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We wish to get the postoffice addresses of the following, so we can give them credit: Mrs. A. C. Standall, M. W. Lanier, Mrs. A. Carter.

Rev. J. Lawrence has resigned the pastorate of the Coliseum Place church, New Orleans, La., to accept the secretaryship of the state mission board of Louisiana.

John B. Ryan, the immortal author of "Pilgrim's Progress," generally held to have been a Baptist, is to have a six thousand dollar memorial window in the famous Westminster Abbey. Baptists are raising the money.

A British skipper armed himself with a revolver and in a small boat went to a Chinese guard ship, the command of which he arrested for having fired upon his vessel. This is in line with the American who during the Spanish-American war, captured a town over the telephone.



JAMES P. BOYCE.

We noted eleven marriage notices in one issue of the Baptist Courier recently, and all of them were contained in the space of a half column.

Our church is starting off nicely under the administration of Pastor I. H. Shuttlesworth, of Warrior. There have been additions to the church every month since the association met in October and donations to missions, orphans' home and ministerial education have gone above twenty dollars already. May the Lord bless you and our dear paper.—J. E. Creel, Warrior.

Rev. J. H. Tharp has declined reelection as editor of the Florida Baptist Witness. He says: "There is not a living in the paper for more than one person, and the combination duties of editor, field agent and manager are too taxing for my constitution." Under Brother Tharp's administration the price of the paper was raised from \$1.50 to \$2. He says that the paper can not be maintained for a less price, which is true. The successor of Bro. Tharp has not yet been announced.—Baptist and Reflector.

GUIDE ME, OH, MY SAVIOR, GUIDE ME.

Guide me, oh, my Savior, guide me,
When I wander from the way,
Let thy spirit rest beside me
And my trembling fears allay.

When I falter, faint, despairing,
Tempted, tried beyond my might,
Let thy loving hand appearing,
Raise me from my lowly plight.

Like the sheep, who torn and shaken,
Flee for shelter to the fold,
I am fleeing, lone, forsaken,
In the bleak and starless cold.

Lord, tho' I am undeserving,
Proud, ungrateful, weak and vile,
Thou hast ever been unswerving
In thy love, despite my guile.

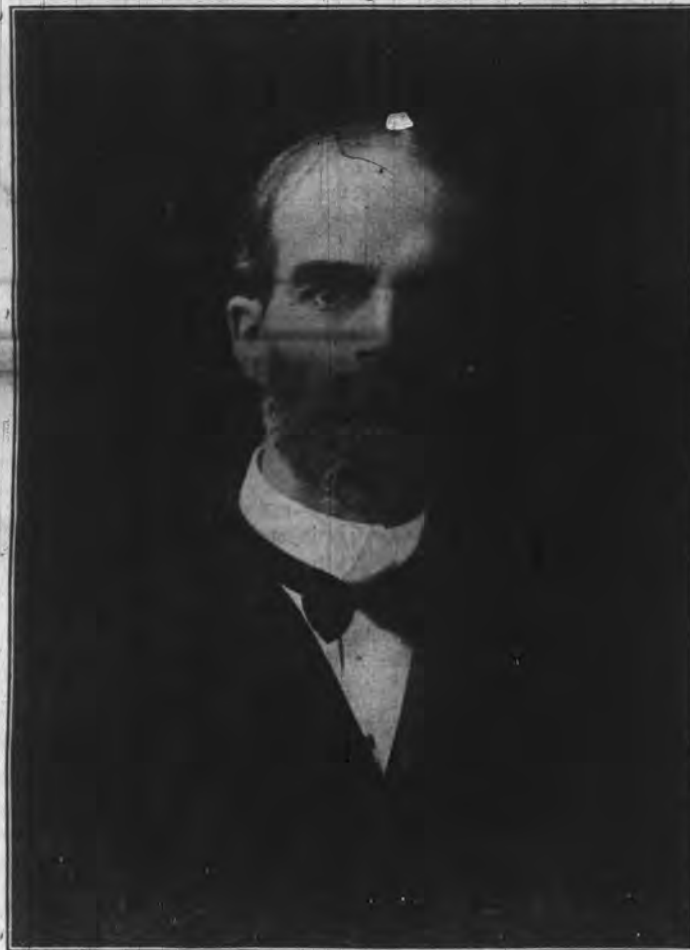
And thy promise, still to hold me,
Keep me, raise me when I fall,
In thy loving arms to fold me,
Bids me hope, and trust, and call.

CHORUS.

Jesus, Savior, keep me near thee,
Do not let me drift away,
Let thy loving arms safe bear me
To the realms of endless day.

—HUGH GAYLORD.

Mobile, Ala., Jan. 31, 1909.



REV. E. Y. MULLINS, D. D., President Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

AFRICA WAITING

They are waiting everywhere—
Where the fields of earth are fair,
Where the rivers nobly run,
Where the blossoms seek the sun,
Where the hills rise, high and grand,
Looking proudly o'er the land—
Waiting! Waiting!

They are waiting in the wild,
Sick and weary and defiled,
And the Savior's healing word
They have never, never heard;
Ever hungry and unfed,
Left without the living bread—
Waiting! Waiting!

—S. G. Stock, on Bishop Tucker's telegram "Africa Waiting."

For the happy beam of day
That shall chase their gloom away,
For the news, so glad and blest,
That shall set their hearts at rest,
For the peace we know and prize,
And the hope beyond the skies—
Waiting! Waiting!

Yet not voiceless or alone,
For their cry to heav'n hath flown,
And the Master waiteth, too,
Waiteth, ransomed souls, for you,
Till the life devotion sweet
Be outpoured at His feet—
Waiting! Waiting!

Rev. J. T. Edmondson has been called to the Temple Baptist church, Atlanta, and preached his first sermon there on Sunday last.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Martin, of Ozark, gave a reception at their lovely home Tuesday evening, February 2, in honor of Hon. William Jennings Bryan.

We miss Rev. P. C. Barkley, one of our Howard college boys, who now is pastor at Plains, Ga. He did a fine work in the Birmingham district during his student days.

Bro. C. M. King, of Denison, sends in the following: "A professor has discovered among some ancient ruins what is supposed to be the Eleventh Commandment. The text is as follows: 'Emas rof yltmorp tseyap uoht sselnu repapswar daer ton thahs uoht.' The Commandment is easily translated by beginning at the end and reading backward."—Ex.



JOHN A. BROADUS.

The Ten Club of Atlanta gave Dr. W. W. Landrum a banquet at the Piedmont hotel. On the back of the handsome souvenir menu booklet appeared the following suggestive couplet:

"Thus circling the cup, hand in hand,
ere we drink
Let sympathy pledge us through pleasure,
through pain."

It was a dry banquet, but not a Mumm's extra dry.

We have received a copy of the minutes of the East Liberty Association, and as usual Dr. Bledsoe sets the pace for the associational clerks. We like the idea of giving the inside back page in memory to the dead. Among the notes: Attention is called to the fact that the session of 1910 will be the seventy-fifth anniversary of the organization of the association. The first session was held with Lafayette church; the fiftieth session was held with the Lafayette church, and the occasion was duly celebrated, and the Lafayette church hopes to entertain the association at its seventy-fifth anniversary, and that it will be a great time for the old Liberty.



NORTON HALL

What The Theological Seminary Has Done For Southern Baptists

By Victor I. Masters, Associate Editor
Religious Herald



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WISH I might rightly portray the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. I wish I could tell the thrilling story of Boyce and Broadus, whose lives were given to it, and of Manly and Williams, who shared with them much of the toll and sacrifice in the early years.

From 1856, when he was but twenty-nine years of age, until his death in 1888, the heart of Dr. James P. Boyce was full of the great ideals which fruited in the Southern Baptist Theological school. From 1869, when he was still a young man, till 1894, when he passed into the Better Land, Dr. John A. Broadus gave his remarkable talents and complete devotion to the institution.

They were the greatest of all of the Southern Baptist hosts. Through all of Dr. Boyce's life one crisis after another came upon the institution, great waves of trial and misfortune which usually threatened its very existence. War, reconstruction, poverty, misunderstanding, indifference, dissent, even open opposition, were the forces which repeatedly tried the hearts of those faithful men. For all of the years up almost to the death of Dr. Boyce, the great school like Paul lived in its own hired house—sometimes a loaned one. Up till 1887, when there were more than 150 students, and with the largest constituency of any Protestant seminary in the world, it had not even a house of its own.

The story of how the founders stood by the institutional child of their affections against repeated waves of misfortune and in the face of repeated flattering and lucrative fields of service offered elsewhere, is not surpassed in beauty and power by any which the denomination's history furnishes. It is a precious heritage and should be told to the young to inspire them with courage for great undertakings.

Many Southern Baptist educational institutions have a rich record of the devoted service in trial of heroic men. But I know of no school of them which had so many distresses and almost heart-breaking trials and crises as did our Theological Seminary. If it had done nothing but give to Southern Baptists the lives of Boyce and Broadus, it would be a priceless value.

Increased the Average Ministerial Efficiency.

I invite attention to some facts by which may be measured the value of the Seminary to Southern Baptists. The space limitations of a newspaper, even stretched by courtesy to meet a special case, will admit of little more than a bare statement of them.

The Seminary has for Southern Baptists greatly increased the average of ministerial efficiency. Before 1860 there were many men of staunch character and fine native powers in the Southern Baptist pulpits, but men of culture and broad theological training were very, very few.

It would be both foolish and unjust to disparage the men of those days. The spirit of the prophet was in power upon many of them, and the sacrifices they made and the hardships they endured for the

gospel's sake are a heritage of which to be proud. Far be it from us to speak patronizingly of them. They were manly and faithful and suffered for Christ's sake. They preached the gospel in the wilderness until it had come up through the backwoods stage to the advanced country community. They planted churches, both in the country-side and in the towns and villages.

But most of them lacked culture and scholastic learning. Their preaching was strong in exhortation and often in its grasp of fundamental doctrines, and it was often fearless and faithful, but it was deficient in breadth and instruction. It did not make its way well in cities, where men congregate much together and hear many things. Baptists in that day had few city pulpits to man in the South compared with now, but they had still fewer men suitable for them, even in proportion to the demand, than they have now.

After fifty years of the Seminary Southern Baptists have a ministry trained to meet the needs of all classes of people. For it was not its business to train preachers for the city or for the country, but for both city and country, and also for town and hamlet and frontier and heathen lands.

There is no space to show how the elective system of study at the Seminary—the first elective course of study in any American theological school—has lent itself with effective readiness to the accomplishment of the great purpose of Boyce, that every Baptist preacher who wished, whatever his early scholastic opportunities or lack of opportunities, might receive theological training in the great school of the prophets.

But now that fifty years of the carrying out of the plans of the great founder are drawing to a close, it is fair to take stock of the advance in the general pulpit efficiency of the Southern Baptist preachers. In every state in the South, in city and town, and country, in the pulpit, in the homes and in every company of the denomination—men on whom Boyce and Broadus and their successors have conferred the boon of a liberal training for preaching are to be found doing high-class and effective service. These men have uplifted and broadened the standard of pulpit efficiency, and have made a standard for the churches which is far higher than it was fifty years ago.

This development of our preachers has had untold effect in widening the general intellectual horizon among the people. Baptists are no longer a folk of the country only. In every city in the South we now have trained men, who are able to hold to the old paths the young people who grow up among the windy cross-currents of urban life, and who can satisfy the needs of the cultivated as well as the common people. Thus we are growing more rapidly in the cities now, when it is much harder to grow, than we did in the days when it was easier.

It Has Provided a Form of Doctrinal Sanity.

The Southern Baptists are due the Seminary thanks unmeasured for providing a form of doctrinal sanity. It has stood between the extremes of liberalism and strictness, of breadth and narrowness, and has not

been afraid. Winds of controversy blew about it sometimes, and sometimes they threatened to become cyclonic. Sometimes the institution was forced to realize that this figurative wind was entirely reckless as to whether it should unsettle the foundations of the institution itself.

But it has stood, perhaps not always quite serene, but always with Christian courtesy and manliness, for sanity in doctrine. Alleged discoveries in science it never followed into a quagmire. Higher critics might put agape in admiration certain preachers of itching ears, but the Seminary punctured each gas-bag, and showed the students how little was the substance of the looming strange dogma, once the wind was out. Ultra-liberalism and antipodal ultra-conservatism in a score of forms have advanced across the borders of our broad denominational domain, or sometimes started to work from the inside, sooner or later each one of these inadequate or one-sided attitudes has had to measure strength with the Seminary either directly or in the great sane body of reverent students of truth whom it has sent out, and never yet has one of them been able to thrive in the face of so much sanity in doctrine and reverence for truth.

But for the magnificent work which the Seminary has done in grounding preachers in the great fundamentals of doctrine, and in teaching them how to make investigations on their own initiative, it would probably have been impossible for our 2,000,000 people, occupying so large a part of the country, to have held together as one denomination. Some of the divergences have been strong, and our substantial unity in doctrine and attitude today is probably more due to the Seminary than to any one agency besides.

A Safeguard of Denominational Solidarity.

It is but a step further to say that the Seminary has been the safeguard of our denominational solidarity. The three general Southern Convention Boards have wonderfully knit the denomination together in the unity of devotion to a great cause through common agencies. But probably it is less generally understood what a mighty agency for solidarity the Seminary has been. It is hardly too strong to say that it has been the greatest single agency. Let us consider:

By becoming a clearing house for "training the spirits" of all sorts of doctrinal extremes, the Seminary gave an overwhelming dominance to the historic Baptist attitude of reverence for and loyalty to truth, coupled with charity for all who interpret the truth differently. Within the last fifty years there have been points of divergence among Southern Baptists that, but for the pervasive, cumulative force of the teachings of this institution, given to men alike in every part of our Zion, might have split the denomination in twain.

In every Southern State there are many successive bands of preachers, whom year after year the Seminary has sent out. These men have been across State lines, not in mind only, but in heart and sympathy. The college man has sat by the side of his less cultivated brother and learned to respect and

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love him. The student from the older, Atlantic States has touched elbows with the energetic and breezy fellow of the plains, and both are thrilled at the contact into a vision of the future of the west and the self-reliant buoyancy of the men there whom God has called.

Every class and every State have contributed their quota to make up the strength and completeness of the whole. Through our Louisville clearing house for trained preachers each man's sympathies intelligently grasped the needs of the whole South, and through it each State has been able to call the various gifts of them all.

I write in Richmond. Two of the most useful ministers in the city's Baptist church are young Texans. Without having asked them, I am sufficiently posted to say that but for the Seminary Richmond would not have gotten either of them, and without it neither could have been exerting his so broad an influence for God in any other place which he might have been. This is an illustration which has been duplicated hundreds of times.

The solidarity of Southern Baptists is worth preserving. In many respects the Southern Baptists are the greatest body of Christians in the world. They have made wonderful progress and now have still more wonderful opportunities and responsibilities. An agency which tends strongly to hold them together and true to their mission, while at the same time it clarifies their vision and brings their resources into effective activity is worthy of the unstinted devotion and loyalty of all Southern Baptists who love the Lord and wish the denomination the greatest usefulness in the future.

Seed Bed of the Missionary Spirit.

The Seminary has been the great seed bed of the missionary spirit. Out of ninety-nine men who have gone out from among us we are now in the foreign mission field, sixty-four, or most exactly two-thirds of them, came from the Seminary. Probably not one in six of these had decided to be missionaries before coming under the Seminary's influence.

But this is only one-half of the picture. Fifty years ago the thousands of Baptists churches in the South either gave nothing to missions or else only a nominal amount, and there were not lacking good but backward men in their pulpits who preached against missions. Fifty years ago Southern Baptists gave the Home Mission Board and Foreign Missions \$50,234. Last year they gave to the same objects \$651,466, an increase of practically 1,300 per cent. This truly remarkable change except in unusual cases has not come up from the pew. It has come down from the pulpit and it came through our great school of the prophets at Louisville, far more than from all other sources combined. If this seems dogmatic, it is because I have no space for amplification. The facts are sufficiently well known.

Have Fitted Men for Responsible Leaders in the Kingdom.

The Seminary has rendered a great service to the denomination by training leaders for it. Of all religious people who need leaders of the right kind and caliber Baptists are chief. There is no formal control, no church court or synod, to decide or lead. The only leadership that we do is that which grows out of fitness in character and attainments.

If you were to take the men the Seminary has trained out of secretarial, pulpits, editors' chairs and college presidencies and professorships, it would leave a great gap. And if the brotherhood was to set itself again to filling the consequent lack, it would inevitably light upon other men whom the Seminary has trained and who with their splendid gifts are laboring now even more in the by-ways and hedges and making them blossom like a rose.

I am tempted to undertake to show by naming the men what advantage Alabama Baptists are at this time reaping from the work of the Seminary, but I shall not. I will, however, name just a few of those who came from Alabama to the Seminary and from there went out to a large service to the denomination. It will be enough to call their names. Are not their work known to a well-informed Baptist?

D. G. Lyon
Geo. B. Eager
W. H. Smith
W. A. Hobson
J. R. Sampey
J. S. Dill
F. D. Hale
B. F. Riley
J. J. Taylor

L. O. Dawson
T. P. Hale
John Stout
W. D. Hubbard
J. N. Prestridge
P. T. Hale
J. M. Thomas
S. H. Bennett
Z. T. Cody

C. J. Bentley
T. Hendon
I. N. Langston
A. G. Moseley
H. C. Sanders
G. W. Townsend

C. W. Hood
W. W. Lee

O. P. Bentley
F. A. Garrett
T. V. Shoemaker
J. E. Barnard
J. W. Dossett
A. A. Hutto
J. W. O'Hara
W. J. Ray
J. R. Curry

J. J. Cloar
H. W. Fancher
J. A. Jenkins
E. McW. Stewart
J. S. Wood

S. J. Dunlap
J. Y. Radford

J. G. Doblins
E. E. George
E. B. Moore
T. M. Thomas
H. B. Woodward

M. W. Dally
W. R. Hood
J. L. Jackson
G. W. Lovell

H. R. Arnold
G. W. Bouldin
C. S. Ellis
W. M. Riddle

E. G. Fenn
T. V. Neal
A. L. Stephens

P. C. Barkley
C. W. Collins
F. H. Farrington
F. Langston

J. A. Beal
Robt. Jones

David Bryan
J. A. Cook
H. M. Harris
J. W. Jones
Z. W. McNeill
D. I. Purser, Jr

E. S. Barnes
J. E. Cook, Jr
F. J. Flemming
F. M. Purser
W. T. Reeves
J. A. Smith

Of this number twenty-seven took the full graduate (three or four years) course, and many more other degrees. The average length of attendance for each student was about two years. In other words, the Theological Seminary has for Alabama Baptists done a service in training its ministers which would be equal to training one man for each year since the time when Columbus was too small a lad to dream about discovering America!

It is reasonable to suppose that these men would present an average of at least twenty years of active service in the ministry. In which case the 222 students represent 4,440 years of service of a trained minister of the word. If this form of statement ap-

A Complete List of Alabama Students.

A list of names is not usually fascinating reading, but I feel persuaded that Alabama Baptists will be glad to read the list of the Alabama men whom the Seminary has trained. No such list for the State has before been available, and I have been at considerable pains to prepare it. It contains 222 names. As presented they are alphabetically arranged for the period from 1869 to 1889, while from 1889 to 1908 they are arranged by the years in which they entered:

J. L. Allen
H. W. Battle
B. J. Bedell
W. M. Blackwelder
W. L. Brooks
W. C. Cleveland, Jr
T. B. Craighead
F. M. Daniel
W. P. Derrick
J. F. Duncan
T. W. A. Ebeltoft
H. B. Elmore
Rufus Figh
J. H. Foster, Jr
C. E. Fountain
F. D. Hale
J. W. Hamner
E. B. Hardie
Jasper Harris
J. E. Herring
R. M. Hunter
W. J. Johnson
D. G. Lyon
W. A. Mason
A. W. McGaha
J. W. Miller
J. K. Murphy
J. L. Pettigrew
A. J. Preston
H. B. Ralls
B. F. Riley
J. R. Sampey
W. T. Simmons
L. G. Skipper
John Stout
R. A. Sublett
J. J. Taylor
T. B. Thames
J. L. Thompson
E. B. Waldrop
C. O. Whitman
C. McC. Williams
J. W. Willis

H. Y. Barclay
B. M. Bean
M. H. Bell
L. M. Bradley
I. P. Chaney
Z. T. Cody
J. H. Curry
L. O. Dawson
J. S. Dill
Geo. B. Eager
W. J. Elliott
W. M. Farrior
S. N. Fitzpatrick
L. S. Foster
W. D. Gay
P. T. Hale
R. T. Hanks
W. B. Hare
W. S. Henderson
J. A. Howard
J. B. Jenkins
J. M. Karlin
J. W. McCullum
R. T. McMillan
T. A. Moore
J. A. Patterson
E. E. Pincard
J. N. Prestridge
M. E. Reese
J. M. Robertson
W. W. Saunders
C. H. Sims
W. H. Smith
J. W. Stewart
C. F. Sturgis
O. M. Sutton
J. W. Taylor
J. M. Thomas
A. C. Carroll
W. A. Whittle
N. W. Williams
B. R. Womack

Alabama Students by Years Since 1839.

C. G. Elliott
W. W. Harris
W. L. Cahall
A. S. Smith
M. J. Winchester
J. E. Barnes
W. A. Hobson
H. C. Compton
H. C. Hurley
J. L. Wood
J. F. Gable
W. W. Lee
C. C. Pugh
W. L. White

1889-90. I. W. Martin
1890-91.
1891-92. W. D. Hubbard
M. E. Weaver
1892-93. P. M. Callaway
L. F. Savell
1893-94. H. L. Hargett
C. B. Lloyd
1894-95. J. J. Hagood
P. G. Maness
M. Stamps

1895-96.

T. C. Hand
L. H. Huff
A. G. Lowrey
W. A. Parker
J. B. Shelton
W. L. White

1896-97.

J. F. Watson
W. T. Short

1897-98.

H. T. Crumpton
T. H. Johnson
C. T. Starkey

1898-99.

S. H. Bennett
R. H. Folmer
G. W. McRae
W. H. Pettus
G. L. Yates

1899-1900.

S. A. Cowan
D. D. Head
W. W. Howard
W. A. Talliaferro

1900-1901.

J. D. Ray

1901-02.

J. S. Dunlap
C. W. Mathiason
A. N. Reeves
W. A. Windham

1902-03.

G. W. Freeman
J. L. Ingram
J. H. Longier
A. C. Swindall

1903-04.

F. Averyt
A. W. Brisco
L. C. Kelly
J. W. Sandlin

1904-05.

W. R. Ivey
J. A. Seay

1905-06.

J. H. Chapman
J. M. Cox
A. J. Gross
G. B. F. Stovall

1906-07.

J. A. Dickinson
J. W. Partridge

1907-08.

C. F. Clark
A. B. Creel
W. C. Henson
I. L. Jordan
A. E. Page
W. P. Wilks

1908-09.

J. F. Brock
C. J. Crawford
J. D. Slardson
L. T. Reeves
J. T. Robinson
C. W. Stett

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pears unusual, it is still hoped it may help to fix in the mind something of the tremendous contribution of the Seminary to Alabama. It has made a similar contribution to the Baptists in every Southern State. What Alabama Baptists Have Done for the Seminary.

Now, what have Alabama Baptists done for the seminary? The consuming desire of Dr. Boyce was to be permitted to see the seminary adequately endowed before he should die. In a letter written by him in 1884 and quoted by Dr. Broadus in his Life of Boyce, he says: "O that I could get my brethren to see its (the seminary's) possibilities for good, with an ample endowment. I know it would do ten times its present work."

Before the death of Dr. Boyce he was permitted to see the seminary in its own buildings, and with an endowment which assured that at least the existence of the school should not again be in jeopardy. But the endowment was not adequate even then, and with the great enlargement of the student body and the demands made upon the institution it is still less so now.

After twenty years of waiting since the great soul of Boyce went to be at rest from the toil of seeking money to build an institution for training Baptist ministers, the seminary has again come to ask of Southern Baptists that their purses and hearts be opened that it may be provided and not lack the means to do well its great work.

In those earlier years, noble men among Alabama Baptists headed the call of the seminary. A total amount of about \$35,000 was given from the state. The institution compared favorably with that of most of the states, but neither its nor their gifts are an adequate return for the unmeasured advantages which have accrued to the denomination through the work of our great school of the prophets.

The seminary, after twenty years of quiet labor with limited means, has again gotten the ear of the denomination in the interest of an increased endowment. It asks for \$600,000 and needs it all. When it gets it, its endowment will be much less for the number of men trained than that of the leading theological schools of the country.

Alabama Baptists are asked for \$50,000 of this. Will they give it? Every one who knows them and their long-time interest in the Christian education feels assured that they will. May the consideration of thoughts suggested in this story touch some with fresh realization of the great issue at stake!

MISSION INSTITUTE REPORT.

By Ida Lee Butler.

(A Delayed Paper.)

December 9th was a rare day for the mission workers of the Baptist church of Huntsville, Ala. For several weeks the W. M. U. had been looking to the mission institute, and the day proved to be much in advance of their expectations. It was a day of spiritual uplift, of sweet soul communion, of stirred ambitions, of new resolves and high privileges. A social, hospitable all-day coming together of earnest, consecrated Christian women.

The institute was opened promptly by Mrs. M. B. Neece, president of the W. M. U. of the First Baptist church, of Huntsville. Mrs. Neece made a very forceful opening address in which she outlined the day's program and prepared us for some of the rich treats in store for us.

Mrs. F. DeWitt Ware, pianist for the day, followed Mrs. Neece with that grand old hymn, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee."

The devotional exercises were reverently conducted by Mrs. R. S. Gavin. Mrs. L. Q. C. Kelly, of Birmingham, made an address on "Working Force of the W. M. U." Mrs. Kelly is a strong, clear thinker, earnest and consecrated to an unusual degree. She gave the ladies a desire to become a part of the great working force and help forward every movement of the W. M. U., which is the Christ movement throughout the world.

Mrs. J. B. Bailes, of the Methodist congregation, sang exquisitely a solo that touched our hearts with new love and desire for the Master and His work.

WOMAN'S WORK

State Executive Board.

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First V. President—Mrs. T. A. Hamilton.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. A. J. Dickinson, 517 N. 22d street, Birmingham.

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Supt. Y. W. A.—Miss Kathleen Mallory, Selma, Ala.

Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. D. M. Malone, Mission Room, Watts Building, Birmingham.

(All contributions to this page should be sent to Mrs. D. M. Malone, Mission Room, Watts Building, Birmingham.)

Like Frances Havergal, Mrs. Bailes' beautiful voice is given to the Master's service and only He can know how many hearts have been turned to the glory path by its sweet appeal.

Miss Mallory, of Selma, that fine girl-woman whose face carries the "brightness of the firmament" and whose influence will shine "as the stars forever and ever," next addressed the institute on the "W. M. U. apportionment." We did not sleep upon the statistics as given by Miss Mallory.

"Presenting Sunbeam Work," by Miss Edna Cleveland, of Huntsville, was a most excellently prepared and beautifully read paper. "Mission Literature," by Mrs. Kelly, was next presented. Mrs. Mary Hoskins, from the Methodist Societies of the city, gave cordial and sympathetic greetings to the mission workers.

Mrs. Neece here announced a recess, during which time Mrs. McGaha and Miss Gertrude Cleveland, aided by a score of ready assistants from the Young Ladies' Society of the First church, served a delicious luncheon. The charming young maids and matrons were indeed "things of beauty" and the dainty refreshments "a joy" while they lasted.

This social hour was a special pleasure, as the institute directors, Mrs. Kelly and Miss Mallory, the visiting ladies from other places in this association and the ladies from our sister local societies, Dallas Avenue, West Huntsville, Merrimack churches came together in delightful fellowship.

Mrs. Walter Miller, of the Young Ladies' Society, conducted the devotional exercises for the afternoon session in a very impressive manner. Miss Mallory discussed the "Week of Prayer," its helpfulness and necessity for our growth.

Miss Andra Neece and Mr. F. DeWitt Ware sang a beautiful duet. Mrs. Kelly took up "Mission Study" and urged our ladies to stress this feature in our New Year's work.

Mrs. J. R. Lynn read a very touching letter from our loved missionary, Miss Huey. It was replete with the love and joy of service and strong in its appeal to us in the home land.

The charming and earnest Miss Mallory, of the earlier day, when asked to talk on "Y. W. A. Work" became a brand new Miss Mallory; her face glowed with the feeling "my foot is on my native heath" and rapidly, surely and happily she led us up to her mountain height and spread before us her heart—her life purpose. She made each woman present realize that her life was a gift from God, to be used for Him—its loftiest mission, and whenever and wherever He needed and called, at home or in foreign land it was our glorious privilege to serve.

Mrs. Neece made a brief resume of the day's proceedings, gathering together the good things that had been so graciously given us. She regretted that Mrs. Hamilton and Mrs. Malone, of the State Executive board could not be with us, but felt that the dear Master had been our guest and had left to us much of His spirit and given new courage. Paul's admonition "Be ye thankful" rang clear as a song. Thankful for the glorious fellowship we have with Christ and His followers, the sitting together in heavenly places and listening to His "Learn of me."

AFRICA.

The Dawn.

Many wonderful things have come to pass in these first hours of God's day for Africa. Exploration has done its principal work as to the main features of the continent, and now the details are being rapidly completed. Medical science is mastering the causes and remedies of malarial diseases. Every phase of industrial activity is advancing rapidly. International diplomacy has practically completed the blocking out of continental colonial empires. The native blacks are being tested as linguists, teachers, men of business, laborers and Christians, and are proving that they have great capabilities for success when properly understood and assisted. Christian missions are everywhere being recognized and assisted. Christian missions are everywhere being recognized as powerful, permanent and necessary factors in the uplift of the people. Marvelous results in so brief a time! Still in the presence of what remains to be done, they are only the first rays in the eastern sky, heralding the coming day.—Bishop Hartzell.

Good Words About Africa.

I know that treasure must be expended and lives sacrificed if this region is to be evangelized. But with the difficulties and perplexities in full view, I urge that we take up the work.—Rev. A. C. Good.

Prayers are better for the missionary than gold, though both are necessary; but if the one be secured, the other will follow as necessarily as the effect follows the cause.—Melville Cox.

"When the history of the great African states of the future comes to be written, the arrival of the first missionary will, with many of these new nations, be the first historical event in their annals."

It is something to be a missionary. The morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy when they saw the field the first missionary was to fill. The great God, before whom angels veil their faces, has an only son, and He was sent to earth as a missionary physician. It is something to be a follower, however feeble, in the wake of the Great Teacher and only model missionary that ever appeared among men. What commission is equal to that which the missionary holds from Him.—David Livingston.

DIDN'T KNOW

Coffee Was the Cause.

Many daily habits, particularly of eating and drinking, are formed by following our elders.

In this way ill health is often fastened upon children. A Ga. lady says:

"I had been allowed to drink coffee ever since I can remember, but even as a child I had a weak stomach which frequently refused to retain food."

"The taste of coffee was in my mouth all the time and was, as I found out later, the cause of the stomach rebelling against food."

"I now see that it was only from following the example of my elders that I formed and continued the miserable habit of drinking coffee. My digestion remained poor, nerves unstrung, frequent headache, and yet I did not suspect the true cause."

"Another trouble was a bad, muddy complexion for which I spent time and money for creams, massaging, etc., without any results."

"After I was married I was asked to try Postum, and would you believe it, I, an old coffee toper, took to Postum from the very first. We made it right—according to directions on the pkg., and it had a most delicious flavor and I at once quit coffee, with the happiest results."

I now have a perfectly clear, smooth skin, fine digestion and haven't had a headache in over two years."

"There's a Reason"

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ANTI-SALOON WORKERS MEET IN BIRMINGHAM

The state workers were welcomed to Birmingham by Fred Jackson in a happy way, who has been prominent in the leadership of the prohibition forces in Jefferson county, and Dr. Crumpton, president of the Alabama State Anti-Saloon League, responded in his own admirable way.

Anti-saloon workers from practically every county in the state attended the convention and much enthusiasm and interest was apparent.

Dr. P. B. Baker, general superintendent of the national league, delivered an address treating of the national legislative work, which was most interesting and instructive. He referred to both the bill introduced by Congressman Larkin of Kentucky, and the Knox bill, which are drawn for the purpose of limiting the interstate shipment of liquors. "The Langley bill," said Dr. Baker, "is the stronger of the two, and is preferred by the Anti-Saloon League." He declared that some legislation of this kind is practically certain of passage before the conclusion of the annual session of congress, which will open about March 10th.

State superintendent Brooks Lawrence made a lengthy report, in which he reviewed the work of the league and the progress of the anti-saloon movement during the past year. Lawrence recommended that a district anti-saloon conference be held prior to the state convention of next year, in order that interest be aroused.

President Crumpton, of the league, made an instructive talk on the origin and growth of the anti-saloon movement.

Rev. W. Sandlin, of Stone Mountain, spoke on the importance of holding public sentiment meetings against the saloon.

"It is a mistake," said E. Folk, of Nashville, "to think that Senator Cannon's death gave Tennessee prohibition. A legislature strong enough to pass the bill over Governor Patterson's veto was elected before Carmack's assassination. The bill prohibiting the manufacture of liquors is now awaiting the governor's veto, which will be passed over his head."

The secretary-treasurer of the league reported that \$12,000 had been raised in the state to carry on the work of the past year. A detailed report of the receipts and disbursements was given and the report of August E. P. Lewis was read.

In spite of all the liquor interest and its allies have made a studied and sustained effort to discredit the law, prohibition in Birmingham with only a year's credit, has been a success. It has not hurt business that much a word which every man interprets to mean a little way of making a living. As a matter of fact Birmingham withstood the public better than any city in the country, and is recovering just as fast as any, if not faster. Governor Patterson will live to reverse his remarkable change, the prohibition brings discord, impairs the dignity of the commonwealth, fosters hypocrisy and invites evasion and deceit in the people." The liquor interest and its allies are loading the mails and scattering abroad every false report concerning prohibition which their imagination can invent. It is your business and mine, the very business on which we are assembled here, to combat these efforts and to frustrate their designs. The Christian people, the Christian ministry, good men and women are as one in their high purpose to see that the liquor interest shall not defy the law, shall not debauch our youth, shall not discredit the state, and impair the dignity of the people, when they move in their majesty

against the evils that afflict humanity.—From Fred Jackson's welcome address

The Wednesday morning session of the Anti-Saloon League conference was given over almost entirely to a discussion of the league newspaper and legislative work, both national and state. The state legislative work was most ably handled by Brooks Lawrence, of the Alabama league, and his address had to do very largely with the proper work of the league in advising temperance voters of the position as to liquor legislation held by candidates for legislative office. He summed up by saying, "Do not get into a fight upon a candidate unless you are absolutely sure that he is against you, and have sufficient proof of this fact, and further that you have a reasonable chance to defeat him."

"Firm men can enforce the prohibition law. In the courts it is not a question of right or wrong, but of law. We don't need men on the bench who will remit fines in a moment of weakness. Use the ballot box to turn the unfaithful out.

"We don't need the revenue to support the government. The saloon keeper is not the man who pays the revenue. The liquor license is a tax laid upon the wives and children of men, and the saloon keeper is merely a tax gatherer.

"Educate the people. Make them understand where the liquor tax comes from, and whisky has lost its strongest prop."

These were a few striking utterances in the brilliant speech of Judge S. D. Weakley at the opening session of the convention of the Alabama Anti-Saloon League at the First Baptist church Thursday night.

By a resolution unanimously passed the southern convention of the Anti-Saloon League workers, representing the organization in thirteen or fourteen states, went squarely on record in favor of the Langley bill and against the Knox measure—said to be slated for passage by congress. In the same resolution the league made known its intention to fight to the last ditch any effort on the part of congress to delay action by the proposed appointment of a commission to investigate the liquor traffic in the United States. The league will take the matter up with all its fighting forces, and strong pressure will be brought to bear on legislative bodies of southern states to have them memorialize congress on these subjects.

The address by Rev. H. H. McNeill, D. D., of Mobile, at the night session was a masterpiece of eloquence. Taking for his theme the causes of the radical change in the attitude of the public toward the liquor question, he carried his audience to the highest pitch of enthusiasm by his logic and oratory.—The News.

A feature of especial interest in Dr. Baker's address was his reference to the czar-like attitude of Speaker Cannon and the fact that it is absolutely impossible to get any measure before congress against Cannon's wishes. "The fact is," Dr. Baker said, "we have at last effectually scared Cannon to the point where he is bound to give us something. We cut his vote from 15,000 majority four years ago to 7,000 last November. We killed off several of his pet congressmen in their home districts. The speaker has indicated his willingness to capitulate."

On Tuesday ex-Lieutenant Governor Cunningham and Governor Comer, of Alabama, both spoke in favor of prohibition.

The following officers were elected: Rev. W. B. Crumpton, president; Brooks Lawrence, superintendent, and the same headquarters committee, Dr. Crumpton, chairman; Rev. S. L. Dobbs, vice president; the Rev. I. D. Steele, secretary and treasurer; P. C. Ratliff, S. D. Weakley and R. M. Goodall.

The Alabama Anti-Saloon League took a stand in favor of constitutional prohibition and petitioned the next legislature to submit the question to the people at the earliest possible moment. The resolution for the constitutional amendment came as a surprise, as it had not been expected to take a definite stand on the proposition, but after Fred Jackson, A. P. Montague and W. I. Stewart had talked on the subject, the crowd became enthusiastic and decided to begin right now a definite fight for a constitutional amendment.

The league also passed resolutions calling upon the Alabama representatives in congress to do all they can to pass a national anti-shiping bill.

At the afternoon session Friday Eugene Ballard, a distinguished lawyer and a member of the legislature, spoke on "The Fight Before Us," and urged the league to continue gathering detail information concerning candidates, and maintain the present agitation and investigation. He insisted upon the importance of keeping a watchful eye on the opposition.

Mrs. W. H. Jeffries, state president of the temperance union, made a ninteresting talk on the relation of the league to the W. C. T. U., and at the close the women were highly complimented for their share in the prohibition fight.

Last night R. E. Pettus, of Huntsville, presided, the opening prayer was made by Dr. Branscomb and the opening address by the Rev. J. D. Gwaltney on "The Development of the Movement." This, as well as the brilliant address of Judge W. A. Covington, of Moultrie, Ga., was a genuine prohibition speech, full of effect and loudly applauded.

CHILD SAVED

By Simple Change To Right Food.

When a little human machine (or a large one) goes wrong, nothing is so important as the selection of food which will bring it around again.

"The Doctor, and I also," writes an ill woman, "consider that we owe the life of my little four-year-old niece, to Grape-Nuts food.

"From the time of her birth her stomach was so weak she could not digest milk or any food we could think of, although we tried about all the Infant Foods known. The doctor gave me no hope—called the trouble intestinal consumption.

"At 18 months the child could barely sit alone, her body was so weak, and her brain did not seem to be properly developed.

"One day, having some trouble with my stomach, I brought home a package of Grape-Nuts and started to use it. The thought came to me that a very little of the food made soft in some cream might be good for the little one.

"I gave her some Grape-Nuts thus prepared and she soon became so fond of them that she would reach out her little thin hands and cry at the sight of a saucer with a spoon in it.

"She ate Grape-Nuts not only in the morning, but at night also and since the first has never missed a day. She is now, at four years, a strong, healthy child with a good, straight back, fine bones and firm muscles. Her mind is bright also.

"We stopped all medicine, so we know that it was Grape-Nuts and not medicines that saved her."

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New Books

REVIEWED BY FRANK WILLIS BARNETT

Roy and Ray in Canada.
By Mary Wright Plummer, director of the Pratt Institute Library School, author of "Roy and Ray in Mexico."

Illustrated from photographs, with map, and words and music of Canadian National Songs.

The increasing popularity of the author's book of Mexican travel for children assures a warm welcome to the story of Roy and Ray's trip to the Land of Wolfe and Evangeline as it appears today.

The volume embodies very much that is interesting concerning Canadian history, manners, and customs, as well as descriptions that describe and pictures that really illustrate. The book will be useful as a travel guide, but it is primarily intended to cover a hitherto neglected field for children. The book is the outcome of a summer spent by the author in the eastern part of the Dominion of Canada. The book is dedicated "to all fair-minded American boys and girls." We only wish that in every so-called children's library a book like this would find a place. We confess that it brought to us memories of delightful days spent in Canada. The book is well and attractively gotten out, in fact the binding is red, with white lettering and colored coat of arms, and the back calèche is most effective. It is published by Henry Holt & Co., New York, at \$1.75 net.

The True Way of Life.

Chicago Daily News says:

"The True Way of Life," is a modest little booklet, in which the author with tremendous earnestness pleads for a "united effort to elevate humanity above the plane of the physical side of human nature." "She places perhaps an unusual interpretation upon the nature of the sin of Eden, the purposes of creation."

The author pleads for what she conceives to be better ways of living, higher field for women, newer relationship between the sexes and nobler conceptions of their relationship. The book is an attempt to explain the account of the "Fall" as given in Genesis. The author says if at first glance the interpretation here placed upon them (a few of the most sacred passages of Holy Scripture) seems greatly at variance with the preconceived or the lack of any unconceived ideas along these lines, then let me beg that you will diligently and prayerfully consider the subject ere you judge." The book can be had of the author for \$1.00, postoffice address, Burlington, Iowa.

Studies in the History of Modern Education.

By Charles Oliver Hoyt, Professor of History of Education, Michigan State Normal College. Illustrated. 223 pages. Introductory List Price, \$1.50. Silver, Burdett & Co., New York.

During recent years there has been a growing recognition of the importance and value of the history of education in the teacher's professional equipment, but up to the present time no pedagogical history has been available that is both adequate to the subject and practical for school use.

"Studies in the History of Modern Education" for the first time compasses the whole scope of the subject in a simple, helpful text book. It is the direct outcome of the author's years of experience, and has been written in recognition of the need for a stimulating, suggestive treatment covering fundamental truths, and guiding the

reader in his study and thought.

The book is designed for colleges, normal schools, teachers' training classes and reading circles, and can be used as readily by classes having no libraries as by those equipped for research work.

The choice and arrangement of material is masterly; the exposition of facts is sound; the pages teem with interest. Full page portraits of leading educators are a notable feature of the book and maps and charts are introduced where they are most helpful in illuminating the text.

Daybreak in Turkey.

The recent remarkable revolution in Turkey, by which an absolute monarchy of despotic nature has been changed to a constitutional and representative government, is generally recognized as the most important event in recent history. It has turned all eyes toward Turkey, and Daybreak in Turkey, by Dr. James L. Barton, is an especially timely publication, full of information for eager inquirers. It should be said that this is no hasty piece of work, drawn up to meet the popular interest of the hour, but most of the material was prepared for important recent lecture courses and the book was ready for the press just before the revolution occurred and would have closed with these prophetic words which subsequent events have amply justified: "The forces of reform are in operation, not only in institutions, but in the hearts and in the longings and in the purposes of men of all classes and races. . . . Times may be worse before they can be better, but even greater changes are inevitable and at no remotely distant day." Before this could be printed the revolution, almost bloodless and filling the nation with joy, had come. A new chapter had to be written and Constitutional Government is its title. This final chapter contains one of the clearest statements of the Turkish revolution which has been given to American readers.

The author of "Daylight in Turkey" especially qualified himself for producing this work by a residence of seven years in the heart of the country. He has personally visited the principal cities in the empire, having traveled upon horseback and otherwise many thousands of miles from Constantinople to the head waters of the Tigris and Euphrates rivers, across Armenia and Koordistan again and again, and into Mesopotamia and Syria.

His practical knowledge of some of the languages spoken by the people of the country gave him special facilities for securing accurate first-hand information from all classes. His office as secretary of the American Board has helped him in the closest relations with both Americans and natives in all parts of Asia Minor, Northern Syria, Armenia and Koordistan for the last decade or more. These are the regions that are most closely related to the administration of the country, and the ones most disturbed politically and socially during the past century. His official re-

sponsibilities have demanded a knowledge of all international questions relating to the protection in the country of American interests.

This is the kind of book we joy in. It is profusely illustrated, well put together and it is printed on good paper and contains a good index. The frontispiece showing Galata and Pera and the bridge of boats connecting with Stamboul, Constantinople brought to us pleasant memories of a two-weeks stay in the latter place. 294 pages. Full dark green boards, freely illustrated. Price, \$1.50 net. The Pilgrim Press, Boston and Chicago.

Billy Whiskers' Vacation.

By Frances Trego Montgomery.

The Billy Whiskers Books are one of the most popular series of children's books published in late years. They tell of the adventures of "Billy Whiskers," a goat, his wife, "Nannie," his children and friends, and of their travels in various parts of the country. These books are full of exciting incidents, thrilling adventures and humorous situations, and furnish a host of amusement for children. They are written in a very interesting and talkative style that holds the interest and attention, and are great favorites with the children.

The book is illustrated with six full-page illustrations in four colors, and over fifty black and white drawings, by Hugo Von Hofsten. Very attractively bound in board covers, with bright design in colors, quarto size. Each \$1.00 Brewer, Barse & Co., Chicago.

In Captivity in the Pacific.

In this volume, the third of "The Pacific Series," an account is given of some of the inhabitants of Polynesia, and the vegetable life of islands that are volcanic in origin.

Professor Houston, who is, as is well known, an electric expert, knows personally 50,000 boys, and is known as "The Boy's Friend." He has been working for boys all his life, and spends much of his valuable time writing story books for boys which will give them valuable scientific information of practical use in everyday life. This book relates the adventures of two boys who were taken prisoners by savages and carried in war canoes to one of the Marquesas Islands, and gives an interesting account of the great bread-fruit tree, which is the most valuable product of the tropical islands of the South Pacific. We congratulate the publishers on the setting given the book. The Griffith & Rawland Press, Atlanta, Ga. Price, \$1.25.

Cats and Kittens.

Shows the result of considerable knowledge on the part of Mrs. Montgomery concerning the doings of these little pests. There are six sweet little kittens who have to do with this story and one night two of them ran away to attend a party given by a neighbor cat. The event took place in the cellar of a big house nearby where was found so many things to eat that the kittens made an awful fuss, causing the people upstairs to

think that there were burglars around. The kittens were surprised and almost caught in the midst of their revelry and but for a friendly coal-chute which led the way to the hay-loft in the barn their party might have turned out disastrously. The story is so full of adventures that it is impossible to record all in reasonable space, but everything comes out all right in the end. There is a dear little love story and a double wedding, the scene of which is an old carriage loft, decorated with lacy cob-webs. The story is one which in its simplicity and charm of theme must gain a place of its own among animal stories. Each of the books are along similar lines and are bound uniform in cloth with illustrated cover design in colors. The text is accompanied by eight full pages in four colors and six full page black and white drawings. Price, 50c each. Brewer, Barse & Co., publishers, Chicago.

The A, B, C and X, Y, Z of Bee Culture

This is truly a cyclopedia of everything pertaining to the care of the honey bee—bees, hives, honey, implements, honey plants, etc. It contains facts gleaned from the experience of thousands of bee keepers, and afterwards verified in the apiary of the authors, Messrs. A. I. & E. R. Root, at Medina, O. The book has had a phenomenal sale—over 100,000. We never dreamed that so much had been written about the subject, although we knew that the little winged creatures were ever at it. "How doth the little bee improve each shining hour," having been dinned into our ears from early childhood. The book has hundreds of illustrations and a good index. It is an interesting book for any one, but for bee keepers it is invaluable. It has already fired us with a desire to buy a few hives. Under the head of "Bees as a Nuisance," the author gives some good advice on being neighborly. The book can be had of the A. I. Root Company, Medina, O.

Standards in Education.

This book, by the well known authority, Arthur Henry Chamberlain, B. S., A. M., dean and professor of education in Throop Polytechnic Institute, also includes industrial training. The viewpoint of the author is advantageous, for, being familiar with elementary education in all its phases, he has received the training of the specialist in industrial and technical education. For some years he has been engaged in the training of teachers, and in administrative work in a school of technology. This book ought to interest not only the professional teacher, but every earnest man and woman who has a child to educate. It is published by the American Book Co., New York, Cincinnati and Chicago.

God and Me.

This is a lovely little book, bound in imitation alligator and is intended as a brief manual of the principles that make for a closer relationship of the believer with God by Peter Ainslie. It is designed for all believers in Jesus, but especially for those who have recently entered into the blessed relationship of adoption in the holy family of the heavenly Father. It has paragraphs on prayer, faith, the Bible, amusements, books, finances and missions and other subjects. The author has been for seventeen years minister of the Christian Temple, Baltimore. Price 50 cents. Temple Seminary Press, Baltimore.



Encouraging Letters

I wish you a happy Christmas. I hope the Lord will bless you in the work you are doing for the Baptists of Alabama.—Martha O'Briant.

Dear Bro. Bennett: Enclosed please find \$1 for your valuable paper for this year. I can't get along without it and I do intend to work harder to get subscribers for it this year than ever before. The sunshine and joy it brings to the home is worth many times the subscription price, and I do sincerely trust you may largely increase your subscription this year and thereby advance the Master's cause. I am now preaching to the following churches near Jackson, Ala.: Whatley, Suggsville, Amity and Evergreen. May the Lord abundantly bless you in your generous and noble work this new year is, the sincere wish of your friend, P. M. Callaway.

We can do without the Alabama Baptist. Wish you and yours a happy and prosperous new year.—W. P. Peden.

I don't want to miss a copy of the Baptist. May be richest of all blessed Redeemer's great blessings ever rest on you and yours is my prayer.—H. R. Carter, Wilsonville, Ala.

You are giving us a good paper and I am going to send you some money as soon as I can. I am preparing for examination to practice law and can not help you now. I appreciate your work and hope for you much success.—W. E. Price.

I'm sorry I've forced you to wait. You have my prayers, Brother Barnett, if you haven't my money, making the fight to forward our cause. You are right. I am due you \$2 and you know the cry of hard times has caused me to fear I would have to give up my dear old Baptist, but please don't think I would consider it stopped without paying for it. No, I can't do without it, for I read every word it contains. May God bless you, and may you live long to wave the banner for our King. Your sister in Christ, — (She died in 1910. Wish others were so irreparable.)

I enjoy the paper, but want to give you no trouble about your money. May the Lord help you to continue to grow in His likeness and help others to do the same as the prayer of yours in His name—Mrs. C. W. Brown. (\$5.00 pays for to July, 1910. We are not doubtful.)

Enclosed find money to pay my subscription to January, 1910. Your paper is read with much pleasure in our home. Wish every Baptist in the land would take and read. With love and best wishes to you and yours. C. W. S.

Dear Bro. Bennett: I am well, and love to hear the Alabama Baptist read, which is a great comfort to me. I will be 80 years old the 15th day of February. Enclosed find \$1 for the Alabama Baptist, as my time expired in January. May the Lord bless you

with many blessings.—Mrs. Bettie Cree.

Enclosed herewith please find \$2.00 for the Baptist another year. I feel now that I am able to pay full price for the paper. I certainly appreciate your kindness to me in the past by sending it for \$1. Wishing you and yours a happy and prosperous year.— (This shows a proper appreciation.)

Our pastor lives near Oakland, Ala., and has membership in Evergreen church, near that place. He told me not long ago that he was not taking our denominational paper and I gave him one or two copies of the paper you sent me. If he is not taking the Alabama Baptist, send it to him and I will see that the money is forwarded between this and April.

I esteem our state paper essential to a member of the church who tries to perform the duties required. I know I am not doing as much for the cause as I ought to do, but am trying to do something. I do hope all your delinquent subscribers may send you back dues and pay a year ahead, and I pray that you may have the most prosperous year of your life. May the eye that sleepeth not guide your ways and all for whom you are concerned in this life is the prayer of your most humble friend and subscriber and sister in our great army.—Mrs. H. H. Bruce.

I hope many subscribers have made your heart glad by sending in renewals and new subscriptions. With every good wish that the new year may be the most prosperous and useful the Alabama Baptist has ever seen, I am most sincerely yours, Mrs. J. E. Wood.

My subscription to the Alabama Baptist has expired and I am very sorry indeed that I can not renew, and I feel like it is due you to explain why. My husband is a Presbyterian and he forbids me taking the paper, but I induced one of my neighbors to take it last year and she has asked me to have her paper discontinued, so I told her if she would let it come on I would pay half the price and borrow it after she had read it, for I do enjoy reading your paper. So you will find enclosed \$2 for the Alabama Baptist to be sent to —

P. S. — This family all belong to the Baptist church and there is a large family, but he is a great politician and don't take time to read his church paper and the mother keeps too busy to read much, and most of the children are in school, but I want to keep the paper in their home until they do become interested in it, for our denominational work will suffer if the people will give grudgingly so long as they are in ignorance about it. I certainly think it the duty of every

Baptist family in the state to take your paper.—

Enclosed you will find \$4 to pay up my back dues and continue the paper until 1910. Consider the Baptist a welcome visitor each week to our home.—Ida Corley.

I enjoy reading it very much and couldn't do without it each week. Wish you a happy new year.—Mrs. Nannie Beard.

Enclosed you will find \$2, which moves me up a notch. I enjoy reading the Baptist and will always read it as long as I can get the money to pay for it and will ever speak a good word for the paper.—J. A. Joyner.

I am sorry to have to say that I am not prepared to send you the money just now for the paper, but think I will have it in about a month. If you will wait on me that long you will please change my address. I am a widow and try to pay my just debts. If you can't wait just stop the paper. It will be hard for me to do without it, as I have been a regular reader of the Alabama Baptist for 17 years.

(The paper was gladly changed. We will never lose by indulging this good sister.)

I think every Baptist ought to take the paper and read and pay for same. I don't think it speaks well for Baptists to be so unconcerned about keeping up with the work and interest which our paper is so ably prosecuting. Wishing you a happy and prosperous new year is the prayer of your brother in the work, A. H. Mynatt.

I am profoundly thankful to you for the many kindnesses which you have shown me and you are certainly making a good paper out of the Baptist. I wish you still greater and greater success.—Robt. H. Tandy.

We love the cause. It holds up. Its weekly visits are a great help to us and may you live long and grow in grace. Your paper gets better.—J. G. Little.

I had thought of stopping my paper, but can't afford to. It is such a joy to read of the good work done in the old home state. May the blessings of the Lord rest on you, yours and all the workers of the beloved home land. I send one bill to help so little. You are doing a great work with the paper.—W. G. Gregory, Yantis, Tex.

Wishing you and yours a happy and prosperous new year, I will have to ask you to discontinue my paper, of which I am very sorry. Have been sick six months and my husband out of work. We are having a very hard time of it. I hate to give up the paper. We enjoy reading it so much. Would

have asked you to stop it sooner, but did not have or couldn't get the money. At last, after a struggle, have managed to save up the three dollars enclosed, which pays me up till now. Again wishing you and yours a happy new year, will say goodbye to the dear old paper. Yours in Christ, —

(It is needless to state that we immediately marked this good woman paid to January, 1910.)

Am sorry to have to stop the paper, but will not have money to pay for it longer. I send amount due. Hope you will do a greater work each year, that many names will be added to your list, few dropped from it, and that all will pay up. Your friend, —

I hope this will be the most prosperous year in the history of the paper. Best wishes for you and yours.—J. H. Creighton.

Enclosed I herewith hand you post-office order for \$2 to pay my subscription to Alabama Baptist for year 1909. Don't care to miss a single copy. Your paper improves with each issue. Wish every Baptist in the state could read it. I find where they do we have but little trouble in collecting money for the churches.—W. H. Watt.

You are sure giving us a good paper and I enjoy reading it so much. It is always a welcome visitor to my home; it always has something good to tell me. I would hate to be without it, I have been reading it so long. I think every Baptist in Alabama ought to read it. It always helps a man to be a better Baptist. I love the paper and I love the editor, and may God's richest blessings ever rest on you and your family and on the Alabama Baptist, and may this be the most prosperous year in its history, and may its circulation spread until every Baptist in Alabama will read its pages. Yours in love.—S. P. Washburn.

I have been a reader of your paper several years and I feel lost without it. You have improved it so much for the last few years. I wish every Baptist in Alabama would read it and then they would not fight missions so much. I would have renewed sooner, but I have been moving and have been too busy to attend to it. I have been trying to get others to subscribe for the paper, but most of them say it is too high, when they can get other weeklies so much cheaper. That shows how much Baptist some people are. Wishing you and the paper good success, I am your brother in Christ.—Rev. A. E. C. Sims.

Here's to you, greetings and good wishes for 1909; also my subscription for the year. I here and now renew my promise to do more for the paper than heretofore. Shall be here and there over the state this year and hope to do something worth while. God bless you and yours and give us the best year of all. Fraternally—Robert Jones

Evangelist John J. Wicker, of Northfield, Mass., is engaged in a two weeks' meeting at the Baptist Tabernacle, Atlanta, Ga.

Frank Willis Barnett

Editorials

Editor and Owner

DEPRECIATING CHRIST'S DEITY

It is no new thing for a certain class of professors of religions to seek to depreciate the deity of Christ. Efforts of this kind have been made ever since He ministered on earth. But it seems that during recent years there has been a rapidly growing number of reputed Christians, including not a few teachers in theological seminaries and so-called divinity schools, who, by their subtle and plausible philosophies, are trying to make it appear that Christ was less divine than He really was, and as the Bible signifies that He was. A reading of the statements made in print by teachers of theology and others who sympathize with them, shows that while they call Christ divine, they make such modifications of the term as to leave the impression that He was not verily God. They would set marked limitations to His knowledge. An example of this fact appears in the writings of Professor H. L. Willett, of the Divinity School of the University of Chicago. Upon being recently asked his opinion of Christ's deity, he replied, in substance, that He did not know all things. He admitted that Christ was divine, but it is evident that the professor would make Him divine in only a much limited sense. He says that Christ, in speaking of past history and in referring to certain current affairs, accommodated Himself to the ideas and language of the people of that day, even when He knew that they were not correct. This is an old dodge. It is such as all skeptical scholars in all ages have resorted to. And what is the object which those men have in depreciating the deity of Christ? Why do they wish to have it appear that His knowledge was limited? One purpose seems to be that of discrediting His testimony concerning the Old Testament records of certain events of a miraculous character, and also the historical verity of certain men and their experiences. Christ said that there was a man whose name was Jonah; the rationalistic teachers deny that there was such a man, and rather than to openly say that Christ told a lie in stating that there was a man named Jonah, they would have it appear that Christ did not know the real truth of the matter. In this way those skeptics would impeach Christ's testimony in preference to Jonah, and also other men in Bible history, a record of whose lives and works stands in the way of the skeptics' theories. And such are some of the men who are teaching theology to students for the gospel ministry!

NUMERICAL EVANGELISTS

Many of the churches of our land are being cursed by the numerical evangelists that are employed by them. These evangelists have become more or less famous by the number of "converts" which they succeed in securing, by such machinery as makes it very easy for one to make a public profession. Doubtless there are some genuine conversions among the large numbers reported. It would be strange if it were not so. Yet, it remains true that a large proportion of those who have been reported as converts, under the manipulations of certain evangelists, have met with no real change of character and life. This is the verdict of many thoughtful people who have knowledge of the facts. Rev. Dr. A. T. Pierson, widely known for his knowledge of spiritual things and church conditions, says: "Modern evangelism makes much of members, parading statistics, and often with a reckless mode of reckoning. It is easy to secure a show of numbers, but such numerical estimates are very deceptive and misleading. If superficial means be adopted; if people are encouraged to think that some simple outward act or step carries merit or brings salvation, or if in any way there is a carnal appeal to the hope of some self-

advantage, there will be a ready response. Sometimes an evangelist promises to all who sign his converts' roll some helpful book of his own. Even such promise, however, unselfish on his part, he has to guard carefully lest some give their names for what they get, and the more spiritual a man's methods are, and the more exalted his conception of his work, the less will he rely upon apparent results or make a display of numerical success."

We wish that all of our pastors and churches could have these words before them, and be governed by their suggestions. Dr. Pierson is by no means a heartless fault-finder, nor is he a pessimist. He has long done the work of an evangelist, and is in deep sympathy with all true evangelists. He would put churches on guard against employing those men who get their living by acting as evangelists, and who help themselves by advertising their numerical success. If you must have an evangelist, employ only the man whose chief aim is to save sinners.

FEBRUARY FOR STATE MISSIONS.

Please don't forget that, brethren. Much, very much, depends upon the February collections.

The board meets again March 23d. If the collections have been good, we hope to move along. Otherwise, many of the missionaries will have to be cut off April 1. That would be a calamity.

The Anti-Saloon Conference at Birmingham is not many, but much. Things are being planned which will help on the Kingdom.

The liquor men may make fun of us, but the laugh will be somewhere else. If they take us to be without understanding, they are fooling themselves badly.

The board gave the secretary a month off. I took one week at Louisville and the Florida Baptist convention. I am taking another week here with the Anti-Saloon Leaguers. Let the churches stand by us in this fight as they have in the past and the victory is certain.

Four thousand, not "fourteen thousand" inhabitants for Florida, as the Alabama Baptist made me say. They hope to have the latter figures before many years.
W. B. C.

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needless to say that money could not buy this notice which we pay this firm, which has built up one of the largest businesses in the South by giving employees and customers a "square deal."

THE GREAT WHITE PLAGUE.

According to a report issued by the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, the reporting of tuberculosis cases is one of the first requisites in the stamping out of the disease. Until the health authorities know where those afflicted with tuberculosis reside they are powerless to remove the dangers caused by these infected persons. It is now established that tuberculosis must be classed with smallpox, diphtheria, scarlet fever or any other infectious disease. This being the case, the report declares it is just as necessary for the public health that it be registered.

The most decided step in the registration of tuberculosis was taken in 1904 by the state of Maryland, where a law was passed compelling the reporting of this disease, and inflicting a heavy fine for non-compliance. This law requires that the State Board of Health pay \$1.00 to every physician reporting a case of tuberculosis, and also that it furnish him with literature and preventive supplies for the use of his patients. This measure was influenced by the success of a movement started in New York city in 1897, to compel the reporting of tuberculosis. In 1908 laws modeled somewhat after the Maryland law were passed in New York state and the District of Columbia. The state of Vermont had passed a registration law in 1902, and in Washington it had been a law that tuberculosis be reported in the first and second class cities as early as 1899. These laws had, however, never been of much service, and few new cases were secured through them. Besides these states, which have direct and special laws compelling the reporting of tuberculosis, there are six which require reporting of tuberculosis as one of the infectious diseases.

Only eight states have laws forbidding spitting in public places, and in none of these states is the law strictly enforced. Realizing the dangers from promiscuous spitting and inability to locate tuberculosis cases without a registration law, bills are being introduced in over a dozen different legislatures to remedy these defects.

THE ANTI-SALOON CONFERENCE.

The anti-saloon conference of the South closed Thursday afternoon after a three days' successful session at the First Baptist church. Thursday night the state convention of the Alabama Anti-Saloon League met for a two days' session, which was of great benefit to the state work. Without being invidious we can take pride in the fact that our Baptist brethren have had much to do with the success of the League work, not only in Alabama, but throughout the South. The reports of the state superintendents was most gratifying. Tabor brought good news from Arkansas; Solomon told of Georgia's victory; Collins delivered a promise for Florida; West pictured the struggle in Kentucky; Lambert outlined a policy for Louisiana; Folk related the overthrow in Tennessee; Harley gave good accounts of South Carolina, and Richardson showed that Virginia was not asleep. The men who are at the head of the work in the South are picked men, and if Dr. Baker is a sample of what the north furnishes, we are satisfied, and the enemy may well be afraid for the spirit of our own state leader, W. B. Crompton, animates the body: "We will camp on their trail and our camp fires will never go out." Brooks Lawrence is not only the editor of the Alabama Citizen, but he is an Alabama citizen of whom we are proud.

THE ALABAMA BAPTIST

"THE TEACHER'S GENERAL PREPARATION."

It is a significant fact that there must be a preparation before any well defined work can be done in any vocation whatever. More especially is this true of the Sunday school teacher, for precious souls are waiting for guidance.

To be successful education plays an important part in this general preparation and the heart must be trained as well as the mind; indeed; to prepare the heart for the coming of Christ is the first essential. To get right with God, "created in the image of Jesus for good works," and to use good works the energies should be bent with a right good will. For even genius exercised is not productive. So diligence is another important factor in the preparation of a Sunday school teacher, bringing into play the hidden recesses of his soul; diligence to go out in the Master's name after the lost ones of the fold. Be diligent! know all the lessons you are to teach, for weakness and inefficiency should not be tolerated, lest through ignorance you lead astray the souls committed to your keeping. How much then does the teacher need the benign influence of godliness, the Bible study and prayer. If these qualities do not come at once, which most assuredly they will not, be persistent. The quality of unconquerable persistency has often left large legacies, and even brilliant genius helplessly behind. These are qualities that are indispensable to the attainment of the largest and best results in the work of the Sunday school teacher.

Getting into the closest touch with the Master, so that His Kingdom and its inerea become the absorbing theme of life—then is the Sunday school teacher prepared to be a soul winner and such in reality every teacher should be. A true child of God himself, he is prepared to point others to the matchless Lamb of God. After preparation, where is the safeguard of the teacher? Only in daily and hourly communion only in earnest worship service; only in giving the best and trusting Him for the rest, as safety.

In the work of God no one can succeed without prayer. No human power can effect the changes and accomplish the work required in the service of God. There is a supernatural work to be done and a supernatural energy is required for its accomplishment. To be prayerless is to be powerless. Pray! Pray! with reassurance and strengthen you.

Corridges has said: "The hour of solitude, passed in sincere and earnest prayer, will teach us more of thought, will more effectually awaken the faculty and form the habit of reflection than even a year's study in the schools without it."

Consequences! This is the devil's argument. Leave consequences to God. If He sends fall they do the right. Be genuine, real, sincere, upright, God-like!

Teachers! If your station be an honorable one fill it to the best of your ability. This is all that God requires. He only wants now and then a Paul,

a Luther, a Calvin or a Moody; but He always wants, and the world always wants, a multitude of men and women ready to render humble, loving service. To a vast number of such self-denying teachers like those "of whom the world was not worthy," the state, the church and society are most deeply indebted today; and though their names are unknown, and their deeds are unsung, yet in the world to come they may have a fuller joy and a more blessed inheritance than many who are occupying a more conspicuous place, and seem to be doing a larger work in the world.

And, finally, should not all who profess Christ Jesus' name be teachers every day? The crying need of the time is not money, not prayer, not preaching, not evangelistic effort; it is men, men and women, saturated with the spirit of Christ; men and women by the tens of thousands to be Christians, to open heart and life to the spirit's grace; enough of them to create an atmosphere absorbing and retaining and diffusing the light and heat streaming from the sun of righteousness.

Then, teacher, remember "what's done for earth fails by and by what's done for God can never die."

Pray the Father to make all your seasons one blessed now of rest in Him; rest in service and service in rest; granting whatever the mistakes of yesterday or the surprises of tomorrow both may be covered by that love which is from everlasting to everlasting, the one to enrich and the other to make more steadfast the life of the soul.—Read by Miss Sadie Doyle, of Grove Hill, Ala., Before the Baptist Sunday School Convention at Dickin-son, Ala.

"LIBERTY, LAW, LOCKERS."

The above was the subject announced by Pastor Gwaltney, of the First church, Talladega, for 11 a. m. Sunday, January 31.

About three months ago the Elks voted in "lockers." Mr. Gwaltney said he would preach a sermon on the subject. But some of the more conservative members of the order asked him to wait, and promised to see that the "lockers" were voted out. Time passed and the "lockers" remained. True to duty, the preacher announced his subject for the last Sunday in January. Mr. Gwaltney has won for himself the reputation of being a man with the courage of his convictions and who says something worth while every time he speaks. So everybody knew the truth would be told as regards "lockers." Consequently, there was no little stir among the Elks when it was announced in "Our Mountain Home" and later on the bulletin boards at the church and "home office" that the sermon would be preached. A meeting of the Elks was called for Saturday night, at which time the lockers were unanimously voted out. Mr. Gwaltney was promptly notified of their action; the sermon was not preached, and the church congratulates its pastor on his "unpreached sermon." So the "lockers" in Talladega are gone—a splendid tribute to the power and influence of one man.—J. W. Haynes.

RESOLUTIONS

Touching the Life and Death of Dr. J. R. G. Howell from the Dothan First Baptist Sunday School.

We are persuaded that He who fashioned man in his own image, and who prepared the heavens as a final resting place for the spirit of man, does not deal unkindly with his children, and we acknowledge his divine beneficence in taking from us Dr. J. R. G. Howell January 16, 1909.

As a tribute to the cherished memory of this good and valuable man, we offer the following resolutions:

First: That the Dothan First Baptist Sunday school has lost one of its most zealous and efficient members, who by 21 years of loyal and active co-operation and counsel has demonstrated that he possessed the spirit of the Nazarene, and loved to render service to the source of his redemption.

Second: That our Dothan First Baptist church has lost a large-souled and generous man, whose heart and brain were ever enlisted for her welfare without stint, and that the city of Dothan is much poorer since the power and personality of this patriot can not be drawn upon in her emergencies, as heretofore.

Third: That education, our one great hope for future problems, is henceforth deprived of an able and painstaking executive in Dothan, who knew her every need and who gave vast thought for her welfare and prosperous perpetuity.

Fourth: That the entire Sunday school membership of the Dothan First Baptist church sends to his grief-stricken family the heartfelt sympathy which comes from great love for this noble man, and that a copy of these resolutions be furnished the Dothan Eagle and Alabama Baptist for publication, a copy of the resolutions be furnished the family and brother and sister, and a copy be spread upon our Sunday school record to show to future men and women in our church the high type of excellence we have had in this member.—M. S. Davie, M. Cody, G. H. Malone, Mrs. George Cotton, Mrs. G. W. Carter, Committee.

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I write to tell you something of our new church at Dothan. On the third Sunday in January we constituted the Headland Avenue Baptist church, had our own W. B. Crumpton with us and he preached one of his very best sermons, which was appreciated by all, after which we took a mission collection. So you see we started right. We are a missionary church. Wish you could have been with us. After the organization of the church we began meeting of days, and closed January 31, with 127 members. The Lord was with us. We had one of the greatest meetings I was ever in. Rev. Robert L. Bivins, of Americus, Ga., did the preaching and he was at his best. The people flocked to hear him tell the same old story of Jesus and His love. There was hardly a service but what people were turned away for want of room. We feel sure the Baptist cause is stronger in Dothan and surrounding country by having had this meeting. The possibilities for the new church the Lord only knows. It looks to me that ere long the Headland Avenue church will be filled with a mighty band of true Christian workers in His cause.

Our present house of worship is insignificant, and we will break dirt in a few days and begin work on our new \$10,000 meeting house. We hope to have it completed by June 1st of this year, so hold yourself in readiness to be with us on that occasion. Yours fraternally, R. H. FOLMAR, Pastor.

SHALL WE HATE MEN?

Editor Alabama Baptist: I somewhat hesitatingly take issue with some of the statements and the sentiment partly expressed in the editorial in your last week's issue under the caption "The Virtue of Hatred." While I fully agree with you that we should have a mortal hatred of sin, and while I am aware that David said he hated with a perfect hatred and counted as his enemies those who hated the Lord, and that Solomon taught that there was a time to love and a time to hate, yet I do not believe the Christian teaching is that we should ever hate our fellow men, but that rather, while hating sin, we should love the sinner.

The beloved John bluntly says (I John 2:9), "He that saith he is in the light and hateth his brother, is in the darkness even until now." Paul, the world's great reasoner and logician, says (Romans 13:8 and 10), "Owe no man anything, save to love one another," and "Love worketh no ill to his neighbor." Now, all men are sinners, and sad to reflect, all sinners are men, since soulless animals do not sin. But owe no man, no matter how great a sinner, anything except love. If we should owe men, even sinful men, nothing but love, then we can not owe them any hatred.

When we sit in the court room and behold the miserable sinner about to meet his earthly doom, and see him adding iniquity to iniquity by perjuring himself and perhaps suborning perjury from family and friends in a vain effort to save himself, and while we should loathe and abhor the black-

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ness of his sin, I am clearly convinced that even then the Christian spirit would prompt us to nothing but love and pity for the poor sinner.

With the most of your editorial I agree, and possibly what I have written is hardly justified by the article, when it is considered in its entirety. Nevertheless, it started one to thinking, and I found the sentence in the editorial to the effect that an ideal Christian character "even hates the person who intentionally defrauds his fellows," and that "it hates the man who debauches virtue, or who seeks to despoil the good reputation of an innocent person," just a little too strenuous for me.

Fraternally,
ROBISON BROWN.

FIFTH SUNDAY MEETING.

The meeting was held at Coffee Springs. Owing to the cold weather the attendance of course was greatly cut down, but by running the church heater on full time we put in about six hours each day on the discussions. Two young brethren, Stewart and Ridgel, students at Newton, exhibited great zeal and courage by driving 26 miles facing the cutting wind in order to attend the meeting. Brother Stewart is the popular pastor at the Springs, having recently succeeded P. L. Mosely. Only six preachers were present, namely: Blizard, Schramm, McDermond, Stewart, Ridgel and the writer.

The following subjects were discussed: The Advantages of Taking Regular Collections for Our Benevolent Work; Systematic Benevolence, Training Our Young People, New Testament Evangelism, The Preacher, His Qualifications and His Work, The Field. The brethren gave us some splendid addresses.

The hospitality of the Coffee Springs people was superb. We greatly missed Brethren Register and Mosely.

The brethren report their several churches as moving along nicely. A larger number than usual have taken collections for ministerial education.

May this be a great year with the Alabama Baptist, and all of our denominational interests, for which it works so faithfully.

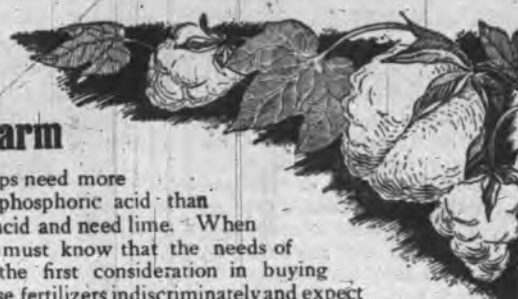
A. T. SIMS.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Sadie Salada Mann, formerly Thompson, was born September 17, 1885, married to G. T. Mann February 15, 1907; joined the Baptist church at Flint and was baptised by her pastor, Brother Briseo (now of Texas) the second Sunday in September, 1908, and lived a consistent Christian life until her death, which occurred January 28, 1909. The funeral services were held by the writer in the church where she belonged, and the remains were laid to rest in the old Mt. Pisgah cemetery on the 29th. She leaves a husband and one child, father and mother and a host of friends and relatives to mourn her untimely death. But we do not mourn as those who have no hope, but hope to meet her again where parting is no more.

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NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENTS.
The State of Alabama, Jefferson County. In Chancery. Circuit Court of Jefferson County.

Alice E. Hilton vs. E. A. Hilton.
In this cause it being made to appear to the Judge of this court, in term time, by affidavit of James M. Russell, agent of complainant, that the defendant, E. A. Hilton, is a non-resident of the State of Alabama and resides in Atlanta, Georgia, and further, that in the belief of said affiant, the defendant is over the age of 21 years, it is therefore ordered that publication be made in the Alabama Baptist, a newspaper published in the city of Birmingham, Alabama, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring him, the said E. A. Hilton, to answer or demur to the bill of complaint in this cause by the 28th day of February, 1909, or after thirty days therefrom a decree pro confesso may be taken against him.

This 21st day of January, 1909.
(Signed) A. A. COLEMAN,
Judge Tenth Judicial Circuit of Alabama.

Now, therefore, pursuant to said order, this publication is made, and the said E. A. Hilton is required to answer or demur to the bill of complaint in this cause by the 28th day of February, 1909, or after thirty days therefrom a decree pro confesso may be taken against him.

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Professor Murfee received his early education at the Marion Institute. After graduating from the institute, he entered the University of Virginia, where he won the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts. The University of Virginia recognized the ability of the Marion graduate and Professor Murfee began his career as a teacher in the faculty of the University of Virginia. After serving there as fellow and assistant in astronomy, and instructor in mathematics, Prof. Murfee was called to the University of Chicago in the department of physics, where he served as research assistant to Professor A. A. Mickelson and lecture assistant to Professor S. W. Stratton.

Professor Murfee inherits much in ability and training from his distinguished father, Col. J. T. Murfee, who was the first Alabama educator to receive an award from the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, and he also was selected by the president of the United States as the educational expert on the board of visitors to the West Point Military Academy under the last Harrison administration.

The present appointment of President Roosevelt is again high recognition of the able educational leadership enjoyed by Marion's college for men.—The Marion Standard.

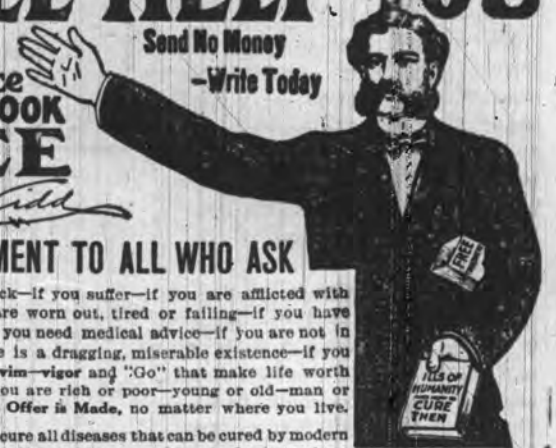
FROM MOBILE.

* Mobile is soon to have another Baptist church. On last Thursday night the pastors of the city, with two brethren from each church, met in consultation with the Cedar street mission to advise as to the wisdom of organizing a Baptist church. After a thorough consideration of the field and prospects the counsel voted unanimously recommending an organization. This mission is under the auspices of the Oakdale Baptist church and its success has been phenomenal. Organized in May last, the work has grown from a small beginning till we now have a Sunday school whose average attendance is one hundred and seventeen. On the two last Sunday afternoons we have had present 144. We have the largest class of grown people in this mission that I know of in this section. Last Sunday there were sixty-five present. The building up of this large class of adults is due to the teacher, Mrs. Kate Riley, of St. Frances Street church, who has no equal as a Sunday

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school teacher within the range of my personal knowledge outside of those who might be considered professional or having made a life study of Sunday school work. Bro. W. J. Young, a veteran Sunday school man, is superintendent. I use the word "veteran" advisedly, as he was for fourteen years superintendent of the Sunday school of Palmetto street, and is no novice, a veteran only in service, as you would never take him to be over thirty—unless a grown son or daughter should be present. "Wille Young," as his friends love to call him, has but few equals in Sunday school work. Others have labored faithfully in this mission, but to name them all and their work would make this note so long as to send it to the waste basket. We occupy a needy field and the new church will start out with bright prospects. We will organize real soon and when we have named the "baby" will let you know. Just a word about our other churches. Oakdale is moving along nicely. Our growth has been most encouraging. We are improving our building and our congregations tax our seating capacity. Our Sunday school, under the leadership of Bro. S. R. Smith, superintendent, has almost doubled within the last year.

St. Francis street is making rapid headway on her new building. Every Baptist in Mobile ought to feel proud of this new church building. Dr. Cox is demonstrating that if he had not been one of the first financiers of the country. He is the best all round man of my acquaintance. He seems to be gifted at anything a Baptist preacher is called on to do.

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Palmetto Street, always in the thickest of the fight, has had to give up Bro. Sandlin, but without the loss of a single service Bro. Fancher, late of the Adams Avenue church, Montgomery, has taken up the work, and though he has only been on the field a month, he is getting a grasp on the situation in his new field. I have been in this section for six years, and within the city of Mobile for the last two, and in my judgment the outlook for Baptist growth and development is the most encouraging I have ever seen.

Yours truly,
GEO. W. McRAE.

IN MEMORIAM.

The gentle, sweet spirit of Miss Mattie Swink, of Carlowville, Ala., winged its flight to her heavenly home December 19, 1908. "Aunt Matt," as we loved to call her, was born in North Carolina sixty-eight years ago. She was a loyal, consistent member of the Baptist church and was loved by all who knew her. She was a veritable Dorcas, "full of good works and alms deeds, which she did." She was ever ready to "rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep." Her life work is done. The victory is won. We know where to find her.
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