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SEND THE GOSPEL TO THE CHILDREN OF ALL LANDS



CHRISTMAS GREETING.
 Come In! Come In!
 Come from Near and come from Far,
 Come from All the Lands that are,
 Come from lonely Realms of Snow
 Where no Winds of Summer blow,
 Come from Golden Palestine
 Vine clad Air and Aridine
 Fallen shore and Pillar Shrine,
 Come from Asia's General Sweep
 Arid's Sand and Jungle deep,
 Come from Western Prairies Sweep
 Come from Islands of the Sea
 Says the Christ Child unto me
 Every Child is bidden free.
 Come In! Come In!

GOOD HEALTH.

This magazine is ably edited by J. H. Kellog, M. D., and contains much that is of interest to all who follow after Battle Creek methods. If you are a meat eater, subscribe for it and it will give you food for thought.

TALES.

Translated Tales includes the best written in foreign tongues rendered into the best English. This enables any one to keep abreast of the best literature published abroad. The Ess Ess Publishing Co., New York, put out this magazine at \$2.50 a year.

SHORT STORIES.

This magazine is planned to cover the story telling field of the world. Its selection will be the best procurable in all the languages, as all the stories are complete in each monthly issue and all the numbers are good reading, it makes no difference when the subscriber begins. It is published by the Short Stories Co., Ltd., New York.

BOB TAYLOR'S MAGAZINE.

Governor Bob Taylor, being editor-in-chief, is a sufficient guarantee that its pages will be filled with sunshine and humor. It is what it claims to be, "a Magazine of the South, for all the world." We await its coming each month with genuine interest, for it always contains things typically southern. It is published at Nashville, Tenn.

AN EMBROIDERY MAGAZINE.

The Modern Priscilla is the only monthly magazine devoted exclusively to embroidery, fancy work, home decoration and painting. It contains regular departments in fashion, knitting, crochet, cooking and mother and child; also gives the latest ideas and designs for Waists, Gowns, Collars, Stocks and Hats. From twenty-five to fifty new and original designs for all kinds of art needlework are given each month and perforated and stamped patterns are supplied. Subscription price, 50c per year.

GUNTER'S MAGAZINE.

This is the great illustrated magazine of romantic fiction published in New York. Gunter's for January, which is practically a holiday number, will contain several stories appropriate to the season and "Phyllis in Fetters," by Francis O. Trollope. The Luck of the Caroline, a tale of San Francisco bay, a few months before the great fire, by Adelaide Soule. A Chance Adventure, by Heinrich Ewald Bucholz, a curious story of a retired German officer, who after vanquishing Mars, was lured by Venus into a gallant but most curious adventure. How the Engineer Went on Strike, by George Carlin. Some very interesting scenes in a great manufacturing institution.

NEW ENGLAND MAGAZINE.

This is one of the old magazines, having been founded in 1758, and appeals to the literary and those who love well written historical sketches. The following are some of the special articles in the December issue: Madonnas in New England Museums, by F. W. Coburn. An article descriptive of the Madonnas which New Englanders have within easy reach and many of which are real European masterpieces. The Seven Adventures of John Henry, by Grace L. Hewett. Nineteenth Century Boston Journalism, by Edward H. Clement. The second of the series by the veteran editor of the Transcript, in which he recalls his experience as "carpet bag" editor of a southern paper in war-time, as well as his acquaintance with Henry A. Clapp, Epes Sargent, E. P. Whipple and other great men of that time. The Onion, by James O'Neil. A story adapted from the Russian folk-lore. A Christmas Cupid, by Nixon Waterman. New England Magazine Co., publishers, 8 Dix Place, Boston.

**Tips to Magazine Buyers for 1907****TEN STORY BOOK.**

This is a series of short stories published in magazine form by the Daily Story Publishing Co., Chicago. Some of the tales are humorous, some serious, but all interesting.

THE LITTLE CHRONICLE.

A weekly news magazine for boys and girls and busy people. The news so delightfully and simply told that it charms the young people who unconsciously acquire an intelligent interest in the real world about them. A teacher says: "To breathe the atmosphere of The Little Chronicle is education." W. D. Howells says: "Your idea is the correct one." Miss Jane Addams begs to congratulate us. Sir Hiram Maxim exclaims: "It would have been a Godsend to me." Published by Little Chronicle Publishing Co., Chicago, Ill.

THE PATHFINDER.

The old reliable national news review, gives you every week all the important news of the world, stated clearly and without bias. It is the only news review that is truly comprehensive and at the same time is not padded or bulky. It gives you the wheat without the chaff. It is a time saver for busy people. In purpose it is high-toned, healthy and inspiring; it is a protest against sensational journalism. It takes the place of periodicals costing \$3 and \$4. Try it and you would not be without it for many times its cost. \$1 a year. The Pathfinder, Washington, D. C.

THE HOUSEKEEPER.

"The magazine of helpfulness." A bright, practical periodical devoted to the home. The best and cheapest of its class. Published monthly at Minneapolis, Minn. Forty or more pages each month, filled with stories by famous authors, clever verse, children's hour and illustrated feature articles, many of them by the brilliant associate editor, Marian Bonsall. Serial story by Owen Kildare. Last and best twenty departments conducted by experts devoted to the solving of every domestic problem. The Housekeeper made its reputation by being helpful and practical. It is a boon to the tired wife and mother who wants to lighten her daily burdens.

WORLD'S EVENTS MAGAZINE.

Published at Dansville, N. Y., was most fortunate in securing six reminiscent articles on great men of the nation, written by Col. A. K. McClure, the veteran newspaper man of Philadelphia.

Colonel McClure is easily the most eminent man living today who connects the men of war times with the men of the present time. He writes on Thaddeus Stevens, Lincoln, Grant, Stanton, Blaine and Jefferson Davis, the first article appearing in the July number.

No man living knew all these men so intimately as Colonel McClure. His relation to them in trying hours gives him pre-eminent opportunity to reveal them in new light. The facile pen, the charming style, and the rich experience of this veteran newspaper man will make his articles of unusual interest to all. Any one of the contributions will easily be worth the price of a year's subscription to the magazine.

KEITH'S.

The magazine for home builders. Before building, subscribe to Keith's Magazine and study the many attractive and homelike plans. Each monthly issue, 64 pages. Subscription price \$1.50 a year. M. L. Keith, publisher, No. 400 Lumber Exchange, Minneapolis, Minn.

AINSLIE'S MAGAZINE.

The December number is quite the thing. It is characteristic of the holiday season. The fiction in Ainslee's is of a high order. The publishers of Ainslee's Magazine will give a \$50 prize for the best motto, to be printed at the bottom of the advertising pages of Ainslee's Magazine, tending to overcome the evils of substitution. For full particulars, address Ainslee's Magazine, 84 Seventh Avenue, New York City.

Ainslee's is pre-eminently the magazine that entertains—160 pages of the best obtainable fiction every month. Besides a collection of from eight to twelve short stories each number contains a complete novel.

M'CLURE'S MAGAZINE.

Without doubt one of the best, if not the best, magazine on the market at any time.

Americans require a magazine that is as wide as the nation—a reporter of national life, just as the newspaper is a reporter of local life. McClure's is that magazine.

McClure's is the best magazine for those who want only one magazine, and merely to read over the prospectus of good things in store for its readers during 1907 makes one impatient to get the numbers. With such contributors as Steffens, Baker, Beach, White, Henry and others it is no wonder that McClure's is a great home magazine.

SUCCESS MAGAZINE.

Success Magazine enters upon its tenth year with an editorial plan and policy differing from that of any other existing periodical. It aims to be the one indispensable magazine in the home—"The Great Home Magazine of America"—interesting and valuable almost equally to the father, the mother and the older sons and daughters. It stands for the highest ideals in home life, and for national, civic and business honesty in public life.

The work of the world is represented in Success pages by many a brilliant article descriptive of some great feat in the fields of engineering, science, agriculture, art, literary work, etc. Perhaps the most important creative work of Success Magazine during the coming year will be the thorough establishment and initial guidance of "The People's Lobby," founded by Success this fall as a practical and thoroughly effective means for grappling with that great lobby of "The Interests" which is so emphatically against "The People." To create a powerful, public-spirited and thoroughly non-partisan working organization which shall watch and criticize legislation, defeat bad bills by the utmost possible publicity, initiate good ones and bring legislators to realize that they are always and forever "in the public eye"—this is a work worthy of the highest skill, intelligence and effort.

WHAT TO EAT.

We thought we kept up pretty well with the magazines, but recently there fell into our hands a new one that is worth while with the appetizing title of "What To Eat." It is the National Food Magazine and is filled with tried recipes and is beautifully printed and tastefully illustrated. It is published in Chicago monthly at \$1 per year. It looks good enough to eat.

THE CHRISTMAS DELINEATOR.

The December Delineator is a typical Christmas number. It is sufficiently premature to assist Christmas makers with its hints for Christmas gifts and holiday entertainments, besides containing an abundance of reasonable literature calculated to fit in from now until New Year's Day. Maud Ballington Booth contributes a most touching description of the work of the Volunteers "Christmas Sunshine in the Shadows." Christmas stories for adults are "The Evergreen Tree," by Marion Ames Taggart and "The Shoplifter at Satterthwaite's" by William Hamilton Osborne, and those for children "The Blue Kimono," by Virginia Woodward Cloud, and "Betty Evolves a Christmas Idea," by Elizabeth Preston Badger. But the crown of the Christmas literature is Edwin Markham's splendid poem, entitled "The Great Guest Comes." It is illustrated in colors by J. C. Leyendecker. Essays for every-day are, "The Slavery of Superstition," by Lillian Bell. "Eliminating Non-essentials," by Lida Churchill, and "Pulling Together Through a Crisis," by William George Jordan. The usual amount of space is devoted to up-to-date fashions in garments and millinery, and practical papers and departments for housekeepers.

PROGRAM.

Fifth Sunday meeting of the Alabama Baptist Association, to be held with Union church, Honorville, December 28, 29, 30, 1906.

Friday, 11 a. m., introductory service by the pastor. Subjects and speakers: Can a Christian's faith be increased? H. S. Graydon, Marlon Sexton, W. H. Sharp. The church ordinances. What are they? C. C. Lloyd, Daniel Harrison. What is it to fall from grace? T. E. Morgan, W. P. McQueen. Why was Paul chosen above all others to carry the gospel to the Gentiles? Joe Day, George R. Vickery, George P. Hawkins. What is sin against the Holy Ghost? N. F. Perry, L. D. Barfield, Ed Massey. Duty of the church to young converts. John W. Holloway, T. J. Thrower, Wilburn Massey. All cordially invited. Dinner on the grounds.

C. C. LLOYD, for Committee.

A FRIEND'S ADVICE

Something Worth Listening To.

A young Nebraska man was advised by a friend to eat Grape-Nuts because he was all run down from a spell of fever. He tells the story:

"Last spring I had an attack of fever that left me in a very weak condition. I had to quit work; had no appetite, was nervous and discouraged.

"A friend advised me to eat Grape-Nuts, but I paid no attention to him and kept getting worse as time went by.

"I took many kinds of medicine, but none of them seemed to help me. My system was completely run down, my blood got out of order from want of proper food, and several very large boils broke out on my neck. I was so weak I could hardly walk.

"One day mother ordered some Grape-Nuts and induced me to eat some. I felt better and that night rested fine. As I continued to use the food every day, I grew stronger steadily and now have regained my former good health. I would not be without Grape-Nuts, as I believe it is the most health-giving food in the world." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read the book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a reason."



New Books

OUT OF TUNE.

By Myra M. Smith, author of "Demands of Society," etc., and published by the Mayhew Publishing Co. It is a story of a struggle to belief.

SENATOR SORGHUM'S

Primer of Politics, by Philander C. Johnson, and published by Henry Altemus Co., Philadelphia, contains helpful hints on the science of not getting the worst of it. Some of the sayings are quite true, for instance: "Politics is the art of twining influence into influence."

TWELVE W'S OF BAPTIST.

Published by J. B. Moody, Martin, Tenn., in paper cover, 25c; muslin, 50c, prepaid. Dr. Moody says: "The book aims to cover briefly and concisely the whole subject. Should it prove too strong for some and too weak for others, I trust the two extremes may meet on the golden mean offered in the book." The lectures contained in the book were delivered to the theological class of Hull-Moody Institute.

INTOXICANTS AND OPIUM IN ALL LANDS AND ALL TIMES.

By Dr. and Mrs. Wilbur F. Crafts and Mary and Margaret W. Letch, published by the International Reform Bureau, Washington, D. C., is a Twentieth century survey of intemperance, based on a symposium of testimony from one hundred missionaries and travelers. It is a perfect arsenal for temperance workers and no wonder that it has passed into its ninth edition.

BIBLE STUDENTS' PRIMER

And the Students' Course in Scripture Exposition. New book just from the press. By Rev. G. S. Anderson, Auburn, Ala. Introductory price \$1. The Bible Students' Primer brings a new science into the world's curriculum of learning. Applied to the Scriptures, it is the science of truth. Applied to thought in general it is the science of literature. The book is in two volumes, the first giving the formula of principles and the second the Students' Course of training in those principles. Brother Crumpton in writing to the author said: "Your book, 'Bible Students' Primer,' will be of great value to our preachers, who will take the trouble to study it and apply its principles."

THE KING'S DAUGHTERS YEAR BOOK.

While primarily intended as a daily companion for members of the International organization of which Mrs. Margaret Bottome is president, "The King's Daughters Year Book" is one to be eagerly desired by all who appreciate a helpful message for every day in the year. It needs no apology; praise would be superfluous. In fine it is Mrs. Bottome speaking as she has spoken for years, saying on every page that all one needs is to find out how lovely and loveable God is, telling of the sunlight of our Father's love, how He Himself may be put into every day affairs and how one may be faithful in even a few things. Unusually attractive in appearance, the book is easily first among the important books of the year. The King's Daughters Year Book, published at \$1.25 by Henry Altemus Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

BLACK ROCK.

A tale of the Selkirk by Ralph Connor, with an introduction by Professor George Adam Smith, L.L. D., has become a classic. It touches the chords which vibrate. His touch is true, but fine. Published by Fleming H. Revell Co., New York.

TIMOTHY'S MAGICAL AFTERNOON

This is one of the Altemus' Magic Wand Series, written by Tudor Jenks and illustrated by John R. Neill. It is an interesting book for boys and girls.

"When Mr. Jenks' enchanters wave their magic wands, we know that happenings of rare interest are in store for young readers. Always humorous and especially so when a magic wand gets into inexperienced hands, it is to laugh throughout each of the dainty volumes to which Mr. Neill has contributed his inimitable illustrations.

"The stories are bright, humorous and especially clever in text and illustration. Fresh examples of the author's delicate flights of fancy.

THE LIFE OF SAM JONES.

At an enormous expense, added to which is a royalty to Mrs. Jones that is larger perhaps than ever before paid for such a volume, J. L. Nichols & Co., publishers, Atlanta, Ga., have been awarded the contract for placing before the people of the United States the "Life and Sayings of Sam Jones." Everybody who during the last quarter of a century watched the ceaseless and untiring efforts of the great evangelist in the cause of Christianity and a higher standard of morality, and witnessed the tangible results therefrom, will be interested in perpetuating his name and deeds, and this can only be accomplished by a volume such as will leave their press early in December. Mrs. Jones has supervised the work, assisted by the Rev. Walt Holcomb, who was Mr. Jones' evangelical co-laborer and closest friend.

THE MORAL DAMAGE OF WAR.

By Walter Walsh, 12mo. cloth, 462 pages. 75 cents net. Published for the International Union by Ginn & Co., Boston.

The Moral Damage of War, by Rev. Walter Walsh, is the most unsparring, specific and detailed arraignment of the war system which has appeared in this time, when thoughtful men everywhere are uniting as never before in the impeachment of war as a method of settling international differences which is utterly unworthy of the civilization which we have now achieved. The detail and definiteness of the book constitute its most striking characteristics and its great power. Addressing himself primarily to the British public and writing as a British citizen; Mr. Walsh wastes no time in generalities, and he does not flatter nor spare his countrymen by drawing his illustrations from the sins of other peoples and other times. His book is almost exclusively a presentation of the crimes and resulting demoralization of the Boer war as a condemnation of all such war.

The editors of "His Life," a booklet giving the gospel narrative of the life of Christ in the words of the Scripture, which has reached a circulation of one hundred and twenty thousand, have also prepared two other booklets which complete the New Testament series, entitled "His Friends" and "His Great Apostle." Paper, 15c; cloth, 25c. Hope Publishing Company, Chicago and New York.

MY LIFE AND ITS GUEST.

(Suggested by the contemplation of a parent's grief at the loss of the first born.)

What mystery is my life! I know it is. I know I have it. I know I enjoy it. I am utterly unwilling to part with it. In my normal state I nourish it and cherish it more than all my other possessions. Yet I live my life, giving only brief consideration generally to what comes into it or what goes out of it, except the mere fact of an arrival and departure. If I should thoroughly investigate everything that comes into my life and should dwell at length on everything that goes out of it, I would have neither time nor mind for the discharge of the ordinary functions of life. Wonderful! Wonderful! Wonderful! My life was my own, not another's. Indeed, I would not have exchanged it for the life of any one else in all the world. It had its sorrows as well as its joys, misfortunes as well as fortunes; its burning heats as well as cooling breezes; its chilling blasts as well as warming sunshine; its enemies dogged the steps of its friends; but I loved it with all my heart and had I owned all the world I would have counted my life as worth infinitely more than it all. To be sure, I could have wished for a thousand things, but just to live was better than ten thousand such things. I might not have been reveling in unalloyed bliss, but I was happy rather than miserable; indeed, so happy that misery and I had only a speaking acquaintance. But a little, smiling, laughing, black-eyed creature came into my life. Often I had seen little, smiling things, but they didn't have its littleness and its smile. I had heard laughter a thousand times, but no laugh I had heard was its laugh. I had looked a thousand times into the depths of its eyes, but no eyes I had seen were its eyes. I had heard a thousand innocent, prattling creatures, but no prattle I had heard was its prattle. I had seen a thousand flashes of intelligence, but no flash of intelligence I had seen were as bright as its. Wonderful baby it was! How it wound itself into my very soul! Other people had babies; bright, sweet and lovely; but this was mine. To me the whole world could not duplicate it. When this baby had wound itself into the very inner sanctuary of my soul I could have wished my earthly life of endless duration. But He who gives life and all its goods in His wisdom took this precious thing out of my life and placed it in heaven with Himself. O what rending of soul there was! Though its departure from me was heaven to it, I could feel nothing but anguish indescribable. I seemed to have gone out of myself into the grave where I saw my baby go from my literal sight. Was I wicked and rebellious? I could not help crying out in the sundering of such tender ties. It cut my very soul in twain. Did I do more than the immaculate Son of God when on the cross He cried out at the withdrawal of the Father? No, no, no! the Father heard the cry of His Son and wound His great arms of tender sympathy about him, and while all heaven and earth for three days stood amazed He was making ready to take him from Calvary's defeat and shame to completest victory and heaven's matchless glory. And the same Father beheld my anguish and heard my walls of sorrow with no word of chiding for me, only looks of tenderest sympathy and words of sweetest consolation. When I could only weep out my heart in sorrow and shiver in relentless grief, how His divine compassion hovered over me! How the great, loving Entity caressed my smitten and lacerated spirit! My eyes were hidden with sorrow and my ears were deaf to all but agony of soul. Yet no word of reproach, from His divine lips. Did the Father weep over my suffering as His Son did over suffering humanity? Or was His sympathy for me too intense for tears? At

last (oh, why was the at last so long coming!) the fountains of my grief were emptied. I myself was emptied. I was utterly helpless in His great, strong, loving arms, and I saw and understood what all the time had been telling to grief-dulled ears and pointing out to sorrow bedimmed eyes—I saw baby in heaven, clothed in a body glorious in its perfections, endowed with capabilities infinitely transcending anything earthly. My life's guest has gone, but it is bound to my soul by memory's tenderest and most sacred ties, and they by the grace of God shall never be severed, but in His own good time we will be bound by them close together on the radiant shores of eternal deliverance. ENOCH WINDES.

KIND WORDS FOR BRO. MURRAY. Lafayette, Ala., Dec. 3, 1906.

Elder S. Y. Murray, who came to Lafayette Baptist church as pastor in April, 1905, having recently accepted a call to the church at Yorkville, S. C., departed for that field on the 26th of November, and again we are without a shepherd.

Our people regret the loss of Brother Murray as pastor very much. He is a thoroughly consecrated, gospel preacher, and while here the church prospered under his administration. About thirty were baptized into the membership of the church; there was an increase in our contributions for missions and benevolent purposes; the church was repaired and painted inside and out; the individual communion service was installed, and the Southern Baptist convention literature was adopted.

He is a good pastor and alive to all the interests of our people. He and his good wife have endeared them selves to our hearts. We shall miss them and shall frequently recall the many pleasant moments spent with them. They will be an inspiration for good in any community in which they may cast their lot. May God bless them in their new field and give them many souls for their hire.

N. D. DENSON.

"PROUD AND GLAD"

Because Mother Looked So Well After Quitting Coffee.

An Ohio woman was almost distracted with coffee dyspepsia and heart trouble.

Like thousands of others, the drug in coffee—caffeine—was slowly but steadily undermining her nervous system and interfering with natural digestion of food.

"For 30 years," she writes, "I have used coffee. Have always been sickly—had heart trouble and dyspepsia with ulcers in stomach and mouth so bad sometimes I was almost distracted and could hardly eat a thing for a week.

"I could not sleep for nervousness, and when I would lie down at night I'd belch up coffee and my heart would trouble me. At last, when I would want to drink coffee, it would gag me. It was like poison to me. I was thin—only weighed 125 pounds, when I quit coffee and began to use Postum.

"From the first day that belching and burning in my stomach stopped. The Postum went down so easy and pleasant. I could sleep as soundly as any one and, after the first month, whenever I met any friends they would ask me what was making me so fleshy and look so well.

"Sometimes, before I could answer quick enough, one of the children or my husband would say, 'Why, that is what Postum is doing for her—they were all so proud and glad.

"When I recommend it to any one I always tell them to follow directions in making Postum, as it is not good to taste if weak, but fine when it is boiled long enough to get the flavor and rich brown color." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a reason."

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EXTRACTS FROM SECRETARY CRUMPTON'S REPORT TO THE STATE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

Brethren of the Board:

Last year I reported to you a debt of \$2500. Such were the demands upon you, you felt constrained to make appropriations on the basis of \$15000, independent of the debt. Subsequent meetings of the local board, with the summer and associational expenses, made about \$18000 in all appropriated.

The total amount received for state missions, reported to the convention in July was \$16,831, with a debt of about \$2500. The debt of today is about \$4000.

The demands are just as urgent today as ever. While some points we are helping seem inclined to hold on to the appropriations unreasonably long, I believe the most of the churches aided are really anxious to reach the point of self-support. Where a debt has been reduced or a house of worship or pastor's home is in course of erection, there seems to be reasonable ground for continuing an appropriation, but something ought to be doing all the time to justify a renewal of the appropriation. The mill towns will probably continue for years to be mission stations. Some of our school towns are likely to continue with us, because of their inability alone to keep their houses open every Sunday.

According to the budget I submit for your consideration we have applications, properly approved, for more than the amount appropriated at your meetings last year. Unless you lay out the work on a basis beyond which you have ever gone, there can be no further appropriations by the local board after your adjournment today. There will necessarily arise cases of emergency, besides the numerous associations which will act in the spring. It is for you to say whether you will venture on a \$20,000 basis and trust the denomination to sustain you. It seems to me the only course for us, unless we should retreat. To do that would be demoralizing to us all.

To meet present emergencies I have to suggest:

First, that the members of the board become more enthusiastic for state missions. There are twenty-one of you, fourteen outside of Montgomery. Besides personal efforts in your own churches, you can start a move to reach the pastors of our strong city churches and get them to put a higher estimate on our state work.

It would surprise any of you to examine the minutes of the associations and see how little state missions is regarded by some of the strongest churches. There ought to be no question in the minds of the members about the value of this work. It lies at the base of all. To your board is due very largely most of the credit for the wonderful advance the Baptists have made along mission and benevolent lines in Alabama for the last thirty-five years. Cripple state missions and everything must suffer.

I suggest another way out of our present distress:

Lay it upon the missionaries that they must raise more of their salaries for the coming year. For years I have frequently done this to great advantage without the instruction of the board. Almost every one of them can do it. In many places they can run out to churches, which have no plan and are doing practically nothing, and get something from them.

The evangelistic work is a fine subject to talk and write about; but it is difficult of solution. Each state has to study it from its own standpoint. Because it succeeds financially and otherwise in Texas, with its hundreds of new towns in rich territory, and in Missouri or Kentucky, with its

hundreds of large towns, is no reason why it is going to sweep everything in the hill country of Alabama; and because it succeeds financially and otherwise in the towns of the old and cultivated sections of Alabama, it does not follow that it will meet the same success in the uncultivated country districts.

The financial end of evangelism is the dangerous one to us.

Alabama naturally divides itself into six sections, the line of the L. and N. railroad being the north and south line, the Western of Alabama from Opelika through Montgomery and Selma to Meridian and the Southern from Anniston through Birmingham to Columbus, Miss., being the two east and west lines. We should undertake as fast as we can find suitable men to cover the state with evangelists for each one of these districts. Troy, Greenville or Evergreen, Talladega, Tuscaloosa, Jasper and Gadsden being the centers from which they operate. The question of their maintenance is the most serious question. We can not abandon the plan of helping in the support of missionary pastors. Are we ready to undertake both? If a half dozen men or as many churches can be found who will each agree to support an evangelist, the problem is solved. Can we not find the men or the churches who will throw themselves into the breach and help us over this difficulty?

At Talladega in July Brother T. V. Neal was employed as Sunday school evangelist. After only a few days' service, his health gave way, and on the advice of his physician he is spending the winter in San Antonio, Tex. He is rapidly improving and wants to return to Alabama in the spring or maybe sooner. He forwarded his resignation to the board before leaving for Texas. I would advise that the position be left vacant for him until his return in the spring.

Having great confidence in the Woman's Central Committee, at their solicitation, I turned over to them the chapel building enterprise to work among the Sunday schools. Feeling confident of their success and on the advice of Brother Pettus, who was well acquainted with the situation, I authorized the pastor at West Huntsville to let the contract for a chapel, which they now occupy. We owe a little more than \$500 on the building. I hope to secure from the home board one-half of this amount, but if it should fail, our women, I am sure, can manage it through the Sunday schools.

The home board is ready to take over the Eldridge school property as soon as a dormitory is erected. It is not the policy of the home board to pay for any agency work, but to help in sustaining the schools after matters are put in shape. Brother A. N. Reeves began work as agent of the school about six weeks ago, until the meeting of the board, by my direction. His services will be worth much to the mission cause in a most destitute section and if he secures the needed amount to erect the dormitory it will insure a good school in the very heart of a populous, neglected section of our state.

Brother Dobbins at Greensboro has done a work which deserves special mention. Single-handed, he has gone out and resurrected the Baptist churches in Hale county, put them on a self-sustaining basis and moved a preacher to take charge of them.

The conditions in the black belt are pitiable. The churches are dying out and there seems to be but little help for it. Where the few white people can be rallied, they are appreciative and reward the laborer well for his services. In Bullock, Montgomery, Lowndes, Dallas, Perry and Marengo counties there are strong churches and pastors enough to hold the ground if they would go out and try. The churches ought to encourage their pastors to do so and thus make a most generous mission contribution more valuable than money.

JUST BETWEEN YOU AND ME.

By M. E.

Are you in touch with S. D. Gordon? His series of four books, "Quiet Talks on Power," on prayer, on service and on Jesus are exceedingly helpful. I heard him over at Broughton's Tabernacle conference on "Quiet Talks on Prayer" and a more fascinating and persuasive speaker one must go far to find. I know you are anxious for something for your prayer meetings. How do the chapter headings of Gordon's "Quiet Talks on Service" strike you as topics for a series of eight prayer meetings? Listen and you will agree that they are very rich. Here they are:

1. Personal Contact with Jesus: The Beginning of Service.
2. The Triple Life: The Perspective of Service.
3. Yokefellows: The Rhythm of Service.
4. A Passion for Winning Men: The Motive Power of Service.
5. Deep Sea Fishing: The Ambition of Service.
6. Money: The Golden Channel of Service.
7. Worry: A Hindrance to Service.
8. Gideon's Band: Sifted for Service.

When you use them in your prayer meetings, don't forget to give Gordon credit.

He has a charming way of putting things, Gordon has. Here is an extract from his chapter on that familiar topic, Gideon's Band: "Gideon spoke to his men. He said: 'Gentlemen, fellow Israelites, there is the enemy. Take a good look at them.' And his followers looked, and some of them began to get scared. They had not realized just what was involved. Their footwear seemed to grow too large. They were shaking in their boots, and their eyes grew big and their faces white under the tan. Then Gideon said: 'Now every man of you that thinks it can't be done, I wish you would get right out of this and go back home.' And he watched. And I imagine even Gideon shook a bit inside as he watched. They commenced to move away in squads, in scores, in fifties. Great gaps are left in the mob of men. Here is a fellow standing, looking. He thinks: 'It looks pretty bad, sure enough; but then I suppose if God is planning—' Hello, the fellow by his side has gone and on this other side, too—I guess I had better go, too.' And off he goes. Fear is very contagious. There is a great power in feeling a man by your side. And two-thirds of them disappear over the hills.

The motto of these disappearing men was this: "It can't be done." They must have organized themselves into a society to perpetuate their own idea. If so, the society has shown great vitality. Many of its members abide with us until this day. No, probably they didn't organize. They didn't have enough gumption to. And such a sentiment grows like a weed without any cultivation. . . . Here is another man standing looking at that vast host across the valley. He is thinking that it is a desperate case, but he thinks of God's call through Gideon. Just then he noticed that his neighbor on the left has taken to his heels, and on his right also. That shakes him for a moment. His heels say, "You go too." His heart said, "No, stay." He obeyed his heart. He said, "I'll stay; if I stay alone." That was the stuff in these remaining ten thousand."

Haven't we misinterpreted that clause in I Cor. 3:9, when we have called it "Workers together with God"? We have preached partnership with God from the text, but it is rather a partnership of the workers under the common ownership of God. The whole context, as well as text itself shows that this is true. Paul and Apollos are workers on equality with each other, but belonging to God, and not workers in partnership with God. This sounds like better theology to me as well as a better rendering of the word. I am not so sure that the other thought is taught anywhere in the New Testament, and certainly not in the pas-

sage in question. Look over the notes of that old sermon of yours on "Laborers together with God," and see if it is true to the right interpretation of the text.

Speaking of the prayer meeting, how is yours getting along now? Just speak a little low, so we won't be overheard, and tell me whether you know of any church that has a prayer meeting that is measuring up to what they are supposed to be. In some places it is more of a teaching service, in others more of a "rousement" meeting, and in others neither teaching nor "rousement," but just a meeting. I hear sometimes of a brother who has to call out for chairs to put in the aisles at his mid-week prayer service, but it is always too far from my settlement for me to see it with my own eyes. I wish you would get Brother Barnett to have written for the Baptist an article on "Fruits of the Present Day Prayer Meeting" that makes it a worth while service. You need not let him know that you and I are a bit dubious about our own meetings.

ADDISON, ALA.

I have moved from Sulligent to this place, from which I am to operate in mission work. This is a fine section and nothing being done in the general work of our denomination. But I believe that great good can be done here, as those here have not learned to hate the organized work as bad as in the Yellow Creek, but there is some strong opposition here. The Baptists are more numerous than any other denomination. I suppose that we outnumber all others in this, Winston, county. We have some noble spirited preachers here that are in full accord with all our work and with a little encouragement will develop into strong advocates of our work. I see great things possible for us here with the necessary help; but as yet our people have not realized their opportunities, but we have a few sers that are doing great good, such as Revs. G. W. Gibson, of Arley, and Kelley, of Upshaw, and others. I shall make special effort for the Alabama Baptist, so soon as I can get my affairs in hand, which will be about the first of the new year. There are hundreds of Baptists here that are plenty able to take the paper, but do not and I think they have never been urged to do so. My paper comes in a wrapper, from which I judge I am the only subscriber in Addison. Isn't that awful, with miles of level farms as fine as I ever saw in Alabama, and as good people, but there have never been that I have heard of any work done in this section by the board except what I have done. I have settled among this people to make myself one of them, and help them to work out the problems that now confront them, to the best of my ability, and I know that your great paper is a necessity in all our work. Yours for the Master's cause,

T. W. SHELTON.

Addison, Ala.

KEEP THE EVANGELISTS BUSY.

The board is employing evangelists. Churches that wish their services can write to me for the present. As soon as they permanently locate, notice will be given and they can be communicated with direct.

Our churches have not been used to meetings in the winter. There is no reason why any church, well provided with a good stove and plenty of fuel, should not have winter meetings. For many reasons it is the very best season. Shall we employ the evangelists and let them be idle through the winter for the want of invitations? That will never do. Many a pastorless church, discouraged over the prospects, could be put immediately on its feet by a good meeting.

Let me hear from the churches.

W. B. CRUMPTON.
Montgomery, Ala.

WORLD WIDE MISSIONS



THE TWO GREAT COMMANDMENTS.

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. * * * Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. Va. 30, 31.

Show up the so-called great religions of the world against the background of the two great commandments, and see how they shrivel and fade. From the lowest animism to the profoundest Buddhism or Confucianism there is not the slightest hint that the human heart and the heart of God can be united in fervent love and communion. There is no such thing as real prayer. How can there be, when Buddha is "a candle that has been blown out," when Kall and most of the Hindu gods are deities of blood, lust and cruelty, when the evil spirits of the different forms of animism are all in league to injure and destroy humanity?

The same comparison holds true with regard to the commandment of brotherly love. Nothing but the religion of Jesus teaches that; nothing but the spirit of Christ working in the hearts of men can develop it. If anybody asks why the heathen need the gospel, take the two great commandments, our Lord's summary of all practical religion, and show how they are utterly unknown to the heathen world. There can be no true worship of God, there can be no true unity of the nations of the world, till the two great commandments are known and obeyed everywhere.—Ex.

WHY SEND MISSIONARIES TO PAL LANDS.

This question is often asked and the following story takes off in an unintentional but quaint and humorous way, the "flummery" of Romanism:

An old church in Belgium decided to repair its property and employed an artist to touch up a large painting. Upon presenting his bill the committee refused payment unless details were specified, whereupon he presented the items as follows:

To correcting Ten Commandments	\$ 5.12
Embellishing Pontius Pilate and putting new ribbon on his bonnet	3.02
Putting new tail on St. Peter's rooster and mending comb	2.20
Repluming and gilding left wing of guardian angel	5.18
Washing servant of high priest and putting carmine on his cheeks	5.02
Renewing heaven, adjusting the stars and cleaning up moon	7.14
Touching up Purgatory and restoring lost souls	3.06
Brightening up the flames of hell, putting new tail on devil, mending left hoof and doing several odd jobs for the damned	7.17
Rebordering the robes of Herod and adjusting wig	4.00
Beautifying Adam's lost rib	5.26
Putting new stone in David's sling, enlarging head of Goliath and extending Saul's leg	6.13
Decorating Noah's ark, putting head on Ham and curling Shem's hair	4.31
Mending shirt of prodigal son and cleaning his ear and washing face	3.30
	\$71.30

THE SCOPE OF THE WORK.

The scope of the missionary enterprise is conterminous with mankind. The Christ is to be made known to all men everywhere. For this reason, among others, our Lord ascended to the right hand of the Father, that the revelation of him might no longer be conditioned by connection with a particular locality or nation, but that he might place himself in equal relations to all men everywhere. And, correspondingly, the coming of the Holy Spirit, whose office it is to glorify Christ, is not affected by race or by color, but is free as the wind which bends alike the northern pine and the Southern palm. Most emphatically does the book of the Acts of the Apostles teach that nationality, climate, territory, have no place among the foundations of the city of God. Geographical considerations may order the procedure of the enterprise, but they are forbidden to limit its scope. And so the distinction between home and foreign missions, while convenient in administration, has no spiritual basis.—Rev. George Robson, D. D., of the United Free Church of Scotland.

WHY?

Why should we give money to save the heathen abroad when there are heathen in our own country to save? There are other "Whys" equally logical.

Why should I give money to save those in other parts of this country when there are needy ones in my own state?

Why should I give for those in other parts of the state when there are needy in my own town?

Why should I give to the poor in the town when my own church needs money?

Why should I give to the church when my own family wants it?

Why should I give it to my family what I want myself?

Why? Because I am a Christian; not a heathen. —A. B. Upham.

WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?

A good man was asking aid for foreign missions and applied to a gentleman, who refused him with the reply: "I don't believe in foreign missions. I want to give to benefit my neighbors."

"Well," rejoined the caller, "whom do you regard as your neighbors?"

"Why, those around me."

"Do you mean those whose land joins yours?"

"Yes."

"How much land do you hold?"

"About five hundred acres."

"And how far through the earth do you think you own?"

"Why, I have never thought of it before, but I suppose I own half-way down."

"Exactly; I suppose you do, and I want this money for the heathen at the other side of the world—the men whose land adjoins yours at the bottom."—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

MOTTOES ABOUT GOLD.

A vain man's motto is: "Win gold and wear it."

A generous man's motto is: "Win gold and share it."

A miserly man's motto is: "Win gold and spare it."

A profligate man's motto is: "Win gold and spend it."

A banker's motto is: "Win gold and lend it."

A gambler's motto is: "Win gold and lose it."

A wise man's motto is: "Win gold and use it."

A Christian's motto is: "Win gold and give it."—Ex.

BROUGHT TO FEEL.

How can the many be brought to feel as the few already feel? The spirit can work conviction within them. Let us ask him to do it speedily. Let the Christian pastor unfold to his people Christ's great commission. No theme could arouse him to more powerful and eloquent utterance. Let the editors of religious papers re-enforce the tongues of fire in our pulpits with their pens of fire, urging upon all believers the supreme duty of saving the lost. Let all of whatever station who believe this to be our first and dominant duty advocate it in public and in private. A conviction which is but a reflection of the mind of Christ, spoken and acted upon, will spread like the fire of the prairie till it inflames all Christian hearts. Universal conviction will express itself in united effort. Through such effort the saving truths of the gospel would very soon be preached to every one of the teeming millions of the nations. How glorious it would be for this generation to do this! We are able to do it. Shall we not at once set about the doing of it?—Galusha Anderson, S. T. D.

THE COMMISSION.

In his History of the Church Missionary Society, Eugene Stock has said, "It is a humiliating thought that this one great Commission which the Church's risen Lord gave her to execute is the very thing she has not done." She has accomplished a magnificent work. She has covered Christendom with splendid buildings for the worship of God, she has cared for the poor, the sick, the infirm, the aged, the young. She has taught the world to build hospitals and schools. But her Lord's one grand Commission she has almost entirely neglected. It has had the last place, if indeed it can be said to have had a place at all. And all the while her Lord and Savior sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, "expecting," as the Epistle to the Hebrews expresses it. But a few of the church's members, sometimes as individuals, sometimes in bands and associations, have remembered their Lord's command and tried to do something."

HIS SAGE CONCLUSION.

"Well, sah, if yo' please, deess go ahead and flung in yo' predestined pro-ratty, and be done wid it!" a trifle impatiently said good Brother Shin-paw, who was passing the hat. "I isn't got all day to linger whilst yo' premeditates over de mattah. Deess recollect dat de Lawd loves a churful giver, and puffawm accawdin."

"Yassah! Toe be sho!" pleasantly replied old Brothér Bimmelck, who was hesitatingly conning over a twenty-five cent piece, a dime, a nickel and a copper cent, reposing in the palm of his hand. "Well, uh, den, muh brudder, as I kain't no-ways contribute dis yuh quarter as churfully as I kin dis Injun-headed penny, I deess suits de action to de words, as dey sez in stories, and chucks de cent piece into de c'lection dat am bein' took up for de heathen, uh-way off yonder some'ers, I dunnah whuff."—Tom P. Morgan in Woman's Home Companion for December.

Brother A. P. Robertson writes that a meeting will be begun at Union Grove, near Crossville, on the fourth Sunday, if the weather permits. He asks the prayers of the brethren.

If you want to meet some of the best people in Alabama and have a good time; go to Jasper, Ala., December 28th, 29th and 30th.



THE DIFFERENCE THE GOSPEL MAKES.

The blessings of mission work is shown in this little story, which comes from a woman's meeting in Japan:

After our low Japanese bows had been made, the Bible woman led a short devotional service, and then one of the dearest little women told her story. She was married only two years ago and her life has been full of trouble ever since. The man she married is much older and is very wicked and immoral, as she soon learned when she came to live with him. She used to cry all the time, and it seemed that there was no joy or comfort in life for her. A clerk in her husband's store, who is a Christian, noticed how things were and asked her to go to some meetings in the Baptist church. She did and became much interested. Whenever there was a meeting she came, for it seemed to be the one thing that made her forget her troubles. Finally she gave herself to Christ. About this time she was taken very dangerously ill. Her life was such an unhappy one that when this illness came she wished that she might die. The Bible woman used to go to the hospital to see her and teach her, until gradually she began to wish to live. At last a deep peace came to her and a joy and happiness that she had believed impossible for her to have. She said: "I came to Christ on account of my trouble and in sorrow; now I come to him for service and in joy."

If you could have seen the beautiful expression upon her face, lighted up with such a happy, bright smile, and with peace and contentment written in every line, your whole heart would have gone out to her as mine did. The meeting had been called, at her suggestion, as a thanksgiving service, and she had prepared to serve a feast as a token of her gratitude for the deep peace and joy which had come to take the place of the despondency and hopelessness of her former life.

When we think of the difference that the gospel makes in the lives of these beautiful women, how it lightens their heavy burdens and brings them a joy and hope unknown before, how it sweetens and strengthens them so that sorrows are borne more easily and sin is battled with and overcome, the thought must stir within us a deeper longing to help our sisters across the seas, and to share with them the Christ who is our God.

The new Youth's Companion Calendar for 1907 is both useful and ornamental. The Calendar proper is in bold, clear type, and is given plenty of space. On its decorative side it is exceptionally beautiful. Each of the four panels presents a masterly reproduction of an original painting. On the first leaf will appear, "A Venetian Scene," by Thomas Moran; on the second, "A Group of Children," by Maud Humphrey; on the third, "A Study in Bird Life," by Giacornelli; on the fourth, "The Blacksmith Shop," by F. Luis Mora. Each is worth separate framing, and for this purpose the panels are loosely tied together, so that each may be exposed in turn yet all preserved. The panels are 12 inches high by 7 3/4 inches wide. The Calendar is copyrighted and published by The Youth's Companion exclusively for those who send \$1.75 for the Companion for 1907.

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WILL ANY MINISTER PLEASE REPLY?

Religion is avoided in Collier's as a topic of discussion, for the reason that our thoughts, whatever they might be, would be offensive to many and of no conceivable value to the universe. The paper, as such, takes no position whatever on most of the religious controversies of the day, although it gets into the arena occasionally at the point where creed and ethics are too closely related for separation. The failure of churches to influence men has been lately much debated, and although we refrain from revealing our own opinions, we are delighted to expound those of a certain laboring man among our correspondents, whose case seems to us typical and of interest. His text is a minister's sermon addressed especially to workmen. He explained their absence by the saloon, the theater, the races, the secret societies, the excursions, the Sunday papers, the laws permitting restaurants to be open and street cars to run on Sundays. Summing up his arguments it would seem that the minister thought workmen might go to church if things could be so arranged that there remained absolutely nothing else for them to do on Sunday. "It has been sagely remarked by some one," says our critic, "that the man who wears a tight shoe is about as well qualified as any one to point out where it pinches, and since I am a plain workingman who very seldom goes to church, it may not be altogether unreasonable for me to give my opinion." He is not indifferent to the church, but is merely more devoted to other things.

"I am a married man, have a loving wife and a bright little boy of three who is ever so thankful if I will play with him or take him on my lap and tell him stories. I am fond of gardening and try to help my wife to keep our small garden in order. It gives me great pleasure to watch the trees and bushes which we have planted, and see the progress they make as time rolls by. It was my good fortune in my younger days to acquire enough knowledge of history, political economy, technology, etc., to enable me—to some small degree—to understand what is going on in the world, hence I regard it as a necessity to read a daily paper and some magazine to keep me posted. I am very fond of music and song and can play the violin fairly well. Are these bad qualities? Do they make for better or worse citizenship? From economic necessity I do practically all the repair work around home myself. If the tea kettle happens to leak, or its handle comes off on one side, I can solder the old thing up and make it right. If the sewing machine or the washing machine or the baby cap, pump or gasoline stove go on strike and refuse to work smoothly, I am usually able to adjust matters and put them to work again."

Sunday is the only day of freedom. Thus is Sunday spent. Is it better or worse than listening to the average minister talk? Our friend would be glad to have some minister reply.

The editor's correspondent thinks he has scored a point against the church and against the Sabbath and against the ministry when he only shows how true is the line from Proverbs, which says: "Every way of a man is right in his own eyes."

The things he mentions as making for good citizenship may be worthy in themselves, but the fact of his desire to use the Sabbath for doing odd chores shows that he has no idea of it as a holy day, but regards it merely as a holiday.—Collier's Weekly

He seems totally bereft of any sense of worship and never to have learned that "the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding. We dare say that if the correspondent had further unbosomed himself he would have confessed to no sense of sin, and yet "who can say I have made my heart clean, I am pure from my sin?" Busy with the things of this life, the correspondent seems to be bereft either of the sense of reverence or worship, and the words of David would be unintelligible to him when he cried out "What is man, that thou art mindful of him?" "And the son of man that thou visitest him?" We rather judge from his letter that he feels on very intimate terms with his maker and is unimpressed with His grandeur and glory.

We have no desire to rashly condemn any earnest seeker after God, but it is symptomatic of the times that many men and women are magnifying themselves and their importance and minimizing God and His sovereignty. Men need a deep sense of sin and the knowledge of that dependence on God. Loving wife and children and flowers and books may make for good citizenship here below, but they are not sufficient for citizenship above. The correspondent may be a loving husband, a kind father and a good neighbor, but until he realizes his dependence on God and the necessity of being born again, he will continue to be a child of the world, satisfied with himself.

WHISKY AND ACCIDENTS.

The Imperial Insurance department of the German government has just issued a circular to employers of labor declaring that the use of alcohol by employees contributes in a most remarkable manner to the number of accidents, and that it brings about premature invalidity. The department urges that workmen with drunken habits be excluded altogether from workshops or at least kept from employment where there is an element of danger. It is urged that alcoholic beverages be excluded entirely from workshops and that employers should give their employees advice to abstain from drink. The department offers to supply temperance literature free of expense to employers to distribute among their workmen. This is another evidence of the remarkable manner in which the use of "light wines and beer has solved the temperance problem in Germany," as American beerophobes are wont to exclaim.

THE MORMON PROPAGANDA.

That the Mormons are actively at work will be seen by the following Associated Press dispatch recently sent out from Chattanooga:

Elder Brigham H. Roberts, ex-congressman from Utah, who was denied a seat, the twelve apostles and thirty-five other, Mormon elders from various parts of the South are here to discuss the work of the East Tennessee conference.

Apostle Roberts said in an interview: "There is no reason why we should not establish what we call 'stakes and wards' in Zion in Tennessee and Georgia, or anywhere else in the land, as well as in the states of Utah, Oregon, Idaho, Colorado or Canada and Mexico, where we have such organizations. Our people in the South will be urged, as indeed they have been in the past, to remain in their homes where the gospel found them."

This ought to be a warning to our people.

From the Journal and Messenger.

The few negro organizations and others engaged in an effort to prevent the dishonorable discharge of the negro battalion in Texas, are making a serious mistake. Secretary Taft has suspended the execution of the order, awaiting the return of the president, but there is no reason for its modification. These negro troops were disorderly and some of them committed murder. Not all were guilty of actual crime, but the company chose to stand together, and thus in law became "accessories after the fact," if not before the crime. Some severe punishment was necessary for the good of the service. Dishonorable discharge was decided on as likely to have the best effect, since it raises the character of the service, and in the case of the negro troops, most of whom desired employment, it is specially effective. Any modification of the order would be a mistake. The people who apologize for crime and seek to shield criminals, are not themselves good citizens. When an organization of negroes makes common cause with the dismissed troops it greatly injures its own race. The proper course for any negro organization to take is one of extreme regret for the conduct of the negro troops and approval of the punishment, for the good of their own race.

(This is about the strongest and most sensible editorial we have read on the subject, and we give it place on our editorial page, as we have frequently been hurt by the position of the Journal and Messenger in regard to the negro question.)

Alfred Henry Lewis says: We should have a revival of the simplicity of the fathers!—a moral awakening!—a return to old ideals! Somewhere between the preacher and the prosecuting attorney will lie the way. The preacher should thunder, the prosecutor indict. The one must lift up the work where the other lays it down. When you can't preach it unto these malefactors, you should punish it unto them, and humbly trust that Sing Sing may take the place of saving grace.

Don't fall to read and respond to Brother Crumpton's appeal in behalf of our brethren on the coast. This appeal should have been made sooner, but our secretary could not get the facts earlier. The sum mentioned is very modest and it should be speedily raised. Every cent will be needed, and more too, we are sure. The Mobile Association for years has been a liberal helper to every good cause. Now that disaster has overtaken the struggling churches, let's all help and show our appreciation for what the brethren there have done along all lines.

If Secretary Crumpton could send his check to the executive committee of the Mobile Association for \$1,000 on New Year's Day it would be a beautiful tribute. What say the brethren?

A POOR SPENDER.

We have a millionaire friend who told us once in a moment of confidence that despite his wealth it brought him no pleasure from the fact that he had stinted and saved during so many years that now there was no longer any necessity for practicing little economies he found that he was close and penurious. He says instead of enjoying his travels he is continually figuring on how he can save a dollar. Now, we believe in thrift; we believe that young men should be economical, but watch out lest you become niggardly. A young man ought to be willing to spend money for self culture. He ought to surround himself with books and pictures and art, and while keeping his life clean, fill his mind with beautiful things. No young man ought to shun his day's work, it makes no difference how unpleasant his environment may be, but if his labor places him among sordid things more is the reason for him having an asylum where there is rest and change of scene. This message is not for the sons of the foolish rich who dissipate the savings of their parents, but for young men who fight their battles alone. Be as thrifty as possible, but do not let it degenerate into miserliness.

RELIGIOUS PARTISANS.

It is the plain truth to say that thousands of people in our land who are noisily decrying against "sectarianism" are themselves religious partisans of a radical type. They are beseeching Christian people of other bodies to abandon their party names and at the same time they belong to a religious party which was founded by the Campbells, whom they often quote as eminent authorities in relation to interpretation of doctrines, and as safe guides in practical matters. No Arminian nor Calvinist was ever more partisan than is the man who takes Alexander Campbell as his example in faith, profession and practice. If our disciple friends be not religious partisans, then why do they say so much in favor of the Campbells? They insist that it is sinful to possess and manifest a party spirit, and yet they give expression to just such a spirit when they ardently invoke the authority of Mr. Campbell in the settlement of various Bible and ecclesiastical questions. It was this same kind of spirit which showed itself in the church of Corinth in Paul's day. In his first letter to that church he told them that he had heard that there were "contentions" among them. Then he said "This I mean, that each one of you saith I am of Paul and of Apollos and of Cephas and of Christ." He at once added: "Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? It is evident that a party spirit was rampant there. There were Paulites who tied themselves to the leadership of Apollos, while others showed a zealous partiality for Peter. It is probable that all of them were quick to deny that they were partisans. Were they not strictly New Testament Christians? Did they not boast that they accepted Christ as their only Lord and Leader? Very likely, and yet Paul said that they were religious partisans. He rebuked them for attaching so much importance to his own position and personal qualities. And those in our land who are largely governed by the interpretations, principles and polity of their human patron saint are as intensely partisan as any class of religious people ever were in all history. Their talk about accepting the Bible as their only creed and guide is thoroughly misleading. And their plea for Christian union is made in a distinctly partisan spirit, for it demands that all others shall surrender their own fundamental principles and commit themselves to a party that is unscriptural.

DO YOU KNOW?

A Japanese proverb says:
"He who knows not, and knows not that he knows not, is a fool. Shun him."
"He who knows not, and knows that he knows not, is humble. Teach him."
"He who knows, and knows not that he knows, is asleep. Wake him."
"He who knows, and knows that he knows, is a wise man. Follow him."

The late Russell Sage, in above quotation, referred to a class of men who don't know they don't know—a most dangerous form of ignorance. Such spurn advice and feel themselves beyond receiving information in a field where at times the most astute financiers are tripped up; the value of trained advice is brought home to them after they feel the consequences of errors. And experience is a merciless collector.

PARAGRAPHS

Torturing care is the poor man's form of worldliness, just as luxurious self-indulgence is the rich man's.

Andrew struck the keynote for all ages for upon his conversion he became at once a personal worker for Christ.

A man who simply obeys the law through fear of punishment and who takes no interest in its enforcement is a citizen of low type and a menace to his country.

Andrew didn't have any of the foolish ideas so prevalent among church members—that leading souls to Christ is simply the preacher's business, and that they have nothing to do but to attend the services.

The supreme need of the hour is for men who have the wisdom, the courage and the conscience requisite to guide the Christian forces of the country in making thorough application of the principles of the gospel of Jesus Christ to the conditions of every day life.

The most expensive thermometer in the United States is in use at the Johns Hopkins university, Baltimore, Md. It is valued at \$10,000 and is an absolutely perfect instrument. The graduations on the glass are so fine that it requires a microscope to read them.

Bishop Potter laments the habit of members of high society of visiting country houses over Sunday and "lounging in bed or playing golf or bridge," and entreats hosts and hostesses to "redeem their homes for godlier uses."

A Brooklyn man named Barr, who lost a pocket-book in Hazelton, Pa., containing \$3,000 in money and papers worth \$2,000, rewarded the finder, Donald Jacobs, by giving him \$2. Out of this Jacob has to pay for advertising the fact that he had found the wallet.—New York Sun.

He left Christ, but when he returned he had Peter. Winning souls then is not merely the work of the ministry, but should be the work of every Christian, for every Christian by his baptism and confession of Christ is pledged to personal service for the Master.

The death of Bishop John J. Tigert was peculiarly sad under the circumstances. We had known him from our old student days at Vanderbilt, believing then that the day would come when he would be elevated to a bishopric and we were present at the general conference when he was elected. We offer our sympathy to the bereaved family.

When we find ourselves in antagonism to our associates and friends, let us confine the antagonism to the fewest possible points. If we can not go all the way with them, let us go as far as we can. A due heed given to this advice would save us from innumerable feuds and dissensions, and would prevent many alienations between friends and brothers.

A citizen who connives and schemes to have a law enacted that will grant an unjust and special favor, or seeks to evade a law by creating or raising technicalities which are seemingly without the intent or pale of the law, or selfish gain is a moral criminal. He is not a citizen, but a traitor to his country.

The disciples were poor men, who might easily think that they were in no danger of the sin branded in the parable of the rich fool. For they had no barns bursting with plenty, and their only wish was to get just enough to eat and wear. But the doctors tell us there are two kinds of gout, one brought on from high living and one from poverty of blood. And Jesus wanted to point out to his disciples that Dives and Lazarus each had their own temptations.

Mommsen, the great historian, was notoriously absorbed in his own thoughts. One day, in a tram car he became annoyed at the antics of a small boy sitting next to him, and finally looked down from his newspaper to say: "Can't you keep still? What kind of a boy are you? What's your name, anyway?" The boy responded: "Why, papa, don't you know me!"

A martyr was being led to the stake who had a wife and ten children. And when asked who would care for them when he was gone, said: They must all live on Matt. 6-34. Take therefore no thought for the morrow, for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof. He believed that the Heavenly Father would provide, and with this belief he went into the flames with praise on his lips.



AT THE PARTING OF THE WAYS.

Many young men are reared under the sheltered system. From infancy to manhood they are spoiled by too much coddling. This is an injury, for it makes them dependents, for the time comes when every young man must stand at the parting of the ways to choose for himself. God help the boy who has never been taught self-reliance and who, when the test comes, takes the wrong road.

We must guard against fainting under the load of our afflictions as too heavy. To treat them lightly is the folly of atheism; to faint under them is the weakness of superstition. God is to be recognized in our afflictions; they are the expression of his tenderest fatherly solicitude; afflictions are angels' visits in disguise. We are to cherish them, not as we cherish the imperishable and richest jewel, which, though for the moment obscured and soiled, will soon shine in full luster and enrich us by its untold good.

Pawnbrokers in China are the bankers of the people and could not be dispensed with. The poor Chinaman, unlike the poor European, does not wear his winter clothes until they are fit only to be discarded. When the Chinese officials order that summer clothing shall be donned, the poor Chinaman pawns his winter suit, and with the proceeds, supplemented by a little cash, he redeems his previous summer garb or buys new attire. "Pawnbroking," writes Mr. Cunningham, in the Chinese Soldier, "is to the respectable Chinaman of limited means a weekly round."

For every thousand miners employed in the United States the average number killed each year is 2.36; in Germany, 1.88; in Belgium, 1.62; in England, 1.58; in Italy, 1.30, and in France, 0.85. While it is possible that the local conditions of mines and of methods pursued in getting out the ore by improved machinery may partly explain the difference thus indicated, it is impossible to escape the conclusion that lax laws and non-employment of proper safety devices are responsible for a great unnecessary loss of life.

A wise student of modern conditions and men says: For years we have taught that money is the one victory in life. Every one has been told to strive for money. Men were exalted for the possession of money, until a nobility of gold has been raised up. These gold noblemen have been made objects of envy. Everybody has struggled to get into their caste—the caste of the millionaire. It couldn't be done by prudent accumulation; no honest profit would serve. The one chance was to speculate—to gamble. And the world, thus reasoning, abandoned trading for swindling.

Our whole civilization, says Felix Adler, is infiltrated with the money getting idea. Again and again I have heard it said that human life is the cheapest thing in our American cities. Men are cheaper than safety car couplers; what are poor workmen where dividends are concerned? Human lives are of less value than safety signals on railroads; what are human beings beside stock quotations? The ills that vex our modern society, nine-tenths of them, have their roots in the love of money. Men build unsanitary tenements because high rents are more important than human lives. Men adulterate breadstuffs, they run sweat shops and sell poisons to increase their profits. Men bribe and are bribed, they corrupt city councils and steal franchises, all for the sake of money. They build breweries and manage saloons; they print vile newspapers and sell nasty pictures, all for the sake of gain.

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The Hon. R. E. Pettus closes a letter in these words: Plead for education, evangelization and aspiration.

Dr. Frank Crane is about right when he says we do not commend religion to men by making it soft, silken, weak and watery.

In honor preferring one another is the last step to perfection. The crown of Christian graces. Who has taken the step? Who wears this crown?

A conservative estimate says that the business of North America requires and receives an annual advertising expenditure of exceeding \$150,000,000.

Our melancholy inebriate, Edgar Allen Poe, has become a subject of psychological study in France. Emilie Lauvriere has written a scientific study of Poe as an inebriate which has become a source of newspaper and magazine discussion.

The production of coal in the United States in 1905 amounted to 302,919,341 net tons, having a value at the mines of \$476,756,963, surpassing in both quantity and value all previous records in the history of the country.

Russell Sage said: "There is a common fallacy that while for legal advice we go to lawyers and for medical advice we go to physicians, and for the construction of a great work we go to engineers, financing is everybody's business. As a matter of fact, it is the most profound and complicated of them all."

Joseph Parker was asked if he had a fad and replied yes. What is it? Preaching. But that is your business. Have you any amusement. Yes, preaching. But what would you do if you could select your greatest pleasure, and he answered "Preach."

The preaching of today, if it is to gain in power, must show a sympathetic interest in the solution of the social problem; must incarnate the gospel in life. The ministry ought to inspire men of both sides with the Christlike spirit; whereas, as a rule, it fears to speak to the employer and therefore it can not speak to the employe.

In fiery, unmistakable letters since Adam's fall the world has been placarded with the text to which sacred and profane history bears witness that "The wages of sin is death" and many a wrecked life has been a living witness to the sad warning, "Be sure your sin will find you out. God's notices have been tacked up all along man's pathway that no one might be without excuse.

It is almost a proverb that a witty person is also a cruel one. True wit does not need to be caustic, but it is so much easier to be clever at some one's expense than in any other way, that the person with a reputation to sustain for saying witty things will fall into the habit of sarcasm very readily if his heart is not particularly kind.

Some people think ministers have a hard time and few pleasures, because they have to give up some worldly pleasures, but if you could have heard Theodore Cuyler, the great Brooklyn preacher, preach his wonderful sermon on the joys of the Christian ministry, you would envy those who give their lives to the work of the Master.

Spirited is often mistaken for spiritual. This occurs frequently in singing; the full rush and chorus of song may be nothing but the effects of a spirited drill—the result of manufactured forces. Spiritual singing has the Holy Ghost as the inspiring and energizing agent, the melody in the heart as the fountain of song, and the Lord as the object of praise.

The Kaiser enjoys talking over the telephone and ministers can expect at all times to be rung up, even late at night. When His Majesty telephones, the telephone officials are not allowed to listen, but must remain some distance away. When the Kaiser calls up a person, he does not make himself known, but expects to be recognized by the tone of his voice. The Kaiser's inclination to use the telephone is shown by the fact that during the Russian troubles he has been in constant telephonic communication with the czar of Russia.

The annual report for 1905 of the China Baptist Publication Society, of Canton, a most interesting pamphlet, bound in Chinese style, furnishes some valuable information. The receipts for the year were \$35,613.19, with a balance on hand of \$192.54 and \$703.10 in the bank at the close of the year. The surplus assets over liabilities of the society are \$41,759.62, based on Mexican dollars. The amount of stock received in the year was \$10,655. There are 128 Chinese stockholders.

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The ladies of the First Baptist church gave the pastors' conference a reception at the pastorium in honor of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ray and Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Johnston, who were recently married. A large crowd was in attendance and a delightful repast was served.

Dear Brother: I send check to renew my subscription. Please move my name up. I have read the Baptist more than thirty years, paid in advance, and I enjoy the paper more now and think it better than ever before. My wife joins me in good wishes for your success and happiness. Sincerely your friend, J. E. McCormick.

You will please change my paper from Ocre, Ala., to Hightower, Ala., R. F. D. No. 1. I like the Baptist fine; could not get along well without it. We had good revivals at all my churches during the summer. May heaven's richest blessings rest on you and all the brethren. May success and happiness be yours. G. H. Shadix.

Dr. J. L. White has tendered his resignation as pastor of the First church, Macon, to accept a call to the First church, Beaumont, Texas. He gives up one of the best churches in the Southern Baptist convention to become the leader of one of the most promising churches in the state of Texas. Dr. White will carry the best wishes of a host of Georgia friends to his new field of labor, into which he will enter the first of January.—Christian Index.

Dear Bro. Barnett: My people gave me a nice pounding November 27th. About thirty-five came well loaded with things for the pantry. We have a noble and loyal people. We have additions to church regularly; 47 this year. Brother Yates has taken strong hold at Central, New Decatur. Brother Averyt is doing fine work at East Decatur. I hear good reports from Florence and we look for good reports from Huntsville.—A. A. Hutto, Decatur.

Clayton Street Baptist church is one of the banner churches, when it comes to the number of members who take the paper, as fifty-four copies are circulated among the membership, and most of them are paid to date or in advance. If every Baptist church in Alabama had a pastor as faithful to the Alabama Baptist as is Brother O'Hara the circulation of the paper would be at least 20,000, and its editor could endow the Howard and the Judson.

George R. Jordan, the silver-tongued orator, has lately come from the Methodist to our church. He joined December 2d, was baptized the same day and ordained at night of same date. The probating consisted of Pastor A. B. Metcalf, A. N. Reeves, W. B. Earnest and the deacons of the First church of Carbon Hill. Brother Jordan is a young man of high aspirations. He will be heard from the Baptist pulpit. Any church would do well to invite him to their pulpit. He is educated and of more than ordinary ability. He was the greatest power that the Methodist church has ever felt in this part of the state. If there are any more like him we will take them in our midst. Fraternally, W. B. Earnest.

THE PLEDGE THAT MADE JUDGE POLLARD FAMOUS.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 1.—(Staff Correspondence of the Associated Prohibition Press.)—On November 20 William Jeff Pollard, judge of the Dayton street police court, in St. Louis, Democratic war horse of a quarter of a century standing, Bohemian and finally a temperance reformer of the most unique and effective variety, returned to St. Louis from a forty days' vacation in England, Scotland and Ireland.

He took the trip for rest and physical recuperation, out the fame of Judge Pollard's police court temperance pledge has preceded him and he found no rest whatever. His journey was a continual ovation and in his grip are clippings from 128 British newspapers discussing the judge's now famous police court temperance pledge.

The various temperance organizations in Britain were holding their annual meetings at this time of the year and all wanted to hear Judge Pollard expound the advantages of his pledge system. The judge is a democrat and so listened to the voice of the people and talked to them. And so it went. Everywhere he was dined and teated and toasted.

Parliamentary Testimonial.

To add to the burden of his honors, he was presented with the following memorial, signed by nineteen members of the House of Parliament, the presentation being made by Hon. Lief Jones, M. P., the leader of the temperance forces in that body:

London, Nov. 9, 1906.

"Sir: We, the undersigned, members of the British House of Commons, have observed with both interest and pleasure your unique methods of dealing with drunkards who come before your court. The fact that instead of indicting a fine, you give an offender a chance of escaping the penalty of his offense by consenting to take the total abstinence pledge for a definite period, is to our mind one of the most interesting and hopeful experiments, yet tried in connection with the administration of laws against drunkenness. The good results which have attended your efforts and the high percentage of successful cases which you have obtained shows that the law can be made genuinely remedial, as well as punitive, an object all good citizens must heartily desire. We sincerely congratulate you on the success which has attended your humane policy, and hope that many courts, both here and in the states may soon follow your example.

"Lief Jones, president U. K. A.; Charles H. Roberts, Thomas E. Ferns, Donald MacLean, D. J. Shackleton, F. Maddison, T. W. Wilson, Will Crooks, J. Allen Baker, V. H. Rutherford, Gregory Howard, G. Nicholls, G. Barnes, W. Hudson, J. Herbert Roberts, Arthur Henderson, William Redmond, Thomas H. Sloan, Robert Cameron."

What Has Made Judge Pollard Famous.

The simple little expedient which Judge Pollard adopted three years ago has carried his name around the world and made it a synonym for a more intelligent method of dealing with inebriates brought into the police courts. The plan, now well known, is simply to give the offender an opportunity to reform under conditions that are favorable in cases where there seems to be a reasonable hope of success.

The usual method employed by the judge is to suspend sentence in selected cases when the offender signs a pledge to totally abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors for a year. The fine is simply stayed and the prisoner released on signing the pledge, but is invariably required to report at the home of the judge once a month until Mr. Pollard is satisfied that the victim has conquered his appetite. Then the offender is dismissed from the custody or surveillance of the court. The following is the form of pledge adopted by the court:

"Second District Police Court, City of St. Louis, Mo. Wm. Jeff Pollard, Judge.

Charge _____ Charge _____
As evidence of my appreciation of the opportunity given me by the Judge of the above named court to become a sober and better citizen in staying the fine imposed upon me this day, I hereby freely and voluntarily sign the following pledge:

"I will abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors of every kind and character for the period of _____ from date _____ day of _____ 190____"

The Pollard Plan Wins Its Way.

The scheme met with some ridicule at first, especially at the hands of the beerified newspaper writers of the Beer City. But its practical sense finally began to appeal to reformers, especially in Great Britain, where it attracted most attention. Some of the British organizations, notably the National Independent Temperance party, made the propaganda of Judge Pollard's idea a leading feature of their work and a considerable number of British police court justices adopted the plan.

Net Results to Date.

As a net result of the plan in Judge Pollard's court, about four hundred of these pledges have been taken during the past three years, and in not more than half a dozen cases has the signer come back to the court charged with a similar offense. The fact that during the life of his pledge the sentence is still hanging over his head constitutes a material motive for the offender to keep his promise, and having kept it for a year, it becomes more easy for him to continue to lead the new life.

HELP THE CHURCHES IN THE STORM DISTRICT.

While in Mobile last Sunday I talked with brethren about the distressing condition of our poor churches in the Mobile Association. The little band at Grand Bay had the roof on their new building. The storm utterly ruined it and destroyed the homes of the people. At Theodore the pastor wrote me just after the storm, that Brother A. T. Sims preached the next Sunday standing on the ruins of the church building, from the text: "All things work together for good to them who love God." Brother Cox wrote that "Union church lost their house of worship. Those of Bayou la Batre, Semmes, Point Clear, Barkerville and Oakdale were greatly damaged."

I have been waiting to get definite information, but the people are so dazed and discouraged they do not write. Many of them lost their homes and have moved away. The executive committee of the Mobile Association assures me that \$1,000 will be needed to put the houses of worship in condition to be used. This after the people have done what they could and the people of Mobile have extended their aid.

It will be a gracious thing for the Baptists of the state to raise at once \$1,000 to help these suffering brethren. It is not much, and I hope every cent will be in hand before Christmas. I beg the brethren not to let this interfere in any way with regular collections.
W. B. CRUMPTON.

When Moody and Sankey were holding meetings in London over twenty years ago they drove into the country to visit a gipsy camp. Mr. Sankey stood up in the carriage and sang to the gipsies. A gipsy boy climbed on the wheel and asked Mr. Sankey to sing again. He did so, and putting his hand on the boy's head said: "May God make a preacher of this boy." That boy is Gipsy Smith, the world famous evangelist, lately holding meetings in New York. He went over to Brooklyn to visit Mr. Sankey, now blind, and they had a precious time together.—Western Recorder.

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Don't forget the big Baptist rally at Jasper, Ala., December 28th, 29th and 30th.

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Rev. W. J. Ray, the newly elected evangelist by the state board of missions, beginning December 23, will hold a series of meetings at the Baptist church at Cooks Springs.

Will those who expect to attend the Baptist rally at Jasper, Ala., December 28th, 29th and 30th, please send their names to Brother W. H. Moore, chairman entertainment committee, or A. J. Preston, pastor.

Rev. W. B. Crumpton, D. D., president Anti-Saloon League, and Rev. Brooks Lawrence, general superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, will speak Friday, December 28th, from 10 to 11:30 a. m., and Brother J. H. Longcuir will preach at 11:30 a. m. at the great rally at Jasper.

I have just returned from the east coast, where I held three meetings, one at Ojus, Lemon City, with Pastor Edwards; also one meeting at Ft. Periece with Pastor Woodson. Had good success at each place. We are delighted with Florida.—E. Smith.

New Liberty, Ky., December 6, 1906.
My Dear Brother: Please be kind enough to continue your most helpful visits to us at 319 W. Walnut street, Nevada, Mo., where we go as pastor of First church, December 15th. We greatly rejoice in the quickening pulse and enterprising outlook of Baptist affairs in Alabama. I first saw the light in Talladega county and shall continue to come and look on the loved scenes of years ago. With cordial best wishes for your continued success, fraternally, E. F. Wright.

Evangelist J. J. Wicker, of East Northfield, Mass., has just closed a great meeting with Dr. Len G. Broughton at the Baptist Tabernacle in Atlanta. Hundreds confessed Christ and the church received a wonderful blessing. Dr. Broughton says this is the best meeting in the history of the Tabernacle and one of the finest ever held in that city. A large number have been baptized and the influence of the meeting is deep and abiding. It is expected that Evangelist Wicker will at no distant day return for a longer stay in Atlanta. He is now in Boston with the Clarendon Street church, where he will preach during the remainder of the year.

Dear Bro. Barnett: I just must write you of the good times we are having at Bozeman Baptist church. The sermons by the pastor, J. A. Smith, are soul-stirring. We had three additions to the church yesterday. Our prayer meetings on Wednesday nights are excellent and well attended. I can not say too much of our "Mount Calvary" Sunday school. I know it is one of the finest in the state. Yesterday there was an attendance of 251. We have ten teachers, three assistants, besides the officers of the school. Our superintendent, D. H. Marbury, has no equal. His whole soul and heart is with the school and there will be several stars in his crown when at evening the sun goeth down. Your paper is a source of so much pleasure to me, I watch for it anxiously each week. Yours in the work.—Mrs. E. Wood.

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A GREAT MONTH FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

William H. Smith.

"December is foreign mission month according to our schedule," writes Secretary Crumpton. May I not express a word of personal interest in this month's campaign? No one was more gratified than the writer, when he saw his native state last year take the third place in the sisterhood of Southern States in contributions to foreign missions. Will she maintain that place this year? If so, there must be much noble giving. The state convention, at the suggestion of Dr. Crumpton, courageously set the mark for this year at \$31,000. Alabama can do that much, and even more. Will not all Baptists in the state unite now for a great victory?

There are many considerations which ought to arouse our people to make a decided advance in contributions to foreign missions. Let me mention a few of them:

1. Open doors. The missionaries on every field are begging for reinforcements and better equipment. They see great opportunities for enlarging the work, if they only had the men and the means. It is pathetic to hear them tell of the great open doors all about them, which they can not enter because of the lack of facilities for doing the work. At many points they could press on to victory if the brethren at home would supply the sinews of war. Then there are large new fields which southern Baptists ought by all means enter right now. How inviting are Germany, Russia and Manchuria as Baptist mission fields. What a harvest we could reap if we could enter these ripe fields with a strong hand.

These doors will not stay open. If we do not enter with the truth, others will go in with error, and the door will be shut. What an opportunity and what a responsibility rests upon us all!

2. Material prosperity. What must our people do with their growing wealth? Wisdom suggests but one thing—consecrate it to the salvation of the world. How many, even among the leaders of our people, know that a large part of our commercial prosperity comes from the efforts of foreign missionaries? Chester Holcombe, writing from a purely diplomatic standpoint, says:

"Did space permit, an overwhelming array of facts and figures could be set forth to prove the inestimable, though unrecognized, value of the missionary as an agent for the development of American commerce in every part of the globe. The manufacturing and commercial interests in the United States, even though indifferent or actively hostile to the direct purpose of the missionary enterprise, could well afford to bear the entire cost of all American missionary effort in China for the sake of the large increase in trade which results from such effort."

Foreign mission work pays, even from a material point of view. But whether it pays or not, we have no alternative. The King has said "Go preach the gospel to every creature," and go we must or be disloyal and disobedient. We will be fatally foolish if we do not put a large part of our increasing riches into the carrying out of this great command.

3. The season. It is the time when we observe the beautiful custom of making gifts to our friends and loved ones. Why not divide what we have to spare and make a worthy gift to the Giver of Christmas? Surely nothing could please Him more than for us, even to the point of sacrifice, to give of our means in the effort to lay the world at His feet.

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THE DEATH OF A LITTLE BOY.

Jinks—Thursday morning, November 2, 1906, the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jinks, 2401 Twentieth avenue, North Birmingham, and carried back to heaven the sweet spirit of little John, aged 7 years and 3 months. He was only sick for a short while, and the death was not expected by his parents until a few hours before, making it very hard for them to become reconciled.

Those bright blue eyes and busy feet will be missed in the home where he was so thoughtful of mamma and papa and little brothers. There is a little vacant chair, the little empty shoes, the flowers planted in mamma's yard by those dear little hands; and many other reminders of the absent one. Parents, it is hard to be without him here, but God knows best and does all things well. He is singing the sweet songs with angels in heaven, where he will always be with Jesus.

The little lamb of Jesus
Is happy in his love,
He came and made us happy,
But now he lives above.

A SAD DEATH.

In the death of Calvin Y. Nelson our community has sustained a grievous loss. He was drowned off a schooner on the morning of the 27th of September during the storm that so madly raged over our peaceful coast. His boat was safely launched in a harbor and would have stood the raging storm through the dark, dangerous perils of the night had it not been for the tidal wave which swept over the land between the gulf and Mobile bay that set her adrift on the surging billows of an angry sea, where no ships could ride in safety or stand against the raging storm. The entire crew were drowned off the boat, but the youngest soul that perished there was the subject of this sketch. Calvin was only fifteen years old, but young as he was the many splendid traits of character that make a noble man could be seen in his daily life. He was a true and faithful boy, obedient to his parents, affectionate to his brothers and sisters, kind and good to all his friends, who sadly miss him now. He was a trustful member of the Missionary Baptist church, a faithful leader in the Sunday school. In every respect he was a consecrated Christian, a true type and example to all. At school he was loved by all his schoolmates, adored by his teachers and stood first among all his classes. Sad, so sad, to know that never on earth shall we behold his fair face again; nevermore shall father or mother be comforted by his voice; no more shall his songs cheer the hearth of his home, for he has been called to adorn the glory world. His place is vacant in the home and never can be filled. But the briny billows still roll over his body and shall wash over that unknown grave till the sea shall give up its dead. Yet with all this sadness comes a sweet thought, which is a balm to the wounded spirit of his heart-broken father and mother: that when our stormy voyage is o'er, when the billows cease to roll over this dear grave, when the last storm clouds rise and lash the earthly shores in terror, that then the sea shall give up its dead and they shall clasp him to their bosom again, never to be separated. No more boats to ride out from their harbors, no more sighs or tears o'er the lost, but in that land of celestial beauty, where eternity we shall spend all shall be peace and happiness.

DORA RAINS.

A GOOD WOMAN DEAD.

On the 29th of November, 1906, the death angel visited the home of our beloved Brother W. M. Deloach and bore the spirit of his wife, our beloved sister, to her eternal home. She suffered greatly, but bore her sufferings with Christian patience. She joined the Baptist church at Prospect, but

afterwards moved her membership to Liberty, where she remained a consistent member until her death. The beautiful religion which she illustrated in her life made her loved by all who knew her, and those who knew her best loved her most. She was an earnest worker in the church and Sunday school. As a companion she was true. She has crossed over the Jasper sea and is leaning on the everlasting arm of the dear Savior. Hers was indeed a life worthy of imitation. We should so live as to meet our beautiful dead in the Celestial City; therefore be it

Resolved, first, That while we weep on the earthly side of the grave, we commit her without fear to Him who fulfills this promise, Where I am there shall ye be also.

Second, That we bow in humble submission to His will who doeth all things well; that we tender to the bereaved husband and relatives our heartfelt sympathy and pray that the God of all grace may comfort them in their sad bereavement.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Alabama Baptist for publication and also be spread upon our church book and a copy be furnished the bereaved husband.

Done by order of the church in conference:
J. L. HAND,
Moderator.

J. E. Cook, Clerk.

DEATH OF A SAINT.

On the 29th day of October, 1906, God called to her reward Sister Mary B. Ray. She was born March 24, 1818, Cumberland county, N. C. Was married to Dr. J. R. Ray in Montgomery county, Ala., 1842. While living in that county she professed faith in Christ and joined Mt. Lebanon Baptist church. Her home was in Butler county and she was a member of Mt. Olive West Baptist church at the time of her death. She was 88 years 6 months and 5 days of age and had lived 58 of these years in the service of her Master. She often spoke of being ready to go when her Savior called. She has gone to reap the reward of the faithful, leaving to mourn her death two daughters and thirteen grandchildren and all of them of mature years are following her exemplary life. I commend the bereaved ones to the grace of God, the Father, to Christ our Savior, who can sympathize as no other, and to the Holy Spirit as your comfort.

J. B. BYRD, JR.,
Her Pastor.

DEATH OF LITTLE GIRL.

Little Ruby McCarley was born March 28, 1905, at Florette, Ala., and after a lingering illness she departed this life November 4, 1906. Although not quite two years old, the affections of the entire family were centered in her. Being the only girl in the home and the baby, too, all were very fond of her, and she was their pride and joy.

We extend our sincere sympathies to the bereaved father and heart-broken mother, and pray that the God of all grace may comfort them in this sad hour. May they realize that they only have another flower in their heavenly bouquet. Her aunt,

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A NOBLE MAN DEAD.

On Thursday night, November 8, 1906, Mr. William Kelly Thomas died in Linden. Brother Thomas was born in Sumter county, February 15, 1840. He became a Christian at the age of fourteen and for fifty-two years he lived a life consistent in all the Christian graces. At the time of his death he was a member of the Myrtlewood Baptist church. For forty years he was a regular attendant at the Bethel association, where his wise counsels will be greatly missed. He was also a prominent man in the affairs of Ma-



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CHAS. M. BREWER,
 His Pastor.

IN MEMORIAM.

He's sleeping now in endless rest
 With blossoms fair above his knell
 And over prayer and funeral knell
 Comes faith's sweet promise, "It is well;"

And it is well, oh aching heart,
 Though grief will wound and teardrops start;
 The Father's love and wondrous care
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So soon the summons came for him!
 Ere step was slow or eye grown dim,
 We scarce can hush the human cry
 That fain would sadly question why.
 And yet that promise we would keep:
 "He giveth his beloved sleep"

A slumber sweet that naught can break
 Till God Himself shall bid us wake.

Shall bid us wake in glad surprise
 To all the joys of Paradise;
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 So weep not o'er the senseless clay,
 For God's own hand prepares the way:
 His love is strong, He guideth well,
 Ah, let His grace the tempest quell!

He sends the shadows of the night
 Before the pearly morning light;
 And death is but the shadowed way
 That leads to everlasting day.
 So, loved and lost one, calmly sleep
 Within thy chamber's silent deep;
 We'll leave the blossoms on thy breast
 And softly whisper, "It is best."

LEILA MAY WILSON.
 Opelika, Ala

AN ORDINATION SERVICE.

Carbon Hill, Ala., Dec. 4, 1906.

Dear Brother Barnett:

I am confident that you have heard about Rev. G. R. Jordan, a former Methodist preacher, who was stationed at Pochontas last year, surrendering his credentials and withdrawing fellowship from the Methodist church at the conference which has just closed in Gadsden. Sunday morning, December 2, he joined the Baptist church at Carbon Hill, and was baptized into its fellowship. The church elected him to the office of elder or bishop and invited a Presbytery, viz., Rev. A. N. Reeves, of Eldridge; Rev. A. J. Preston, of Jasper; Rev. W. B. Earnest and myself, of First church here. At the close of the sermon at night, which was preached by Brother Jordan himself, the Presbytery was organized and proceeded at once to ordain him. Rev. G. R. Jordan is a young man of more than ordinary ability, and has for six years been a power in the Methodist ministry. His examination proved to us beyond all doubt that he is a good Baptist. He is well educated and has every qualification to warrant me in saying that he is one of our coming preachers.

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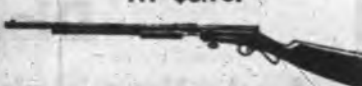
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