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Home News

The total sum of Toronto's losses in the great fire increases rather than decreases. The loss is placed at \$13,000,000, with an insurance of \$10,000,000.

The Naval Department at Washington City has said it is necessary to retire the Oregon, the Indiana and the Massachusetts from active service. These are among the largest, and finest of the warships, the Oregon being the pride of the Navy. And they have only been in service twelve years and cost \$6,000,000 apiece!

United States Senator J. R. Burton, of Kansas, was sentenced last week to six months' imprisonment in the Iron County Jail, and fined \$2,500 for having been convicted of using his influence before the Postoffice Department in behalf of the Rialto Grain and Securities Company of St. Louis, and having received payment from the company for his services.

An exhibition train of ten cars built by the Pullman Palace Car Company, costing \$500,000 left the shops for St. Louis last week. The cars, said to be finest ever made at the works, will be the company's exhibit at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition. All are of different styles—private, buffet, tourist sleeper, chair car, day coach, compartment sleeper parlor car, ordinary sleeper, dining, and composite car.

The battleship "Virginia" was launched at Newport News last week. It is the largest fighting craft in the United States navy now afloat, having a displacement of 14,600 tons. The "Virginia" will have twenty-four big guns in its main battery and will be driven by engines of 18,000 horse power. It is to have a contract speed of nineteen knots. Its cost, complete, will be \$3,590,000.

No "marriage license without a physician's certificate of health attached" is the slogan of the Progressive Health Club of Chicago which has prepared a petition to President Roosevelt asking his co-operation in the club's endeavor to secure the establishment of a Federal bureau "to teach all citizens the ideal possibilities of health."

Federal legislation that will prevent the marriage of any person who cannot show a clean bill of health and prove that he has no chronic disease and never has been convicted of any crime is also asked. Mrs. Cornelia Clafflin, vice-president of the club, is author of the petition and the organization voted unanimously to forward it to the President.



REV. A. Y. NAPIER.

A talented young minister whose life and preaching is telling for the Master in the membership of the Baptist Church at Auburn, in the student body of the college, and in the civic life of the city.

Declined to Issue License.

The following special to the Birmingham News shows what can be done if the anti-saloon advocates are properly led. We congratulate Brother Ivey on his successful fight, and call special attention to Judge Crook's decision to show the value of an upright judiciary.

The town council of Oxford had issued license to N. H. Reid for the sale of whiskey in the town of Oxford and the necessary arrangements for sale were being made. The anti-saloon people, headed by Rev. W. R. Ivey, pastor of the Baptist Church here, fought the whiskey license, employed legal counsel and carried the matter before Judge E. F. Crook before county and State license were issued. The matter was up before Judge Crook Wednesday on the application of N. H. Reid for license, and yesterday afternoon he rendered the following decision:

"I decline to issue a license for the sale of liquor in the town of Oxford, because there is a general prohibition law in Calhoun county, and I find nothing in the charter of said town of Oxford conferring upon it the right to license or authorize the sale of liquors therein."

"Friends Day" at the Orphanage May 20th.

Please read carefully the following: The railroad companies have granted a rate of one and a third fare on the following conditions:

1. There must be in actual attendance at least fifty persons who traveled by rail to reach the place of meeting.
2. Each person must procure a certificate of the standard form showing they paid full fare for the going journey.
3. If they cannot get a through ticket they must purchase to where they can get a through ticket and be sure to get certificate of every agent from whom they buy a ticket, and have all of them signed by the secretary of the meeting.
4. Present these certificates to the agent at this place, when purchasing your return ticket, and he will sell you ticket for one third of the regular fare. It is requested that you call for your ticket for the return journey at least one hour before your train is due so as to give the agent time to attend to everything he will have to in connection with the ticket.

John W. Stewart.

Foreign News

The Czar has appointed Vice Admiral Skrydloff to the command of the Russian naval forces in the Far East. Requiem mass for the victims of the Petropavlovsk was held yesterday in St. Petersburg.

Gen. Kuropatkin, remembering the experience of Russia during her war with Turkey, when the Russian army of 30,000 placed in the field at the beginning had to be more than doubled, has insisted that the men and guns to be placed at his disposal shall cover the extreme limit required to settle the fate of the campaign.

King Edward's visit to Copenhagen, according to the correspondent of the Mail at that capital, has resulted in the beginning of negotiations for a new treaty between Great Britain, Denmark and Russia, replacing the conventions with Denmark concluded by the late Emperor, Alexander III.

New York, April 13.—The Rev. Dr. W. J. Brown, secretary Presbyterian board of foreign missions, has received a dispatch from Ping Yang, Korea, dated April 9, saying:

"Ping Yang and Sien Chun are all right," and that goods previously ordered should be shipped. Dr. Brown thinks that if the missionaries of these northern stations are "all right" there is not the slightest ground for anxiety regarding those in the central and southern station.

The Russian fleet at Port Arthur has sustained another tremendous loss, the battleship Petropavlovsk having been wrecked and almost its entire crew drowned including Vice Admiral Makdroff. The vessel according to official reports was steaming out of the harbor to meet the Japanese fleet in combat when it struck a mine and turned turtle. The loss of life is believed to be about 800. Only four of the officers and possibly twenty of the crew are reported to have escaped. The Grand Duke Cyril was seriously injured.

Palma, Majorica, April 21.—An unpleasant incident occurred here today. Vice Admiral Lord Charles Beresford, commanding the channel squadron, with a number of British officers landed for the purpose of accompanying King Alfonso, but they were unable to find seats with the royal suite. Lord Beresford and the other officers withdrew, much annoyed, and did not attend the reception given by his majesty. Premier Maura, hearing of the incident, sent the perfect on board Lord Beresford's flagship to apologize.

OUR SERMON.

By Rev. I. N. Langston.

Preached at Cuba, Ala., and Published at Request of the Church.

Text, Mark xvi, 16: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

These words of our Lord have been called "The Marching Order of the Ministry." The Duke of Wellington once met a young clergyman who, being aware of his grace's former residence in the east, and of his familiarity with the ignorance and obstinacy of the Hindoos in the support of their false religion gravely proposed the following question: "Does not your grace think is almost useless and extravagant to preach the gospel to the Hindoos?"

The Duke answered, "That is not your business. Your duty is to obey your marching orders: 'Preach the gospel to every creature.'"

Ever since Jesus uttered these words loyal and loving hearts have felt their power, but we who stand at the open door of the twentieth century have the high honor and glorious privilege of seeing the execution of this command in a larger degree than our predecessors. The Church of God is expecting today greater things from God than ever before, and all over our country the spirit of world-wide missions is growing.

I desire to bring a message to your hearts today on the all-important and all-absorbing theme of Missions.

1. First of all I mention obedience in missions.

Baptists have taken their place in the front ranks on the question of obedience. We say that men should be baptized because our King commanded it, and we have not left one stone unturned in stressing the importance of obedience to this command. The command to evangelize the nations is equally important and binding, and yet thousands of Baptists obey the first and utterly ignore the latter.

It is not answering the question of your obligation to say "I do not believe in Foreign Missions." If that is your condition it is a time for honest and prayerful heart-searching with you. See if your answer is not prompted by the spirit of the devil. Dr. Willingham's answer to the man who declared he did not believe in Foreign Missions was pertinent and powerful when he said, "Neither does the devil believe in Foreign Missions."

It is the soldier's duty to execute commands whether pleasant or unpleasant. It is said that the Russian soldier marches into battle sluggishly, because he is half-clothed and half-fed, yet he does not refuse to go, because he is ordered by his superior in arms.

The man who is studiously avoiding his responsibility will soon think he has no responsibility. By cultivating the habit of falsifying we will come to think it no harm. We narrow our creed down to fit our deeds. On the other hand we can enlarge our conceptions or creeds by doing large things. Live in an atmosphere of culture and purity and you will believe in it. Live in God and you will love God. Contribute to Missions and you will be an

earnest advocate for same. One of the best men I know is giving liberally to extend the kingdom of Jesus into the uttermost ends of the earth, and I observe that he prays for our Foreign Missionaries with a different ring in his voice, demonstrating the Scripture that "where your treasure is there will be your heart also." Send the gospel to the sin cursed man in heathen lands and you will read with a new interest the splendid reports of hundreds being saved in Africa, China, Japan and the other fields of labor.

2. The spirit of the workers in Missions.

1. An educated conscience. We believe in the fundamental doctrines so vigorously that our consciences will not allow us to teach any others. We do not for one moment accept anything as baptism except "immersion in water of a believer." Our consciences are so tender and educated on this and other doctrines that should anyone in our ranks teach or practice any other there would rise up hundreds in earnest protest against the teachings.

Paul said, "Woe is me if I preach not the gospel." His conscience was a sleepless monitor telling him plainly his duty. Let us put missions first on our programme of Christian activity. Anything short of this is not up to the great thought and purpose of our Lord.

Shame on the association or church that would refuse to hear a returned missionary talk. A pastor told his flock that a visiting brother would preach on Missions at the morning service, and insisted that a large congregation come to the night service, for the preacher would preach the gospel. As if to say that Missions was not the gospel. Oh! the littleness of the man's conception of the gospel! Missions is the very life of Christian activity, the heart that sends out streams of truth, light, love, mercy and salvation into the arteries of the inhabited world.

2. Ceaseless effort.

Secretary Crumpton has sounded the keynote of the grand triumphant song of the workers: "Everlastingly at it." From January to January, summer and winter, spring and autumn, in country, city and town, we must press the work. The people need red hot information on this great question. Some one has said, "We will not be able to wake them up with a single blast." There must be peal on peal till the thunder rolls all around the sky, and the lightning flashes at every point of the horizon.

3. Gigantic courage.

It is not an easy task. It takes courage born of heaven. The churches no longer need or wish weak, cowardly pastors as leaders. They need men with vigorous convictions of the truth and their duty, and the courage to execute them. We must have men who will preach missions with no whining apology for doing it, and ask the people to contribute as they would perform any other sacred duty.

Bring the people up to the true conception of giving as expressed in these words:

Give strength, give thought, give deeds,

Give self, give love, give tears and give thyself,

Give, give and keep on giving.

He who gives not is not living.

The more we give the more we live."

We have passed the experimental stage in Missions. We have found an enterprise worthy of our power, a task equal to our talents as American Christians. With God leading on we have met the enemy and they are ours. We have mounted the rugged hills of opposition and persecution, and from Maryland to Texas we see eye to eye, and are on the open plains of a glorious certainty. The word "retreat" cannot be found in the vocabulary of modern Missions. We will not go backward. We dare not stand still, hence our watchword is onward to the conquest of all the world for our Redeemer's Kingdom. As George W. Truett truly said with convincing eloquence, "It is a farce, in these days, for men to be members of a church and yet in opposition either actively or passively to Jesus Christ's course of world-wide evangelization. They need to be told so again and again until they repent and practically mend their ways."

4. Intense earnestness.

We measure life in terms of time and space, length of years, breadth of opportunity and extent of acquaintance. God measures life in terms of purpose and character. With Him spiritual weight and intensity count for more than superficial extension. A pound of gold occupies far less space than a pound of feathers, but it is far more valuable. A tear dropped in silence may embody more of sorrowing love than the costly beauty of the finest monument. A single kind word spoken may outweigh in its far-reaching influences the most lavish gift of ostentatious piety.

What is the gift recorded in the Scripture and proclaimed from thousands of pulpits through all the Christian centuries? A gift of two mites! Many princely offerings are forgotten in a day, but for nearly two thousand years whenever God's Word has gone the story has been repeated of a certain poor widow who cast into the treasury of the Lord a single farthing. Why? Because Jesus saw the intensity of her gift. "She cast in her living."

In one of my churches men and women were pledging for Missions. One poor woman said, "I will give two and one-half cents per month." I know her circumstances. She was poor. I saw in her gift sacrifice, sorrow, want, sickness, blood, intensity—but thank God I saw also enlistment. Love to God and for lost souls was the spirit that inspired the gift.

5. Finally I call your attention to horizons in Missions.

A man in a well has for his horizon the well's mouth with a tiny patch of sky above it. The higher we rise the further we can see. I visited a city, and not content with what I could see from the common level I ascended the tallest structure in the city. It was 555 feet above the earth. From its top I could see the country far beyond the limits of the city. When I was a little boy I thought the earth and sky came together at the back of my father's farm. As I grew older I learned that I had neighbors miles away. Soon

I studied geography and learned about other counties, States and nations beyond the seas. My mental horizon was widening. Then I read of thousands who had never heard of Jesus, and my heart became involved and burned in compassion for the lost.

A lady admired a painting of a great artist and said, "it is beautiful, but I cannot see these beauties in nature." The artist replied significantly, "Don't you wish you could?" She needed the trained eye to see as he saw. Men say "I can't see the need of Foreign Missions." Their spiritual horizon is too circumscribed to appreciate the great need. I pity him whose sympathy for a lost world is so contracted as to sing:

"My native town, of thee,
Home of my John and me,
Of thee I sing."

The field is not my city, my country, my church, nor all the churches together—it is the world.

Wherever man is found, from sea to sea and from pole to pole, regardless of all lines of race, color, creed or condition, the churches of God should send the good news of salvation. Any smaller conception is a belittling of our faith. Any smaller endeavor unworthy of the Christian name.

The man who wants to work for Christ must share the horizon of Christ. The man who truly stands by the son of God will see the world as He saw it.

Stand by Him today, friends, and see as with his eyes, feel as with his heart and hear as with his ears. Hear the piteous cries of the benighted nations, as

From Greenland's icy mountains,
To India's coral strand,
Where Afric's sunny fountains,
Roll down their golden sands.

From many an ancient river,
From many a palmy plain,
They call us to deliver,
Our land from error's chain.

An Extinct Mineral Spring.

For many centuries mineral springs have been utilized for their curative power. The ancients knew of them and had their favorite springs and baths, to which they resorted when weak of body or feeble of health. We read in the Testament of the Pool of Bethesda, whose waters were troubled twice a year and at these times possessed healing powers of a remarkable nature, which caused them to be sought by thousands, who tramped many miles to drink of and bathe in the waters, receiving therefrom new life, health and strength.

The mineral properties which give to the waters of the world's mineral springs their curative virtues come from the rock or mineral ore through which the water is filtered on its way to its outlet, only a small proportion of the medicinal power in the ore being thus assimilated with or absorbed by the liquid stream. The rock contains that which furnishes the medicinal and healing power, the water serving only as a conveyance to carry but a small part of its properties to the outer world.

Our readers have seen and noticed the announcement of Vitae-Ore, a peculiar mineral formation, and have wondered at the origin of this remarkable product and the source from which it derives its known and established healing powers. The Vitae-Ore is no more nor less than a mine of this mineral rock, originally discovered by Theo. Noel, a Geologist, while prospecting in the Southwest. It was the belief at the time which has since been confirmed by leading scientists in America and Europe, that the surface on which this magnetic ore was discovered was at some ancient time the location of a powerful mineral spring, compared to which the springs of the present day are but pigmies, which spouted its healing waters, impregnated with the wonderful mineral found at its base, for centuries before the foot of man trod the Western Continent. Some years after its discovery it was decided to give to the world the benefit of this great boon for the world's health and it is this magnetic mineral ore which has since astounded the people by its marvelous cures, and won everlasting fame and an enduring reputation under the name of Vitae-Ore. Many of the remarkable cures wrought are among the readers of this paper and people well known to our subscribers. Read the announcement in this issue, the Special 30-Day trial offer by The Theo. Noel Company, Chicago, Proprietors.

Literary Notes.

The Citizen. A Study of the individual and the government. By Nathaniel Southgate Shaler, Professor of Geology in Harvard University and Dean of the Lawrence Scientific School. In this suggestive and most interesting book Professor Shaler describes the relations of citizens, men and women alike, to their systems of government. Each individual has a relation to city, state and national government and to questions of public policy, which is explained in the simple, lucid and eloquent style characteristic of the distinguished author. It is a popular exposition of questions of every day interest. The great experience of the author both in education and in affairs relating to public policy has been freely drawn upon. The Citizen is a book to be read by every intelligent American. A. S. Barnes & Co.

STORIES OF THE BIBLE.

The Educational Publishing Co., of Boston, has issued 3 vols. under the title of Stories of the Bible. The books aggregate about 300 pages each and are pleasingly illustrated in a way to delight the hearts of boys and girls and impress on them the salient features of Bible stories, which after all are the great storehouse for interesting tales for the little ones. The set make a most appropriate gift for children and they will prove a blessing to any house in which are bright boys and girls. We heartily commend them to parents and hope that all who see this notice will buy the set.

THE TEACHINGS OF JESUS CONCERNING HIS OWN MISSIONS.

This is an attractive handbook published by the American Tract Society, 150 Nassau Street, N. Y. for 75 cts. Its author, Frank Hugh Foster, Ph. D., D. D., says: "It is the object of this book to present to the general public without controversy and in a plain manner, the results of the best scholarship respecting its theme. Learned lumber of every kind has been vigorously excluded. Hence there are no references to books, and no minute discussions. Sunday school teachers and private readers who buy and read this book will find much that is helpful and gather inspiration for further study."

SERMONS.

We have on our desk a book containing six sermons by Rev. George R. Stuart. We have often wished for a copy of his great sermon on Temperance and now we have it. We have heard George Stuart preach and we know that God has greatly used this sermon. It would be a good campaign document for the Anti-Saloon League. We wish it could be delivered by its author in every church in Alabama. There are five other sermons in the volume but the one on Temperance is worth the dollar, the price of the book, which will be sent postpaid to anyone sending that amount to Mrs. George R. Stuart, Cleveland, Tenn. Discount to preachers.

THE ATONEMENT AND THE MODERN MIND.

This striking volume by James Denney, D. D., will be sent postpaid by A. C. Armstrong & Son, 3 West 18th St., N. Y., for \$1.00. Nothing by Dr. Denney, who is the professor of New Testament, Language, Literature and Theology, United Free Church College, Glasgow, can be ignored. The book is largely made up of lectures delivered to a summer school of theology, which met in Aberdeen last June. This is a supplementary volume to Dr. Denney's great work, "The Death of Christ." The purpose of the book is to commend the Atonement to the modern mind, and that mind has been determined by the influences and experiences of modern times, and to win the mind for the truth of the atonement.

THE TEACHING OF JESUS.

The author, Rev. George Jackson, B. A., states that book is the outcome of an attempt to set before a large Sunday evening congregation composed for the most part of working men and women, the teaching of our Lord on certain great selected themes. The book was not put forth to meet the wants of trained Biblical scholars, and yet it will be well worth the attention of any preacher who cares to be convinced that a man may preach freely on these great themes with the knowledge that the common people will hear him gladly. There are chapters concerning God, concerning Himself, concerning His Own death, concerning the Holy Spirit, concerning the kingdom of God, concerning man, concerning sin, etc. In these days when so many frivolous themes are being used by sensationalists to draw crowds it would be well to counteract the evil by letting our best preachers stick to the great themes.

Mr. Jackson states his message seriously and simply and with the glow that comes of personal conviction.

This new volume will have increased interest in view of Mr. Jackson's recent visit when he added to the already widespread fame of his work in Edinburgh.

A. C. Armstrong & Son, N. Y. will send book prepaid for \$1.37.

STUDIES IN THE APOSTOLIC CHURCH

Messrs Jennings & Pye of Cincinnati have issued a handbook on Studies in the Apostolic Church a year's course of 35 lessons, providing a daily scheme for personal study, and also adapted to class work. By Charles Herbert Morgan, Thomas Eddy Taylor and S. Earl Taylor. This book in the hands of Sunday school teachers would make their work more efficient and would prove a handy work for preachers. The price is 75 cents.

PSYCHIC POWER IN PREACHING.

We have just received this volume from George W. Jacobs & Co., 103 S. 15th St., Philadelphia. It was written by J. Spencer Kennard, D. D., edited with memoir by his son, Joseph Spencer Kennard. Dr. Kennard was a noted Baptist preacher, having occupied some prominent pulpits and done quite a good amount of evangelistic work.

It is stated that Grace Church, known as "Temple" with its college, hospital and other annexes—a noble monument to the pastoral zeal, the undomitable enterprise and the administrative ability of Dr. Russell H. Conwell, sprang from the "Kennard Mission" which was started by the author of "Psychic Power in Preaching." The book has many striking passages in it and is full of helpful suggestions.

STUDIES IN THE LIFE OF CHRIST.

Messrs. Jennings & Pye of Cincinnati, in giving to the public in the above volume a year's course of 35 lessons, providing a scheme for personal study and also adapted to class work, met a public want as the sales have reached nearly forty thousands. It is an invaluable help for Sunday school teachers and would prove a great help to laymen as well as to preachers. The editors have done their work well. The price is 75 cents.

THE TWENTIETH CENTURY S. S.

Sunday school workers will hail with joy the publishing of Dr. Samuel H. Greene's lectures recently delivered at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in neat and attractive form by the Baptist Sunday School Board at Nashville for 50 cts. postpaid.

These lectures from a companion volume to those delivered by Dr. Hatcher and by Dr. Schaufier. The appendix is of unusual interest as it shows several striking features in the work of the Calvary Sunday school.

Dr. Greene is one of the ablest and most practical Sunday school pastors. The great school in Calvary Baptist Church at Washington, D. C., numbering over two thousand in all its grades, is one of the great Sunday schools of the world.

NEW LIGHT ON THE NEW TESTAMENT.

We have just received a copy of New Light on the New Testament, an account of some interesting discoveries which bear important testimony as to the time when the gospels and other books of the New Testament were written. The author, Parke P. Flournoy, D. D., closes his prefatory note with these words, "My wish for every reader is that, more firmly and joyously than ever before he may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and, believing, may have life through His name." The introduction by Prof. Benjamin B. Warfield, D. D., LL.D., is helpful and demonstrating. The book is issued by the Westminster Press, Philadelphia, and forms one of the attractive Westminster handbooks.

THE RISE AND PROGRESS OF THE STANDARD OIL CO.

This is a scholarly study of the Standard Oil Company, from its beginning in 1865 down to the present time. By Gilbert Holland Montague, who undertook it while Ricardo scholar in economics at Harvard University. The sources of this history are the reports of official investigating commissions and committees. The story of this gigantic corporation reads like a tale of magic, and is of interest to the most casual reader. It is published by Harper and Bros., N. Y., at \$1.00 net.

Convention Notice.

The forty-ninth session of the Southern Baptist Convention will be held in "The Gospel Tabernacle," Nashville, Tenn., beginning Friday, May 13, 1904, at 10 a. m. The annual sermon will be preached by Rev. W. W. Landrum, D. D., of Georgia, or his alternate, Rev. W. H. Felix, D. D., of Kentucky.

The office of the secretaries will be in room 5, parlor floor, Maxwell house. Delegates and associational representatives are earnestly requested to register there as soon as possible after arrival in Nashville.

The Baptist Young People's Union and the American Baptist Education Society will meet on Thursday, May 12th, in the First Baptist Church, Broad and Vine Streets.

Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to S. B. C., will meet in the McKendree M. E. Church, beginning Thursday, May 12, 1904.

RAILROAD RATES

One first-class fare plus twenty-five (25) cents for the round trip (minimum rate of 50 cents.) Tickets bearing contracts of the standard form O will be sold May 10-12, 1904, inclusive with final limit ten days from date of sale.

Original purchasers of such tickets may secure, by payment of fee of fifty (50) cents per ticket, at the time of deposit, an extension of the final limit by personally depositing their tickets with Joseph Richardson, Special Agt., Nashville, Tenn., between the hours of 8 a. m. and 8 p. m., not later than two days from date of sale.

HOTELS AND BOARDING HOUSES.

Maxwell House (headquarters)—Cherry and Church Streets. European plan only, but with restaurant and cafe. Tulane Hotel, Church and Spruce Streets.

Duncan Hotel, Cherry and Cedar Streets.

Commercial Hotel, Cedar and Cherry Streets.

Arlington Hotel, 520 Church Street.

Boarding Houses.—By communicating with the committee, information will be given as to boarding houses at an average rate of \$1.00 for board and lodging.

Address all communications to Lansing Burrows, chairman, 118 North Spruce Street, Nashville, Tenn. T. B. Ray, Secretary.

EXCURSIONS.

St. Louis.—\$12 round trip. Write at once to address below if you desire to go, so that arrangements may be made for special trains.

Mammoth Cave.—Special train morning of May 17th, returning in time for night trains south. \$6.50 covers all expenses. Write at once if you desire to go.

Special rates to Louisville, the Hermitage, and a combination rate Mammoth Cave and St. Louis. Particulars on application. Address L. J. VanNess chairman committee on excursions, 710 Church Street, Nashville, Tenn.

FREE. A sample bottle containing two doses of Oresth's Anti-Pain Elixir. The remedy for all pain no matter where, but particularly for Headache, Neuralgia, Rheumatism, Earache, Orick in Neck or back and the monthly pains of women. A postal card with your address will bring one by return mail. **Unsworths Dose Co., Proprietors, Uniontown, Ala.**

Sunbeams.



My Dear Sunbeams:

I am enjoying greatly meeting so many of my Sunbeams "face to face," as I travel over the State and hope each month to add more to my circle of personal acquaintances.

I have copied for you a beautiful verse that I learned from one of the dearest, sweetest little Sunbeams in all your number. She says it in returning thanks at the table. Isn't it lovely?

Father, I thank thee for food,
And rest and loving care,
And all that makes the world so fair.

How many will learn it, and say it,
when papa is not at the table to say
grace? Ever your loving friend,

Mrs. T. A. Hamilton.

Alabama City, Alabama, March 31, 1904.—Mrs. T. A. Hamilton. Dear Sister: Find enclosed money order for \$9.85 for Foreign Mission, to be credited to Sunbeam Band of our church. I am sending this at the request of Mrs. W. P. Campbell, leader of our band. She will write you soon. Very fraternally,
E. B. Moore.

Nanafalia, Ala., March 15, 1904.—Dear Mrs. Hamilton: I am going to try and organize a Sunbeam in our church, as there are so many little ones in our community. So I thought I would write to you and ask you to give me all the information that is necessary. I am very young and unexperienced in such matters but I feel that it is my duty to try and teach the little ones. Will write you after we are organized and tell you my success. All the advice you will give will be highly appreciated by your sincere friendd,
Miss Annie Westbrook.

Grove Hill, Ala., April 9, 1904.—Dear Mrs. Hamilton: I have succeeded in organizing a Sunbeam Society. We have thirty members, our officers are: Minnie Carrolton and Nellie Dunn, Vice Presidents; Lottie Daffin, Secretary; Alice Dunn, Treasurer, and as organist we have a little boy eight years old, Johnnie Foscue. I think we will do nicely as they are so faithful and such workers, they are very much interested in China and Miss Willie Kelly. We are sending our first money, \$2.50, to her. Please send the programmes and we would appreciate any suggestions that would help us in this work. Very sincerely,
Miss Maude Dickinson, Pres.

Newton, Ala., Feb. 26, 1904.—Mrs. T. A. Hamilton, our dear Sunbeam leader: We take great pleasure in writing to you this evening. We were requested by our Sunbeam leader to write to you. We have a large band of workers. We have between thirty and forty on our rolls, \$7.50 in our treasury. We have a birthday box. We want you to come and be with us in one of our meetings. Our leader is Mrs. W. J. McLaney, assistant leader, Mr. I. H. Dicks. Our President is Kirby Jones, Secretary is Vida Doster; Treasurer, Roy Jones. Two of our little Sunbeams are very sick, Nettie Poyner and Ketchum Dawson. Write soon to us. Your devoted little Sunbeams.

Vernon McLaney,
Roy Jones.

Geneva, Ala., March 23, 1904.—Dear Mrs. Hamilton: We have organized a Sunbeam Society at Geneva, Alabama. Will you please send to us all literature that it will take to run our Society. With God's richest blessings, I am yours truly,
J. Nix Justice, Sec.

Number of members, 20.
Remarks: And I think we shall have as many as 40 members by next Sunday.
J. Nix Justice, Sec.

Blocton, Ala., March 14, 1904.—Dear Mrs. Hamilton: I will write you a few lines to tell you how we enjoyed your visit and want you to come again. Miss Burns told me to tell you to send her some of the cards with stars on them. I could not get but one child for the Sunbeams, but I have for next Sunday. We elected President and Vice President Sunday. I was elected Vice President. We had twenty three present Sunday at the Sunbeam. We will be glad to have you any time. I will close. Your little friend,
Ethel Riley.

Alexander City, Ala., Feb. 28.—Dear Mrs. Hamilton: Your card written while at Dadeville was received. We were glad to be remembered by you, and to know that "our people there" entertained you so royally. We felt assured that you would receive a warm welcome from those dear people; and we trust that you found many Sunbeams there to shine in the service of the Master. Our Sunbeams met us at the Church Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock with bright and receptive hearts. We organized a Band of seventeen members, and think at our next meeting this number will be increased by as many more. Those fish! You did not know that you were going to be called upon so soon to issue another supply. You may send at once, please, as many as thirty, any way. Also the literature and program for March. You remember that the Sunbeams have only been failing to shine for want of a leader. They have done some good work in the past and have contributed to Missions, through the Sunday school since they were disbanded. Our church and people are thoroughly Missionary in spirit, and always welcome and enjoy a visit from an advocate of the cause. Interest and enthusiasm has been awakened in some, while the zeal of others has been quickened and strengthened by your stay in our midst. We only wish that such visits were not so few and so far between.
Mrs. Arnold Smith.

Sylacauga, Ala., March 15, 1904.—Dear Mrs. Hamilton: We have at last gotten to work. I send you report of organization. The weather has been bad, especially Sunday, and we have not been able to do as good work as we would like, but hope to improve with the weather. We have thirty-eight members now. Our little folks bring in new members every Sunday to get the fish. Please let me know where I can get them, I am out of those you left; also send us more programs. I will appreciate all help you can give me in this work. Yours sincerely,
Mrs. Nellie Berry.

Dadeville Ala., March 21, 1904.—Dear Mrs. Hamilton: I have organized a Sunbeam Band of thirty-two children and still more are coming. The little workers are very enthusiastic and the Kelly star and little fish are potent factors for good results. Please send me twenty or thirty fish and as many of the Kelly stars. Do we pay for them? If so, I'll send money by return mail. The stars have been punched until the sky is a flash of meteors (!!!) Let me hear from you. Sincerely,
Mrs. M. Spratten,
Leader of Sunbeam Band.

Gadsden, Ala., February 11, 1904.—Dear Mrs. Hamilton: Will you please send me by return mail about fifty or sixty mite boxes for my Sunbeams. They are arranging for a little entertainment and feel that the exercises will be incomplete without giving in their mite boxes. Last month they saved all of their pennies and dimes to give as a thanks offering to our Missionary in Japan. They are very much interested in the work and give about \$125.00 every year for Missions. Since we organized, about two years and a half ago, about thirty of the Sunbeams have united with the church and are among our best workers. We feel that the Lord is blessing the work. Praying that the Lord will continue to bless His work, I am sincerely,
Mrs. J. G. Dickinson.

B. Y. P. U.

We are waiting for a copy of the life of Luther Rice.

Send in news items about your Union and get them to us by Friday.

We hope there will be a large delegation from Alabama at Detroit.

One of the foremost unions in Alabama is at Wylam. In the absence of the pastor the Union conducts the church services on Sunday evenings. The best helpers and most regular attendants upon the prayer meetings are the Union workers.—Young People.

Nearly two hundred young men at the University of Virginia recently committed themselves to God and His service. There is a movement on foot to build a \$60,000 Y. M. C. A. Hall there, \$40,000 of which is contributed by Mrs. Wm. E. Dodge, of New York.

The Georgia B. Y. P. U. Convention will meet at Washington, June 21-23rd. A rate of one fare plus twenty-five cents for the round trip has been grant-

ed by the railroads for the occasion. An attendance of 500 to 600 is expected. Many Georgians think their own Convention the best B. Y. P. U. meeting of any sort or size held in the land.—W. W. Gaines.

It is interesting to see how much one person can do towards organizing and carrying on a B. Y. P. U. meeting. One enthusiastic, industrious worker can arouse others and keep them interested. We have seen one young woman take hold and organize a Union where no one believed it possible. It may be that you are the person whose efforts can do this for the Union of your Church.—B. Y. P. U. Quarterly.

Rev. Walter Colley writes in the Baptist Union: "The program for the Convention is in the making. It will be eminently practical, and will also touch the deep springs of the whole movement. Somehow it is borne upon us that this convention will mark a new epoch—will open the door to great possibilities. Pray God to direct and preside over all the thinking and doing of our Executive Committee."

Our Texas brethren have employed Rev. Jos. W. English to devote his entire time to the Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. work of the State. Brother English is a man of pleasing manner and a remarkable pulpit power. Enjoying as he does, the confidence of all his brethren, he will do a great work. We could hope that some time he might wander over the line and help to inspire the young people of the Indian Territory.—Western Baptist.

J. N. Goss, Corresponding Secretary of the Avondale Union writes: "We had an interesting Union service Sunday, with a good attendance. Our membership is seventy, and we have a large number of earnest, active workers. Next Sunday afternoon, we will meet at the Mission Church in North Avondale, to aid them in organizing a Union. The inspiration gained by the reports of the delegates to the Convention can easily be seen utilizing itself in the more earnest efforts of the members. I think Avondale had the largest delegation to the Convention unless Bro. Barnett gives the pastor at North Birmingham the honor of putting himself in in the ratio of three to one."

The recent convention of the Baptist young people of southern California at Santa Barbara was a gratifying success. Nearly three coach loads went up from Los Angeles and vicinity. The two sessions held were remarkable for the large amount of work that was crowded into them. The State President, H. G. James, was re-elected, and the Presidents of the four Associations were made State Vice Presidents. It is purposed to have these Vice Presidents co-operate with the State organization and assume the responsibility of much of the State work. It is a new scheme intended to increase the number of active workers and assistants, that the other State officers may devote more time to extension. The motto for the year is "Extension."—Young People.

Correspondence.

Good Words to Brother Crumpton

Amos Acker, Columbiana, Alabama.—"Brother C. you see that the envelope system is taking well. God be praised for it."

J. J. Boyett, Dothan, Alabama.—"Find enclosed \$15.16 for Missions from Beulah Church, Houston County. Brother J. R. G. White is our pastor and we feel that the Lord is blessing his labors. He is making a fine pastor. Brother William Martin was with us last Saturday."

"This is our apportionment. We have a Sunday school. Come to see us when you can."

T. S. Hubert, Roanoke.—"I have been determined from the first that this church should give \$500.00 to Missions (education, orphanage and all else to be extra). I have worked hard and have had confidence in our people, and have trusted God. Yesterday 11 a. m. I preached on Foreign Missions and as suggested by yourself in "personal letter," asked for \$250. I wish you had been here. It was 'hilarious giving.' Some cried and some laughed and when we got through we had about \$290.00 for you. Will make it \$300 and send you \$200 for Foreign Missions and \$100 for Home Missions. Later we will give \$200 for the State work. This money will reach you by April 15th."

"I know you will be glad that our work is getting right along here. I hope to stay at Roanoke long enough to be pastor No. 1, while pastor No. 2 holds forth the word of life in China or Japan or among some other benighted people. This church is able to have a pastor in China and I believe will have one there not many years hence. Pray for us and for me."

J. H. Creighton, Whatley.—"You know that I am in full sympathy with you and your work, but I have received so many letters from candidates and their friends and our Secretaries that I just could not answer them. I always want to respond with some cash to your letters. I know that promises are helpful, but the money is better. I send you with this letter the collections from my two little churches for the last meetings. I take regular collections from my churches."

"I have been forced to plow this year to support my family. I don't object to plowing but had rather be fully engaged in pastoral work."

"I hope it will turn out all right. If it is the Lord's will that I should plow it is all right with me for I enjoy it. The Lord is very good in many ways."

W. J. Ray, Newton.—"We came here the first of March and found the house in fine shape and the pantry filled with something nice. We are well satisfied and happy in our new field of labor."

"We have a fine school here, with A. W. Tate, president, and he is doing a great work in getting the boys ready for Howard and the girls for the Judson. We are now planning to erect a twenty-five thousand brick building and we believe under God we can do it."

Robert Jones, Stanton.—"You may put us down as regulars. But for numerous contagions that have prevented

regular meetings, you would have heard from us oftener."

"It is not too late to thank you from the depths of my heart for that very highly appreciated Christmas present you so kindly sent me—"Every Creature." Lets try and manage to put more of them in circulation among Alabama Baptists."

"With earnest prayers for you and the work."

A. P. Majors, Chestnut, Ala.—"This makes \$55.00 out of my four little country churches. Hope to get up more soon."

J. S. Wood, Farmersville.—"I am expecting to have fine meetings this summer. I find it exceedingly hard to do much in the Mission line. It grieves me very much not to be able to do more."

"I enjoy reading your trip notes very much. Would like so much to have you visit this field."

J. W. Dunaway, Thomasville.—"Nicholsville had a fine day yesterday. They raised over \$100 for Foreign Missions and will try to continue the subscription until next Sabbath. We may send you \$120 or \$125 from this church."

W. M. Olive, Hamilton.—"I send you the amount collected yesterday from Line church. It was a great day for them. A collection at any time except just before the Association was an unheard of thing. I presented the necessity of the work to them and laid it on their hearts. I am happy over the outlook for this year. We will do more later on. I am sure that two of my churches will pay \$20 each for Missions this year."

Wallace Wear, Leighton.—"Had a fine crowd today at Mt. Moriah. This is the first public collection taken up in the church for Missions since its organization, about ten years ago. So you see the condition the church is in and has been since its birth."

A. W. Briscoe, Louisville, Ky.—"I conscientiously believe that every man who can quit the ministry with a clear conscience owes it to himself, to humanity and to God to quit; but the one thing that I do know about myself is that I cannot quit, nor have I ever entertained such an idea, except when I have been at times in a fit of collapse."

A Brother writes.—"With preachers in the membership who preach against the Boards, it is hard to get the people to do anything."

This brother strikes a trouble that exists at many places. A preacher has great influence when he opposes giving to Missions. He may have none on any other subject, but he strikes the covetous spirit right on that subject."

H. W. Robert, Leesburg.—"All of my churches belong to the regulars. If all the churches would adopt the plan of regular giving, we would be saved from these high pressure collections that we are forced to make. I know from experience that a church will give more by regular and systematic giving than they will in one mighty effort, and it can be done if the pastors wish it."

Brother Crumpton's Trip Notes.

In passing I looked in on Brethren Gross and Ray at

SELMA.

Of course I went to see the new church. About June 1st, it is hoped, it will be

occupied. When finished I think it will be the prettiest meeting house of any denomination in the State.

Concentration seems to be the idea in Selma. The Presbyterian, Methodist, Episcopalian and Baptist houses are all within a block of each other,—and they are all fine buildings.

Pastor Gross has not allowed the building of the house to interfere with their collections for benevolent purposes. I doubt not the showing this year will be as good as any previous year. "The old First," with the exception of a year or two has always been along at the front in giving.

Brother J. D. Ray is a Pickens Co. boy, who wisely returned to Alabama when he was through with his course in the Seminary. The Second church wisely called him and neither party regrets it.

I am always glad to welcome good men from anywhere to Alabama; but, everything else being equal, I believe our churches will be better served by natives. Permanence in the pastorate is greatly to be desired; there is greater probability of this when the preacher is an Alabamian. It is better for the denominational work in the State. Naturally such pastors will take a deeper interest in Alabama affairs. Not a word of this is intended to disparage the work of the noble men we have, in our pulpits, from other States. Some of them feel as much at home here as if they were natives and we want them to remain.

The day I spent in Selma the funeral of

DR. MANGUM.

occurred. He was a Methodist Minister, widely known and greatly loved all over South Alabama. He was one of the old heroes of his church. Dr. Rush, another old hero, conducted the funeral service. It was beautiful to see the respect shown their dead brother by the ministry of his church, who came from all parts, a hundred strong, to attend his funeral. I have known Dr. Mangum for many years. Our paths have crossed many times. We have traveled many miles together. He was a noble, consecrated man of God. Just a year ago I was with him the last time. His last words were: "Yes, brother, you are wise in the habit you have adopted. A man in your position has much territory to cover and cannot afford to give much time to one place. Even if you had the time, it is far better to deliver your message and get away at once." I have pursued that course so long it has become a habit, and often I have reproached myself for being in such a hurry; but the remark of this wise man confirmed me in my belief that it is best.

Of course I had to run down to

ORRVILLE,

which is the center of the world to me, since I have no home now. It happened to be prayer meeting night and I got to shake hands with many of the Lord's chosen. Pastor Hall took me behind Brother Ellis' fine span of bays down into the "lower neighborhood" to call upon some of the old saints of Providence. This gave me a fine opportunity to give the pastor a lot of fine advice and afforded him a chance to speak enthusiastically of his people.

Knowing that there were vacant churches in Montgomery, some of his members suspicioned that my unannounced visit was with a view of moving their pastor to the capital city. Of course he is happy on such a field. With the fine training his people had years ago, they know nothing else than to treat the pastor royally and to be forward in every good work.

July seems to be a long way off. The Association is to be held then at Providence. I hope it will continue for two weeks.

LOWNDESBORO

is one of the best small towns in the black belt. They don't use as much paint thereabouts as high priced cotton would justify; but they live well and know how to treat the traveling preacher. Some of the crack farmers of the State are here.

Brother Elliott, their pastor, was absent, but they gave me a very fine hearing. They have had the same pastor for about a dozen years and one of the brethren said he got better the farther he went. They are able to have preaching oftener and I am amazed that they do not. They are all right liberal to Missions, but a system to reach and train every member and the children would raise more and have a more far-reaching effect.

The Sunday school is presided over by Dr. P. N. Cilley, whose old age has not diminished his love for God's house and worship. It was a great pleasure to be with him a little while. The historians miss great opportunities by failing to interview men of Dr. Cilley's age. Across some as fine lands as can be found I went seven miles to

HAYNEVILLE,

the county seat of Lowndes county. I visited the place when I was a boy. Very few changes have taken place since then. The center of one of the richest counties in the State, it seems that it ought to be larger; but they have been seven miles—equal in winter to fourteen—from the railroad. Now a road is being graded to connect with the L. & N. and then, it is expected a change will come.

The Baptist Church has been without a pastor for some time, but they have called Brother Archibald Scruggs and are hopeful for the future. I had a good congregation of attentive listeners. My stay was so short I could learn but little about the situation.

The political pot was boiling and one with the dullest hearing would have heard much about candidates and voting. I give it, as I hear it from several parties who didn't seem to be joking. The price for votes opened at \$25 and had then reached \$55.

From all I could gather, human life in this region and in Wilcox and Monroe, is not very valuable. May it not be that political corruption is at the bottom of it all? The contest in the late election was among democrats. It ought to have been the fairest and most honest election possible, but the wholesale purchase of votes does not indicate it. Somewhere along the line, somebody will have an awful amount of sin to answer for, about the lawless conditions of our country.

W. B. C.

WOMAN'S WORK

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

**Among Women and Children in
the Interest of Home
Missions.**

Mrs. T. A. Hamilton.

There are some faces that are ever kept in view as we pursue our pilgrimage through this world and some points that hold our eye throughout the journey and one of these places that stand out in memory ever is

ANDALUSIA.

With genuine pleasure we greeted friends found at the Association here nearly two years ago, and here found again a home within the warm-hearted, cultured family circle of our Sister, Mrs. Anna Riley. The ladies are greatly interested in plans for building a new church, but they affirm most confidently that they "cannot afford to neglect the Orphanage and Missions," meantime, and that is certainly the right spirit. Notwithstanding much sickness in town, at the call of their Vice President, Mrs. J. T. Brown, the sisters met for considering the week of prayer which they will observe and a special contribution was asked for the Tichenor Memorial, in which all wish to have a part.

The Sunbeams are shining under the leadership of Miss Martha Riley and the pastor's help meet, Mrs. D. L. Lawrence. That the shadow which rests upon that ideal home, in the shape of the illness of the pastor beloved, be quickly dissipated, is the prayer of many a devoted heart.

GENEVA.

Though seen first through clouds and rain, the sun burst out in all his glory before the hour arrived for meeting the children and the ladies, and there were Sunbeams within and without before we parted. The ladies will meet for the week of prayer and self-denial and are to be congratulated upon the earnest spirit of their President, Mrs. Collins, and others who gave cordial expressions of their interest in the momentous matters of missions. It was a pleasure to place the newly pledged Sunbeam Band under the care of Sunbeam lovers and leaders from Evergreen, Mrs. Leigh and her daughters and of our charming hostess, Mrs. P. N. Hickman. May they be blessed in their own souls as they lead these His "little ones," into service.

FLORALA.

This is being nearer to the tropics than it has ever before been our fortune, but here too it is a pleasure to meet and greet former friends. Our cordial hostess, Mrs. J. E. Hughes, makes one feel much "at home," and here the missionary finds greatest encouragement in Rev. Jno. T. Gable, the pastor beloved, formerly of Columbia, but who is walking just as surely into the affections of this fond people. He plans great things for himself in the work and compliments others by planning for them, as though they were as capable as he is. So there were two appointments for Sunday afternoon and

two for Monday, and to compare small things with great, like Paul "we fetched a compass"—and got there! The ladies and children met at 2 p. m., where we had a most gracious meeting. It was not hard to project a meeting each day during the week of prayer, with Brother Gable to foster it, and Sister Price, for whom they are still grieving at Andalusia, and Sister Hughes to carry out the plans. Regular study of missions will be a part of their exercises after this, and other and greater work is to be taken up and carried on. Mrs. Carrie B. Adair was elected leader of the Sunbeams, and coming from Clayton, she brings a "coal of fire" from that centre of efficient mission work and proceeds to "gather up the Sunbeams" here. Safely relying upon the sympathy and help of these fond women. How beautiful this work! How it unfolds before us as we "take up the cross" for His name sake! At

LOCKHART.

A mile from Florala Brother Gable has a Sunday school and preaching station established, and here at four o'clock a goodly crowd of ladies and children met us and were greatly interested in the Chinese shoes, idols, pictures of Miss Kelly, etc. Notwithstanding the storm that came up ere we could reach home, we felt it a privilege to have been able to enlist the sympathy of another company of women and children in this the greatest of all undertakings—the evangelization of the world.

Lakewood and McPhail's were also visited with the hope that seed might be sown which would spring up some day and bring forth perhaps even an hundred fold.

Taking another peep into the hospitable parsonage, where the presiding genius had spread a tempting evening repast for an appreciative traveler, the train was boarded for

GEORGIANA

and again we beheld the faces of the sisters presented to our readers upon the first visit to this pretty town. It was a great delight to be taken into the home of a Sunbeam who shone in Birmingham while at school there some years ago, and who refreshed the heart and mind of her visitor by many reminiscences of bygone days and by untiring attention and hospitality. The work will prosper there under the conscientious president of the society aided by some earnest souls who are enlisted in the cause. A great pleasure it was to meet another Sunbeam worker, who for years has been a correspondent but whom it had never been our good fortune to meet face to face, and there was no disappointment when the vision burst upon our sight—"as good to look upon as to dream about" was the mental comment. After the pleasure of seeing the president in her own home, and being laden with flowers from her garden, we passed on our way feeling confident that there will be good work

done there for missions, and that the preachers' home is built and the sisters are free from debt.

GREENVILLE.

Pleasantest recollections cling around this pretty place associated in our minds with the meeting here of the State Convention some twelve years ago. Our hostess then, Mrs. Jefferson Beeland, was kind enough to claim us again and we settled down into the comfortable nest with a most restful feeling, not knowing of the delightful surprises lying in wait for us. A goodly company of ladies greeted the visiting sisters at the church, which was decorated with spring flowers and redolent with their perfume. After we had had a talk together about the affairs of the kingdom, the surprises began and followed each other in such quick succession that one's breath was almost taken away. The primary class of the Sunday school, under the guidance of the Misses McMullen, gave us a treat in motion songs, solos and duets, the teaching of a beautiful Scripture lesson by a dear little girl "just like Miss McMullen did," and then the presentation of a lovely basket of flowers to the visiting sister by another in a charming manner. Is any one surprised that this scribe was taken unawares? It was lovely from start to finish and a great wave of gratitude swept over our being that there was such work being done in our churches. May others attain to such excellence! It was an unusual pleasure to talk to such bright children, and their willingness to share their good things with their little heathen sisters is a part of the sweet child nature that it would be well for children of a larger growth to emulate. It takes no prophetic eye to foresee how brightly the Sunbeams will shine again in Greenville under the guidance of one whom the consensus of opinion settles upon as "just the one for the place." My readers will think there never was a more beautiful fairy tale disclosed when I tell them that after the gracious season at the church there was given an opportunity to meet and greet the sisters at the charming parsonage near the church. That you were not there yourselves will be ever a source of regret to me. Within and without was beautiful and complete. Why shouldn't it be just that way when in that home both the Howard and the Judson are represented? The day was a red-letter day in the calendar, and may I be blessed in returning there some day!

And now, with face turned homeward, we glide through the sweet spring sunshine, where now and again the maple flaunts its crimson flag, but oftener the dogwood displays her sunny banner as though exhorting all men to that "good will" which was heralded by the coming of the Prince of Peace. Spring sits by the wayside with outstretched hands filled with blossoms, but we press onward though we know the new moon will wax and wane again before she shall overtake us and bless us with her fragrant breath.

An invitation from the elect lady in the parsonage at

PRATT CITY

took us in that direction at the time

of their missionary and social meeting, and it was a charming occasion. After a unique study of Japan, music, recitations, etc., we grew real sociable over delightful refreshments and the talking over the plans of work and the ambitions of the W. M. U. It is hoped that a number of our good women will attend the S. B. Convention as it meets so near us this year, for even if we are in good working order as they are here, with an active Missionary and Aid Society under the leadership of their president, Mrs. J. D. Hanby, and though the Sunbeams are resplendent under the guidance of their leader, Miss Mamie Cockrell, it gives impetus to our work to mix and mingle with the earnest workers of our connection.

The five hundred dollars proposed by our central committee to be raised for the Tichenor Memorial Fund is in sight. How many of us have a part in it?

NEGRO BAPTISTS IN THE SOUTH

Atlanta, Ga., April 12, 1904—Dear Brother: For several months the Home Mission Board has been investigating carefully the situation of the Negroes of the South. A large and judicious committee was appointed of brethren who have had practical experience in the work with Negro Baptists in the South, and who are to be trusted to avoid the easy danger involved in such an undertaking as was proposed.

We are happy to inform you in order that through your paper you may inform the Brotherhood, that two committees meeting in joint Commission of the Home Mission Board and the Board of the Negro National Convention held a meeting in Atlanta last week and after full and extended discussion the proposals of the Home Mission Board in principles, plan, purpose and detail were agreed to and reported back to the two Boards represented for approval and further elaboration of the minor details. The movement and the plan is comprehensive and far reaching. In it we profit by the mistakes of the past. It means that the Southern Baptist Convention will at last lend itself to its nearest, neediest and ripest field of missions. The Home Mission Board will include the details of its proposition at its next meeting and will be enabled to present to the Convention at Nashville a great undertaking, carefully planned and adapted wisely to practical conditions.

We have been encouraged by recent discussions in your paper and others to believe the time is now ripe for such a movement and we rely upon you to lend enthusiasm and support to the Board and to the work itself.

We send this letter of information to you that your people may be informed of the great conference which has resulted so auspiciously and which will we believe, mark the beginning of a noble movement among Southern Baptists in this great and difficult field. The Board for its present and its future needs trust to the generous and intelligent liberality of the Southern Baptist people. Fraternaly,

John E. White, Chairman of Committee.



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Mrs. Nellie E. Hudson, Dresden, Tenn.

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The Bible Lesson.

The Bible lesson preceding the sermon is a very important part of the public worship. It ought to be utilized. It can be made impressive and instructive. Ordinarily it does not secure these ends; and is considered by the hearer as an indifferent part of the service—a mere form, dry and tasteless. It is scarcely valued by the preacher, or hearer only to be endured or gotten through as a necessary preface to the slovenly read or decently skipped. The manner of its performance has depreciated it.

We desire to put in a plea for the most prayerful, studious, and edifying use of this lesson. To do this, it must be carefully, prayerfully selected and read in a way to impress and attract the hearing. Well studied, spiritual fitness, sensible, terse comments. The preacher having mastered the lesson, acquainted with the spiritual needs of his people, reading in a clear, reverent, distinct manner. The marrow of the word can be given out, the application made and enforced the process will be most edifying.

The average church member needs to be built up. They may be active but are very lean and light. They need robustness and vigor. They need the iron of God's word put into their spiritual constitution. The tonic of the tremendous facts of Revelation ought to be put into them not simply once, or twice, but in many doses. They eat quinine in India like food, so these Bible truths ought to be part of our daily fare.

The ordinary hearer does not care for nor understand the Bible lesson when read in a perfunctory way. Let the preacher get the lesson into the very bone of his being and ears will be opened and listlessness destroyed. One of Mr. Spurgeon's members said: "I do not like to miss the chapter; our pastor's reading and explanation fills it with new light and makes it doubly precious everafter." A chapter selected at random; or on the eve of the service and commented on in a surface way without study or prayer will not meet the ends. Mr. Spurgeon gave more time to the study of the exposition of his lesson than he did to the preparation of the sermon. It will be a most advantageous method to the preacher, leading him to an exhaustive study of God's word, and giving him familiarity and insight into that word.

Mr. Spurgeon's success was due to the fact, he was a Bible preacher and he

dealt out to his people the word, not occasionally, but always.

Our sermons have too little of the word of God in them. Our preaching rarely exposes the word of God. A good speech on or about a Bible motto is the sermon.

Richard Cecil says truly, "Our method of preaching is not that by which Christianity was propagated, yet the genuine Christianity has not changed—the primitive preacher stood up and read the gospel, or some other portion of Scripture and pressed on the hearers with great earnestness and affection a few plain and forcible truths. We take a text and make an oration. Edification then was the object of both speaker and hearer. They brought forward Scripture: we bring forward our statements. They directed all their observations to throw light on Scripture: we quote Scripture to throw light on our observations. More faith and more grace would make us better preachers, "for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh." Our style of preaching and sermon-making has created almost a famine of the simple, pure word of God. We therefore plead for more of God's word, plainer put, pure, without mixture, or adulteration of any kind, with richer unction. The Bible lessons will give the opportunity which calls loudly to be used.

Dr. Doddridge enforces the utility of reading the word of God in the public congregation, and commenting on it in a plain, edifying way, by the following reasons:

1. It honors the Scriptures.
2. It promotes a scriptural religion.
3. It promotes acquaintance with the Scriptures and the study of them.
4. It guards the people from erroneous opinions by wrong interpretations.
5. It diversifies public worship.
6. It affords a chance for giving instruction, admonition, and advice without suspicion of a personal aim.

To these may be added the reasons Mr. Spurgeon gives:

1. Without comment, the public reading of the abstruser parts of Scripture is of exceedingly little use to the majority of people listening.
2. Brief comments are most acceptable and instructive.
3. It gives opportunity of saying many things which are not of sufficient importance to become the theme of a whole sermon.
4. The commenting minister will at first have to study as much as the mere preacher. And here he adds: "As a rule I spend much more time over the exposition than over the discourse."
5. Such careful study sends a minister to the original Hebrew and Greek, and makes him an expert in the use of the Concordance and the Commentaries.

This service is rarely done well. Good reading and good expounding are the necessary prerequisites, neither of which are born talents to many, and can only be acquired with conscientious application and painstaking care. If preachers would adopt this method, study the Bible with the utmost diligence, and give it to their people it would be the most suitable and forceful preparation for the sermon, the fruits would be quickly seen in an increased spirituality, a taste for God's word, and a marked invigoration of the personal piety

of the hearers. What we need from the pulpit is not sparkle, liveliness, popular methods and taking, novel devices, but more of edification—that which builds up, solidifies, intensifies, invigorates—more of that feeling which makes the people "to go forth and grow up as calves of the stall."

The direction given to the early Christian readers of God's word was, "Study to pronounce the word of God distinctly and plainly to the understanding and edification of the faithful without any error or falsehood that we may teach our hearers both by precept and example." In the days of Ezra, "They read in the book of the law distinctly and gave the sense and caused them to understand the reading."

Educational Conference.

The seventh annual session of the Conference for Education in the South met here on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, bringing to Birmingham a large number of distinguished visitors and educators.

The address of welcome was delivered by the Hon. T. G. Bush, a strong Baptist layman of Birmingham, on behalf of the Mayor, the Board of Education, and the reception committees. The response was made by Mr. Robert C. Ogden, of New York, who then delivered his Annual Address as President of the Conference.

Bishop Galloway spoke on "The South and the Negro" on Tuesday evening. Wednesday will be taken up with "Reports from the Field." Wednesday afternoon the members of the Conference will be given a reception by the ladies of Birmingham.

Wednesday evening there will be an address on "The Practical and the Literary in National Life," by C. Alphonso Smith, Professor of English in the University of North Carolina; an address on "The Profit of Good Training" by Walter H. Page, Editor of The World's Work, New York City. Mr. Page's subject is the economic, practical value of education to the individual and to society. The evening will close with an address entitled "Americanism," by Woodrow Wilson, President of Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey.

On Thursday morning the leading topic of the morning session will be that of "Local Taxation for Public Education." The discussion will be opened by Mr. H. O. Murfee, of Marion, Alabama. Mr. Murfee will be followed by the Hon. H. L. Whitfield, State Superintendent of Education for Mississippi. Addresses on the same general subject will then be made by the Hon. W. B. Hill, Chancellor of the University of Georgia; and by the Hon. Sydney J. Bowie, Member of Congress from the Fifth Alabama District.

The Conference closes with the meeting on Thursday evening. This session opens with an address by Dr. John Graham, of Cambridge, Mass., on "The North and the South in the Conference for Education." An address will follow from the Hon. A. J. Montague, Governor of Virginia, and perhaps from the Hon. N. C. Blanchard, Governor-elect of Louisiana. The closing address will then be delivered by the Rt. Rev. Davis Sessums, LL.D., Bishop of Louisiana.

Bishop Sessum's subject will be "Some Impressions of the Conference."

The President of the Conference, Mr. Robert C. Ogden, of New York, brought to the meeting a special train with a large and distinguished party of personal guests from the South and the North.

The Executive Committee of the Conference is as follows: B. B. Valentine, Virginia; Joseph G. Brown, North Carolina; Robert B. Fulton, Mississippi; B. C. Caldwell, Louisiana; John B. Knox, Alabama; C. B. Gibson, Georgia; D. F. Houston, Texas; R. H. Jesse, Missouri; G. P. Glenn, Florida; S. A. Mynders, Tennessee; N. H. Snyder, South Carolina. The general officers of the Conference are: Robert C. Ogden, President, New York; Edgar Gardner Murphy, Vice-President, Montgomery, Ala.; Dr. B. J. Baldwin, Secretary, Montgomery, Ala.; W. A. Blair, Treasurer, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Decoration Day.

Another Decoration Day has passed. Veterans, their wives, sons and daughters made pilgrimages to the cemeteries and decked the graves of those who gave their lives in defense of the South. These heroes of the "Lost Cause" never fought for pay, but unselfishly laid down their lives for the defense of their homes. It has been truly said:

"Therefore we cover the graves of our dead soldiers with flowers and we fasten crosses on the bosoms of the living because we know they did their duty from high motives. We class the dead and the living as heroes worthy of a place in any hall of fame. Many of these heroes died before they were grown. Thousands filled veterans' graves before they were twenty-one years old and there are veterans now wearing honor crosses who came home before they were twenty-two. All honor to the dead and living."

"Unisticism."

The Western Recorder says:

The editor presented at the Pastors' Conference Monday morning his paper on "unisticism," in which he combated the doctrine that there ought to be only one church in one city, no matter how large the city, and that every church should have a plurality of co-equal pastors. We will publish the paper next week.

And in the same paper under the head "Among the Churches" we found that the paper elicited a lively discussion. Bren. Dawes, Weaver, Hamilton, Jenkins, Harvey, Warder, Longier, Mullins, Johnson, Bennett, Brengle and Foster taking part. Various views were expressed.

The Argus says: The question was raised last Monday at the Louisville Baptist Ministers' Meeting, as to whether Dr. Everette Gill included the other denominations and Catholics in his argument for one church in a city. Those who did not read his papers might not know, except that they would know that such a man did not and could not so contend. The fact is his papers and his discussion before the Ministers' Meetings showed positively that he was discussing the union of Baptist Churches and made no reference whatever to other denominations. Dr. Gill is across

the ocean, and so we take the liberty of saying for him that any other construction would do violence to his words."

All going to show that the "Minister's Meeting" in Louisville is not a dull place but that the brethren have their "views" and thresh out questions. We have read Dr. Gill's article and eagerly await Dr. Eaton's paper.

EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS.

The S. C. Baptist has put in a new Linotype.

Rev. T. F. Hendon will preach the Annual sermon of the Athens City public schools on Sunday, April 24th.

Dr. A. J. Dickinson, pastor of the First Baptist Church, made one of the main addresses at the banquet of the Alabama Grocers, at the Hillman. The Ledger says: "He spoke on the civilizing influence of the modern grocer and his talk was replete with good advice and better humor."

The second annual contest of the Alabama State Oratorical association was won at Howard College by J. McDuffie, a brilliant young speaker from Auburn. The Alabama Polytechnical Institute, Howard College and Greensboro were represented by Mr. McDuffie, J. O. Colley and D. H. McNeil, respectively, and the contest was very able.

The Montgomery Journal's leading editorial on Friday was a wail because the agitation against Sunday baseball would probably mean that Chattanooga or Mobile, or some better baseball town would get the franchise. Let us rather hope that the franchise will die than that Montgomery or any other city in the South should permit baseball playing on Sunday.

Dr. C. C. Jones of East Lake, the Secretary and Treasurer of the Board of Ministerial Education, and a trustee and the physician of Howard College, was elected President of the Alabama Medical Association, which met at Mobile last week. Dr. Jones is a loyal Baptist. We congratulate the doctors of Alabama for having selected such a high toned Christian gentleman for President.

Remember that the Seminary banquet at Nashville on May 12 at 6:30 p. m. The price per plate is \$1.00. Send your name with or without the money. If you remit by check add ten cents for exchange. The arrangements for the plates will necessarily be limited, and of course those writing first must have preference. W. W. Hamilton, Louisville, Ky., is the chairman.

At the Nashville Convention the Maxwell House will be headquarters. Their rooms run from \$1 to \$3, per person, on European plan. Tulane Hotel is on the American plan at from \$2 to \$3, the latter with bath. By communicating with committee board can be had in private homes for \$1. There are smaller hotels, running from \$1 to \$2.50. Address Dr. Lansing Burrows, 118 N. Spruce St., Nashville, Tenn.

The American Baptist Publication Society, 1420 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, has a scheme for securing and working a church Library in Baptist Churches. We sincerely believe that very great results will accrue from the adoption and prosecution of this plan. The life of our churches will be quickened, a vast amount of ignorance will be dispelled, and a generation of intelligent and active Christians will be secured. We advise pastors to write at once to the above address for full particulars.

The daily press says: There was a sensation at Raleigh Baptist Tabernacle when John W. Norwood, the assistant manager of the Raleigh dispensary, announced that he could not sell whisky and be a member of the church at the same time and that hence he had decided to resign his position at the dispensary. This resignation he tendered today and it was at once accepted. The Tabernacle is one of the most prominent Baptist Churches in the South. Rev. Thomas Dixon, now so well known as a writer, having been one of its earliest pastors and having served it several years.

The Baptist Argus says: "A storm is brewing over the land against gambling as well as against the whisky traffic. The moral sense of the people is gathering wrath against outbroken and destroying sins of society. Along with the Louisiana Lottery and slavery will go at an early day, the bar room and the gambling den. Let every Christian vote and pray to the point and the walls about Satan's forts will fall. There is on in New York City, as in Louisville, a campaign against gambling places."

Yes, and there is work to be done in a number of our Alabama towns and cities. God grant that the strong men of our cities and towns led by fearless preachers will begin a crusade against the saloon and gambling.

The Last Call for Home and Foreign Missions.

We need \$4,000.00 to bring us to the figures of last year. It will be dishonoring God to come below; I am ashamed for Alabama not to go beyond. Funds must reach me by 8 a. m. of Saturday the 30th to get in telegram of 12 o'clock of that day.

W. B. Crumpton.

It has been officially announced by the authorities at St. Petersburg that the Russian torpedo boat destroyer Bezstrashni was srnk by the Japanese fleet at Port Arthur; that her crew was lost, and that the battleship Pobieda struck a mine while manuevering and was damaged, but was able to return to the harbor. It is generally believed that the destruction of the Peropavlovsk was caused by a mine, but the Japanese forces are claiming that the vessel was torpedoed by one of their torpedo boats.

Birmingham Notes

Rev. P. C. Barkley went down and preached at the Second Baptist Church, Selma.

Rev. Frank Willis Barnett supplied at North Birmingham and had a full house at both services.

Brother Bradley is having a fine meeting at his church, Avondale, and was not at the Conference this week.

Rev. P. C. Barkley reports that the meeting in which he is being assisted by Rev. J. D. Ray of Selma, is being greatly blessed.

The Woodlawn Pastor, Dr. Blackwelder, filled his pulpit at both services. His morning subject being "Education" and in the evening "Divine Retribution."

Pastor H. W. Provence reports from Ensley a large Sunday school, large congregation at both services. Pastor preached in the morning on "Prayer," in the evening on "Why Will Ye Die?"

The meeting at Alexandria, La., where Brother Provence has been assisting was very enjoyable and profitable. About twenty conversions. Seventeen additions by baptism and several by letter and restoration.

Rev. J. W. O'Hara lead the devotional exercises at the Ministers Conference and read a very helpful and instructive paper on "How to enlist our young people in the work." It was discussed by all present in a profitable way.

Rev. S. O. Y. Ray reports that he preached for pastor Shelburne morning and night. Brother Shelburne being away at Owensboro, Ky. Three were received by letter. He says this church is one of the best organized if not the very best in the State.

At Wylam pastor J. W. O'Hara had two good services. Morning topic "God's Workmanship," Eph. ii, 10. Evening topic "A bad bargain," Gen. xxv, 33-34. Forwarded this week about \$95 for home and foreign missions to the Boards.

There were good congregations at both hours at Fountain Heights. Pastor Walter S. Brown preached in the morning on "Pride and Humility" and in the evening on "The Mixture of Sin in the Churches."

The North Highland Mission makes progress.

Dr. A. C. Davidson at Southside preached in the morning on "The Blood Bought Church, its purpose and place," at night on "God's way of Forgiveness." Baptized nine on Wednesday night. Received one for baptism. The work at Station "A" is doing well, large Sunday school and splendid congregation at night.

Pastor J. A. Hendricks had good congregations at both hours. In the morning discussed mission work in Japan, in the evening delivered the second in his series on Elijah. The Foreign Mission offering will be completed this week. Protracted meeting begins Sunday with Brother Smith, of Alexander City, helping.

From Park Avenue Church comes a good report of pastor E. Lee Smith's work with his Sunbeams at 9 a. m. and Sunday school at 10 a. m., also the B. Y. P. U. at 3 p. m., with preaching to fine congregations both morning and evening. Four baptized. The protracted meeting assisted by Bro. O. A. Bramber closed Friday. Brother Smith says his young people have secured a pledge from 400 persons to read the New Testament through in a year.

Pledges Unredeemed.

There are still about four hundred dollars of the Tuscaloosa pledge unredeemed and of that made at Troy perhaps a thousand, unless they have been paid in small amounts sent for current expenses, with no request that they be credited on the pledges. If our friends could see their way to send in these amounts in the next three weeks, it would greatly help us. They have all been written to several times, and they know or ought to know who is behind. Our buildings are done and paid for but I had to borrow four hundred dollars to settle our current account for February and a like amount for the March account, and the receipts for April are also inadequate. Will the friends of the Home come to our assistance bMd the Home come to our help? We cannot care for more than one hundred children, if you do not come to our help. Our big family continues to enjoy good health.

The dedication of our buildings will be May 30th. You are invited. Write a postal card to Dr. P. M. Bruner, who will assign you a home. Railroads give reduced rates.

John W. Stewart.

MEETING AT EVERGREEN.

We have just closed an unusually good meeting at Evergreen. The Rev. Austin Crouch, of Corinth, Mississippi, did the preaching, and the plan of salvation was presented with clearness and force. The depravity of man, the reality of hell, the vicarious death of Christ, salvation by grace, the believer's security all stood out in bold relief, as the matter of Bro. Crouch's messages. Thirty eight accessions to our church. A. G. Mosley.

In presenting President Charles H. Mayer, of the Western Federation of Miners to the Colorado Supreme Court under habeas corpus proceedings the State denied the jurisdiction of the court and stated that recognition of the court's order was merely an act of courtesy. W. D. Hayward, secretary and treasurer of the miners' organization was almost mobbed by soldiers for striking Capt. Welles in the face when ordered back while attempting to speak to Mayer.

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Field Notes

FROM ASHLAND.

We have our new church completed at last and have appointed the second Sunday in May as the day to have the dedication sermon preached.

Bro. C. J. Bentley, of Sylacauga, who was our pastor when the work on the church was begun will preach the dedication sermon. He was our pastor and lived with us five and one half years. The influence of his work is with us yet and will stay for long years to come.

We have arranged to have three days' meeting at that time, beginning on Friday, May 6th, and closing with the dedication sermon on Sunday the 8th. All ministers who can attend and especially our former pastors, are invited to be with us and help us in the service for Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Remember the time, the second Sunday in May and Friday and Saturday before, which is the 6th, 7th and 8th of May. We hope to see many of you at that time.

Bennett W. Pruett, Clerk.

FROM HUNTSVILLE.

Huntsville, Ala., April 18.—Brother Baptists: Please say to the good people of Alabama that we are now engaged in a meeting at Merrimac and that we are very much encouraged with the prospects. Ten have been added to our church since the middle of January, when I took the care of this church.

I made an earnest appeal to you to make this work an object of special prayer. I hope many of you have complied with that request. Now once more, dear brethren, allow me to ask you to join us in special prayer for the overwhelming influence of the Holy Spirit in our work. Brother Murray, of Huntsville First Church, will preach for us this week, and Brother Rice of Dallas Avenue Church, Huntsville, will preach for us next week. We are expecting great things of God, and we are sure that the help of our fellow laborers will be effectual in extending the good work.

I believe no place in our State more concerns the people at large than does Merrimac. We profoundly appreciate what is being done for us. Some of our devoted disciples of the State have written that their purpose is to pray for us until God shall hear and answer.

W. H. Connell.

FROM TEXAS.

I have only accepted the care of one church so far. Some others are figuring with me now. There is a great deal of work to be done here as well as everywhere else. There are multitudes of devout Christians in this part of the State. There are also great numbers of people who are neutral, many of them poor, who never go to church, therefore necessary for some one to go into their homes and tell them the sweet old story Jesus the sinner's friend. Brethren, I am glad to say that the preachers here are preaching the same

gospel preached in Alabama and has the same effect. The old story that man is a sinner and Jesus a Savior. The blessings of the Lord rest upon the Alabama Baptist and its readers.

R. W. Roe.

Aubrey, Texas.

PROGRAMME OF MEMORIAL AT THE BASS CEMETERY.

Singing conducted by Prof. Ben Williams.

1. Prayer and praise service by Pastor Moore.
2. Welcome Address, by Rev. McKenney.
3. Reply, by William Sims.
4. Distribution of flowers.
5. Sermon, by Rev. F. W. Barnett, D. D.
6. Dinner.
7. Prayer and praise service, by John Holmes.
8. Speech, by J. A. Goodwin.
9. Recitations by young ladies.

Let everyone bring flowers for the uncared for graves.

To be held on Saturday before the second Sunday in May, 1904.

C. M. Dixon, Chairman.

RATES TO CONVENTION.

To Delegates and Visitors to the Baptist Convention: The Louisville and Nashville railroad will run a Baptist Special and we would be pleased to have you journey with us.

We propose to leave Montgomery on Wednesday, May 11th, at 8:25 a. m., reaching Nashville at 7:00 p. m., in time for a late dinner.

This will give us a good night's rest and enable those who desire to do so to attend the meetings on Thursday of the B. Y. P. U. or of the Trustees of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; or of the Woman's Missionary Union; or of the American Baptist Education Society.

Comfortable coaches will be provided also a dining car, in which meals will be served "a la carte."

If a sufficient number desire it and engage places through me before the 5th of May, a Pullman car will be attached to the train. The charge will be one dollar extra each way.

Hotel rates run from \$2.00 per day upward, or good board can be had in private houses at \$1.00 per day. You can easily estimate what it will be by estimating the time at five and one half days. You can go from Montgomery (for instance) and stop at a private house with total expense of only \$13.88.

Or if you stop at a \$2.50 hotel, and use the Pullman car both ways, the outside expense will be \$24.13, including meals en route.

Send me your name and address and I will give you full particulars. If you do not want to be crowded, let me engage your rooms very soon. Shall I reserve a place in the Pullman for you?

If you cannot go yourself, be sure to see the other members of your Church and raise the money and send your pastor; it will do him good, and he will

be a better preacher when he comes back.

Fraternally yours,

O. F. Gregory,

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Order of Publication.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County. Mary Graham vs. John D. Graham. No. 8088. In Chancery at Birmingham, Alabama, Fifth District, Northwestern Chancery Division of Alabama.

In this cause it being made to appear to the Register by affidavit of B. M. Allen Agent of Complainant that the defendant, John D. Graham is a non-resident of Alabama, and resides in Nashville, State of Tennessee, and further that, in belief of said Affiant, the Defendant is of the age of twenty-one years, it is therefore ordered by the Register that publication be made in the Alabama Baptist, a newspaper published in the City of Birmingham, Alabama, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring him, the said John D. Graham, to answer or demur to the bill of complaint in this cause by the 22 day of May, 1904, or, in thirty days thereafter a decree pro confesso may be taken against John D. Graham. This 16th day of April, 1904.

John C. Carmichael, Chancellor.

Order of Publication.

Wm. Hartigan and Mary Hartigan, Complainants, vs. John D. Dwyer, and others, Defendants.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County, City Court of Birmingham, in Chancery.

In this cause it being made to appear to the Judge of this Court in Term time by the affidavit of Mary Hartigan, one of the Complainants, that the Defendant, John D. Dwyer, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and resides in Cincinnati, Ohio, and further, that, in the belief of said affiant, the said Defendant is over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered that publication be made in the Alabama Baptist, a newspaper published in Jefferson County, Alabama, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring him, the said John D. Dwyer to answer, plead or demur to the Bill of Complaint in this cause by the 26th day of May, 1904, or after thirty days therefrom a decree Pro Confesso may be taken against him.

This 18th day of April, 1904.

Chas. A. Seun,

Judge of the City Court of Birmingham.

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The earth hath lost the subtle charm it wore;
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Since baby went.

Since baby went
The earth is but the fabric of a dream;
Realities of old elusive seem.
And God and heaven alone appear supreme—
Since baby went.

Since baby went
Within our hearts a secret voice we hear,
The earth may fade, but Christ the Lord is near;
Your daughter liveth, have no further fear,
And bide content.

"When time is spent
Ye shall receive her in your arms again,
Shall know why she is called, while ye remain;
How blessing blossoms out of grief and pain

When time is spent."
—Clarence Leland Miller.

OBITUARIES.

HARRISON.—Sister Lou Harrison departed this life Jan. 21, 1904. A good sister has gone to her reward. She joined Mt. Hebron Baptist Church in July, 1878, under the ministry of Rev. H. Clay Fowl, and lived a consecrated Christian life. She was a faithful church member and always attended her church when she could. Her whole heart was in the work of the Lord. She will be missed in the home and church. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved family. You should strive to emulate her example that you may be an unbroken family in heaven. Goodbye, dear sister, we hope to meet you in the sweet by and by.
W. H. Kendrick,
Sallie Barfield,
R. B. James,
Committee.

JARRELL.—Whereas, on the 10th day of January, 1904, our Heavenly Father saw fit to move from the walks of men our dearly beloved brother and pastor, Brother Jarrell, therefore he is resolved

First, That in the death of him the church has lost a faithful and devoted pastor, one who always looked well after the church and its every interest.

Second, The community and school a fine educator and exemplary man, one whom we would do well to emulate.

Third, The State a law-abiding citizen, and one who looked well after the general welfare of his community.

Fourth, His family a devoted husband and faithful father.

Fifth, That we deeply sympathize with his wife, Sister Jarrell, and the God-given children he has left her.

Sixth, That we commend them to the God of heaven, who is too wise to err and too good to do wrong, and pray that God's richest blessings may abide on them all through life.

W. H. Riser,
J. T. Woodall,
W. M. David,
Committee.

LINDSEY.—Sister Wm. K. Lindsey, of Buena Vista, Ala., passed out of this life into the sweet beyond on March 18, 1904. She joined the Baptist Church in early girlhood under the pastorate of Rev. Jno. McWilliams at Philadelphia Church, Monroe county.

On December 5, 1852, she was happily married to Wm. K. Lindsey, and they lived happily together until the war took him from her. She since lived with her children. For the past few years her home has been with her daughter, Mrs. J. J. Finklea of Buena Vista; she died, however, at the home of Mrs. Dr. Hessel, another daughter in Buena Vista.

She leaves three children, to-wit: Mrs. J. J. Finklea and Mrs. Dr. Hessel of Buena Vista. Both of these good women are members of Concord Church and are among the best workers in the Church. They are women of marked influence for good in the community where they live. Rev. S. P. Lindsey of Belleville, Ala., is her son. He is well known to the people of Alabama as a worthy minister of the gospel.

She also leaves one brother, whom to know is love. I speak of Brother W. S. Wiggins, of Monroeville, Ala. Sister Lindsey's character is that of the Christian type. In Sister Lindsey was well developed that pure, solid Christian character that made her the wife, the mother, the friend and the lover of all that was good and noble. She was buried in Concord cemetery Sunday, March 19. The writer conducted the funeral services. May God bless the bereaved ones. Her pastor,
A. B. Metcalf.

WATTS.—G. A. Watts was born October 4, 1846, in Shubuta, Miss.; moved to Alabama in 1869; married Miss M. E. Miller in 1871; died Feb. 27, 1904.

He was a member of Ootagon Baptist Church. He had been a member for many years and to his death the Baptist Church lost one of its strong supporters, the Masonic order one of its best members, the community one of its best citizens, his home a noble husband. He leaves a wife and many friends to mourn his loss.

It has been my pleasure to know the man for many years. He was upright in business and a man of strong conviction. He started in the world a poor boy. He made money and friends. His home was a preacher's home. His noble hospitality extended to all who came that way. His last song on earth was "Praise God from Whom all blessings flow." Probably his

first in heaven was "Crown Him Lord of all."
Farewell, dear friend, until we meet again. His pastor,
Rev. W. V. Vice.

PARROTT.—Saturday morning, March 24, 1904, the death angel entered the Selma Infirmary and called away Marie Parrott, of Harrells, Ala. Her suffering was intense but she bore it bravely, and remained cheerful to the end. She was just in the bloom of life when God in His infinite wisdom called her hither.

She was a devoted Christian, a loving daughter and an earnest worker for the Master. Sunshine and cheerfulness followed her through life. She was a member of Oak Grove Baptist Church. The church and community suffered great loss by her death.
L. C. DeWitt.

NELSON.—On the night of March 12, after a lingering illness, Sister Lucy C. Nelson passed from earth to her eternal reward. Born fifty-seven years ago at Cross Roads, Miss., she was left an orphan at an early age and received her early training from her foster mother, Miss Caroline Childress, who brought her at the age of ten to Shell Banks, Baldwin County, where she resided to the time of her death. On August 16, 1866, she was married to Bro. J. D. Nelson. As a result of this union, there were born to them five sons and three daughters, all of whom survive her save the youngest son.

Professing faith in her Saviour in August, 1870, she joined the Shell Banks Baptist church and through all the years that followed remained a devoted, consistent member, and died in the triumph of Christian faith. Her loss is felt, not only by the disconsolate family, but the entire church and community, who extend to the grief-stricken ones their deepest sympathy. God's blessings upon them.
Pastor.

PARROTT.—Whereas, Our faithful and diligent Sunday school secretary, Miss Marie Parrott, has been taken from us through the providence of an allwise God, he is resolved

First, That we greatly miss her from the number of our regular attendants.

Second, That we extend heart-felt sympathy to those close to her by earthly ties.

Third, That we commend the bereaved ones to the care of a loving Father and the healing touch of our ever-curing Physician.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be put upon our Sunday school records, one sent to the family, also one to the Alabama Baptist.

Mrs. Daughdrill,
Mrs. J. W. Howie,
Mrs. M. Fuller,
Committee.

Oak Grove Baptist Sunday School.

HAWTHORNE.—The announcement of the death of Dr. Hawthorne carried sadness to the heart of many. His friends, the poor and oppressed, all are poorer today because of his untimely taking away. There was nothing sordid in his nature. It was never a question with him whether he would be remunerated for his services, but whether he could relieve the suffering.

The religious services were conducted from the Baptist Church by Dr. Ramsey and Brother Kramer. Dr. H. was converted and joined the church under the preaching of Brother Kramer. The last rites were performed at the grave by the K. of P., and the beautiful flowers that decked his bier, showed the affectionate regard in which he was held in the community, and if every one for whom he had done a kindness had brought to his grave one flower, he would be sleeping now beneath a mountain as sweet and pure as was his own life. His life was spent in doing good for others. Blessed are the merciful.
A True Friend.

BROWN.—Richard Brown was born July 21, 1825. He professed religion when about twenty-one years of age and joined Mt. Moriah Baptist Church. He lived a consistent Christian life. He was not a member of Mt. Moriah Church by the time, but was a member of that Church when he died. He served in the Confederate war and made a good soldier. His last wife survives him. He died January 15, 1904.
Joseph Bibb, J. N. Hays,
Committee.

FORTENBERY.—Whereas it has pleased almighty God in His infinite wisdom to remove from our midst our beloved and affectionate sister, Mary Fortenbery, and whereas in her death our church and society have lost one of their best, brightest and purest Christian workers, be it resolved

That we extend to her bereaved family our warmest and tenderest sympathy.

Why should we mourn the death of such a Christian? Why should we indulge in such tears of gloom? While we deeply feel her loss, it is only a step from earthly to heavenly shores where mystic rivers and phantom seas forever bound, where visions of love course through the crystal paths of eternity. Blessed are they who die in the service of the Master. May we, as Christians and Society members, follow the example of our beloved sister, and when we are called to lie down on the cold, icy arms of death, may we all be winged through the spacious paths of eternity and be guided by the golden scepter to the celestial throne of God, where there will be no more parting, no more goodbyes; where there will be endless Sabbath of glory and praise where we will hear the joyful shouts and songs of Glory to God in the highest, peace on earth and good will toward men.

Calmly relying on the Lord she has met. A welcome tomb never to regret; The harps are ringing, the music fills her ear. Millions have been waiting to welcome her there.
Pinson, Ala. Mrs. Dora Robinson.

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ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE.

A conference of the members of the Anti-Saloon League held at the Baptist Tabernacle, Tuesday, the 19th, resulted in three enthusiastic meetings in the cause of temperance.

The morning session was called to order by Rev. Dr. John F. Purser, after which Dr. E. E. Folk, of Nashville, offered prayer. Dr. A. C. Ward then delivered a graceful address of welcome to the visiting delegates; Dr. A. R. Holderby, of Atlanta, was elected chairman and Dr. James Connors, of Virginia, Secretary.

"The Anti-Saloon League, what it is What it Proposes to Do and How it Proposes to Do It" was the first subject discussed. Ways and means for an active campaign in the interests of temperance were discussed by Revs. Dr. Baker, of Ohio; Rev. Dr. Folk, of Tennessee, and Rev. A. J. Hughes, of Georgia. Rev. H. H. Proctor, of Atlanta, colored, was called upon and expressed great sympathy with a movement that promised to benefit his people.

Rev. Dr. Cannon of Virginia, opened the afternoon session with prayer and the topic up was "Will League Methods Work Well in the South?" Rev. Dr. Cannon then told of the great things that had already been accomplished in his State within three years. Rev. Dr. Young followed with more facts and figures showing what had been accomplished in Kentucky, while Rev. Vernon Panson, of South Carolina spoke of the situation in South Carolina. Rev. W. B. Crumpton, of Alabama, and Rev. Dr. Barker, of Ohio, also spoke.

At the session Wednesday Rev. A. R. Holderby acting as chairman. Prayer was offered by Rev. A. J. Hughes, superintendent Georgia Prohibition Association. Speeches on the progress of the anti-saloon movement were made by representatives from Louisiana, Virginia, Tennessee, Kentucky, Georgia, and Ohio.

A movement was set on foot for the organization of a Georgia Anti-Saloon League. It took definite shape in the appointment of a committee to take in hand all the preliminary steps for the organization, which contemplates addresses in the principal churches early in the month of May by representatives of the Anti-Saloon League from other states, and a mass meeting in Atlanta in May or June, in which permanent officers will be elected and the movement against the saloons will be fully launched.

The committee to arrange the preliminaries is as follows:

Rev. Dr. A. R. Holderby and Rev. Dr. T. P. Cleveland, of the Presbyterian Church; Rev. Dr. J. E. White and Rev. Dr. A. C. Ward of the Baptist Church; Rev. W. O. Butler and Rev. A. J. Hughes, of the Methodist Church and J. W. Wills and J. B. Richards of Atlanta.

WHAT PRAYER DID FOR A B. Y. P. U.

One Sunday afternoon in November of 1903, a small number of young people met at one of the Baptist Churches in Alabama and reorganized a B. Y. P. U. In January, the Union was still

small and had not done very much. It was then that the female members decided to organize a "girls' prayer meeting." This organization consisted of some eight or ten girls, who met at a certain home every Wednesday afternoon and asked God's blessing upon their Union. In their prayer they always asked God to help them, to make this Union large in both numbers and spirit, to make it a training school for young Christians, and to save the souls of those members who had not yet known the sweetness of being a child of Christ.

I will not attempt to describe these sweet little prayer meetings; but will just say that the hearts of these girls were made glad; first, by seeing a number of conversions, several of which took place in the prayer meeting; second, by seeing the rapid growth of the Union. From the very time these meetings began the B. Y. P. U. commenced to grow. Before the following spring they had an enrollment of seventy-six, and about twenty of this number who would lead the Union, lead in prayer and make interesting and instructive talks on the lesson. This Union is still a strong one and I believe that those prayers made it what it is. Mazie Wylie.

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Chancellor R. B. Kelly, of Anniston, who was attacked suddenly with appendicitis last week in this city and was carried to St. Vincent Hospital, was able to leave that institution Thursday morning, though yet quite weak. It was decided not to operate on the patient, and recovery was rapid.

Notice.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Axie J. Pearson, deceased, on the 6th day of April, 1904, in Probate Court of Jefferson county, Alabama. This is, therefore, to notify all persons holding claims against said estate to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

DAVID S. BROOKS,
Administrator.
4-26-4t

Notice of Final Settlement.
The State of Alabama, Jefferson County, Probate Court, 19th day April, 1904. Estate of T. P. Sanford, deceased.

This day came E. N. Hamill, administrator of the estate of T. P. Sanford, deceased, and filed his account, vouchers, evidences and statement for a final settlement of the same. It is ordered that the 19th day of May, 1904, be appointed a day for making such settlement at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.
J. P. STILES,
Judge of Probate

Notice of Final Settlement.
The State of Alabama, Jefferson County, Probate Court, 16th day April, 1904. Estate of Will B. Brazleton, deceased.

This day came E. Dupont Thompson, administrator of the estate of Will B. Brazleton and filed his account, vouchers, evidences and statement for a final settlement of the same. It is ordered that the 11th day of May, 1904, be appointed a day for making such settlement at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.
J. P. STILES,
Judge of Probate.

Notice of Appointment to be Published by Administrator or Executor.

Estate of Mary L. Griffin, deceased. Probate Court.

Letters of administration on the estate of said deceased, having been granted to the undersigned on the 26th day of March, 1904, by the Hon. J. P. Stiles, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson county, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate, are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or the same will be barred.

DYER N. TALLEY,
Administrator.
4-26-3t

Order of Publication.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County, City Court of Birmingham, in Chancery. No. 3643. Bell Farrow, Complainant, vs. Mathew Farrow, Defendant.

In this cause it being made to appear to the Judge of this court in term time by the affidavit of Joseph E. Tate, solicitor for complainant, that the defendant, Mathew Farrow, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and further, that, in the belief of said affiant, the defendant is over the age of 21 years. It is therefore ordered that publication be made in the Alabama Baptist, a newspaper published in Jefferson county, Alabama, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring him, the said Mathew Farrow, to answer, plead or demur to the Bill of Complaint in this cause by the 31st day of May, 1904, or after thirty days therefrom a decree pro confesso may be taken against him.
CHAR. A. SENN,
Judge of the City Court of Birmingham.
This the 21st day of April, 1904.

Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of a sale contained in a certain mortgage, executed by T. E. Cunningham and Rachel Cunningham, on the 6th day of March, 1902, to the undersigned Mortgagee, L. V. Vines to secure the debt therein named, which said mortgage was recorded in vol. 310, page 34, of Records of Deeds in the office of Probate Court of Jefferson county, Alabama, and default in the payment of said debt therein described having been made, the undersigned Mortgagee, L. V. Vines, in accordance with the terms of said mortgage, will on Saturday the 28th day of May, 1904, before the Court House door of Jefferson county, Alabama, offer for sale and proceed to sell within the legal hours of sale at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, the following described real estate situated in Jefferson county, Alabama, to wit:

The north $\frac{1}{2}$ of south-west $\frac{1}{4}$ of south-east $\frac{1}{4}$, in Sec. 15, township 18, Range 5; except three (3) acres on east side, and except mineral interest situated in Jefferson county, Alabama, being the property described and conveyed in the above mentioned mortgage.

J. M. RUSSELL, L. V. VINES,
Attorney, Mortgagee.

Personal

Rev. A. J. Diaz was not elected to the Cuban Congress.

Rev. G. W. Harrison's postoffice address is now Goshen, Alabama.

Rev. A. B. Campbell, D. D., has moved from Perry to Parrott, Ga.

We welcome Rev. Marion Briscoe back home. His address is Butler, Alabama.

Rev. P. S. Henson, D. D., is preaching to crowded houses at Tremont Temple, Boston.

On account of the health of his wife, Rev. M. P. Hunt has moved to Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Rev. M. B. Wharton, of Alabama, will preach the commencement sermon for Brenau College, Ga., May 22.

H. A. Wolfsohn, the noted Baptist singer, is now engaged in business at Denton, Texas.

Rev. L. R. Christee of Valdosta is helping Rev. Pastor John D. Jordan of Savannah in a meeting.

Rev. P. S. Henson will have as his assistant at Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass., Rev. C. W. Parker.

Dr. Henry Miller leaves the church at Aiken, S. C., to take charge of the Church at Tifton, Ga.

We regret to learn that Chancellor R. B. Kelley of Anniston is suffering with a severe attack of appendicitis.

Rev. J. R. Wells of Talladega, called at the office last week, during our absence. We regret that we missed him.

Bro. W. G. Hubbard, of Williford, writes that he failed to go to the Sunday school Convention at Jerusalem on account of bad health.

Rev. Louis B. Warren, pastor of the Baptist Church, Ocala, Florida, has been called to the church at Corsicana, Texas.

Rev. E. C. J. Dickens, formerly editor of the Baptist Observer at Greensburg, Ind., has been quite sick since his return to his Georgia home.

We are glad to know that W. W. Gaines, of Atlanta, Ga., is convalescing from an attack of typho-malarial fever. Brother Gaines is an enthusiastic B. Y. P. U. worker.

Rev. Myron Cooley has retired from editorial control of the Pacific Baptist, published at Portland, Oregon, and is succeeded by Rev. J. A. Clarke, from Connecticut.—Central Baptist.

Rev. Robert Jones, who has been connected with the Stanton High School will return to Birmingham and issue The Youth's Friend from here.

Rev. P. G. Maness' church at Abercrombie has ordered a full set of first-class opera chairs to seat the church building with.

Rev. W. J. E. Cox, pastor of the St. Francis Street Church, Mobile, is assisting Rev. J. E. Foster in a meeting at the Parker Memorial Church, Anniston, Ala.

Rev. John E. White, pastor of the Second Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga., will preach the Commencement sermon of Mercer University on Sunday, June the fifth.

Evangelist Paul Price, of Urbana, Ohio, finished the winter's work at the Second Church, Wilmington, Delaware, on March 25, and opened for the spring at Broadus Memorial, Richmond, Virginia, March 27. From there he goes to the First Church at Shelbyville, Tennessee, and thence to the Third Church Nashville.—Examiner.

The series of meetings being held at the West End Baptist Church, Atlanta, by Dr. J. L. White are proving successful in every way and are attracting large congregations. On Wednesday evening sixteen accessions were made to the church and the interest in the meetings is at a high pitch.

Last week in boarding an Atlantic and Birmingham passenger train at Cordele Rev. P. A. Jessup of Tifton, 55 years old, a well known South Georgia Baptist Minister, slipped and broke his left leg below the knee. At the time of the accident Brother Jessup supposed that he had just bruised his leg. He was assisted on the car by a porter and the train left. Before it had gotten five miles out of the city he was in such pain that he was carried back home.

The First Church of Dawson has just closed one of the best meetings in its history. Pastor J. M. Long was assisted by Dr. John F. Purser, of Atlanta. The meeting continued for ten days, and Dr. Purser preached three times each day. Every store in the city, including the dispensary, closed for an hour to attend the morning service. The church was greatly revived and strengthened, and twenty-six were added to its membership by baptism and one by letter. Dr. Purser made a fine impression on the people, and it goes without saying, that both church and pastor are happy.—Christian Index.

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I had studied the Gospels until I knew them by heart, and located as nearly as I might every act of that Divine One who came on earth to save mankind. It was necessary for me to restore the temple of Jerusalem in order that I might place the Child Jesus there. To do this properly I had to study the Talmud of the Jews, as well as the Old Testament, and examine the ruins of the ancient buildings found beneath modern Jerusalem. To understand the life of Jesus, it is requisite to grasp the civilization of the Jews of His time. All of this I have tried to put into my pictures. Over and over again I visited each sanctified spot. I wandered along the banks of the Jordan and saw the spot where John had baptized his Master. I walked around the shores of Lake Tiberias seeking those rocks from which, tradition said, Christ had preached. I saw the spot where Peter's boat had been moored, and at last understood why He had "gone up into the boat to preach," for the shore was so level that there was no elevation from which Jesus could have spoken.

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Notice of Report of Insolvency.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County, Probate Court.

Mary L. Griffin, deceased, estate of. This day came Dyer M. Talley, administrator of said estate, and filed his statements and report, setting forth that said estate is insolvent and praying that it may be so decreed. It is ordered that the 25th day of May, 1904, be appointed a day for hearing and determining the same. It is further ordered that notice of the filing of said report and of the day set for hearing thereof be given by publication once a week for three successive weeks in the Alabama Baptist, a newspaper published in this county, notifying all persons in interest to appear and contest the same if they think proper.

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The State of Alabama, Jefferson County, In Chancery, City Court of Birmingham.

Jennie Oliver vs. A. S. Oliver.

In this cause it being made to appear to the Judge of this Court, in term time, by the affidavit of J. M. Russell, agent of Complainant, that the Defendant, A. S. Oliver, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama, and resides in the State of Georgia, and further, that in the belief of said Affiant, the Defendant is over the age of 21 years, it is therefore ordered that publication be made in the Alabama Baptist, a newspaper published in the City of Birmingham, Ala., once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring him, the said A. S. Oliver, to answer or demur to the Bill of Complaint in this cause by the 14th day of May, 1904, or after thirty days therefrom a decree Pro Confesso may be taken against him.

This 6th day of April, 1904.

O. W. FERGUSON,
Judge of the City Court of Birmingham.
RUSSELL & LEWIS,
Attorneys for Complainant.

Order of Publication.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County, Christopher C. Steward vs. Maggie W. Steward.

No. 3103. In Chancery at Birmingham, Alabama, Fifth District, Northwestern Chancery Division of Alabama.

In this cause it being made to appear to the Register by affidavit of B. M. Allen, Agent of Complainant, that the defendant, Maggie W. Steward is a non-resident of Alabama, and resides in Bristol, State of Tennessee, and further that, in belief of said Affiant, the Defendant is of the age of twenty-one years, it is therefore ordered by the Register that publication be made in the Alabama Baptist, a newspaper published in the City of Birmingham, Alabama, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring her, the said Maggie W. Steward, to answer or demur to the bill of complaint in this cause by the 22nd day of May, 1904, or in thirty days thereafter a decree pro confesso may be taken against Maggie W. Steward.

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