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SOUTHERN BAPTISTS CONVENE AT RICHMOND

CONVENTION NOTES BY FRANK WILLIS BARNETT

The Seminary had a fine hearing Saturday morning.

There were many striking maps and charts tacked on the walls above the stage.

Dr. Oliver F. Gregory was at his post of duty, looking younger than ever.

Cobb's restaurant down on Main street seemed to be headquarters for the Alabama delegation.

Hon. E. W. Stephens was unanimously re-elected president. A faithful officer lovingly remembered.

As usual the lobby was a busy place with the readers of books, newspapers, maps, etc.

Thursday was a trying day on the delegates as it rained incessantly and turned much cooler.

I was glad to see so many familiar faces from Alabama in the audience and as a rule they were always well to the front.

Dr. George W. Truett, of Texas, one of the most beloved men in the convention, made a masterly speech at the mass meeting on foreign missions.

Headquarters at the Jefferson Hotel was a busy place. It was good to move about the beautiful lobby and greet old-time friends.

I wish the brother who prefaces his remarks by saying "It embarrasses me to stand in the presence of this august body" would keep his seat.

Among the states in her offerings to Home Missions Alabama was fifth, and in gifts to Foreign Missions she was seventh.

The convention opened on time with a great audience present in spite of the inclement weather and as usual Brother Crumpton was on the front row.

The address of J. W. Bailey, of North Carolina, on the "Laymen's Interest in Missions" was an inspiring one and the great audience gave him the closest attention.

The response to the address of welcome was made by Dr. J. B. Gambrell, of Texas, in his inimitable way. It was a fitting tribute paid to Texas by President Stephens.

The Seminary trustees are to be congratulated for having elected Dr. Charles Gardner, of Richmond, to fill the chair of homiletics to succeed Dr. Dargon, who resigned to accept a call to the First church at Macon, Georgia.

The wait of several hours en route to Richmond at Danville was pleasantly spent in strolling through the beautiful residence section and sitting beneath the shade of the beautiful trees out at Reservoir park.

President Stephens said that he would endeavor to suppress any applause and Dr. Eaton said "Amen," and Dr. Hatcher said, "and make the amens out of order, too," and Dr. Eaton winked.

At Danville, in going into the rear coach, which was hitched on from the fast Atlanta train, I found Drs. Purser and Landrum, and greatly enjoyed having them tell about Georgia. Isn't it about time that Purser is coming back home?

On the opening night, looking down in front of me, there on the front row, sitting between the Hon. Joshua Levering, of Baltimore, and Dr. John Dr. Jordan, of Atlanta, was Henry Schramm, the faithful, drinking in all that was said, filling up to go back home to work for his Master.

The opening session looked very much like an Alabama convention, as the opening prayer was offered by Dr. S. M. Provence and the convention sermon was preached by Dr. A. J. Dickinson. Virginia, however, felt well represented, as both are graduates of Richmond College.

Frank Bealer, the handsome 15-year-old son of Rev. Alex Bealer, pastor at Thomasville, Ga., and incomparable reporter of conventions, was present as a delegate, having made the money to pay his way without losing any time from school.

I overheard a Virginia gentleman remark with pride to Dr. Gambrell that the auditorium would seat 3,500 when the great secretary from the great State in the greatest country in the world said: "Why, the First church in Dallas, when remodelled, will seat at least 500 more." It takes a big thing to be bigger than a big thing in Texas.

I went to the convention with a companionable lot of Alabamians and was greatly pleased to find that Dr. W. J. E. Cox, of Mobile, had telegraphed ahead and secured a berth on the sleeper which he was good enough to permit me to share with him, but not satisfied with this courtesy, took me into his room at the hotel and made me at home.

I never got stirred to my depths until the convention proper opened, although the auxiliary meetings were of a high order and well attended; but when the first hymn was announced and the great congregation

burst into song, I felt that the great hour had arrived.

The first preliminary meeting of the Southern Baptist convention was the gathering at the First Baptist church Wednesday morning of the Sunday-school workers, under the auspices of the Sunday school board of the convention.

Dr. Breaker, of Missouri, moved that the following telegram be sent to the Northern Baptist Convention, meeting in Washington:

"The Southern Baptist Convention sends hearty Christian greetings to the Northern societies and requests them to join in prayer at noon tomorrow for God's blessing on our great common cause at home and abroad."

Even the street car men seemed to catch the enthusiasm of the convention, for when a car filled to overflowing was stopped by a party of men and women demanding transportation, the conductor exclaimed, "If you are Baptist, I can find room for you."

"We are," was the reply, and room on the car was discovered.

Wednesday night three services were held. At Grace Street Baptist church, Dr. Faunce, of Brown University, spoke; at the First Baptist church, Dr. Broughton addressed the Baptist Young People's Union, and at the Second Baptist church a prayer meeting was held by the Woman's Missionary Union. At all of these services, the churches were filled and the congregations took part with great earnestness.

Abstracts from the report of the Sunday School and Bible board were read Friday morning by Dr. J. M. Frost, corresponding secretary of the board, at Nashville, and showed the remarkable advances which have been made in Baptist Sunday schools in the South since the first report was published sixteen years ago.

The following Alabamians were placed on standing committees: Report on Home Mission Board: Our Fields, W. J. E. Cox; Our Forces, J. H. Foster; Our Finances and Our Future, W. B. Crumpton. Report on Sunday School Board, W. D. Hubbard. Pagan Missions, R. S. Garvin.

There were a number of strong addresses made at the Educational conference on Wednesday. The most notable being that of President H. P. Faunce, of Brown University. Dr. Faunce is an attractive and forceful orator; has a full, melodious voice, and speaks easily and gracefully, yet forcefully, occasionally rising to eloquence. His diction is elegant and his sentences are at times epigrammatic and pregnant with thought.

The treasurer's report of the convention was made by Mr. G. W. Norton and accepted. Dr. Burrows made an appeal to the brethren to send him statistics to help him in making his report. The secretary caused a laugh by saying he had a few copies of his report for those who loved statistics. "I do not mean to furnish my report to those who will use it to wrap up soap or to make shaving paper of the facts and figures."

I wish every Baptist in Alabama would get a copy and study it.

The following telegram was received from the Northern Baptist convention, which represents twenty-seven States, and was then in session in Washington, D. C.:

"To the Southern Baptist Convention: The Northern Baptist Convention was organized today, and sends greetings. Read Romans xii. 5."

Dr. Burrows was instructed to send suitable greetings to the Northern convention.

President Stephens spoke on the Baptist exhibit at the Jamestown exposition. He was conservative in his remarks, indeed so much so that a delegate remarked: "I wish we had an Episcopalian here to put a coal of fire on your back." "We do not need an Episcopalian here," shouted Dr. Hall, "when we have Dr. Broughton to speak for us." Dr. Broughton came forward and like the practiced orator that he is, began quietly to tell stories of the American flag, which put the audience in a great good humor, all of which led up to a collection for the Baptist exhibit at Jamestown.

Rev. B. W. Spillman, on Friday morning, delivered an address on Bible and Sunday-school work. The address dealt with the subject in detail, and was in all respects instructive. Although the address was somewhat lengthy, the speaker held the attention of the convention, and when he had concluded the convention readily adopted a resolution, offered by Dr. Folk, of Missouri, that the Sunday school and Bible board be requested to publish the address in pamphlet form for general distribution. Brother Spillman will be heard at the Baptist Encampment at East Lake, June 8-15.

The most important paper read before the Sunday School Workers' convention was that by Dr. I. J. Van Ness, the editorial secretary of the Sunday-school and Bible board. Dr. Van Ness, who is an eloquent speaker, did not keep his eye on his paper, but spoke right out in meeting. He gave in detail a comprehensive story of the system for Bible and Sunday-school training which has been adopted by the board, and in conclusion explained the cheapness of the system.

SYNOPSIS OF FOREIGN MISSION BOARD REPORT

God is the author of Foreign Missions. This work started in Heaven. God so loved the world that He gave His Son. This is the work to which we, as individual Christians, as churches, as a convention, are committed. It is this that engages our thoughts, our purposes, our plans and prayers. In this work of the Lord we present to you the sixty-second annual report of your Foreign Mission Board. We wish gratefully to record our thanksgiving to God for His continued blessings on the work during the past year. Both in the home land and on the foreign field there has been much to encourage and strengthen.

We look at our contribution for the past year (\$403,811.50) and rejoice when we say, "This is far ahead of any former year." Then we turn to the 1,900,000 who gave it and remember it represents an average of less than a half cent a week, and we feel like bowing with Christ in Gethsemane and weeping.

Our missionaries on the front line have stood midst dangers and difficulties. Some have fallen, weak and faint, but the banner of the Lord has gone forward and they send back the glorious report of 2,237 baptisms during the year. Is not this enough to make every one among us join in thanksgiving and praise to God? After we had been working as a board for forty-five years, we reported in 1890 a complete enrollment in our churches in foreign lands of 2213, and now God gives us over that number in one year.

A growing tree needs more land and water—a growing child more food, clothing, training—a growing business more room, laborers and capital. The same rule holds in all life.

Our work has under God developed marvelously. We are no longer a weak band with a few laborers and meager visible results in foreign lands. Our God has enlarged us. We have 500 laborers at the front with thousands of converts, and thousands more being taught of Christ. We have schools, theological seminaries, printing plants, medical dispensaries and hospitals.

While some of the hundred and eight schools are self-sustaining, others must be helped. No one can estimate their worth in these lands of darkness. To send children of the converts to native schools means to turn them over to heathen practices and idolatry. To give them no schools means for them to grow up in ignorance. We must help them. These children of our converts, trained not in heathen but Christian homes, are the hope of the future. Not only are boys trained, but girls, formerly despised and degraded, are taken and brought up to know that woman has a head and heart and that her Creator wants her lifted up and exalted—the equal if not the superior of man.

We have seven theological seminaries in our various fields with over a hundred men in training.

A missionary in China writes: "I am more and more convinced that the wisest missionary will henceforth spend most of his time training the native Christians; they will then evangelize this country more speedily and with fewer blunders than we shall be able to do.

They already know the Chinese heart, a necessary knowledge gained by most missionaries after many years of painful effort—by some never. So with the training they need especially in the Bible, and with sufficient development in moral character, they ought to do the work, at least as efficiently as the missionary, and with far less expense."

With the introduction of Christianity among any people there comes enlightenment. It is not long before the people begin to study for themselves, so that it is necessary to give them the right kind of literature. Our printing presses in these countries are turning out millions of pages to carry the light in these lands of darkness.

The medical missionary is a mighty power under God to open heathen homes and hearts. Our Board

has sent out twelve medical missionaries, and these are doing a great work.

The wonderful development of our work has brought along with it heavy responsibilities and a great need. Our missionaries who have been sent out need homes in which to worship. The thousands of converts need chapels in which to worship. The medical missionaries need hospitals. Seminaries and printing houses need better equipment. God has blessed us. If we come up to the opportunities which He has presented before us, we must greatly enlarge our gifts. The Board could wisely expend outside of our regular gifts \$200,000 for permanent, needed improvements at once. We hardly know how to call on our convention for all of this money in addition to the amount which is needed to enter the wide-open doors, and yet we do ask our brethren to think and pray about these pressing calls which the Master has put by His providence upon us.

Many of our people do not realize how God has blessed us, and is leading us forward to do greater things in His service.

We give below a table showing something of what has been done in two decades:

Workers in Foreign Fields—Native and Foreign—	
1887.....	116
1897.....	190
1907.....	500
Baptisms for the Year—	
1887.....	228
1897.....	660
1907.....	2,239
Total Membership—	
1887.....	1,646
1897.....	4,324
1907.....	14,437
Contributions for the Year—	
1887.....	\$ 87,830
1897.....	125,681
1907.....	403,811

It must be remembered that much of the progress made cannot be tabulated. But the earnest workers at the front can see and feel it, as superstition and idolatry are giving way before the glorious gospel message, and as they see Christian schools, colleges, seminaries, printing plants, hospitals going up with blessed effect.

The missionaries on returning home speak with joy also of the difference they notice in the home land since going out ten or twenty years ago. They find much greater interest and enthusiasm for missions among our people. All of this reassures us and calls for greater effort on our part.

During the year twenty-one new missionaries were added to the force. Financial embarrassment kept us from appointing others who were anxious to go.

Owing to the great increase in the work of the Board, it was deemed best to elect additional secretarial force. Dr. T. B. Ray was elected as Educational Secretary and Dr. S. J. Porter was elected as Field Secretary. Dr. Ray entered upon his work November 1, 1906. Dr. Porter began work March 1, 1907. Both of these brethren are well known among our people, and the Board rejoices to have them connected with us to carry forward the work. They will both be located in Richmond, Va. Dr. Ray's work is explained more fully in another part of this report. Dr. Porter will give much of his time to visiting conventions and other gatherings, and in every way possible trying to develop an interest among the churches.

Dr. William H. Smith, who had been Assistant Corresponding Secretary, and had done excellent work, was, January 1, 1907, made Editorial Secretary. While giving some of his time to the editing of tracts, preparation of articles for the papers, and the direct management of the Foreign Mission

Journal, yet he will also give much of his time as heretofore, to work of visiting the churches and conventions. It can be easily seen that the work of all of the secretaries will have to more or less overlap. A great increase in our mission force will require more work in the mission rooms at Richmond, and at the same time the great enlargement of the work will require more work among the churches at home and in the large gatherings of our people. With this reorganization of the work, we trust that we can more efficiently carry forward the great cause committed to us.

For some time past the Board has realized that we were not teaching our people and training them in missions as we should. Not only was there need of study on the part of those who were older, but a great growing army of young people were coming on who needed to know more in order that they might do more for this great work. While we were planning to meet this need, an unknown brother of large heart and broad vision made, through another, a proposition to the Board to furnish the salary of a good man for three years if the Board would secure him to look after this special department of the work. It was some time before we could find the right man. He must be intelligent, aggressive, live; have the heart for winning and leading, the gift of teaching, the power of planning, a lover of young people, and yet in full sympathy with the older—one who could bring our people to see and know more of God's great work in the world. The Board feels that in Dr. T. B. Ray we have secured the man needed.

The Foreign Mission Journal has done well through the year. It has paid all of its running expenses without calling for a cent from the Mission Fund. While all of the secretaries will write for the Journal, the general management of it will be in the hands of Dr. William H. Smith, editorial secretary. It will continue to have a department edited by the Woman's Missionary Union. It is the purpose of the Board to enlarge the Journal and make it more attractive. We can do this without charging additional for it if we can secure from 10,000 to 20,000 new subscribers during the year at 25 cents each. We call upon all of our people to help us. If the Journal can get a circulation of 75,000 to 100,000, it will greatly increase our gifts to foreign missions. Any one who secures subscribers for the Journal is doing real mission work.

We are glad to see that the time has come when business men feel more profoundly that they must take greater part in planning for bringing this lost world to Christ. In some quarters, what is known as the Laymen's Movement has taken strong hold upon Christian men. We praise God for what has been done by the sisters in their organized work in societies and unions. But we cannot see why men who love the Lord should not band together also for more aggressive evangelization to the uttermost parts of the earth. We recommend that the subject of a forward movement among our laymen be especially considered at our convention.

As can be seen from the report, of all that was contributed the past year, about nine cents in the dollar was used for expenses in this country and over ninety cents in the dollar went to the missionaries. Then it must be remembered that in the above expense account is included what was paid for Woman's Work, for interest on borrowed money, and for the cost of the work in the various states. Take these out and it leaves less than five cents in the dollar used for expenses of the Board in Richmond.

The woman's report shows an excellent year's work on the part of our sisters. They have been making steady advance for many years, and they come forward this year reporting \$74,543.77 raised for foreign missions. This is far ahead of the contributions of any former year. We appreciate the

earnest, active co-operation and faithful efforts of our devoted sisters.

In view of the great blessings of God on our work, the earnest call of our faithful workers at the front, the wish of our brethren at home, as expressed in resolutions at the Southern Baptist convention, and also in view of the fact that our Board is now equipped with larger secretarial force, we are planning for our corresponding secretary to visit some of our missions this year. He hopes to start in August or September for the Orient, visiting our missions in Japan and China and possibly Italy. He will have the privilege of seeing not only the work as carried on by us, but also by other organizations.

In conclusion, we return thanks to God for His blessings upon the work during the past year. It has been carried on in the midst of many difficulties. Debt has hampered us in the home land, while sickness and death of the workers and persecution have abounded in the foreign fields; yet under God the work has made great progress.

SELECTIONS FROM S. S. BOARD REPORT.

Income of the Fiscal Year.

There has been an advance of \$14,970.66 in the receipts over what they were last year. This gives a total of receipts for the year of \$161,439.07. This advance, though not so great as last year, is gratifying, and shows immense advancement in other things that cannot be estimated or even tabulated. The work has grown in every direction and in every department.

Earnings and Benevolences for the Year.

The work has been conducted upon a basis as economical as is safe and consistent with aggressiveness in general denominational work. After meeting all obligations, so as to leave no indebtedness, we are able out of the earnings of the year's business to place the several amounts herewith designated as follows:

The Home Mission Board	\$ 2,000.00
The Foreign Mission Board	2,000.00
Six State Boards	1,600.00
Permanent Bible Fund	3,000.00
The Building Fund	15,000.00
The Seminary Guarantee Fund	4,500.00
The Seminary Lectureship	250.00
The Seminary chair Sunday school Pedagogy	1,354.17
The Board's Field Work	10,933.12
W. M. U. Expense Fund	400.00
Other Denominational Interests	705.75

Total for the year.....\$41,743.04

These several sums represent cash amounts. And in addition something over nine thousand dollars (\$9,000) in colportage supplies and in periodicals to mission Sunday schools have been appropriated to the Home Board, Foreign Board, and to the several State Mission Boards and to District Boards. These large sums represent what the Board is yielding to the denomination in a financial way.

The Book Publishing Department.

During the year the Board has made reprints of several of the books and tracts heretofore published. And in addition to this new tracts have been published as follows: "The Place of Baptists in History," by E. W. Stephens, 25,000 copies; "Back to the Book—a Bible Reading on Baptism," by Dr. G. A. Nunnally, 25,000 copies; "The Contribution of Sunday School Pedagogy to Spiritual Equipment," by Prof. H. Dement, his inaugural address as professor in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, 5,000 copies; "The Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan," a chapter from the Moral Dignity of Baptism, 50,000 copies. We also have on hand to be published in the near future some other very able tracts. We have also now in the printers' hands and being pushed to speedy finish a very valuable booklet, The B. Y. P. U. Manual, by Prof. L. P. Leavell. This is a much-needed work.

The Chair at the Seminary.

The chair of Sunday School Pedagogy, which

was announced in our last annual report tentatively, became an actual fact. The Seminary Board of Trustees, at its meeting last May created a new chair in the Seminary, called the chair of Sunday School Pedagogy, and elected Dr. B. H. Dement, then pastor of the First Baptist church, Waco, Texas, to fill this important position. He began at once arranging for the new work and entered on the duties of the professorship with the opening of the Seminary in October. This chair is given high rank in the Seminary, and the classes for this first year have been largely attended. Dr. Dement in many ways has fine qualities and is excellently equipped for this work. In this movement the Seminary is in advance of all other institutions for the Sunday school cause, and by the Sunday School Board joining in the support of this chair, the Southern Baptist Convention and the Baptists of the South are placed in the forefront for Sunday school advancement.

Our Sunday School Condition.

The Baptist Sunday school conditions of the South, while far short of what could be desired, has yet made great advancement in the last four or five years. The work holds a much higher place in the thinking of our people, and is now everywhere the theme of earnest discussion and vigorous endeavor. This improvement is such that cannot be put down in figures or in any way tabulated, and yet is being felt from one end to the other of the convention's territory and beyond. It is everywhere enlisting the attention of our leaders and the men in our churches.

Working With State Boards.

The Sunday School Board thinks itself happy in its relation with the various State Boards of the South. We count it an immense privilege to join hands with them in every way possible for the furtherance of their work. We count these with their able secretaries as among the greatest agencies in the denomination. We especially rejoice in the attention which they are paying to the Sunday school interest in their respective States. Some of them have Sunday school field men and others are trying to find men for that sort of work. During the year this Board has paid sixteen hundred dollars (\$1,600), divided among several of these State Boards, as a contribution specifically to their Sunday school work.

The B. Y. P. U. of the South.

The B. Y. P. U. of the South, in its annual session a year ago, changed its headquarters, moving its executive committee from Birmingham, Ala., to Louisville, Ky. The Sunday School Board from the first has been in closest relation with the executive committee while at Birmingham and since its removal to Louisville. There have been ways in which the Board could help forward the B. Y. P. U. work, and we have always availed ourselves of the opportunity—have gladly responded to any calls made on us in so far as we are able. We consider the work being done by the B. Y. P. U. of great moment, and count it a privilege to share with them in the work of carrying it forward. During the year our field secretaries have been giving attention to both Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. work. In a large number of the summer encampments they gave a series of lectures on methods in the B. Y. P. U. work. As already announced in another part of this report, we are publishing a B. Y. P. U. Manual, prepared by Prof. L. P. Leavell, who is one of the very best experts in this line of work. We hope to have it ready in a short time.

Denominational Weekly Paper.

Many agencies and forces have, singly and combined, contributed to the great onward movement of the work of this board. We mention the denominational papers as prominent among these. They have been of immense help in many ways. And this not for one year only, but during the sixteen years of the board's history. Their columns are always open to the officials of the board and to others who write in behalf of these great interests of the Southern Baptist convention. These papers are a powerful factor in denominational affairs and do much for

their advancement. They well deserve the sympathy and support of our people.

Conclusion.

We close the work of one year with grateful thanksgiving, and forthwith open the work of another year in the fulness of confidence and hope. The past sixteen years in which this board has wrought have been remarkable in many respects—in the history of the Sunday school board itself, and in all the work done by the Southern Baptist Convention. A comparative study will show many points of impressive and even thrilling interest. The advancement in all parts of the convention's work has been phenomenal, and the denominational condition in the south today is full of inspiration. On every hand, while there are things we could wish different, there are many, many things for encouragement. There are responsibilities and opportunities, and these alike stir our heart for larger things and open the way for even greater advancement.

ENCAMPMENT VS. CONVENTION.

That is the way some of the brethren are putting it with reference to the Richmond convention. But I want to anticipate and lodge a solemn protest against the encampment interfering in the least with the State Convention to meet in Dothan in July. Brethren cannot afford to miss Richmond for anything, but if they feel that they cannot take in so many meetings, the Richmond convention will not suffer on account of their absence.

But absence from Dothan will be felt. We must make that a great gathering of our Baptist hosts. It is in a new section of the State to many and I am sure there is not a better section. The people down that way call it "God's country." The people from the hill country think there is no health in that section. I want them to go and see if they ever saw a healthier lot of folks.

It is a Baptist country, almost solid. Thousands of them never attended the convention. We must have a convention worthy of their attention.

The work before us needs a large convention. Never before were things more hopeful. Don't let us fall of a representative gathering at Dothan.

FEEDING FOR HEALTH.

Directions by a Food Expert.

A complete change in food makes a complete change in body. Therefore if you are ailing in any way, the surest road back to health is to change your diet. Try the following breakfast for ten days and mark the result.

Two soft boiled eggs (if you have a weak stomach boil the eggs as follows: put two eggs into a pint tin cup of boiling water, cover and set off the stove. Take out in nine minutes; the whites will be the consistency of cream and partly digested. Don't change the directions in any particular), some fruit, cooked or raw, cooked preferred; a slice of toast, a little butter, four heaping teaspoonfuls of Grape-Nuts with some cream, a cup of properly boiled Postum Food Coffee.

The Grape-Nuts breakfast food is fully and scientifically cooked at the factory, and both that and the Postum have the diastase (that which digests the starchy part) developed in the manufacture. Both the food and the coffee, therefore, are predigested and assist, in a natural way, to digest the balance of the food. Lunch at noon the same.

For dinner in the evening use meat and one or two vegetables. Leave out the fancy desserts. Never over-eat. Better a little less than too much.

If you can use health as a means to gain success in business or in a profession it is well worth the time and attention required to arrange your diet to accomplish the result. Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a Reason."

MORE CONVENTION PARAGRAPHS

A most entertaining and instructive address that had not been scheduled on the program of the Sunday School Workers' conference was made by Mr. M. A. Hudson, a prominent merchant of Syracuse, N. Y., and the originator of the Baraca system of Sunday-school teaching. In the simplest and most entertaining way Mr. Hudson told the story of wonderful results of a system of Sunday-school work that was started in a small way and has grown to national proportions. It is very simple, as he explained it—teaching the Bible in a practical way. That is the Baraca system; nothing more, nothing less.

The Southern Baptist convention is composed of delegates from sixteen States within that section south of the Ohio and Potomac rivers and east of the Mississippi river, with Maryland, District of Columbia, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Texas and Cuba added. Within the sixteen States are 21,862 Baptist churches (white), with 1,899,422 members (white), who contributed during the year 1906, no less a sum than \$6,083,850.13 for Christian work, including missions and education. The total value of Baptist church property within these States amounts to the enormous total of \$25,471,209.

In point of attendance of visitors, both local and general, the night session of the convention on Friday reached the maximum. Before the gavel of the presiding officer fell the Auditorium was crowded, and numbers of people were turned away. It was known that Brother Mapes, who is not only a preacher, but a temperance lecturer of note, was in the hall, and the overflow crowd on the outside sent for him, and he went out to hold an open-air temperance meeting on Cary street. The people who could not get on the inside of the Auditorium had the privilege of attending a meeting on the outside. Brother Mapes had a good voice, which was at times heard inside the building.

Just before the convention sermon on Thursday evening President Stephens, seeing that the seats set apart for delegates were not filled, requested the ushers to permit the ladies who were standing to come forward and occupy them. This was a signal for them to make a concerted move forward and soon there was quite a sprinkling of women in the seats just in front of the platform.

A Baptist preacher presented a Baptist mayor, who welcomed a host of Southern Baptists to a Baptist city.

Secretary Gregory, in a brief address, moved that the ladies of the Woman's Missionary Union be considered as delegates to the convention, and that the distinctive red badge of the convention be presented to each. His motion was unanimously carried, and Mrs. M. W. Barcafer, of Missouri, had the honor of being the first woman delegate to receive the badge.

Rev. J. L. Wise, the missionary to Panama, brought to Dr. B. D. Gray a cane made from a railroad tie cut and put on the ground under the Panama railroad in 1848. The wood is called by the natives "wire kong," but the proper name is lignum vitae. It is

one of the hardest of known woods, as holes must be bored in this timber before a railroad spike can be driven into it. These old rails, being thrown away in the reconstruction of the Panama railroad, are as good as they were more than a half century ago, and the reason why they are not being used again comes from the fact that our government will not take time to bore holes in the hard timber with the poor labor they have to use at the present on the Isthmus. The wood is nearly as sound as the great secretary of the home board.

Dr. Mullins said that the trustees of the seminary had decided to undertake to increase the endowment of the seminary to \$1,000,000. Attention was called to the recent action of the seminary trustees in electing Dr. C. S. Garner, of Richmond, to the chair of homiletics in the seminary to succeed Dr. E. C. Dargan. Following this report several addresses, each limited to ten minutes, were delivered by speakers selected by the chairman. Ex-Governor W. J. Northen, of Georgia; the Rev. W. E. Hatcher, the Rev. A. T. Robertson, the Rev. John H. Eager and the Rev. J. B. Marvin addressed the convention in the interests of the seminary and general education.

Dr. Lansing Burrows deserves great credit for his painstaking compilation of the general statistics. Those from Alabama being unusually complete. Here are the totals: Churches, 1893; baptisms, 10,293; members, 157,400; Sunday schools, 980; Sunday school scholars, 67,479; value of church property, \$30,051; contributions for home purposes, \$341,470.41; missions, \$73,236.16; other benevolences, \$42,964.06; aggregate, \$457,670.63.

Dr. Mullins spoke on the "Woman's Training School" in Louisville, explaining its methods and relating some of its needs at present. Dr. Frost offered a resolution endorsing the school and commending the work already achieved in it. The Rev. W. E. Hatcher took the stand and the convention delegates were called on to contribute to the support of the training school. The Rev. Carter Helm Jones, pastor of Broadway church, Louisville, led the contributors in giving \$150, and was followed by a long list of subscribers, and within fifteen minutes \$5,000 in pledges had been raised. The following resolution was then read by Secretary Gregory and adopted:

"Resolved, That this convention rejoice to know of the successful operation of the Baptist Woman's Training School for Missionaries, in Louisville, and endorse the movement being made by the Woman's Missionary Union to purchase property for a home in which to conduct the work."

Mr. William Ellyson, the president of the General Association of Virginia, and secretary and general manager of the State mission board, Friday morning announced to the chair that a delegation from the Colored Baptist General Association of Virginia was present, and asked that their speaker be presented and heard. Accordingly, Rev. J. C. Goode was introduced and having been duly received by the presiding officer, briefly addressed the convention. Rev. Goode spoke very

feelingly of the interest the Baptists of Virginia and of the South are taking in the matter of evangelization among the colored people. He said the better class of his people were striving in their feeble way to aid their white brethren in the great work of evangelizing the world and sending the gospel to the dark corners of the earth.

Dr. E. Y. Mullins, president of the seminary, presented his annual report, showing the attendance for the year now closing to be two hundred and ninety-four students, the largest number of ministerial students in any seminary in the world. The report shows that health, close study and exemplary life have marked the session.

The treasurer's report shows an endowment of about \$600,000. Thousands of dollars have been spent during the past year on improvements, and the property is in fine condition. The report of the president called attention to the fact that in 1909 the seminary will be fifty years old, and the board at once determined to celebrate its semi-centennial by raising the endowment to \$1,000,000, if possible. The convention will be asked to assemble in Louisville to join in celebrating the great event.

The faculty of the seminary were instructed to give credit in their degree course to students who come from similar institutions, for what they had accomplished in those schools.

The examining committee presented a very gratifying report of the condition of the various departments of the seminary, its buildings, its teaching and its administration. The trustees ordered the executive committee to expend the requisite amount for the renovation and care of the property and its complete sanitation.

Here are the officers selected at the conference of the Educational Workers:

President—Dr. F. W. Boatwright, of Richmond College.

First Vice-President—Dr. E. Y. Mullins, of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

Second Vice-President—Dr. R. T. Vann, of the Baptist Woman's College, at Raleigh.

Secretary—Prof. William H. Harrison, of Bethel College, Russellville, Ky.

Executive Committee—Drs. Boatwright, Harrison and S. P. Brooks, of the Baylor University, Waco, Texas.

The report was adopted by the conference, and the officers named were declared duly elected.

The following will be the officers of the B. Y. P. U. for the coming year:

President—Rev. W. W. Hamilton, Atlanta, Ga.

Vice-Presidents—Rev. E. L. Grace, Richmond, and Rev. Ross Moore, Pine Bluff, Ark.

Recording Secretary—W. W. Gaines of Atlanta, Ga.

Executive Committee—B. A. Dames, chairman; Joseph T. Watts, secretary; M. P. Hunt, T. T. Eaton, J. R. Sampey, B. B. Bailey, W. L. Dargan, J. N. Prestridge, Lloyd T. Wilson.

State Vice-Presidents—Alabama, Rev. Austin Crouch; Arkansas, Rev. F. F. Gibson; Georgia, Rev. J. S. McLemore; Florida, Rev. Thomas M. Galloway; Kentucky, Rev. Preston Blake, D. D.; Louisiana, Rev. C. V.

Edwards; Maryland, Rev. W. H. Baylor; Mississippi, Arthur Flake, Missouri, Rev. J. C. Massie; Oklahoma, Rev. W. D. Moore; South Carolina, Rev. J. D. Chapin, D. D.; Tennessee, Rev. H. P. Hunt; Texas, R. H. Coleman; Virginia, Rev. Ryland Knight.

The report of the foreign mission board, presented by Rev. Dr. R. J. Willingham, shows that the churches contributed for the past convention year to foreign missions as follows:

Alabama	\$ 27,582 26
Arkansas	10,001 32
District of Columbia	3,734 26
Florida	7,860 52
Georgia	64,918 99
Indian Territory	1,315 74
Kentucky	35,544 83
Louisiana	7,308 45
Maryland	7,166 19
Mississippi	25,719 61
Missouri	13,936 12
North Carolina	30,481 77
Oklahoma	1,104 47
South Carolina	33,423 63
Tennessee	17,986 38
Texas	58,271 16
Virginia	50,178 58
Other sources	7,247 26

Total \$403,811 54

Every state save one shows an increase over the contributions for the previous years, the total increase within the bounds of the convention being \$88,562.70. In the matter of contributions Georgia leads, Texas comes next, and Virginia holds third place in the column. It once held first place, but Georgia and Texas have been growing.

Dr. P. T. Hale, of Kentucky, submitted the report of the committee on education, which was promptly accepted.

The committee made the following recommendations to the convention:

1. That a campaign for Baptist education be pressed and that pastors, editors and the people generally be urged to press this great work with consecrated vigor.

2. That an effort be made to bring into the schools for training those whom God has called into the ministry of His Son. Southern white Baptists number 1,800,000 and have only about 1,500 educated for the ministry—one to every 12,000.

3. That pastors urge upon the men of large means the duty of giving liberally, while living, to the institutions, and of leaving bequests to them in their wills.

4. That we study the subject of correlation of our schools and that we strive to equip and endow the institutions so that they may at least be the equal of their strongest competitors.

5. That not only the Bible be taught in all our schools, but also Baptist principles and history—without, of course, forcing upon students of other denominations our views.

6. That the Baptists loyally patronize their own schools.

7. That the people earnestly pray and study as to whether the time has not now come when the nearly two million white Baptists of the South should found at some city, that may be decided by the convention, a great Baptist university—one that shall be worthy of the great denomination.

The report further showed that the

endowment fund of the various Baptist schools and colleges in the South aggregated something over \$9,000,000 and that of this amount \$6,594,385 was in property values.

In the outer hallways of the Auditorium, the local committee had established a bureau of information, in which were telephones for the use of the delegates, and where a large force of attendants were placed to attend to the comfort of those visiting the convention. In this same hall all exhibits of the various religious publishing houses, whose publications seemed to attract the attention both of the ministerial and lay delegates. Within the Auditorium a countless row of seats slant down to an immense platform at the east end, at the sides of which are committee rooms, so that the delegates serving on committees are in close touch with the affairs of the convention. At the west end a spacious gallery takes care of many hundreds of those unable to secure seats on the main floor, the whole building being lighted and ventilated in a most comfortable manner. The seats on the main floor nearest the platform are reserved for delegates, and it was noticeable that in this great space not a woman found a place. All seated there were men, earnest, alert, quick to catch and mark an important utterance, and alive to the every point bearing on the work of the convention.

It had grown late Monday night and many among the audience had left, when Mr. W. W. Brooks, a lawyer of Rome, Ga., the last speaker of the evening, began his address to emphasize the importance of foreign missions, and to point out a scheme by which a million dollars a year could be raised by the Baptists of the Southern convention. His plan was that a number of men of the denomination should pledge themselves and their estates to subscribe a certain sum each year for ten successive years. As he closed he said quietly: "I pledge myself and my estate to give \$5,000 a year for ten years for the cause of foreign missions." So surprised were the delegates that not a sound was heard, and the vast audience sat silent until Dr. R. J. Willingham, secretary of the foreign mission board, rushed forward and shouted: "Do you men understand what Brother Brooks has done? He has given \$50,000." Then a great wave of applause shook the building.

A telegram received from the Northern Baptist convention just organized, and now in session in Washington, caused the first interruption. The message, after expressing congratulation, quoted the fifth verse of the twelfth chapter of Romans: "So we, being many, are one body in Christ and every one members one of another." Dr. Lansing Burrows, after reading the message, alluded to the Northern convention as the "young child," for the Southern convention was born some sixty-two years ago. Dr. Eaton suggested that in reply the third verse from the Book of Jude be quoted, but Hon. Joshua Levering, with some show of feeling, contended that such a reply would be insulting to the Northern convention, and urged that the motion be withdrawn. Dr. Eaton replied that he was surprised that any one could so construe his motion and withdrew it. At this point Dr. Gregory, meaning to pour oil on troubled waters, suggested that the

reply should contain the fifty-eighth verse of the fifteenth chapter of First Corinthians: "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable always abounding in the work of the Lord; forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

To this Dr. Eaton quickly objected, making the point that if the verse from Jude was insulting, the one last suggested was not less so, since it would go to show that the Northern Baptists were not "steadfast." It was finally decided to leave the reply in the hands of Dr. Lansing Burrows, who bridged the dilemma by going back to the Old Testament and sending the message of the rearing of the two pillars—one on the right and the other on the left side of the entrance to the temple.

At 11 a. m. Friday the hour had arrived for the address of Rev. Dr. J. B. Hawthorne. At the request of Vice-President Pollard the large audience joined in the singing of one of the grandest old hymns in the book, and then Captain Frank Cunningham sang as sweetly as ever he sang in his life the old favorite, "The Ninety and Nine." In introducing Dr. Hawthorne Mr. Pollard used not more than a dozen words, for, as he said, it was not necessary to introduce so familiar a figure to a Southern Baptist convention. He had only to say that the address was to be delivered by "the peerless preacher of America." At the conclusion of Dr. Hawthorne's address the convention sang two stirring hymns, while dozens—even hundreds—crowded around the eloquent minister and shook his hand. But few of them could say a word, but the tears that came down many cheeks and the cordial grasp of the hand told plainly what they would say had not emotion forbidden utterance.

The report of Rev. H. C. Reisner, of Texas, on pagan missions, was read to the convention, special attention being given to China, Japan and Africa. The growth and effect of the Boxer movement in China, and the forces that are working for the Christianization of Japan, were outlined. The report showed that in both China and Japan the old idols were being destroyed, the old religions are dead, and the people are on the verge of atheism. The work in Africa was described as being most encouraging. Continuing, Dr. Reisner spoke of the opportunities afforded to the Baptists to be the teachers of the world. Dr. Reisner has a great voice, and he, at least, was heard as well in the gallery as in the front row. He held the attention of the audience.

Rev. Dr. George W. McDaniel, of Richmond, created a sensation by moving that a committee of ten be appointed to act with a local committee in reporting whether or not the convention should move to some hall where the speakers could be heard. He said: "We are losing the convention. The people cannot hear. Fully one hundred people have complained to me today, and I say we cannot ask men to speak here when they cannot be heard." The question was put and the convention unanimously voted for the motion. President Stephens appointed the following committee on acoustics and new hall: G. W. McDaniel, Virginia; J. B. Cranfill, Texas; H. W. Virgin, Missouri; F. W. Barnett, Alabama; J. H. Kilpatrick, Georgia; A. F. Baker, Kentucky; W. T. Amos, Arkansas; A. V.

Rowe, Mississippi; J. H. Bennett, Tennessee; J. D. Pitts, South Carolina, to which was added the local committee. These gentlemen at once went into session. The discussion waxed warm. Despite the wishes of the chairman, the majority of the committee voted to continue the convention at the Auditorium, but suggested building the speakers' stand out from the platform, which was done in time for the night session.

At the Baptist Laymen's conference Thursday afternoon over two hundred men of affairs were present, which was marked by the most intense earnestness throughout. The call for the gathering was signed by ex-Governor Northen, of Atlanta, and by Hon. Joshua Levering, of Baltimore. The call sets forth the following outline of work:

1. To project a campaign of education among laymen, to be conducted under the direction of the various boards.
2. To devise a comprehensive plan (in conjunction with the several board secretaries) looking toward the evangelization of the world in this generation.
3. To endeavor to form, through the various boards, a centennial commission of laymen, fifty or more in number, to visit as early as possible the mission fields and report their findings to the churches at home.

Brother Levering presided, and introduced the various speakers.

A most striking informal talk was made by Mr. J. Campbell White, secretary of the laymen's movement, whose offices are in New York city. Mr. White's presence, which might be called almost providential, since only an accident enabled him to be in Richmond, added greatly to the force of the gathering.

It was the first definite step toward the organization of the Baptist laymen of the South into an aggressive religious force. Gigantic sums to be devoted to the evangelization of the world were discussed and there were not a few dramatic incidents. Chief among these was the offer of Mr. R. E. Bult, president of a great Texas oil company, to send ten missionaries to China at his own expense. After several of the distinguished members had delivered addresses, Mr. Bult was invited to say a word.

"Brethren," said the Texan, "I never made a speech in my life, and I can't make one now; but if Brother Willingham will send ten new missionaries to China, he can send the bill to me."

EXTRACTS FROM REPORT HOME MISSION BOARD.

Our missionaries report times of refreshing. Two years ago we reported 10,551 baptisms, last year 15,436, this year 18,798—an average of fifty a day. If one repentant sinner brings joy to the angels, what must have been their heavenly ecstasy over these 18,000 lost ones brought to Christ? Yet these are but a part, and a small part, of those hungry, perishing multitudes whom with a holy compulsion we are to bring to the great supper from the streets and lanes and highways and hedges.

Amid the more than usual discussion of the race problem, which have taken place in the South during the past year, the Home Mission Board has kept steadily at the work marked out for it at the convention in Nash-

ville, in 1904, and in the spirit set forth by the founders and fathers of the Southern Baptist Convention which is the spirit of the Author of Christian missions. We are glad to report that on the part of negro Baptists, with whom the board is in co-operation, there have been many indications and proofs of a desire to do that which was right in the sight of God in the management of the common work, and an earnest zeal for the Christian upbuilding of the negro race in the South.

The Home Board, with a record for conservatism, emboldened by the request of the Southern Baptist convention, surpassed all records in the enlargement of its work. This enlargement has been abundantly justified by the marvelous blessings of God upon our work. Our benevolence has not kept pace with his blessings, nor with the enlargement of the work, and so we are forced to report a debt of \$7,440.45. However, we are happy to report an increase of \$52,929.32 in gifts from the States over those for the previous year. The total gifts direct from the States this year amounted to \$220,829.23, and from miscellaneous sources \$11,604.70, making a total of \$231,834.03, which is a gain of \$55,422.80 over the total for the year previous. The increase in gifts from the States over last year is more than 31 per cent, which is a greater percentage of increase than was ever known in any year of our history.

Always indebted to the editors of our denominational weeklies for help and encouragement, your Board feels doubly so at this time. Almost without exception these editors have, even to an unprecedented extent, urged the brotherhood forward in the support of the work. And, too, there has been evident a growing breadth of comprehension of the magnitude and immediate importance of Home Missions. Editorial pages have fairly bristled with large thoughts concerning the redemption of the homeland. Then the pages of these papers have been open to your secretaries, our missionaries, and contributing pastors, of whom there is a growing number who are giving forth their thought on this great work. Our women, too, and our young people have been given generous space in which to make their respective appeals for Home Missions, and they have used it well.

The Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, has done notable service for Home Missions during the past year. Nor is it strange, this interest taken by our women in Home Missions; that any woman should not be interested in it, that is the strange thing. This is woman's work. It is the business of Christian home-making. The noblest, tenderest thoughts that stir the soul are at the base of Home Missions. "Love of God and love of country," says Dr. Van Dyke, "are the two noblest passions of the soul, and these unite in Home Missions."

This Southland of ours is the supreme sphere of service for Southern women. In it they live and move and have their being, and they can render to God and man their greatest service by helping to win this homeland for Christ. Our mothers and our maidens who for various reasons can never go to tell the news of salvation to the lost in foreign lands, have ten thousand opportunities for serving the Saviour in the homeland.

THE CURSE OF CARDS.

By HENRY W. STOUGH.



IHAVE searched long and earnestly for a convincing argument against card playing that would appeal to the intelligence and heart of the audience to whom it has been my privilege to speak.

I have found, as have other religious teachers, grave difficulties in the way of convincing many fair-minded and conscientious people that certain forms of amusement, and especially card playing, are essentially baneful practices. Certain lofty reasons, advanced in the past, from the standpoint of Christian character and influence, have become, to a large degree, hackneyed and "fogeyish" to this smart and not overly spiritual generation. The suggestion that mere "meat eating" should "offend" the weaker brethren makes the average person pity their miserable weakness and instability of character, and arouses a certain feeling of contempt for them. Why should I be deprived of pleasure for that which is inexcusable in others?

The question, therefore, it has seemed to me, must be a deeper one than that of Christian influence, example, or expediency, if it be successfully answered. If a moral basis could be discovered for argument, it might be made convincing and eradicate what many feel to be a crying evil in society. I am quite sure that we shall never be able to guide our young people aright unless we can show them sound reasons for its abandonment and abstinence. The whole question has been so pettifogged that even pastors have been led to condone, if not participate, in the amusement. In this article it is my purpose to submit to the reader the results of the search for such a moral basis as may preclude, if proven, the possibility of any person's playing cards who endeavors to be thoroughly moral, not to say Christian, in his conduct.

Games Divided.

A fundamental principle must be laid down at the outset with reference to all games, viz., that all games are naturally divided into two classes—games of skill and games of chance. The former are always won by the accuracy of the eye, the training of the nerves and muscles, and the judgment. To this class belong such games as chess, checkers, caroms, crokinole, cricket, croquet, billiards, pool, golf, baseball, football, tennis, and even tiddledywinks. To the other class belong all card games, dice games and dominoes. Again, the fundamental principle of all games of skill admits no other factor in winning save that of skill, while in chance games the principle admits always varying proportions of skill and an additional element of chance. That is, in the latter class of games, no one can be absolutely sure of winning, however great his skill, because the ever-present element of chance may, at any moment, destroy the winning possibilities.

That the element of chance is the fundamental principle and source of interest and pleasure in card playing is an accepted fact. And the reason why card playing has become so popular, to the exclusion of other chance games, is because this strange assembly of pasteboards, with their varying values, admits of infinite multiplying and balancing of chances. The most recent craze for bridge whist, called in a current magazine "a social riot," admits of so many hazards for winning that the logic of the playing leads almost irresistibly to gambling.

Rational Basis of Conduct.

If we inquire concerning a rational basis of conduct, we will discover that there are four psychological faculties upon which we base all conduct: These are the reason, the conscience, the affections and the will. They are the four pillars upon which the structure of consciousness rests—the four guides along life's pathway. Any conduct that does not issue from the counsels of these inseparable four faculties becomes either irrational, immoral, fickle or cruel. Any conduct that eliminates any one of them becomes abnormal and inhuman. The equations sug-

gested will show the inevitable results upon the individual:

Reason plus conscience plus will, minus affection, equal cruel fanaticism.

Reason plus affections plus will, minus conscience, equal moral monstrosity.

Affections plus conscience plus will, minus reason, equal idiocy.

If any of these faculties, therefore, thus set aside, should result in such doctored forms of character, it follows that anything which interferes with their perfect freedom of operation jeopardizes their usefulness and tends to weaken and even to destroy them.

The Assault Upon the Foundation.

Chance is "any event, the manner and time of whose occurrence lies beyond our power of presence." In every card game chance, by its very nature, assaults all four—the reason, the affections, the conscience and will. For what the reason does not understand, the affections can not admit to their devotion, the conscience can not pass upon its moral worth, and the will can not decide upon its action. These faculties thus bewildered and put in abeyance, so to speak, and "on the stretch," make impossible their free response to the emergency on hand.

For instance, the card player has before him his own "hand," which is the basis for all his "plays." All his faculties are brought to bear upon the problem. Now, in any game of skill, the eye, seeing the issues of the game spread out before it, enables the reason to act wisely and judiciously. In tennis, from the moment that the ball leaves the opponent's racquet, the other player knows exactly what to do, the speed with which to return it, and the place to return it beyond the opponent's reach. In the card game, the problem is altogether different. The eye sees the cards before it, but it can not see what is in the deck nor in the various opponents' hands. So the reason, with only limited and at times very partial facts before it, acts upon a half or smaller fraction of truth and must hazard the rest. The result in the reasoning process is confusion, the unknown and the known facts throws into a jumble of possibilities, so that the reason, the conscience and the will can only act upon what they know, hoping against hope that what they don't know may be played so successfully with what they do know that they shall win.

As the game progresses this confusion produces a feverish irritation of the whole psychologic nature. This in turn becomes unnatural stimulation, the reason buffeted by the will, the will by the conscience, and the conscience by the affections, and all, at times, buffeted by each, and each by all. Constant playing produces aggravated stimulations which amount to intoxication. This, again, produces enervation and inebriation of the whole intellectual and moral nature. The effect is as paralyzing as whiskey to nerve and muscle. Eventually, because of the close connection between mind and matter, the nerves become seriously affected and the health undermined. The act of card playing, therefore, becomes an unmoral, yes, more, an immoral act.

How Gamblers Are Produced.

It is not difficult to see how gamblers are produced. When these latter stages are reached through excessive card playing, it is but a step to gambling. In fact, psychologically, you have already developed the gambling instinct. The pleasurable excitement at last calls for additional stimulation which the presence of the prize or the stake affords. Nor is this all. The game for social enjoyment and the game for money is one and the same game. There are no more nor different elements of chance. In every game of cards, for whatever reason played, the odds of chance exist. In gambling, the player simply puts a commercial value upon them! And why card playing produces three-fourths of the gamblers is as easily explained as the transition from claret to champagne in wine drinking. It is the presence of the alcohol in each which dries the tissues and

inflames and excites the nerve centers. The fever of stimulation in card playing cries for more stimulants, which enhanced chances through gambling furnish. Hence, card playing, as a national game, has passed from the very simple forms to the most intricate and scientific; from pleasure playing to prize playing, and now to the frightful introduction of bridge whist parlor gambling.

The Menace of Parlor Card Playing.

When one discovers that there is really no essential difference in principle between a card player, however refined, and the lowest gambler, just as there is no difference, save in degree, between a tippler and a gutter drunkard, one is not surprised to hear men, who have tasted of the dregs of the gambler's cup, call the parlor card table "the kindergarten to a gambler's hell." The parlor card table has become a menace of society and the church, for here, under the guise of respectability and refinement, the innocent are lured. Your boy and mine may take their first lessons in gambling from a decorous deacon who teaches them card playing, while their last are received from the man, "all the blood in whose frozen heart could be carried in a bottomless cup." Between the two, today, the parlor card table is infinitely more dangerous to the unsophisticated than the gambler's den. Young men do not start in the latter place.

No wonder that a convention of gamblers some years ago is said to have passed a resolution to the effect that above all things they should encourage parlor card playing!

And what folly for parents to introduce it as a salutary expedient for keeping a hold upon their children. Sam Jones said, "you might as well say, 'Give the little pig swill, and when he is a hog, he won't like swill. Create the appetite in the young lad, and you may inflame him with a fire that will only burn out in a hell of remorse.'"

When a census was taken of the gamblers in Chicago some years ago, seven out of ten declared that they began their careers by parlor card playing, and many in Christian homes! It is also easy to see why card-playing church members are rarely prayer-meeting-going and zealous in their work for souls, and why, when a church gets inoculated with the virus, it becomes wholly and dead.

The Bridge Craze.

The present craze for bridge whist has raised a storm of protest from secular as well as religious sources, for prize playing is, in good society, accepted as perfectly proper, and is commonly indulged in. And gambling for silver creamers and silver dollars resolves itself merely into a question of the shape of the silver. A recent magazine article (Broadway, March, 1907), gives a hideous picture of the dissipation which is going through society and the church today, like a virulent, deadly epidemic. "Physicians deplore the craze, claiming that it burdens their hands with hysterical women; Captains of industry say that it is weakening the stamina of the young men of the country who need their strength for work. It is certainly draining the nerves, the pulses, the characters of those who have heretofore made up in our land a sane, substantial society. The bars are down, and the social climber can cast aside church and charity—the open gate of society. Let her hire a professional teacher and learn bridge. The game will ruin her temper, and probably bring on the habit of heavy drinking, but if she can play bridge, she will be one of society's favorites. If bridge, in its present hysterical form, does not really impair a sturdy character, it does encourage the development of every latent evil trait. It may create depravity, but it surely lifts up the veil from it."

A Heart Confession.

If these statements are the truth, then God help the pastors and churches that are finding their members already in the first stages of this "social riot!" As a closing word of exhortation I append the con-

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MRS. DOROTHY LANGDON LEWIS.
Secretary and Head of the Piano Department of the Birmingham College of Music.

This young pianist has been in active concert work for the past five years, and her musicianship and virtuosity was gained under the renowned Seeboeck of Chicago. Mr. Seeboeck has dedicated several of his compositions to this young artist and considered her one of his best pupils. Mrs. Lewis studied theory under Seeboeck and Garwood, and is thoroughly equipped to teach this branch of education. Mrs. Lewis was a member of "The Roy Young Concert Company" for three seasons and has many fine notices from the Chicago press.

Dorothy Langdon Lewis, "The Wizard of the Piano."

As a pianist Mrs. Lewis unites daintiness, breadth and power to a degree wholly unusual. In the charming compositions of Chopin, Liszt and McDowell, the cleverest tricks of counterpoint and other occult sciences occur as casually and as sweetly as the chemistry and coloration of roses, lilies and violets.—Chicago Tribune.

Honors Young Composer.

"Romance," a composition for the violin and piano, has been accepted by the renowned violinist, Eugene Ysaie. The acceptance of the dedication of this composition speaks well for the composer, Roy Young, who is a Chicagoan, having located here two years ago, after having studied violin several years with a celebrated pedagogue. Mr. Young has been very successful as a concert player, having appeared here with some of Chicago's leading artists.—Chicago Chronicle.

Roy Young—Violin Virtuoso.

Auditorium Annex, Chicago, Jan. 15, 1905.

Herr Roy Young:

I have played your composition, and shall be pleased to accept the dedication of same.

EUGENE YSAIE.

The Roy Young Concert Co.'s entertainment Monday night was a decided success, not only in a financial way for the building fund, but afforded a splendid opportunity for the music loving folk of the Decatur. This company gives one of the best musical entertainments and those present enjoyed it largely. Each number of the program was thoroughly enjoyed. Mr. Young, in his bird imitations, was par excellent.—New Decatur Advertiser.

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will give a Musical
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tist Encampment at
East Lake, June 5
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MR. EDWARD G. POWELL.
President and Director of Voice Culture of the Birmingham College of Music.

Mr. Powell was born in Montgomery, Ala., A. D., 1869. At the age of 19 it was discovered that he had a remarkable voice. This young artist sang for Mr. Frederick Bristol, of New York, who at once took a personal interest in him and taught him for a period of four years. Mr. Powell studied Choral work for three years under Frank Damrosch, and has done quartet work in some of the leading churches of New York city. As Lay Reader and Choir Director at The Church of the Advent, Birmingham, he is well known to his many friends. He has proven himself to be a teacher and soloist of the highest class.

Mr. Edward G. Powell, "The Gold Voiced Basso of the South."

Not often is it given to music lovers anywhere to hear a David Bliphan in our midst. Mr. Powell, the gifted singer, demonstrated that he is an artist of the first water. The exquisite rendition of the Aria (from the Magic Flute) Mozart, and songs of Goetze, Kjrulf, and DeKoven carried the audience into ecstasy. One who hears this great singer will never forget the beauty of his voice.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

Roy Young Recital.

Roy Young, the Oklahoma violinist, and the latest addition to the Milwaukee Musical Circle, introduced his art last night in the newly decorated hall of the Athenaeum. The selection of Grieg's sonata and Mendelssohn's violin concerto and of a suite on ornithological motifs, gathered from the wild birds of Oklahoma, presented Mr. Young in the varied roles of the virtuoso, the composer, and the "Original Bird Imitator"—the three distinctions to which this young musician lays special claim.—Chicago Herald.

There was a large audience out last evening at the Bijou to hear the Roy Young Concert Company of Birmingham, which came here at the request of the Young Women's Christian Association. The concert was a success, and those present enjoyed very much the evening. Mr. Powell sang several numbers and showed that he was an artist in his line. The playing of Mr. Young was also very much enjoyed, and the music lovers of Montgomery were given a rare treat. The pianist, Mrs. Dorothy Lewis, was excellent, and she entertained her hearers for some time with her magnificent playing.—Montgomery Journal.



ROY YOUNG,
Manager and Treasurer and Head of Violin Department of the Birmingham College of Music.

Mr. Roy Young was born in Neosho, Mo., A. D. 1870, of a musical family, his mother and father being accomplished musicians.

When very young he showed decided talent for music and began his studies on the piano under his mother's guidance. At the age of eight he began the study of violin under his brother, who was leader in the theater. Later he was advised in the art of violin playing by Carl Doell and Henry Schradieck; ensemble under W. W. Gilchrist, Fritz Cheel and Seeboeck; theory with Hugh Clark and Richard Zeckwer. He occupies a high rank as a composer, and his violin compositions have been dedicated to and accepted by the following great celebrities: Eugene Ysaie, Seeboeck and Jan Kubelik. The latter accepted five of Mr. Young's Oklahoma Bird Studies and promised to feature same on his programs.

FRANK WILLIS BARNETT
Editor and Proprietor.



A. D. GLASS
Field Editor.

"WHAT SHALL THE PREACHER PREACH?"

In a paper on this subject read at the twenty-fifth annual church congress recently held in New Orleans, Rev. George R. Van De Water, D. D., of New York city, said:

"Shall the preacher concern himself in his preaching with the social questions of the day? Yes, if he is careful not to become such a faddist that he can preach about nothing else. How, indeed, can a man be a preacher and not be deeply concerned with the social questions of the day? Yet, St. Paul was not forever harping about the incestuous Corinthians nor telling women on all occasions how to arrange their headgear when they went to church.

"Is the preacher to refer to current literature and the passing novel, and how passing most novels are? Yes, assuredly, but never let the congregation think that the preacher knows more about 'The Call of the Blood' or 'The Awakening of Helena Richle' than he does about the prophecy of Ezekiel or the gospel according to St. Luke."

Once it was quite the fad in some parts of the country for preachers to use the Sunday evening service in discussing some popular novel or literary subject, and in topic cards gathered by us several years ago when visiting a number of the large cities making certain observations on the ministry, we gathered some interesting specimens, but somehow have mislaid them. We remember visiting one prominent Baptist church in one of our eastern cities which was established to reach the masses, and the subject of the evening's talk was Matthew Arnold, and remembering that somewhere in his writings he had expressed the opinion that there was slight ground for holding a belief in a personal God, we wondered how habitues of a mission church, would get much spiritual warmth or comfort from such a discourse. Some of our most cultured Baptist preachers have used literary themes for sermon topics, and we have been guilty ourselves, but unless wisely and sparingly done, it gives one a great opportunity to show familiarity with current literature at the expense of the gospel.

YOU CONTROL THE LEVER.

Frequently we overhear young men talking about being "pocketed" and having no show in the positions which they fill, seeming to think that their destinies are in other hands rather than in their own, when the truth is each young man settles his niche in the business world by the way he handles himself and not by the way in which he is handled. When a young man settles down into a "ten dollar" a week berth it is because he is content to be looked on as a cheap man. It does not matter so much at what wages a young man starts in, for if he has it in him and has had the sense to get into a business where capable men are needed by strenuous work, he can make his way into a place of power. Young men do not forget that YOU CONTROL THE LEVER.

SOME THINGS CONGRESS LEFT UNDONE.

Congress adjourned after defeating, laying on the table, or indefinitely postponing practically every one of the dozen or more important temperance, prohibition and reform measures before it for consideration.

Among the more important matters of reform legislation to which the present session of the nation's lawmakers refused a "square deal" and about which the members of its majority will find it difficult to explain their indifference or hostility to the millions of awakened Christian patriots throughout the country, are the following:

1. The house and senate bills prohibiting the

transportation of alcoholic liquors into prohibition territory, now carried on everywhere under the protection of the interstate commerce regulations.

2. Bill for prohibition in the District of Columbia.
3. The nation-wide protest against the seating of Smoot, the Mormon senator-elect from Utah, which was wholly ignored and the Mormon politician triumphantly seated.
4. Bill to abolish the internal revenue system so far as it applied to alcoholic liquors.
5. The anti-child labor bill, which was demanded by perhaps the most widespread popular movement for any congressional measure in recent years.
6. Bill which provided punishment for improper use of the stars and stripes.
7. The anti-injunction statute.
8. Modification of the Chinese exclusion law.
9. Bill to establish postal savings banks, widely demanded by the people.
10. The bill to inaugurate a domestic parcels post system.

These important subjects were all treated with scant courtesy, either by positive or negative action relegated to oblivion, so far as the present congress could do it.

THE FAILURE OF HIGH LICENSE.

George Kibbe Turner, in the leading article of McClure's Magazine for April, 1907, "The City of Chicago—A Study of the Great Immoralities," says:

"A year ago the license fee was raised in Chicago from five hundred to one thousand dollars. It was hoped that this would wipe out the criminal saloon. It did, of course, nothing of the sort. The poor, miserable little dives in the workingman's ward, each snatching a starvation living from the lips of the dwellers of the dozen smoke-befouled frame tenements about it, staggered down—a few hundred of them—and died. The man with the side line of prostitution and gambling naturally survived and had the benefit of the others' failure.

"So much for the great legalized branch of the sale of dissipation in Chicago. The net results of that free and undisciplined struggle have been two—the thorough saturation of Chicago, especially of the tenement districts, with alcoholic liquor; and a high and successful premium on the criminal saloon."

This is not the testimony of a "temperance crank" or prohibition fanatic or "anti-saloon worker," but comes from a trained expert who, while not ignoring the moral issue lays emphasis on the fact that it is bad business for a city to farm out its immoralities.

"YANKEES OF THE EAST."

It has been the custom to refer to the Japanese as the "Yankees of the East," but the following from an exchange would seem to indicate that the Chinese are not entirely out of the running for the title. We give it as a delicious bit of Oriental diplomacy as well as to show that old customs are beginning to lose their force in China. The humor makes it enjoyable, but the thing itself is valuable as it evidences the fact that Christianity is gradually getting a firm foothold in China:

"The immemorial regulation that students and teachers in the Chinese government schools must 'kowtow' to the tablet of Confucius every morning, has been making an untold lot of trouble since the government began to encourage the 'western learning.' The only Chinese who are prepared to teach modern science and universal history are the graduates of the missionary colleges. But these men refused to 'kowtow,' and as long as the old rule of worship stood in force, they could not be obtained for the professorships. Compelled to have such men and yet not daring to risk popular indignation by

discrediting Confucius, the government, it might be supposed, would be blocked from doing anything. But the problem, however insoluble it might appear to an American mind, did not long baffle the astute Chinaman. The imperial authorities lately announced that they had determined to honor the memory of Confucius by elevating him to an equal dignity with the heaven and the earth. Orthodox Confucians were, of course, delighted. They probably did not at once see the ulterior motive of this "honor." By Chinese custom nobody but the emperor worships the heaven and the earth. But the emperor hasn't much to do, and he might just as well add the monopoly of the worship of Confucius to his list also. By this decree, therefore, the "kowtow" in the schools becomes illegal; it will trouble neither Christian teachers nor Christian students any longer. As an example of the art of pleasing everybody, even American politics could offer nothing to match this feat."

THE COMMITTEES NOT THE WHOLE THING.

We beg to call our readers' attention to the fact that while Brethren Dawson, Mosely and Shelburne are doing all in their power to make the Baptist Encampment at East Lake, June 5-13, a success, that they will fail unless the Baptists of Alabama enter heartily into sympathy with them and back up their every move. A committee can arrange a programme and set dates, and get the grounds in shape, and do a lot of other things, but they can't bring the people together without the help of the pastors and friends who believe that through the encampment we may realize "Bigger and Better Things in Alabama."

BE NEAT.

Dress does not make the man, but one's personal appearance and clothes has much to do with the reception one gets at the hands of the public. If a firm advertises for office help and two young men apply, the one neat and the other slouchy, the neat one lands the job. A great deal of abuse has been wasted on "dudes," but they have a purpose in life, for no young man can be a successful "dandy" without keeping himself clean. We do not mean that young men to get along need to be "foppish," but we do want to emphasize the fact that too many young men fall of advancement because they are slovenly in their habits and careless in their dress. There is a happy medium between the "hobo" and the "dude" and the young man who walks in the middle way will be more than apt to find plenty of friends and profitable work.

ENCAMPMENT PRO CONVENTION.

Somewhere I saw an article which was headed "Encampment versus Convention." If that article should happen to get into print and you should chance to read it, you will see that it is a most remarkable production. The writer is evidently a bit nervous over the prospect of everybody cutting the convention at Dothan in July.

Now, it ought to be perfectly clear that the July convention will be greatly in debt to the encampment. In the first place almost everyone who attends the encampment will attend the convention, and that because he was at the encampment. Again the enlarged view which the encampment delegates will carry to Dothan will enrich that meeting in every way. Hence, I say "Encampment pro Convention."

In order to be prepared to be surprised properly you must not fail to notice who is the writer of the versus communication.

But let everyone be as solicitous for the success of both encampment and convention as the said writer and our wish for "enlargement" is already realized.

J. M. SHELBURNE.

We are in receipt of a copy of the momentous decision made by Judge Samuel R. Artman, of the Boone Circuit Court, in which he holds that Indiana's liquor license law is unconstitutional. In support of his opinion Judge Artman presents a great array of supreme court decisions in various states. The Artman decision has been printed in neat pamphlet form by the Patriot Phalanx, Indianapolis, for five cents a copy, ten for 30 cents.

If a thorough canvass of the church has not been made for the "Whirlwind Campaign," will each subscriber see that some one undertakes it at once, especially for the purpose of increasing the list, and of adding the names of new subscribers on the \$1.00 offer to January? The paper ought to be in every Baptist family. We wish to express our thanks to the many friends who are continually pressing the claims of the paper.

We have been making a very faithful effort to get our mailing list entirely correct, but fear some errors may still exist. We make this special request that if there is anything at all wrong about your paper that you write us at once.

Emerson said: "If a man write a better book, preach a better sermon, or make a better mousetrap than his neighbor, though he build his house in the wood, the world will make a beaten path to his door."

"Though scoffers ask, where is your gain?
And, mocking, say your work is vain,
Such scoffers die, and are forgot—
Work done for God, it dieth not."

In the nineteen years since the interstate commerce commission began the collection of facts about accidents, nearly 6,000 passengers, over 48,000 employes, and nearly 90,000 other persons have been killed on American railways, and nearly one million more have been crippled or maimed, scalded or crushed, disfigured or invalidated; and we still make no protest. For a country that has pride in itself and its "progress," this seems to be a humiliating situation. But the still more humiliating fact is that conditions grow worse year by year.

It is related of D. L. Moody that one time on arriving in a certain city to conduct a series of evangelistic meetings that he inquired of a pious churchman about the attitude of the place on some prominent political issue. The man replied, "O, Brother Moody, I do not know anything about politics; my citizenship is in heaven." Mr. Moody replied, "You had better get your citizenship down here till we get some of the political questions settled."

John Berns, speaking in the British parliament on government proposals for the relief of the unemployed, had this to say: "We have so many penniless men largely because we have so many thirsty men. There are lots of men who can not make both ends meet because they are always trying to make one end drink. It does seem to me that when this nation spends \$160,000,000 millions on drink, \$50,000,000 on sport in one form or another, and another \$50,000,000 on the direct or indirect consequences of both, we ought to be able to find employment and give sufficient wages to men to enable them to tide over bad times."

The British house of commons contains nearly 200 abstainers, but there is an 800-gallon vat of liquor in the cellar of the building to supply the wants of the members who do drink.

The Christian Advocate, the connectional organ of a great church, has two classes of friends—namely, those who are willing for it to succeed, if it can; and those who are actually doing something to promote that success. (The above from the Christian Advocate at Nashville very aptly describes the status among the Baptists of Alabama towards the Alabama Baptist.)

The proprietors of a Siamese newspaper have distributed hand-bills containing the following notice, demonstrating no lack of enterprise:

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Nashville, Tenn., April 25, 1907.

Rev. L. O. Dawson,
Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Dear Dr. Dawson:

I am glad to hear that you are arranging for your Alabama Baptist Encampment. From what I hear you are making a great program and will have a fine meeting. It seems to me you have an excellent place and I have no doubt will have a great meeting.

The Tennessee Baptist Encampment at Estill Springs last year was one of the greatest meetings I ever attended. The program was very strong and was worked out with great ability. Its influence was felt in all the denominational work of the State. Some had misgivings at first lest it should interfere in some way with the work of the State convention, but instead of that it was a great impulse to the convention and exerted fine influence upon all our enterprises.

It was a great opportunity for laymen, and they took hold of it with vigor. Of course, they and the preachers worked together as they always do. Indeed I have never seen any reason for thinking of them separately. And wherever the largest things are being done by our people there the laymen and pastors work hand in hand and heart to heart.

We are now getting ready for our encampment for the coming year with excellent prospects for surpassing even last year. Wish you could come and see us at Estill Springs. It will give me great joy to look in upon your meeting if opportunity will allow. Wish you the greatest success. Indeed, it is my heart's desire and prayer to God that the Baptist cause in Alabama shall always be moving further front into larger things. I greatly love our people in that State and rejoice in whatever they undertake. The Lord bless you and them in the things you are doing.

Fraternally yours,

J. M. FROST.

Correspondence is sometimes sent to the office, usually relating to subscriptions, and the correspondent wonders why his request has not been acceded to. Very often it occurs that the writer fails to sign a name to the letter, and when money is sent in for the renewal of subscription, or a request for the subscription to be discontinued, and there is no name signed to the letter, it is exceedingly difficult to give proper credit. We have communications of this kind on our desk at the present time.

Six hundred delegates from the United States and Canada will attend the world's fifth Sunday School Convention in Rome, May 18-23, 1907.

Baptist Encampment, East Lake, June 5-13.



Yes, we expect to go to the great encampment at East Lake June 5-13, and hear the lectures and enjoy the social features.

GREETINGS FROM SECRETARY B. D. GRAY.

This has been the greatest year in the Home Board's history. The contributions are greatly increased. The amount is about \$50,000 larger than last year, an increase of more than 31 per cent. It is a larger increase than any convention board ever made before this year. Every State, with a single exception, went ahead on Home Missions.

We expended about \$62,000 more than last year on the work, and with what fine results our statistical report will show. There were nearly 19,000 baptisms and more than 14,000 by letter, making 33,000 additions to the churches. What a glorious record!

That Debt.

We worked and toiled and prayed to avoid a debt. Hence our disappointment in having to report a debt of \$7500. It is not large, but it is a debt and that burdens us. If it were \$25,000, or \$50,000, the sympathy of our brotherhood would not only be felt, but expressed. All the more should we wipe out this lesser debt at once.

Last year, with a debt of \$20,000 on the Foreign Mission Board, May and June were given to the business of removing that debt. How gloriously the brethren responded, not only raising that debt, but all that was asked for Foreign Missions for the year.

A Glorious Future.

Never in the history of the Home Board were the tokens of divine favor upon our work so manifest and inspiring. The heavens have bent above us and the blessings of God have been poured out in wondrous measure. A new sense of our rich inheritance here in the South has come to Southern Baptists. The needs never were so great, the opportunities were never so great, and the purpose of Southern Baptists to meet these needs and seize these opportunities was never so great.

On behalf of the Home Mission Board I send out this message of gratitude to our great brotherhood for their hearty co-operation in the work of the year just closed and call upon them to join us in the greater work of the future.

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 fession of the leading woman whist player of the United States, who, two years ago, at Cleveland, won the championship and a one hundred dollar loving cup. She was recently converted in a series of evangelistic meetings. Her name and other details are withheld, but are filed with the editor for any validation.

"You ask me wherein I consider cards to be harmful. I will endeavor to answer to the best of my ability. The depth is fathomless, and I can never touch bottom regarding the harm. I think if ever any one was in a position to give a tangible answer, it is myself.

"I was rocked in a Christian cradle, and my mother was one of the most consistent Christians that ever lived. I myself was a consistent Christian for many years. Coming to the city, I became infatuated with society, and then became a strong whist player. I absolutely had no time for the King's business. I found myself drifting, drifting with the tide. I would pick up the oars and try so hard to paddle back up the stream, only to find myself drifting down again. I firmly believe card playing and dancing are two of the greatest evils in Christian civilization. If professed Christians would renounce cards, we would have no trouble converting the world. My Bible teaches me, 'The fountain can not send forth sweet and bitter waters at the same time.' I knew what it meant when I began to go so far away from Christ. I would try so hard to live more closely, but how could I?"

"Well, too, I remember, not so many months distant, thirteen nights and afternoons and dinner engagements ahead, all for cards. Wednesday night would come with the prayer meeting and the card party; then whist and luncheon. Saturday night a card club and dinner, and I would come home so tired at midnight as to be completely worn out with the work of reveling in a scientific and aristocratic way of gambling. I just could not go to the house of my Lord the next morning and commune with my Savior. I was so heart-sore that I would not throw what little energy I had left into my God's face and claim Him my Debtor. So we go on until cards completely dwarf all religion in our souls."—Home Herald.

GEORGIA DAY AT JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION WILL BE A BIG SUCCESS.

The Georgia Infantry will be on the exposition grounds from June 9th to 15th. Virginia Day is the 12th of June and Georgia Day the 10th. The United Commercial Travelers will be there from all parts of the country from the 13th to the 15th.

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MR. DOOLEY ON LIQUOR ADVERTISEMENTS.

"Hennessy," said Mr. Dooley one evening, "have you read the editorial in the Herald-Tribune today about the saloons and the highwaymen?" "I have not," said Hennessy; "what does it say?" "It says," said Mr. Dooley, "that the saloons are crime-breeds, that the hold up men are saloon products, and since Chicago needs more policemen, the saloons must pay the bill. Glory be," continued Mr. Dooley, "and are the papers willin' that the saloon-keepers shau say how much license the pa-pers ought to pay for permissions to advertise the 'High Life,' 'Duff's Whisky,' etc., that the highwaymen call for before they go out to catch their helpless victims? Would you say, Hennessy, that \$50,000 apiece was too much for them to pay? No! They ought to be paying not twice, out tin times that sum to compensate the city for the privilege of carrying on their nefarious business.

"They pretend to be holy, and yet ask their patrons to consume the rotgut whisky and rank beer that no self-respecting saloon-keeper would have behind his bar. No, Hennessy, Schwartzmoister, with all his faults, is an honorable man beside thim idlers. The whisky blot that goes out from the saloon to sandbag unprotected females is a gentleman beside the lligant blot that owns the paper, which for a dollar in hand knifes the public with a stiletto ad. Ah, freends, when it comes to gettin' down on your knees and kissin' the brow of the goddess of liberty, lyin' in the mud for the sake iv the coin, the publisher of a metropolitan daily can give a poor saloon-keeper cards and spades and beat him all hollow. Benedict Arnold and Judas Iscariot were noble men beside the iditors that take blood money, trust money, hush money, any money at all just so it is money."

"Why do they do it?" asked Hennessy.

"The devil only knows," replied Mr. Dooley.

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MEETING AT WHISTLER.

We have just closed a meeting of two weeks' duration, but on account of so much rain we put in about one week of regular work. Brother J. W. Sandlin, of Mobile, did the preaching and he did it so plainly and with so much earnestness that he captured our people at the beginning. The interest increased at each service as there were persons present that had not been to church in several years. Two were received for baptism, both were married, and one of them had been a Methodist for many years. I believe there would have been a larger ingathering if the meeting had lasted another week longer.

We propose to have another meeting later on, and I pray that many may be added to the church, such as will be saved.

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a writ of fieri facias issued out of the clerk's office of the City Court of Birmingham, Jefferson county, State of Alabama, and to me directed, whereby I am commanded to make the amount of a certain judgment recently obtained against Jesse Williams, M. E. Mustin and W. B. Copeland out of the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of the said Jesse Williams, M. E. Mustin and W. B. Copeland, I have levied on the following property, to-wit:

Lot Number ten (10), in block number four (4), according to the map and the survey of the property of Henry & Copeland, a map of which survey is recorded in the office of the Probate Judge of Jefferson county, Alabama, in map book one, on page twenty-five (25), of the records of maps therein, said lot being situated in Birmingham, Jefferson county, Alabama. Said property being levied upon as the property of W. B. Copeland.

Therefore, according to said command, I will sell at public outcry for cash, all the right title and interest of the above named Jesse Williams, M. E. Mustin and W. B. Copeland in and to the above described property, on Monday, the 24th day of June, 1907, during the legal hours of sale, at the court house door in Birmingham, Alabama, in said county.

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FAITHFUL IN FEW THINGS.

There was a young boy in New York who wrapped the goods in the store, and because he wrapped them so carefully and tied them with such nicety the customers' attention was called to the artistic manner in which it was done. He was finally called to a better position, and then into partnership, and became a great benefactor in the city of New York. He could give his millions afterwards because he began to wrap up well the goods in the store. Though he was paid only two or three dollars a week above his board, he tied each package so carefully that he did it well, better than all the other boys. He was striving to do thoroughly, striving to do well. Hence he had the honor which he ought to have had, and had the inestimable satisfaction of knowing that whatever he did, he did well.

A Spirit Level to Live By.

A little boy saw his father using a spirit level to see if the board he was planing was true and straight. "What's the use of being so careful, papa?" he asked. "It's pretty good, I guess. It looks so."
"Guessing won't do in carpenter work," said his father, sighting along the edge of the board and shaving it the least bit in the world. "You have to be just right. Folks guess at too many things. God doesn't like that way of living."
"I guess there aren't any spirit levels for living by!" laughed the little boy, watching him.
"Yes, there are," said his father, earnestly. "You'll find them in the Bible. Try all your actions by that. Make them true and straight and no guesswork in them."—Selected.

"Four-and-Twenty Blackbirds."

You all know this rhyme, but have you ever heard what it really means? The four-and-twenty blackbirds represent the four-and-twenty hours. The bottom of the pie is the world, while the crust is the sky that overarches it. The opening of the pie is the day dawn, when the birds begin to sing, and surely such a sight is fit for a king.

The king, who is represented as sitting in his parlor counting out his money, is the sun, while the gold pieces that slip through his fingers as he counts them are the golden sunbeams. The queen, who sits in the dark kitchen, is the moon, and the honey with which she regales herself is the moonlight.

The industrious maid, who is in the garden at work before her king, the sun, has risen, is day dawn, and the clothes she hangs out are the clouds. The birds, who so tragically end the song by "nipping off her nose," are

the sunset. So we have the whole day, if not in a nutshell, in a pie.—The Animal World.

Chronology of Inventions.

Barometers were first made by Torricelli in 1643.
Bombshells were first made in Holland, in 1495.
The first almanac was printed in Hungary in 1470.
Iron pavements were first laid in London in 1817.
Buckles were first made in 1680.
Brandy was first made in France, in 1310.
Roller skates were invented by Plympton in 1863.
The first American paper money was made in 1740.
Covered carriages were first used in England in 1580.
Alcohol was discovered in the thirteenth century.
Stem winding watches were the invention of Noel, in 1851.
The first iron wire was drawn at Nuremberg in 1351.
The first torpedo was made in 1777.
The first plated cast was made by Verocchio in 1470.
Advertisements first appeared in newspapers in 1652.
The first horse railroad was built in 1826.
The folding envelope was first used in 1839.
Coal was first used as an illuminant in 1826.
The velocipede was invented by Drals in 1817.
Steel needles were first made in England in 1545.
Shorthand writing was the invention of Pitman in 1837.
Billiards were invented in France in 1471.
The first pipe organ was made by Archimedes in 220 B. C.
The first dictionary was made by the Chinese scholars in 1109 B. C.
The first pair of spectacles was made by an Italian in 1299.
The dinner fork was introduced into England in 1608.
The game of backgammon was invented by a Greek about 1224.
Glass mirrors were known in A. D. 23, but the art of making them was lost and not recovered until 1300 in Venice.

Dictionary Girls.

- A disagreeable girl—Annie Mosity.
 - A sweet girl—Carrie Mel.
 - A very pleasant girl—Jenny Rosity.
 - A smooth girl—Amelia Ratton.
 - A seedy girl—Cora Ander.
 - A clear case of girl—E. Lucy Date.
 - A geometrical girl—Polly Gon.
 - Not orthodox—Hetty Rodoxy.
 - One of the best girls—Ella Gant.
 - A flower girl—Rhoda Dendron.
 - A musical girl—Sarah Nade.
 - A profound girl—Mettie Physica.
 - A star girl—Meta Oric.
 - A clinging girl—Jessie Aine.
 - A nervous girl—Hester Ical.
 - A muscular girl—Callie Sthenic.
 - A lively girl—Anna Matton.
 - A sad girl—Ella G.
 - A great big girl—Ellie Phant.
 - A war-like girl—Milly Tarry.
 - A chemical girl—An Eliza.
- Christian Advocate.

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Under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in a mortgage executed to the undersigned Woodlawn Realty Company, a corporation, by Mrs. Bettie C. Freeman and husband, N. H. Freeman, and recorded in volume 424, page 118, record of mortgages in the office of the Probate Judge in and for Jefferson county, Alabama, the undersigned will proceed on the 17th day of June, 1907, to sell for cash to the highest bidder at public sale within the legal hours of sale in front of the court house door of Jefferson county, Alabama, the following described property:

Lot numbered five (5) in block numbered (ten) in the survey of East Avondale made by F. M. and M. G. Wood and others, a map of which is recorded in volume one (1) of maps, page 107, probate records of Jefferson county, Alabama, together with all the improvements situated thereon. Situated in said county and state.

This the 30th day of April, 1907.
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WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

The nineteenth annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, began yesterday morning in the Second Baptist church.

Mrs. A. M. Gwathmey, of Richmond, conducted the devotional exercises.

Mrs. Charles S. Gardner, of Richmond, made the address of welcome to the delegates, to which Mrs. T. C. Carlton, of Oklahoma, replied.

The address of the president, Miss Fannie E. S. Heck, of Raleigh, N. C., followed:

President's Address.

She said in part:

"The annual meeting of a body which claims to live but for the fulfillment of the will of God must be a solemn if joyous occasion. The most sacred feast of the Jews was most joyous. So our gathering here.

"Today we would be ungrateful indeed if we did not return to God heartfelt thanks for what he has enabled us to do in the past year, honoring the labor of our hands beyond our hopes.

"The motto of our union is 'Go forward!' and we are tempted to trace the wonderful development since its beginning in a Presbyterian Sunday-school room of this city nineteen years ago."

Passing on the president took up the problem of meeting the tide of immigration—that is pouring into the South year by year.

She also spoke of the enlisting of the children and young people in the work.

"In nearly every state the work has grown so that it has been found that at least one paid officer who can give her full time is necessary unless the work suffer."

Treasurer's Report.

Mrs. W. C. Lowndes, of Maryland, treasurer of the union, made the following report in summarizing the work: Total contributions for the year for all purposes, \$154,709.88, an increase of nearly \$2,000 over last year's contributions.

Just at noon fifteen minutes was spent in prayer by different ladies for blessing on the work.

Resuming the session, constitutional amendments were discussed. Mrs. Malone, of Alabama, was sponsor for the amendment to the preamble of the constitution which pledges the support of the union to the missionary training school for women at Louisville.

Afternoon Session.

The afternoon session opened with the singing of "Stand Up for Jesus."

A telegram was sent containing the greetings of the body to Miss Annie Armstrong, of Maryland, for eighteen years corresponding secretary of the body.

Several missionaries were then presented and introduced to the union, each one speaking a few words of thanks. Those presented were Miss Carrie Bostric, of China; Miss Kate Terry, of Oklahoma; Miss Hanson, of Oklahoma; Miss Fieley and Mrs. Tatum, of China. This was followed by a special session of prayer for missionaries.

Mrs. John Eager made the report from the literature department. She reported this department in a most flourishing condition. Especial prominence was given to the success of a new and complete form of monthly

programs, known as "Our Mission Field." An immense amount of missionary literature has been distributed to the societies throughout the South, proving a great aid in all work of the societies of women, young people and children.

Mrs. Julian P. Thomas called attention to the exhibit of this class of literature—tracts, missionary journals and programs for meetings—in the basement of the church.

It was suggested by the treasurer herself that she be made a bonded officer, a new procedure for the union, but one that was considered advisable on account of the growth and increase in the work and large sums handled by the treasurer. The motion was carried unanimously. Mrs. Lowndes also proposed that an amendment to the constitution creating the office of auditor be brought before the convention in 1908.

Mexican Missionaries.

The most interesting feature of this session was the introduction of two young Mexicans, missionary workers in Texas.

Mr. Benito Perez, of El Paso, Tex., spoke first. His English was fluent and eloquent, and his musical accent fixed the attention of the body at once. He said in part:

"I am happy to speak to this convention. First of all, I want to enlist your sympathies in the evangelization of the Mexicans in Texas, on the frontier. These are a great people, and through them is the best way to reach Mexico itself. Mexicans return ultimately to their native land and evangelize their brethren there. Southern Baptists must evangelize these Mexicans in Texas, so as to avoid the rapid inroads of infidelity and Catholicism. We thank you for what you have already done. The missionary school at El Paso is the point from which numbers of devoted workers, whose influence will be incalculable."

The next speaker was Mr. Jonas Garcia, of San Antonio. Mr. Garcia spoke entirely in Spanish, so that the Rev. Dr. C. D. Daniel, who is a missionary in that field, interpreted his talk sentence by sentence.

"I was greatly surprised," he said, "and I felt that I had been badly treated when I was told that I was to address this meeting. Time is limited so I will only relate one incident of the work in San Antonio."

"Some of the natives complained that American missionaries restricted the liberty of the churches, so that a movement for the organization of an independent church was set on foot. When the Baptists were asked to join they refused, on the ground that liberty and independence are already first principles of the Baptist church."

"Brother Perez has already explained the work, though I did not understand a word of it"—here he was greeted with laughter.

"I am much obliged for your attention."

Dr. Daniel stated that both these young Mexicans were brilliant men and splendidly educated, and are worthy of best support. Texas Baptists are, planning for a combined church and school building at El Paso. Miss Heck informed Dr. Daniel that the children of the South will attempt to raise \$5,000 for this work in Texas.

Three-Minute Talks.

An informal discussion of young women's work in series of three-minute talks was participated in by Mrs. Wallis, of Georgia; Mrs. Townsend, of

Texas; Mrs. Thompson, of North Carolina; Mrs. Miller, of Georgia; Mrs. Leake, of Virginia; Miss Spalding, of Florida; Miss Mahan, of Kentucky; Mrs. Tillman, of South Carolina; Miss Northington, of Tennessee; Mrs. Vesey, of Alabama; Mrs. Tatum, of China; Miss Hanson, of Oklahoma, and Miss Clarke, of North Carolina.

At this the committee on young woman's work made the following report:

Your committee recommend:

1. That the universal name of our young women's societies be Young Woman's Auxiliary, the name receiving the largest number of votes in response to the recent request.

2. Since the name, Young Woman's Auxiliary, has been adopted by Alabama, and since they have as a badge a gold pin bearing the monogram Y. W. A., the same pin be adopted by the union.

3. That the motto be Daniel 12:3: "They that are wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever."

4. That each State appoint a leader for the Young Woman's Auxiliary.

5. That at least one of the eight delegates from each State be from the ranks of the Young Woman's Auxiliary.

6. That the aim of the Young Woman's Auxiliary for the year be twofold: First, the regular study of our mission fields, and of the mission study courses of the Young People's Forward Movement; ten thousand dollars in contributions for home and foreign missions.

(Signed)

Mrs. J. W. Vesey,
Miss Eleanor More,
Miss Elizabeth Poulson,
Miss Jennie L. Spalding,
Mrs. J. H. Tillman,
Mrs. Scott Duncan,
Mrs. F. C. Wallis.

The adoption of this report practically creates an auxiliary body to the Woman's Missionary Union, providing as it does for a thorough organization of young people's work, and a full representation in the conventions each year.

This brief note is written to give you the good news that Mr. Theodore Harris, of Louisville, Ky., has just paid into the hands of the financial board of our Seminary the sum of \$60,000 in bonds, to be applied to the endowment fund of the Seminary. The Seminary does not yet get the income from this sum, but the money is now in our hands. Cordially and sincerely yours, E. Y. Mullins.

Last Thursday morning I went to Newton, Ala., to assist in a three day meeting. We held three services each day, closing Saturday. It was a Pentecost. The power of God fell upon us. There were thirty-three candidates for baptism. It seemed a pity that the meeting could not go on. Rev. J. M. Andrews is doing a great work there. The church think they have the only pastor. Let us all pray for the Newton school. W. M. Anderson, Dothan, Ala.

Rev. J. A. Howard is now the field editor of the Baptist Chronicle, published at Alexandria, La. Brother Howard was long connected with the Alabama Baptist and has scores of friends in Alabama. He has our best wishes in his new field of labor.

ENCAMPMENT PROGRAM.

Tuesday, June 4th.

Grand Chorus Concert, 8 P. M.

Wednesday, June 5th.

Morning—Judge Denson, Prof. W. J. McGlothlin, Prof. A. T. Robertson, B. W. Spillman.

Afternoon—Hon. Champ Clark.

Evening—Dr. T. T. Easton.

Thursday, June 6th.

Morning—Rev. J. G. Dickinson, Prof. W. J. McGlothlin, Prof. A. T. Robertson, W. B. Spillman.

Evening—Roy Young Concert Co.

Friday, June 7th.

Morning—Rev. C. A. Stakeley, Prof. W. J. McGlothlin, Prof. A. T. Robertson, W. B. Spillman.

Evening—Prof. W. J. McGlothlin.

Saturday, June 8th.

Morning—Rev. R. S. Gavin, Prof. W. J. McGlothlin, Prof. A. T. Robertson, W. B. Spillman.

Evening—Dr. Searcy.

Sunday, June 9th.

Morning—W. B. Spillman, Dr. B. D. Gray.

Afternoon—Big Sunday-school rally
Evening—Dr. B. D. Gray.

Monday, June 10th.

Morning—L. P. Leavell, Prof. A. T. Robertson, Dr. M. Ashby Jones.

Evening—Ex-Governor W. J. Northen.

Tuesday, June 11th.

Morning—Rev. G. T. Yates, L. P. Leavell, Prof. A. T. Robertson, Rev. P. V. Bomar.

Evening—Ralph Bingham.

Wednesday, June 12th.

Morning—Rev. Richard Hall, L. P. Leavell, Prof. A. T. Robertson, Rev. W. M. Blackwelder.

Evening—Dr. R. J. Willingham.

Thursday, June 13th.

Morning—Rev. W. B. Crumpton, L. P. Leavell, Prof. A. T. Robertson, Dr. R. J. Willingham.

Evening—Ralph Bingham.

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A JEW WITHOUT A BIBLE.

While the Jews are commanded to teach diligently the Word of God to their children, and to talk about his precepts as they sit in their houses, as they walk by the way, when they lie down and when they rise up (Deut. 6:7), the Jew in America has, sad to say, eliminated the Bible from his home. A startling situation along this line is portrayed in the fact that of the more than 900,000 Jews of Greater New York, less than 28,000 are reported connected with some Jewish synagogue or place of worship.

Rabbi Leopold Cohn reports an interesting incident in his work among the 250,000 Jews of Brooklyn, N. Y., which gives us a keen insight to the condition of affairs referred to. "While visiting among my brethren one afternoon in the vicinity of the mission station in Williamsburg," he says, "I happened upon an aged Jew with flowing gray beard and venerable countenance. We at once engaged in conversation upon the vital Messianic theme. To prove to him that Jesus is the Messiah, I quoted that memorable prophecy of Jacob, 'The sceptre shall not depart from Judah . . . until Shiloh comes!' He recalled the verse faintly, as all the European Jews are familiar with the Pentateuch. But when the proof was strongly brought out, he began to express misgivings as to the correctness of the wording of the verse. Then, of course, I asked for his Bible, for the Jew will not believe the missionary's Bible, as he thinks the missionary has changed its wording. The astonishing reply was 'A Bible in America! America is only to make money. Who has time to read Bibles? But,' he continued, 'perhaps my neighbor has one.' We went from door to door of ten neighbors in the same house in search of a Bible, but we could not find one. It is almost impossible to persuade the Jew in America to study the Bible; even if I offer him a Bible without money, he refuses to take it, except after he has visited the mission for a long time, and has learned the value of the Word of God. I found in their homes the most advanced productions of modern infidelity translated into Jewish, and these they devour with eager zeal. When I saw this condition, I felt the force of the Word, 'My people perish from lack of knowledge.' I set myself to the task of writing a series of tracts in Jewish, suited to the Jewish thought, and calculated to remove any doubts they may have concerning the Messiah. Each year, for seven years, a new tract was written, we had it set up in electro-plates, and now whenever a reprint is needed, the plates are used. They were at once hailed by the Jew with gratitude, and the Lord has richly blessed the reading of them to the salvation of many Jews. Our Christian friends all over the country have sent for these tracts and distributed them among their Jewish friends, and have written encouraging reports concerning them. They have been sent even in Russia and proved a balm to many suffering Jews during those horrible massacres."

Rabbi Cohn is just now in urgent need of a new supply of tracts, and we know many of our readers will be glad to have this opportunity presented to them. Some will take peculiar pleasure in having a definite share in this, and such Mr. Cohn would inform that \$28 will pay for the re-print and distribution of one thousand of the tract "To Both the Houses of Israel," one of the most popular of the series

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County. W. T. Williams vs. William Gore et al. In Chancery. At Birmingham, Ala., Fifth District, Northwestern Chancery Division of Alabama.

In this cause it being made to appear to the register by affidavit of complainant, that the defendant, Joab

B. Gore, is a non-resident of Alabama, and resides in Montalba, Anderson county, State of Texas, and further, that in the belief of said affiant—the defendant is of age of twenty-one years, it is therefore ordered by the register that publication be made in the Alabama Baptist, a newspaper published in the city of Birmingham, Ala., once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring the said Joab B. Gore to plead, answer or demur to the bill of complaint in this cause by the 22d day of June, 1907, or in thirty days thereafter a decree pro confesso may be taken against the said Joab B. Gore.

Done at office, this 20th day of May, 1907. J. W. ALTMAN, Register.

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