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## THE YOUNG PEOPLE ORGANIZE TO FIGHT THE SALOONS



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The first union meeting ever held here by members of different young people's societies, in connection with their churches, was held Sunday afternoon, Sept. 1, at 3 o'clock in the First Methodist church. Although called to discuss the prohibition movement only the meeting is of unusual general interest on this account. Below, over their own signatures, the local heads of four of these organizations—the Baptist Young People's Union, the Epworth League, the Christian Endeavor Society and the Baracas—tell something of the work and aims of the four.

### B. Y. P. U.

The Baptist Young People's work is the work of Christ. We feel that in no other line of Christian activity can the young gain the strength for future usefulness as is to be achieved by active unselfish service in this work.

The boys and girls of the present generation are to be the fathers and mothers of the future and we must make each day count by building a stepping stone that prepares for future betterment.

We are greatly interested in the tidal wave of prohibition that is sweeping our dear Southland like the rushing of mighty waters. We are in the fight in this county to the last to win. We will use all our might and strength and pray God to use us as an instrument to tear down the drinking traffic that is the chief source in this county to ruin manhood, debauch women and to take the bread out of the mouths of the children.

The social drinking, which is engaged in at our saloons, is the greatest curse and menace in our land, with their enticing windows and beautiful ornaments and reflecting mirrors, they allure our young men away from home and loved ones.

Dear young Baptists, make an opportunity every day to speak to some one and enlist their support to fight in this cause.

Let us resolve that, God being our helper, we will identify ourselves with a cause that is right and just and be a factor in driving liquors out of this county.

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District President B. Y. P. U.

### THE BARACAS.

Young men at work for young men. All standing together for the Bible and the Bible school. This tells our story and this is what we are doing. Another significant motto that we have adopted is, "We do things," and every Sunday school in Birmingham that has a Baracas class knows that something is doing in that class. It is a mistaken idea that several young men must be gotten together before a Baracas class can be organized. The West End class organized in February with four members, and today over sixty are on its rolls; the First Christian class also organized with four members recently and twenty are on its rolls now, with several prospective members. Other classes are located at the First Baptist, East Lake Baptist, Woodlawn Methodist, Twenty-seventh Street Baptist churches, and there is something doing at each

place. The Birmingham Baracas Union is only one month old and one feature of our organization is to organize a Baracas class in every Sunday school in our district, where there is not already such a class. The movement is taking hold of young men all through our county, as nothing has done before, and during the past year 300,000 new members have been enrolled. We want Birmingham to be in the lead among the cities of the south in the Baracas cause and our slogan is "Be a Baracas or quit Birmingham."

### EPWORTH LEAGUE.

The Epworth League in the Birmingham district is becoming one of the strong factors in the Methodist church.

There are at present in the district about twenty-five leagues with a total membership of several hundred. The Birmingham District Epworth League is composed of delegates from each league in the district and meets every three months.

These meetings are always pleasant and profitable, as the program is a varied one, with devotional services and business at the morning sessions, general discussion in the afternoon and a sermon at night. One of the attractive features of these meetings is "dinner on the ground," served in regular old-fashioned country style.

DR. J. E. ELLIS.

### CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

The young people's society of Christian Endeavor in all the world stands for Christ and the church—works for

the saving of souls, the making of character and the glory of God. Every Christian Endeavorer takes the pledge that he will "strive to do whatever Christ would have him do."

What stand would Christ have you take in prohibition contests. Simply neutral or positively against the saloon and the business it fosters and the influence it exerts.

Thoughtful persons know that whiskey and beer have done more to ruin character and damn souls than any other agency in the world. It is plainly the duty of every Christian Endeavorer to use vote and influence to make Birmingham a "dry city." Duty is sublime. Neglect of duty is base.

The young people's society of Christian Endeavor in the church has been in the last twenty years an instructor in Christian citizenship. The idea of a Christian citizen is to "love his neighbor as himself." The Christian citizen's influence must not in any way, by word, deed or vote, injure the soul, body or life of his fellow men, but lift him up to a higher plane of life. Does the saloon do this?

Christian Endeavorers, Christ, in whom you trust for strength, expects every one of you to do his part faithfully in the coming election. Let every one vote as he prays. "Thy kingdom come"—can any one say that the liquor interest is hastening the coming of Christ's kingdom?

J. M. TERRY.

The prohibition mass meeting held at the First Methodist church Sunday afternoon under the auspices of the

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## DR. and MRS. HEARN HAVE LEFT FOR FAR-AWAY CHINA

Last Sunday night the congregations of both the Methodist and Baptist churches met at the latter's place of worship to bid God-speed to Dr. and Mrs. T. O. Hearn, who will leave soon for far-away China to enter the mission field. The church was packed to overflowing and every one seemed deeply interested in the exercises.

Dr. J. R. Stodghill, pastor of the Baptist church, made the opening talk and spoke of the work now being carried on by his church in China. He was followed by Rev. W. K. Simpson, of the Methodist church, who spoke feelingly of the sacrifices made by missionaries when they left their homes and all to cast their lots in the benighted regions of the earth.

Rev. V. O. Hawkins, presiding elder of this district, whose rugged face and deep voice charms his hearers, spoke of the duties of church people toward their missionaries.

Dr. Hearn read some selections from the Bible and made a short talk.

W. P. Goodwin, superintendent of the Baptist Sunday school, made an interesting talk.

The ministers of the Marshall Association had purchased a handsome Bible, and in behalf of the pastors' conference Rev. John L. Ray, in a few well-chosen words, presented the book to Dr. Hearn, who responded in a graceful manner.

Mrs. J. B. Hobdy and Miss Bettie Moore Hanserd each sang a beautiful solo.

A quartet composed of Misses Josie Hearn and Elizabeth Walker and L. L. and C. L. Hearn delighted the audience with two selections.

At the conclusion of the program the congregation bade Dr. and Mrs. Hearn farewell.

I had the pleasure of attending the Calhoun Association, which met with Oak Bowery church on Sept. 4. The church had been newly painted and quite an effective new front had been added. The little hamlet of Middleton has long been a Baptist stronghold. It was here that Rev. A. D. Glass taught school and that he did good work was endorsed by the fact that a strapping young fellow said that he yet remembered a whipping that our Field Editor gave him when he was one of his pupils. The name of Nunnally is greatly revered at Middleton. Bro. L. T. Grogan, the clerk, was kept away on account of sickness, but D. C. Cooper, the banker-moderator, was on hand and presided with dignity and great fairness. Bro. Cooper is a useful and honored layman and greatly beloved in Calhoun Association. It was my first association for this year and it was a pleasure to meet Brethren Crumpton, Montague and Stewart. It looked like my associational work had begun in earnest. Rev. O. P.



T. O. HEARN, M. D.



MRS. T. O. HEARN, M. D.

Dr. Hearn and wife leave today Wednesday, going to Seattle, Wash., whence they will sail for Shanghai, China. Their address will be Pingtu, China, via Chefoo. Dr. R. J. Willingham, corresponding secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, and his wife will join them at Seattle. He goes to visit all the foreign mission fields and his trip will be a world tour.—Marshall Banner.

### Dr. and Mrs. Hearn.

Dr. T. O. Hearn, son of Samuel C. and Mary A. Hearn, was born at Brooksville, Blount county, Alabama, June 15, 1877. He was converted and joined the Baptist church at the age of seventeen. He worked on the farm and attended the public schools in his home county, closing his literary course with a term in Blount

County College. He taught in the public schools two years and then finished a commercial course in Nashville, Tenn., and was bookkeeper for McEntire & Co., Hanceville, for two years. He then began to study medicine in the University of Nashville, and finished in Baltimore, Md. It was there that he met Miss Lizzie Penn, and was married to her at the close of the term, May, 1904. After receiving his diploma, he returned to Alabama, passed the Medical Board of Examiners, began work at once, and has had a successful and constantly growing practice. He stands well with the profession, and is president of the Marshall County Medical Society.

While attending medical lectures in Nashville, he was elected president

of the Young Men's Christian Association of his college for one year, and was sent to represent them in the Asheville, N. C., conference.

### Bro. Stodghill Writes.

Enclosed find pictures of Dr. and Mrs. T. O. Hearn, who left Albertville on the morning of August 28th for Seattle, from whence they sail on September 10th for Pingtu, China.

On the morning of their departure we gathered around the family altar in the home of Dr. Hearn's parents and offered prayer in behalf of the missionaries and the loved ones left behind. At the close of the pastor's prayer the mother had the son and daughter kneel at her side, drawing them close to her heart, she dedicated them to the service whereunto God had called them, saying, "Oh, God, it breaks my heart to part with my children, nevertheless not my will but thine be done. Let us meet again e'er we are called hence."

The going of these chosen ones makes a warm place in the hearts of many for the foreign mission work.

Through all the service and at the parting of the ways in the home the missionaries themselves were perhaps the most cheerful and hopeful.

May the mantle of Dr. Oxner fall upon this beloved successor.

Albertville Baptist church, with the friends present at the farewell service, contributed forty-seven dollars toward the erection of the Oxner Memorial Hospital at Pingtu. May the Lord put it into the hearts of his people to forward at once the funds necessary to the erection of this much needed equipment. Fraternally,

J. R. STODGHILL.

Albertville, Sept. 3.

## AT THE ASSOCIATIONS

BY FRANK WILLIS BARNETT



Bentley was on hand and made several strong talks, as did Rev. S. M. Adams. These brethren were among the visitors. Mrs. Alexander Miller, wife of the pastor at Oxford, gathered the women and children in the Presbyterian church and set before them in a most sympathetic and appealing way the women's work. Dr. J. C. Wright, of Oxford, preached the introductory sermon and Rev. J. H. Foster the missionary sermon. I spent a pleasant night at the Ingram Letha Wells. The Birmingham News was

heartily commended for its advocacy of prohibition.

I spent Saturday at the St. Clair association. Had to get up at 4:30 a. m. to catch a train and consequently was somewhat fatigued when I reached Coal City, where the association was in session. I found the church newly painted and newly seated, and it seemed good that our Baptist churches are being better cared for than heretofore. I always enjoy

the St. Clair Association. It is a body of Baptists and that sterling Christian lawyer, J. A. Embry, who acted as moderator, showed no man any favoritism, but ruled strictly according to parliamentary law. It was good to see Bro. Cook, for he was on hand and as usual was pressing foreign missions enthusiastically. He had the longest, but the best, report on the subject that I ever heard at an association. Every subject that came up for discussion was discussed thoroughly. There was a great number ready to speak on all of the reports. The preachers did not have to do all of the talking. Temperance has been a "live wire" at the associations I have attended this year. By request I outlined the situation in Jefferson county. The moderator made a strong plea for the enforcement of the laws against the sale of whiskey in prohibition territory. St. Clair will have two beneficiaries at Howard college this year—Brethren Harris and Inzer. At the association we learned that some of the goodly women at Odenville are working to build a Baptist church. A Judson girl is one of the movers in the matter.

## A PAGE OF MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

The formal dedication of Tennessee College will take place in the building Thursday, September 11, at 11 o'clock sharp with the following program:

1. Devotional exercises led by Dr. Lansing Burrows, Nashville.
2. Address of welcome in behalf of the trustees and community to the president, faculty and students of Tennessee college, C. H. Byrn, president of the board of trustees.
3. Response by President George J. Burnett.
4. The address, Rev. E. Y. Mullins, D. D., LL. D., president of the Southern Baptist Theological seminary, of Louisville, Ky.
5. The dedicatory exercises, Rev. I. J. Van Ness, D. D., Nashville.

That "seed tickers" is too good to let die. Hurrah for you all. I believe in you. Hit 'em a lick everywhere you can. You can't hit 'em a lick amiss. Prohibition prohibits, and doesn't hurt the town. I am in one.—A. C. Davidson.

If you will allow me space I will bring together. I closed my revival meetings together. I closed my revival meetings at Pilgrim's Rest last Sunday. The Lord greatly blessed us at all my churches this year. Bro. W. L. Brumeloe assisted me at Sardis, Shiloh and Pilgrim's Rest, and Bro. J. D. Hughes at Chestnut Creek. We received 15 members at Sardis, 11 for Baptist; eight at Shiloh, five for baptism; eleven at Pilgrim's Rest, nine for baptism; 41 at Chestnut Creek, 24 for baptism. I ask the prayers of all who may read these lines that I may be a more humble, consecrated cross-bearing servant than I have ever been. The Chilton county association meets with Shiloh church this fall and we hope to have the editor of the Alabama Baptist with us. Come, brother, and ask Bro. Crumpton to meet you there.—T. J. Deason.

We closed a glorious meeting of eight days last night in which there were added to the Baptist church 28 by baptism and six by letter. One restoration and two came under the watch care of the church until they can get their letters. Bro. P. M. Jones did most of the preaching. The Methodists had a glorious tent meeting here from the 9 to 18, in which the Baptist took great interest, and many of these converts came as a result of the tent meeting. Rev. Mr. Glenn did the preaching in that. There have been forty-two added to the church at Grove Hill since I came here. Last Wednesday we organized a law and order league to see that prohibition laws are enforced, and raised by subscription about \$350 to be used to employ detectives if necessary, but yesterday we got the lawless man. We are moving on.—C. H. Turner, Pastor.

In the Marshall Association at Shady Grove our beloved pastor, S. F. Reed, and Brothers L. T. Fendley, J.

J. Rogers and J. M. McGill began a series of meetings Sunday, August 25, and continued eight days, and through their earnest preaching and prayers a great victory was won over the devil. Sinners were made sick of sin, mourners were made to seek salvation, and the whole church was made to shout and sing for joy. Praise the Lord. There were more than thirty saved and twenty-seven added to the church. Praise the Lord for his saving and keeping power. Praise God for the Pentecostal shower on old Shady Grove once more, and by the help of God we are looking for a great victory in the near future. To God be all the glory. The meetings closed with great victory over the evil one. Hallelujah!—S. R. Dance.

I began a meeting at Shoal Creek church on the second Sunday in August. We had a great meeting. Thirteen accessions to the church. The church was wonderfully revived. Pray God to send more laborers into His vineyard. The Harvest is great, the laborers are few. May God bless you and your good paper.—J. C. Thomas.

Allow me a few words about our meeting at Wayside church, Coosa county. It was a precious meeting from beginning to end. We all knew that the Lord was with us to bless us and He did. Ten precious ones were buried with him by baptism. The church was greatly revived, and the community helped. May God's good work go on till it reaches every part of earth's remotest bounds. The scribe did all the preaching. The pastor, Bro. T. A. Kelley, was not with us. He was sick. May God bless you and your paper.—J. C. Thomas, Titus, Ala.

We have had what is said to be the greatest meeting in the history of Clanton. It began August 18th and closed September 1st. The immediate results are 46 additions—24 by baptism and 22 by letter. The membership greatly revived and the town thoroughly aroused. Rev. J. M. Thomas, of Roanoke, Va., did the preaching, and I can say in all candor that it has never been my privilege to listen to a series of deeper gospel sermons. His logic is almost irresistible. As an evidence of the appreciation of our church and people, they gave him \$181.15 for his services. I sincerely hope some church will extend to him a call in this, his native state. He is well qualified to fill any pulpit in Alabama.—F. M. Woods.

We held a meeting at Four Mile church in Shelby county, which resulted in 16 additions to the church—14 by baptism. We had no pastor in charge at the meeting. However, God's name was glorified.—L. A. Davis.

Our protracted meeting which closed August 26th at the Caperton Chapel Baptist church was one of great interest. The attendance was large and the behavior good. Bro. Ander-

son N. Varnell, who is the pastor, was assisted by W. R. Thomas. Both of the brethren are filled with the spirit. They are both students of the Scottsboro Baptist institute, which is doing a great work for the cause of Christ. The number converted was twenty, and the number united to the Baptist church was fifteen.—J. H. Fuller.

We have just closed a fine revival at Billingsley. Eighteen additions—14 for baptism, and the church is very much revived and in good condition, which is some of the fruits of Bro. A. D. Glass's labors, who did the preaching and preached some of the strongest and most instructive sermons that I have ever listened to. He is also a fine personal worker. He does not slight any. He goes after all. May God's blessings rest on him in his great work.—W. R. Seymore, Pastor.

I can't afford to be without the Baptist. Every issue gets better and I never fail to talk it up in all my travels. I regret very much not being at the Butler county association, but was away at the time conducting a meeting in Conecuh county. Have had great revivals at all my meetings this summer and the churches all in good condition. A large number added to the different churches by baptism. I request the prayers of the brethren in my work. Haven't had a day's rest in several weeks.—A. C. Shell.

President Giles, of the Central College at Tuscaloosa, called to see the Alabama Baptist. He is hopeful for a fine opening September 25th.

Please announce that I have accepted the call of the First church, Norman, Oklahoma, and will enter on my new charge Sept. 15. Norman is the seat of the State University of Oklahoma and is therefore a place of importance and the pastorate offers a fine opportunity for a work of statewide influence. I have not seen my field nor have they seen me, but I am assured of the most cordial welcome and enthusiastic support.—J. W. Willis.

We have just closed a great meeting with the Addison church. Result: Twenty-nine added to the church, 21 by baptism, the church greatly revived and strengthened. We had such large crowds we had to knock out one end of our house and make an additional seating capacity. We have begun a new house here. Have a lot of the lumber already here. The prospects are bright here. The people say they are in the best shape for work in the history of the church. Also, I held a meeting with the church at Nesmith with 15 additions to that church. I have a strong hold on Baptist affairs in this section, having been brought up here. After 26 years absence I came back and the Lord is abundantly blessing my labors here. We are planning for the

best church at Addison in all this section.—T. W. Shelton.

The revival services came to a close last Saturday night with five accessions to the "Mud Creek Baptist" church. Bro. H. S. Curtis, of East Lake, Ala., did the preaching, and he is a deep gospel preacher and is as earnest as a man can be. He is a man of great power in the pulpit. He speaks with force. The church was greatly revived to be sure. Bro. Curtis did a great deal of good. The church made a very nice contribution to Bro. Curtis under the circumstances and also to the pastor; paid Bro. Curtis \$10 and the pastor \$11.50, making a total of \$21.50. This church at Mud Creek was awakened to her duty by Bro. Curtis' preaching.—C. M. Cloud.

We have just closed one of the greatest revivals ever held with Walnut Hill church—34 additions, 24 by experience of grace. I have never before in all my work seen so much interest manifested by the young people. God was on the giving hand and it seemed that every one was determined to find the way to eternal life. May God bless the efforts of his faithful children.—P. W. Stitt.

I have just finished with my summer meetings. Bro. S. H. Bennett was with me for three weeks and Dr. P. V. Bomar was with me one week. We had fine congregations and fine gospel preaching. We feel that there was much and lasting good accomplished. During the meetings there were 39 accessions to the different churches, 28 of these by baptism. I have the same old field of work which embraces Concord, Pisgah, Perryville and Ocmulgee. The Lord is blessing us in various ways. I don't think there is a more pleasant people anywhere in the state than the people in my field.—J. A. McCrary.

We began our meeting at Fayetteville on Tuesday, August 20th, continuing ten days. Rev. Austin Crouch, of Birmingham, did the preaching in demonstration of the spirit's power. I never heard the plan of salvation more strongly set forth. We had overflowing congregations from first to last. The church was greatly strengthened and all the people benefited. Twenty-two accessions by experience, 8 by baptism and two by watch care. I praise God for the sweet privilege of burying my eldest son and daughter, 13 and 11, with Christ in baptism. There were many other confessions, some of whom, I am sure, will follow soon. Our people did manifest their appreciation for Bro. Crouch by making him a nice purse. I asked for the boards on Sunday, the 25th, a collection of \$60.00 and received \$67, which was very gratifying to their anxious pastor. The signs of the time indicate better things for us. Unto God who loved us be honor, glory and dominion forever.—R. W. Carlisle.

## A SERMON FOR THE TIMES

BY REV. F. C. DAVID

John xvii:16: "They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world."

In this, the last prayer of our Lord, as recorded in this chapter, He manifested His love and sympathy for His eleven disciples then associated with Him, with a tenderness of which He alone was capable. This unique characteristic in the Master flashed across the vision of Isaiah hundreds of years before His advent in the world. The great prophet said of Him: "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon His shoulder: and His name shall be called, Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace." Who would deny His being wonderful, and a Counsellor and the very Prince of Peace?

We may rest assured the words of the text filled the hearts of His disciples with delight when they were spoken. So far as they understood their vast import they must have encouraged and strengthened them for their coming experience. "Never man spoke like this man." Hear Him utter words that from the mouth of a mere man would have been rank blasphemy: "Before Abraham was I am." "I am the way, the truth and the life." "I am the door by me, if any man enter in he shall be saved." No mere man that ever lived or will live could speak such words and many others which the Lord of life uttered. Those words so full of encouragement and satisfaction "They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world," should be the more highly appreciated because by such authority.

Let us investigate for a moment how it was that the Man of Calvary could speak such words. Let us go down into the heart of the matter. It has a heart, an inner powerful reason why He could speak them.

First. Because He lived from above. From the God of Heaven he drew his life and daily supplies. Though Himself divine, he said, "he could do nothing except it were given Him from the Father." We call to mind how he prayed, spending whole nights in prayer in communion with his Father. He was in the world. He tasted of our infirmities. He bore our sins in His own body on the tree. Had a mighty mission in the world and for the world, but He was not of it.

Not so with men. Naturally men are of the earth earthy. They are conformed to the world. Their desires, cravings and aspirations from the world. They live from worldly society and from worldly environments. They are naturally averse to the things above. But thank heaven the World's Redeemer could say to that little handful of His disciples: "They are not of the world, even as He was not of it."

The great, loving heart of the Master, yearning for fallen humanity, and the hearts of that little band of believers feeling a touch of that love had begun to learn that they like their Leader must live from above, from the everlasting fullness of God. The Master had fixed the life plain for His disciples to walk upon, and it was infinitely higher than the world occupied.

Isaiah in centuries past saw the coming of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ and the Christian standard established. He says: "An highway shall be there and a way, and it shall be called the way of holiness and the unclean shall not walk therein." John had learned it and said: "We know that we are of God, and all the world lieth in wickedness." Paul understood the standard of the saints of God and penned these words: "Our citizenship is in heaven." If that be the case, from thence then, each citizen should draw his supplies.

This world is not the Christian's true country. It is not the home of the Great King. The throne of the universe is not down here. This mundane sphere is a mere colony. The home country is be-

yond the stars. Like the blessed Master the Christian must live from the home country.

The Prince of Peace wrought a wonderful change in them, they having passed from death unto life; old things having passed away and all things become new, they were prepared to hear these comforting words, "They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world." As it was with that little flock then, so it has been with the redeemed in all the centuries since, and will be with every regenerated soul to the end of the age. If a Christian is not living above the world, he is living scantily. Such an one is growing lean and all the graces are withering for want of that nourishment which the things of time and sense are powerless to give. His life is not clean in the sight of God. The table the world sets will satiate the mind, body and appetite of the sinner, and will delight the eye of a companion in sin, but is out of harmony with Christ, and dwarfs the soul and leaves it famishing for the bread and water from heaven.

Second. Jesus could speak such words because He had a lofty aim. His aim was of the highest order and character. It was to please God. His care and profoundest thought, and his whole life and energies were bent in that one direction, to please His Father. No difference how rugged the road or how inhuman the treatment at the hands of his cruel and blood-thirsty enemies, not one iota did He swerve from that one exalted purpose, to please His Father. David foretold about the matter long before Jesus came into the world, saying: "I delight to do thy will O God." Christ labored for the welfare of the race that He might give it an uplift from the awful depth into which sin had cast it. In doing this for accursed humanity, He was doing the will of His Father. To this end He came into the world to pay the penalty for sinners, because the sinner was bankrupt and had not wherewith to pay. At the very beginning of the stupendous work of human redemption God was pleased with His Son as manifested by his voice at His baptism. In His own infinite perfection was all glorious and happy. But He laid aside the riches of the glory He had with the Father. He came to this world, entered poverty's vale, not having where to lay His head. For what? The great apostle answers: "Ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that ye through His poverty might be made rich." While this was an unspeakable blessing to the race of man, it was well pleasing to the Father. In this trying experience in behalf of our fallen race, God was glorified.

It was the mind of Jesus that His followers should be like Himself, in that they were not of the world. They were expected after obtaining the new life, to have a higher aim than when they were of the world. Old things having passed away, and they being new creatures in Christ Jesus, their lives, thoughts and aspirations were to be different from that of the world. They, too, were to strive to please God. As they had received Christ Jesus the Lord, they were expected to walk in Him. The blessed Christ taught His disciples in His prayer to ask God that His will be done on earth as done by the angels in heaven.

As it was with his loved ones then, so he has claimed from his people down the centuries, and on to the end of the age. They must not be conformed to the world. They are to love not the world, nor the things of the world. There is no higher service rendered to God by his saints on earth nor by the chiefest archangel before the throne in glory than to please God. God would shake the frame of the universe and dash the structure of the world to pieces if necessary to save the one who pleases Him.

Men of the world have low aims and aspirations.

It cuts no figure with the world in their favor if they are richly endowed with learning and the goods of the world, for that sweeping question of the Son of God forever demolishes that business. He asks: "What is a man profited if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul? Or what would a man give in exchange for his soul?" That question is simply withering. It has never been answered nor can it be this side of eternity. Man who was made in the image of God and a little lower than the angels, should seek and not be satisfied short of the highest Christian attainments. To be like our great leader, we should strive diligently, earnestly and continuously for that which is higher, and richer and more enduring than the world offers. Many things in the world are good for man. They serve a good purpose for us. But our estimate of them should be low when compared to that exceeding and eternal weight of glory for which the children of God are striving. The rich provision made in awful agony in sweat and blood on Calvary for God's elect, far surpasses earth's gems, diamonds and crowns.

It is something far better. Like an old preacher in his pastoral visits, took up a little girl on his knee. Looking in her sweet little face, he said to her: "Now, my little miss, tell me what do you love to do?" She, in her childish innocence, replied: "I love to dance." "You love to dance, do you? Well, time was when I loved to dance," said he, "but now I find so many things I can do that are so much better that I don't dance any more. And I hope you will live, little miss, to see the time when you can find many things to do that are very much better than dancing, and you, like me, will dance no more." Christians aim high in the divine life. Strive to please God. Know that you are in the world, but never forget that you are not of it.

3. Again, Christ could speak those words because of his sorrow. "He was a man of sorrow and acquainted with grief." His sorrow was unique. He sorrowed not as the world sorrow. People of the world have a selfish sorrow. Something has gone wrong with them. Their plans are upset. They are personally interested. But the Master's sorrow was not a selfish sorrow. He sorrowed on account of others. He had no sin of his own. He bore the griefs and carried the sorrows of others, and sorrowed for the sins of others. With his sorrow there was no admixture of sin. No necessity to sorrow on his own account. The world does not take to heart the sins and sorrow of others. The great sympathizing Savior wanted that little band around him to learn that selfishness is the prolific source of every evil. He wanted them to feel and sympathize with their fellows, and use their best endeavors to rescue others from impending ruin. He wanted them to teach others about the things more ennobling and enduring than the perishing things here below. That is what the Lord meant a little further on when He said: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." The gospel is a wonderful enlightener and elevator. "It is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth." Jesus Christ expected it to work wonders in the world. And it has.

All the saved to be like Jesus must have an unselfish sorrow. We may know that in every pang which racks his people the Lord Jesus has a fellow feeling. We must be sorry for the needy, the afflicted, the bereaved and sorrowing. Sorry for the millions in spiritual darkness. We should more and more bestir ourselves for their everlasting deliverance. And the true followers of the Lord are sorry for others. They have manifested it by building orphan homes, sanitariums, providing for the poor, building Christian schools and colleges to prepare boys and girls, young men and young women to lead useful lives in the world. They are also send-

ing and supporting missionaries to carry the glad tidings of salvation to the uttermost parts of the earth.

4. Now briefly, Jesus could say those precious words, "They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world," because he was against it. He was against the wicked, rebellious spirit of the world and wicked men crucified him. He reproved men of their sins. He uncovered their guilt. He raised high the standard of righteousness and called upon sinners to come to that standard by him. Men did not take to the high standard of righteousness, and they killed him. But men loved their sins and despised Jesus and laid violent hands on him and slew him.

His disciples were learning to be opposed to the world, in all its wrong-doing. And like their dear Lord were out of the world. Just so must all his saints on earth be opposed to everything that offends the majesty of heaven.

God's servants who antagonize Satan's followers will not be popular with that sort. The son of God was not. But he was immensely popular with the Father. And all the children of the most high have and will ever be till the final consummation.

My brother and sister, as the all piercing eye of God shines into every avenue of your heart, how much worldliness does he see in there? Be mindful that the true Christian seeks no continuing city here, for he is a stranger and a pilgrim on the earth and his real country is the heavenly. With the body we walk about on the earth; with the heart we dwell in heaven. Let us remember that God's children here in the world, "are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints of the household of God, built upon the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone." One of the prophets said: "The Lord's portion is his people." So far as we know that of all the wondrous outlay in his mighty works in the world, "his people" are all the heritage he will ever carry from earth's vast domains. All the rest of his creation except the ungodly will be burned up. They will be forever doomed in endless night.

**FAMILY FOOD**

**Crisp, Toothsome and Requires No Cooking.**

A little boy down in North Carolina asked his mother to write an account of how Grape-Nuts food had helped their family.

She says Grape-Nuts was first brought to her attention on a visit to Charlotte, where she visited the mayor of that city, who was using the food by the advice of his physician. She says:

"They derive so much good from it that they never pass a day without using it. While I was there I used the Food regularly. I gained about 15 pounds and felt so well that when I returned home I began using Grape-Nuts in our family regularly.

"My little 18 months old baby shortly after being weaned was very ill with dyspepsia and teething. She was sick nine weeks and we tried everything. She became so emaciated that it was painful to handle her and we thought we were going to lose her. One day a happy thought urged me to try Grape-Nuts soaked in a little warm milk.

"Well, it worked like a charm and she began taking it regularly and improvement set in at once. She is now getting well and round and fat as fast as possible on Grape-Nuts.

"Some time ago several of the family were stricken with LaGrippe at the same time, and during the worst stages we could not relish anything in the shape of food but Grape-Nuts and oranges, everything else nauseated us.

"We all appreciate what your famous food has done for our family." "There's a Reason." Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

**COLLEGE PROHIBITIONISTS REACH 48,000 STUDENTS IN 125 COLLEGES IN PAST TWELVE MONTHS.**

Chicago, Ill., August 31.—(Staff Correspondence of the Associated Prohibition Press.)—National Secretary Harry S. Warner, of the Intercollegiate Prohi-

bition Association, who has just returned to Chicago from two months of prohibition field work in Texas, has just completed his annual report for the last college year of his rapidly growing movement, and the Associated Prohibition Press is privileged herewith to present some of its most striking items in advance of the official publication of the complete report in the next issue of the Statesman.

These facts, as summarized by Secretary Warner, are as follows:

"Make your lives count against the saloon," says the college prohibition movement to the 48,000 college men and women who each year come directly or indirectly under its influence. The Intercollegiate Prohibition Association is a great home missionary movement. The responsibility for the conditions producing the vicious and drink-ridden of our own country—the salvation of our own social and political life—the opportunity for lasting usefulness in this field, is being placed on the same basis as a claim for life service, as is the salvation of the heathen 10,000 miles away.

**The Extent of the Movement.**

"The Intercollegiate Prohibition Association is now actively at work in sixteen states and with 17 state associations; New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Minnesota, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota, Colorado, Texas, Southern and Northern California, Oregon and Washington. There are also independent local leagues in colleges in Wisconsin and North Dakota.

"The number of colleges, universities and seminaries having leagues is 123; in a year there has been a healthy increase in average membership of each league, which was 26 at the close of the academic year in June last. The total membership is 3,200 working college prohibitionists. Through the meetings of the National Traveling Secretaries held during the year more than 48,000 learned of the principles of the liquor problem and its solution.

"Once there was opposition to the movement by members of college faculties; this has now ceased—there is no open hostility. More and more the teachers are giving their hearty support to the league; its studies, debates and contests.

"Sixteen new leagues were organized during the year just closed. In California, Los Angeles seminary; Illinois, Y. M. C. A. Institute in Chicago; Colorado, University of Colorado, at Boulder; Indiana, Valparaiso University; Iowa, Central Holiness University, Oskaloosa, Des Moines College, Iowa Wesleyan, Parsons and Western Union College; Kansas, Bethany College and Kansas State Agricultural College; Minnesota, Concordia; Texas, Trinity University; North Dakota, Fargo College; Wisconsin, Evansville Seminary.

**The Work of the Leagues.**

"The 123 local leagues show a great increase in activity and practical returns. In 72 leagues local oratorical contests were held; public program meetings were held in most of them.

"Local option or local prohibition campaigns were entered and vigorously assisted by men from 20 different colleges. They did service as speakers, singers, quartettes, poll watchers and election day workers.

"Many leagues purchased sets of prohibition and liquor problem books for the college library or persuaded the library officials to do so.

**The Traveling Secretaries and Their Work.**

"The Association sent out last year four trained young men as traveling secretaries who put in nineteen and a half months of work, yet the results accomplished were marvelous. Every league of the 123 received at least one two-day visit, some of them several. One hundred and twenty-nine different colleges were reached with prohibition addresses.

"The course of studies used this year, the third in the three-year series, was 'Government and the Liquor Traffic.' There are 1,900 subscribers to the Intercollegiate Statesman, the official organ of the association. Two great interstate oratorical contests, as well as fifteen state contests, were held during the year. The Central Interstate, at Wichita, Kansas, was won by Mr. Charles S. Pierce, of Texas.

As this was the first time that Texas entered the Central, this victory over seven of the best student-oratorical states of the central and northern states indicates well the spirit of this sort of work from that state in the future. The Eastern, held in Ohio, was won by Mr. Gustave Hoelcher, of Earlham college, Indiana.

"During the year 58 persons, 57 young men and one young woman, were definitely placed in prohibition work by the association."

**A SHORT STATEMENT FROM DR. WILLINGHAM.**

At the convention in May the brethren enthusiastically decided to try to raise \$750,000 this year for foreign missions. It is now the 30th of August and only \$34,872 has been received in Richmond. We have had to borrow much and now owe \$94,351. Some states are busy taking their state mission collections just at this time, but others can and should help us at once. Even in the states where the local mission interests are pressing, we beg that brethren who have money for foreign missions remit at once. If all church and association treasurers will do this, it will help greatly. Money is scarce and the banks are not inclined to make large loans.

Since the first of May twenty new missionaries have been appointed. It will be a considerable additional expense to put these on the foreign fields. Others are begging to be sent. The missionaries are pleading for reinforcements. What shall we do, brethren. The fields are ripe to the harvest. Are we praying God to thrust forth laborers? If so, do we give as we pray?

The writer turns now to visit the brethren at the front. He hopes to have something to say in each monthly issue of the Foreign Mission Journal. We would be glad to speak to many of our brethren and sisters, and as the Journal in its enlarged and improved form is only 25 cents a year, we hope many will subscribe at once and keep posted on the great work our Lord is doing through us in foreign lands.

Drs. Smith, Porter and Ray are working vigorously, and hope to make a great campaign this fall and winter. Let every one help these noble brethren to make the year under God greater than any of those that have passed.

Grace, mercy and peace abide with you all in Christ Jesus. R. J. WILLINGHAM, Cor. Sec'y. Richmond, Va., August 30, 1907.

**PATCHES**

**Why Brown Ones Come on Faces.**

When a woman can get rid of brown patches on her face by changing her diet it is worth while for other women who care for their complexions to know something of the method.

A lady in Michigan City says that coffee caused the brown patches on her face by first giving her stomach trouble, then putting her nerves out of order, and the result was shown in her complexion.

She quit coffee and began using Postum Food Coffee and in less than a month the stomach trouble disappeared and within two months her complexion cleared up and is now fine and rosy.

She speaks of two men at Westfield, Ind., who have both been improved in health by leaving off coffee and taking in its place Postum Food Coffee, also a husband and wife of the same place, who were in poor health and suffered from stomach trouble. They quit coffee and after using Postum a short time the result was natural sleep, return of appetite, and a gain in strength as fast as nature could rebuild.

She gives the names of a number of other persons who have been helped by leaving off coffee and taking Postum Food Coffee.

It is a safe proposition that if any coffee user has stomach or nervous trouble, or bad complexion, he or she can get rid of the trouble by discontinuing coffee and taking Postum Food Coffee. It is easy enough to prove the truth of this by making trial. Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a Reason."

## MONTGOMERY ASSOCIATION.

The Montgomery Baptist Association held its annual session at Mt. Hebron Baptist church, near Elmore, the 4th and 5th. The officers of last year were re-elected: G. G. Miles, moderator; W. R. Sawyer, clerk, and Geo. W. Ellis, treasurer. There were 21 of the churches represented either by letter or messengers or both. Eighteen of these reported Sunday schools and all of them showed increase in every department during the year.

The reports were clear, concise and well written. Every chairman had his report ready when it was called for. The following were received: Aged and infirm ministers, by J. A. Jenkins; woman's work, by H. J. Willingham; denominational literature, by George W. Ellis; Sunday schools, by W. B. Davidson; orphanage, by J. H. Bush; state missions, by J. W. O'Hara; home missions, by W. J. Elliott; foreign missions, by C. A. Stakely; denominational education, by T. L. Peach; ministerial education, by E. E. George; B. Y. P. U., by B. F. Davidson. These reports were discussed by chairmen and others as time afforded.

The association was glad to welcome Dr. Montague from Howard college; A. D. Glass, for Alabama Baptist; C. E. Crossland, State Sunday school evangelist; J. W. Stewart, from the orphanage, and receive from them the assistance and help that they so gladly and ably render. Several brethren were present from other associations and interests and given a welcome to the body.

The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. J. H. Bush from Mt. 5:13-16, theme "The Baptist Position, Mission and Reason Thereof." It was a clear, strong and helpful sermon. The missionary sermon was preached by Rev. S. A. Cowan, recently installed pastor of Southside Baptist church, from Ezekiel 47:1-12, theme "Ezekiel's Vision of the River." It was a lucid exposition of this wonderful vision with application to the onward sweep of Christianity. These sermons were enjoyed by all very much.

The increase in contributions during the year has been \$7,190.67 contributions being as follows: Pastors' salary, \$9,647.13; building and repairing, \$7,629.07; incidentals, \$4,273.67; visiting ministers, \$851.25; Sunday school expenses, \$854.96; the poor, \$415.01; minutes and clerk, \$55; associational missions, \$64.23; home missions, \$1,014.47; state missions, \$1,323.96; foreign missions, \$2,228.96; Bible and Colportage, \$66.66; ministerial education, \$206.20; colleges and schools, \$3,107; orphanage, \$866.81; aged and infirm ministers, \$1,113.26; Chinese famine sufferers, \$70; church building fund, \$84.11; B. Y. P. U. convention, \$188.92; other benevolences, \$178.91; total, \$34,211.04. Church property, \$70,100. This does not include the great amount of money expended by the First Baptist church in its new building enterprise. The apportionment for another year is missions, \$6,565; associational missions, \$135; ministerial educational, \$500; Bible and Colportage, \$215; orphans' home, \$1,025; aged and infirm

ministers, \$213; total, \$9,153. There is little doubt but that the churches will easily reach these figures and likely go far beyond.

The W. M. U. held a most interesting session on Wednesday morning before the association was called to order. The attendance was very good. Though hurriedly presented, their reports were strong and full. The work has made great progress since 1899, the year of its incipency. The societies have met all their pledges, and make larger apportionments for the new year, which will be centennial year.

A laymen's organization was perfected with the following officers: L. L. Lassiter, president; H. J. Willingham, vice president; Eugene Ballard, secretary; and W. G. Yelverton, treasurer. The laymen in each of the churches will be organized immediately.

The hospitality and entertainment of the people at Mt. Hebron was bountiful, and all went away singing the praises of everything. The meeting was attended with great unanimity and sweetest fellowship from first to last.

The next session will be held with Pratlville church. Rev. J. W. O'Hara will preach the introductory sermon and C. A. Stakely, D. D., will preach the missionary sermon.

Practically every report had something to say about larger things for the Centennial year, and reports that were expected to endorse and emphasize it had clauses recommending that the association assume its part in the raising of \$100,000 for missions and making a corresponding increase in every other department.

J. W. O'HARA.

## FROM LUVERNE, ALA.

Have just returned from Honoraville, where I assisted the pastor, Rev. G. R. Vickery, in a meeting. Bro. Vickery is a good pastor and worthy man consecrated to the Lord's work. The meeting was quite a blessing to the community and church. Nine accessions, five by baptism, one restored and three by letter. Others to join other churches.

At Chapel Hill, Rev. T. T. Dobbs pastor, we had a great meeting; 19 additions. Chapel Hill is a strong country church and there is a great work to be done there. Bro. Dobbs has been pastor there for years. It is his home church.

At Bethel church with Rev. R. H. Fulmar as the long-time and faithful pastor, there was great rejoicing over the conversion of eleven souls and the addition of others by letter. The Lord be praised for his blessings upon his people.

I have resigned my work at Luverne and am praying that the Lord may send to them a strong and faithful man. They need such a man and I esteem it as one of the most important pastorates in the state. The church is financially able to support any man.

They will continue for full time and a committee to confer with pastors has been appointed. Our association together has been pleasant and while strenuous efforts have been necessary

to check the current of immorality and vice, we are rejoicing that a broad foundation has been laid and that our community is growing and prospering both temporally and spiritually.

I believe that in the near future the influence of the church will be felt for much good throughout the state, home and foreign fields.

A consecration of personal service and pocket book will insure them great blessings. They are a great people and capable if they only will realize it. May the Lord guide them by His holy spirit.

O. P. BENTLEY.

## A GOOD MEETING.

I have never written you anything, hence my decision to write you about a glorious revival at old Fellowship Baptist church, four miles from Gordo. Bro. Camp, of Northport, assisted Bro. J. A. Mitchell in a five days' meeting. The meeting closed Friday after the 11 o'clock service. Both the ministers had to go away to other appointments. I went out to spend the remainder of the services from Thursday afternoon, therefore I had the great pleasure of hearing Bro. Camp preach two powerful sermons Thursday night and Friday morning.

When the pastor announced the meeting closed I suggested to Bro. Ben Pearson that we have services Friday night. He is one of the oldest members in that section and is a God-serving man and a deacon of Fellowship. He announced services for the night. At the night services, after the prayer services the leader asked me to take charge of the services, which I did, just explaining to them that I would at once give my life to the work of the Savior. I then made a short talk on two verses of the 116 Psalm. After the talk I extended an invitation to those who desired Christians to pray for them to come up and give me their hand. Seventeen came. After the prayer Bro. Pearson opened the doors of the church and also stated if there were any who wanted to join the Methodist church to come up also and give Brother Moore their hand. Two came, one joining the Baptist, the other the Methodist. All Christians rejoiced.

On Saturday no services were held until the night services. Again the honor of conducting the services fell to me. I made a short talk on this passage of God's word, "Behold, I set before you the way of life and the way of death." At the close of the talk I again gave an invitation to those who wanted the prayers of the Christian people seventeen young ladies and young men came. The Christians went to work in earnest, talking to and praying for the penitents. I was made to rejoice because of the salvation of fifteen of the number. As God blessed them one by one they got out in the audience and prayed for their friends and brought up to be prayed for. I have never in my life witnessed such a scene. It was enough to make the infidel believe. Under the same proposition made on Friday night seven joined the Methodist and seven the Baptist. The total for two nights, Baptist, 8; Methodist, 7. None hav-

ing united during the minister's preaching. I have given myself to the Lord, and if He wants me to enter the ministry I will do so as soon as my church sees fit to set me apart to the work. God bless the Baptist and its great work.—W. J. Peters.

## FROM ANDALUSIA, ALA.

On Monday after the fourth Sunday I joined the pastor, W. S. Rally, of Mt. Pisgah church, near Heath, Ala., six miles northeast of this place, Andalusia. The meeting continued until Friday night. Large crowds attended day and night. Church was greatly revived and twenty-one accessions to it. I had the church to raise the pastor's salary from about \$75 to \$200. The church organized a Sunday school and secured Brother Rally to serve them another year. Brothers Cook and Ray, under the direction of the executive committee of the Zion Association, are doing a fine work. Rev. J. J. Hagood, pastor of our church, has aided greatly in assisting the committee planning the work. Eternity alone will tell all the good done by these noble men of God. At every church where these men labored they raised the pastor's salary at least 100 per cent. Churches are in a better condition and will give more for missions than ever before. Brother Ward also has done some fine work in the association.

I go now to Providence church. Brother Cook is to assist me in a meeting there. The Baptist in this section has much to thank the Lord for, and especially the writer, who has been laboring so long in this section; his heart is made glad to see our young in the ministry coming to the front. I am so glad to know the Brantley church has secured Brother Fenn as my successor. This is a good church and would not have resigned the work there only for them to locate their pastor. I preached my last sermon there Sunday night last, and regretted so much to leave them, but feel assured they will be in safe hands from what I have heard of the present pastor.

Please send me sample copies of the Baptist. We are neglecting this important part of our work.—Wiley F. Martin.

P. S.—My family still at Laurel Hill, but contemplate moving to Alabama, my old home.—M.

## GOOD MEETING.

I send you a sketch of my meetings. I began a meeting at New Hope church the fourth Sunday night in July, which lasted eight days. We had Brother Rice, of Huntsville, with us here, who did most of the preaching, and of course it was well done. We had four additions by baptism, and the church revived. At the close of the meeting the church licensed Bro. S. S. Hacker to preach. He conducted services for me the next Sunday, and he made a fine impression on all who heard him.

The second Sunday in August we began our meeting at Lax. Here we had Brother McNatte, of Tennessee, who is a strong preacher, and he did us some fine work. Here we had seven additions, three by letter, four by

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baptism. At the close of this meeting our brethren saw that the time had come that they must have a larger and better house of worship, so as to be able to accommodate the large congregation that attends church here, so they got together in conference and decided to build at once, one man, not a member, offering to give them an acre lot and all the framing; another—a deacon—offering two acres, all the framing and \$50, so we are looking for better things here.

The third Sunday night in August we began our meeting at New Zion, Madison county. Here we had Bro. A. A. Hutto, of Athens, who did us some fine work and endeared himself with our people; here we had two to come under the watch care of the church, one aged brother restored and one by baptism, and our people claim that the church is in better condition than it has been for years. At the close of the meeting they called me for another year. I have not decided yet.—W. T. Cobbs.

### GOOD MEETINGS.

The Lord was gracious in leading five young ladies to take up the cross at Alpine, Talladega county; one joined by watchcare. Bro. R. A. Kidd is the much loved pastor and it is a blessing to be with such a noble spirit. His people were gracious and kind and made the visitor feel at home. The meeting began the second Sunday and continued until Thursday night.

Last Monday I found myself with Brother W. C. Woods and people at Pleasant Ridge church, Lamar county. The church was greatly blessed and thirty-four were added to the church. Twenty-nine of the number were for baptism. Yesterday was a great day for the cause of Christ, when a great crowd gathered on the banks of Butahatchie river to witness the baptizing. Young men, young women, men and their wives followed the Lord Jesus into the watery grave.

The collection taken for the orphans' home amounted to \$10. Your scribe preached then from Luke xxii-19, "Do this in remembrance of me." After the sermon the Lord's supper was celebrated. Another good thing and one of the best that happened (save the salvation of precious souls) was the electing of leaders for a Sunday school.

Later I hope to write concerning the situation here in Yellow Creek Association.—W. A. Darden.

### A GOOD MEETING.

Here comes old Bethel church again with her good news. We have been holding a meeting of nine days and we feel that we have done something for the Lord, and we know that the Lord has done much for us. We know of twenty-four unconverted and backsliders that found Jesus, which was proven clearly by sweet faces and testimonials. There were fourteen additions to our church. We baptized twelve today and we are expecting more on our next regular meeting day. This was the best meeting we have had in years. We had the most workers I ever saw in church in my life.

God bless our young people for their strong efforts, and influence. Read two last verses of Matt., ninth chapter, and pray with us. Most of us witnessed something today we never saw before when our pastor baptized two brothers at the same time. Then after he had baptized eight more of his candidates he came to the water's edge and led man and wife in and baptized them together at the same time, and when they came up straightway out of the water they came up shouting and praising the Lord. Then it was we heard an outsider exclaim, "We never saw it in this way!" which reminded me of the scripture of St. Mark, ii-12, like this: "And immediately he arose, took up the bed and went forth before them all; inasmuch that they were amazed and glorified God, saying, We never saw it on this fashion." I must say again that we have one of the best preachers on earth, even his ceremonies when he baptized were in full connection with the scripture he read to us at the water's edge. It was thus: In obedience to thy faith and after the manner of baptism and like unto Christ in the river of Jordan, I baptize thee, my brother (or sister) in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Why do we love our pastor so? Because he is full of religion, mission and pure gospel, and when he told us goodbye to go to his church near Bessemer to run a meeting of several days our eyes were filled with tears to part with him just for a month. May God bless our holy pastor, Rev. B. C. Hughes, by giving him just such a revival in Bessemer as he had at old Bethel.

We promised him \$65 for his services this year and I was afraid that just a few would have to pay it; but, thank the Lord, the church and community paid him \$103.00. Brother J. E. Griffin and John W. Lawley helped Brother Hughes in our meeting. Brother Griffin is just a licensed preacher, but we will ordain him soon. He is a man of God and preaches only gospel. May God still continue to bless the work and the Alabama Baptist is our prayer.—Thos. D. Courson.

### GOOD MEETING.

I continued my meeting at Red Level last third Sunday up to Friday night. We had good spiritual services both day and night. Eight were added to the little band of earnest disciples; four by baptism and four by letter. I baptized Friday evening at the beautiful pool of the other Baptist church, a half mile out from town, and at night had the Lord's supper, both services being impressive and beautiful. I came up home and Sunday repeated the two services. I baptized six in the baptistry at 5 p. m., and after a sermon on communion at 8 o'clock we had the supper. I am sure two more helpful and impressive services are of unfrequent occurrence. God be blessed. The Red Level church was organized on the fifth Sunday in March, with eleven members. Now there are some thirty-five. These few brethren and sisters have done a heroic thing in building this

house and establishing this church. It was a necessity—an opportunity in the cause of the kingdom. Great good will come of it to the Baptist cause. But it was and is a strain on these consecrated and progressive servants of the Master. They had to borrow some money to complete and furnish the building. It is a neat, spacious, well located house, painted in and out, with a fairly good bell. Now, I want to raise them two hundred dollars to pay off this debt. If any people deserve help these do. I will ask the Baptist Sunday schools and Ladies' Aid Societies in the state to give one dollar each toward this fund. This is easy to do. Will each superintendent put it to his school next Sunday after reading this, and each president of Aids bring it to the society at next meeting? I know quite all will give the dollar. Send money by check, postal note or express to Mrs. Mattie Bush, Red Level, Ala. A list of contributions will be published in Baptist after suitable time for all to help. If you knew the situation, the good people, you would send at once. I believe you will do it, anyway.—L. M. Stone, Georgiana.

### SOME GOOD MEETINGS.

One of the very best meetings it has ever been my privilege to conduct was the one with the Sandy Creek Baptist church. This is in a rich farming section and the people are prosperous. This writer went to Sandy Creek on Monday after the third Sunday to assist Brother A. S. Brannan, the popular pastor, and remained until Friday noon. The meeting was a success from the beginning. Twenty-six grown men and women were added to the church by baptism. On Friday morning at 10 o'clock four or five hundred people gathered on the banks of the little creek and Brother Brannan baptized the twenty-six happy converts. The Sandy Creek church is the best country church this writer ever saw. They have the best church house, the largest and most progressive membership of any country church, we believe, in Alabama. Rev. A. S. Brannan has been the pastor of this progressive church for fifteen years. Everybody at Sandy Creek loves Brannan and loves to hear him preach. Brannan is a remarkably strong and eloquent preacher.

### Widowee Meeting.

It was my privilege and pleasure to assist Brother W. P. Coffield, pastor of the Widowee Baptist church, in a good meeting. The meeting resulted in about twenty conversions and nine additions to the church, all by baptism. Brother Coffield is one of the best preachers we have in Randolph county, and is doing a splendid work with his churches. On Saturday morning after the meeting had closed Friday night Brother Coffield baptized the nine new converts in the presence of a great crowd. Widowee is said to be a hard field, but the Baptist church there has some of the true salt of the earth.—T. J. Porter.

### FROM EAST TALLASSEE.

We began our series of meetings at my Beulah church on the 10th of the month, and as the case in all my meet-

ings with this church the spiritual condition of the meeting was fine. The church was spiritually helped and the entire community manifested a great interest in the meeting, with good attendance at each service. The work resulted in thirteen accessions, three for baptism and ten letters. I had Brother R. L. Ennis, of Ozella, to assist me and he rendered good and effectual service. Ennis is a consecrated brother, a logical speaker and a true Christian. We have a fine Sunday school in which much good is being accomplished. I left Beulah on the third Sunday and went to my charge at Rocky Mount in the central association. Here we had a glorious meeting. I did most of the preaching. Had again thirteen accessions, eight for baptism, two letters, three restored. This is a fine community, but our cause has been neglected here. But we saw great manifestation of God's spirit in this meeting and under God those good people are going to build a house of worship real soon. Trusting our brethren to aid us in this enterprise, under God—A. W. Langley.

### FROM CLAYTON, ALA.

Rev. J. S. Yarborough, of Ozark, who, in February last, consented to serve us as pastor for a few months, until permanent pastoral relations could be effected, was recently called as our regular pastor, and on Sunday last gave the church his formal acceptance of the call. Some of his statements were truly unique and impressive, and mention is here made of a few of them as remembered by the writer:

"Today I enter upon my second term of duties as pastor of your church. I do this with fear and trembling, having a consciousness of my insufficiency for the task, and especially at my time of life. Today I pass the seventy-second mile post of my natural life, and the fifty-eighth year of my spiritual life, as also the fiftieth year of my ministerial life with my full time in the pastorate. But relying upon God and the faithful co-operation of this church I want us to start today as pastor and people for greater service for God and expecting greater things from God. Never before was there such growing demands upon the ministry as in the age in which we live, and never when more was needed and more being done for lost souls."

His acceptance of the call was followed by a ringing sermon from the very suggestive words (John 11:44), "Loose him and let him go."

The church is in love with its new pastor, and under the contagion of his fervency and zeal already has a splendid subscription toward the building of a pastor's home which will be in course of erection in a very short time.

Bro. Yarborough and wife will move to this place within the next few days.

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#### THE CANTEEN CRISIS.

The resolutions of the National Army and Navy Union at their recent convention favoring the restoration of the army beer canteen, together with the recent recommendation of it by Gen. A. W. Greeley in his annual report, brings the canteen question squarely before the country. Many of the daily papers are having favorable editorials. Most of the popular magazine articles on the army contain favorable words for the canteen. Besides many paid items of "news" in the daily press favoring the canteen, all show that a powerful propaganda is at work in behalf of the canteen, trying to deceive the public as to the real facts in the case, and to create a public sentiment favorable for its restoration by next congress in the regular army and in the various soldiers' homes—notwithstanding the fact that such distinguished generals as Miles, Shafter, Joe Wheeler, Daggett, Ludlow, Howard, Boynton, Wilcox, Stanley and Guy V. Henry have strongly opposed the canteen.

Beyond all questions we shall have to fight this canteen battle all over again in congress this winter. The crisis is now upon us. Immediate efforts must be put forth to stem this tide setting in favorable to the canteen. The public needs to get the real truth about this canteen question. Accordingly the reform bureau has published a small neat edition in a 16-page pamphlet of Gen. A. S. Daggett's famous discussion of the canteen question. It is the story of General Daggett's own personal experience and observation through many years of the actual workings of the canteen. It is the most overwhelming refutation of the pro-canteen arguments that has been given to the public. It is unanswerable. Gen. Daggett's high personal character and his long, active and honorable career in the army make him an unquestioned authority on the subject.

#### "IS THE SOUTH GOING DRY?"

John Corrigan has an article in the American Review of Reviews for September on "The Prohibition Work in the South," which brings some remarkable facts to our attention, saying:

Georgia's adoption of State Prohibition by legislative enactment directs national attention to the marvelous progress of this idea in the Southern States.

In the North, except in Indiana and Ohio, and southern Illinois, the Prohibition sentiment is moribund, if not dead; but in the South it is sweeping onward with relentless and irresistible force, gaining new converts and increasing in power every year.

Seven-eighths of the territory of the Southern States is today "dry" and it is believed that a majority of the population favors national prohibition. The Anti-Saloon League is well organized in most of the States, and is pursuing a quiet, determined, relentless opposition to the liquor business.

There are fewer saloons in the thirteen Southern States than in Greater New York, and only a few more than in the city of Chicago. In New York there are 30,000 places where liquor is sold, in Chicago 28,000, and in the entire South, only 29,000. In New York State the estimated population in 1905 was 8,160,000, and the government issued in the State that year 34,080 "special tax stamps" to persons desiring to engage in the manufacture and sale of liquor. The thirteen Southern States, with 23,500,000 people, secured in 1906 less than 30,000 stamps.

President Marion E. Taylor, of the National Liquor Dealers' convention, held in June, at Atlantic City, in calling attention to the assaults made by Prohibitionists on the liquor business, especially in the South, said: "Our only recourse now is to save our business. Unless we work with energy and de-

termination to stop this tidal wave, every State in the South will be closed against us."

Measures designed to restrict or absolutely prohibit the manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages have been introduced since the first of the year in the legislatures of half a dozen southern states, and in almost every instance have resulted in new victories for the Prohibition cause.

#### HUDSON RIVER VS. WHISK BROOM.

THE MOST ILLUMINATING AND STARTLING DELIVERANCE OF THE WEEK is the following extraordinary confession made editorially by the editor of BEVERAGES, the widely known liquor paper of New York, the official organ of the National Liquor League, of America. The editor, Mr. J. E. Nolan, in a heated discussion of "Prohibition in Georgia" in Beverages, for August 2, 1907, concludes with these significant words, which will be read with interest by every home-lover and saloon-fighter in America:

"THE RESULT IN GEORGIA PRESENTS NO PLEASANT OUTLOOK FOR ANY SECTION OF THE BUSINESS. That State in its judgment has treated all alike, and NO FALSE NOTION THAT BEER IS A TEMPERANCE BEVERAGE AND SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO HOLD ON HAS BEEN ENTERTAINED OR BROUGHT FORWARD.

"WE DISLIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE IT, BUT WE REALLY BELIEVE THE ENTIRE BUSINESS ALL OVER HAS OVERSTAYED ITS OPPORTUNITY TO PROTECT ITSELF AGAINST THE ONWARD MARCH OF PROHIBITION, which in some sections of the country is advancing like a prairie fire with not a hand raised to stop its progress.

"FOR YEARS WE HAVE SOUNDED THE WARNING OF THE IMPENDING STORM. For years we have argued for organization, and for years we have, in season and out of season, pleaded for unity, harmony and co-operation among all branches of the business, but all effort on our part and on the part of others has resulted in no good.

"Five years ago A UNITED INDUSTRY MIGHT HAVE KEPT BACK THE SITUATION THAT NOW CONFRONTS IT, BUT TODAY IT IS TOO LATE.

"MIGHT AS WELL TRY TO KEEP OUT THE HUDSON RIVER WITH A WHISK BROOM."

#### THE COMMERCIAL PLEA.

In the crusade in Jefferson county against the saloons a number of business men are lined up back of the saloon-keepers for fear it will hurt business in the Birmingham district. What will not men do to push trade? Let us not forget that a secular magazine, like Success, says:

"It was the Christian trader who taught the Chinese to smoke opium. It is almost wholly within the past half a century that the growth and production of the most insidious of drugs has swept over the Chinese empire, until now the poppy is grown in every province. China's steady and, at times, desperate resistance to the aggressions of the opium traders forms the one consistent thread in the inexplicable tangle of Chinese diplomacy. But the Christian trade, backed by Christian cannon, was irresistible; the Indian drug was forced in; the development of the native drug followed, until today the Imperial Chinese government estimates the number of confirmed opium smokers within the empire at three-tenths to four-tenths of the total population. China, like the Congo, has fallen helpless before Christian greed."

God help us to save Jefferson county from the control of men who want to run it merely in the interest of trade. There is something higher than the commercial plea.

#### CRIME INCREASING IN ALABAMA.

That crime in the State of Alabama is on the increase and has grown to alarming proportions during the last four years is shown in figures which appear in the biennial reports of Attorney-General Massey Wilson from 1902 to 1906, which were submitted to Governor Jelks.

From the general statement of the records of the criminal courts of the state for the year ending September 30, 1904, it is shown there were 11,574 cases disposed of in that time. During the two years ending September 30, 1906, there were 13,616 cases disposed of, an increase over the former years of nearly 18 per cent.

Of the cases during the period ending in 1904, there were 6,854 convictions, 1,744 acquittals, 2,530 nolle proseques and 446 cases which were abated or withdrawn. During the last two years 7,954 convictions were secured, while there were 1,961 acquittals, 2,828 nolle proseques and 872 cases which were abated or withdrawn.

Of the convictions during the former period, there were 42 sentenced to death; 1,314 sent to the penitentiary; 1,623 were sentenced to hard labor in the counties; 158 were sent to jail and there were 3,727 fines imposed or secured. There were three committals to the insane hospital and one to the State Reformatory.

During the two years ending September 30, 1906, of the 7,954 convictions there were 36 sentences of death, 1,315 to the penitentiary; 1,403 to hard labor; 1,340 to jail, and 564 fines paid or secured. The figures in the report show that during the two years ending September 30, 1906, a larger number of criminal cases were disposed of than at any time since the system of reporting to the attorney-general began.

During the two years ending September 30, 1904, there were 335 cases of homicide disposed of in the State; of this number there were 146 convicted of murder in first degree; 101 of murder in second degree; 65 for manslaughter in the first degree and 32 for manslaughter in the second degree.

During the two years ending September 30, 1906, it appears that there were 669 cases of homicide disposed of in the state; of this number there were 184 convictions for murder in the first degree; 104 for murder in the second degree, and 47 for manslaughter in the second degree.

In this connection the attorney-general says:

"The number of cases of homicide disposed of during the two years ending September 30, 1906, is almost double the number disposed of during the preceding two years. I am unable to account for this astounding increase. Certainly a problem is presented which calls for the most thoughtful consideration of the people of this State, and more especially of the executive officer."

#### SELFISHNESS.

Men and women can love others and make them happy by showering gifts and attentions on them, but there is no surer way to be unhappy and unpopular than to have too great a love for self and shower upon self all of the good things of life. Selfishness is a quality that never made any one happy. It dwarfs the soul and steals away the power to appreciate the things which make life worth the living. Working for others and trying to make the lives of others brighter and happier is like planting grain in rich soil, and when the harvest time comes we will be happy indeed. But leading a life of selfishness is like withholding the seed from the ground, and there will be neither harvest nor happiness.



**"WHAT SHALL WE DO TO BE SAVED?" CRIES THE LIQUOR TRADE.**

THAT GEORGIA VICTORY looms up more and more menacingly to the liquor press the longer they think about it.

Now comes Bar and Buffet, for August-September, one of the leading and most influential leaders in the movement for "reform" in the saloon business, with a blast upon its ram's horn that swells the warning note of Beverages to a shrill pibroch of alarm. Clear across the top of the cover page of this double issue of Bar and Buffet, the editors have flashed in huge display type the words: "WHAT SHALL WE DO TO BE SAVED?"

The editorial comment on an inner page betrays the motive behind this astonishing paraphrase of scripture. The liquor trade is NOT REPENTING; there is no evidence of CONVERSION in the editorial discussion. Not conversion, but a desperate resolve to prevent the trade's INVERSION and extinction is the manifest sentiment.

Here is what Bar and Buffet says, under the editorial headline, "What Shall We Do To Be Saved:"

"GEORGIA HAS GONE DRY. Another great State has placed the ban upon the liquor traffic. Furthermore, those who profess to be able to read 'the handwriting on the wall,' say that all the rest of the Southern States will follow suit.

"That is the condition that confronts us. There is no theory about it. It is an undeniable and concrete fact. THE PROHIBITIONISTS ARE GAINING GROUND RAPIDLY AND STEADILY.

"While our ranks are torn by internecine strife, while the straight whiskey people and the rectifiers are fighting each other, while the wine men are pulling one way and the brewers another, the cohorts of total abstinence are marching steadily on.

"In their ranks there is unity, well-defined aim, singleness of purpose, enthusiasm, and they all work together. In our ranks there is none of these. Instead all is confusion. We are not only doing nothing to oppose the enemy, but we are playing in to their hands by fighting among ourselves.

"Every thinking man of the liquor interests

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knows that this is true. THE PICTURE IS NOT OVERDRAWN. PROHIBITION IS NO LONGER A REMOTE POSSIBILITY, BUT A MENACING PROBABILITY. THE MOVEMENT IS GATHERING STRENGTH LIKE A PRAIRIE FIRE AND SPREADING ALMOST AS FAST AND RELENTLESSLY.

"And it is our fault. We have been blind. WE HAVE REFUSED TO SEE. WE WOULD NOT UNDERSTAND. WE WOULD NOT BELIEVE. NOW WE HAVE TO. WE CANNOT LONGER EVADE THE ISSUE. We have to look the facts in the face and we have to do it now—at once.

"The whole trouble lies in the retail end of the business. Certain customs, methods, usages and practices which obtain among the wholesalers, brewers and distillers, and which we hear so loudly criticised, are as nothing when compared with the disreputable saloon.

"It is the dive—the doggerly that is poisoning the business—the saloon with the sitting room attached, the saloon where liquor is sold to minors, the saloon that caters to thugs and thieves. It has got to go. And the liquor interests must speed its going or in the end go with it. There is no alternative. There must be no temporizing or delay. We either cast it overboard and save ourselves or we all go down together. Which is is going to be?"

**OUR MISSIONARIES.**

The September number of the Foreign Mission Journal gives a list of the missionaries of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist convention. They are from the States as follows:

	No. Members to one	Members	Missionary
Alabama .....	15	157,000	10,500
Arkansas .....	8	88,000	11,000
Florida .....	1	33,000	23,000
Georgia .....	14	230,000	16,400
Kentucky .....	16	210,000	13,000
Louisiana .....	3	48,000	16,000
Maryland .....	7	11,000	1,500
Mississippi .....	16	122,000	7,600
Missouri .....	14	170,000	12,100
N. Carolina .....	13	196,000	15,000
S. Carolina .....	11	113,000	10,200
Tennessee .....	14	153,000	10,900
Texas .....	24	230,000	9,500
Virginia .....	23	135,000	5,700
Other States and countries .....	33		

Elsewhere is an account of the going out of Dr. and Mrs. Hearn. May God bless their labors among the suffering. They go as medical missionaries.

**SOME INTERESTING ITEMS FOR THE LITTLE ONES**

**A GOOD METHOD.**

By Annie M. Pratt.

There was once a little schoolma'am Who had this curious way Of drilling in subtraction On every stormy day.

"Let's all subtract unpleasant things, Like doleful dumps and pain, And then," said she, "you'll gladly see That pleasant things remain."—Ex.

**PLEASURE.**

I like to have them read to me The bloodiest stories that can be— Of grizzly bears an' Injuns red— Before it's time to go to bed.

I like it 'cause it makes me creep When in the dark I try to sleep, An' through the hall an' on the stairs I hear the Injuns an' the bears!

The same way with ice cream, I think— Vanilla or the dandy pink— That tastes so awful good, an', oh, That makes your head an' eyes ache so!

—Edwin L. Sabin, in September Housekeeper.

**HELPING MOTHER.**

"I wish I was a big, grown woman, so as to be able to help you, mother," said a little girl of whom we have read.

"Bring mother's thimble, then, darling; that will be helping me," said the mother, smiling.

Just as if God meant for little children to wait until they grow up before helping their parents. No, no! God gave them two nimble feet on purpose to take steps for mother, and eight fingers and two thumbs on purpose to bring and carry for her.

**WHAT MAKES A BOY POPULAR.**

What makes a boy popular? Surely it is manliness. During the war how many schools and colleges followed popular boys? These young leaders were the manly boys whose hearts could be tested.

The boy who respects his mother has leadership in him. The boy who is careful of his sister is a knight. The boy who will never violate his word, and who will pledge his honor to his own hurt and change not, will have the confidence of his fellows. The boy who will never hurt the feelings of any one will one day find himself possessing all sympathy.

If you want to be a popular boy, be too manly and generous and unselfish to seek to be popular; be the soul of honor; love others better than yourself, and people will give you their hearts, and try to make you happy. This is what makes a boy popular.—The Presbyterian, Toronto.

**Nailing It Fast.**

Once, when I was a little school girl, a visitor said something in a speech he made to us which I shall never forget.

"Suppose," said he, "you were building a house, and instead of putting the shingles and weather boards on with nails, you fastened them in place with tacks. It would be a foolish way to work, would it not? For the first high wind would send them flying off in all directions. None of you would do so silly a thing as that, I am sure. But how are you doing your school work day by day? Are you just tacking the lessons on so they will stay long enough for the recitation and then drop off your memory, or are you nailing them fast so they will stay on for life and become a good, sound part of your education."—King's Own.

**A POSER.**

I know a boy who don't believe in fairies, 'cause he said He never saw one anywhere except in books he'd read; And then I ast him if he'd seen the coast of Atrikee Except when he was studyin' his book on Joggaphy? I ast him if he'd ever seen old Greenland's icy cap Except when he was lookin' for the North Pole on the map? I ast him if he'd ever seen great Gen'ral Washin'ton Except in books that told him what G. W. had done? And when I got through asking him more questions similar He said he 'thought 'twas goin' to rain," and ran home to his Mar. —John Kendrick Bangs, in September Housekeeper.

Have just closed a good revival at New Ebenezer Baptist church, near Highland Home, in Crenshaw county. By my feeble efforts in presenting an all-sufficient crucified Saviour, the meeting resulted in 12 baptisms. The church was revived and the spirit of God broods over church and community. To him who loved us and redeemed us be all the glory and honor. —S. W. Anders, Fort Deposit, Ala.

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FROM FOSTERS.

For the first time I am knocking at the door of the Alabama Baptist for admission. Will you admit me? I have been thinking ever since I moved down here I would write to the Baptist and tell you all what I expected to do, and then decided I would wait until something was done and tell you about that. So now I have something of interest to me to write about. We have just closed our meeting at Grants Creek, with fifteen accessions, ten by experience, five by letter, and the entire membership of the church greatly revived.

Brother A. F. Loftin assisted me in three of my meetings; of the other two I'll tell you later on.

Up till Tuesday night it seemed that the old ship, Grants Creek church, was anchored, and the devil had full control, and Wednesday morning going on to church I told my wife that I felt like there was a glorious victory just ahead of us, and sure enough the victory came that day. The fire was kindled that day and didn't cease to burn till the close, and in fact, hasn't gone out yet, for yesterday a man told me that he attended our meeting, heard my brother preach twice and each sermon was a looking glass in which he thought he saw himself as God saw him, and now he says "I have decided to give up and follow wherever He leads me. I am ready for service."

At Beulah we had a glorious meeting, with ten accessions, eight for baptism, one by letter and one who left us years ago and went to the Campbellites was restored to fellowship of our church. I know others will join next time I go there, for they told me so. At New Hope we had the best revival the church has ever had, or at least, Uncle Jim Smith says "the best in seventy-five years." Eleven accessions. My brother did all the preaching and the Lord certainly used him for good in my field. May heaven's richest blessings rest upon him in all his labors for the Master.

Brother Barnett, I shall be greatly disappointed if you, Dr. Crumpton, Dr. Montague and others that I have invited don't come to our association, which meets with my home church

next Tuesday. Come and see what we are doing and tell us how we can do more. God bless the editor of the great Alabama Baptist.—Alonzo R. Loftin.

BACK FROM LOUISIANA.

I have recently returned to my work at Brookside, Ala., from a visit out in the northwestern part of Louisiana, to see my people. We had a most delightful trip. During the time of thirty days we were gone I spent twenty-one of them preaching. I preached forty-three sermons and there were over forty claimed conversion. Thirty-eight of those were baptized. The Lord did wonderfully bless the labor. I am glad to say that I feel that we have many friends out there. They laid before us some very inviting propositions, and had it not been that we were aiming to enter Howard college this session to finish up our training, there we would have probably considered some of the offers. But owing to the fact that I need much more college training I did not care to give up Howard for any college.

I have been out of Howard now for two and one-half sessions, thinking that I would be better prepared by the next session, but I am very little better prepared now than when I left there two and one-half years ago. So God being my helper, I want to enter this session and stay with it until I have better equipped myself for the great task before me. To all who read these lines I most earnestly request and desire a sentence of your prayers. The way before me through school seems very dark, but I hope and pray that the light will break through from some source. Permit me to say a few words about my work at Brookside. When I came here as pastor we had, I think, about thirty-five or forty enrolled in the Sunday school. Now we have one hundred and seven, and good attendance. The preaching services are well attended. We have removed all indebtedness from off the church, and have some money in the treasury to carry to the association. We have not been heard from at the association in about five years, so we will be coming up with an application letter. Pray for us at Brookside.—Oliver C. Dobbs, Pastor.

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9:30 a. m. Song service.

9:45 a. m. Devotional exercises by Rev. R. J. Stuart, of Coalburg.

10:00 a. m. Welcome address by V. L. Self.

Response by H. W. Watts. Duet by Miss Sada Cowgill and Mr. Glanton.

10:30 a. m. Essay by Mrs. Cora E. Bonner. Recitation by Miss Essa Ellard. Duet by Miss Sada Cowgill and Mr. Sloan.

11:00 a. m. Sermon by Rev. J. S. Chadwick, of Birmingham.

12:00. Refreshments.

1:00 p. m. Work resumed. (a) Reports from schools since last convention.

2:00 p. m. How to Get the Old People to Attend Sunday School, by Rev. James Moncrief, of Jug Town.

2:30 p. m. How to Get the Young People to Attend, by Rev. J. H. Wilkins, of Mineral Springs.

3:00 p. m. The Organized Sunday school by Rev. J. H. Lewis, of Lewisburg.

Let every school send a large delegation, including the pastor and superintendent. A report from every school should be made. General discussion on every subject where time will permit. **ESSA ELLARD, Secretary.**

**GOOD MEETING.**

In order that the brethren who read the Baptist may know of some of the happenings among Baptists in this part of the state, I would like to say that I have attended three Baptist protracted meetings this summer— one conducted by the Rev. P. G. Maness at Fellowship Baptist church, one at Plantersville conducted by Bro. Bryant, both in Dallas county, and another by Bro. Sanders at Valley Creek church, Chilton county. Bro. Maness was assisted by Bro. Sanders, Bro. Willie Seymore and Bro. Fred Barnes, Bro. Seymore being ordained to the full work of the ministry during the meeting. Bro. Bryant did most of the preaching at Plantersville. Rev. J. W. Mitchell dropped in one night and preached for him. Bro. Sanders was assisted at Valley Creek by Brethren Seymore and Barnes, Bro. Barnes being ordained to the full work of the ministry during the meeting. Bro. Sanders, besides being a minister of the gospel, has a fine school in Morrowville, eight miles west of Plantersville, of which he has been principal for the last three or four sessions. Bro. Seymore has been in Howard one session and will return in a few days. Bro. Barnes will accompany him. They are both good and quiet young men and good wishes and prayers of the people of Fellowship and Valley Creek communities will follow them. Let me wish you great success both spiritually and financially.

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Respectfully submitted,  
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### IN MEMORIAM.

Mr. Benjamin P. Killingsworth departed this life July 19, 1907, after a long and lingering illness. For five months his faithful wife and children tenderly nursed and cared for him, doing all in their power to stay the hand of the death angel, even sending him to Montgomery under the care of his physician to have an operation performed and for a few days it seemed to be successful, but it was not to be, so he came home to spend his last days with his devoted family. He bore his suffering with patience and fortitude, was bright and cheerful up to a few hours before he died. He was conscious to the last, and was ready and willing to go. Just before the breath left him he was stricken speechless, but grasped the hand of his eldest son and shook it heartily, then quickly pointed upward, as much as to say, "Goodby, my son. I am going home." He was about 62 years old. Was born and grew to manhood in southwest Georgia. Was married to Miss Sarah Green Jan. 10, 1866. Eight children blessed their union, but one (a babe) preceded its father.

Mr. Killingsworth was a soldier in the civil war, serving in Company F, 32d Georgia regiment, and marched to the front under Captain Willis. He was fearless and brave and served his country well. He was a Baptist and so are all of his family. He leaves many friends who sympathize deeply with the bereaved family and beg them to remember that whom God loveth He chasteneth.—A Friend.

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**MONTGOMERY NOTES.**

On Sunday night, Sept. 1st, the Southside church gave a welcome service to her new pastor, Rev. S. A. Cowan, of Atlanta. The following participated in the service. Dr. A. F. Dix was chairman. Rev. J. A. Jenkins read scripture and offered prayer. Welcome to state by Rev. E. E. George. Welcome to city by Dr. C. A. Stakely. Welcome to locality by Rev. I. W. Chalker, pastor Perry Street Methodist church. Welcome to B. Y. P. U. work by Rev. J. H. Bush. Welcome to Sunday school by Rev. J. W. O'Hara. Welcome to church by Rev. A. F. Dix. At the conclusion of the service Bro. Cowan made a most felicitous response to the hearty welcome extended him. The prospects are very bright for the Southside church under the wise, consecrated leadership of Bro. Cowan.

Rev. J. A. Jenkins has been engaged in revival work in the vicinity of Montgomery recently. He reports successful meetings. Bro. Jenkins is one of our strongest men and best preachers, and some church will do well to secure his services as pastor.

Rev. J. M. Thomas, of Virginia, an ex-Alabamian, has been doing some most acceptable supply work at Southside during the summer. He has been at Clanton the past week in a great revival. We have him in the state now. Why not either quarantine him or corral him, and keep him here? We need him, and the church that secures his service will be fortunate. The writer has a very tender feeling for him, inasmuch as he was his pastor at Bessemer when he entered the ministry. Bro. Thomas is a strong, useful gospel preacher, and we need just such as he.

Rev. John Bass Shelton has resigned his work at Adams Avenue church and will enter the evangelistic work for all his time. The church has not decided upon his successor yet, but they are laying eyes upon one of the wanderers and expect to bring him back. We are quite sure that the officers and members will not allow the church to be without a pastor for a great length of time.

Rev. Robert Jones seems to have a good hold upon his work at West End for the short time he has been with them. During the summer he has been away some, but the fall season is coming, and we look for his faithful pastoral work and preaching to bring things to pass there.

The work at Highland Park is moving along splendidly, as was to be expected when Bro. Bush went there. The church will begin to build real soon. Their report to the association this week will be a very creditable one for our "baby church." She has divested herself of her swaddling clothes and is lengthening her dress all the time. Her mark is going to be made in that part of the city.

The old First, under Dr. Stakely's princely leadership, moves apace. There is good everywhere in that splendid church. You have only to come in contact with her leaders and know them to find out the life and spirit of the church. They are really fretting under the collar to break away from the old moorings, and get

into their magnificent new building, where there will be room for their natural expansion and growth. In the very near future that will be accomplished.

Clayton Street keeps expanding. We have found it necessary to enlarge our building for better Sunday school equipment and room. We have bought an additional room in lot adjacent to us, and when we have paid for that the plan is to enlarge as we need. The total contributions for the year have been \$3,306.21, about \$800 beyond last year. Our missions for the year are \$825.71. We are going to join the centennial movement this year and try to go beyond \$1,000. It is the pastor's desire that in the write-up of the history of the church this year, it can be said that every member has contributed to the centennial fund. Why not every church in the state make that her motto during the year?

The Montgomery Association meets Wednesday at Mt. Hebron, near Elmore. All the churches have splendid reports to make, and we look for a most harmonious and pleasant meeting.

Mr. W. D. Sims, of Richmond, a great Baptist Sunday school worker, has come to Montgomery to engage in the interdenominational Sunday school work. Bro. Sims will be a valuable addition to the forces of the city and state, and we heartily welcome him. He had the largest Sunday school in Richmond and the second largest in the world.

More anon about the fraternity of Baptists here. We are in the field to do our best for the centennial movement this year, and we bespeak for Secretary Crompton the fullest co-operation of every Baptist in the state in this noble undertaking.

Respectfully,  
J. W. O'HARA.  
Montgomery, Ala., Sept. 2, 1907.

**NORTH ANNISTON CHURCH.**

Last Saturday, when on my way to Piedmont, I called on Bro. J. B. Keown, the pastor of the North Anniston Baptist church. I found him busy with the frame work of the new church house. This house is to reflect great credit to the little church that is struggling to build it. The dimensions of the house are 52x55, walls 16 feet high, Truss roof, floor inclined to the center with seats facing the speaker's stand. The house will seat over two thousand people. This is the best constructed wall as a frame that I have seen at all. The upright pieces are 2x6 instead of 2x4 inches. The brethren over the state who are contemplating a new church house would do well to write Bro. T. J. Keown for plan and price. I do trust that the rich churches of our state will get the Sunday schools to send Bro. J. B. Keown a contribution to aid these working people in this great work. Also the churches that are not rich could send a contribution to this struggling church and by so doing aid in a good work.

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OBITUARY.

William Hilliard Falkner, deacon of Beulah Baptist church, Sterrett, Ala., a devoted husband, affectionate father, faithful Christian, loyal citizen and a model soldier, died at his home August 26, 1907. Deceased was 69 years old and had been a diligent member of the church for about fifty years. He was sought after for advice and counsel by old and young. His judgment was excellent, opposing evil and choosing good. In friendship he was Christ-like. Earth is impoverished, heaven enriched, for he died in the Lord and his works do remain a mighty benediction.—W. C. Elder.

Sterrett, Ala., Aug. 30, 1907.

CENTENNIAL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Union Springs, Ala., Aug. 30, '07.

Dear Brother:

The Centennial Association will meet with Liberty church, three and a half miles northwest of Boswell's, on the Central of Georgia railroad, on the 9th of October. I trust you will see to it that your church takes the proper steps to send your full quota of messengers, and that they shall carry with them a full and accurate report of the status of your church. I hope, too, that you will not neglect to secure from your church such liberal contributions as you may be able for our various benevolent objects, and have the different funds so classified as to give the finance committee an easy comprehension of your wishes in the matter of distributing the same. Recollect, also, to make some part of the contribution for associational purposes, such as printing of minutes, payment of clerk, etc.

Look over the minutes of the last association, page 14, and see whether you are a member of any one of the standing committees. If so co-operate with your chairman in an effort to present a full and accurate report.

I am glad to be able to say that our association has made notable progress the previous year. I feel that we are occupying a higher ground than at any time in the recent past. Nearly all of our churches have pastors, and several of them have had revival meetings during the summer. I feel that the association is making progress in the Master's cause and ask that every one of you co-operate with me in an effort to organize and conserve all the forces we are capable of in this direction. Respectfully,  
C. H. FRANKLIN,  
Moderator.

On last Saturday I began my meeting over at New Hope. Bro. Douglas Parker, of Jackson, our missionary, came over and helped us. As a result of meeting there were several accessions to the church, all for baptism. We have cause to be glad because of the salvation of souls. Bro. Parker goes from here to Cedar Springs, in another part of the county, to hold a meeting. We pray God may continue to use him for his glory in winning souls for his kingdom. God bless the paper.—J. L. Corney, August 15th.

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In the meeting at Heath and Adellum I was ably assisted by our associational evangelist, Brother Jesse A. Cook. There were thirty-seven additions at the former church and twenty-four at the latter, mostly by baptism. Brother Cook is a rising young preacher. I have tendered my resignation at all my churches to take effect October 1, 1907. I have been on this work about four years and leave all my churches in good condition. There has been about two hundred additions to my churches during my pastorate. They all have good Sunday schools and prayer meetings. This will make a good field for some good man. I have resigned because I have been here long enough, and it is better to change.—B. P. F.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County, Probate Court, August 22nd, 1907.

Estate of Baylis E. Grace, Deceased. This day came Annie E. Grace, administratrix of the estate of said decedent, and filed her application in writing and verified by affidavit, praying for the sale of certain real estate therein described, belonging to the estate of said deceased, which said real estate has never been sold and is now subject to the payment of the debts of the estate, said estate having heretofore been declared insolvent.

And, whereas, the 23rd day of September, 1907, has been appointed as a day to hear the same,

It is, therefore, ordered that notice of the filing of said application and of the day appointed to hear the same be given the following-named heirs and devisees of said estate, by publication once a week for three successive weeks in the Alabama Baptist, a newspaper published in this county, viz: Charles Walker Grace and Marie Antoinette Grace, both over twenty-one years of age, and Edward Earl Grace and Samuel Francis Grace, minors, over the age of fourteen years, all of whom are children of Baylis E. Grace, Jr., deceased, who was a son of Baylis E. Grace, deceased, and all reside at Woodlawn, Alabama; David Borden Grace, residence Birmingham, Alabama; Bettie Grace Burrell, wife of Tom Burrell, residence East Lake, Ala., and Annie Grace Drake, wife of Claude Drake, residence in the State of Texas, but whose address is unknown to petitioner, all of whom are over the age of twenty-one years; William Grace, Francis Grace, Judith Grace and Ermine Grace, all minors under the age of fourteen years, residing with their mother, Ida Grace, at Birmingham, Ala., all of the seven last named heirs being children of Francis M. Grace, deceased, who was a son of Baylis E. Grace, deceased; and Mrs. Mary Lowery, wife of John Lowery, who is over twenty-one years of age, daughter of Baylis E. Grace, deceased, residence being in Mansfield county, in the State of Louisiana, but whose postoffice address is unknown to petitioner.  
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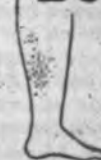
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(Continued from Page 1.)  
Christian young people's societies of the district was replete with features of the sensational order.

From the time the gavel was rapped by the presiding officer, Rev. Frank Willis Barnett, editor of the Alabama Baptist, until the vast assembly had been dismissed by Rev. S. L. Dobbs, presiding elder of the district, there was something doing.

The position taken by the industrial corporations in opposition to prohibition in Jefferson county also came in for notice by the speakers.

In a series of successive attacks by different speakers, the city council was held before the public as the last source from which prohibition legislation could be expected to come. Not only did the attacks come from without the membership of the body, but from within as well.

A resolution endorsing the Birmingham News was offered by Dr. J. E. Ellis, district president of the Epworth League. The resolution was adopted by acclamation, as follows:

"Whereas, The Birmingham News comes forward as the leader of the fight against whisky in Jefferson county, thereby championing a cause which we believe means the greatest good to the greatest number, therefore, be it

"Resolved by the Young People's societies of Jefferson county in mass meeting assembled on this the first day of September, 1907, in the year of our Lord, That the Birmingham News be and is hereby commended for the patriotic and unselfish position that it has taken on this vital question.

"J. M. TERRY, Christian Endeavor.  
"S. R. BILLINGSLEY, Baracas.  
"H. W. DEARING, B. Y. P. U.  
"J. E. ELLIS, Epworth League."

#### The "Seed Tickers."

At the conclusion of Dr. McCoy's address, Mr. Barnett made a brief talk in which he said that if he had done nothing more Dr. McCoy had given a name to the anti-prohibitionists, "Seed Tickers." (Loud laughter.) He then paid his respects briefly to the city council, referring to them as a "wonderful body," after looking upon which he had exclaimed, "God help the city."

Mr. Barnett then said that if there were any aldermen in the audience he would ask them to stand up. Alderman George Estes and Alderman Dan Hogan arose. Mr. Barnett extended to them the privileges of the floor, and Alderman Estes came forward at once and began to address the audience. He pleaded guilty to being a member of that "remarkable body" to which the chairman had just referred, and said that the fight which he had been waging in the council was the same as was now being waged by the prohibitionists. He referred to the council as the skirmish line of the prohibition fight, and declared that no help could be expected by the prohibitionists from that source. He spoke of the recent changes made in the council and said "when our worthy mayor gets back there will be something doing in Birmingham." Mr. Estes pledged himself for prohibition.

Mr. Barnett then called upon Alderman Hogan for a talk. He said

that he did not know Mr. Hogan's views on prohibition, but that he did know his father was a Baptist minister and he believed Mr. Hogan was a prohibition man because he had been known to oppose high license in the council because in his opinion it would not prohibit. With cries from the audience of "Hogan, Hogan," the alderman arose in the rear of the auditorium and spoke briefly, declaring that the chair had correctly voiced his sentiments and that he was for prohibition.

#### Mrs. Sibley Speaks.

After the solo, "Down in the Licensed Saloon," by Prof. Stephen Alsopp, Mr. Barnett introduced Mrs. Sibley, president of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Mrs. Sibley was dressed in solid black and wore pinned on her bosom the white badge of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the emblem of purity.

As she began the audience sat in perfect silence eager to hear her every word. Mrs. Sibley presented a distinguished appearance, her snow white hair crowning a face that bears the stamp of love for human kind. She began in a voice that was scarcely audible to speak of temperance. She spoke of what had been accomplished in Georgia and what would be done here.

She said that the fight was on and that the enemy was trembling.

At the conclusion of Mrs. Sibley's address the chairman announced that the badge of the order would be pinned upon all who desired to wear it as they left the door.

Chairman Barnett next introduced Walter L. Sessions, chairman of the central prohibition committee. Mr. Sessions said that he could not speak but that he could work. He asked every one to pray for him and to give him their support in every way.

#### The Four Presidents.

The four presidents of the young people's societies were asked by the chairman to stand up and let the people get a look at them. They had been down on the programme for short addresses, but because of the hour being late this portion of the programme was omitted.

The district presidents of the Christian Endeavor, Baptist Young People's Union, Epworth League and Baracas, under the auspices of which organizations the mass meeting was held, are respectively, J. M. Terry, Harry W. Dearing, Dr. J. E. Ellis and Ira Broughton.

The resolution in reference to the Birmingham News was adopted by a unanimous vote with great enthusiasm.

Mr. Barnett requested all qualified voters who were in favor of prohibition to stand up. Scarcely a man was left seated and of those few a number were not qualified to vote for various reasons.

The audience was dismissed by Rev. S. L. Dobbs, presiding elder of the district. As the vast crowd filed out of the doors of the church the ladies stood at the exits and pinned the white badge on the coat lapels of the men, while gentlemen secured signatures to the prohibition petitions.

#### Dr. Montague Speaks.

Dr. A. P. Montague was introduced

as the first speaker. Dr. Montague said in part:

"Some years ago, when in the city of Aix-la-Chapelle, in Rhenish Prussia, I asked the proprietor of the Hotel Imperial Crown, upon my arrival, if the water there was good. His reply was: 'Indeed, sir, I do not know. I have not tasted it for fifteen years.'

"Time and again that man would spend an entire afternoon sitting with other men under the trees in his yard, playing cards and drinking beer and wine.

"Madly men calling themselves experts declare that the almost constant drinking of beer and wine on the continent of Europe does not impair the health of the people; but I simply do not believe their statements, since the taking of any intoxicant, mild or powerful, is contrary to nature, and persisted in, it must affect the stomach, the brain cells and the nervous system; it must lead to the deterioration of physical forces; and it assuredly dulls the moral perception and enervates, if it does not destroy, the spiritual in man.

"No sane man, unless he is a seller of liquor or a lover of drink, can be found to state that intoxicants do not injure a healthy person.

"A man, even slightly under the influence of liquor, is never at his best physically or mentally and he is under such conditions always at his worst morally.

"He may seem for a few minutes brighter, but as surely as sunset follows sunrise reaction comes and a dullness, more marked than the spurious and borrowed brightness, envelops brain and body.

"Except by a physician's order, and that as rarely as possible, any liquor, seldom necessary, is always injurious."

#### Praises Birmingham News.

The speaker then referred to the stand taken by The Birmingham News, praising the paper for coming out on the side of morality.

After speaking at some length on the benefit that the prohibition cause would reap from having a public medium through which its arguments could reach the public, Dr. Montague spontaneously exclaimed, "God bless The Birmingham News."

This was the first time during the afternoon that The Birmingham News had been mentioned and at Dr. Montague's words the audience broke into a tremendous cheer. Several times later in the afternoon when the paper was referred to by different speakers the same enthusiastic response came from the audience, which was clearly appreciative of the value of such an ally in the prohibition campaign. Continuing, Dr. Montague said:

"For this great moral conflict today in Jefferson county, in Birmingham, destined to be the leading city of the south, we find cheer and inspiration in the knowledge that with us this day in this struggle are the lives and spirits of men who built a nation, whose minds and hearts found no barrier in disaster, no hindrance in calamity, who looked into the face of death and knew no fear, whose wisdom evoked the world's praises, whose eloquence charmed the ears of thousands, who, best of all, stood in

awe and reverence before the dread fires of Sinai, haled with rapture the star of Bethlehem, cast their all before the cross of Calvary and saw in the risen Lord their hope of life in the palace of the King.

"In the name of the founders of our country and the heroes of the elder time; in the name of our boys, hope and promise of the years that are to be, our boys, whose fair souls are ready for the stamp of truth and virtue, ready for the image of Christ, in the name of American institutions, which should be as banners, stainless and pure, leading the nations on to nobler conceptions and deeds of government, in the names of homes that are, and homes that are to be, of wives, mothers, fathers, children, I plead with you, men and brethren, to strike down the beast of drink and to stand for truth, soberness and righteousness in Jefferson county now, and then in Alabama, and in all our fair land."—From the Birmingham News.

#### FROM ONEONTA, ALA.

We closed on last Saturday night one of the best meetings. Oneonta has enjoyed for a long time. Bro. J. D. Ray, of North Highlands, came up on Monday, the 26th, to assist our pastor, Bro. D. D. Head, and from the very first he won the attention of the people, and through his plain, forceful gospel sermons he won the hearts of our people and led many sinners to think upon their way. We had a good meeting. The people were stirred up and strengthened and revived as they have not been for years. The Lord was with us in the conversion of eight precious souls and in the uplifting of his people. The meeting closed with eleven accessions to the church, one by letter, one came under the watch care of the church, and nine for baptism. Bro. Ray entwined himself about the hearts of our people, and we feel that the earnest sermons and appeals he made during last week will live in the hearts of the people and like bread cast upon the water, will be gathered up to the honor and glory of God. The church and good citizens of our town made Bro. Ray a present of \$25 and he goes back to his work carrying with him the love and prayers of our people that God may bless and prosper him in his work.

Our church paper makes its regular weekly visits into our home and it always comes as a welcome visitor. It's the best paper in Alabama for Baptists, and I hope it will find its way into every Baptist home. May God bless and help you in your work, and God bless and give success to all those who are so earnestly fighting the demon of strong drink in Jefferson and other counties of our state. God help us to drive it into the sea and out of the sight of men, where they may not look upon it when it is red, for at last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder. May God bless you and prosper you in your work.  
Your brother,  
J. S. DeLACHE.