 ordained native preachers; 16 unordained male and 3 female native helpers; 106 baptisms for year ending May, 1903; present membership 544; 7 houses of worship; 5 Sunday schools with 250 pupils; 5 day schools with 139 pupils.

In 1889, work was begun in Japan. Following are statistics of work there: 5 churches, 8 outstations; 6 male and 9 female missionaries; 1 ordained native preacher; 6 unordained male and 5 female native helpers; 30 baptisms last year; present membership 120; 11 Sunday schools with 420 pupils in attendance.

In 1870, Dr. Geo. B. Taylor began work in Italy and has had the oversight of the work since then. Work is carried on there by 3 male and 1 female missionaries; 22 ordained natives and 5 unordained. There are 25 churches, 37 outstations. 60 baptisms last year; 661 members at present; 3 houses of worship; 20 Sunday schools with 281 pupils; 1 day school with 6 pupils.

Our work in Mexico was founded in 1880. Now there are 43 churches, 73 outstations; 8 male and 9 female missionaries; 12 ordained and 7 unordained native workers; 135 baptisms last year; 1,251 present membership; 13 houses of worship; 14 Sunday schools, 556 pupils; 4 day schools with 72 pupils.

Southern Baptist missionaries have been preaching in Brazil since 1882. Now there are 48 churches, 10 outstations; 10 male and 11 female missionaries; 18 ordained, 14 male and 2 female unordained native assistants; 796 baptisms; 2,903 members; 10 houses of worship; 28 Sunday schools, attendance 928; 11 day schools with 227 pupils.

Grand total: 1845 just 58 years ago. For year ending April 30th, 1903, the following figures show what has been done: 157 churches, 231 preaching stations; 127 missionaries, 67 ordained native preachers, 125 unordained native assistants, total workers 319; 1,790 baptisms; 8,880 members; 90 houses of worship; 120 Sunday schools with 3,976 pupils; 62 day schools, 1,350 pupils.

Contributions to Foreign Missions have grown from \$21,438.45, in 1853, to \$218,512.62, in 1903. More than ten times as much. Alabama gave in 1853, \$1,687.54; in 1903, she raised \$16,424.06.

Besides the work of preaching the missionaries have Theological training

schools in China, Africa, Italy, Mexico, and Brazil. Native workers are trained for their labors in these schools. In China and Brazil the Publication societies are supplying Bibles, Testaments, tracts and religious papers in the native's own language. Medical missionaries are also doing a great work, supplying treatment for the diseased body as well as spiritual comfort.

Thirteen new missionaries were sent out during 1903 and others are under appointment to go.

The work of the Home Mission Board includes work in Cuba; among the Indians and in Oklahoma; on the frontier and in the destitute places of our westerly states; in such cities as New Orleans, Baltimore, St. Louis, etc., aiding the mountain schools in North Carolina, and among the foreigners who come to the United States. Also some work among the negroes. This Board for some years was located at Marion, Ala., but is now at Atlanta, Ga. Contributions to its support during year ending April 30, 1903, aggregated \$100,450.29. The following is a brief summary of the work of the Home Board for 1903: Missionaries, 671; churches and stations, 3,133; sermons and addresses, 85,335; prayer meetings, 12,232; religious visits, 163,587; baptized, 8,969; received by letter, 9,716; total additions, 18,690; churches constituted, 127; houses of worship built and improved, 280; Sunday schools organized, 494; Bibles and Testaments distributed, 17,903; tracts distributed (pages), 3,044,888. Alabama gave to Home Missions, \$8,139.55, of this our women gave \$1,458.65 in cash and boxes valued at \$3,217.71.

Each of the Southern States is organized for State work. The statistics for the year 1901, (the latest I can procure just now), are as follows for S. B. C. in State work: 1,158 missionaries; 14,056 baptisms; contributions for State work, \$192,259.46.

Alabama State mission work: 52 missionaries; 493 baptisms; contributed to State work \$7,882.98.

Woman's Missionary Union auxiliary Southern Baptist Convention, gave last year, ending May 1st, 1903, cash \$19,295.38; boxes sent to missionaries value \$31,916.46; total, \$51,211.84.

Total contributions to Foreign missions from 1845 to 1903 inclusive, \$2,970,287.41.

Fifty years ago there were 450,000 Baptists in the South; now there are 1,737,466 white and 1,927,089 colored; total, 3,664,715. Eight times as many. Then the population of the South was 8,000,000, now it is 20,000,000—two and a half times as many. The rate of increase in Baptist membership is more than three times as fast as the population.

Fifty years ago contributions were about \$35,000, last year was more than \$200,000.

There are 10,000,000 negroes in the United States, nearly one-fifth are Baptists.

Contributions to Foreign Missions have doubled in four years.

In 1800 there is said to have been one Baptist college, and \$200,000 spent for education. Now there are 18,000 chartered institutions valued at \$43,000,000.

(R. E. L.)

"What hath God wrought?" What have we done? Southern Baptists gave just a little more than one cent each

per month to Foreign Missions.

Alabama Baptists gave a little less than one cent each to Foreign Missions per month.

All the expenses were paid out of only ten and a half per cent. of the gross amount. Let every Baptist take courage and buckle the armour on tighter and strive for greater things in the future. Surely God is good, and His mercy endureth forever.

J. Henry Bush.

Heard, Ala., June 11th, 1903.

What Can Woman Do?

I so heartily endorse, and truly enjoyed, the sentiment expressed by our beloved Dr. Shaffer on "Woman and Her Mission" that I earnestly ask permission to express my opinion upon some things of which I think woman capable.

What a time-worn question me-thinks you say. Ah! well, my friend, turn to one of more recent date—one more suited to the spirit of the times—while we endeavor to entertain those in unison of feeling with us on this one. Not in a spirit of cavil at some of the extreme doctrines of the day do we intend answering this question, nor do we propose to meet the casuist and moralist in grave discussion; yet we do not disparage reasonings, for these, when enlightened, are the ministers of judgment.

Not of woman's equality with man do we intend to speak; for on that subject, where common perception is at fault, reasonings are of little value. Our purpose is to show what woman can do for good in the world's progress. We desire to bring her before you as a living entity, that you may see her as she is. A large proportion of the wrong woman suffers in the present constitution of society may be set down as the fault of woman not so much to the women of this as to the preceding generation—and the wrong that woman may suffer in the next generation will in a like measure be chargeable to the woman of this. We hold that to woman belongs the very moulding as well as the training of the child's mind, upon the yielding character of which she may impress a good form; but she will find the task of changing the fully developed one a most difficult if not an impossible achievement. Many women can with sorrow attest the truth of this last remark. How vitally important then is it that woman should justly regard her own relation to the world in which she lives, and should see how, in the very nature of things her action upon it involves effects of the highest moment. Madame de Staël, when asked what would save France, replied, "Educate the mother." Now we do not believe there was ever a period in the history of our own beloved country in which woman stood in more need of all the refining influence of education, all the sympathy and encouragement that can be offered her. We tender her here all the little aid 'tis in our power to give. For how manifold are the duties and obligations of the woman of the present in comparison with those of the preceding generation.

Let us, in our imagination, remove from our society every true woman—fer of such we speak—and contemplate the result. How many, think you, in a short space of time, would be ready to make the inquiry in a spirit of derision, What can woman do? Ah, what. Not only to watch the stars out by a bed

of pain, it may be with a pale cheek, yet with a brow inspired by hope and a true heart is woman's tenderness and faithful affection best shown.

Have you never had occasion to remark with what fortitude a true woman can sustain the most overwhelming reverses of fortune? How it calls forth all the energy of her nature and gives such interpidity and elevation to her character? Nothing can be more touching than to behold a woman who had been all dependence suddenly rising in mental force to be the comforter and support of her husband under misfortune. Woman's nature is sensitive and dependent and she instinctively turns to a guide and a ruler. And it is beautifully ordered by Providence that woman, who is the mere dependent and ornament of man in his happier hours, should be his stay and solace when smitten with calamity. Like the little ivy that entwines so affectionately around the giant oak, when it is shattered by the blast still clings with all its nature to the broken limbs as if striving to hold them together; and it is our firm belief that a married man falling into misfortune is more apt to retrieve his situation in the world than a single one, not more because he is stimulated to action by the necessities of those dependent on him than by the loving encouragement of a true wife and by having his self-respect kept alive by the knowledge of there being a little world of love at home of which he is the monarch. A woman's whole life is a history of the affections. It is there her ambition strives for empire. It is there her avarice seeks for hidden treasures. She sends forth her sympathies on adventure; she embarks her soul in the traffic of affection, and it is in this, her natural sphere, that woman is most to be admired.

Where is any natural beauty in the character of Joan of Arc? We find none. Give us always to admire such an one as Gertrude in her faithfulness to Rudolph, when heroism is essential in woman. Patient affection and tender faithfulness is woman's part to bear, to pour boundless riches of affection upon broken reeds it may be; to make idols and to find then clay and to bewail that worship with silent tears.

We admit regretfully, that among the attributes which go to make a woman of the present beauty claims a foremost part in so-called society, and the old song of "My face is my fortune," may still be loudly sung. But no true woman will attach any undue importance to this gift of the Giver of all good, and we do wish to impress upon all young girls that only by such true womanly tenderness as may rise in floods beneath the plainest outlines of unprepossessing features can friends be made and kept.

There are three words we would write as with a burning pen upon the hearts of all women who are striving to meet every demand made upon them. Have hope, though clouds environ thee—there is no night but has its morn; have faith, no matter where thy bark be driven; have love, not alone for one, but scatter on all around the love and sympathies which woman knows so well how to bestow and bear in mind that the greatest results are sometimes produced by the most unobtrusive agency. This whole universe is bound together by the simple form of gravitation—a something unseen, unheard, unnoticed—yet felt to the remotest

bounds of the Creator's empire. So also is the effect of woman's work. The effect of her influence may be felt when she has despaired of accomplishing the object for which she has striven. How all important then, oh, woman, that all your energies of love and influence be bent to effect some object worthy of your effort, for when the influence of woman is not directed for the elevation and improvement of her fellow creatures it must be for the opposite result, for to wield an influence peculiarly her own she must, as long as time endures and when not for good is it not enough to cause the very angels grief? Then be strong, be true.

"A perfect woman nobly planned
To warn, to comfort and command:
And yet a spirit still and bright,
With something of an angel light."

And remember that though your woman's lot be full of responsibility, your duties difficult to perform, our loving Savior has promised grace sufficient for all our needs. And you are equal to the task or it would never have been assigned by an all-wise Creator; and great as your responsibility is so also is your reward.

Mrs. E. P. M.
Lochapoka, Ala.

"A Mother's Grave."

Over the grave of a friend, of a brother, or a sister we would plant the primrose, emblematical of youth; but over that of a mother we would let the green grass shoot up unmolested; for there is something in the simple covering which nature spreads upon the grave which well becomes the abiding place of decaying age.

Oh, a mother's grave! It is indeed a sacred spot. It may be retired from the noise of business, and unnoticed by the stranger; but to our hearts how dear!

The love we should bear to a parent is not to be measured by years, nor annihilated by distance, nor forgotten when they sleep in the dust.

Marks of age may appear in our homes and on our persons, but the memory of a beloved parent is more enduring than that of time itself.

Who has stood by the grave of a mother and not remembered her pleasant smiles, kind words, earnest prayers, and assurance expressed in a dying hour?

Many years may have passed, memory may be treacherous in other things but will reproduce with freshness the impressions once made by a mother's influence.

Why may we not linger where rests all that was earthly of a beloved parent? It may have a restraining influence upon the wayward, prove a valuable incentive to increased faithfulness, encourage hope in the hour of depression, and give fresh inspiration to Christian life.

The mother's love is indeed the golden chain which binds youth to age; and he is still but a child, however time may have furrowed his cheek or silvered his brow, who can yet recall with a softened heart the fond devotion or gentle chiding of the best friend God has given us. Round the idea of mother the mind of a man clings with fond affection.

It is the first deep thought stamped upon our infant heart, when yet soft and capable of receiving the most profound impressions; and the after feelings of the world are more or less light in comparison.

Even in old age we look back to that feeling as the sweetest we have known through life.

Our passions and our willfulness may lead us far from the object of our filial love; we may come to even pain their hearts, to oppose their wishes, to violate their commands. We may become wild, headstrong, or angry at their counsels or oppositions; but when death has stilled their monitory voices, and nothing but silent memory remains to recapitulate their virtues and deeds, affections, like a flower broken to the ground by a past storm, lifts up her head and smiles away our tears.

When the early period of our loss forces memory to be silent, fancy takes her place, and twines the image of our dead parents with a garland of graces, beauties and virtues, which we doubt not they possess.

N. "Bessie" K.
Anniston, Ala., June 20, 1903.

A Memorial Sermon.

Editor of the Alabama Baptist, Montgomery, Ala.:

Dear Sir: On Memorial Day of this year, I attended services at the Second Baptist Church, Dedham, Mass., and I was very much impressed with the strong plea which the minister, an old union soldier, made for more Christian forbearance by each section of the country for the other. He appealed to the people of the two sections; that each should say the best things which might truthfully be said of the other; and to respect the traditions and sentiments which are held sacred.

As a Southerner, an Alabamian, I was very much pleased with his references to the South and I take the privilege of sending a part of his sermon to you, hoping that you will give it a place in the Alabama Baptist.

Yours truly,
George F. Granberry.
Boston, Mass., June 19, 1903.

Extract from a Memorial Sermon preached by Rev. Warren F. Bickford in Dedham, Mass., May 24, 1903:

"In the perspective of forty years past, we are able to see and to interpret the part that men played in that tragedy. Men of the North are happy that it was their part to defend the Union. Yet, now the fire is out and the ashes are scattered, we sometimes wonder what would have been our part if cotton grew north of Mason and Dixon's line instead of South; and if the children of the Huguenots and Cavaliers had had this climate, and the children of the Pilgrims had had that of the Sunny South. In our sober thoughts, we admit that with a few changes of circumstances, the great battlefield might have been Massachusetts instead of Virginia, and Appomattox have been nearer Bunker Hill than Yorktown; and Grant and Lee have held reversed relations in that climax. The issue was not between the North and the South, but between the bond and the free. A hundred years of freedom gave the North the sinews of war, while a century of slavery had handicapped the South. Yet, the people of the South bore themselves like heroes. They accepted the issue of the war. They returned to their devastated homes; and with unaccustomed hands began the sad and weary task of reconstruction. Veterans of a hundred battles, they began and finished a greater struggle with poverty and want. From war's desolation, they have formed a new South, a work of such brave, pa-

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Yours truly,
W. H. BRUTON,
Pastor Baptist Church, Ripley, Tenn.

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.

A. B. Campbell, pastor.
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THE EDITORIAL PAGE.

The Mode of Priestly Baptism.

Last week we called attention to the new invention of "Priestly Baptism" by Dr. J. M. Boland, now being served out to our Methodist brethren by Rev. J. F. Sturdivant, who is a confessed disciple of that school. In his last article, the expounder of the new invention discusses the modes of "Priestly Baptism." He says:

"John lived and labored under the old dispensation. There is not the least intimation that he departed from the usages prevalent for centuries prior to his time and required by the law under which he lived. Not even the watchful and jealous Pharisees and rulers objected to his manner of procedure and yet 'Jerusalem and all Judea, and all the region round about Jordan were baptized by him.' Matt iii., 5, 6. Certainly, if he had departed from generally accepted customs, some voice would have been raised against it, and some mention made of the fact. As far as we know all accepted his mode of baptism without an objection. Why? Because it was the common mode. Two or three references will settle the question as to the usual mode. Leviticus xvi, 14-16; Num. xix, 17, 18; Hebrews ix, 13, 14. Carefully read these references."

Let us read carefully these proof texts for "the mode of priestly baptism." The first is a part of a passage setting forth the ceremonies for the day of atonement, and is as follows: "And he (Aaron) shall take of the blood of the bullock and sprinkle it with his finger upon the mercy seat on the east, and before the mercy seat shall he sprinkle of the blood with his finger seven times. Then shall he kill the goat of the sin offering that is for the people and bring his blood within the veil and do with his blood as he did with the blood of the bullock and sprinkle it upon the mercy seat and before the mercy seat."

Now, reading carefully, we see that the object here sprinkled is the blood first of the bullock and then of the goat. The recipient of this rantism is the mercy seat. The mode is a double seven-fold sprinkling with the finger, first on the east, and then before the mercy seat. So in this new "Priestly Baptism" is a double seven-fold rantism on the east and in front, with the blood first of a bull, and then of a goat. It was administered to mercy seats under the dispensation under which John the Baptist lived and of course it "became him to fulfill all righteousness" even to the letter of the law. Therefore it was not with or in water that John baptized Jesus, but with the blood of a bull and a goat. The people of Jerusalem and all Judea and the region around Jordan were not baptized of John in the Jordan but only sprinkled on the east side and then in front. The fact is it was not the people at all that John was consecrating, but mercy seats. This is indeed a great addition to our knowledge of the baptism of John which hath been lately revealed through Dr. J. M. Boland and his disciple. The second reference is equally enlightening, and is taken from a passage prescribing the ceremonies for the cleansing of those defiled by touching the dead: "And for the unclean they shall take of the ashes of the sin offering; and running water

shall be put thereto in a vessel; and a clean person shall take the hyssop and dip it in the water and sprinkle it upon the tent and upon all the vessels and upon the persons that were there and upon him that toucheth the bone or the slain or the dead or the grave. Here the element used was ashes of the heifer with water added. The recipients are the tent, the vessels and the persons who had touched the dead. The mode was to dip the hyssop into the ashes and sprinkle upon the defiled. So the mode of this was that John, having prepared in a vessel the ashes and diluted them in water, took a brush and dipped it into the vessel and sprinkled all the tents, vessels and people.

The third reference is: "For if the blood of bulls and of goats and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling them that have been defiled, sanctify unto the cleanness of the flesh; how much more shall the blood of Christ cleanse your consciences from dead works to serve the living God." We have in this passage a summary of these modes of "Priestly Baptism." It is the sprinkling of the blood of bulls or goats or the ashes of a heifer. The blood and ashes constitute the sanctifying element, and of course John obeyed the law in keeping on hand a good supply. He must have often made excursions to Jerusalem to procure these essentials for his "Priestly Baptism." So this newly invented baptism is the sprinkling of blood and ashes to sanctify unto the cleanness of the flesh. This according to the disciple of Dr. J. M. Boland was the baptism of John.

"Christ was baptized by John by sprinkling at the River Jordan. John baptized Christ, consecrating him a priest. Let us read Num. viii, 5, 6, 7, "And the Lord spake unto Moses saying, take the Levites from among the children of Israel and cleanse them. And thus shalt thou do to cleanse them (or consecrate them), sprinkle water of purifying upon them." This law was in full force until John's death. As John baptized under a law that required him to sprinkle water upon candidates for the priesthood, so he sprinkled Christ. Christ himself appealed to that law."

The Rev. J. F. Sturdivant is too brief in his quotation of the law. If, as he would have us understand, our Lord by the language "Thus it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness," meant all the ceremonies of consecration he should at least quote the full law, that his readers may understand what was done there to our Lord on that eventful day. This is the law quoted from: "And Jehovah spake unto Moses, saying, take the Levites from among the children of Israel and cleanse them, and thus shalt thou do unto them to cleanse them. Sprinkle the water of expiation (that in which the ashes of the heifer is mixed) upon them, and let them cause a razor to pass over all their flesh, and let them wash their clothes and cleanse themselves. Then let them take a young bullock and its meal offering, fine flour mingled with oil, and another young bullock shalt thou take for a sin offering. And thou shalt present the Levites before the tent of meeting: and thou shalt assemble the whole congregation of the children

of Israel; and thou shalt present the Levites before Jehovah; and the children of Israel shall lay their hands upon the Levites; and Aaron shall offer the Levites before Jehovah for a wave offering on the behalf of the children of Israel, that it may be theirs to do the service of Jehovah. And the Levites shall lay their hands upon the heads of the bullocks, and offer the one for a sin offering and the other for a burnt offering unto Jehovah to make atonement for the Levites. And thou shalt set the Levites before Aaron, and before his sons, and offer them for a wave offering unto Jehovah. Thus shalt thou separate the Levites from among the children of Israel." Num. 8, 5-14.

Now, according to Brother Sturdivant, these ceremonies were "the righteousness" fulfilled at the baptism of Jesus.

This, then, is the scene: John took the water of expiation (the water in which the ashes of the heifer were mixed) and sprinkled it on Jesus unto the sanctifying of the flesh, then shaved his body all over, washed him, presented him to the people, who laid their hands on him; Our Lord then laid his hands on the head of a bullock for a sin offering, and was then duly presented to Caiaphas and Annas as having "fulfilled all righteousness necessary to a successor of Aaron." Such a picture so contradictory to the Scripture presentation of both Jesus and his forerunner, would be ridiculous if it were not so irreverent. It breaks down of its own weight.

Another oversight of Rev. J. F. Sturdivant is that this passage does not refer to the consecration of a priest at all, but to that of a Levite. The law for the consecration of a priest will be found in Leviticus, chapter 8, and in Exodus, chapters 29 and 40. It is probable that our brother failed to find these chapters because the word "sprinkle" does not occur in any of them. He will also find another consecration of "priestly baptism" in Job 7-12, where the two friends when they saw him consecrated themselves to the work of comfort in "sprinkling dust upon their heads." This must be a reference to the "priestly baptism." Not one of these references has the remotest connection with the consecration of a priest. The first is a part of the service in the Temple on the day of atonement, the second is that for the cleansing of those defiled by contact with the dead, as does also the reference, Heb. 9: 13, 14. And the last one is a part of the consecration of the Levite. So our author proves "the mode of his priestly baptism" from other ceremonies not connected with the consecration of a priest in the remotest way.

This assumption that John consecrated Jesus in the Jordan to the office of a priest according to the ceremonial laws of the Aaronic priesthood, is an invention out of pure cloth. That John was ever consecrated and numbered among the priests, that he or Jesus regarded ceremonial observances as righteousness and felt it becoming on them to fulfill all of them and then went not to the places specially appointed in the law for their observing; that they went through all the routine of the consecration of a priest in the Jordan, is an

assumption whose very boldness and barrenness of support in the facts constrains to ridicule. It is a desperate effort to find in the Bible a ceremony of initiation administered by sprinkling. The attempt is in the following order: (1.) There was a washing in the ceremonies for the consecration of a priest. (2.) There was a sprinkling of the blood and the ashes of a heifer on the day of atonement and in the cleansing from contact with the dead. (3.) The ashes of a heifer were put into water. (4.) These ashes diluted in water constituted "the water of expiation" sprinkled on a Levite novice. Therefore water was sprinkled on a priest at his consecration. This conclusion follows only when "washing" means "sprinkle," when a Levite is a priest. And when the element sprinkled was water and not the ashes of a heifer. Unfortunately none of these propositions are true. So there is no proof that a sprinkling was a part of the consecration of a priest. But to follow the argument, let us assume that it was. Then (1) every priest was sprinkled upon when he was consecrated to his office. (2) John was descended from a priest and was himself a consecrated priest. (3.) His baptism was a consecration to the priesthood of those in "Jerusalem and all Judea and the region round about the Jordan," a wholesale consecration to the priesthood. (4) Jesus came and sought to be consecrated to the priesthood; the others had received and fulfilled all "the righteousness" in the ceremonies, and John consecrated him. Therefore John must have sprinkled him in Jordan, as sprinkling, we have assumed, was a part of the ceremony. How many of the other things commanded in the law for the consecration of a priest John did to Jesus is not told in "A Bible View of Baptism" by Dr. J. M. Boland. If one can find an exegetical effort to excel this in all the world, it would be a curiosity worthy of perpetual preservation as a specimen of ingenuity and emancipation from accepted canons of biblical exegesis and laws of logic.

Editorial Paragraphs.

The hard summer months are here. If you owe anything and can pay us it will help us greatly, but if you haven't the ready cash don't stop your paper, but let it come on and remember us in the fall.

The Fifth Annual Session of the Montreat Bible Conference will convene Aug. 9th to 18th, at Montreat, N. C., under the direction of Rev. Walter Holcomb. The Conference will embrace a wide scope of Bible instruction.

The sudden death of Judge Wilkerson was a great shock to the community. He was held in the very highest esteem by the Birmingham Bar and the entire State. Many were heard to remark on hearing the sad news, "An honest judge is dead." He was truly an upright and honest judge, an honor to his profession and an ornament to the bench. We sympathize deeply with his family.

We know this has been a hard year

with many of our country friends and we are willing to carry them until fall. If you have paid up to July don't stop your paper, but let it come on. We need some cash mighty bad, but we don't want to press those who are really hard up. We merely want those who are negligent to remember us during the hot weather. We want to get a little fund ahead to take a vacation.

Dr. Montague telephoned that on Sunday he visited the B. Y. P. Union of the Ruhama Baptist church at East Lake, and together with the President, Bradford Wood, made a statement about the promise made by the Unions at the recent State Convention to raise one thousand dollars for the dormitory, and got pledges for \$60.75 to be paid within a month. This was a fine contribution. It is hoped that other Unions will come up as nobly.

The latest from Brother Crumpton is distressing. The pastors, the next three Sundays, ought to bestir themselves and relieve the Board of debt. But here are the secretary's words:

"When the brethren come back from Savannah, it looks like they determined to give the churches a rest on mission matters. I have been sadly disappointed and it now looks like we are going to be forced to report a large debt. I hope for good reports the next three Sundays."

Extract from Miss Willie Kelley's letter, April 16, 1903.—"Our house will not be ready for use in several months yet. We have had a number of hindrances. The architect has been overrun, and has not paid too much attention when they could build; then the men have all struck for higher wages and a general silver panic has been on. Silver has not reached the bottom yet. It goes down every day. I am disgusted with a country where the price of gold fluctuates every day. Silver is down to \$2.55 for \$1.00. Rice was \$5 per picul last year. This year it is \$7.20. This is the cause of the strike. The contract was made last year before silver went so low."

Louisiana Baptists are to be congratulated on the spirit of progress among them on educational lines. They have raised in cash and subscription for Mt. Lebanon Male College twenty-five thousand dollars. Under the leadership of Secretary E. O. Ware, a minister's institute has been held for three weeks at Mt. Lebanon during the month of June. Drs. John R. Sampey and W. J. McGlothlin of our Southern Seminary were the instructors, and thirty-seven Baptist preachers were in attendance. Other states might well imitate the example of Louisiana and bring our Seminary professors in close and vital touch with village and country pastors who find it impracticable to take a regular course. Bible Conventions and Missionary Conferences do much good, but a first-class institute in which earnest study and high grade teaching are the order of the day for three or four weeks—this is a crying need in many states.

LOTS OF LETTERS BUT NO MONEY.

"I am so thankful to the brethren for the kind words they write, congratulating me for the splendid showing Alabama made at Savannah. I was awful happy over the results, but they

seem to forget the appeal I made for State Missions. July 15th the books close, and I must make my report at Troy. I must have several thousand dollars in the next two weeks if I report out of debt.

Brethren, please don't forget me.
W. B. CRUMPTON.

• State Mission money must reach Brother Crumpton by noon of July 16 to go on this year.



Rev. N. C. Underwood.

The popular pastor of the First Baptist (Salem) Church, of Brundidge.

He is in his fifty-third year, having been born at Dadeville, November 15, 1850. Both his father and mother died when he was about nine years old, and an uncle took him to LaFayette, Chambers county, where he grew to young manhood. He came to Brundidge during the summer of 1870, and has since that time, while he has lived at other places at different periods, regarded this more as his permanent home. On coming here, he entered the Brundidge High School, working Saturdays and vacations to pay his board and tuition. His wide range of information evidences how he took advantage of his opportunities for the two years he attended the school.

November, 1874, he married Miss Julia A., daughter of the late Dr. R. E. Huey. They have four daughters, Mrs. B. S. Warren, whose husband is in the Marine Hospital Service at Southport, N. C., Miss Cora, Miss Alva, now at the Judson, and Miss Willie Lou. Their only son and youngest child died several years ago—a sad blow to the parents. The family resides in the handsome parsonage on Church street.

He was ordained to the gospel ministry in 1880, by Ozark Baptist Church. January, 1884, he was called to Brundidge, serving Salem church eight years consecutively. He then served Clayton five years, when he was called back, and has been pastor here since. During the time, he has served the churches at LeGrand, Uchee, and other places. Mr. Underwood is a pleasing and interesting speaker, and possesses strongly the power of grasping incidents and applying them. He enjoys the confidence of the people of all denominations to a marked degree.

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

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The Aragon Hotel

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Rev. F. H. Watkins of Florence, called last week en route home from Heflin, Ala., where he had been assisting Rev. J. A. Scott in a meeting.

We regret to state that our Brother John T. Barnett, the business manager, while the paper is going to press is at St. Vincent's Hospital undergoing a serious surgical operation. We are hoping that he will get relief and soon be back at his post.

Field Notes

FROM HUNTSVILLE.

The revival services which have been in progress for the past two weeks closed last night. It has in many respects been one of the most gracious meetings held in Huntsville for years. The seating capacity of the house was taxed at nearly every service, and many times numbers were turned away. It did seem like a pity to close a meeting with such throngs of people in attendance, but Rev. C. T. Starkey who did the preaching so effectively, was forced to leave by other engagements last Saturday morning and the same day Pastor Rice was taken so ill his physician was called in to make an effort to recuperate him for the baptizing the next day. As a result of the meeting thirty-one happy souls professed conversion and twenty-two were added to the church, eighteen by experience and baptism and four by letters, all adults, besides about 100 penitents, the altar was full at almost every service. "The old-time religion" caused many to rejoice during the meeting in a Savior's love.

From the Dallas Avenue Church during the past few years members have been lettered out to enter into the organization of the church at Alabama City and West Huntsville and next Sunday we will be called upon to give up a number to organize the First Baptist Church at Merrimack, still we have left a good working membership of 150 members. We also claim one of the best Sunday schools in the State. Our church also has a mission post near the great Dallas Mill, where much interest is manifested. Our Bro. J. C. Stower is superintendent of a flourishing Sunday school there. This leaves two growing suburbs we have not reached yet, North Huntsville and the Lowe Mills.

We have invited Rev. F. M. Yeager of E'kton, Tenn., to hold a series of meetings at Merrimack, beginning next Lord's day, when a Baptist Church will be organized.

Brother Murray, the hard-worked pastor of the First Church, is leading his members a pace in the divine life. His active assistants are Prof. S. R. Butler, the live superintendent of the Sunday school, and Bro. M. B. Neece, president of the best B. Y. P. U. in this part of the State. Pastor Wright of the West Huntsville Church, 1900 resigned and will move to the coast. Under his pastorate about thirty members have been added to roll this year. Brother Jenkins, at Gurley, is greatly esteemed by the Christian people of that flourishing little city. He has just closed a fine meeting assisted by the inimitable Quisenberry of New Decatur, and Murray of this city. We will expect you, Brother Barnett at our Association which meets here with the Dallas Avenue Church in September.

R. E. Pettus.

THE REVIVAL AT HARTFORD.

On June 1st we closed a nine days meeting at Hartford in which we feel that great and lasting good was accomplished. The church was greatly revived and thirty-three added to its membership, ten by baptism, twenty-three by letter. Among the additions to the church were some of the best business men of the town.

The preaching was done by Rev. A. J. Preston of Prattville, Ala. Our house

was crowded from beginning to end and sometimes people went away for want of seat room. Brother Preston seemed to be at his best. His familiarity with the Bible enabled him to present his themes very forcibly, sustaining every assertion and proposition by the Word of God.

Brother Preston is well remembered by many people in Geneva county as traveling evangelist some years ago, and I feel safe in saying that so far as rural districts is concerned no man ever did so much good as he, furnishing his own conveyance, he visited almost every church in this section of country, preaching in his own practical way, presenting forcibly the truths contained in God's Word. J. F. Register.

Geneva, Ala., June 15, 1903.

FROM HUNTSVILLE.

Brother Starkey, the popular Scottsboro preacher, has returned to his home after assisting Bro. H. E. Rice in the most successful revival service ever held at the Dallas Avenue Church, or Brother Pettus' Church, as it is familiarly known. In point of interest, attendance and the accomplishment of result no work in Huntsville has ever proved so satisfactory as in this meeting where a goodly number of souls were saved and a new Christian enthusiasm was aroused among the whole church membership and those of other denominations who attended.

Rev. Murray, pastor of the First Church, who has been somewhat indisposed since he closed his meeting at Gurley, is all right again and is making great plans for the work he is developing.

A Sunday school has been organized at the new Baptist Church established at Merrimack and everything points to the great success of the movement.

In a word the Baptists are still on top in this part of North Alabama and nothing is hindering them from making this the best year of their history.

J. E. Pierce.

REMEMBER YOUR PLEDGE.

The Young People's Unions, churches and Individuals who pledged amounts to B. Y. P. U. deficit will please take notice that the thirty days grace have expired.

Brethren, please send in the money and enable the committee to settle with Brother Blackwell—he has waited long and patiently.

J. M. Shelburne, Chairman.

WATERLOO NOTES.

I have been thinking that some one ought to write to your paper from this part about Baptist affairs. It seems that no one is going to, so I thought I would write.

Baptist affairs seem to be looking up in this part of the moral vineyard. The pastors all seem to be hopeful. About 90 days ago we secured the services of Rev. C. C. Winter, who was stolen from us by the Union Association little over two years ago. The people here think a great deal of Brother Winter.

The commencement exercises of our high school, which was a great event in the history of Waterloo, has come and gone. Possibly one of the most interesting things was the sermon preached by Brother Winters to the students on

"True Purposes of Life." He defined purpose and showed us very clearly that we learn to do wrong by doing wrong. That is we become great sinners by sinning. He also showed us very clearly that our sins mark themselves upon our physical being as well as upon our moral being but because of this fact we cannot hide our sins from the world. Then he took up the other side and showed in a very impressive manner that we learn to do right by doing right, that each victory will help us some other to win. Lastly, he showed very clearly and forcibly the reward of the carrying out of right purposes. I wish, Mr. Editor, that I could give you all the points and arguments that he used in the sermon, but to say the least of it, it made a fine impression and will be long remembered by the students.

A Student.

A GREAT REVIVAL.

Before telling the readers of the Baptist about our recent meeting, I wish to tell them briefly of how the Lord has blessed our labors as pastor of this church since my pastorate began fifteen months ago.

When I came up here the first time I found a few scattered Baptists, but so disheartened were they until when I would mention carrying on the Baptist cause here, I was met with this invariable reply, "There is no use of trying any more." But I organized a Sunday school the fifth Sunday after I first came. We bought some good song books, had prayer-meeting once a week, and on May 10, 1902, succeeded in getting a dozen Baptists together and we re-organized the church. On the fourth Sabbath following, we commenced a two weeks' meeting and at the close, we had received twenty-seven accessions. This gave us much courage and they went to work in earnest and the Lord continued to "add to them those that were saved" and when the year expired we had a membership numbering seventy.

Well, I imagine I hear the reader saying, "What about this year?" Our Sunday school advanced from thirty-seven to 120, the church has put in electric lights, overhauled the pews, purchased a large bell and other indispensable things have been added, until actually they are speaking of buying a lot next to the church's and erecting a parsonage, of which their pastor is confident (?) he will so much need when his college course is completed.

On the first Sunday was the beginning of great things for us. A full house greeted their pastor and rarely ever is such profound interest and earnestness manifested on the part of a congregation as was on this one. They had "undertaken great things for God" and it was clearly demonstrated that they were "expecting great things from God." Eleven joined that day, and on the night following Rev. J. H. Wallace of Opelika, preached his first sermon, winning the confidence of the entire congregation from the very first. He continued to do the preaching until Thursday night week of which he nor the congregation will ever forget that parting. It seemed that we could not let him go, and he was as anxious to remain as were we, but his duties to his church called him home. He left with the prayers of many, many Christians following him and a desire that he will return again next September, which he kindly promised to do. The writer has never heard the "old, old

story" told with such power and demonstration as during this meeting by this Godly man. Oh, for more such preachers! Some of the immediate visible results of the meeting are as follows: Paid Brother Wallace handsomely for his services—when it is considered our church is composed of poor people, doubled the pastor's salary, the L. A. S. presented him (the pastor) \$5, and on next Sunday I am informed, will present to me a nice suit of clothes, and there were seventy accessions to the church when the meeting closed last night. "The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad."

I am one of the happiest pastors, blessed with the best people in all Alabama.

W. R. Adams.

Avondale, Ala., June 22, 1903.

A CHURCH BUILDER.

When John Ewins was in a protracted meeting and the preacher began to get on a "high horse" he said sing something, brethren, but no one sang; after a little the preacher said, sing something, Brother Ewins, but John said, "I don't know but one song and that is not suitable." As the preacher got higher and higher he said sing that song, Brother Ewins, and John began, "I never did see such a gitting up the stairs, such a gitting up stairs, etc." How hard it is to have something suitable for the reader as well as the hearer. But I was with the Nicholville saints on the first Sunday in this month and what a day they did have, to be sure. It was Children's Day and such a day as it was. The house was packed like a sardine box, but they were as quiet and attentive as they could be. The children did their part well and reflected much credit on those who had it in charge. It was a most enjoyable day with the people. After the exercises were over Brother J. W. Dunaway announced dinner on the ground and the program for the afternoon. It was an immense crowd, but ample provisions had been made and almost every one ate more than he should have.

Bro. J. W. Dunaway is pastor and he has set on foot his same old scheme, "build a church" and he has those folks all on tiptoe; and they have already given away their old church house to the school and have gone to work about the new church. Now let me warn all the churches of J. W. Dunaway, not to call him, if they do they will have to build a new church, for he is a professional church builder. I should not wonder if he had built more churches than any other three men in the State. He has a lot of the finest people in the State behind him. Here lives Brother Nichols with a large family and it does not take twenty of them to make a dollar.

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My receipt stubs betray the fact that the friends of the Home have not been unmindful of the needs of the children during the season that is just closing. In every instance where the packages could be identified, acknowledgment has been made already, by receipt or letter, or both, but we will mention them here, in two classes, the regular, those who care for a child, and the irregular, or those who have sent extra packages of goods of one sort or another, but always of value to the Home. First, L. A. S., Troy, box of clothing; Willing Workers, Greenville, box clothing; L. A. S., Wetumpka, one outfit; L. A. S., Brundridge, one outfit; L. A. S., Ozark, one outfit; L. A. S., Pleasant Hill, one outfit; L. A. S., Livingston, one outfit; S. S., Clanton, one outfit for boy; L. A. S., Clayton, outfit for girl; L. A. S., Scottsboro, one outfit for boy; L. A. S., Bessemer, one outfit for boy; Y. L. Circle, Selma First Church, one outfit for girl; L. A. S., Parker Memorial, one outfit for girl; L. A. S., Columbia, one outfit for girl; L. A. S., Huntsville First Church, one outfit for girl; S. S., Wilsonville, one outfit for boy; L. A. S., Woodlawn, one outfit for boy; L. A. S., Phoenix First Church, one outfit for girl; L. A. S., Opelika, one outfit for girl; L. A. S., Montevallo, outfit for girl; L. A. S., Geneva, one outfit for girl; L. M. S., Trussville, one outfit for boy; L. A. S., Jackson, one outfit for boy; S. S., Tuscaloosa, one outfit for boy; L. A. S., Lafayette, one outfit for boy; Y. L. Circle, Selma First Church, one outfit for girl; L. A. S., Avondale, one outfit for girl; L. A. S., Thomasville, one outfit for girl; L. A. S., Albertville, one outfit for girl; L. A. S., Verbena, one outfit for girl; L. A. S., Fort Deposit, outfit for girl; L. A. S., Tuskegee, one outfit for girl; L. A. S., Sheffield, one outfit for girl; Sunbeams, Columbianna, one outfit for girl; L. A. S., Sumterville, one outfit for boy; L. A. S., Ackerville, one outfit for boy; L. A. S., Furman, one outfit for boy; S. S., Goodwater, one outfit for girl; Sunbeams, Birmingham First Church, one outfit for girl; B. Y. P. U., Auburn, one outfit for girl; L. A. S., Enterprise, one outfit for girl; Bible Class, Livingston, outfit for boy; L. Social Union, Talladega, one outfit for girl; Willing Workers, Opelika, one outfit for boy; L. A. S., Roanoke, one outfit for boy; L. A. S., Southside Montgomery, one outfit for girl; L. A. S., Tunnel Springs, one outfit for boy; L. Working Union, Jacksonville, one outfit for boy; Prairie Church, one outfit for boy; S. S., Cuba-hatchie Church, one outfit for boy; Pastor's Helpers, East Lake, one outfit for girl; Greensboro Church one outfit for girl.

Some of the societies have been in the habit of sending money instead of clothes, and acknowledgment has already been made of items of this sort. Second will be noticed, that the same society that has sent out for a child will also be credited a box of goods. Also that there are boxes marked "Stray," these we were unable to identify.

L. A. & M. S. E., Florence, one quilt; Union Grove Church, one quilt; L. A. M. S. E., Orrville, box household goods; L. A. S., Providence, box household goods; Mrs. J. B. Driver, box household goods; L. A. S., York, box household goods; L. A. S., Southside Montgomery, one quilt; L. A. S., Livingston, box household goods; Mrs. Susie Jourdain,

box household goods; Friends in Thomasville, two barrels flour; S. S., Catherine, one barrel flour; Cornega & Clay, bbl. flour; S. S., Sylacauga, box household goods in December; Willie Bell, Sunbeams Hills Church; Stray box, worsted quilt with blue lining; L. A. S., Pratt City, one quilt; L. A. S., Oxford, box household goods; L. A. S., Sheffield, box household goods; J. D. Bryan, half pork hog; Ladies, Bethel Church, one quilt; Stray box household goods; Stray box household goods, (Calera); L. A. S., Gamble Mines, box household goods; Mrs. Adie Robertson, one pair shoes; L. A. S., Camp Hill, box household goods; Mrs. W. E. Pearce, box household goods; L. A. S., Selma First Church, box household goods; Fountain Heights Church, box household goods.

All the packages that are expected to come have been received, and the Home is especially grateful for the excellent help it has received this season. There have seldom been so much of enthusiasm and expressed pleasure in the work of helping the children as have come to us this spring. Looking over the articles as they are recorded on our books, we are led to believe that the Ladies of Orrville sent the most valuable box that ever came to the Home, although others have come that were valued higher by those who sent them. The record shows that there were 83 articles in this box, and when you take into account that nine of them were bolts of cloth, you see, it could not have failed to be valuable. These noble helpers to the needy cause did not hunt for something to offer they did not need, but like David, spurning to offer unto the Lord that which cost them nothing, they sent their choice gifts. The Lord bless them. The boxes from Orrville and Providence, together, were valued at one hundred dollars, and they were well worth it. Clanton is not satisfied with clothing one child, so that every fall and spring, one of our boys and one of our girls are made happy by getting their clothes the gifts of these friends. Mrs. Anna Thomas sends one of the most highly appreciated gifts. She is almost alone, but every year she sends clothes, or the money to buy them, for one of the boys. Livingston is another place that cares for more than one child. The Bible Class of their Sunday school being the last to take up a boy. The boy they clothe says he is going to become an engineer. The L. A. & M. S., this year, also asked us to accept a good supply of clothes in addition to the regular outfit. The ladies of Selma First Church have just sent in a box that perhaps would take the premium for density. It was multum in parvo. The ladies of Camp Hill wanted to send something, and one of their number wrote to know what was most needed, and we wrote so that there was no need to guess at anything. There is one of the most appropriate boxes that have come to us.

All the workers are grateful to you all. We specially commend the way the Jacksonville ladies send theirs. Oh, if our friends would only mark the things sent us it would save a world of perplexity. We are glad to have your gifts, but let us suggest again, that the givers mark them to show who sent them so that we can acknowledge them properly.

Mark them this way—"For the Baptist Orphanage, Evergreen, Ala., From E. A. S., Friendship Church; Receipt Mrs. Hope Good Deeds, Jonesboro, Ala."

A Great Meeting.

Our little Thorsby Church closed a six days' meeting Friday night, June 19th. Lord gave us a glorious meeting, just what we had been needing a long time. I had the pleasure of baptizing eleven happy souls the following Sunday. Bro. J. W. O'Hara of Wylam, Birmingham, did the preaching. It is the verdict of all the people here that it could not have been done better. Brother O'Hara is a young man mighty in the Scripture, profound, practical, faithful, consecrated, zealous, logical, and this combination of qualities, together with the Spirit of the Master, makes him a powerful instrument in leading souls to Christ. The Lord is with O'Hara, using him to the glory of His Son, in the salvation of souls. Such "Holy Ghost preaching" always wins.

One of the recent converts, a fifteen year old girl, feels called to a foreign field and will begin preparations at once for the work. My church now occupies a higher plain of Christian activity for which I praise the name of Jesus. We are becoming more and more a missionary body.

Thorsby is a Scandinavian Colony, with a sprinkle of northern people and "natives." Very peculiar conditions obtain here. But it is evident to all that the people are fast being brought under Baptist influences. Pray for us, brethren.

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A Communication from the Executive Committee W. M. U. to Woman's Mission Societies.

The almost unanimous action of Woman's Missionary Union in attaching a salary to the office of its Corresponding Secretary was no hasty or ill-advised procedure. The recommendation of a salary from the Boards, S. B. C. was made to the Executive Committee, ad interim, in November, 1902, and prompt notice of the offer with its declination by the Secretary was sent to State Vice Presidents in December, 1902, in order the Woman's Missionary Union in annual session, May, 1903, should themselves decide this question, as other recommendations from the Board are decided. By an overwhelming majority, W. M. U. by the exercise of its rightful authority decided in favor of a salary. By the same inalienable right, they could also have decided the amount, the Boards being simply custodians of the funds collected by the women.

We desire to bring some facts from history to knowledge of our workers of to-day: In 1888, in Richmond, Va., when W. M. U. was organizing, a committee met the then Secretaries of the Boards, Drs. Tupper and Tichenor, to learn if the funds contributed by Woman's Mission Societies were paid over to the Boards, would the Boards be willing to refund the money necessary to conduct W. M. U. Business. They most willingly assented to this arrangement, and the preamble to the Constitution was adopted, with its clause,

"funds for missionary purposes to be disbursed by the Boards of the Convention." No definite limit was placed upon the amount to be expended, W. M. U. being the sole arbiter in this matter. The Home and Foreign Boards have from the first shared equally in defraying general expenses, the Sunday School Board after some years giving \$100 per quarter.

This arrangement has proved a profitable business asset to the Home and Foreign Boards. W. M. U. contributes in cash from a fifth to a sixth of the total receipts, with expenses never exceeding 3 1-2 per cent., thus diminishing the general rate of expense. W. M. U. expenses are in no sense grants from the Boards, but refunding of money from W. M. U. collections. As the salary of a secretary would be a legitimate and reasonable expense for an ever expanding work, it would be met in the usual manner. The question of paid or unpaid officers was not considered in the forming of the Constitution, the work being in its infancy. An examination of the records will prove that this question has never come before the annual session till this year. That the Corresponding Secretary has received no salary has been stated and re-stated in annual reports to prevent misunderstanding, as with every other known organization, save two, a salary is received.

The Executive Committee in Baltimore reaffirms its conviction that the Corresponding Secretary should receive a salary for her laborious services, as other male and female secretaries do without being considered mercenary. They also are convinced that W. M. U. has the right to attach a salary to the office and decide its amount. They feel however there is nothing to do in the matter but yield to the expressed determination of the secretary to decline the salary.

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We began a meeting at Tallassee Monday after the fourth Sunday in June. From the first service the meeting was a success. Forty-seven members were added to the church, thirty-five I. P. baptism. The church and town were fully helped by the meeting. Bro. H. J. Holaday from Wedowee, Ala., assisted the pastor in the meeting. He did good work and won the hearts of all who heard him preach.

Under the management of Supt. J. K. Brown with other good help, our Sunday school is growing.

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WOMAN'S WORK.

(Continued from page 4).

But they left me there forlorn;
My voice was weak, and they heeded
not,
Or they laughed my words to scorn."
Ah, the judgment seat was not for
thee,
The servants were not thine!
And the eyes which adjudge the praise
and the blame
See further than thine or mine.

The voice that shall sound there at eve,
Sweetheart,
Will not raise its tones to be heard;
It will hush the hearts and hush the
earth,
And none will resist its word.

"Should I see the Master's treasures
lost,
The stores that should feed his poor,
And not lift my voice, be it weak as it
may,
And not be grieved sore?"

Wait till the evening falls, sweetheart,
Wait till the evening falls;
The Master is near, and knoweth all;
Wait till the Master calls.

But how fared thy garden plot, sweet-
heart,
Whilst thou sat'st on the judgment
seat?
Who watered thy roses and trained thy
vines,
And kept them from careless feet?

"Nay, that is the saddest of all to me,
That is saddest of all!
My vines are trailing, my roses are
parched,
My lilies droop and fall."

Go back to thy garden plot, sweetheart,
Go back till the evening falls!
And bind thy lilies and train thy vines,
Till for thee the Master calls.

Go, make thy garden fair as thou canst,
Thou workest never alone.
Perchance he whose plot is next to
thine
Will see it and mend his own.

And the next may copy his, sweetheart,
Till all grows fair and sweet,
And when the Master comes at eve,
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Then shall thy joy be full, sweetheart,
In the garden fair to see,
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Editorial Correspondence.

J. W. Hamner.

Attended the Tallapoosa County Sunday School Convention at Dadeville on the 11th. Could not attend but one day. The speeches by the brethren were fine and the essays by the ladies were of a high order. The attendance was small on the day I was present. The denominations were fairly in proportion as to attendance. Was amused at one brother. After coming in, taking his seat, looking over the congregation, turned to me and said: "I don't know these fellows. They can't say shibboleth and every one of them will die at the river." He simply meant to say that the overwhelming majority present were not Baptists. Somehow Baptists don't tie on to County Sunday School Conventions much. I have attended several and I have always noticed that Baptists did not preside, or direct in the affairs of the convention. Why? is not my business to say. I have my own private opinion however. I was pleased with Judge Carthel. He seems to me to be the right man for the particular work assigned him.

Without any disparagement whatever to the ladies who read essays, I want to mention that one was discovered to be an ex-Judson girl by her manner and peculiarly distinct enunciation. I heard with all ease every word she uttered. Oh, that our people could understand the importance of Judson training for our daughters. Expensive, yes, but it is worth all it costs.

Have met a number of Tuscaloosa girls lately, also girls I knew before they went to Tuscaloosa, and I want to say that I was pleased with them. Fathers, send your daughters to college if within the range of possibility. It pays to do so. If you can't send them to college, see to it that your home school has fine teachers—educate your daughters by all means. This applies to your sons as well.

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Birmingham District.

At Fountain Heights the work moves right on along all lines with sustained interest and additions, nearly every Sunday. The church has been sorely tried recently by the death of three of the flock inside of two weeks. Deacon J. W. Flinn, the father of a large family, and Sister S. Platowsky, one of the most Christ-like Christians in the church, and the mother of a large family. The larger part of these two families are in the church. Then young Sister Herring, the wife of Bro. T. C. Herring, leaves a little girl of two years.

The church has been for some time contemplating building a handsome brick or stone structure further up on Fountain Heights and recently received the offer of a fine lot as a gift.

The Powderly Baptist Church was constituted Sunday, June 21st, and properly reorganized as such by the constituting presbytery. This was a station of the Fountain Heights Church, one of the smallest churches in the district, but is doing as much in the way of missions and building up the waste places as any of older and larger.

Rev. E. G. Fenn, the much beloved pastor at Brookside, has just closed a very delightful ten days' meeting, assisted by Rev. Walter S. Brown, who did the preaching twice a day. A feature of the meeting was the conspicuous attendance of men and children, who gave the closest attention. There were many additions to the church and a very deep interest to the very close. There now seems to be a fair way opened for the erection of a house of worship which they hope to complete before fall.

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There were last session 50 students in electrical engineering; 55 in mechanical engineering; 41 in civil engineering; 49 in pharmacy; 112 in agriculture; 242 in physics; 351 in mathematics; 354 in English; 233 in history.

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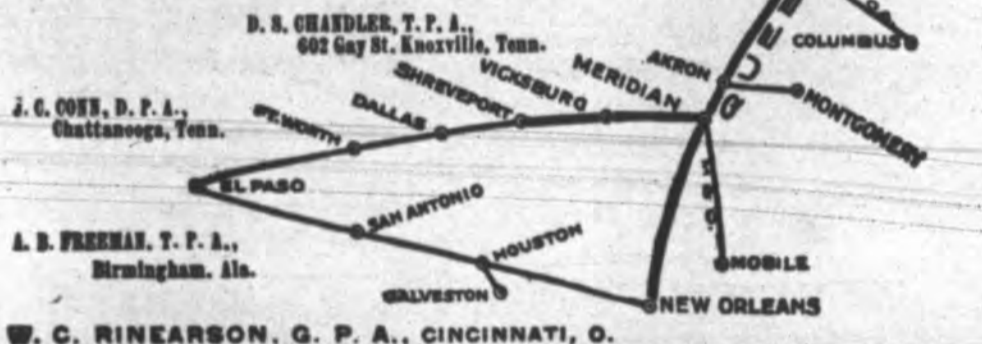
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Ar Fort Valley.....	8:20 pm	11:45 pm
Ar Macon.....	4:15 pm	12:40 am
Ar Americus (ex. Sun.).....	7:00 pm	11:20 am
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Ozark.....	9:30am	10:55pm	
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Abbeville Junction.....	10:32am	11:50pm	
Dothan.....	10:42am	12:01am	
Fairbridge.....	12:37pm	1:55am	
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Valdosta.....	3:21pm	4:37am	
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Tampa.....	7:00am	6:40pm	
Port Tampa.....	7:30am	10:00pm	
Lv. Waycross.....	5:45pm	6:35am	
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Ar. Charleston.....	6:40am	5:25pm	
Lv. Sprague Junction.....	5:40pm	8:00am	
Ar. Luverne.....	7:15pm	11:00am	
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Lv. Olimax.....		3:40pm	
Ar. Chattahoochee.....		4:55pm	
Going West.....	*65	*67	-60
Lv. Elba June.....	10:00am	3:50pm	
Ar. Enterprise.....	11:00am	3:50pm	
Ar. Elba.....	12:05pm	4:50pm	
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Lv. Montgomery.....	6:30pm	1:30pm	6:40am
Ar. Opelika.....	8:25pm	3:45pm	
Lv. Opelika.....	8:25pm	3:45pm	
Ar. Atlanta.....	11:40pm	8:00pm	
Ar. Selma.....	11:30pm		11:30am
Lv. Montgomery.....	9:25pm		9:00am
Ar. Montgomery.....	9:30pm	10:55am	6:35 pm
Lv. Opelika.....	7:40pm	8:50am	4:25pm
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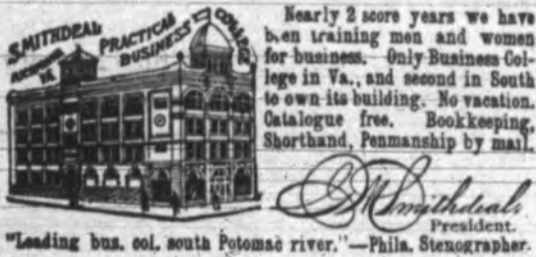
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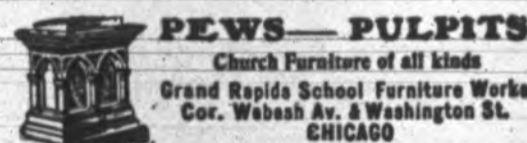
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In 1891 he was married to Miss Lena Somerville, of Montgomery, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. J. H. Somerville, of the well known family of Alabama. His wife's mother has lived with him for some time. In 1891 he was appointed associate judge of the city court, later being elected to the position of senior judge, which he held when he died. His entire career on the bench has been one of honor and worthy of full praise. Judge Wilkerson was a thorough

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The deceased leaves four children: Annie, aged 12; Lena and William, aged 8, and Robert, aged 5 years. He has no near relatives in Birmingham, most of his family connection residing either in Montgomery or Marion.

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Dr. F. C. McConnell called.

On Sunday, the 15th inst., the Calvary Church of this city extended a hearty unanimous call to its pastoral care, the Rev. Dr. F. C. McConnell of Atlanta, Ga. It is not yet positively known that Dr. McConnell will accept. If, in the providence of God this call is accepted, and we have some reasons to believe it will be, a strong man and a great field will be brought together. In advance we welcome Dr. McConnell to Kansas City.--The Word and Way.

We are glad to note that Dr. Davidson is out again after a slight indisposition.

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The Mississippi Baptist Convention will hold its next session with the Yazoo City Baptist Church, beginning on Wednesday, July 8th, at 10 a. m.

Mortgage Sale.

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage executed by Hollis B. Parrish to the undersigned on the 22nd day of March, 1902, which mortgage is recorded in Volume 304, on page 154 in the office of the Probate Judge of Jefferson County, Alabama, the undersigned J. S. Russell will sell to the highest bidder for cash in front of the court house doot of Jefferson County, Alabama, on Saturday, July the 25th, 1903, during the legal hours of sale, the following described real estate to-wit: Lot number eight (8) in Block number one (1) in R. M. Green's Addition to Owenton, Alabama, a map and plat of which addition is recorded in the Probate Office of said county; said lot situated in the N W 1/4 of the S W 1/4 of Section 34, Township 17, Range 3, west in said county. Said sale will be made for the purpose of paying the debt secured by said mortgage, default having been made in same. Dated, this June 29th, 1903.

J. S. Russell,
Mortgagee.
Kerr & Haley,
Attorneys for Mortgagee.