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Home News

More than 1,400 bills were passed during the present session of Congress. The estimate of the total amount carried by the supply bills is \$597,862,324. These figures will be subject to slight changes.

Mrs. Mary G. Coulter, a clubwoman of Ogden, Utah, will not be allowed to make an address at the biennial convention of the National Federation of Women's Clubs at St. Louis because she voted for Smoot while a member of the last Legislature.

The Exposition at St. Louis was opened on April 30. The attendance was estimated at 200,000, a larger number than attended the opening of the World's Fair in Chicago. The President in Washington City touched a button and set the machinery in motion. President D. R. Francis made the address of the occasion.

The report of Captain Cowles, of the Missouri, shows the courage of the men and officers after the explosion in the gun turret even more clearly than the press dispatches. Not a man failed to do his duty, and though there was imminent danger of a further explosion, which would destroy the ship and cost the life of every seaman, not a man fled from his duty.

St. Louis, May 4.—The executive committee of the National Liberty party today completed arrangements for holding a national convention here on July 4. The party is composed of negroes throughout the country and it is stated the convention will nominate candidates for president and vice-president. It is expected that 2,500 delegates will attend.

Chicago, May 6.—Better education of negro ministers has been declared imperative by Bishop James A. Handy, of Baltimore, addressing the African Methodist Episcopal Conference. He said: "An ignorant ministry cannot preach to an educated pew, and unless the ministers of today keep ahead of the army of colored boys who are swarming out of the schools they will soon be out of their jobs."

Las Vegas, N. M., May 6.—The drought, which has been exceedingly severe in New Mexico, is broken. Several showers have just occurred and the clouds are still heavy. The stock situation is said to be saved. Reports from Clayton tell of heavy rains there also.

Prior to these showers less than half an inch of rain or snow had fallen during the last eleven months.



DR. S. C. MITCHELL, RICHMOND, VA.

Dr. Mitchell, Professor of History in Richmond College, whose address appears on another page, is taking a leading part in the Educational Campaign being carried on in the South.

A Nickel for the Lord.

Yesterday he wore a rose on the lapel of his coat, but today when the plate was passed he gave a nickel to the Lord. He had several bills in his pocket and sundry change, perhaps a dollar's worth, but he hunted about, and finding this poor little nickel, he laid it on the plate to aid the church militant in its fight against the world, the flesh and the devil. His silk hat was beneath the seat, and his gloves and cane were beside it, and the nickel was on the plate—a whole nickel.

On Sunday afternoon he met a friend, and together they had some refreshments. The cash register stamped thirty-five cents on the slip the boy presented to him. Peeling off a bill he handed it to the lad, and gave him a nickel when he brought back the change. A nickel for the Lord and a nickel for the waiter!

And the man had his shoes polished on Saturday afternoon and handed out a dime without a murmur. He had a shave and paid 15 cents with equal alacrity. He took a box of candies home to his wife and paid forty cents for them, and the box was tied with a dainty bit of ribbon. Yes, and he gave a nickel to the Lord.

Who is this Lord?

Who is He? Why, the man worships him as Creator of the universe, the one who puts the stars in order, and by whose immutable decree the heavens stand. Yes, he does, and he dropped a nickel in to support the church militant.

And what is the church militant?

The church militant is the church that represents upon earth the triumphant church of the great God.

And the man knew that he was but an atom in space, and he knew that the Almighty was without limitations, and knowing this he put his hand in his pocket, and picked out the nickel and gave it to the Lord.

And the Lord being gracious, and slow to anger, and knowing our frame, did not slay the man for the meanness of his offering, but gives him this day his daily bread.

But the nickel was ashamed, if the man was not.

The nickel hid beneath a quarter that was given by a poor woman who washes for a living.—G. F. Raymond, in the Toronto Star.

Foreign News

Officers of the general staff say that the landing of the Japanese army on the peninsular and the investment of Port Arthur clarify the military situation.

Lieutenant General Stoessel will have supreme command at Port Arthur. He is described as a high class commander. His recent proclamations show that he is imbued with a determination to hold Port Arthur until the last man is killed.

It was because he was convinced that Port Arthur was about to be cut off that Viceroy Alexieff, accompanied by his staff and Grand Duke Boris, left hastily. On Thursday several train loads of sick and wounded ineffectives were despatched northward.

President Loubet of France has arrived at Rome on a visit to King Victor Emmanuel of Italy, and was given a grand ovation by the public. The journey from the railway station to the Quirinal gave every evidence of a triumphal march.

Vice Admiral Skrydloff and Vice Admiral Bezobrazoff cannot now reach Port Arthur and will probably go to Vladivostock to join the cruiser squadron there. Rear Admiral Wittsoeff, who was left in charge of the fleet by Vice Admiral Alexieff, will direct operations at Port Arthur.

Despite the greater number of Japanese the general staff believes that their formidable fortifications still give the defensive superiority with the Russians whose staying qualities, it is confident, will insure their holding out as long as necessary.

St. Petersburg, May 6.—The Ministry of War has received the following telegram from Major General Pflug, chief of the military staff:

"According to the information I have received, seven of the enemy's transports, and afterwards about forty, appeared opposite Pitsewo the evening of May 4.

St. Petersburg, May 7.—A dispatch received last night says that Port Arthur is cut off from all communication by land, the Japanese having disembarked in its rear, occupied the railroad and cut off the telegraph.

Vice Admiral Skrydloff, who is en route to Port Arthur to take command of the naval forces in the Far East, will be unable to reach his destination.

President Ogden's Address.

We give some paragraphs from the able address of President Robt. C. Ogden of New York at the Seventh Annual Conference for Education in the South, held at Birmingham last week.

At the first meeting in July, 1898, the conference made the following assertion by resolution: "Upon the principle that if one member of our union of States suffer all the members suffer with it, the duty of the whole country to foster education in every part is manifest." In June, 1899, the conference recorded the opinion: "That the education of the white race in the South is the pressing and imperative need, and the noted achievements of the Southern commonwealth in the creation of the common school systems for both races deserve * * * the sympathetic recognition of the country and of the world at large. In April, 1901, the conference reaffirmed its conviction that the overshadowing and supreme public need of our time as we pass the threshold of a new century is the education of the children of all the people. We declare such education to be the foremost task of our statesmanship and the most worthy object of philanthropy." In April, 1902, the declarations of the conference opened with the words: "The unending campaign that this conference met to further is a campaign not only for the free education of all the people but for free education of such efficiency as shall make the coming generation of citizens of the Southern States the best trained men and women that an enlightened democracy can produce."

The Southern Educational Board, the eldest child of the conference, is now in the third year of continuous and earnest activity. It appeals by many methods to the people and educational authorities of the various States for an improvement of all conditions of public instruction—an organized propaganda, inspired by a zeal for the uplifting of the whole people physically, mentally, spiritually, through the beneficent proffer of education.

"Associated with the Southern Board through a community of membership, is the General Education Board, only a few months younger. From the office of this Board a constant investigation of local and state conditions of institutions of every class is going forward. It is already quite important to every worthy institution seeking private aid to be registered in the office of the general Education Board. Increasingly as the public understands the intelligence and justice that mark all its statements is the value of its endorsement prized by both the donors and recipients. The Board has a national charter under which to administer such funds as may come to it for distribution.

These two Boards are unique in character, original in forms of organization peculiar in both the necessary division of responsibility and the unity of the work to be done. At some points each is vital to the other and again each has responsibility that the other could not discharge.

"While the conference is exceedingly simple its membership voluntary and

unconditional, its policy broad and liberal, it should, because of its powerful influence, be considered very seriously. In a very actual sense it is a dynamo and storage battery, unseen but potent, imparting power to many official, institutional and individual agencies that working in sympathy and harmony are creating greater educational light with the people at large and generally improved educational conditions.

"Quite appropriate it is to notice that this conference is very strong because of its very slight constitutional basis, and extremely simple official life. Truly of it may be said, 'the letter killeth but the spirit maketh alive.' With no creed but that of social service, with no condition of fellowship save that 'whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant,' with no small detail to distract from devotion to an object so evidently grand as to require no argument to any noble mind; its simplicity is wisdom, its weakness, strength. While I make explanatory statements as to the rationale of the conference I make no argument for its right to exist. Such argument would but feed wilfully blind prejudice and thus would defeat itself.

"Credit for the original suggestion that created the conference belongs to a New England clergyman, the inspiration came from the Lake Mohonk Indian conference. The quick approval, cordial response and personal co-operation from many southern statesmen, clergymen and educators is spontaneous evidence that the demand had a basis in fact.

"The Rt. Rev. Thomas U. Dudley, the Protestant Episcopal bishop of Kentucky, was the first president, and the Hon. J. L. M. Curry of Alabama, was his successor. The Hon. William L. Wilson, president, and members of the faculty of Washington and Lee University; professors from the University of Virginia; representatives from various institutions for both races, principally in Virginia and North Carolina, with a few northern friends, made up the earlier membership. The executive work needed for the creation of the conference was performed by Dr. Frissell, but it is quite likely that its survival of the Capon Springs period was entirely due to the earnestness, frankness, comprehensive grasp of conditions, and masterful presentation of facts by Dr. Curry and President W. L. Wilson. A few of the hearers were so deeply impressed that when the crises of changed conditions appeared it was resolved by certain persons that the conference must live—and it has lived, without the aid of an incubator.

From these great leaders our earlier lessons were learned. They were men of plain speech. We would hardly care follow in their train with description of illiteracy, the limited facilities for popular education, the educational apathy of a large portion of the people, the small public resources and the consequent intellectual decline. Equally frank were they in stating the causes of the conditions—slavery, the poverty resulting from the sacrifices of war, the disintegration consequent upon recon-

struction measures which General Armstrong has epitomized as a "bridge of wood over a river of fire," the exacting demands of economic reorganization, the universal strain of labor for livelihood; the various questions presented by the presence of two races under peculiar conditions, strangely separated, but curiously united in the same civilization.

The emphatic statements in the first convocations of conditions and causes lead clearly to the conclusion that this conference for education was called into existence by the needs of a situation peculiar to the South.

Dr. William DeWitt Hyde said last year at Boston. "Throughout the South, under the wise guidance of the Southern Education Board with the judicious aid of the General Education Board, and mainly through the heroic efforts of the Southern men and women, themselves, a movement is going on which has all the enthusiasm, diversified agencies, the massing of forces, the raising and expenditure of money, the distribution of literature, the organization of conferences, the utilization of the press, which mark a great political campaign. Out of this united effort are coming increased appropriations by the States, a great extension of local taxation, improved school houses, consolidated schools, great free summer schools for teachers, improved courses, lengthened terms, higher salaries, better teaching, expert supervision. This is the most hopeful feature of the educational progress of the year and at the meeting of the National Educational Association in New England here in this city of the Puritans it is an especial privilege to award the well earned palm of greatest educational progress during the year to the splendid labors of our brothers and sisters of the South."

An explanation of the life of this conference would be deficient and misleading if it failed to recognize that the conference owes much of its continued growth and broadening influence to the sympathy and support of the higher institutions of learning. The great universities and some of the leading colleges of the North have been represented in the membership year by year and the higher institutions of learning in the South have been constant and generous in their sympathetic aid, but the conference is not merely an organization of educators. It is a popular body. Business men and professional men, public spirited citizens, patriotic women, good people of various stations in life attend the meetings in such numbers that no buildings used for the sessions in the several cities that have thus far made the conference welcome have been equal to the audiences desiring to attend it. It is therefore unique. Associations for the promotion of local public interest in education or in some special study are not rare.

The ordinary citizen has a duty to perform in respect of public intelligence. Democracy is a social organization. Political liberty demands a solemn surrender to social service. No man rightly understands the truth of democracy until he recognizes its de-

mands for the greatest nobility of self-sacrifice. True democracy is Christlike; its essence is that of charity and love, it suffereth long and is kind; envieth not; vaunteth not itself; seeketh not its own, is not easily provoked. It has been said, by whom I know not, that the greatest American failure is found in the lack of civic self-sacrifice; that the greatest American success is the development of certain individuals of the highest type and the greatest American hope is that the body politic may rise even by the slow process of social evolution toward the ideals presented by these individuals.

It is the duty of a conference to confer. This convocation will fall far short of its opportunity if the several representative groups of citizens assembled fail to get a more accurate conception of mutual relations and responsibilities in respect of public education, and especially of rural public education in the South. To be more direct I would say to my brother men, men of my own group—business men, men in trade, manufacturing, transportation, finance, that we especially have lessons to learn at this conference. As a rule we have not cared to be informed upon our civic duties. In more than one sense we have considered ignorance the synonym of bliss. To educators and educational officials we have been too much content to leave the whole question of public educational responsibility. Too apt we are to pay our taxes with reluctant tardiness after swearing down an appraised valuation, thus justifying the satire that in so doing we exercise the highest and most sacred right of citizenship.

The question often arises unbidden, "Why should I pay taxes for the education of other people's children?" The question suppressed begets degradation of spiritual life even though it holds the mirror of truth to personal meanness. The question uttered is less ignoble, for only error born of ignorance would inspire expression to the thought. Perversity is more blameworthy than ignorance. How true the epigram coined by one of our number, "ignorance cures nothing." Whatever the cause, brutality or vagrancy, for opposition to taxation for education the result is the same, intellectual race suicide.

The aristocracy of education has passed. The importance of the average citizen is more than ever apparent as the experiment of our democracy proceeds in its evolution. Not the least present evidence of this fact is the appeal of this conference to the business men and the chance here given him to get a broader and better definition of democracy. And there is something beyond this. If the statement already made concerning the higher education to business is true the indication is plain that scholarship recognizing the sentiment born of the social and economic forces of the present age is holding forth the right hand of fellowship to business. Time was when soldiers and ecclesiastics furnished the majority of the people's heroes but the time is now when captains of industry, masters of finance, creators of communication and transportation will supply the men whom the people delight to honor.

The Present Condition in the South: Evolution or Revolution, Which?

(An address delivered in Birmingham Ala., April 27th, before the Conference of Education, by Prof. S. C. Mitchell, Ph. D., of Richmond College.)

Since the last meeting of this Conference, in Richmond, certain alignments in the South have become definite; cleavages have become clear; tendencies have become personified. Certain forces hitherto apologetic, if not secretive, have come boldly to the front. A year ago Southern opinion was still in solution; since then it has been precipitated. What was once deemed the radical notion of an irresponsible person here and there has recently headed up in public addresses State elections and representative officials. Yesterday we were all moving together as a mass down the high road, no one knowing exactly whither; today we stand at the parting of the ways. Facing thus the forks of the road as Hercules of old, let us listen to the alluring spirits that would fain tempt us to take this or that prong. Whither do these ways diverge? What of the paths and their reputed destinations? The answer to these questions will perhaps best show the tremendous significance of the present educational campaign.

I. REVOLUTION.

Vardamanism is a new word for an old thing. Issues are never clear until they become concrete, become embodied in a person. Vardamanism has grasped the helm in Mississippi. Explanations and extenuating circumstances, I am aware, are offered to account for his ascendancy, but brushing these aside for the moment, it remains true that Major Vardaman is the Governor of my native State. Not only so, but Vardamanism may be expected to make its appearance in each of the Southern States in turn. Indeed, in some of them it is already present in considerable strength. Witness Senator Gorman in Maryland, Senator Tillman in South Carolina and Mr. John Temple Graves in Georgia. And furthermore, in the fullness of time these widely diffused forces may come to a head in some man of Titanic personality; some man combining with precise purpose, deep conviction, and firm will the fanatic zeal of a Peter the Hermit; a man who will force the race issue to the front and who will give national cohesion and crusading fervor to his followers. When this electric connection is complete between the reactionary forces in each of the Southern States, when this Alaric has appeared, then "the hurly burly's done."

You will not, I am sure, misunderstand my use of the names of these gentlemen. I do so simply to abbreviate and make concrete the definition to which I refer. These names have for me no more personal feeling than do the algebraic X Y Z to the mind of the mathematician. They stand for an attitude of mind toward the supreme question of racial adjustment in the South. Each of them would, no doubt, differentiate his own position; one holding the policy of disfranchisement, another the policy of ignorance, another the policy of deportation, and still another the policy of extermination. Differ how-

er as these men may in method, yet they would all alike deny the negro education and in general repress him. In essence they deny not so much that they are their brother's keeper as that they are their brother's brother. Under no circumstances would I misrepresent the position of these Southern leaders; for leaders they are, and I have no disposition to understate their influence upon the public mind nor the integrity of character upon which such influence may be based. But enough of characterization, for in this case there is no need to ask "what's in a name."

These gentlemen stand for something for something clearcut, for something that appeals to racial instincts, sectional prejudices and partisan passions. That there are potential forces back of these men, no one can doubt. The import of the burning of human beings, even women, calls for no commentary. The ghastly acts of too many mobs, both North and South, disclose the hidden magazines of passion that may some day be fired by a single spark. A spark! We may rather surely count upon the advent of a fire brand. When once these harsh and heartless purposes become embodied in such an Alaric, then you have the rudiments of a situation from which my mind instinctively turns away. Then will begin the reign of the rifle, rope and stake. Heaven avert such a doom! But both courage and prudence dictate that we shall face the facts without either blushing or blanching. Forewarned is forearmed. "Sire," said Turgot, prophetically to Louis XVI. even seventeen years before the fall of the fatal knife "Sire, it was weakness that brought the head of Charles I. to the block."

Of course, I acquit these gentlemen wholly of any motive to bring about the results thus boded. They act from patriotic motives. They would give their lives as quickly as you or I to serve their country. Yet they seem to be under the influence of a ruling passion. The essential difference between these divergent forces lies rather in temperament, judgment, prophetic instinct; a difference in spirit rather than in satcraft. They have confidence in might; we have confidence in right. They trust to coercion; we trust to growth. They feel only the superiority of the Saxon. We, recognizing the responsibility which this fact implies, feel more keenly the spirit of service. They act from motives of self-preservation; we insist that you cannot save the soul unless you save the society that environs the soul. They find the warrant for their course in the manifest destiny of the Saxon; we in the eradicable sense of human brotherhood.

From even this brief parley we may confidently expect that the inquiring Hercules will not take this road. "Whither," he asks does the other fork lead, and what the chances attending it?"

II. EVOLUTION.

This is the road of racial adjustment through sympathy, intelligence and mutual helpfulness. Knowing that the negro is human, we believe that he is improvable. Knowing the resourcefulness of the Saxon, we believe that his sagacity and sense of justice will enable him to cope successfully with even this cru-

cial situation. The challenge to the Saxon, as to Queen Esther, is: "Who knoweth whether thou art not come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"

The final issue lies in the relative strength of these two forces. Need I call the roll of the forces on the side of conciliation and progress? Forces which are impressively represented by this gathering, forces which find expression in the educational revival now taking place in each of the Southern States, forces which are led by such statesmen as Governor Montague of Virginia, Governor Aycock of North Carolina.

The destiny of the South, eye of the nation, is in the balance. Which of the two groups is the stronger? To whom is the ultimate triumph? By evolution we can prevent revolution. Danger lurks in indifference, in ultra-conservatism, in reaction. What reserves of power can we summon against reaction? I answer, the people. Born in the blackest of the black belt; living my entire life in the bosom of the South; loving my people with a devotion second to that of no Southerner; loyal to all that is good and beautiful in the traditions of the South, in whose cause my father battled under General Forrest, I can say with unflinching confidence that the better judgment of the South revolts from these harsh and heartless proposals of reaction. The Southern people are friendly to the negro; they know his strength as well as his weakness; they wish to do well by him in spite of difficulties; they are nerved in this high resolve by a sense of responsibility for his presence here, by a consciousness of superiority which is touched by the appeal of the weaker party, by a knowledge that a wrong done reacts upon the doer, by a chivalry that befriends the friendless, and finally by the stirrings of a divine instinct which trusts implicitly to the triumph of light and love. "Love never faileth."

The sole reliance then is the nobler purposes of our people. How can we energize these purposes? I answer, in three ways. (1) The church. (2) The press. (3) The school. A word as to each of these.

THE CHURCH.

Happily, the religious spirit is strong in the South. The church is to the community what the hearth is to the home. Denominational zeal is quick. The Southern preacher is well known in every good word and work. Here are potential forces. May we not expect that these powerful denominations will come to see that their chief home mission work is to moralize the nine millions of blacks dwelling among us and affecting our very vital interest. To this near and necessary task we must persuade the home mission societies to give the major portion of their strength bringing to this work the trained sagacity of the specialist, the treasured experience of the statesman. I look for tremendous results from renewed endeavor for the religious betterment of the blacks. To this end plans are already forming, as we know, in certain influential religious bodies.

THE PRESS.

The press of the South is guided by generous impulses. It has struggled under an obscurantism that would have blurred the vision of men less endowed.

Today the press is giving forth no uncertain sound. It craves a larger freedom, which it will be accorded. It is conservative as the delicate status of our dearest liberties demanded that it should be. But it is backed by that Saxon spirit of fair play and has wrought marvelously for the furtherance of the present educational revival. In the future an even more aggressive leadership may be expected from the press in its earnest contention for what is deemed to be the best interests of the South and of the nation. Many an editor in the South has, during these trying times shown a spirit of quiet heroism and faith that is only the more effective because not insistent of its own merit.

THE SCHOOL.

It is however to the school, the common school, that we must look for the main leverage to uplift the masses of our people in this democracy. It is to be noted that the South makes a new demand of the school. Elsewhere you seek through it economic efficiency and political character. But the school in the South must furnish forces that will conduce to racial adjustment as well as to economic efficiency and political character. All of these ends are important, but racial adjustment is the deeper nerve of Southern life.

RACIAL ADJUSTMENT IS THE CRUX OF THE SITUATION.

Since the close of Monroe's administration politics has not been the chief concern of the South. The initial energy of the South in the national cause began then to exhaust itself. The change in Calhoun's attitude from nationalization to nullification, which took place about 1825, marks an epoch in the history of America, for the transit of Calhoun's mind was due not so much to the idiosyncrasies of a particular thinker as to the exigencies of the Southern situation, which was just then beginning to be clearly discerned. The fog had lifted—or settled, if you prefer. The reason for the altered attitude toward national destiny is not far to seek. The South found itself holding the wolf by the ear, and in such a predicament had to forego any thought for less critical concerns. Every subsequent activity upon the part of the South has to be interpreted in the light of this impelling motive. Locked in the embrace of slavery with its attendant problems, the South could not give due heed to either economic or political question. In the increasing stress of the storm, mast and even helm were no longer thought of. The Missouri compromise nullification in South Carolina, the annexation of Texas, the Mexican war, the Confederacy, recently amended constitutions, all these typical issues show that the artery of Southern life has been racial. Political and economic bearing these issues have had, I grant you, but in their exciting cause they are the outcome of the existence upon the same soil of two races unlike and difficult of adjustment. In the presence of this frowning Pharaoh, race identity has, like Aaron's serpent rod, swallowed up all other issues. Politics in this section since 1825 has

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CORRESPONDENCE

Brother Crumpton's Trip Notes.

It is not often that I write Trip Notes outside of Alabama, but I took a peep at

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and must tell about it.

Of course I saw Brother Purser—his house was my home. His many friends in Alabama will be glad to know he is pleasantly situated. He is the pastor of West End Church. They worship in a handsome house and, hardby, they have erected a commodious residence for their pastor.

A meeting was in progress, the pastor being assisted by Bro. J. L. White of Macon. The prospects were good for a great revival.

No pair can be found with bigger hearts than John Purser and wife. We want them to have the best wherever they go, but they are sorely missed in Alabama.

Another great man among Alabama Baptists is here, B. D. Gray. The Home Mission Board could not have found in the bounds of the Southern Confederacy a more suitable man for Corresponding Secretary. Never did a secretary enter upon his duties under more discouraging circumstances. Death claimed two secretaries and another resigned in quick succession. The critics sharpened their pencils and began to write and the enemies of the Convention continued their dirty work; but energetically and prudently the new secretary has pressed his work and order is coming out of confusion. If he is allowed half a chance, every thoughtful man in the South will applaud the wisdom of his election to the place. Some are clamoring for the Home Board to

"DECLARE ITS POLICY."

A Board should not be shut up to a declared policy. Give it the money needed and turn it loose uninstructed, would be the wise course. The Secretary and Board should be trusted to do the best they can with conditions, as they arise. The Foreign Mission and the Sunday School Boards are treated just this way. They are not trammelled with instructions. Their work is not half so complex as that of the Home Board. Of course the Convention has the right to instruct,—no one calls that in question; but the wise men who have given their thoughts to these questions for years are far more likely to pursue the wise course without, than with instructions.

I saw Brethren Bell, of the Index, and Jemison, the Corresponding Secretary of the State Mission Board. The latter made me ashamed of myself as he talked of the immense sums Georgia Baptists hoped to give for all objects this year.

Atlanta is a great, bustling city. It makes one dizzy to look up at the "skyscrapers," of which there are probably a dozen. I saw another in course of erection, going down three stories in the earth and seventeen stories above ground.

What memories of the war came to

my mind! I was there in the days of conflict and retreat. Some day, when I am in a reminiscent mood, I may write up some of my experiences hereabouts just forty years ago. But my business in Atlanta was to attend

A CONFERENCE OF THE ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE.

I was the one lone representative from Alabama. Atlanta was overwhelmed with her own affairs, the State Primary etc., and did not know we were there. It was a small gathering, only six states represented; but it may turn out to be a great big thing, by the time the returns are all in.

A long while ago, from the little I could gather about it, I wrote the Anti-Saloon League down as the best thing in sight in the way of a temperance movement. All the friends of temperance can get on this one platform,—to oppose the saloon. Of course, where saloons do not exist, the fight is against liquor in any and every form. It is non-sectarian and non-partisan. In case a "yaller dog" sort of candidate for the legislature is nominated, committed, as they always are, to liquor legislation, the League members will feel it their duty to do what they can to have him defeated; indeed after their organization it would soon be impossible to nominate such a fellow. The League is now organized in fourteen states—most prosperous, probably, in Ohio, where they have nine strong men, giving their entire time to the work. Steps will be taken this summer to begin the organization in Alabama. A start will be made in Georgia soon and Dispensary-cursed South Carolina will wheel into line also.

THE SPEECH OF THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM ALABAMA.

"You have asked me to discuss the question of Finance. It reminds me of another occasion when I was called on for a speech. I was the agent for a great college. I went to a Teachers' Institute. The Superintendent thought I had the look of a scholar, maybe the Professor of science, so he rushed me in to fill all the gaps in the program. The first speaker, who was absent was to have discussed "Advanced Spelling." This subject was assigned to me in a few minutes after I entered the room. I told the assembled teachers that I learned in my school days to hate spelling of every sort and especially advanced spelling (I supposed that was another name for words of more than one syllable; I had never heard of it before); that I knew less about it than anything in the world. After a few eloquent strains like that, I told a war anecdote and quit. I suppose the Superintendent was pleased with my performance in the morning, for in the afternoon, I was called upon to discuss the question of "Light." I began by explaining that in the address of the morning I had made a mistake. I said I knew less about Advanced Spelling than anything else. There was one subject that outclassed that in density to me, just a little,—that was light. I only knew when it was day and when it was night.

Another war anecdote came to my rescue and my experience with Teachers' Institutes came to a close.

"You have assigned to me a subject about which I am profoundly ignorant. Passing through the Silver Campaign a few years ago, when the country was filled with teachers of finance, and failing to catch a single new idea, you know I must be a hopeless case. But I have some notions and will give them to you for what they are worth. Let me give you a bit of history first.

For twenty or thirty years I have been working more or less in Alabama to promote temperance legislation. We got almost what we asked for by petition to a Democratic legislature. We were making every good progress until the Dispensary Devil made his appearance. I confess I was woefully deceived, with thousands of others. Since then I have somewhat doubted if I was one of the elect. You know the book warns us of the perilous times when false prophets and false Christs will be abroad "seducing, if it were possible, the very elect." The liquor men seized upon the Dispensary and pressed their devilish business into the Prohibition districts. The people were tempted by the revenue from the business. Much of the territory we had won was lost, our forces were demoralized and many openly surrendered. We will now have to make a bran new start, if anything is accomplished.

I believe, from what I have read of the Anti-Saloon League, there is more hope from that than anything else. The biggest problem confronting that or any other movement is the

PROBLEM OF FINANCE.

And now I touch the subject you have assigned to me. We need a man to lead in every state. He must not be a cheap man. Too often in movements like this we go upon the idea: "Here is a place and here is a man that needs a place." A disgraceful failure always follows a policy like that. The man who is to lead must have a well equipped office on a prominent street. We must have a stenographer, he must have an abundance of literature. Neal Dow said that the Maine liquor law was only possible after the State had been sown down, knee deep, with temperance literature. Your state leader must employ men to go where he cannot go. During the sessions of the legislatures, men must be brought to the capitols to oppose anti-temperance legislation and secure the passage of temperance laws. Most of them will cheerfully contribute their time, but they should not be asked to pay their board. We can learn important lessons from "our friends, the enemy." The liquor lobby is kept up at great expense in the capitol of every State. Your State leader, if he does what you want him to do, will need money on every turn and he must have it. Give me the money needed and in five years I can revolutionize any State in this Union on the question of Temperance, and I will not use one cent corruptly. How to get the money for this purpose is the great question. I believe the right sort of man, a man of big brain and big heart, who is not afraid of work, can solve all these problems.

I stand ready to help in Alabama.

My hands are full of other work but I promise to help with all my might." W. B. C.

Now for State Missions.

My Dear Brother: Last Saturday at noon the books of the Home and Foreign Boards closed for the year. The figures show in spite of all our fears, a gratifying increase in contributions from Alabama over last year.

I am almost shouting happy over the results. I am especially gratified at the large number of country churches reporting contributions.

I am safe in saying, never before, in all our history, were so many churches represented in their gifts in any one year.

In the last few days stacks of letters were received with their small contributions and their "God bless you." I thank the Lord for every one of them.

WE HAVE NOW PASSED ANOTHER MILE POST.

We cannot stop. NOW FOR STATE MISSIONS, should be the cry.

We have contracted with Seventy Three noble men who are at work in our State. Many of them have worked unselfishly for Home and Foreign Missions, while their own salaries were unpaid. They must be now paid.

If the Board pays all its obligations, by the meeting of the Convention at Anniston, July 26th, we must have \$5,000.

This is a very small sum compared to the large amount raised for Home and Foreign Missions in the last three months.

One collection from every church will do it. Shall we not have it? I ask that this letter be read to your church and a day fixed for a collection. May heaven bless the membership in their hearts, their homes, their business and their church!

Please let me hear from you at an early date.

Fraternally,
W. B. Crumpton.

Note to the Stay-at-Homes.

Our great Convention meets in a few days (May 13th). While several thousands will go to the Convention, hundreds of thousands will stay at home. To these we give a few words.

Our people have sent increased contributions for foreign missions and we will report the largest receipts in our history. All indebtedness has been paid.

We have never had so many baptisms on the foreign field in one year.

A new work has been begun in Argentina, South America, and the Board has decided to open a mission in Persia also. We must go forward. God said, "Go ye into all the world."

Let those who stay at home, with those who meet in Nashville, all join in praising God for His blessings, and earnestly pray to Him that this may be a great Missionary Convention in deed, and that He shall guide His people into greater undertakings for His glory.

Yours fraternally,
R. J. Willingham, Cor. Sec
Richmond, Va., May 6th, 1904.

B. Y. P. U.

Let the key-word for our State B. Y. P. U. be "Go-forward."

If your Union is doing anything good tell us of it through these columns.

One aim of our work in our Unions should be to win souls for Christ.

The Alabama Baptist should go in the home of every member our State B. Y. P. U.

Shall we send a representative to the International B. Y. P. U. at Detroit, July 7-10?

Lets have fifty-two new unions during the conventional year, one for each week. Will you help?

The Key-Words for the Liberty, Mo. Convention are: "Culture," soul culture, "Organization" and "Service."

The successful business man uses "printer's ink" at a cost. We can use for profit our state work free. Send in your B. Y. P. U. notes.

Do you begin your services on time? If not you should do so. Never wait a moment. One of the best ways to make a good meeting, begin on time and quit on time.—Ex.

W. C. Knight in the Central Baptist asks: "Could not many phases of the Young People's work be discussed with profit at our 5th Sunday meetings? I think so. Bro. get the young people's work before your people."

Every church in Alabama should have a B. Y. P. U. Brother Pastor has your church one? If not why not? Joe Vesey.

WHY HAVE A B. Y. P. U.

Does an ardent worker say, "Why discuss this question? Everybody knows the value of the B. Y. P. U." But many churches in the State have no B. Y. P. U. In some an organization would not be practicable; in others it would be feasible and would give life to the whole church.

1. Have a B. Y. P. U. for the fellowship of the young people. This they will have somewhere, somehow. Better that they have it where Christianity sanctifies and controls. Better to have it in a pure atmosphere of their own making.

3. Have a B. Y. P. U. for the sal-training of the young people. If saved, young people need to know the Guide Book of the Kingdom of God. Its a great Kingdom and likewise a great Guide Book. We cannot enjoy the pilgrimage without knowing the Guide Book. It tells us where the fountains are, the supply stations, how to help our fellow pilgrims, how not to get lost. It tells us about living, giving and every form of service. Trained men and women are wanted everywhere else; the church must have them to do her manifold work in com-

ing days. Early training is the best. 3. Have a B. Y. P. U. for the salvation of young people. Young people reach young people best. Those proficient in soul winning are trained, "He that winneth souls is wise." Organized effort, spirit led, is successful effort.—Baptist Observer.

TO THE BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNIONS.

Not many days hence you will most likely have a "caller," probably in the form of a letter from a certain committee appointed at our last State Convention held recently in Huntsville. This "caller" will come to you representing a most worthy cause, and I feel safe in saying will make no unreasonable requests, hence I bespeak for "him" your serious consideration and hearty co-operation.

No doubt you recall that at our State Convention held in East Lake in 1903 we made a pledge to Howard College, which through lack of organization was not disposed of during the past year, and quite naturally was again taken up at our last Convention in Huntsville.

Our committee has decided upon a plan (a good one too, by the way) for disposing of our promise, and only needs our hearty co-operation to make it a grand success. Lets all join hands, and show ourselves worthy the name we bear, which I do not question we will do. Space does not permit me to give a detailed account of the wide-spread good we may do in this manner, but I dare say some of us would be greatly surprised were we in full possession of the facts.

H. B. Wood, Sec.

REMINISCENCES OF THE HUNTSVILLE B. Y. P. U. CONVENTION.

(By a Visitor.)

Could not be excelled for hospitality.

Harmony prevailed throughout.

Gable made a big trip (end to end of the State) and a big speech.

Dr. Blackwelder's address "using grain of corn" was impressive.

Editor Barnett's address on (or about) Luther Rice was filled with wit and eloquence. It was greatly enjoyed.

The ladies, bless them, were there and added greatly to the interest of the Convention.

Bro. J. F. Jones, President of Huntsville Union and Chairman of "Entertainment Committee," was an exact fit. He did all possible for comfort and welfare of the visitors.

Dr. Shelburne as general adviser, "Father in Israel," was almost indispensable.

Brother Sandy, the youngest pastor present, was given a cordial welcome, and added to the interest of the program.

Bro. Burnett's chalk talks were fine.

And Dr. Crumpton! Well, what would our Conventions and Associations be without him! Always ready with a good talk and wholesome advice.

Geo. M. Robinson, Chairman of Music Committee at B. Y. P. U. Convention at Detroit will drill a class of 600 voices and lead the music. This will prove an attractive feature of the services.

PERSONAL.

Rev. R. C. Adams of Atlanta is assisting Rev. Bryan W. Collier in a protracted meeting at Covington, Ga.

Dr. P. T. Bell, editor of the Christian Index, has been conducting a series of meetings with his church at Hampton.

Rev. John T. Christian gives up the work at LaSalle Avenue Church, Chicago, to accept a call to the Second Church, Little Rock, Ark.

The North Carolina Baptist presents its readers with the picture of Rev. Amzi Clarence Dixon, pastor of Ruggles Street Church, Boston, Mass., Wake Forest College's greatest living son.

Rev. Henry Weston Munger, a graduate of Rochester Theological Seminary, and a grandson of Henry G. Weston, of Crozer Theological Seminary, has been appointed a missionary of the Union and designated to work in the Philippine Islands.—Zion's Advocate.

Rev. Howard Agnew Johnston is having repeated calls to deliver his famous lecture on "Biblical Criticism and the Lay Mind" before ministers' associations of New York, Philadelphia, and other cities. Dr. Johnston has done a great deal in popularizing careful Bible study among all classes of people.—Nashville Advocate.

Rev. W. H. Tipton and wife of Elizabethtown, Tenn., have been appointed missionaries to China. They are excellent people. We shall be sorry to lose them from Tennessee; but we congratulate them upon the prospects of usefulness before them in their chosen field. They go to China at an opportune time, when she is awakening from her sleep of centuries. May they have many souls for their hire. They will probably sail in September.—Baptist and Reflector.

Rev. K. W. Cawthon and wife have just passed through Atlanta on their way to New York, whence they will sail for their new field of labor in Buenos Ayres, Argentina. Their vessel is appointed to sail May 5th. This consecrated young couple were given to us Georgia Baptists as missionaries in answer to special prayer at the Convention in Athens. Even while we prayed God spoke to them by His spirit, and in response they said, "Here are we, send us." Now it is our part to be in

fellowship with them in the great work on which they enter, and by our prayers and gifts support them. And let us ask for yet more laborers for the fields white unto harvest.—Index.

THE JUNE DELINEATOR.

There is a great deal of pleasant reading in the June Delineator. Fashion's foibles as here set forth by pen and pencil are well designed to delight the feminine mind, as well as to prove a delusion and a snare to the masculine. There are besides a great many very pretty ideas in dresses for children which will be welcomed by mothers. In the literary part of the magazine the first place is given to a graceful Japanese tale, "The Giver of Honour," by Mrs. Hugh Frazer, a sister of Marion Crawford, which is refreshing in its sweetness and purity, and is sympathetically illustrated by Mr. C. D. Weldon. Other items of fiction are two college tales, "At the Window of Paradise," by R. H. Barbour, and "Bailey's Sister," by Allan P. Ames. A contribution of great interest is the Chinese and Indian photographs in the "Around the World" series. These are so beautiful as views and so realistic so away from the trite in detail that every one who looks at them must experience unusual pleasure. Dr. Grace Peckham Murray's article on the "Care of the Neck and Arms," will be helpful to many women. There are many other stories and articles for both little ones and grown folks and practical papers on domestic topics which go to make up a thoroughly readable number of this favorite magazine.

LOOK-HERE, ARE YOU SICK!

If so I have a remedy that will absolutely cure any case of kidney trouble, indigestion, constipation, sick headache nervous affection, loss of appetite, female weakness and rheumatism. If I don't cure you sound and well in six months, I will refund the money. Any kind of reference given on demand as to my medical, social and religious, moral and financial standing. I suffered twenty years with liver and kidney trouble. In six months I cured myself after I had tried many remedies, and I have cured many others. In fact I have got the first patient to write me to refund the money. I will send any one a month's treatment for one dollar. Only one tablet to be taken every night. If you are troubled with any of the above diseases, send me one dollar money order and get thirty tablets. I mean what I say, one dollar a month. Respectfully Rev. W. M. Cole, M. D., Blountville, Ala.

During the address delivered in Denver President John Mitchell devoted his entire speech to an arraignment of Governor Peabody of Colorado, for his acts in relation to the existing strike in the Southern Colorado coal fields. He repudiated the Governor as a Republican and challenged the often repeated assertion of the Governor that he has exhausted every effort to bring about a settlement of the strike by bringing the opposing forces together in conference.

Fourth Quarterly Report of Treasurer of Central Committee.

(Concluded)

Escambia Association—		Adams St., W. M. S., Miss Kelly.....	3 00	Columbiana, W. M. S., Miss Kelly.....	1 05
Brewton, W. M. S., Foreign Missions....	\$ 4 70	Adams St., W. M. S., Home Missions..	5 00	St. Clair Association—	\$ 20 05
Brewton, W. M. S., Home Missions.....	4 70	Adams St., W. M. S., Foreign Miss.....	1 75	Asheville, L. A. S., Foreign Miss.....	5 00
Brewton, W. M. S., Church Aid.....	119 80	Ft. Deposit, W. M. S., Home Missions....	45 00	Asheville, L. A. S., State Miss.....	2 50
Roberts, Fla., W. M. S. Home Missions..	2 00	Ft. Deposit, L. A. S., Orphanage.....	10 80	Asheville, L. A. S., Church Aid.....	10 00
Roberts, Fla., W. M. S., Foreign Missions	2 00	Ft. Deposit, L. A. S., Church Aid.....	1 00	Asheville, L. A. S., Home Miss.....	5 00
Roberts, Fla., W. M. S., Orphanage.....	1 00	Ft. Deposit, Sunbeams, Miss Kelly.....	10 00	Asheville, L. A. S., Orphanage.....	5 00
Eufaula Association—	\$ 134 20	Ft. Deposit, Sunbeams, Home Miss.....	5 00	Selma Association—	\$ 27 50
Eufaula, W. M. S., Home Miss.....	10 00	Brewer Memorial, W. M. S., Howard Col	5 00	Selma—	
Clayton, W. M. S., Miss Kelly.....	4 35	Brewer Memorial, W. M. S., Orphanage..	15 00	First Ch., W. M. S., State Miss.....	\$ 23 00
Clayton, W. M. S., Home Miss.....	6 20	Brewer Memorial W. M. S., Church Aid	2 50	First Ch., Sunbeams, State Miss.....	20 00
Clayton, W. M. S., State Miss.....	4 15	Mont., South Ch., W. M. S., Home Miss..	4 40	First Ch., Sunbeams, Home Miss.....	25 00
Clayton, L. A. S., Church Aid.....	13 15	Mont., South Ch., L. A. S., Home Miss..	4 40	Second Ch., W. M. S., Home Miss.....	6 50
Clayton, Sunbeams, State Missions.....	5 78	Mont., South Ch., L. A. S., Church Aid	100 00	Orrville, W. M. S., Home Miss.....	18 00
Clayton, Sunbeams, Home Miss.....	2 90	Prattville, W. M. S., Foreign Missions....	6 50	Orrville, W. M. S., Foreign Miss.....	40 50
Prospect, W. M. S., Home Miss.....	1 55	Prattville, W. M. S., Tichenor Memorial	5 00	Orrville, W. M. S., State Miss.....	18 00
East Liberty Association—	\$ 48 08	Prattville, W. M. S., Home Miss.....	18 50	Orrville, W. M. S., Min. Ed.....	2 50
Cusseta, W. M. S., Home Miss.....	\$ 27 44	Prattville, W. M. S., Church Aid.....	22 75	Orrville, W. M. S., Orphanage.....	5 25
Cusseta, W. M. S., Tichenor Memorial....	5 75	Wetumpka, W. M. S., Foreign Miss.....	10 00	Orrville, W. M. S., Tichenor Memorial..	17 25
Cusseta, W. M. S., Foreign Miss.....	7 49	Wetumpka, W. M. S., Home Miss.....	10 00	Town Creek, L. A. S., Home Missions....	2 35
Cusseta, W. M. S., Church Aid.....	7 00	Wetumpka, W. M. S., Orphanage.....	35 10	Pleasant Hill, L. A. S., Home Miss.....	1 45
Dadeville, W. M. S., Church Aid.....	10 00	Bozeman, L. A. S., State Miss.....	6 15	Pleasant Hill, L. A. S. State Miss.....	1 45
Dadeville, W. M. S., Home Missions.....	17 25	Bozeman, Sunbeams, State Miss.....	4 66	Pleasant Hill, L. A. S., Foreign Miss....	1 45
Dadeville, W. M. S., Foreign Miss.....	11 80	Lowndesboro, L. A. S., Home Miss.....	1 15	Tuskegee Association—	\$ 182 70
Lafayette, W. M. S., Home Miss.....	9 90	Lowndesboro, L. A. S., Miss Kelly.....	5 00	Opelika, W. M. S., Tichenor Memorial...\$	25 00
Lafayette, W. M. S., State Miss.....	10 00	Lowndesboro, L. A. S., Howard College..	1 00	Opelika, W. M. S., Home Miss.....	17 25
Lafayette, L. A. S., Orphanage.....	16 00	Lowndesboro L. A. S., Orphanage.....	5 00	Opelika, W. M. S., Foreign Miss.....	12 27
Lafayette, L. A. S., Church Aid.....	1 00	Fitzpatrick, L. A. S., Foreign Miss.....	3 50	Opelika, W. M. S., Miss Kelly.....	17 35
Bethlehem, L. A. S., Xmas Offering.....	1 35	Fitzpatrick, L. A. S., Home Miss.....	4 00	Opelika, W. M. S., State Miss.....	5 00
Bethlehem L. A. S., Orphanage.....	16 50	Fitzpatrick, L. A. S., Howard College....	1 00	Opelika, W. M. S., Church Aid.....	30 00
Haw Ridge Association—	\$ 141 48	Fitzpatrick, L. A. S., Orphanage Box...\$	61 60	Opelika, W. M. S., Typewriter.....	2 00
Enterprise, W. M. S., Home Missions....\$	6 75	Detsville, Sunbeams, Miss Kelly.....	1 00	Tuskegee, W. M. S., Home Missions.....	25 70
Enterprise, L. A. S., Orphanage.....	13 00	Mobile Association—	\$ 2200.12	Tuskegee, W. M. S., Foreign Miss.....	5 00
Enterprise, L. A. S., Church Aid.....	23 70	Mobile—		Tuskegee, L. A. S., Church Aid.....	13 65
Enterprise, Sunbeams, Home Miss.....	50	St. F. St., W. M. S., Tichenor Memorial...\$	18 95	Auburn, L. M. S., Foreign Miss.....	7 65
Harris Association—	\$ 43 95	St. F. S., W. M. S., Home Missions.....	15 28	Auburn, L. M. S., Home Miss.....	5 18
Oswichee, W. M. S., Home Miss. Box...\$	75 34	St. F. S., W. M. S., State Miss.....	15 28	Auburn, L. M. S., Tichenor Memorial..	3 50
Oswichee, W. M. S., Foreign Miss.....	2 00	St. F. S., W. M. S., Foreign Missions....	15 28	Auburn, Sunbeams, Foreign Miss.....	4 00
Oswichee, W. M. S., Home Miss.....	12 65	St. F. S., W. M. S., Foreign Miss.....	100 00	Society Hill, W. M. S., Home Miss.....	4 00
Oswichee, Sunbeams, Miss Kelly.....	4 00	St. F. S., L. A. S., Church Aid.....	46 00	Society Hill W. M. S., Howard College..	50
Huntsboro, W. M. S., Miss Kelly.....	5 00	Palmetto S., L. A. S., Foreign Mission..	3 50	Society Hill W. M. S., Orphanage.....	1 30
Hatcheechubee, W. M. S., Miss Kelly.....	5 00	Palmetto St., L. A. S., Home Miss.....	3 50	Society Hill, W. M. S., Min. Ed.....	1 00
Phenix City, W. M. S., Miss Kelly.....	7 00	Palmetto St., L. A. S., Home Mission Box	85 00	Tenn. River Association—	\$ 180 35
Phenix City, W. M. S., Orphanage.....	5 50	Palmetto St., L. A. S., Church Aid.....	140 50	Scottsboro, W. M. S. Orphanage.....\$	23 15
Phenix City, W. M. S., Church Aid.....	49 40	Meaghersville, W. M. S., Home Miss.....	2 75	Scottsboro, W. M. S., Tichenor Mem..	1 00
Judson Association—	\$ 206 09	Bayou le Batre L. A. S., Church Aid....	3 80	Gurley, W. M. S., Xmas Off.....	2 00
Abbeville, W. M. S., Tichenor Memorial...\$	4 00	North Liberty Association—	\$ 449 84	Troy Association—	\$ 26 15
Abbeville, W. M. S., Home Miss.....	1 50	Huntsville, W. M. S., Home Miss.....\$	3 71	Troy, W. M. S., Home Missions.....\$	6 72
Abbeville, Baby Band, Home Miss.....	1 00	Huntsville, W. M. S., Charity.....	2 75	Troy, W. M. S., Tichenor Memorial....	4 20
Abbeville, Baby Band, Foreign Miss.....	1 00	Huntsville, W. M. S., Church Aid.....	10 35	Troy, W. M. S., Xmas Offering.....	5 80
Marshall Association—	\$ 7 50	Huntsville, W. M. S., Howard College....	1 00	Troy, W. M. S., Howard College.....	1 50
Albertsville, W. M. S., Home Miss.....\$	5 28	Huntsville, W. M. S., Orphanage.....	12 60	Troy, Y. L. S., Foreign Missions.....	5 00
Albertsville, W. M. S., Church Aid....	64 00	Huntsville, W. M. S., Min. Ed.....	5 00	Troy, Y. L. S., Home Miss.....	5 12
Allbertsville, W. M. S., Orphanage.....	13 00	Dallas Ave. W. M. S., Miss Kelly.....	2 00	Troy, Y. L. S., Home Mission Box.....	25 50
Muscle Shoals Association—	\$ 82 28	Dallas Ave., W. M. S., Home Miss.....	1 71	Troy, W. M. S., Orphanage.....	25 00
Decatur First Ch., L. A. S., Home Miss...\$	3 00	Rice Church, L. A. S., Home Miss.....	1 00	Troy, W. M. S., Charity.....	6 09
New Decatur, Cen. Ch. L. A. S., Home Mis	10 00	Newton Association—	\$ 40 12	Yellow Creek Association—	\$ 84 84
New Decatur, Cen. Ch. L. A. S., Xmas Off	6 09	Newton, W. M. S., Home Missions.....\$	4 00	Sulligent, W. M. S., Home Miss.....	6 45
New Decatur, Cen. Ch. L. A. S., Howard C	5 00	Newton, W. M. S., Foreign Miss.....	50	Sulligent, B. Y. P. U., Home Miss.....	1 00
New Decatur, Cen. Ch. L. A. S., Ch. Aid..	38 20	Newton, W. M. S., State Miss.....	50	Sulligent, Sunbeams, Home Miss.....	82
Moulton Sunbeams, Xmas Offering.....	1 90	Ozark, W. M. S., Home Miss.....	2 80	Total Amount.....	\$ 8434 24
Moulton, Sunbeams, Home Miss.....	1 00	North River Association—	\$ 40 12	Amount Contributed by Ladies Societies—	
Hartsell, L. A. S., Home Miss.....	5 00	Gamble Mines, Sunbeams, Xmas Off.....\$	3 50	To Foreign Missions.....	\$ 918 65
Hartsell, L. A. S., Foreign Miss.....	5 20	Jasper, Sunbeams, Xmas Off.....	2 30	To Home Missions.....	961 64
Mt. Hope, Town Creek, L. A. S., Forg. Mis	10 00	Pine Barron Association—	\$ 5 80	To Tichenor Memorial.....	537 95
Mt. H., Town Creek, L. A. S., H Miss....	5 00	Pleasant Hill W. W. Xmas Off.....\$	2 50	To Home Missions Boxes.....	863 39
Mt. Hope, Town creek, L. A. S., Xmas Off	8 00	Friendship, L. A. S., Foreign Miss.....	5 00	To State Missions.....	272 22
Montgomery Association—	\$ 98 39	Friendship, L. A. S., Home Miss.....	5 00	To Orphanage.....	668 82
Montgomery—		Friendship, L. A. S., Howard College....	2 00	To Howard College.....	146 95
First Ch., W. M. S., Foreign Miss.....\$	33 30	Friendship, L. A. S., Orphanage.....	21 35	To Typewriter.....	5 00
First Ch., W. M. S., Tichenor Memorial...\$	110 80	Friendship, L. A. S., Min. Ed.....	5 00	To Industrial School.....	4 00
First Ch., W. M. S., Home Miss.....	6 62	Friendship, Sunbeams, Home Miss.....	3 00	To Hillman Hospital.....	25 00
First Ch., W. M. S., State Miss.....	19 80	Friendship, Sunbeams, Orphanage.....	18 00	To Ministerial Ed.....	24 00
First Ch., L. W. C., Tichenor Memorial..	8 50	Friendship, Sunbeams, Church Aid.....	10 00	To Bible Fund.....	3 40
First Ch., L. W. C., Home Miss.....	5 35	Ackerlyville, L. A. S., Home Miss.....	2 50	To Col. Missions.....	5 00
First Ch., L. W. C., State Miss.....	25 00	Randolph County Association—	\$ 74 35	To Theological Seminary.....	10 00
First Ch., L. W. C., Church Aid.....	350 00	Roanoke, L. A. S., Foreign Miss.....\$	15 50	To Charity.....	8 75
First Ch., L. A. S., Church Aid.....	1104 40	Roanoke, L. A. S., Home Miss.....	12 69	To Church Ad.....	3675 37
First Ch., L. A. S., State Miss.....	23 50	Roanoke, L. A. S., Howard College....	5 00	Total by Ladies Societies.....	\$ 8180 14
Clayton St., W. M. S., Foreign Miss.....	10 25	Roanoke, L. A. S., Church Aid.....	66 60	Amount Contributed by Sunbeam Bands—	
Clayton St., W. M. S., Home Miss.....	17 04	Roanoke, L. A. S., Orphanage.....	20 00	To Foreign Missions.....	\$ 132 22
Adams St., W. W., Tichenor Memorial....	5 00	South Bethel Association—	\$ 119 79	To Home Missions.....	78 89
Adams St., W. W., Home Miss. Box.....	10 00	Thomasville, W. M. S., Home Miss. Box...\$	12 00	To State Missions.....	34 49
Adams St., W. W., Foreign Miss.....	1 55	Thomasville, W. M. S., Home Miss.....	8 00	To Tichenor Memorial.....	5 00
Adams St., W. W., State Miss.....	1 00	Thomasville, W. M. S., Foreign Missions..	1 00	To Orphanage.....	23 50
Adams St., W. M. S., Xmas Offering.....	3 25	Thomasville, W. M. S., State Miss.....	1 00	To Church Aid.....	30 00
Adams St., W. M. S., Home Miss Box....	50 00	Thomasville, Sunbeams, Xmas Offering..	3 00	Total.....	\$ 304 00
		Grove Hill Sunbeams, Miss Kelly.....	2 50	Grand Total.....	\$ 8434 24
		Grove Hill, W. M. S., Miss Kelly.....	5 00	Respectfully Submitted,	
		Shelby Association—	\$ 32 50	April 1, 1904.	Mrs. Geo. M. Morrow.
		Montevallo, W. M. S., Home Miss.....\$	5 00		
		Columbiana, W. M. S., Orphanage.....	14 00		

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HOW SHALL OUR COLLEGES BE SUPPORTED?

President A. P. Montague, in Religious Herald.

To present arguments for the existence and support of Christian Colleges is to contend for the only education given under religious auspices, for the only education that is openly and aggressively Christian.

The question is not, however, shall we have denominational institutions of higher learning? For all, or nearly all thinking men, whether Christians or not, admit this, even if they have no better reason than that the distinctly Christian College serves as a check upon the State school with its comparative indifference to religion or with some of its professors quietly skeptical or openly antagonistic in their views as to Christianity.

Assuming, then, that the denominational college is not only a useful factor, but also a necessity for the promotion of the highest activities of mind and heart a statement that can be proved both by general argument and specifically by the lives of those who have especially in the South, exerted the largest influence for good in society and the State, we ask how shall the denominational college be supported?

First, not by aid, even the smallest, from the State. The instant we accept assistance from the public treasury, the college loses its distinctive character and its independence and falls in a measure under the influence if not authority of politicians, who would at once use the opportunity thus presented of securing votes. The disastrous results of this plan have already been seen in one of the States of the Union.

Secondly, not by "bowing and scraping" before two or three rich men, who are the first to see the motive that induces such adulation, and who seem to find delight in keeping the petitioners in nervous anxiety as to their intentions, assume an owl's wisdom, become oracular in their utterances concerning education, about which many of them know but little and care less, and make an end of the farce by giving one hundred dollars, when they ought to give ten thousand. How tired a college agent or president grows of having thrust upon him the advice: "Be as nice as possible to Mr. Blank. He's worth \$100,000. Study his moods and try to please him. Don't, for goodness sake, ask him directly for money; don't express certain views as to politics or religion. Just humor him and handle him delicately, and he may take a notion to help you." Translated, this simply means that a man must for a time give up his manhood, his sense of right, and become a sycophant. If a direct, manly, brotherly explanation of conditions and request for help cannot reach a rich man then let him alone after advising him to read Luke xii, 19-21.

Thirdly, not (except in particular cases and rarely then) by impassioned appeals to great audiences, when men, stirred by the speech and moved by excitement, make pledges which they redeem with regret, sometimes with anger, or many men who promise under these conditions entertain through life a dislike for the cause of the institution thus pressed upon them.

Fourthly, not by building any hope or making any estimate upon the man who in reply to the presentation of your appeal, says: "Well, I don't know; I'll think about it." He does know, and he knows that he will not help you. He will think about it; and his thoughts will be: "I got rid of that fellow, and he will never see a cent of my money." The "don't know" and "I'll think about it" man is a perfect zero in all religious and educational work.

Finally, by striving to have adopted the plan advocated by the Religious Herald, i. e., by endeavoring to induce all of our churches to recognize contributions to denominational colleges as a part of their regular work. The well-ordained church, alive to its duty, gives to State, Home and Foreign Missions, and we rejoice that such gifts are made and the larger the better. It is just as much the duty of that church to contribute to its college. Where are the home preachers and the missionaries educated if not in the denominational college? Therefore contributions to the college are what we may term preliminary or foundation gifts to the pulpit at home and to the missionary enterprise. This year the college with which the writer is connected has, on its student roll the names of forty-two men, who will preach the gospel here or go to the foreign field.

The church that gives to its college when some member of its faculty visits it, and does not renew the contribution until the president or professor comes again, does almost as much harm as good; for the institution may rely upon that church for the following session, only to receive nothing again for ten years. Again, when the college officer visits that church his expenses may be ten dollars and the contribution five.

The only sure and really helpful system is the plan mentioned above. Let the pastor so train his people that they will understand that their college is in the regular list with pastor's salary, missions, orphanage and the aged ministers' fund. If he sets apart a certain month for the college and it rains every Sunday in that month, he should not write the president or financial agent: "I am very sorry to send you only five dollars (the amount asked was, let us say, \$25); but it rained every Sunday and I could not get my people out." If all the other months are engaged for other causes, it is the pastor's duty, his high and solemn duty, to go among his people and quietly raise the remaining \$20. If the pastors will take hold of this matter in earnest and persistently keep it before their churches, the system will be adopted in a sufficient number of churches to insure for the college a handsome income. Then the institution will know what to expect and how to fit its expenses to the income. Then such frenzied appeals as, "Help, help, help; we are in sore straits; I beseech you to send us money," will cease and the faculty will be able to think more of their class room work and less of their inability to buy food and clothing for their families. Presidents and professors can never do their best work when haunted by the twin spectres of a heavy grocery bill and no salary.

The South is today enjoying a larger measure of prosperity than it has ever

had; the Baptists are the possessors of more money than they hoped for ten years ago; the time is ripe to urge, press, and persistently push this system. If we can induce one-third of our churches to adopt it, and keep it adopted, every Baptist college south of the Potomac will receive and continue to receive such sum annually as will enable it not only to pay its faculty and meet all necessary expenses, but also to enter upon a development of courses and the consequent expansion of its faculty that are essential if it would solve the problems of twentieth century education.

Upon this I would insist: Our preachers must co-operate with the Herald and our other papers and with the colleges in a constant effort to have this plan adopted, in an earnest and fearless endeavor to train their people in this system. If they fail we are powerless. If they are indifferent or too timid to tell their churches their duty, upon them—the preachers of the South—will rest the responsibility for the comparative failure of higher education under Baptist auspices. Can they afford to bear the burden of such failure?

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Mortgage Sale.

Under and by virtue of sale contained in a certain mortgage, executed by T. R. 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 26, 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:

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

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.
4-26-04

Notice of Final Settlement.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County, Probate Court, 16th day of April, 1904. Estate of Will B. Brasleton, deceased.

This day came R. Dupont Thompson, administrator of the estate of Will B. Brasleton 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.

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State Missions.

April 30th, 1904, closed the year of Home and Foreign Missions with an increase over the year before showing that the Baptists of Alabama are growing in knowledge and giving. We rejoice with Brother Crumpton for we know his heart is full of joy and thanksgiving that the work of missions under God is getting hold of the people. He has been faithful and the Lord has blessed his efforts by giving him the love, confidence and support of the pastors of Alabama who have pressed the need of missions on the hearts of their people until many of them have caught their enthusiasm for the work of spreading the gospel. Brother Crumpton has had the pastors for helpers and the pastors have had the Women's Missionary Associations as helpers and we have backed our beloved secretary, our noble preachers and our consecrated women in the columns of the Alabama Baptist all working together for God's glory. The Home and Foreign Boards are out of debt but the State Board has seventy-three noble men at work in Alabama and will need \$5,000 to pay its obligations by July 20, when the Convention meets in Anniston. Brother Crumpton is sending out a circular letter to the pastors (we publish it elsewhere). Pastors, read the letter and pray over it and present it to your churches and fix a day for a collection and the Lord will put it into the hearts of his people to come up to help.

Friends' Day.

Elsewhere we print a communication about Friends Day at the Orphanage and we hope many will be present on May 20th to gladden the hearts of Bro. John W. Stuart, his co-workers and the children and to listen to the addresses and make it a great day in the history of the Baptists of Evergreen. Don't forget the orphans.

Out of Debt.

Total cash received for Home Missions from your State \$10,066.99. This is \$1,927.44 in excess of the amount received the previous year.

Total cash received from all states 23 per cent in advance of last year.

We go to the Convention out of debt reporting an exceedingly fine year's work with even brighter outlook for the future.

Yours fraternally,
B. D. Gray, Cor. Sec.

EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS.

Dr. J. M. Brittain has accepted a call to Eatonton, Ga. This leaves the church at Fort Valley pastorless.

We are indebted to Rev. J. E. Creel for a copy of the Minutes of Chilton County Missionary Baptist Association held with Sardis Baptist Church.

The Broadway Church of Louisville, Ky., has been selected as the next meeting place of the Baptist Congress, November 8-10. Dr. Carter Helm Jones makes an ideal host.

We rejoice with Dr. J. B. Hawthorne pastor of the Grove Avenue Baptist Church, Richmond, Va., for more than fifty members were added to the church as the result of the meeting recently closed in which he was assisted by Rev. W. C. Taylor of Petersburg.

The last issue of the Baptist Standard of Chicago reached the high water mark for enterprise in Baptist journalism and we extend to the editors our hearty congratulations.

Rev. T. E. Pinegar writes: Please change my address from Cordova to Carbon Hill, to which place I have moved, to begin work as pastor of Second Baptist Church, made vacant by resignation of Rev. W. B. Earnest.

Coosa River Sunday School Convention meets Friday before fifth Sunday at Winterboro, Alabama. G. S. Ham, President of the Convention, called and extended us a personal invitation to be present.

We welcome Rev. L. L. Barrett, of Lafayette, Ga., to Alabama. He comes to accept the care of the Lunett Baptist Church. Brother Barrett has been principal of the public school at Lafayette and preaching to a number of the churches in the country.

The Baptist Chronicle in speaking of Rev. H. W. Provence of Ensley, who assisted Pastor Hoover of the Emmanuel Church, Alexandria, La., says: "Bro. H. W. Provence of Ensley, Ala., was with Pastor Hoover about two weeks, and did some lasting work. His preaching was forceful. Many were added to the church while he was here."

The Baptist Chronicle prints a picture of Rev. W. Y. Quisenberry on its first page and says: "Many of our people are already acquainted with Bro. Quisenberry and his work, but we want all to see his face and know more of him. Bro. Quisenberry is an earnest pastor and his heart is afire with missionary zeal. He is intensely interested in foreign missions and his noble church is following his lead."

Rev. I. G. Murray, of Pulaski, Tenn., has accepted a call as assistant pastor of the First Baptist Church, Hot Springs, Ark. Bro. W. T. Amis, the pastor, will be in the field a good portion of his time soliciting aid for the new church which he is building in Hot Springs. Brother Murray will have charge of the church during his absence

Brother Murray has done a fine work at Pulaski. We regret to have him leave Tennessee. We commend him and his good wife very cordially to the Baptists of Arkansas.—Baptist and Reflector.

We have just received program of the Recognition services held at First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Va., on Monday evening, on the coming of their new pastor, Rev. John A. Wray, formerly of Milledgeville, Ga. We pray God's richest blessings on his work.

Rev. Frank Ray in "Seminary Notes" in the Western Recorder says: "Notwithstanding the admonition of the faculty to stick to the end, the exodus of students has begun, and will likely reduce our number ten per cent."

The boys no doubt are home sick.

We are glad to know that Talladega is going to honor the memory of Hon. Joseph B. Graham by erecting a memorial fountain in his memory. We feel that there are many Baptists in Alabama who will consider it a privilege to give to this worthy cause.

Prof. H. A. Dempsey of Wrightsville, Mo., writes that Rev. J. M. Blalock pastor of Oak Grove has been ill with la grippe since February but expects to be with his people the next regular meeting. Brother Dempsey loves the Alabama Baptist and Alabamians and reads the paper with great interest.

Rev. A. T. Sims, of Georgiana writes: Elder J. M. Fortune died at his home in this place yesterday. His remains were carried to Fort Deposit this morning for interment. Bro. Fortune has been in poor health for several months. He leaves a wife and two daughters. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved family.

As some of our secular papers are impugning or resenting the visit of the Ogden party to Alabama we publish extracts from his speech to set forth the purpose of the Conference for Education in the South. We welcome any broadminded men into our midst who come in the proper spirit to take part in inaugurating an educational campaign.

We have just received a copy of the Mountain Missionary published at Jasper by Rev. John V. Dickinson and thank him for the following editorial paragraph: "Reader, do you take the Alabama Baptist? If not, you ought to do so at once. No Baptist can be properly informed on Baptist affairs in our State without reading it, and no Baptist ought to be satisfied to be uninformed about his brethren and the work of the Lord in our State. Brother Barnett gives the news week by week and our people ought to stand by him and the cause. Brother Crumpton's trip notes and missionary paragraphs and Mrs. Hamilton's letters of her travels and correspondence throughout the state are the special features of the paper which will enlist our people in our organized work. Do not fail to read them."

No one can say that our Seminary at Louisville is not heartily supporting the work of foreign missions for since April 30, 1903, the Foreign Mission Board has received \$1,034.33 from the students and professors for foreign missions.

The Atlanta Constitution says: Over \$2,000 more than enough to pay off the indebtedness of the Second Baptist church was raised at a remarkable service held at the church yesterday morning.

The total subscribed was \$24,366, and the indebtedness to be wiped out is \$22,000. The excess subscribed yesterday will be used in overhauling and improving the Sunday school.

We congratulate Rev. John E. White for not only are his members liberal, but they are active and useful. Some 390 have been added to the church during his three years' pastorate.

The Baptists at Brighton have just closed a great meeting. On April 17th Rev. J. D. Ray of Selma come to assist Pastor Barkley in a meeting. During his two weeks' service there were ten received for baptism and ten by letter. Bro. Ray preached the gospel in the old way. His kind and gentle manner of presenting the truth gave him many that were anxious to hear his earnest pleas of supreme devotion to the Master. On May 27th the people were made sad when Bro. Ray had to leave to fill other engagements. They did not feel that the good work was finished, so the pastor invited Brother Gavin of Bessemer to come over and help him until May 4. Six more were added, making a total of twenty-six. Brother Gavin's stay was short but pleasant and profitable to the people. He is a good preacher and the good people of Bessemer will do well to keep him.

Pastor P. C. Barkley baptized ten yesterday morning and at the evening service he and his people worshiped with Brother Gavin at Bessemer at which time he baptized three more. Brighton Baptist Church is one of the best little churches in the Birmingham District. During the past year they have built a good house and have a membership of one hundred and forty, and average attendance in Sunday school of about one hundred.

We congratulate Dr. T. T. Eaton, the versatile editor of the Western Recorder, upon the great work of the Walnut Street Baptist Church of Louisville, Ky., of which he has been pastor for twenty-three years. The work for the past year shows that there were 133 additions to the church. The present number on the roll is 1,719. The contributions for the year amounted to \$11,988.20. The number of additions to the church during the 23 years was 4,922, and the contributions for that period were \$660,503.27. When the pastor took charge there were 573 members. That number has grown, including the colonies the church has within that time sent out to a present membership of 5080.

"If it were not for the saloons do you know I think seven-tenths of the workmen would have their own homes

instead of paying rent. Rum is at the bottom of the whole trouble." These words did not fall from the lips of a fanatical temperance orator, but were voiced by P. M. Arthur, chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. Day by day the world's workers are pronouncing the doom of the saloon.

The Baptist Union says: "Our readers will be interested in knowing that Rev. Alexander Bealer, pastor of the First Church, of Thomasville, Ga., was for many years the political reporter on the Atlanta Daily Journal. Mr. Bealer conducted a class in the Sacred Literature Course and the result has been an increased interest in soul-winning. Sixty-five members were added to the church in March." We rejoice with Bro. Bealer in the blessings which have come to his work.

The following from the Baptist will cause many hearts in Alabama to join in sympathy with our beloved brother, T. T. Martin in the sorrow which has befallen him: "We extend sympathy to our friend and brother, Evangelist T. T. Martin, in the loss of his wife. She was with him at Lexington, where he was holding a meeting of great power. Last week she was taken ill and grew rapidly worse until the end, which came on Monday, the 2nd instant. The evangelist had to leave the meeting to accompany the remains to Texas for interment. How uncertain is this life, but how sure and abiding is eternal life! Her spirit reposes in peace."

The Baptist Union of recent date says: "For over ten years Mr. Walter H. Merritt was the business manager of the Baptist Union. About a year ago he withdrew from the active management of the Union, devoting his whole time to the advertising department of the paper. With the beginning of April his connection with the office ceased, and he has established himself in Chicago as a general advertising solicitor. He carries with him the respect and love of the office force, the members of the executive committee, and all those with whom he came in contact during his long period of faithful service as business manager. May he be greatly blessed in his chosen work." We have had the pleasure of knowing Brother Merritt for a number of years and we wish him great success in his new field.

The Eleventh Annual Convention of the Alabama Division of the Travellers' Protective Association was in session here last week and for the benefit of those who may not know of the Gideons we reproduce the following from the Union Gospel News:

"About four years ago an organization among Christian commercial travelers came into existence, the object being to promote higher standards of life among traveling men. It is known as 'The Gideons,' and its enrollment is increasing at the rate of over a hundred a month, about three thousand now being members. In Chicago alone there are about three hundred members, and they hold a number of religious meetings each Sunday.

"The effectiveness of such a league

of Christian laymen may be seen from this interesting fact: The organization is strongest in Wisconsin and through their influence seventy-four hotels in that state have discontinued the sale of liquor. There is no class of men in the country more energetic, alert and foreboding than the commercial travelers, and such a decided stand by three thousand of them ought to and will do much to prove that the temptations peculiar to their lives need not discourage men engaged therein from being out-and-out Christians. May the valor and ranks of the Gideons increase until the blaze of their trumpets shall send the hosts of evil in the commercial world fleeing for their lives."

The Baptist and Reflector well says: "This is to us one of the best signs of the times. No class of men, perhaps, are exposed to greater temptations than are the commercial travelers, or drummers, as they are usually called, and heretofore they have been, as a rule, entirely too much disposed to yield to these temptations. It is very gratifying to know that such an organization has been formed among them. So far it has existed mainly in the Northwest. We are glad to know that it is spreading in the South. We have recently met several members of the Gideons down here. They are earnest, consecrated Christian men.

"It will be of interest to know the origin of the order. Two drummers were at a hotel in Milwaukee, we believe it was. As the hotel was crowded they were both assigned to the same room. Before retiring one of them got out his Bible and began reading it. The other asked him to read it out loud. They both joined in prayer together. Each learned that the other was a Christian. They enjoyed the experience so much that they decided to organize an order of Christian drummers by which they might know each other when on the road. This was done. Someone suggested the name of Gideons as an appropriate one, and it was adopted. The members of the order wear a button with a pitcher and trumpet on it.

May God's richest blessings rest on the Gideons as they go up and down the land selling their wares and spreading the gospel.

Rev. John V. Dickinson writes in the Mountain Missionary: "We sincerely sympathize with Bro. T. E. Pinegar and his devoted wife in the loss of their little babe, who died at Cordova Saturday last and was buried in the cemetery at Samaria on the following Monday. It was our sad privilege to conduct the funeral exercises. It was lovely to see the sympathy and devotion of his people as they gathered about their pastor and his wife to comfort in the hour of bereavement. May the Lord be gracious to them all. Brother Pinegar has recently accepted the care of the Second Baptist Church, made vacant by the resignation of Bro. W. B. Earnest, and will move to Carbon Hill at an early date."

We extend our sympathy to the bereaved father and mother.

Birmingham Notes

Rev. J. B. Stovall preached at Shades Valley.

Rev. Frank Willis Barnett supplied at North Birmingham in the evening.

Birmingham notes.

No paper at the Ministers' Conference this week.

At Park Avenue Church five were received by letter. Pastor E. Lee Smith had good congregation at both services.

Our Missionary, Bro. S. O. Y. Ray, preached at Jonesboro in the morning and evening and at West End in the afternoon.

The South Side had two fine sermons from Pastor Dr. Davidson on "God's Encouragement," Acts xviii, 9, 10, and "Light for a Dark Hour," Acts vi, 15. Three accessions.

The Woodlawn saints turned out in force to hear their pastor, Blackwelder preach a very acceptable sermon on the "Mission of the Church of Christ," and in the evening on "The Typical Man."

Arrangements have been made with the L. & N. Railroad for two special cars to leave for Nashville to the Southern Baptist convention on Wednesday noon, going with the regular train.

Evangelist O. A. Bamber has just closed a very successful meeting at River Side, which resulted in twenty-eight or thirty accessions to the church, and the people much revived and strengthened.

Rev. Walter S. Brown filled his pulpit at both hours at Fountain Heights.

Dr. A. J. Dickinson spoke at First Church at both services. The contractors have begun the work of finishing the building.

Those who wish to contribute to the Purser memorial can now send in their gifts. Not only to this, but donations to this great Baptist church, which is an honor to the denomination are now needed.

Rev. J. B. Tidwell, of Decatur, Tex., was in as a visitor at the Conference. Some years ago he was pastor at North Birmingham, where he preached Sunday. He is, in addition to pastoring two churches, one of the professors of the Decatur, Texas, College.

Rev. R. S. Gayin, of Meridian, Miss., who has been supplying Bessemer for a few weeks, but has now been called and will take charge regularly. We give Brother Gayin a hearty welcome to the Birmingham District and to our Conference.

Dr. J. M. Shelburne at East Lake, talked to his people in the morning on "The Vanity of religion Without Jesus;" and again in the evening on "Jesus and the Wrong Doer," and received three members by letter.

Pastor L. M. Bradley of Avondale filled his pulpit at both hours, preaching on "Peter's Strong and Weak Points," and "Baptism." Received three and baptized two. Forty-two have joined as a result of the meeting.

Bro. Blackwelder and others were at West End in the afternoon assisting Pastor Colley in getting a move on foot for a church building there and reports over a thousand dollars raised this first collection.

The Wyanam folks turned out in force to hear Pastor O'Hara on "Indwelling Fullness," Eph. iii, 14-19, and "Decision," Joshua xxiv, 15. One baptized. Protracted meeting begins on the fourth Sunday, preceded by a week of cottage prayer meetings.

The College Campus club, an organization for beautifying the grounds of Howard College, has undertaken a long needed work of grading and fixing up the college campus. One dollar and the name will constitute one a member. Let each pastor solicit membership and send names to the club, East Lake.

The Board of Trustees of Howard College will meet in annual session in the college building at East Lake on Tuesday the 24th of May, at 10 o'clock a. m. A full attendance is very much desired.

C. C. Jones,
Sec. Board.

A Warning.

Montgomery, Ala., April 30, 1904.

Dear Brother Barnett: Please publish the enclosed clipping from Baptist Chronicle, Louisiana:

There is one Mr. Stanley in this State I think he gave his initials as J. T. when he called upon me. He represents himself as being a Baptist preacher from Tennessee, but I fail to find his name in the Tennessee State Convention Minutes or Southern Baptist Convention Minutes. He tells that I knew him in Tennessee, which is a falsehood. Reports from places in the state where he has been are not at all favorable. This is written in the interest of the cause in the State.

J. E. Trice
Crowley, La.

This fellow Stanley has been published time and again. He toured Alabama about two years ago, borrowing money where he could. He called upon Brother St. Johns of Cullman lately, borrowed \$10, saying you had sent him to Cullman to see about the pastorate of the church and that he was on his way to see me at Montgomery. There seems to be no way to stop him. He ought to be arrested and put in the penitentiary for obtaining money under false pretenses.

Yours,
W. B. Crumpton.

The Word and Way says: Joseph Wingate Folk is a member of the Second Baptist Church of St. Louis. That word Wingate has a familiar tone to Southern ears. Washington Manly Wingate was twenty-five years President of Wake Forest College of North Carolina. J. W. Folk's father was President Wingate's loyal friend and patron. We fancy that Joseph Folk got his middle name from the distinguished Baptist President. We hope that Joe Folk will be the next governor of Missouri, for he stands for righteousness.

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From Laurel Hill, Fla.

Dear Alabama Baptist: A name so near and dear to me; one whom my father used to love so much—and one whom my mother who survives him still loves. I just wanted to say to my dear brother in the ministry and the children of God whom I know in the different parts of the State that I am now in the land of flowers preaching three Sundays in the month.

I visited Floralla Church last Sunday evening. I walked into the church building, the choir led by their dear pastor Rev. John F. Gable were singing some real fine music. I had never met Bro. Gable, so he knew me not and I quietly kept my seat, a little back from the front and heard a fine sermon. Floralla Church has some good working members. I met the pastor next day and really I felt as if I had always known him. I am glad the church has such a man. My stay was too short for me to visit all old friends, but there are many good working women in the church. I have a pressing invitation to attend a Baptist rally at New Ebenezer, near Elba, Ala., the third Sunday in June, Rev. A. J. Brooks, pastor. I read a communication from my much beloved Bro. George W. Kerce of Red Land, a few weeks ago published in our paper. I could not refrain from shedding tears. God bless that good man. My latest sun is sinking fast. My race is almost run. May the great Head of the Church continue his blessing with Bro. Barnett.

W. F. Martin.

From Mobile.

We have just closed a very fine meeting at the Palmetto Street Church. The congregations were large and the interest firm throughout the meetings—the last night, I believe being the best of all. With the exception of the first night when Rev. W. A. McCain preached a strong and helpful sermon, the preaching was done by Rev. J. W. Kramer of Brewton. Bro. Kramer is a strong, eloquent preacher. Our people were greatly pleased with him, and expressed a desire to have him come again. As a result of the meeting there were 43 additions to the church, 35 for baptism and 8 by letter. The church is greatly revived and seems to be in a fine condition. I am a great believer in protracted meetings, wisely and judiciously managed, with a good pastor to assist, they are a great blessing to the church and community. I believe we ought to have more of them.

H. H. Shell.

Revival in Eufaula.

The greatest meeting that Eufaula has known in many years is now being conducted by my brother, Rev. H. M. Wharton, D. D. He came to us last Sunday and preached twice that day and has continued twice a day until now the church is hardly able to hold his congregations. Last night a multitude asked for prayer, and otherwise showed interest in the meetings. He expects to remain with us till Sunday week. He then goes to Little Rock to engage in a meeting there. He has during the past few weeks been holding meetings in Tallahassee and Ocala, Fla.

M. B. Wharton.

Howard Commencement.

Dear Brother Barnett: I wish you would send this message out to the friends of Howard College:

The trustees, faculty, students and East Lake extend to them a pressing invitation to come to the commencement, May 22d-25th. Their presence will delight and inspire us all.

We beg all who expect to come to send their names and time of arrival in Birmingham to any one of the following committee on entertainment, all of East Lake: Mr. J. W. Beasley, Chairman, Rev. J. M. Shelburne, Dr. E. G. Burchfiel, Mr. T. L. Moore, Dr. C. C. Jones, Mr. T. V. B. Moor, Mr. W. T. Howlett, Mr. Mell D. Smith, Prof. Edward Brand.

If sufficient time shall be given this committee, notices will be sent to all, informing them where they will be entertained, that they may at the Birmingham station send their baggage to the homes assigned.

Those not familiar with East Lake will please report at the drug store of Dr. E. G. Burchfiel, College station, East Lake, where a list of homes will be kept and students in waiting to conduct them to their homes.

The features of the commencement season will be the baccalaureate sermon by Brother Gross of Selma, the literary address by Brother Callaway of Talladega, the address before the Literary Societies by some gentleman whose name will be given next week, the declamations and speeches of the students, the conferring of honors and diplomas, probably a reception to be given by the ladies of the Co-operative Association, and an alumni banquet in Renfro Hall.

Further notice of this banquet will be given by Mr. Jos. T. Collins, Jr., of the Birmingham bar, President of the Alumni Association, or Col. E. P. Hogan.

Again I beg our brethren and friends to come, and to send early notice to the entertainment committee.

A. P. Montague.

Seminary Banquet.

Ideal arrangements have been made for our Seminary Alumni Banquet at Nashville. We are specially favored in being granted the use of the parlors and a dining hall in Ward's Seminary, Spruce Street, near Church Street, a few doors from Tulane Hotel, and about a half square from our Sunday School Board offices. The time is 6:30 p. m., Thursday, May 13th. The price is \$1, and a Baptist caterer of wide reputation guarantees the very best service. The speakers are to be R. T. Bryan, T. S. Potts, A. J. Dickinson, Carter Helm Jones, Geo. W. Truett and E. Y. Mullins, and these names guarantee that this will be a great occasion.

Note this specially please! The Committee must make contract three or four days ahead of time. Let all who wish a place reserved notify me at once, and tickets can be gotten at Sunday School Board offices on Church Street upon arrival. Only 350 can be seated, and until this number has been engaged I shall be glad to enter names.

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Order of Publication.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County, Mary Graham vs. John D. Graham, No. 3088. 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 of pro confesso may be taken against John D. Graham.

This 18th day of April, 1904.

John C. Carmichael, Chancellor.

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 R. 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.

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Enriching Our Worship.

A correspondent writing to the Biblical Recorder under the name of "Isaac Insight," gets off some good things which we reproduce below. After speaking of the new order of worship instituted by the Bishops of the Methodists, he makes the following hit on the Baptists:

"Suppose I were Bishop and all the Baptists were Methodists or were crazy? And suppose I should issue to them an 'order of service to enrich our worship?'"

Well, and suppose I should begin?— Let the preacher walk in the pulpit at 11 o'clock with his Bible under his arm and frock coat on his back. Let the choir smooth out its spring clothes and investigate each others backhair. Let Deacon Oldtime saunter to his seat, carefully depositing his cane in the corner. Let Col. Up-to-date get his silk hat safely under the seat. Mr. Tobe Bacco will get close to the sandbox. Let the young ladies in the rear of the house smile and whisper. Let Mrs. Early Come take note of each member. Now let the choir do its best, the men trying first, the women second, then altogether. A brief prayer, all standing (not compulsory out of town). Now let Mrs. Always Late be ushered down the main aisle to the front. Another hymn, omitting the third verse, the preacher reading the first. (This compulsory as to the third verse, but the bishop advises the reading). (Now if the day is fair, begin by thanking the Lord "for this beautiful Sabbath morning," etc. If not, omit.) Let Deacons Dead and Gone alone take to their knees. (If there is another minister in the pulpit, let him keep his seat and bend over as if he had a pain.) Let the audience likewise bend. (Compulsory.) Now let Miss Tailor Made be ushered to the front with rustle and bustle. (This is compulsory.) A short passage of Scripture. Now a solo or worse from the choir. The deacons will take collection, while the organist plays the latest waltz. The audience rises while the preacher prays over the collection. (This is not compulsory, but the Bishop thinks it helps the collection). Bring forward the human bulletin board and let him shine. An anthem from the choir. Quiet being restored, let the preacher come forward, take out his watch, turn twenty or more leaves of the Bible (compulsory), get his notes in the right spot and say, "You will find my text," etc., repeating it. Let him now clear his throat and preach if he can. (If he cannot preach let him give the best counterfeit possible). The sermon over, if it has been long, you may dispense with prayer and announce a hymn omitting second, third and fifth verses, reading the first verse. Then the benediction in great haste. (If the sermon was not long fill up with prayer.)

If I should issue an order to this effect, Mr. Editor, what do you reckon they would do?—Baptist Chronicle.

A Word from South Texas.

At the request of some Alabama brethren who take the Baptist or at least ought to take it, I give you my impressions of Southern Texas. I am at Hallettsville, county seat of Lavaca County,

one hundred miles west of Houston, and about the same distance from San Antonio and Austin and not much farther from Galveston. Our population is composed of Americans, Bohemians and Germans.

Hallettsville has six papers, two each in the German, Bohemian (Czech) and the United States languages. There is a very large Catholic Church and a Convent school here. The Methodists, Baptists, Lutherans, Episcopalians, Disciples and Jews all have organizations. The Methodists, Baptists and Lutherans all have regular preaching. While Texas is a great Baptist State, yet Southern Texas is a mission field for Baptists, with the Catholics in the ascendancy, and on the increase, on account of foreign immigration.

South Texas is a good farming country, better than any portion of Alabama with which I am acquainted. In spite of the boll weevil, I think the cotton crop of South Texas for the past few years will average up per acre with Alabama. Like everything else, distance lends enchantment to the view of the boll weevil. Truck farming is carried on to a considerable extent. Eggs and chickens abound. I am informed that Hallettsville dealers handled over \$100,000 worth of eggs the past season. What about the coal oil fields and the hundreds of gushers? Well, I fear that some of your readers have read too much on that subject already. If I should even tell you the truth about South Texas oil fields you might think that you had struck a gusher and that I had oil stock to sell. South Texas is not healthy for women. A good old brother introduced me to his wife and three married daughters and said, "Tell your paper that this country is not healthy for women." I don't suppose either of them would weigh less than 180 pounds. Some of your correspondents from other parts of Texas have been reporting their respective sections as the best part of the State. Of course I can forgive them for making such reckless statements. They have never been to Hallettsville.

B. F. Stamps.

TO THE HOWARD ALUMNI AND OLD STUDENTS.

We desire to have a rally of the alumni and old students of Howard College, and to this end we have decided to have a banquet in the Cleveland Dining Hall, which is the new dining room of the Renfro Building. This banquet will take place at 8 o'clock on Tuesday evening, May 24th. The cost will be one dollar per plate. All the Alumni, the board of trustees, the faculty, old students and visiting friends are invited to take part.

A good and tasty menu will be prepared, timely toasts will be responded to, and we expect to renew and to strengthen the ties that bind us to each other, and to our Alma Mater. Do not fail to come. Send your name to the secretary at once, and enclose one dollar, which includes the annual dues of the Society of Alumni, as well as the assessment for the banquet.

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Personal

Dr. Edward B. Pollack has been offered the chair of Biblical Literature at Georgetown, Ky.

We rejoice to learn that President Pollock, of Mercer University, is regaining his health.

The First Baptist Church, Ashville, has called Rev. William Lansford, D. D., of Waco, Texas. He was at one time a lawyer in Roanoke, Virginia, and gave up the law for the ministry.—N. C. Baptist.

Professor and Mrs. Henry C. Vedder of Crozier Theological Seminary have sailed for Europe. They will spend eight months visiting England, France, Germany, Italy, Austria and other European countries.

Dr. E. B. Pollard, writing to the Religious Herald from Georgetown, Ky., says: "I am sure your readers will like to hear good news of President Taylor, of Georgetown College. He is taking hold of his work as administrator and as teacher with the zest of one who has been at it all his life."

Dr. Wm. Lunsford, after a few months' pastorate in Waco, Texas, accepts the call to the Ashville Church. We congratulate Ashville and condole with Waco. We were sorry to lose Dr. Lunsford from Kentucky, but we were comforted by the coming of Dr. Dill to succeed him in Bowling Green.—Western Recorder.

Dr. Gordon B. Moore has given up the superintendency of the Anti-Saloon League. There has been no friction or misunderstanding. He simply felt that he could not do the campaign work which the position seemed to demand. The value of his work in the anti-saloon movement is fully and gratefully recognized by his co-laborers and by the public.

Rev. W. W. Landrum, D. D., of Atlanta, Ga., recently assisted Rev. Sparks Melton in a protracted meeting at the First Church, Augusta, Ga. The Augusta Chronicle says that Dr. Landrum preached with great power and effectiveness, and that forty have been added to the church, among them some of the most prominent citizens of Augusta. The effect of the meetings on the membership is described as "marvelous."

Dr. A. C. Dixon of the Ruggles Street Church, Boston, Mass., advertises his sermons with a syllabus in the Saturday papers. His Monday noon address in Tremont Temple attracts hundreds of people. He has given a series of sermons on the different evangelical denominations and what they have done for the world. Now he has begun a series on different forces of error. Already the Unitarians are replying to him. Their chief argument is the number of literary men who have been of their creed.—Examiner.

Attention is called to the announcement in this issue of the opening, July 2nd of the Monteagle assembly.

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Baptist Exchanges

The Fifth Avenue Church of New York City, of which Dr. R. P. Johnson is pastor, will depart from its established custom and keep its doors open every Sunday during the coming summer.—Central Baptist.

The message of the New Testament is a gospel message—a message of salvation to the lost sinner—and not mere historical fragment, telling of a historic Christ who was a good man. The New Testament offers salvation to men who need to be saved, and this salvation is through the Lord Jesus Christ, in whom the abounding grace of God super-abounds, for the poor, needy, sinning soul.—Pacific Baptist.

In accepting \$25,000 from the legislature of Me. for the rebuilding of Colby Hall at Colby College, on the ground that the college is not in any special sense a Baptist institution, the trustees of the college have measurably weakened their distinctive appeal to Baptist to support it on the ground that it is a Baptist institution. Still further, what it is right for Colby College to claim and accept from the State it is right for any Roman Catholic institution to claim and accept.—The Watchman.

The Baptist Argus gets off the following: Dr. J. S. Dill of Bowling Green, recently announced as subject of a morning's sermon, "Stirring Up the Home Nest," from the text, "As the eagle stirreth up her nest," etc. The imp of the types made him announce "Stirring up a Hornet's Nest." Some who had not been out for several weeks came to see what was the matter.—Baptist Courier.

A wholesale wine merchant applied recently for membership in a Congregational Church, and was received over the protest of a number of members, who on account of his reception withdrew from the church. The Chicago organ of the wholesale liquor trade expresses great surprise at "the bigotry and narrowness" that would refuse church membership to a liquor dealer in "the opening light of the twentieth century." This reminds us of the way the Courier-Journal talked when Walnut St. Church, of this city, took their anti-whiskey action.—Western Recorder.

In closing the Gay course of lectures Dr. James Stalker paid a noble tribute to our Seminary. He said that for a long time he had been very anxious to visit the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary for many reasons among which were its noble history, its wide influence, its association with Dr. Broadus, whom he pronounced one of the world's noblest and greatest scholars. Most happily did he say that his expectations were more than fulfilled and that he rejoiced in the able, scholarly and spiritual faculty which are lifting the Seminary to a yet higher place in the world's esteem.—Argus.

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Judge Moore Sleeps at Marion.

Marion, Ala., April 29.—The largest gathering for burial services that ever assembled in Marion was here today to do honor to the obsequies of the lamented John Moore, Judge of the Fourth Judicial Circuit.

Representative citizens were present from all five counties of the district. The funeral services were held in the old historic Siloam Baptist Church, of which the judge had been a member for over fifty years. Dr. Paul V. Bomar, his pastor, paid a beautiful tribute to his memory, taking occasion to ask the prayers of the public that his place may be filled under divine direction.

Hon. H. S. D. Mallory of Dallas delivered a short eulogy on behalf of the lawyers of the circuit. He traced the judicial and personal character of the deceased from his twenty years' practice before him, saying that trust in God alone would place his equal upon the bench and implant such confidence in the hearts of the people in a jurist. It was the most impressive burial service doubtless ever held in the State. The pall-bearers were as follows: Hon. H. S. D. Mallory of Dallas, Hon. Thomas E. Knight of Hale, Hon. J. F. Thompson of Bibb, Hon. W. M. Fowlkes, Hon. W. F. Hogue, Mr. W. O. Johnson of Perry, Hon. E. N. Jones of Wilcox, Hon. Alex D. Pitts of Dallas. Solicitor W. W. Quarles headed the casket into the church, bearing a floral offering from the Dallas bar that for loveliness must have made the God of flowers pause at least for a moment.

On the stage were the pastor, Dr. P. V. Bomar; Dr. R. G. Patrick, president of the Judson Institute; H. S. D. Mallory, of Dallas, Hon. J. N. Miller of Wilcox, E. N. DeGraffenreid of Hale, Hon. W. W. Lavender of Bibb, Judge J. H. Stewart of Marion.

Among the many visitors from the five counties were Hon. C. E. Waller, R. B. Evins, L. M. Otts of Hale, Hon. H. Becca, Solicitor of W. W. Quarles, Col. L. E. Jeffries, Judge A. L. McLeod, Judge B. H. Pitts of Dallas, Judge Pratt, J. T. Fuller, John Kennedy, Mayor Herbert Reynolds, R. L. Avery of Bibb, Editor Hunter of Wilcox and many others.

Judge Moore was 75 years old the 13th of March, and was first elected judge in 1866. He was deposed by the reconstructionists and re-elected again in 1880, and had held his office continually until his death. In his death the last link of the old leaders of just after the war passes away, honored, loved, lamented sorely by not only his home and district, but the South. As his pastor well said, pray God's guidance to fill his place, not only as a jurist, but in the hearts of his people.

Home Protection.

Home protection is scarcely less prominent in the thought and effort of people everywhere than of home-making. This is emphasized in the well kept and well provided homes that characterize our land everywhere. This is a natural development of the tendencies of the times and the growing spirit of co-operation.

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expression in every line of activity. The most marked tendency to this end, in these later days, is seen in the movement on the part of a great many men to make provision for a continuance of present day comforts for families and dependents, even though their natural support is removed by death's intervention.

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We would be glad to hear from all the brethren who received communications from us. Send us the entrance fee of one dollar and let us enroll your name.

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Montgomery, Ala.

Dr. E. E. Folk, who recently visited Bowling Green, Ky., to organize an anti saloon league says: The meeting was held in Van Meter Hall. There was a large and enthusiastic audience. An Anti-Saloon League was organized with nearly three hundred members. There are about twenty-five saloons in Bowling Green, and the good people of that beautiful little city are determined to be rid of them. Our friend and former schoolmate, Dr. J. S. Dill, is pastor of the First Baptist Church. He has been there only about seven months, but has taken a strong hold upon the affections of his church. He began a meeting last Sunday in which he will do the preaching himself. We had the pleasure of hearing a fine sermon from him on Sunday morning on "Christian Readiness." At night we preached. At both services the audiences were very large. Dr. Dill promises to do a fine work in Bowling Green. He is an excellent pastor-evangelist. We hope to have him in Tennessee sometime.

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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.

Done at office in Birmingham, Alabama, this 18th day of April, 1904.
 W. O. Garrett, Register.

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.
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The Present Condition of the South, Etc.

(Continued from page 3.)

been only the surface play; the undercurrent, often uncontrollable, has always been racial. The South is not so much partisan as unpolitical. We have factions based upon personalities; we have no separate parties based upon principles, either political or economic. Our leaders see and deplore this fact, even yearn for the advent of a respectable opposition party. Where there is only one debater there can be no discussion; yet democracy is only government by discussion.

The isolation of the South from national affairs grows out of its engrossment in the intense racial predicament in which destiny has involved it. Outside activities have had to be abandoned in the dire appeal of her own children. It is the mother heart of Rachel weeping for her own.

NATIONAL AID TO POPULAR EDUCATION.

If then, the nation wishes to set free the energies of the South, to develop in behalf of all, the resources of this section; to restore the South to a rightful share in the political life of the whole country; to recover the advantages of the co-operation of these millions of pure Anglo-Saxon minds with political instincts strong, sound and sagacious, to call up at this juncture the reserves of the South and wheel them into the forming line of the world's advances, it is necessary to hear sympathetically this cry of Rachel, to release the tension of her mother heart, to bring succor to white and black in their mutual struggle to rise to higher levels of life through popular enlightenment, industrial progress and righteous racial adjustments.

National aid—strictly through the agency of the State—to elementary education, is the enginery that must speedily be called into play. National aid to education was heartily favored by Dr. J. L. M. Curry, of sainted memory. The U. S. government now aids education in the States through the A. & M. colleges, such as the Virginia Polytechnic, at Blacksburg. In the dense shadow of overhanging ignorance, certain it is that no plant can grow with full vigor. The one thing is to get rid of that stunting shade. Give the South only sunshine, rift by kindly rays of light the cloud of illiteracy and racial suspicion, and her people will advance by leaps and bounds in all the elements of progress and power; for these Saxons are inherently noble, capable, and responsive to the highest ideals of civic virtue.

THE SOUTH'S HEROISM IN THE PROBLEMS OF PEACE.

The marvelous thing today is not that Mississippi has grown restive under the burden of duplicate schools but that she has had the heroism to bear so long the burden under these hard conditions. In Mississippi only 41.3 per cent of the population is white. This minority has had to furnish capital, initiative, brains, and conscience for the whole mass. The strain, accordingly, upon their resources in maintaining the higher life of the State has been appalling. All honor to those noble men

for standing to their post thus far, in their superb self-reliance even rejecting the suggestion of outside aid. But there is a limit to human endeavor. And only the sympathetic co-operation of the nation can bring relief to a situation that is well-nigh intolerable. Can we in such a crisis halt at constitutional quibbles, when the civilization of the South is at stake? If it was right to use the national arm to free the slave and to clothe him with citizenship, surely it is right to use the same hand to fit him for civic efficiency. Freedom then, fitness now. Adopt what order you may, fitness is as imperative as freedom. Without this, freedom itself is a delusion to the negro and a menace to the white man.

TONIC EFFECT OF THIS MORAL APPEAL.

The North gained by the tonic effect of the moral appeal in behalf of the abolition of slavery. This, as regards the South, has been offset in part by the mellowing influence of defeat. There is an active element in suffering. Forty years of suffering cannot count for naught. In the silent reserve, in the heroic patience, in the deep consciousness of a wish to do right, however confused the way, the South has found compensations. Yet I cannot resist the belief that in the appeal of the negro's weakness to our strength the white people of the South have a challenge given our fortitude, magnanimity, spirit of self-denial, and sense of justice which puts us on our mettle. If we prove equal to this task, in the very process of its achievement, we shall pass through a divine discipline and development that may form a signal page in history. "Faith and hope belong to man as creature; love constitutes his likeness to God."

At the Orphanage; "Friend's Day;" Shall We Dedicate?

Last spring, as the 20th day of May was drawing near, Bro. J. D. Pittman, Supt. of the Orphan's Home, suggested, that as our children could not have "Mother's Day," as is the custom with children who have mothers, we might have "Friend's Day" for them, and although, there was only partial effort put forth, it was a success. On that day school closed and quite a number of friends came from a distance, and more of those who lived here, to see the Home and witness the closing of our school. Some who could not attend sent substantial tokens of their interest.

It will be remembered, that at many associations last fall, I gave notice that we expect to dedicate our buildings on May 20th of the present year, and extended a general invitation to all to come. We still hope to do that. Will our friends help us to make it a success? We want specially to make the day a blessing to the Home, because it is the anniversary of the first death among our workers. On that day two years ago Mrs. Pittman who had entered upon her work with consuming zeal laid it down, rested, and now her works do follow her.

You ask what you can do to make the day a success? Come to be with us if you can, and tell us wherein you think we could do better work. Come and see the children for whose welfare you

have been contributing your money, and you will feel a deeper interest in them still. Come, and see what we are trying to do for the little ones that Providence has brought to us. Let every Sunday school in the State send a special offering for the work, before that day.

If you cannot come nor send an offering of money, you can pray, that God, who has promised to be a father to the fatherless, may bless the little ones sent here to be cared for.

Allow me to suggest that if you or your people promise to help erect these buildings or pay the debt that was on them last year, if you will send any balance you may owe on your pledge, that will be great help.

Again, if you made no pledge, but will send a gift for the work, you will be a friend indeed. Remember, it is "Friend's Day," and if you feel friendly toward the destitute, you cannot but help us if you will let the promptings of the Good Spirit guide you to action.

Now, we are going to have "Friend's Day," but we shall not be able to dedicate our new buildings as we hope to unless our friends come to our help speedily. We need every dollar on the unpaid pledges, to finish the work we have resumed, and we need money to buy cotton to make mattresses. The ladies and the girls will make them if they can get the material.

We need a yard fence. Shall we have it? You must answer this. Our old one is dropping to pieces.

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JUDSON ON MISSIONS.

Dr. Edward Judson, in a foreign missionary address full of eloquence and power, said: "We must be sure, however, that our Foreign Missionary spirit is genuine and not a mere fad. The sure test is whether we are interested in everything lying between the heathen and ourselves. To many of us distance seems to lend enchantment to the view." We burn with enthusiasm over the miseries of people far away, but are limpt and nerveless as regards suffering close by. We find ourselves greatly interested in foreigners when they reside in their own land, so much so in fact that we send our best men as missionaries to them and pay their traveling expenses, but when the Lord puts it into the heart of these same foreigners to come to our shores, paying their own traveling expenses, instead of rejoicing over their advent we are sometimes inclined to turn away from them in despair. They do not look so picturesque nearby. This is only the semblance of the true missionary spirit—a counterfeit, not the real coin.—Home Field.

Dresses for Graduate Girls.

Of Lawn, of Persian Lawn, of Organdie, of Silk, of Point d' Esprit. They are simple and sweet, or elaborate, be-ribboned—smothered in fluffs, flounces and furbelows.

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Some have a foreign atmosphere—they came straight from Rue de la Paix in Paris. Others, not a whit less prettier, smack of native Americanism. And others are made in New York, out of ideas robbed from Paris. The three vie for popular preference. Which will you choose? The styles bear the genuine stamp and seal of exclusiveness and distinction—there's not a hum-drum or a mediocre in the collection. Expensive? Not necessarily—some are as cheap as \$3.95.

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At \$7.95 White, Imported French Organdie—dancing, glistening surface. Pointed yoke, form of organdies and vertical bands of val. insertion. Bertha effect over shoulders, edged in lace. Long stole front; pouchy sleeves; cuffs trimmed in lace. Skirt sweepingly full—lace insertion down seams; three rows of insertion across bottom; lawn drop, pleated; dust ruffle.

At \$13.75 Of French Organdie, all lace collar on thin lawn foundation. Deep pointed yoke, of dainty valenciennes insertion; trimmed at breast with large satin ribbon rosette and long streamers. Pointed ruffle over shoulders; pointed back and front. This overcape effect is formed of delicate, dainty valenciennes. Tucked shoulders, drooping cuffs. Skirt—bottom of horizontal and vertical lace rows. Drop of lawn, accordeon pleated and edged in lace.

At \$16.75 A Dainty Conception—a very bon-mot of Point d' Esprit. The airy nets and the dots and ruching have lent themselves to beautiful effects. The yoke is prettily shaped and is muchly, thickly tucked. Double yoke falling well over the shoulders, edged in silk ruching. Front of ruching and lace. Large sleeves decorated with lace and ruching. Skirt, shirred at top, white satin belt with rosette at back. Four deep graduating ruffles edged at top and bottom in ruching. Drop-in lawn, accordeon pleated, finished with lace.

At \$22.50 Of Point d' Esprit. An exceptional quality. Wide lace front, bound in narrow rows of satin ribbon. Circular cape effect dropping over front, back and shoulders—edged in rows of circular medallions. Sleeves are very large and full, formed of lace rows alternating with satin ribbon rows—elbow length; drooping pointed cuffs of Point d' Esprit. Interlining of very fine organdie. Skirt is beautiful—formed of ribbons and laces. A wonderful piece of dress making.

At \$32.50 Of superb China Silk. Yoke of laces and ribbons. Pointed, deep bertha, edged with bands of lace and bands of ribbon. Sleeves are elbow length, decorated with rows of let in insertion. Silk cuffs, trimmed with lace. Skirt, wide, full, leaning toward the Colonial in style—decorated with much lace and many yards of ribbon.

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