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"WE WILL BEGIN AT ONCE TO GIVE ROCKEFELLER'S FUND" SAYS GATES

How It Will Roll In.

Daily interest	\$ 4,329.00
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"You can tell the people of America that we will begin giving Mr. Rockefeller's fund at once."

Frederick T. Gates made this statement in an interview with a correspondent at his office, 26 Broadway, in which he described the financial workings of the great fund of \$32,000,000 which Mr. Rockefeller has given to the colleges of America to be distributed through the general education board.

Mr. Gates is chairman of the financial committee of the board, and in his hands rests this immense fund. He does not propose to let it remain in his hands long, however. With the other officers of the board he has already begun the distribution to various institutions, west and east and south.

"There seems to be a misunderstanding on the part of the public regarding the method in which this money will be given to the colleges," said Mr. Gates. "We have received scores and hundreds of letters from colleges and all kinds of institutions of learning, asking for a portion of this \$32,000,000.

"Now the \$32,000,000 itself is not to be disbursed. This is a mistake. And it would be a financial mistake to give away the principal of the fund. The income from this \$32,000,000 will be paid out through the channels of the board, and we shall begin at once.

"The interest which we will have at our disposal will amount approximately to \$4,329 a day—you can figure yourself just what the monthly and yearly income will be. Our income will be permanent and regular.

"One feature which has not been brought before the public so far is the fact that we shall include women's



colleges in our list of institutions to be helped. I will say that in this we are anticipating a little, as the board has not yet officially decided on this step, nor selected the women's colleges to receive aid from the fund.

"It is impossible for me or for the board to give out at this time the names of the colleges that will receive help from the fund. We have plans for helping hundreds of them. These plans are tentative, and I will say that some of the colleges themselves

do not yet know that we have them under consideration.

"The board is made up of eight men and in this lies the secret of our economical administration. It cost us about \$20,000 last year to administer the funds then in hand, and this cost was very small considering the size of the funds."

How a College's Request is Handled By the Board.

Dr. Butterick, secretary of the general education board, cites the follow-

ing as a typical case which shows the method of handling a request by a college to be made a beneficiary of the fund:

"The college president, or some member of the board of trustees, writes to the board and asks for an application blank. The reply he receives states that the board has no application blanks and asks him to write out his proposition, giving detailed information about his college, its aims; plans, desires, and a copy of its charter and financial statement.

"The answer nearly always indicates to the board many things which it would be impossible to learn from an answer on a printed blank. The financial statement, its form as well as its substance, often indicates how the institution keeps its books and its ideas of accounting. The description of the college, plus what they want it to be, discloses their ideas of a college.

"Every detail of the information reported, together with the request, is tabulated and filed at the office of the board, so that it can be found within a minute."

A Poor Baptist Once; Now Handles Millions.

Frederick T. Gates is a Baptist minister, 54 years old. His father before him was a Baptist minister on \$400 a year. The young man educated himself and finally was given a charge in Minneapolis.

He showed his administrative ability when in six weeks he raised \$50,000 for a small academy in Minnesota, and he was then made chief executive officer of the American Baptist Education Society.

In 1889 he was instrumental in persuading Rockefeller to create the University of Chicago. The once poor Baptist preacher then became Rockefeller's right hand man in matters of educational gifts. He lives at Montclair, N. J., and is president of thirteen of Rockefeller's corporations.

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For \$1.00 cash we will send to new subscribers the paper from now until Jan. 1st, and will divide the dollar with those who help in the "Whirlwind Campaign" during March.

1. Get 5 new subscribers at \$1.00 each and keep one dollar and send us four.
2. Get ten new subscribers at \$1.00 each and keep \$2.00 and send us eight.
3. Get twenty new subscribers at \$1.00 each and keep \$5.00 and send us \$15.00.

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Baptists to Read the Alabama Baptist

PUBLICITY NEEDED:

The thing most needed is publicity. We want to get the needs of the organized work before the people.

We want you to help us in our publicity campaign by circulating the Alabama Baptist, for what the Baptists of Alabama need to know is that our mission and educational work is languishing because God's people are either uninformed or indifferent.

A MISSIONARY MOVEMENT.

1. We want Brother Crumpton to stir the Alabama Baptists on missions.
2. We want Brethren Montague and Patrick to enthuse the Alabama Baptists on education.
3. We want Brother Stewart to thrill the Alabama Baptists on caring for the orphans.
4. We want Brother Magill to lead the young Alabama Baptists on to greater work.
5. We want Sister Hamilton to rally our Alabama Baptists women and give encouragement to the Sunbeam Bands.

The pastors are enthusiastic about the \$1.00 offer and many are thanking us for giving them such a chance to put it into the homes of their people. Up to date we have received more than 100 cheering letters and each mail brings dozens of new subscribers. Unless signs fail, this March whirlwind campaign is going to be a record breaker. We are so busy entering up new names that we have no time to answer all the good letters we get, but we have time to appreciate to the fullest the hearty co-operation of the brethren. By the way, others besides pastors are joining in the movement. We are waiting for the church clerks and the Sunday school superintendents to fall in line. Already some of our noble laymen moderators have joined in the work and sent in lists, and when the good women get to work there will be still further joy in our hearts, for when they take hold they make things come to pass. We have given the missionary societies a great chance to add to their treasuries by doing some canvassing on the \$1.00 offer. Don't wait for anybody else, but when you read this get out and see how easy it is to get a list of new subscribers and how much easier still it is to get a handsome present for your trouble.

THE SCARCITY OF MEN CALLED TO THE MINISTRY

Rev. Josephus Shackelford, D. D.



I have seen it stated in both religious and secular papers that there is a scarcity of ministers in the various Christian denominations in the United States, and that there is a falling off in the number of men entering the ministry, both in this country and in other Christian countries.

Dr. Mullens, president of the Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., in a recent article on this subject, published in the Alabama Baptist, says: "Statistics, gathered from the various colleges in the South, show that in some instances there has been a slight increase in the number of students for the ministry in our Baptist colleges. In others there has been a falling off. But in a majority the number remains at a standstill." He further remarks: "Now, when we consider that the Baptist denomination of the South has made rapid strides in additions to the churches in recent years, and when we also consider that the number of young men studying medicine, law and for other professional careers has greatly increased, it is evident that there has been relatively, if not absolutely, a great falling off even among Southern Baptists."

I do not consider that it is a legitimate comparison to compare the number of young men entering the ministry with the number entering the law or any other mere secular pursuit, unless we place the ministry on the same footing as those avocations, a mere profession. This I am unwilling to do. Baptists believe the ministry to be a divine calling and not a mere secular profession. Again, I remark that we are not to judge of the number of men entering the ministry among our Baptist people by the number of ministerial students in our colleges or theological seminaries, because there are many young men who feel called of God to preach the gospel who never go to college. They may attend some secondary school, or no school at all, after they feel it their duty to preach. I know of a number who have done this.

The way to arrive at a correct knowledge of the number is to examine the minutes of the various associations in which the names of all ordained ministers belonging to the associations are enrolled, and sometimes the names of the licentiates. This has been done by Bro. M. M. Wood, the efficient secretary of the Alabama Baptist State Convention, who has also been the statistical secretary of the convention for a number of years, and has given a great deal of attention to gathering the statistics of the denomination in Alabama. I presume that his report as found in the minutes of the convention for 1900 may be considered very nearly correct, and gives us a very good idea of the condition of the denomination in the State. According to that report there are 77 associations in the state, 1,803 churches, with a reported membership of 143,024, 957 pastors and 1,236 ordained ministers. These are the statistics of the white Baptists. This gives a pastor for about 150 communicants, and if all the ordained ministers were engaged as pastors, there would be a preacher for every 115 communicants. But it appears from these statistics that there are in Alabama about 279 ordained ministers who are not pastors. Some of them I suppose have retired from the active work of the ministry on account of age or infirmities, but the great majority of them, I am inclined to believe, have gone into some kind of secular business, and ceased to preach except occasionally. So far as Alabama is concerned, I do not see that we have any great scarcity of preachers, if all who have been set apart by the churches as ministers were to engage in the work to which they have been called and the churches were to give them work. It may be that in other States of the South a scarcity may exist. It may be said, however, that a great many of our ordained ministers are unacceptable to the churches, because of their want of education. This, doubtless, is true to some extent, but confining the discussion to Alabama, I ask, have we not more ministerial students at Howard college and in other schools in the State, and in the seminary at Louisville, than we have had in previous years? I do not know this to be the fact, but I believe it to be true. There are

also many young men not at school who are ordained and some licentiates. I know of several in the Muscle Shoals Association. Hence, I do not think we can arrive at a correct conclusion as to whether there is an absolute falling off in the number entering the ministry from the reported number of ministerial students in our colleges.

It may be that, taking the denomination throughout the South, there may not be an increase in the number entering in proportion to the increase in the number of our churches and membership. In Alabama the Baptists have more churches than we really need, taking our membership into consideration. We have a church to about every 80 members. In many of the country districts we have churches from five to eight miles apart with a membership varying from 30 to 75. Many of these churches are too weak financially to support a pastor for one quarter of his time. In many of the towns and cities that have sprung up in recent years in our State too many churches have been organized where there was no real necessity that required it. This has called for more preachers. In places where two churches could have accomplished all the work needed, four have been established. Instead of concentrating our work, we have scattered it.

But admit that there has been a falling off in the number of men entering the ministry, what is the cause? This is the question discussed by Dr. Mullens and others, and various reasons have been assigned for this falling off. I propose, in this article, to notice some of the reasons or causes mentioned. I do this because I am constrained to believe that a wrong impression may be made upon the minds of some of the readers of the Alabama Baptist as to what Baptists believe concerning the doctrine of a special divine call to the ministry from the reasons given by some Baptists which have been published.

In an address made a short time since by Dr. John Purser before the Baptist ministers' meeting in Atlanta, I find the following causes assigned by him for the falling off in the number of our ministers in a clipping from that address, published in the Alabama Baptist a short time since:

- "1. A growing and spreading abroad belief that the Bible is not the voice of God, and consequently not authoritative.
- "2. The frequency with which ministers are moved from pastorates.
- "3. A man who enters the pulpit must be prepared to make only a bare living.
- "3. The fascination of a commercial life."

If these reasons given by Dr. Purser had been given by one who looks upon the ministry as a profession, such as the law, or medicine, I should not have been surprised, but coming from a Baptist minister, and from Dr. Purser, particularly, I must confess to some surprise, though I am aware of the fact that some of our Southern Baptist ministers have within the last few years given utterance through our denominational papers to opinions on the subject of the divine call to the ministry, which certainly tends "to remove the emphasis from the idea of a divine call to the ministry," as Dr. Mullens expresses it, and indicates a departure from the "old Baptist landmarks." The first cause given by Dr. Purser for the falling off of candidates for the ministry may be condensed in these words, want of faith in the Bible as the inspired word of God. If a professed Christian man has allowed himself to believe this, then he ought not to enter the ministry, neither ought he to be retained in the church. But I may here ask, is it possible for one who has been born again and made a new creature in Christ Jesus to fall away from his faith to the extent of renouncing the Bible as the inspired word of God? If such should be the case, does it not destroy what Baptists have always believed and held as a cardinal doctrine, namely, the

"Final preservation of the saints," or believers in Jesus Christ? There may be numbers of young men in our churches who have never been regenerated, who may be led astray by false teachers, but God does not call such men to the ministry. There are doubtless in our churches what may be termed "professional clergymen," or those who might be induced to seek such a position, who may throw aside their faith in God's word, but that faith is merely an intellectual faith, not a faith that works by love and purifies the heart. God does not call such men into the ministry. Such men leave the ministry and the church, and it may be said of them, as John said of those who were anti-Christ: "They are from us, but they were not of us, for if they had been of us, they would no doubt continued with us; but they went out, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us."

I may here ask another question: Who is responsible for this widespread belief at this time that the Bible is not the voice of God? Who are the men who have been busily engaged in sowing the seeds of unbelief in the minds of the people? In this country, are they not the men who pose before the public as Bible students and critics who profess to have found out something in the Bible that can not be reconciled with the laws of nature as investigated by them? Are not many of them teachers of theology in our theological seminaries? Professing to be believers in the Christian religion, yet denying some of the fundamental doctrines of the Bible. Professing to be preachers of the gospel of Jesus Christ, yet by their teachings in the pulpit and through their books and the press attempting to destroy the power of that gospel by denying its divine character and authority. Several years ago, not more than three or four, the editor of the New York Independent, a quasi religious journal with a leaning to Presbyterianism, published this statement editorially: "We venture to say that there is not a competent educated professor of biology or geology in the obscurest Presbyterian college in the United States, who believes that the Adam and Eve of Genesis were historical characters. One would have to rake all our colleges and universities with a fine toothed comb to find such a teacher, and very few there would be. The belief in scientific circles of such an Adam and Eve is dead, and is no longer considered or discussed." The editor, I understand, is a Presbyterian. According to this editor, the Bible story about Adam and Eve is considered as a myth—a fable. No such persons ever actually existed. There have been some Baptist teachers who have taught the same doctrine. Such teachings, as a matter of course, tend to destroy one's faith in the Bible as the word of God. But such skepticism and infidelity has been in the world from the day of Christ until now, and while it may have a wider range now than ever before, on account of the multiplied means of its dissemination, and by men under the guise of Christian teachers, yet I do not believe its influence is any greater comparatively than has been in the past. The scriptures teach us that we are to look for such things. Peter in his second epistle, 1-2, says: "But there were false prophets among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who, privily, shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them and bring upon themselves swift destruction, and many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of."

I can not believe that this "growing and spreading belief that the Bible is not the voice of God" is exerting any great influence, if any at all, in preventing a true Christian man from entering the ministry when impressed by the spirit of God to do so. On the other hand, if this "widespread and growing belief" is as great as some think, I should say that it would be a great incentive to the earnest, faithful young Christian man to consider whether it is not his duty to do all he can to overcome it, and to respond cheerfully to any impression made upon his mind by the Holy Spirit to enter the ministry.

As to the frequent changes occurring in the pastorate, I do not understand how this will prevent a true Christian man, who feels impressed that it is his duty to preach the gospel, from entering the ministry. If he looks at the ministry as a profession, such as the law or any other worldly avocation, by the pursuit of which he may earn a support for himself and family, without any great inconvenience or sacrifice, I can understand why he would choose the worldly vocation rather than the ministry. But if the love of souls fills his heart, and he has a strong desire to be instrumental, under God, in saving souls, and he has impressions made upon his heart by the Holy Spirit that it is his duty to preach the gospel; and he has the gift of language so that he can express to others what he knows and feels as to the gospel message being made known to his fellow men, he will do as Paul did when he was called of God to preach the gospel. Said he: "But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb, and called me by His grace to reveal His Son in me, that I might preach Him among the heathen, immediately I conferred not with flesh and blood; neither went I up to Jerusalem to them which were apostles before me, but I went into Arabia and returned again unto Damascus."—Gal. 1, 15-17. Men who recognize the sacred duty of a called minister of Christ will not let a little thing like changes of pastorates or places of work keep them from entering upon that work. They recognize the hardships to be endured and the sacrifices to be made, but they are willing to bear all these things for Christ's sake. Our Methodist brethren who enter upon the ministry know that this frequent change in pastorates and places of work is one of the rules of their denomination, yet we see that young men are constantly joining their conferences and preparing themselves for the ministry. So far as I can see from the published proceedings of their annual conferences in Alabama, they seem to have enough men to fill their various appointments and a number of supernumeraries. As to the third cause mentioned by Bro. Purser, "a man who enters the pulpit must be prepared to make only a bare living."

I do not understand how this shall be any more of a hindrance now than heretofore. What I have said concerning the second cause is applicable to this. It has always been understood that preaching the gospel is not a money-making business. It never has been and was never intended to be. The man who enters it with that view is unfit for it, and I may say with emphasis is not called of God. Some men in these latter days may have used their talents in the ministry from a mercenary motive, but the true servant of God will not enter upon the work for the loaves and fishes.

The fourth and last cause given by Dr. Purser is the "fascination of a commercial life," which is mentioned by Dr. Mullins under the term of "Business Opportunities." We may call it the spirit of commercialism. I have no doubt that this has a very great influence upon the minds of most young men at the present day, and of very many old men. It has seized upon all classes of society. It pervades the churches all over our land. A young Christian man has a hard battle to fight to get from under its influence, so that he can with zeal and interest perform his ordinary duties as a church member. Ministers of the gospel have been embarrassed by its influence on their hearts and minds. Old and settled members of the church have suffered themselves to become enthralled by its power and have neglected their religious duties. It is a great impediment to the progress of the gospel because of its blighting and paralyzing influence on the minds and hearts of God's people, and of the world. This spirit may for a while influence the young Christian who may have impressions that it is his duty to preach, and keep him from entering upon the work, but I believe that if he is truly called of God to this special work, he will in the end give up everything for it and comply with God's will, and feel "woe is unto me if I preach not the gospel."—I Cor. ix, 16.

There have been men who have entered the ministry because the position of the minister has generally been looked upon as a most honorable and in-

fluential one that gives a man many advantages socially that he would not have in other callings. Such men have not felt any special call to this work. They do not believe in special divine calls. They have chosen it as they would choose any profession in life. Perhaps ambition has influenced them, or their peculiar surroundings or some motive other than a sense of duty or love of souls. Such men may be easily led to enter upon any secular business that promises riches, fame or pleasure. But these are not the men that God calls to be His messengers to fallen men and women to call them to repentance and salvation. All of these causes mentioned by Dr. Purser that he thinks is responsible for the scarcity of men called to the ministry appear to my mind to be based on the idea that men enter the ministry as they enter on other professions from choice and not because of any special divine influence exerted upon their minds. I do not say that this is Dr. Purser's view of the subject, but his language would seem to imply this. In another article which I will furnish for the Alabama Baptist to follow this, I propose to notice more at length the doctrine of a divine call to the ministry in addition to some other causes mentioned in recent publications for the scarcity of men called to the ministry.

CHRISTIANITY THE ONLY SOLUTION.

By W. B. C.

We have a serious problem on our hands in the South. The North has its problems, too; but the negro problem is peculiarly the problem of the South. Can we solve it? I believe we can. When we have tried everything else, we will have to come back to the only remedy—the power of the religion of Christ.

Some do not believe in this religion for themselves or any one else. Some believe in it for themselves, but do not believe it can influence the black man. A few believe it is for all alike.

The unbeliever is having a profound influence on the believers. He pooch-poochs the idea that the negro can be influenced at all by religion. Many good intentioned people have a habit of speaking lightly of the religion of the negro and have written the whole race down as hypocrites. What are the Christians doing? We are not availing ourselves of the greatest opportunity ever offered to Christians to do real missionary work. Probably eight millions of the negro race are at our doors. We meet them every day. Do we talk to them of Jesus and His love? Many thousands of them are Christians, but only babes in Christ. They need our guiding hand to lead them into further light. Nothing would so soon dispel prejudice and all semblance of race hatred as heartfelt Christian sympathy on the part of the whites.

If our religion will not help us to rise above prejudice and lead us to put forth efforts for the saving of the negro, is it not a failure? Is it not a worse failure, if it can not reach the negro and lead him to a better life? It means much to have a man like Justice Brewer say:

Religion for Negro.

New York, Feb. 18.—Justice David J. Brewer, of the United States supreme court, told the congregation in the Broadway Tabernacle yesterday that in his opinion religion was the principal factor by which the negroes of the South could be converted into a valuable asset of the nation.

"We know that there is ignorance, criminality and immorality among the negroes," he said, "and it remains with us to change present conditions, so that the negro will become a helpful factor in our civilization and progress.

"I believe that there is a divine Providence which will so shape our history that the negro will be a helpful factor. We must all assist in bringing this end. Industrial development, cleanliness, education and other benevolent and useful things are good for the negro, but I believe nothing will help him so much as the influence of the cross of Christ and nothing will so move him to being a good and useful citizen as the gospel of the Prince of Peace."

COMER'S ORANGERY.

By M. B. Wharton, D. D., LL.D.

(This is the winter home of Hon. G. L. Comer, of Eufaula, a staunch Baptist and at one time president of our state convention.)

(Written on a box of Oranges in the packing house on Indian River, Volusia County, Florida, February 11, 1907.)

The Orangery now appears with buildings spacious white.

Five thousand trees with golden fruit, to banquets rare invite;

Matrons and maidens grace the home, all hospitable kind,

O here's rest I must exclaim for every troubled mind:

The Indian River gleams in view a molten silver sheet,

That stretches far as eye can reach, the Inlet's waves to meet,

While barges float with happy crews, young men and maidens gay,

Till on a lovely pebbly beach, they sight the ocean's spray.

The live oak robed in mosses long still holds his kingly sway,

Palmettoes their umbrellas hoist to keep the sun away,

Beneath, the verdant orange-trees bespangled o'er with gold,

Their rich and precious clusters to the husbandman unfold,

The wild fowl fly on every hand, the fish leap from the stream,

The bear and deer quite oft appear, the sportsman's happy dream,

The alligator suns himself his mouth a mine of pearl;

While clinging to some spreading limb we glimpse the agile squirrel.

The rose and violet glow with hues that shame the blush of Even,

The Jessamine shed a sweet perfume that seems the breath of heaven;

The rich lush grass on marshes wild are drest in living green,

And groups of Spanish bayonets stand guard o'er all the scene.

'Tis joy to dwell with nature here, and sweet communion hold,

To watch the sun, great alchemist turn everything to gold,

To listen to the mocking bird that flits from tree to tree,

And hear in rhythmic cadences the slow song of the sea.

O ye who dwell in icy climes with wealth piled to the skies,

Not strange you seek these verdant lands, where summer never dies,

Where fair Hygeia sits enthroned amid her fruits and flowers,

And Neptune leaves his Ocean home to stroll within her bowers.

'Tis sweet to tread the white highways, walk on the velvet sand,

While a hearty Alabamian stalks proudly in command,

A royal welcome gives to each who view his pet estate,

And pleasures social and refined upon his bidding wait.



MOBILE CHURCHES.

We are preparing for a revival meeting in our church to begin the first Sunday in March, and have secured the services of Rev. Raleigh Wright, one of our home board evangelists, to assist us. We hope for a great meeting. The dear Lord knows that Mobile needs such a meeting.

The spirit of progress is in the air around all of the Baptist churches in this city. The St. Francis Street church is going to build a splendid house of worship, and are rejoicing that Dr. Cox has refused to leave them. The Dauphin Way church is doing some most excellent work, under the leadership of Bro. Hartin and a corps of splendid men and women helpers.

Palmetto street church is also making some progress. We are now supporting a missionary in Japan, whose salary has been paid promptly every month since she was adopted in September, amounting to fifty dollars per month. Our Sunday school has almost doubled its attendance in the last three months. This and the increased attendance upon the preaching services has made it necessary for us to add to our building, which we have resolved to do, which will require the expenditure of several thousand dollars. This work we hope to begin about the first of April. Another mark of progress in our church is that they have increased the salary of their pastor two hundred dollars per year. It is needless for me to say that I am well pleased with the work here. I have never seen a more loyal and thoroughly united people.

J. W. SANDLIN.

PROGRAM

Of Baptist S. S. Convention to be Held With Billingsley Baptist Church March 30th and 31st.

SATURDAY.

10 a. m., prayer and praise service; 10:30, organization and enrollment of delegates; 11, the Sunday school for all ages and conditions, Dr. H. W. Caffey; 11:30, prime object of all Sunday school work, R. H. Hudson; 12, noon; 1:45, prayer service; 2, duties of parents to Sunday school, W. L. Price; 2:30, shall unconverted people teach in Sunday school? A. E. Davis.

SUNDAY.

10 a. m., regular Sunday school service; 11, sanctity of the Sabbath, Rev. F. Fleming. Discussion. 12:00, noon; 1:45, pastor's duty to the Sunday school, W. A. Davis. Discussion. 2:30. The Superintendent, his qualifications and duties, W. B. Crumpton. Adjournment.

H. W. CAFFEY,
Chairman of Committee.

THE ALABAMA BAPTIST
MISCELLANEOUS NEWS

Rev. H. C. Risner has been delighting large audiences at Tyler with a series of lectures.

I begin my work here Sunday. Every prospect pleases. Though it was, indeed, hard to leave my great, good church in Virginia. But in coming to Georgia I am coming home.—W. L. Pickard, Savannah, Ga.

Nan C. Weathers, Newbern, Ala., has a wheeling chair which belongs to her Sunshine Society and wishes to lend it to a "shut-in" who needs one. Any one desiring such a chair who is willing to pay freight on same write to above address. The society prefers that the chair be kept in the State.

We are so well pleased with our pastor, Bro. M. M. Wood. We feel that the Lord is with him and that he is laboring for our good: Our congregations are better than they have been for several years. With heartiest best wishes from my husband and myself, I am your sister in Christ's service, Dovie Finkles Watson.

Buffalo, N. Y.—In the first service of our meeting here with Lafayette Avenue church we raised a debt of \$2,000 on the house. Seven sinners were saved. Giving is worship and God always blesses this kind of worship. God is greatly blessing my work this year. I am soon to take up my work in the south.—Frank M. Wells, Jackson, Tenn.

Our receipts are not what I would like to see them. While they are some better than last year, yet we need very much more between the 1st of March and the 1st of May—about \$200,000. You can always tell just how much more we need if you will see the amount which we publish as having been received, and remember that we need about \$400,000 in order to close the year without debt.—Yours fraternally, R. J. Willingham.

We had the pleasure recently of hearing two most excellent sermons from Bro. W. J. D. Upshaw, one at Central, the other at Eclectic. Good and appreciative audiences at both places. We never saw a heartier welcome given an old time pastor, Eclectic having been his home in other days, where he served long and faithfully. He has been our pastor and we have never known a more consecrated man or devout minister of the gospel. May the Lord graciously bless him in all future work.—J. S. Catts, Verbena, Ala.

How we love the Baptist! Some people who do not love the Lord well do not love our paper. But I always feel sorry for the person who says he thinks it is such a "sorry paper" or "it isn't worth reading," or "it makes me tired." Such speeches as that tell so loudly what a man is in his spiritual life.—Mrs. D. F. Watson.

I am trying to pastor three churches and am at work at one of the most important places in North Alabama, to-wit: Red Bay, the central city between Birmingham and Jackson, Tenn., on the new I. C. railroad. I have succeeded in getting a church organized and I am trying to erect a building as soon as I can.—Wm. Lindly, Alanthus, Ala.

Wanted—To borrow, by an energetic young man of good habits, sufficient funds for a college course, which course would stand for itself. Can give as security note and other collateral. Can give very best references as to character and past life. No cigarette fiend or boozier. Not that kind. Would appreciate very highly the kindness. Address "Ambition," care Alabama Baptist.

Bible day in Sunday schools of Alabama, Sunday, March 17th. All Sunday schools in Alabama are asked to observe Bible day. Do this, please, by announcing our state interdenominational Bible work. Announce that we distribute Bibles by sale at cost, and donate to the destitute. Besides this announcement give us the collection of that day in the Sunday schools. We need this help in our great State work. Help us, kind pastors and superintendents. Send collections by check, money order or registered letter.—Jas. M. Greene, W. J. Elliott, Superintendents Alabama Bible Society.

I am serving three churches this year—my old Friendship church once a month, Blountsville once a month and Mt. Carmel (West Gadsden) twice a month.

I am well pleased with my work this year so far.

I take monthly collections and we have a revival at some of them every service.

There is a great deal to be done, but the prospects for future work are bright. My great burden is I am weighted down with other work. May the time soon come when I can give my entire time to the ministry. Yours in the work.

W. J. NASH.

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FIVE ULTIMATE TESTS OF A GREAT SOLDIER.

Address Delivered in Academy of Music, Selma, Ala.,
on the One Hundredth Anniversary of
General Lee's Birth.

By J. L. Rosser.

We are today pungently reminded of the flight of time. We are spending our days as a tale that is being told. Since the day on which Robert E. Lee was born, the flying years have rounded themselves into a full century. One hundred links in the chain of time have been forged, and today is the golden clasp which, joining the two ends of the cycle, complete the circle. And we should be worse than disloyal and unworthy of our traditions if we failed to mark with appropriate celebration the passing of the day. But Dixie's virtue is not dead, and Southern chivalry has not perished from the earth, and, amid our busy rush, we pause to tent a while on the old camp ground of cherished memories.

I was not a confederate soldier in fact, but I am in heart. During my boyhood days in Virginia, around the fire in the long winter evenings, father used to tell me the story of campaigning with Lee. The hearthstone fire around which we sat long since died down into dust and ashes; but the flame of Southern patriotism kindled in my heart has burned more brightly with the passing years. When the surgeon of Napoleon was probing for the bullet, the wounded soldier said, "Cut a little deeper and you will find the emperor"—in his heart. I never wore a gray coat, but look a little deeper than the coat and you will find a confederate soldier. For the brief time that I am to occupy your attention, I desire to give you what I conceive to be five ultimate tests of a great soldier.

1. To my mind, the first test of a truly great soldier is that he is a lover of peace. Napoleon said that worse the man, better the soldier. That is an unalloyed falsehood. War is the science discovered and the art applied of human destruction, and as an end in itself, is the scourge of earth and the offense of heaven. It is a relic of barbarism, which humanity's onward march is destined to leave behind as the pearly Nautilus forsakes its outgrown shell. Thus while its necessity may at times be defensible; its nature is forever indefensible; and that one who loves war for war's sake is the counterfeit of a true soldier. He who esteems most those laurels that are bathed in human blood and steeped in women's tears lacks the qualities of manhood that make the greatest soldier. "Let us have peace," said Grant at Appomattox; and those words will live when Donelson and Vicksburg have faded from the memories of men. Fully does General Lee meet this first test: "If I owned the four million slaves in the south," he said, "I would sacrifice them all to the union," and thus save the peace of our land. We repeat that the qualities that make a great warrior make him first of all a lover of peace. The elements that constitute him great in battle at the same time make him too great ever to desire it. Not the drums of war, but the pipes of peace charm his soul. He wishes that the bird of love might ever fly swifter than the eagle of hate.

The temple of national tranquillity is more to him than the arsenal of raging warfare. The great soldier ever draws an unwilling sword.

2. The second test of a military genius is his work relative to his means. Material resources and the accomplished physical results are two terms of a military equation; the human genius involved is the third term. When there is an exact proportion between the resources and the results, explanation need take but little account of the human element involved. But when there is a great disproportion, the talent of man is displayed either to his glory or his shame. To claim that this test redounds to the deathless glory of our peerless chieftain is only an appeal to facts known by every intelligent school boy. He scarcely ever fought a battle in which his enemies did not outnumber him two to one; and yet the roll of victories written on the banner of Virginia's army challenges all history to present a parallel. We submit that the only philosophy of the phe-

nomenon is the genius of Robert E. Lee. The master violinist appeared before the eager audience, and the strings upon his instrument snapped till only one was left. Then with his bow trembling with the melody that vibrated in his soul, from that one string he drew the raptures that thrilled every heart and subdued every soul, and proved that the music was not in the equipment but in the man. Ah, my countrymen, with one string as it were, over the hills and valleys of Virginia, Lee played such martial music as the world had never heard before, nor has since.

3. The third test of a great soldier is his behavior under misfortune. The star of our rising republic was quenched at Appomattox. It was there that the bloom faded from the Eden of our hopes and the leaves fell from the garden of our national dreams. Oh, it was there that misfortune came like a flood and swept our fairest visions away. It was there the falling twilight shadows thickened into midnight, and Lee was deepest in the midst of those shadows. But, on his proudest battlefield, when triumphant shouts rent the welkin, when glory charmed the air, and victory sat like a diamond on the hour, General Lee was never so grand as when he passed out from the shadows of Appomattox into those greater shadows which were then settling down upon the former brightness of Dixie's land. Defeated, the famous Roman sent word to his conqueror, "Tell him you saw Caius Marius sitting among the ruins of Carthage." Ye days of 'sixty-five, tell it to the world that you saw Robert E. Lee sitting amid the ruins of as great a wreck of ideas and ideals. In contrast with the course of some of the politicians of that day, his attitude shines with a beauty all its own, with a luster that time cannot tarnish and slander can never cloud. With us and with the world, their memories will rot with their bones; but the manly dignity of his attitude will float like an incense to the last syllable of our recorded history. The moderation of his counsel fell like cooling dew upon the fevered passions of his countrymen. There was balm in his words for the wounded land. And like the true man that he was, he at once set his hands to the task of constructive work, and began to rear upon the ruins of the demolished temple of the past the more stately mansions of a loftier future. For inspiration and example in misfortune's hour, commend me to the career of that discredited, but not dishonored, hero, to the "plumed knight" of Virginia and the South, who in defeat won his greatest victory.

4. A fourth test of a great soldier is the after verdict of history. Said the poet:

"Some day love shall claim its own,
Some day right ascend its throne,
Some day hidden truth be known,"

and the muse of history has risen and, with her shining pen of truth has written the name of Lee in letters of gilt and gold. He, the conquered, long since has slept; his conqueror alike in silence sleeps; and the two records are shone upon by the one lamp of impartial truth. Our hero's position here is unique. To sustain his reputation as a soldier, *Miltiades* could point to a Marathon with its vanquished Persian legions, Alexander to a conquered world, Caesar to an humbled, bleeding Gaul, Washington to Yorktown and American Independence, Napoleon to a continent that cringed at his feet; but Lee, alas, to sustain his reputation could only point to a land that was "a realm of tombs," a wreck of shadowed dreams; yet from the ashes of defeat, like that fabled bird of old, his name has risen to a place unrivaled. Genius, which sat upon him like a star upon the brow of night, has lit his pathway to "fame's eternal camping ground." They furled his banner, but not his glory in its folds. His renown spans the arch of retreating time as the rainbow the departing storm. Over the empire of American military glory he bears an unrivaled sway, and from his hands the scepter shall not soon depart; and when the harpies of detraction (if such there be) shall have mouldered a thousand years in forgotten graves, he will be but in the rosy dawn of his destined noon-day splendor.

5. The final test of superior military genius is the testimony of his enemies. We conceive this to be a finality of truth, that its enemies own its way. The mists of prejudice dim the clarity of every man's vision. We see our friends through the enlarging medium of a concave lens, and our enemies through the diminishing medium of a convex lens. But when the majesty of the object beheld overpowers the convexity of prejudice, greatness has received its finality of vindication. General Lee has always been the idol of his section. The South has long loved him with a passionate devotion, honored the day that gave him birth, and blessed the very sod that hides him from our view. He was never hated at the North; the chivalry of his nature disarmed such a possibility. But now he has gone forth beyond sectional bounds conquering and to conquer. Some of the richest chaplets that circle his brow have been woven by Northern hands. The coals of passion glowing upon altars there have tumbled down into ashes cold and gray; and the fires of love and admiration turn in Northern hearts. This month his benign and lordly countenance adorns the covers of Northern magazines and his story glids their pages. "The ages justify the years" and the God of justice is speeding on lightning wings that day when the North, too, will crown him as the "Chevaliers Bayard of America"—"a knight without fear and without reproach."

General Scott said that if Lee were given the chance he would prove himself the greatest captain of the nineteenth century. In the light of our hero's record, those words have the ring of prophecy. The botanists tell us of that rare plant which blooms but once in a century, and then bewitches all the air with its power. In General Lee the pent-up forces of an illustrious ancestry burst into a consummate flower of majestic manhood and military genius, and

"The far-off ages, as they flow,
No whiter name than his shall know."

And for us, my countrymen,

"Many moons shall wax and wane
Ere we shall see his like again."

Dead is he? Never. No man is dead who was ever fit to live; and our love-crowned chieftain shall continue to live among us till "rolling years shall cease to move," and "time's last trump shall shake the world."

COFFEE THRESHED HER

15 Long Years.

"For over fifteen years," writes a patient, hopeful little Illinois woman, "while a coffee drinker, I suffered from Spinal Irritation and Nervous trouble. I was treated by good physicians, but did not get much relief.

"I never suspected that coffee might be aggravating my condition. I was downhearted and discouraged, but prayed daily that I might find something to help me.

"Several years ago, while at a friend's house, I drank a cup of Postum and thought I had never tasted anything more delicious.

"From that time on I used Postum instead of Coffee and soon began to improve in health, so that now I can walk half a dozen blocks or more with ease, and do many other things that I never thought I would be able to do again in this world.

"My appetite is good, I sleep well and find life is worth living, indeed. A lady of my acquaintance said she did not like Postum; it was so weak and tasteless.

"I explained to her the difference when it is made right—billed according to directions. She was glad to know this, because coffee did not agree with her. Now her folks as they expect to use Postum the rest of their lives." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a reason."

HOW A RUSSIAN NOBLEMAN FOUND CHRIST

We give below the interesting account of the conversion of Baron Uxkill. He is in attendance at the Baptist Workers' Conference. He and the baroness, who accompanied him, add much interest to the occasion:

The Baron's Conversion.

I am only a poor converted sinner. The Lord sent a revival through Russia and into my estate and the peasants there became converted and they asked me to gather with them. I, though unbelieving, thought it was a profitable thing for them to become converted because I saw that these converted people were good people; they don't drink and they don't steal. In Russia they don't smoke, but here they smoke. And when they have stolen something, after their conversion they come and confess it and pay it back. As an unbeliever I was obliged to see it was a good movement for the simple people and when they asked me for a hall I gave them a hall, and I was present when it was opened the first time. After the meeting I said: "I wish you all success; I don't believe in those things myself, but as for you I think it is a good thing and God bless you." The peasants began to say among themselves that they would pray for me until I was converted. They prayed that the Lord would convert me; the Lord began to move me and I had great difficulties in my life and I did not know what to do. I had an unconverted Lutheran pastor in my neighborhood and I told him of my difficulties. I thought he would give me good advice. The Lord God uses unconverted men as we humans do a piece of dead wood, as a sign board to point the way. So the Lord used this brother to show me the right road and when I spoke of my difficulties he said that I must pray. I was not satisfied and went away; and when I got home in the evening the bookseller came and I found a book by a Russian writer, Tolstol, and in this book was, "Why do we live? We live to love," and I became disgusted with my own life. I wished to be good, patient and indulgent and I was not as I wished to be, and sin was in my whole life. Jesus became so interesting to me and His teachings that I read in the book the whole night. And I loved Jesus, though I did not know that He was the Son of God; but I loved Him as a great teacher and a great philosopher, and I thought I would like to know more about Jesus. So I took my Bible down, which I had not read for over twenty years, and begun to read the gospel, and seeing His life I thought he was a very great man.

I was worried what to think, what to believe. Some great men say that He is the Son of God. Luther was a great man and God had done a great



Baron Uxkill in His National Costume.

work through him and history gives him a great place, and Luther says that he is the Son of God, but there are others, great men, who don't say that. What shall I do? Then came a little voice in my heart, "Pray," and I say, "I can not pray, - don't believe there is a God." "Well, try" and then I prayed: "Oh, Lord, if you are, and are above in the heaven, then show me the truth." I went on in the gospel of St. John and then it was in a new light I saw Jesus. I saw He was the Son of God. I saw He was the Savior of man. I could not help it; I saw He was the Son of God. And then I thought if He is the Son of God then His death is very precious; then, if He is the Son of God His blood is so precious. Because all men are sinners and He is the great Christ, and so His blood was so much worth that the sins of all men are paid. Then came joy and peace in my heart, and with the joy was the Holy Spirit. Then I thought it was my duty to go to my brethren and tell them, so I went to them and said, "I have something to tell you. I am now such a man as you. Your God is my God, your Savior is my Savior, your Jesus is my Jesus, and your Bible is my Bible." Then I said: "You kneel down on

your knees and pray because you have prayed much and now the Lord has given what you have asked." We went on our knees and we thanked our God and Father that He has sent His son Jesus Christ to be the Savior of all men and when we stood up from our knees one of the old brethren, God bless him, told me I must confess Him because He says if you confess me before men I will confess you before my Father which is in heaven. * * * Then they said: "You do not need nothing for the Holy Spirit will be with you when you ask Jesus to help you." And so I became a child of God and a preacher. And then I had difficulties. I wished to love all children of God and I was so happy, but there were some Baptists and there were some converted Lutherans, and each said that they were right, and I did not know what to believe. The Baptists said to me it is very nice to be converted, but you must be baptized. Luther said it was wrong, it is a sin against the Holy Ghost, and I was afraid to sin against the Holy Ghost. I did not know what to do, so I put all those brethren in the corner and I took down my Bible and I began to read the Bible. I did not find anything of baptism in the Old Testament; then I turned to the New Testament and I saw the baptism. The Baptists are right! Then I saw a Lutheran who said: "Yes, if you unite you will serve with those despised Baptists." Then the Holy Spirit said to me: "You go where I send you and all will be well." And I then said: "I will be baptized." Then they wanted to baptize me and I said yes, but not so quickly. And when the Baptists came down I had such a feeling: "You are right and you are wrong," and I did not know what to do. One evening I remember a servant said: "There is a man to stay all night." I went down and asked, "Who are you?" And he said, "I am a child of God," and there came a voice, "He will baptize you." I asked if he was a Baptist, and he said yes. I asked him if he could baptize me, then he said if I were a child of God, yes. Then I went on my knees before God and asked if this was right. I went and prepared the bath room and after I had prayed I went to the preacher and he baptized me in the name of the Father, the Son and Holy Ghost. And then I had many difficulties, but by and by there came other Baptists and we had a little community of Baptists; but we had no preacher or pastor, and if somebody died, or if somebody wished to be baptized, or if somebody wished to be married, there was sorrow. As I had a little better education than the rest, these children of God elected me to be their pastor, and so I became a reverend as you say.—Baptist Advance.

OBEYING THE GOSPEL IN CHINA.

On our way to Shanghai from our station farther inland, we had only gone a short distance when the steam launch towing us along the canal broke down. There we were left in the dark with the journey scarce began. A few shrieks from the Chinese, in charge, the fire from the boilers dumped in the canal and silence reigned till next morning, save the groans of some restless sleeper among the few foreigners that chanced to share the misfortune of spending a night on the canal. Next morning we were awakened by the curses of a European who was being towed in a house boat behind us. When he had finished cursing, coaxing and venting his wrath upon the Chinese on the launch he returned to his boat and silence followed again. About 9 o'clock in the morning we were towed to a small Chinese village not far away. Not having supplied ourselves with food for any emergency, I went ashore in search of something with which we could probably reduce our hunger. Speaking to an old man, probably the head of the village clan, who with a few yells soon brought almost the entire village around me. They were clamoring, some with baskets, some with aprons and others with arms full of hen eggs.

I supplied myself with eggs and returned to the boat where my wife awaited with much anxiety my return.

We had the Chinese to boil the eggs for our breakfast together with enough sufficient for the noon meal.

The day began to grow warm in our cramped quarters on a barge in the canal. A large spreading tree on the opposite shore was sighted which seemed to invite us to camp beneath its outspreading branches and rest in the cooling shade. Having rowed across we spread our lunch of the remaining boiled eggs and began our delicious repast.

The Chinese flocked around us at sight of the foreigners, and we were besieged both by land and sea. Some on boats in the canal while others lined the shore. A typical Oriental scene. Surely here was a great opportunity to tell the story of Him who spoke to the multitudes along the shores of beautiful Galilee. After speaking a while to the crowds, my attention was arrested by a poor old man bent with age whose every feature portrayed dense ignorance and superstition and weighed down with the sins of a darkened heathen life. He looked on a while without seeming to care or understand. At the close of the message addressed to the crowd I spoke to him. And with some difficulty enlisted his attention with the message of salvation. When after a very short time a calm smile lit up the hardened features and he bowed his head in silent thought as if in communion with the invisible, I walked away and left the old man.

MISSIONARY.

A DIFFERENCE

It Paid This Man to Change Food.

"What is called 'good living' eventually brought me to a condition quite the reverse of good health," writes a New York merchant.

"Improper eating told on me till my stomach became so weak that food nauseated me, even the lightest and simplest lunch, and I was much depressed after a night of uneasy slumber, unfitting me for business.

"This condition was discouraging, as I could find no way to improve it. Then I saw the advertisement of Grape-Nuts food, and decided to try it, and became delighted with the result.

"For the past three years I have used Grape-Nuts and nothing else for my breakfast and for lunch before retiring. It speedily set my stomach right and I congratulate myself that I have regained my health. There is no greater comfort for a tired man than a lunch of Grape-Nuts. It insures restful sleep, and an awakening in the morning with a feeling of buoyant courage and hopefulness.

"Grape-Nuts has been a boon to my whole family. It has made of our 2-year-old boy, who used to be unable to digest much of anything, a robust, healthy little rascal weighing 32 pounds. Mankind certainly owes a debt of gratitude to the expert who invented this perfect food." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. "There's a reason."

THE WEEK OF PRAYER FOR HOME MISSIONS.

Home missions stand to foreign missions in the relation of source and supply.

Last year the societies of the Woman's Missionary Union contributed in cash \$62,719.70 to foreign missions—\$37,391.52 to home missions. If the gift was not large enough to foreign missions, and we are all agreed that in view of the need it was not, what shall we say of the gift to home missions?

In the Moravian, the most liberal of all churches toward foreign missions, we have the phenomenon of a church which, having neglected the source, has now a larger membership abroad than at home. Had home and foreign work gone hand in hand, this branch of the church would now have been one of the chief evangelizing factors of the world. Devoted as they are, however, they have limited their foreign work by the limits of the home church.

"Never," says Mr. Richard H. Edmonds, editor of the Manufacturers' Record, "never, I believe, has the Almighty placed any other denomination in such a position of influence, of power for good in any other country or section." To build up the 5,000,000 Southerners who are now Baptists or under Baptist influence into strong missionary Baptists, imbued with a holy passion for the universal reign of Christ, is an undertaking at once so vast and so glorious that no effort, no offering we can make towards it can be too great.

The home board is devoted to this task. Before it stretch unlimited opportunities and possibilities. In cities, towns, on mountains and prairie, at the piers, among the immigrants, in southeast and southwest, in Cuba and Panama, results are only limited by means, the size of the harvest only conditioned by the numbers of reapers.

The week of prayer and thank offerings for home missions has again been appointed for the third week in March. Programs for W. U. S. and Sunbeams and offering envelopes have again been arranged and are to be had on application to the State Central Committees.

All that remains to make this occasion what it should be is the larger thought of the need and the consequent larger gift. Do not be satisfied if your society alone observes this week. Dr. Gray appeals to the pastors to enlist the entire church in this offering. The society may be a lever to lift all to a higher conception of "our duty to ourselves."

It is not too much to ask that each society fix for itself the standard—twice as much this year as last for home missions.

FANNIE E. S. HECK,

President Woman's Missionary Union.

N. B.—For programs and envelopes, address secretary of State Central Committee, Mrs. D. M. Malone.

EAST LAKE.

The Ladies' Missionary Society of Ruhama Baptist church gave a missionary tea at the residence of Mrs. William Hunt on Friday, Feb. 22. Quite an enjoyable afternoon was spent. The guests were delightfully entertained by the lovely hostess and her charming daughters.

About sixty ladies were present, also Dr. H. P. McCormick, pastor of South Side Baptist church; Dr. J. M. Shelburne, the East Lake pastor, and Prof. Hendricks, of Howard College.

Miss Maude Montague sang a solo very sweetly and Mrs. T. P. West favored us with some fine music, after which Dr. McCormick delivered an address. He told of the great good the missionary societies had done, and were doing among the women in foreign lands, where he spent so many years as a missionary; gave instances from his own personal knowledge of women being converted, and becoming true mothers in Israel to those about them. His words were listened to with the closest attention and were most instructive and encouraging.

All who heard wish to thank him for meeting with us, and sincerely hope he will come again. A free will offering was made and delicious refreshments were served. All came away feeling that it was good to have been there, and with a determination to

WOMAN'S WORK

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(All contributions to this page should be sent to Mrs. D. M. Malone.)

work with renewed zeal to send the blessed gospel to all lands, especially to those women who sit in darkness, knowing nothing of the great light that shines in our own homeland.

ONE WHO WAS PRESENT.

We are indebted to Mrs. J. B. Gambrell, of Dallas, Tex., for a number of wide-awake leaflets. The Texas salutes are doing great things! Here is a report of the directors of the Baptist Memorial Sanitarium. The sanitarium is a handsome building in Dallas, built on a solid rock foundation, 171 feet front by 134 feet deep. When completed it will have six large wards and 114 beautiful rooms, every ward and room having outside ventilation. A sixteen-room school building will be constructed contiguous to the sanitarium and will be used as a training school for nurses and as the scientific department of the sanitarium. Then a leaflet, entitled "The Larger Day for Texas Baptists," a great speech of Dr. Truett's made at the Texas State convention, discussing report of sanitarium. Dr. Truett says: "For a long time we have been working at the great matters of missions and Christian education. But there is still something else embodied in the gospel of Christ, at which we have not been working, and that is the care of the body. We have at last accepted the whole conception of the gospel. The gospel of Christ has to do with the saving of the soul, the training of the mind, and the caring for the body." Another leaflet has on its cover the picture of the pretty home of the Woman's Baptist Missionary Training School and contains an interesting report, from which I give an extract:

"At the head of the school is Sister M. J. Nelson, whose culture, large experience in many kinds of mission work, together with a broad knowledge of the scriptures, gives her a pre-eminent fitness for this service.

"We count ourselves fortunate that we have one so admirably qualified for this important station.

"It will take a little time to get everything going right, but when the nurses' training school is in operation, the sanitarium is operated with the medical college convenient, though under separate management, there will be a cluster of agencies here with large possibilities of usefulness. Every woman missionary should know much of sanitation, of care for the sick and how to administer simple remedies. And every trained nurse should know how to minister to sick souls. We believe there is planted here in Dallas an institution that will count much for the kingdom as the years come and go.

"The good women are interesting themselves in fitting up the home. It is a labor of love."

Our Southland is big enough and our women are

rich enough to maintain two training schools—one in Louisville, Ky., for all the States and another for that great country of Texas.

We are distressed to learn that Mrs. W. L. Williams, of Dallas, Tex., is now making her home in San Angelo on account of the serious illness of her youngest son.

Mrs. J. D. Chapman, of Anderson, S. C., writes: "I trust your work goes well in Alabama. The outlook with us is very good. Our workers are growing more and more enthusiastic and intelligent. The Christmas offering to date exceeds last year's by more than \$200."

Miss Eliza Broadus, of Louisville, Ky., writes that their reports for the last quarter are better than they have ever been.

Mrs. Charles A. Stakely, of Montgomery, Ala., has given notice that she will offer an amendment to the Constitution. The preamble as it now stands is as follows:

Preamble.—We, the women of the churches, connected with the Southern Baptist convention, desirous of stimulating a missionary spirit and the grace of giving among the women and children of the churches, and aiding in collecting funds for missionary purposes to be disbursed by the Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention and by the Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, in case of the Margaret Home for Missionaries' Children—organize and adopt the following constitution.

Mrs. Stakely will offer this amendment, viz:

After words "in case of Margaret Home for Missionaries' children" to add "and also in case of the home and school for young women in training for Christian service in Louisville, Ky."

We know that the Alabama women are in hearty sympathy with this amendment and will vote for it nine strong. We now have an Alabama girl at the Louisville home and all the young women's societies are asked to contribute toward her support. As this is the special work of the girls I know they will take pride and pleasure in contributing.

Remember that Mrs. N. A. Barrett's address now is East Lake Station, Birmingham, Ala.

Read Miss Heck's appeal for the week of prayer for home missions and solemnly promise that you will put forth greater effort than you have ever done before to make the meetings and the offering a great and glorious success. As Miss Heck says, why can't every society make its offering twice as large as it was last year, and the only way to do it is for everybody to make her gift just twice as much as she gave last year. Let us deny ourselves and give because we love our Savior.

Let every society remember the Scottsboro school during the week of prayer and send a special contribution to our mountain school. The gifts to the school will be considered home mission, too, but especially remember to designate a part for the Scottsboro school.

If you haven't a vice president in your association, a woman who has charge of the societies and is organizing and strengthening them, do not rest until you get one. Get your pastor to pick out the best woman in your community and write to the Central Committee about her, or you write to us and suggest some earnest Christian woman. Some of the associations are suffering for leaders while some with good vice presidents are forging ahead.

Every society whose name is on the books of the Central Committee is entitled to a free copy of "Our Mission Fields." And every society whose name is not on our books can have a copy by writing for it to the vice president of the association or to Mrs. Malone.

FRANK WILLIS BARNETT
Editor and Proprietor.



A. D. GLASS
Field Editor.

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THIS?

We stopped the paper of two pastors because their subscription was overdue and told them why we did it. Instead of getting mad they paid up and each sent in five new cash subscribers.

SAN FRANCISCO STIRRED.

The following resolutions recently adopted at the citizens' mass meeting at San Francisco show a city in the grip of a licensed reign of terror:

"Whereas, Robbery, murder and every other variety of crime stalk with impunity, in the clear light of day, unpunished, through the most public streets and places of this great city, merchants and others are no longer safe from assassination in their places of business, women are subject to open insult in the public streets, and crime revels in the incompetency of a man drawing the salary of a chief of police and his incompetent police force.

"Resolved, That notice is hereby served upon the whole administration of San Francisco and the criminal element that the law-abiding citizens of this city intend to compel the enforcement of the law against crime and graft in all their forms, and to that end will take a hand themselves, as far as may appear necessary, for the protection of the people against present conditions; that they will meet lawlessness with justice, and do not intend to submit to the delays and failures of the present method of administering the law, but fully intend to see to it that law and order of a substantial type are made the order of the day, and that forthwith."

Yet there are church members who pretend to believe that saloons are a necessary evil. San Francisco without whiskey was an orderly city, but when the saloons opened a reign of terror began.

"It is time that something be done to govern this city and save it from the law-breaker and the criminal. The reign of lawlessness and crime, the corruption of political leaders and the low state of public opinion are matters which should appeal with tremendous power to the minds of all citizens who have an interest in the welfare of this city. Not in the modern history of the world has there been such a state of affairs as the people of San Francisco are compelled to face, and ought to face, at this hour."— Thus read a paragraph or two from a full page editorial in the San Francisco Bulletin.

And so the battle goes on, and the only way it can end is the way that even now appears more and more brightly above the horizon mists of ignorance, prejudice and indifference, the rising sun of prohibition and home protection.

CHURCH CLERKS AND S. S. SUPTS.

We have mailed coin cards to the church clerks and to the Sunday school superintendents. In a number of instances they are already taking the paper. The coin card with the plea on it is merely to enlist their aid. If you are paid to 1908 and got one it does not mean that we have your figures wrong, but it does mean that we are counting on you to help get new subscribers.

GOD'S LIMITATION.

It seems to be almost profane to say that God is, in any sense, limited. In general terms we speak of Him as a being of unlimited wisdom, power and activity. And yet it is true that God has so constituted the relationship between Himself and mankind that He has subjected Himself to certain limitations. We may see this fact in Christ's earthly ministry as the representative of God. Observe the fact that every miracle which He undertook to perform upon inanimate things, or upon things not human, He readily succeeded. There was not one instance of a failure. He commanded the storms on seas to cease, and they obeyed. He bade demons to depart from the victims which they had entered, and they at once departed. He bade dead people to awaken to life, and they quickly arose. But it was very different when Christ dealt with sinful men. Many whom He sought to exercise faith in Himself refused to do so. He would have performed a miracle of grace upon them, but they would not allow him to perform it. Here was Christ's moral limitation. It was God's limitation. The line of limit was man's stubborn unbelief. Man's will opposed God's will, and there the dividing line ran. It is said that Christ could do no mighty works in a certain place because of the people's unbelief. Thus Christ was limited in relation to the expression of His power. There was no limit to the exercise of His power when He raised dead bodies to life, but when He would have given new life to certain sinners, dead in trespasses, He was denied the privilege and possibility. And this same sort of divine limitation is being seen everywhere today. The refusal to let God save you is to put a practical limitation upon His power to bless you.

INCREASING LAXNESS.

It is evident from reports which come to us from some Northern States that there is an increasing laxness among Baptists in those sections in regard to some principles which were hitherto considered by them to be of marked importance. One of them is the communion question. It is said that it is becoming the practice of a considerable number of those churches to admit to the Lord's supper other people than Baptists. It is also said that much of this laxness is owing to the pastors themselves, many of whom were formerly Methodists and Congregationalists. These men professed, at the time of their joining the Baptists, to have so changed their views as to be in full accord with those which are held by our people; but it now appears that many of them still retain their former view of communion, and they are instilling it into the minds of such Baptists as they can influence. All such pastors are a distinct damage to Baptist faith and fidelity. They are pursuing a course which makes it increasingly hard for loyal Baptists to maintain the soundness of their position. We affirm that the minister who goes into another denomination and undertakes to change some of the fundamental practices of the church which he serves, causing some of the members to desert the principles which they had held, is most unworthy of a place in the ministry. He is a traitor to the church that he ministers to. We are certain that our Northern brethren, who are allowing loose communion to gain a place among them, are entering upon a career which is fraught with harm to them. Are they losing the courage to maintain a practice which has always called out sneers and reproaches from open communionists? Are they afraid of being called narrow and bigoted? Or are they becoming lax on the communion question for the sake of winning to them those people who would not unite with them unless they did practice open communion? This laxness will not end with the adoption of that practice. It is the duty of our Southern Baptists to stand fast to old-time principles and practices.

ABOUT PREMIUMS.

We have been so rushed that we have been unable to send out the premiums rapidly, but will try and get all of them out this week.

DO YOU NEED IT?

Economists and statisticians as well as political parties pay much attention to imports and exports and democrats kick against the tariff, but many of us would be glad to pay duty to get some of the anti-tired virus which is being exploited in Germany, for many of us suffer from that tired feeling which is so extensively advertised. A news item has reached this country which we trust is true, for it says:

"A German scientist, Dr. Wolfgang Weichardt, says a writer in the Scientific American, has made an important contribution to the science of physiology. The discovery claimed is an antitoxin for fatigue, nervous exhaustion, etc. A guinea pig was exercised until it was exhausted and then further stimulated by electricity until it was in a state of infection from the poison generated by itself. It was killed and a poison in the form of brownish scales was taken from the crushed muscles of the animal. This toxin injected into other pigs caused death within 24 hours.

An antitoxin was finally produced which kept small animals in a normal condition when the poison was in their system. After receiving a hypodermic injection of the antitoxin a young woman was able, says the article, to lift a weight more than twice the distance she was able to raise it under ordinary conditions. This discovery is in the category of those which need verification before acceptance," but if it turns out to be genuine we want some for ourselves and no doubt our readers can use a little after reading this labored editorial.

TO CONFISCATE LIQUOR.

Senator Carmack, of Tennessee, has introduced a bill which, if passed, will enable all prohibition territory to confiscate liquor brought into it from the jug houses of whisky towns.

It provides that the interstate character of all shipments of intoxicating liquors from one state to another shall terminate immediately upon their arrival within the prohibition boundary of the state in which the place of destination is situated and that railroads and other carriers shall then become subject to the operation of the state law governing the liquor traffic. On C. O. D. shipments the sale shall be held to be made at the place of destination.

HAVE SENT IN CLUBS.

The following brethren have delighted our hearts and helped to swell our bank account by sending in lists of names on the \$1.00 offer: J. G. Dobbins, J. I. McCollum, F. Tidwell, W. F. Clark, J. L. Harbin, J. A. Smith, N. D. Hutchins, J. L. Jackson, W. G. Hubbard, J. S. DeLache, J. H. Haynes, W. P. Wilkes, W. T. Foster, R. W. Carlisle, J. W. Dunlap, W. J. Ray, S. O. Y. Ray, Charles M. Brewer, C. W. O'Hara, J. W. O'Hara, W. M. Olive, W. J. D. Upshaw, B. W. Matthews, W. M. Garrett, J. O. Colley, J. H. Creighton, J. R. Curry, H. W. Caffey, L. T. Reeves, Judson Strock, M. T. Branham, Wallace Wear, J. B. Keown, J. W. Jones, T. F. McCullough, F. M. Flannigan, W. W. Grogan, P. J. Corley, I. Windsor.

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I will see some of the brethren and do all I can for you.—G. W. Owen.

Here's my honest hand for the 5,000 new subscribers for the paper.—A. T. Sims.

I got the list of names and will get all the subscribers I can.—D. T. Hunt, Coffee Springs.

If you will send me the list I will take pleasure in collecting and soliciting new names.—M. W. Gordon.

You are giving us a good paper and your offer should swell your subscription lists to double what it is now.—J. W. Haynes.

I received some samples of the paper last week and will do all I can for you. Your friend and brother, Rev. J. W. Owens.

Find inclosed one renewal for the Alabama Baptist; also one new subscription. Please send me more blank receipts and I will try to send in some more in the near future.—W. J. Nash.

I like the paper and will do all I can for it. God bless it and may the 5,000 subscribers be found. I hope they will before March 1st. May the good Lord bless you and yours.—H. W. Garlington.

You may count on me speaking a kind word for our paper. I hope to be able to send in some new names under the wonderful offer you have made. May God's richest blessings be upon the paper and the editor. Your sister in Christ, (Miss) Nannie L. Moseley.

I have not had time to work any at taking subscriptions since I received your letter, but will do my best next week. I am not charging for what I do, nor am I expecting a present in return, but I do it from a sense of duty and a recognition of privilege. May the Lord bless you and prosper the paper. Love to young Barnett. Fraternally, Charles M. Brewer.

If you will send me lists of subscribers to the Alabama Baptist who get their mail at Chandler Springs (you failed to put them in letter sent me) I will show you how I appreciate the hooks and eyes. You are giving us a good paper and I believe that every Baptist ought to read it. If I can help put it into the homes of the people command me and I am at your service. Very respectfully, J. L. Ingram.

Dear Brother Barnett: I will do the best I can, as I believe the press is a great power and without it we would be as Baptists in a disorganized state, and as I could not speak of all the good features about the Alabama Baptist, will close by saying God bless the Alabama Baptist and its editor, together with all of its contributors and readers. Yours for the success of our great denomination, Rev. J. E. Coffield.

Brother, I have canvassed right closely for the Baptist and feel that my people will all appreciate your paper. Let me say for the paper that I am more in love with it. I shall continue to work for it as I used to do before you had your field agents out for you. I had learned to depend on them somewhat, but now since it will cost you so much to have men to travel for you I will see to it that your cause shall not suffer in my part of the "moral vineyard." May God bless you ever.—W. J. D. Upshaw.

HOWARD COLLEGE CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATION.

Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 27, 1907.
Rev. F. W. Barnett,
Birmingham, Ala.

Dear Dr. Barnett:

At a recent meeting of all the directors of Howard College Co-operative Association, we were assigned the very pleasant duty of thanking you for your great helpfulness in our library work, and especially do we desire to thank you for the large number of magazines furnished each month. We realize your interest in this work is as great as our own, and feel that if you have paid a recent visit to the library and found our large and beautiful table in the center of the room filled by your kindness with attractive reading, you are more than repaid. We have recently spent over one hundred dollars on shelves with sliding glass doors, etc., and feel that at last our work is beginning to present something definite to beholders. Again allow us to express our gratitude and true appreciation of your helpfulness and to thank you in behalf of the co-operative association.

Your friends

MRS. MANLY L. MOORE,
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Committee.

It is my pleasure to send you these subscribers. You may count on me to aid you in the work in any way possible. Yours truly, W. P. Wilks.

I received your letter and read your propositions. I have been taking your paper for years. It hasn't come in some weeks. I didn't know what was the matter. I paid you a dollar in Talladega last summer for a year ahead. I have a receipt for same. I love your paper better than any paper I ever read and will do all I can for it. Please send it on as you have been doing and oblige your friend and reverend, Rev. Noah Stephens.

Am just in receipt of your letter asking me to help in raising subscriptions to the paper. Will say that I am willing and anxious to help you in any way I can. Am very sorry the legislature passed that bill that provides that no passes be granted, but as it is, I am ready to try my hand in helping to place it in the homes of the Baptists of this section of the state. Thanking you for past favors, I remain yours for service, A. B. Creel.

P. S.—Your paper, or our paper, has done me more good than anything I ever read in the literary line. I consider it next in importance to my Bible. It improves with each issue if possible, though I thought some time ago it was as good as could be. May it ever live and fill its mission.—A. B. Creel.

Did you receive a dozen hooks and eyes and wonder what on earth Bro. Barnett meant by sending them? Well, he will tell you. It was to try and impress on your mind that you could hook and fasten a lot of new subscribers for the Alabama Baptist by using the \$1.00 offer as a bait to catch them. If you do not believe it, just fish awhile.

I will see what I can do for the paper.—J. B. Keown.

Will try to get up a few more subscribers for you shortly.—J. J. Patterson.

Will try to get some new subscribers. Yours for service, A. L. Joiner, Albertville, Ala.

Will send you some subscribers if I can find any. I will do what I can.—Rev. I. Bradford.

You can count on me in this campaign. I am anxious to get the paper in every home represented in my church.—H. M. Long.

I will try to get new subscribers next Sunday, and if I can get any I will send them at once. Yours for success, R. M. Allen, Truett, Ala., R. F. D. No. 1.

I received your blanks for subscribers. Will see what I can do for you. Wishing you much success with your most appreciated paper, Rev. Thomas Blair.

I distributed the sample copies. I verily believe it's good service.—W. H. Conpell.

(Yes, and sent in three new subscribers and one renewal.—Ed.)

I have the agency sign up and am tackling every Baptist that comes in that I know to be one. Please acknowledge receipt of this. With best wishes, your brother, J. S. DeLacke.

Yours of a few days ago came to hand. Will say in reply I will be glad to do anything for you or your paper that is possible. I find in my churches those who take the paper are my standbys. Any time I can serve you in any way don't fear to call on me.—B. W. Matthews.

I congratulate you on the make-up of the paper. I shall feel no hesitancy about presenting the paper as one of the best published and the best for a Baptist in Alabama. With best wishes for your success and in your success I include the success of our paper. I remain, J. H. Sam.

I like the Alabama Baptist. It is a lot of help to me, as I am young in the ministry work. I get some good out of it for the soul and it helps me in my work. May God help you in the good work you are doing. Your brother in Christ, Rev. W. H. Edwards, Jasper Ala., R. F. D. 3.

I am doing all for the paper that I can do and pray God's blessing to attend all your efforts to glorify Him and help the people of Alabama. I wish it was in every home in the whole world, for I believe everybody would profit by reading our Alabama Baptist. I am yours to serve, John H. Buck.

I received your card of hooks and eyes, and I am going to try to hook you a few subscribers to the paper. The Alabama Baptist is better than it has ever been, I think, and I ought to know, for I have been reading it for thirty years. It gets better with every issue. May the Lord bless you and the paper.—C. J. Burden.

I deem it a pleasure the service I have rendered you in getting these subscribers. There are many others that should have taken the paper, but they every one began to make excuses. I shall continue to do what I can for the paper, for I realize the great need of our people being in touch of our denominational work. Please send razor if it is convenient or whatever suits you. Your brother in Christian love, J. W. Dunlap.

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Now, we want first, a full representation from each church in the association, viz.: two delegates for each fifty members in the pro rata.

We want, second: One or two state secretaries or their equivalent to certainly meet with us then.

We want, third: Every one interested to pray for this work until after the convention.

Our object is, by God's help, to have reported in the association next October a Sunday school in every church within our bounds. Our past best records show only about 50 per cent of this.

The practical working out of the Sunday school problem will, in our humble opinion, be the solution of one of the biggest mission problems among Southern Baptists.

For any information relating to above, address **J. B. Hamric, Collinsville, Ala.**

FROM STANTON.

I was at my little country church, Mt. Olive, in Perry county, last Sunday. It was a cold, rainy day, and only about half the usual congregation. We had a very helpful service. For nearly twenty years this church has been small and struggling, and found some difficulty in keeping up existence, but it seems to have taken on new life. They changed the plan of the house last year and painted it nicely inside and out under Bro. J. F. Johnson's influence as pastor and the renewed energies of the church. I began serving them in October. The membership is increasing nearly every month. They collected in cash yesterday half as much as they ever paid in a year before, I expect. Good collection for state missions and \$40.00 towards an organ, good part of pastor's salary, some for orphans' home above what the association asked them to pay for the year. Some for repairing cemetery and some to renew for the paper and some new subscribers, about \$60 in all. Have an excellent growing Sunday school. Best of all, the holy spirit seems to be visiting us in greater power each service.—**W. H. Connell.**

JOHN THE BAPTIST.

Walter M. Lee.
Alone across the desert wastes,
With silent step he trod:
The herdless wilderness to him
Was eloquent with God.
His head and arms and feet were bare;
Exposure, abstinence and prayer
His only comrades there;
The wild bees furnished him with bread,
The locusts gave him meat;
A leathern belt, a robe of hair—
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I desire as a paid up subscriber to ask you some questions to be answered in your paper:

1. What are the duties of an executive committee appointed by an association?
2. Does the appointment carry with it official authority to prosecute the missionary work in the association?
3. If they have the authority and appoint a man in the missionary work, does this bring the association under obligations to co-operate with this man in prosecuting the work of the association?
4. After he has done the work, is it right to send him away without paying him for his work, or giving him any satisfaction as to whether they would pay him or not?

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FIFTH SUNDAY MEETING.

Programme of fifth Sunday meeting to be held with New Home Baptist church, ten miles northeast of Oneonta, Ala., in Blount County Association March 29th and 31st, 1907:

March 29, 11 a. m.—Introductory sermon by Rev. W. T. Churchwell; alternate, J. K. Nix. Adjournment for dinner.

2 p. m. Organization. 1. Why fifth Sunday Meetings? by S. R. Burson and L. T. Fendley. 2. The Duty of the Church to Young Converts, by A. Dorman and J. S. DeLatch. 3. What Shall we do with Members who willingly or neglectfully absent themselves from church? by F. M. Humphries and I. T. Stephens. Adjournment till 9 o'clock Saturday, the 30th. Preaching Friday night by F. M. Humphries; alternate, S. R. Burson.

Saturday, 30th, 9 a. m.—4. The Duty of a Church to Its Pastor, by H. Clark Morris and J. C. Buckner. 5. Why Use Money for the Cause of Christ? by Huly Nix and J. W. Crumley. 6. Is a Promise Made to Give Money to Support the Lord's Cause or to Attend to the Lord's Business as Binding us any Other Promise? by T. J. Chamblee and Henry Bradley. 7. Why Become a Baptist? by W. J. Nash and G. W. Darden. 11 a. m. Adjourned for preaching by J. W. Crumley. Dinner.

1 p. m. 8. What is the difference between the Hardshell Baptist in Doctrine and Practice and the missionary Baptist in Doctrine and Practice? by Dr. Cole and Dr. Bruce. 9. Why a Converted Church Membership? by D. D. Head and F. Tidwell. 10. Why Read Our Denominational Literature? by O. A. Steel and R. A. Mann.

Setting place for next meeting. Preaching at night by D. D. Head. Sunday, March 31st, 9 a. m.—Prayer service, 30 minutes, conducted by Lepton Dorman. 11. Sunday school reports and methods used. General Sunday school talks. Preaching at 11 a. m. by W. J. Nash. Churches are earnestly requested to send messengers and let's strive and pray that we may have a good spirited meeting—a union meeting indeed. I. T. Stephens, A. R. Head, L. T. Fendley, J. K. Nix, H. Clark Morris, Executive Committee.



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I enjoyed Rev. R. C. Granberry's article in your paper. Granberry is a school mate of mine. I also enjoy Bro. Crumpton's articles on the state of religion over the State of Alabama. May God bless you and your interesting paper. The Alabama Baptist has life and spice in it.—Walter M. Lee, New Orleans.

In Linden: On Wednesday night, Feb. 27, 1907, at the residence of the bride's father, Capt. Q. S. Adams, Miss Garnett Adams was married to Mr. Garland Kirven, the writer officiating. Miss Garnett possesses all of the attractions of grace and beauty, but the beauty of her character and her sweet Christian spirit makes her a rare gem. She is loved by all who know her and Mr. Kirven is indeed fortunate in that he has found and won such a help meet. Miss Garnett was baptized by the writer last fall and from that day she has been an indispensable help in the church work.

Mr. Kirven is one of the most talented young lawyers of this section of the country and we bespeak a bright future for him. May the heavenly father bless them and keep them; may He cause his face to shine upon them and be gracious unto them; may the Lord lift up his countenance upon them and give them peace.

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In the dark, in the cold,
Who would search for the spring?
Yet love's purest of gold,
Hope's most radiant wing,
Lie safe hid in the fold
Of earth's pain, of death's mold—
Through the dark, through the cold,
God prepareth the spring.

RECEIPTS FOR FOREIGN MIS- SIONS BY STATES FROM MAY 1, 1906, TO MARCH 1, 1907.

Georgia, \$32,665.31; Virginia, \$25,108.45; South Carolina, \$18,654.66; Texas, \$18,237.15; Kentucky, \$17,211.66; North Carolina, \$15,788.80; Alabama, \$11,899.83; Missouri, \$8,243.59; Tennessee, \$8,094.08; Mississippi, \$5,875.52; Florida, \$4,181.09; Louisiana, \$4,160.61; Maryland, \$3,890.25; Arkansas, \$2,223.60; District of Columbia, \$667.47; Oklahoma, \$543.65; Indian Territory, \$128.39; other sources, \$4,949.35. Total, \$183,023.56.

Please state that on the evening of the 20th ult., in the Canoe Baptist church of Canoe, Ala., Rev. B. F. Brooks, of Brewton, Ala., after a very satisfactory examination, was formally ordained to the full work of the gospel ministry. The presbytery consisted of the following named brethren: Rev. M. W. Gordon, of Brewton, who delivered the ordination sermon; Rev. A. M. Lowery, of Canoe, who offered the ordaining prayer, and the undersigned, who delivered the charge to the candidate and presented the Bible. Bro. Brooks is doing well on his present field and is very much in love with his work, but I am glad to say that he does not propose to allow his attachment for his work to interfere with his plans to complete his college course. He purposes entering Howard college next September. May the blessings of God attend him and the people with whom he labors.—J. R. Curry.

Dear Baptist: Yesterday (Sunday) was a great day at Good Hope. A fine congregation in attendance. Two applications for baptism, and the fourth Sunday in March the two will be baptized, together with others whom we expect. The Lord's supper will be administered for the first time in several years by this church. It's the day also appointed to ask the church for an offering to be applied to state missions. Both Saturday and Sunday will be Alabama Baptist days. The good Lord is blessing us here.—W. F. Martin, Pastor, Andalusia, Ala.

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It was my privilege to be Mrs. Faulkner's pastor for more than two years, and I can bear testimony to her Christian character. She was a prayer meeting Christian. She was one of the finest characters I have ever known.

Rev. W. W. Faulkner, husband of the deceased, is an intelligent, aggressive and consecrated Baptist minister. We extend to Bro. Faulkner and sorrowing children our heartfelt sympathy, and pray that they may so live as to meet their mother on the banks "of sweet deliverance."

"We toil and care, her task is o'er;
We strive, her victory is won;
The noontide heat is pressing us,
Her long day's calmly done.

"Some troubled waves, some adverse winds;
Some breaking of the calm;
But ere the lake of death was crossed,
The oil of Gilead's balm.

"And now, another place is void,
Another voice is still,
Another one hath found rest,
Sweet rest on Zion's Hill."
—T. O. REESE, Geneva, Ala.

Death has again invaded our ranks and captured one of our truest and most efficient soldiers of righteousness. Dr. Edwin T. Parker, the subject of this sketch, was born at Roberts, Ala., August 4, 1865, and died Jan. 22, 1907. In early boyhood his parents moved to Brewton, Ala., where he spent his life. He was educated in the common schools, Howard college and Tulane Medical college, from which latter institution he graduated with high honors. Beginning the practice of his profession at home among his kin, he rapidly arose to marked distinction and had few peers in the State as a general practitioner. In 1891 he married Miss Pearl Relfe, a cultured lady of Evergreen, Ala. After a period of several years' happiness, during which two sons and two daughters came to bless their home, death came and carried away the faithful wife and mother.

About three years ago he married Miss Annie McCarvey Stevens, of Mobile, Ala., a cultured and refined lady, who brought sunshine and happiness to his heart and home, filling the place of the departed mother with marvelous ability, tenderness and affection. Dr. Parker was converted early in life and lived a useful servant of our Master. He was elected to the Deaconship of the Brewton Baptist church some years ago and filled the office with honor to himself and his church.

He was an Israelite indeed in whom there was no guile. He always seemed to be on the right side of every question. He was truly a man of integrity. Certainly a great man among us has fallen, but we will bow in hum-

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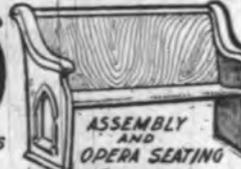
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Whereas, God has seen proper to take from us one of our members, Charlie Fox, we, the members of the Baraca Bible class of Pleasant Ridge Sunday school, extend our sympathy to the bereaved family.

We will always remember him as our best member, one who always did his best in Sunday school work. While we will miss him each Sunday morning, we feel that he was better prepared to leave this world than any other one of our members. And we will always thank the Lord for his beautiful life.—T. A. McDaniel, Charlie Huey, Guy Owen, Committee.



MARRIAGE OF MISS EVELYN DANIEL.

President B. F. Giles and Miss Bullock, of the Central college faculty, and Misses Evelyn Jackson and Norfleet Daniel, students at Central, have returned from Selma, where they attended the marriage of Miss Evelyn Daniel to Mr. T. L. Nichols.

The ceremony occurred on Saturday at high noon in the parlors of the Hotel Albert, the ceremony being performed by Dr. Giles in the presence of a number of friends and relatives. Directly after the ceremony a wedding breakfast, extremely handsome in all its appointments, was served to the wedding party. Mr. and Mrs. Nichols left on an evening train for their home at Clarksdale, Ark.

The groom is a substantial business man of that city and a gentleman of ability and many splendid qualities. He is to be warmly congratulated on having won so lovely and accomplished a bride. Mrs. Nichols is well known and greatly admired in Tuscaloosa, where she attended school at Central college for three years. She graduated in 1905, receiving diplomas in both the academic and music departments. She was a fine student and was possessed of a remarkably bright mind and a most charming personality. She was a wonderfully-gifted musician, her brilliancy of technique and general finish as a pianist winning her admiration every time she appeared. She was one of the best performers heard here in a long while. Her nobility of character; more than equals her graces and accomplishments and her many friends and admirers in Tuscaloosa wish for her and the fortunate man of her choice a long life filled with happiness.—Times-Gazette.

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But if thou wilt tell thine angels to come
And keep their watch o'er me I'll not fear.

Though I lay me down on the earth to dream.

In all this world I have no kind face,
No eye to pity, no arm to embrace,
But Jesus can look on me from above,
And I shall not want any other love.

The child gazed into the far-off height,
Where myriads of stars were gleaming bright,

And nearer and nearer the glory came
Till the earth around seemed aflame.

And the faces of father and mother were there,
And visions of angels filled the air,
And the voice of Jesus said to her come,

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