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MR. GEO. G. MILES,
Montgomery, Ala.

Mr. Miles is the honored State President who will preside at the State Convention. As State Agent of the Phoenix Life Insurance Company and on account of his connection with certain secret orders, Mr. Miles is known practically over the entire State. A devout Christian man who has devoted much time to the State Sunday school work.

Dr. J. C. Montague, president of Howard College, was again named president of the Association of Alabama Colleges, which was organized for the purpose of considering solution of college problems peculiar to the state. Some of the problems considered at the recent session at the Hillman Hotel were: The definition of a college admission and graduation requirements, equipment and support, the conferring of degrees, the place of the normal school in the state system, etc.

Richmond, Va., April 19, 1909.

Rev. F. W. Barnett: Alabama, 45 shares. Total shares taken, 804.

R. J. WILLINGHAM.



D. MORGAN, Fayette.
Left many friends in Birmingham Dis.



AMOS GOODHUE'S GREAT CLASS

The accompanying cut shows the Men's Organized Bible Class, First Baptist church, Gadsden, Ala., probably the largest adult Bible class that ever assembled in Alabama. On the record-breaking day, March 29, 1908, Dr. Grambling brought in thirty-three new scholars, not children, but men over eighteen years of age. On that

day the class roll reached 649 with 541 present, and this was accomplished in a few months with an original class of eighteen. Col. Amos E. Goodhue, the teacher of this class, is going to tell at the State Convention how this class was built up to such marvelous numbers. Pastors and superintendents, can you afford to miss hearing this?

Program State S. S. Convention

All trains will be met in Montgomery by the White Cap committee, as was done in Birmingham last year. Delegates will be taken first to the convention headquarters to register and receive a badge, and then will be assigned to a home at from \$1 per day up.

Railroad tickets at the special rate of half price plus 25 cents will be on sale April 25, 26 and the morning of the 27, good for return until midnight April 30.

Every Sunday school of each denomination is entitled to send three delegates, besides the pastor and superintendent, who are all delegates by virtue of their position. Names of delegates are to be sent at once to Mr. R. C. Blakey, 26 Dexter avenue, Montgomery, Ala:

Montgomery, April 27-29-09.

Convention Text, "Be ye doers of the Word, not hearers only." (Jas. 1:22.)

TUESDAY AFTERNOON:

- 2:00 Song and Prayer Service—Prof. E. O. Excell; Rev. M. Woods.
- 2:30 Words of Greeting—Gov. B. B. Comer.
- 2:45 The Child in the Midst—Miss A. L. Williams.
- 3:15 Song—Prof. E. O. Excell.
- 3:20 Training Lesson—A Bird's Eye View of the Book of Acts—Dr. H. M. Hamill.
- 3:50 Song.
- 4:00 Making the Home Department Effective—Dr. W. A. Duncan.

TUESDAY EVENING.

- 7:15 Song and Prayer Service—Prof. E. O. Excell; Dr. Chas. A. Stakely.
- 7:45 Denominational Co-operation—Dr. E. B. Chappell.
- 8:30 Practical Missionary Instruction in the S. S.—J. B. Wadsworth.
- 9:00 Recognition Service of State Teacher Training Graduates—Mr. Marion Lawrence.

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Don't Forget
Our Dollar
Offer



PROF. E. O. EXCELL, of Chicago.

It seems impossible to say too much about this great hearted, 300-pound giant music director who is to have charge of the music at the State Convention. But Mr. W. B. Jacobs, General Secretary of Illinois, the veteran general secretary in the United States, tells the story in the Sunday School Bulletin:

The Queen and Crescent railroad will run a special to the Southern Baptist convention, leaving Birmingham Tuesday night, May 11, arriving at Lexington Wednesday morning. Those who desire can spend the day in historic Lexington, the "heart of the blue grass," leaving at 5 p. m., arriving in Louisville about 8 o'clock. Those desiring to go with this party can secure berth by writing to Dr. J. M. Shelburne, East Lake, or Dr. Preston Blake, Birmingham, or Mr. H. F. Latimer, T. P. A., Birmingham.

Atlanta, Ga., April 19, 1909.

Rev. Frank W. Barnett: One more Sunday for home missions. \$150,000 necessary. Brethren, help!

B. D. GRAY, Cor. Secretary.



J. F. GABLE, Asheville.
Left many friends in Birmingham Dis.

THE ALABAMA BAPTIST



The Old and the New Frontiersman.

In Europe frontier means the border between two nations. In America it means the belt of country in which the pioneer faces the unsubdued wilds. It sometimes happens that the newly-settled district confronts civilization on both sides, so that the term has come also to be applied to the condition without any thought of a border line.

It is needful to distinguish between a frontier settlement and a long-inhabited section which has suffered from retarded progress. The conditions on the frontier are more or less inchoate and have had no time to become fixed. A backward older settlement is crystallized in its retarded growth. The latter needs the infusion of new life, the former that its abounding energies be harnessed, organized and shaped toward right ends. The people of backward development need coaxing forward, the frontier needs assistance in setting up right standards.

In the Southern Appalachian mountains Baptists are confronted with the former. In Oklahoma and Texas, in Western Arkansas and Louisiana, they face the needs of the frontier.

Characteristics of Frontiersmen.

Frontiersmen as a class present certain peculiar characteristics. They are self-reliant, resourceful, good-natured, hopeful, courageous. Weaklings are scarce where the pioneers do fore-gather, though bad people are not. Timid persons cling to the evils they know rather than journey to the wilds to battle for life and fortune against the untried inertia of unsubdued nature.

The frontiersman is fond of liberty. He craves elbow-room, and is not afraid to face hardness and the unknown on the chance of finding it. The domination of the exacting conditions that confront honest labor at the mines, the furnace and the mills, are not sweet to his spirit. Nor is he content to eke out existence on the soil where his toil has never been rewarded with more than a bare subsistence.

The Long Time Business of the Frontiersman.

The business of the frontiersman began when long ago the fringe of the States that border the Atlantic was settled. An edifying system of charts could be drawn that would show how, from generation to generation, he has changed his habitat. There have been some eddies in the movement of this human stream, but its general flow has been always toward the sunset.

The spirit of the pioneer is in the American blood and it will be a distinct loss to the nation when there is no longer new territory in which it may find expression.

Several Pioneer Movements.

It would be interesting to study the varying characteristics of the people who have made the various pioneer migrations in our country. Those who settled America were often persons of religious convictions fleeing from persecution; sometimes they were adventurers or fortune hunters. Two or three gen-



A Rural Church of Oklahoma



By V. I. Masters, Editorial Sec'y Home Board.

erations later, when the country east of the Appalachian mountain system was full, it was a type formed of the combination of the early classes, and now also experienced in the business of subduing the wilderness, that took the long journey over the mountains and into the east-of-Mississippi valley.

These people were still subjugating the wilds which they had settled when our Baptist forefathers, in 1845, met in Augusta, Ga., and formed the Southern Baptist Convention, which was to be a vehicle of service in preaching the gospel to the lost at home and abroad. To the Home Mission Board, one of the two missionary agencies then created, was committed, among other things, the work of taking the gospel to the frontier.

What the Home Board Found in Its First Years.

Since that day it has been engaged in that work. In its career the board has dealt with two more or less distinct classes of frontier work, in addition to what it has done for the Indians, who for the sake of convenience will be included in this story.



Advance Agent of Texas' Prosperity

The first class found its largest expression in Texas, though in the earlier years like conditions were met in a lesser degree in Florida, in parts of Alabama and Mississippi, and to a larger extent in Arkansas, Mississippi and Louisiana.

In 1845 frontiersmen did not journey in Pullman cars nor yet on freight trains to the great silent plains where lay the El Dorado of their hopes. Even the Atlantic coast country had not to an appreciable extent steam transportation. These early pilgrims of hope were many times more familiar with another expedient of travel and it effectively served their purpose.

Tracking Westward in Former Days.

Two years ago, in Southern Alabama, I met an old citizen, whose children and grandchildren were about him. In the long ago he had started from North Carolina to Texas in a covered wagon. The vehicle broke down and he stopped at the blacksmith shop in this small town to fix it. The mending fared



First House of Worship at Randelette, Oklahoma

slowly; he became interested in the country, and he is there now.

I have an uncle, now a devout Baptist minister in Oakland, California, who made the journey from South Carolina to California on horseback in 1855 and 1856, along with an older brother, when a lad of fifteen. They bought a herd of 500 cattle in north Georgia, Tennessee, Mississippi and Alabama, wintered them in the swamps of the Black river in northern Arkansas, and drove them across the plains and the Rockies into California, where they sold them for ten times their cost. Perhaps this remarkable feat was not duplicated even in those halcyon days of the great westward trek, but it serves well to illustrate the hardihood and pioneer spirit of the period.

Apostrophe to a Picturesque Empire-Buildler.

Lét us take off our hats and salute the old-time frontiersman, who with his wife and bairns, his gun and dog, moved in the white-topped schooner at a snail's pace from the older States out across the Mississippi valley and on to the plains. He was a lonely and picturesque figure, and not without an impressive dignity. Usually he could shoot straight, and on occasion with unflinching readiness. But kindness rather than destructive passions characterized him. The lumbering shake of the white canopy on his wagon, as it moved over the lonely stretches of the plains, holding all that was most dear on earth, is a theme for the poet.

His song has been unsung, and he knew not how to write cunning words in books that posterity might read of the way in which he went about the business of subduing a wilderness, so that an empire might be built whereir should dwell righteousness and prosperity.

For the lonely mariner of the wheeled plains-bound craft was not a bad man. Bad men there were, but not accustomed to come alone across weary leagues from toward the sunrise, as did the pilot of the white-topped schooner in which nestled the wife and children. In fact, it has been he of the schooner, and his descendants, and others of his kind, who, at a later period, went West by rapid transit, who have now put the bad men out of business and made the States in which frontier conditions yet exist commonwealths where decency and righteousness rule the people.

The Twentieth Century Pioneer.

The more recent arrival on the frontier is the man who heard the call of the West when Uncle Sam began to open up the land reservations in Oklahoma in 1890.

The old frontiersman was a plodder and almost always a farmer. The new type has the self-reliance and courage of his prototype, but is in comparison quick, alert and more accustomed to close association with his kind. His social instincts have had more exercise than the man of the schooner, though the former could teach him lessons in hospitality and



Oklahoma S. S. Encampment at Big Pasture

human likeness. The new man came on a railroad, and perhaps as often from a mill or factory or city as from a farm. On a prescribed day he took the mark on a line with thousands of others, and got his new real estate when the signal-gun fired by dint of superiority in heel-power.

He began to be attracted to Oklahoma in 1890, at which time it was the home of the Indian and a place where across the winds blew and caused to undulate like waves the tall grass which the geographers used to depict for urchins in the country schools. The wild grass is gone and the winds now have their movement over a state larger than Georgia, in which there were in 1909, by the claim of Oklahoma's governor, 1,950,000 people! The fields of the great State teem with rich harvests, and with a material development which staggers belief, there are natural resources still undeveloped of even greater value. The growth of Oklahoma has been unparalleled by all the frontier movements in America.

What the Convention Has Done for Frontier Missions.—Pre-Convention Pioneer Preachers.

We may with profit hark back to what our Baptist forebears did with the frontier problem. We must content ourselves to begin with the organization of the Southern Convention in 1845, though it is hard to resist a portrayal of the unlauded pioneer preachers of the earlier days, who did frontier work each for himself, and with a song of gladness in his heart all the while. Some day Southern Baptists will find time and space rightly to signalize the work of the pre-convention pioneer of the faith, for whom no settlement was so remote or secluded that he did not journey to it with the glad tidings of salvation.

Baptists, of all people, should honor these heroes of the cross. To a greater extent than is true with any other denomination, unless perchance it is the Methodist, men of this type were the sowers of the good seed which has sprung up unto an abundant fruitage in the present prosperity of our Zion.

No Organized Home Mission Work in South Before 1845.

In 1845 practically no domestic mission work had been done in the South by any mission board, though Southern Baptist churches had for a number of years contributed to home missions through the triennial Baptist Convention, which was national in its intentions.

For the first five years of the efforts of the Home Mission Board, it was largely engaged in finding out just what were the needs of its field, where they were greatest and how they should be met. Some of its first few missionaries penetrated the backwoods and frontier and were blessed in their efforts.

Convention at Once Started the Frontier Work.

In 1845 a resolution was adopted by the convention which said that the "Mississippi valley, with the new States of Florida and Texas, are the great area of the operations for your Home Mission Board." It was also resolved, "That the opening of new settlements and the admission of new States in the Southwest, and the mighty tide which is filling them up with an emigrant population, should be regarded with solemn interest, as augmenting the responsibility of the Southern churches."

When that resolution was offered Texas and Florida had been admitted to the union but one year, Arkansas ten years, Missouri twenty-five years, and Alabama and Mississippi twenty-seven and twenty-nine years, respectively. Mississippi had about 475,000 population, Alabama 650,000, Missouri 800,000, Arkansas 150,000, and Florida 70,000; while the great Lone Star State, just freed from its Mexican troubles, had not yet found time to cover its immense territory with the peripatetic labors of the census-taker. In 1850 he was to discover a population of 212,592 in the great State, four-fifths of enough to give one to each square mile. Probably more than half of these had come since 1845.

These were the new States which drew forth the concern of the 1846 convention about the frontier needs. Southern Baptists have been lamentably tardy in awakening to more than one large home mission opportunity. But it is pleasant to note how they began in Texas promptly on time. The magnifi-

cent results that followed prompt action and persistent devotion there are known to even a wandering Baptist, if he has read only the merest homeopathic cluster of lines about the progress of the kingdom of our Lord in the homeland.

Discovering the Needs.

The Home Board had to find out and tell the Convention many cases of lamentable religious destitution in the new settlements in those first years, and it showed conclusively that not all the frontier needs were beyond the Mississippi.

In 1846 it reported: "It is painfully true that there are many of our white population in each State embraced in one field of labor, who have never heard the gospel." In 1845 an Alabama missionary reported: "I have made some estimate of persons unable to read in this section. Of the married men, nearly one-half can not read; of married women, nearly two-thirds; of unmarried women, about three-fourths. It is an anti-mission region, and the children are not allowed to attend Sabbath schools."

Such conditions were not peculiar to Alabama. From Texas, Arkansas, Mississippi and Florida came like distressing reports of frontier destitution.

Large Needs and Quick Success in Texas.

To the limit of its resources the board supplied this frontier destitution. Its largest force on the firing line was in Texas, because the needs and territory were larger. And though the missionaries met with sin in its aggressive and shameless manifestations, the work fared so well there that, in 1853, its report to the convention contained this optimistic note:

"Texas is rapidly becoming a very strong Baptist territory. A convention has been formed and there is a flourishing Baptist university. The tide of emigration to this State never was so great as at this time. To meet and supply these new settlers with the gospel is what chiefly makes missionary aid requisite."

So successful was the frontier work that as early as 1851 the board reported:

"New fields have been opened and new churches constituted of souls converted through this instrumentality. Even whole States have been made to rise from weakness and despondency to strength, courage and activity. Such is the testimony with regard to Texas, of most of the active and intelligent portion of the ministry of that State."

How the War Affected the Work.

Much as we would like to follow in detail the efforts of Southern Baptists through all the succeeding years to save the lost and establish righteousness along the frontier, it is inexpedient to do so.

The work was prosecuted with enthusiasm in the ante-bellum days. Then the cataclysm of '61-'65 laid the country prostrate and the work suffered a relapse. Then came the post-bellum paralysis, for the people were dazed and impoverished, and the mission coffers held a disheartening paucity of funds.

However, the enthusiasm of the Home Board and its faithful friends was still unquenched, and not even annual reports which showed a persistent decline in the receipts were able to quench the zeal of the dauntless spirits who conducted the work. The religious destitution was now even greater in many places. Much population shifted westward, disheartened by the awful blow, which had fallen heavily upon the older Southern States. The frontier problem grew and its lines extended and broadened.

Increase of Importance in the Southwest Frontier Work.

Before 1870 slightly more than three-fourths of the commissions written by the board for missionaries had been for the several phases of work which it conducted east of the Mississippi. Only one kind of work had to any considerable extent been done west of that river, except in Missouri, before that period, if the Indian Missions be counted as frontier work. And by far the largest part of the west-of-Mississippi endeavor would remain of the frontier type. But this single kind of activity would from now on increase until it out-classed any other particular line of the board's mission activities. And,

while new problems and sociological developments in the older belt have in our time greatly magnified the importance of the work in other districts, not a single one of them has yet come to match the frontier in its vast extent and matchless opportunities.

By 1880 the new adjustment of relative destitution had made itself greatly felt, and in 1881 the convention recognized it in a resolution in which it was said that from Helena to Port Eads on the west of the great river, a distance of 300 miles, there was not a single Baptist minister engaged in the ministry.

"Arkansas is especially a missionary field," continued the resolution, "and beyond it the young empire of Texas, into whose fertile territories an incessant stream of humanity is pouring at the rate of a thousand a week, with its railroads piercing its most distant points. Texas is the grandest and most inviting field in America, if not in the world."

Present Missionary Needs in the Southwest.

Whatever Christian denomination is to figure largely in the southwest must begin now. It must invest largely and contribute its highest type of men. It will reap what it sows. A hesitating administration will prove disastrous. We will never overtake this swift-moving, swarming west with ox-team and schooner methods.—Ward Platt.

The present frontier movement in the Southwest is unique in character and unparalleled in its proportions. It is hard to make its largeness stand out as a living fact before the mind. The imagination has a way of minimizing things that are in the distance, like the perspective of a landscape before the eyes.

An Unvoiced Opportunity to Create Spiritual Values.

Nor has the frontiersman, notwithstanding his new trick of forming a town in a day and issuing a newspaper the next morning, that the citizen may read it as he munches his breakfast of tinned meats at a cracker-box breakfast table, the while he watches out of the tail of his eye the lot he staked and claimed yesterday—the frontiersman has not yet found a voice wherewith effectively to impress the big, news-greedy world as to the great opportunity to create moral values in his new land of promise. He has so many things to do that seem more urgent than the practice of the arts of the ready writer, and they who write of him tell only of his material prospects.

Where the Imagination Fails.

We of the east-of-Mississippi country seem really to be unable to grasp the idea of how big that country is. We can not get it into our heads that more than two-thirds of the union lies west of the Mississippi river, the geographies and mission speakers to the contrary notwithstanding. That Oklahoma is larger than Georgia, and Texas than all out-of-doors, seems a far-off dream. The imagination fails to grasp it.

Texas has 15,000 square miles more area than Alabama, Georgia, South and North Carolina, Virginia and Maryland combined. And practically all of the State yet unsettled will be. The great fertile plains in Northwest Texas are now known to have rainfall enough for the purposes of agriculture. The population of Texas in 1890 was 2,235,523. In the next ten years it grew to 3,048,710, a 36 per cent increase, practically four-fifths of a million. In January, 1909, the estimated population of the State, given by the governor, was 4,000,000, an increase of practically a million, or 25 per cent, in nine years!

These are only figures and figures do not seem to impress people very strikingly, but they have the merit of brevity. The reader will please think for himself of the large sociological changes, of the frontier confusion, of the large material development, of the magnificent religious opportunities which the figures indicate. To impress the facts by detailed portrayal would take all the space of this booklet.

Can Texas Keep Itself Saved?

Common report, and once a Southern Baptist convention resolution, have declared that the Home Mission Board has saved Texas to the Baptists. A study of the work done justifies the claim. But a new ques-

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WHERE ROOSEVELT WILL HUNT.

The March number of McClure's Magazine has an interesting article on that part of South Africa which Mr. Roosevelt will visit. In describing a railroad over which Mr. Roosevelt will travel the article says:

"For a distance of one mile on either side the tracks along the line of the railway all game is protected. Winston Churchill, who was in British East Africa last spring, rode on the pilot of the engine to observe the game. The railway leads through a zoological paradise. Churchill saw six lions from the train. Mr. Prynne, from whom the facts used in this article were obtained, saw four on the same journey. A male and female, pacing side by side, were not three hundred yards from the passengers. The pair merely turned their heads to look at the train. At another point in the panorama he saw a female lion stretching like a cat on the red veldt near the train, and again a male on its haunches in bold relief on an ant-hill. Bands of antelope of all species, the kongoni, water buck, reed buck, wildebeeste, hartebeeste, impala, orax, and countless others, together with thousands of zebras passed in review. Ostriches and hyenas were common sights from the car window.

"All these animals seem to know that they are immune from danger in this protected belt. Outside this narrow zone animal traits have changed with the appearance of the white man. Some of the more timid have retreated entirely. The bolder game give little heed to the natives, who they know have no guns, but they flee before a white man on foot or mounted. A buckboard is not avoided as long as it is moving. They have learned that the gun can not be aimed with accuracy from a vehicle."

Dangers of Hunting in South Africa.

The elements of danger in African hunting are a



revelation to an American sportsman. African game is placed in this ratio of risk: 1—buffalo; 2—rhinoceros; 3—lion. The buffalo is feared because, as the hunter asserts, the beast "does not play the game fairly." It is considered the most vicious and cunning of all African game. It attacks without provocation; seeming to take malicious satisfaction in killing man. When wounded or even angered, its ruse is to lure its enemy into the bush, which grows higher than a man's head, by pretending flight. Then the animal doubles upon its track and makes its sudden attack from ambush as the unsuspecting hunter advances on the forward trail. To checkmate this trickery, the white hunter sends his shikaris into the treetops. The natives from their elevation trace the deceptive course of the buffalo by watching the bending of the bush, and report from time to time the position of the beast, so that the hunter is prepared when the animal breaks cover. The charge of the buffalo is like a thunderbolt, and a lunge from its horns is nearly always fatal, even if the hunter

is rescued before being trampled to death. The deception practiced by the buffalo is attributed to an instinct which tells the animal that it is quite vulnerable to a bullet.

The rhinoceros is dreaded because no hunter knows when and where he will find the animal. Its habit of secluding itself in unsuspected haunts makes it the nightmare of the hunter. Not able to see beyond a few feet, its attack is guided by its sense of smell and aided by remarkably acute hearing. Once started, the "rhino" charges in a straight line without deflecting an inch. Armor-plated like a battleship, this horned ram charges with the force of a catapult. Nothing withstands the furious storm of its onset.

The Ordinary Lion and the "Man Eater."

There is a distinction in Africa between ordinary lions and "man-eaters." The ordinary lion does not willfully attack man. The presence of lions roaming at night on the veldt is not disturbing to any native nor to whites who have come to understand the beast. Persons returning to their camps after night-fall do not notice the roaring of lions, or the cries of leopards and hyenas. It is seldom that people bent upon domestic errands carry weapons in the darkness, although at night the veldt of British East Africa is alive with roaming beasts, which may be heard from the verandas of the houses. Lions give the passing man a wide berth, day or night, when it is apparent that he means no mischief. An ordinary lion, even when wounded, will try flight before fight. When its escape is disputed, it will, especially if wounded, try to maul its enemy with teeth and claws. A lion hunt is usually a chase in which the hunters goad the game into combat. Once a lion has tasted human blood, however, it is no more afraid of man, but learns that he is the weakest of animals and the choicest of meat. Such a lion is known as a man-eater because now he hunts man.

Southern Baptist's Mission Work in Africa

By Gen. Green, M. D.

We have five main bases of operation—five main shafts into the mine of heathenism: Lagos, Abeokuta, Oyo, Ogbomoso and Saki. Each of these main stations has in turn its out-stations, or the smaller shafts into the mine, so that besides the five main stations we have nineteen out-stations.

Our total staff of workers numbers forty-one. This includes ten white missionaries and thirty-one native workers, though three-fifths of our white force were home on furlough for nearly half the year.

We have four departments in our mission work, namely: Evangelistic, educational, medical, industrial.

Evangelistic Work.

This phase of our work has to do with the teaching and preaching of the word of God in churches, Sunday schools, native compounds and market places. We have twenty-two houses of worship, eighteen organized churches, with eight hundred and eighty-six church members. We have twenty-two Sunday schools, with four hundred and forty-five scholars. One very encouraging and significant feature of this department of our work is that from each of our main line mission stations—Lagos, Abeokuta, Oyo, Ogbomoso, Saki—comes the report of baptisms during the year. One hundred and sixteen persons have been baptized on profession of their faith. Note the following points: Lagos, in charge of native Pastor Stone, reports fifty baptisms. Abeokuta, the scene of Brother Lumbley's labors for

nearly seventeen years, a station where for many years the work was so difficult and discouraging that a suggestion was made to abandon it, and where since Brother Lumbley's death fifteen months ago there has been no resident white missionary, the work being in charge of an ordained native—that station reports 17 baptisms. Oyo reports six baptisms. Ogbomoso reports thirty-six, and Saki—our newest station among the hills—reports seven baptisms. Baptisms for the year give an increase in the church membership for 1907 of fifteen per cent of the entire membership for 1906. Do missions in Africa pay? Evidence comes from every station that God is with this African mission, and that the churches for the past year toward self-support, mission work, building and repairing of church property amounts to \$1,572. During the year we have placed three new native workers on the field. Only three, do you say? Yes, we wish it were a hundred and three, but try to realize what three new workers in Africa means. Three towns that have had no Christian teacher, no preaching of the gospel, no one to tell the good news of salvation. These three heathen towns will have a Christian worker in their midst, the word of God will be taught and the knowledge of the gospel of Jesus Christ made known to them. Thank God for three new workmen.

Elementary Day School.

Throughout the province there is a growing demand for the education of

the children. The progress of the country calls for it. Native kings are asking the missionaries to send teachers to their towns that they may have a school for their people. Elementary education is necessary for our native Christians. Personal reading and study of God's word is as essential to growth of Christian character in West Africa as elsewhere. The hope of Africa is her children. Ignorance is the mother of superstition. Enlightened children develop into enlightened men and women; enlightened Africa will develop into Christian Africa. We have fourteen day schools. Lagos, Abeokuta, Oyo, Ogbomoso, Saki each has its day school; also the majority of the out-stations have their day schools. Three hundred and four pupils attend these schools. Subjects taught are reading and spelling, in both English and Yoruba, writing, arithmetic, geography and grammar.

Training School for Native Workers.

This is located at Ogbomoso and is a very important feature of our work. Its purpose is to train native teachers and preachers. Evangelization of Africa must to a very large degree be done through its native agency, under the supervision and direction of the white missionary. During the year 1907 twenty-one students were enrolled. The course combines literary and theological studies, the teaching staff consisting of the missionary at Ogbomoso, with three native teachers.

Medical Work Sadly Needed.

This is the combined work of doctor and preacher, healing the bodies of the sick and preaching the gospel. In no land can the medical missionary find a more effective sphere than in Africa. This two-fold aspect of mission work is being done in Ogbomoso. Two rooms in the basement of one of our mission houses have been fitted up as dispensary and temporary hospital. Three days a week the dispensary is open for the treatment of patients. As early as 5:30 a. m. the patients wend their way to the mission compound and sit under the trees till the hour for treatment. From March till December 2150 patients have received treatment. Previous to the opening of the dispensary at 9 a. m. a short service is held. Heathen, Mohammedan and Christian sit side by side listening to the reading of the scripture, the telling of the gospel story and a prayer offered to the only true God, who hears and answers prayer.

Industrial Work.

This is the most recent department of our mission work and consists in combining with other branches of mission work the teaching of certain trades, such as carpenter work, blacksmithing, farming, especially modern methods of farming. This work is to be located at Saki, our board having instructed Brother Duval to begin this work. Dr. McLean, an expert mechanic and dentist, with his wife, have been appointed as teachers for this

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WEDNESDAY MORNING.

You may count on me for everything that I can do for the paper. You may add my name to your list, for I find that when my people take the Alabama Baptist that it is easier to get them all in line for all church work. I am well pleased with my work here and believe that (under the Lord) I shall be able to do a great work. We have a fine Sunday school, numbering more than three hundred on the roll and averaging about 250. The prayer meeting is growing in numbers and interest, and we hope to soon be able to report one of the best prayer meetings in north Alabama. Our house is crowded every Sunday and Sunday night for preaching services. Since I have been here, a little more than one month, we have received into the fellowship of the church by letter fifteen. We sent Bro. Crumpton \$46.56 from our Sunday school for missions. Pray for me.—A. B. McCalfe.

I write to say that I hope our people will not fail to hear Dr. T. B. Roy in his illustrated lectures over the state, as they did here. He not only gave us a splendid exhibition of the true condition of the heathen and his worship, but made an intelligent and interesting address. That same night people crowded into the cheap shows here by the hundreds and paid from 10 to 25 cents admittance fees to see nothing but compared in beauty with the artistic stereopticon views and moving pictures which he showed. But we must remember that untiring efforts in the interest of education and information lead to salvation, and persistent prayer, practical planning, produce permanent piety.—R. E. Pettus.

Please change my Baptist from Calera to Thorsby, Ala. I have moved to Thorsby, but I am still pastor at Calera. I have two fine country churches where the people have Saturday meeting and conference and plenty of good home-made hams and always seem glad to have the pastor in their homes. What would become of the cause of our Master were it not for the country churches? Shall we do something for our paper soon.—S. M. Adams.

God bless you, my brother, in your untiring efforts to give to the Baptists of Alabama the paper they so much need. Our work ought to be appreciated more than it is. All goes well with me. I am in the midst of a prosperous and loyal people. My lot is a happy one—yet fraught with responsibility and opportunity.—P. C. Barkley, Plains, Ga.

Rev. R. Brasher, who has resigned at West End, Montgomery, to take effect on May 3, according to a letter from one of Montgomery's leading pastors, "has wrought well." Here is a chance for some pastorless church to secure a good pastor.

Will send you more subscribers in a few days. Bro. Gavin's letters are worth more than the price of the paper, to say nothing of the other good things that are elevating and ennobling.—L. Mossley.

6:00 Sunrise Prayer Meeting—Wm. Edmonds.
9:00 Song and Prayer Service—Prof. E. O. Excell; Rev. D. H. McNeal.

OUR YEAR'S WORK.

9:30 President's Message—G. G. Miles.
9:40 Words from the Executive—Judge Armstead Brown.
10:00 Treasurer's Report—M. M. Sweatt.

ECHOES FROM THE FIELD.

10:10 D. W. Sims, General Secretary.
10:15 Miss Minnie E. Kennedy, Field Secretary.
10:20 Miss Edith B. Rice, Elementary Superintendent.
10:25 Rev. J. S. Bridges, Adult Superintendent.
10:30 Miss Mary E. Smith, Home Department.
10:35 Mrs. S. P. Moore, Teacher Training.
10:40 Dr. E. C. Anderson, Temperance.
10:45 Miss Alice Hale, Missions.
10:50 Song—Prof. E. O. Excell.
11:00 Recognition of Banner County Presidents.
The Sunday School as a Business Investment—Mr. Marion Lawrence.
Report of Division Presidents.

DIVISION PRESIDENTS.

Div. 1, Dr. J. M. Pearson, Florence; Div. 2, R. E. Pettus, Huntsville; Div. 3, C. Peck, New Decatur; Div. 4, Col. W. R. Dortch, Gadsden; Div. 5, R. L. Cater, Anniston; Div. 6, Prof. L. P. Giddens, Birmingham; Div. 7, Prof. D. F. Christenberry, Greensboro; Div. 8, W. T. Atkins, Selma; Div. 9, Judge W. W. Pearson, Montgomery; Div. 10, Dr. B. H. Ohme, Alexander City; Div. 11, G. M. Bynum, Wetumpka; Div. 12, Hon. W. H. Banks, Hurtsboro; Div. 13, B. D. DeLoe, Clayton; Div. 14, Hon. W. D. Dunn, Grove Hill; Div. 15, C. S. Rabb, Evergreen; Div. 16, Hon. J. T. Fuller, Centerville; Div. 17, Prof. H. O. Sargent, Hamilton.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

2:00 Song and Prayer Service—Prof. E. O. Excell; Rev. W. M. Curtis.
2:30 Teachers' Meeting—D. H. Marbury.
3:00 That Class of Boys—Rev. Frank Marston.
Song.
3:40 Teachers' Preparation—Dr. Macon.
4:10 Teacher on Twelve Sides—H. G. Moore.
6:00 Street demonstration.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

7:30 Song and Prayer Service—Prof. E. O. Excell; Rev. Henry M. Edmonds.
8:00 Alabama's Opportunity—Mr. Marion Lawrence.
Pledges.

THURSDAY MORNING.

6:00 Sunrise Prayer Meeting—Rev. Raleigh W. Green.
9:00 Song and Prayer Service—Prof. E. O. Excell; Rev. J. W. O'Hara.
9:15 Blackboard Temperance Drill—Mr. E. Richmond.
9:45 How the Organized S. S. Work Helps the Denomination—Mr. Marion Lawrence.
10:15 Practical Temperance Work in the S. S.—Dr. W. B. Crumpton.
Song.
11:00 The Bible by Heart—Rev. H. C. Moore.
11:30 Quiet Half Hour "Consecration"—Dr. H. M. Hamill.
12:00 County Officers' Conference and Lunch, Marion Lawrence presiding.

1. How to Get District Conventions held.
2. How to advertise District and County Conventions.
3. Program Building, for County and District Conventions.
 - a. Topics.
 - b. Speakers.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

ELEMENTARY CONFERENCE.

Lomax Annex Court St. Methodist Church.
Miss M. E. Kennedy, Presiding.

2:30 Devotional Exercises.
"Story Work—The Principles."
"Use and Misuse of Handwork."
Section Work.
A. Beginners, Mrs. John Jones, presiding.

1. "Story Told"—Miss Mamie Andrews.
2. Lesson Construction—Mrs. W. D. Smith.
3. Beginners' Problems—Round Table—Mrs. J. W. O'Hara.

 B. Primaries, Mrs. L. L. DeJarnette, presiding.

1. "Story Told"—Mrs. Minnie Allen.
2. Lesson Construction—Mrs. W. P. McAdory.

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We again call the attention of the seminary alumni to the jubilee banquet at the Galt house at 8 o'clock p. m. Wednesday, May 12. This should be, and we believe will be, the greatest gathering of the alumni in the history of the seminary. Only six hundred persons can be accommodated, and for this reason ladies can not this year be invited. Places will be reserved for seminary men until May 1, after which time others will be admitted. Plates are \$1. If the money is sent with the order for reservation of plates, tickets will be mailed before the convention. Checks from outside Kentucky can not be received, as banks charge for collection. Tickets which have been reserved, but not paid for can be obtained at Norton Hall during the day, Wednesday, May 12. L. W. Doolan, president; W. J. McGlothlin, secretary Alumni Association.

"The Life of Christ," by Professors Burton and Mathews, has been translated into Chinese for the Ruth Norton School for Girls, at Canton, the translation having been made by Mrs. C. A. Nelson, who is in charge of the school. The most remarkable fact, however, is that the cost of publishing the translation was provided by the "Boys" of U. S. S. Concord, which was at Canton at the time.

The following wedding announcement will be of great interest throughout the Southern Baptist convention: Mr. and Mrs. William Edward Beverly invite you to be present at the marriage of their sister, Miss Margaret Beverly, to Mr. William David Upshaw on Wednesday afternoon, May 5, at 5 o'clock, the First Baptist church, at Thomasville, Ga.

We have had the misfortune of losing our church (Concord) by fire. We have begun to build again and we desire your prayers, for we stand in need of help.—Rev. M. J. Parrish, Clanton.

Had a fine service at Shorter's Sunday, the 11th, and licensed a promising young man as a preacher, Mr. W. E. Oswalt. I have good hope of usefulness and development in him.—Geo. S. Brewer.

Philosophic Maunderings.

It's a wise politician who studies up on cabbages before he tries to talk agriculture to his country constituency.

The groom doesn't understand why they call his friend the best man, until experience makes the point obvious.

He is a fool who muddles the stream at which he would quench his thirst.

Many a man has gone to the bad because the good misunderstood him. You can't scare a thinking beast away by blowing on a tin whistle.

It may be easy to whip a man for calling you a liar, but that doesn't alter the case if his facts are correct.—New York Globe.

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THE NEGRO PROHIBITION MOVEMENT.

A Statement.

From different directions and sources inquiries have reached me concerning the movement on the part of the negroes of the South against the saloon. I am the more careful to answer these questions because of my connection with the movement.

Somewhat more than a year ago, I was requested to prepare a small work on the saloon and the negro problem. Up to that time I had never investigated the relation of the two to any considerable extent, but as I proceeded with the investigation, it became clearer that the basis of the negro problem, so-called, is the liquor problem. It soon became evident that every ill affecting the negro of the south could be traced straight to the saloon. At first this dawned on me remotely, but the truth became clearer with each step of the investigation. Ignorance, poverty, vagrancy, demoralization, debauchery, divorcement, lawlessness and criminality, so far as these relate to the negro, are in the largest measure due to the saloon.

It was further found that for years together sentiment favorable to prohibition had been growing among the colored people. Without any concert of action, but impelled solely by a sense of duty, protection to their families, and right, they were engaged in a quiet resistance to the liquor traffic. While without organization the better class among the colored people was engaged in stoutly opposing strong drink, and in inculcating the principles of sobriety as far as they might. Their preachers, teachers, land-owners and thrifty men of business never lost an opportunity to strike the saloon a blow. Practical prohibition was preached from their pulpits and taught in their schools and homes. I was not prepared for these facts till I came on them by investigation. It was equally surprising to learn from direct facts that in a number of instances, in local option elections, negroes had changed the tide, and that without their aid, prohibition would not have been procured. In the majority of instances, they had to be quiet about it for fear of the liquor men. In numerous instances efforts were made to bribe the leading ones among them, that through them the weaker might be controlled, and at other times, attempts were made to awe and to intimidate, but in the cases alluded to, the loyal ones stood firm and saved the occasions to civic virtue. Facts like these came directly under my personal knowledge.

There was emphasized to my mind another fact, viz., that there are two very distinct classes of negroes, the good and the bad. Until close investigation I had no idea that so great a struggle was being made on the part of the better class in behalf of the worse. We know far more about the criminal negro than about the other class, because his crimes are, dragged into light, while the other class is un-demonstrative in its efforts. This led to a grave disadvantage to the race, for when a crime was committed it was attributed to the negro race, not to the criminal alone who committed it. The unfairness of this indiscriminate is evident, and in the face of the fact that so many are struggling to raise their race to higher planes, it is discouraging.

After diligent and dispassionate study of the question for many months I fail to find a single leader among the negroes, one worthy of leadership, among preachers, teachers, professional or business men or land owners, who is not opposed to liquor. Of the land owners in the south there are 700,000, which was itself a surprise to me. From information gathered from the fifteen southern states it would appear that there are at least one million negro prohibitionists among them.

Learning of the struggles of the better element, and of their loyalty to prohibition, as expressed in the most undoubted ways, of those who were unpurchasable and who are solicitous for the good of the coming generation, it occurred that something other than that which had been done should be undertaken in behalf of the negro of the south. I called the attention of many leading southern men, those for whose judgment I had respect, to these facts, and

the opinion was that some encouragement and relief should be given the more than ten million negroes in the states of the south. Seeking to ascertain what the feeling of the negroes would be, I found them anxiously responsive, and the result was that a convention of leading negroes was called at Atlanta, Georgia, on February 24-26 to devise some means to effect an organization of their forces against the saloon. In a session of three days their ablest men discussed the leading features of the liquor traffic as it related itself to their race, and a more decorous and dignified proceeding I have never witnessed. Among the speakers chosen were four white gentlemen—Drs. John E. White, W. B. Crumpton, J. M. Frost and the writer.

The upshot was the presentation of an address to the American people by this convention, in which was a declaration against all lawlessness, a desire to co-operate with the better element of whites in driving out the saloon, the indignant repudiation of the assertion on the part of the liquor interests that the negro can always be relied on to sustain them, and a serious pledge of earnest effort to elevate the colored race in the south. A permanent organization was effected known as the Southern Negro Anti-Saloon Federation, which is to meet annually, and which is to have an auxiliary in each of the states of the south. The plan and purpose is to organize the negroes throughout the south against the saloon,



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and in support of the enforcement of the laws in favor of prohibition.

The writer was unanimously requested by the convention to lead in the organization and direction of the forces. Without reserve they pledged themselves to the most zealous co-operation, and to do as they were directed. They made it emphatic that they recognized the necessity of a white man leading and guiding them at this juncture. After further consultation with numerous gentlemen of influence, I consented and have accepted the work, giving up all things else. Of the wholesomeness of the result I have no doubt whatever.

I have the satisfaction of having the approbation of many of the best men of the country in my decision, substantial assistance has been to some degree afforded, and the expressions of encouragement have been so numerous as to awaken profound gratitude and produce fresh animation. The task is a tremendous one and involves much that is delicate and difficult, and will have to move slowly. But in the movement is recognized the possibility of vast good. It will aid the negro industrially, financially, domestically, educationally, morally and religiously. If this be true it will prove of immense advantage to the white race.

Should the movement succeed, and there will be no

lack of effort to make it a success, we shall be able to pluck up the liquor trade root and branch. It will make clandestine sales an impossibility, while it will conduce to the well being of the entire country.

I am coolly informed that much opposition may be expected from politicians who will seek to divert it into political channels, stir afresh race prejudice and result in a greater disaster to the negro than he has heretofore encountered. That may be attempted, but it will only tend to enlarge the boundaries of the political graveyards which will have to come to prevail throughout these states before the liquor question is settled. That the movement may have opposition, I am inclined to believe, but in a purely moral question, in an effort to raise a race of so many millions, I wonder what the temper of the Christian public will be while the politician is opposing. What that temper will be is not a question of doubt to me. At any rate, the work is undertaken with cool deliberation and determination.

Until June 1st the headquarters of the Southern Negro Anti-Saloon Federation will be Dallas, Texas; after that time it will be Birmingham, Alabama. The prayers and co-operation of all Christians are asked in this difficult work, and the aid of every worthy and patriotic citizen is earnestly solicited.

B. F. RILEY.

NOTES FROM BROTHER CRUMPTON'S CORRESPONDENTS.

M. A. Wood: We send you check for state missions and will try to help you some on the other collections as they come on. We are liking our pastor, Brother J. L. Thompson, and I hope he will be able to lead the church to better giving.

J. L. Thompson's old friends are not surprised to learn that the church is "liking" their new pastor. He will certainly lead his people. The Lord help them to follow.

John D. Wilkes: We have our building under headway at Foley. It will excel any church building in the county, I think. It will cost \$1200 or \$1500. We want you to come down and preach the dedication sermon in about three months. Will you do it? We have the frame up now.

Foley is a new town in Baldwin county. It is a great joy to know they are soon to have a house. Baldwin is destined to be one of the great counties of the state and the Baptists must not allow themselves left on the new field.

A Layman: I hope the churches will all respond to your call. The greatest trouble in our association is the pastors do not urge missions enough. May the Lord bless and crown your efforts in the work with the greatest blessing.

This is from a layman who sends a good contribution from his church. He goes to the heart of the trouble in Alabama. "The pastors do not urge missions enough." Brother pastor, when the laymen begin to write this way, how long will it be before the preacher who will not urge missions find himself out of a job?

H. L. Todd: Notasulga: Enclosed find check for \$9.60 from the church at Notasulga for home missions. We have called Brother C. A. Strickland to serve us. Preached Saturday and Sunday. The church seemed greatly pleased with him. I think we will move forward now.

The new pastor is a good man and will bring things to pass.

J. L. Ray: We will do our best down here in the old Union Association. I feel more than ever the great importance of the Lord's work. I feel sure, when the convention meets all will be well. God will move upon the hearts of His people to do their duty if we ask Him in faith.

Let us all join with this old hero and pray God to "move upon the hearts of His people to do their duty."

William W. Chandler: Please find enclosed P. O. money order for \$5.00, which you can use for state missions, if not too late. I have decided to give one-tenth of my earnings to the cause of Christ, and

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find that since beginning I have been greatly blessed in temporal as well as spiritual things. Praising God's richest blessings upon you and the great cause for which you are so faithfully laboring, I remain, as ever, your brother in Christ.

This layman goes down on the list of titheers. His testimony is worthy of attention. Was there ever an honest titheer who did not have this experience?

E. H. Lundy, Andalusia, Salem S. S.: Enclosed please find \$2.00 for State Missions. The amount is so small and it is so late I am ashamed to send it in almost, but am sending it anyway. Hope you may find some good place to put even this small mite to advance the Master's cause. I do try to urge upon the brethren the cause of missions and the great need for even more, as a duty they owe to God, but they still stand unmoved. I have done all I could as a lay member of this weak church (I mean weak on missions). They are able to give if they would. If you have literature you think will move them send it to me, as I shall make an effort for foreign missions. Send me the best you have.

Another layman heard from. The Lord help him. The laymen are moving. The preachers who don't believe in doing things had better look out.

C. H. Smith, Bessemer: "I am praying and working that our church may give three or four times as much this year for missions than ever before. I know we will. The Lord is blessing us. We must do more.

Remember, this is a layman. He is praying and working that his church may give three or four times more than last year for missions. God bless the layman who prays and works.

C. C. Thompson, Albertville, R. F. D. 4. You have noticed in the minutes of the Marshall Association a motion relative to the establishment of an industrial mission training school in the association. I am glad to say to you that the school has been located with First Point church. This is a most desirable location for such an institution. It is our purpose to make the school three-fold in its benefits—that of the education of the mind, the heart and the hand. We have a little more than \$8,000 raised, but will not begin work until at least \$10,000 has been raised. I can hardly see how we can begin with that small amount. We have one hundred acres of land to build on, and we believe that, if properly established and directed it will be one of the greatest blessings that has ever been given to the people of north Alabama.

Any suggestions or advice that you may see fit to give us will be highly appreciated.

It is a glorious work to build a school like the one attempted on Sand Mountain. We must multiply them.

Dear Brother Crumpton: Have just had such a pitiful letter from Dr. Willingham. He said he wouldn't ask any more of me, but I feel that God has so blessed me that I must give more. I want to send you something, too. Haven't heard from you, but guess it will be all right—how about it? You've about quit coming to see us. You had better run over some time and see us. You don't know how much good it does us to see you. May God bless you in your great work and may all debts soon be paid and more.

This is from one of our great women, sending a check for \$50. She is a Judson girl. Her father set her the example of giving, and she keeps it up. Her prayers and her alms go up as a memorial before God. She is very near of kin to some who are doing as she does.

Greenville: Brother Luther Little and S. J. Porter have prepared a visit to our church. I have written expressing that we esteem it a privilege and honor to have them. I write to thank you, for it is through you I suppose their visit to Alabama was arranged. —W. M. Blackwelder.

That is a refreshing note. So many pastors seem to dread the coming of an agent. A visit from these brethren representing the Home and Foreign Boards, would be a benediction to any church.

To a Father and Mother Whose Only Daughter, Just Passed Eighteen, Beautiful and Accomplished, After a Long and Painful Illness, I had Buried.

My Friends: In a certain place Jesus says: "What I do thou knowest not now, but thou shalt understand hereafter." Blessed assurance, that I take it as one of the universal laws in the kingdom of grace, lovingly stated. If it isn't then "we are of all men most miserable." At the grave of your precious dead, I said: "We can not understand!" Indeed we can not. "His ways are past tracing out." (Rom. 11:33.) Every life is divided into two parts (1) that which we understand, (2) that which we do not understand. But they are not equal parts, for all in every life has some mystery and some in every life has all mystery.

When I was a child I used to think that the blue overhead was the end of space, and I would ask my mother how high is the sky. And the old negro nurse would tell me that the sky was a great blue blanket God keeps spread out above us to shut heaven from our view. And when I asked what the stars are she said they are little holes the angels have punched in the blue blanket to let the light of heaven shine through. I did not know then that the "blanket of blue" is only the limit of vision, and that beyond where we can see there are stretches of space too great for finite minds to comprehend. And that is how life is—the "blanket of blue" is not very far above our aching heads and heaving hearts, but beyond the blanket—ah, think of that!

Let me remind you of three facts which you will need to keep close to your hearts now:

1. God's ways are always right.

If Rom. 11:33 is true, so is Psalm 145:17, "The Lord is righteous in all His ways, and gracious in all His works." I doubt not that one of the first verses of Scripture each of you learned was this: "God is love." Yes, He is! He is essentially love, and so it is as impossible for wrong to issue from Him as it is for foul water to flow from a pure fountain-head. Nowhere does the Bible say that we shall understand God's dealings with us on this side of the grave. But it does say that we shall not. So I take it these mysterious experiences which hurt life most are our best evidence that they emanate from God. They are really prophecies being fulfilled; they are the kaleidoscope of God's love—looked at, however, through falling tears.

Mr. Spurgeon tells of one who had placed on the weathervane of his windmill these words: "God is love." One day a friend asked, "Do you mean by that sign to say that God's love is as fickle as the wind?" The reply was: "By that sign I mean to say that no matter which way the wind blows, God is love." And so He is! What I want you both to say now, by God's grace, is this, "No matter how heart-rending the affliction, since it comes from God, it is not wrong—yes, it is right!"

2. You shall understand God's ways hereafter.

The whole Bible has graciously taken it upon itself to establish this fact. That is why we are told that Christians must walk by faith, and not by sight. I am sure that your departed (not dead) daughter knows all about it now—knows just why this darkest of all clouds has cast its shadow across your pathway, knows why her days were so few, and her last sickness so mixed with bitter pain. I say she already knows it all, and your Father and mine says that we, too, shall understand hereafter. Now, it may not be possible for you to take hold of this assuring promise by faith, as you sit together under the willow, but it is possible for you to ask God to give you faith to take hold. An assurance that does not hold on as tenaciously in the dark as in the sunshine, is worth as little to us in times of deep sorrow and overflowing trouble as is the gilded prayer wheel of a Buddhist when he comes to die. God has spoken to you, and this is His message: "The clouds shall be parted, and when they are that which appears through the rift shall be my best answer as to why the clouds were there." He will keep His royal word, be sure of that.

3. Your daughter is not dead.

That which we call "death" is the common lot of all, but death is not annihilation. Truth is, they are most alive who have already passed through death. The dead live, the living die! What is death to the prepared but the passage through a dark entry, out of one's dusky little room here, into another that is fair and large, lightsome and glorious, and divinely entertaining? Is Helen dead? Ah, no! We laid in the earth, the house in which her life sojourned for eighteen years, but she does not even "sleep" in the cemetery. When you visit her grave remember she is not there. "Why seek the living among the dead?"

I name four reasons for making this strong statement.

1. A life like hers, so good and pure and beautiful, can not be buried in the bosom of the earth, three feet under cold, feelingless clay.

2. The sufferings she underwent during her last sickness can not go without their reward. Our allotted time is three score and ten. She wanted two years of one score. There is not a promise in the Book that is not God's guarantee that she shall not be cheated out of one of the least blessings which hath been vouchsafed unto her. Her God and ours is also the Lord of Death.

3. Love is a too tender and sacred to be torn to pieces by the rattling, cruel fingers of death. Death takes ours from us. But death can not make us cease loving them. Do you reckon death can make them cease loving us?

When you stand at Helen's grave remember death can only remove for a time. Don't say "Gone forever!" Say this, "Gone, but not forgotten; separated, but not forever." The love that bound you together on this side the grave, on the other side, purified, will bind you together by the same cords which now bind God to you.

4. Jesus says dying is not death. Job asked: "If a man die, shall he live again?" Jesus answered that question when he said: "I am the resurrection and the life; he that believeth on me, though he die, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth on me shall never die."

My grief-stricken friends, "believeth thou this?"

Yours sincerely,
Huntsville, Ala.

R. S. GAVIN.

CLEVER DOCTOR

Cured a 20 Years' Trouble Without Any Medicine

A wise Indian physician cured a 20 years' stomach disease without any medicine, as his patient tells:

"I had stomach trouble for 20 years, tried family medicines, patent medicines and all the simple remedies suggested by my friends, but grew worse all the time.

"Finally a doctor who is the most prominent physician in this part of the state, told me medicine would do me no good, only irritate my stomach and make it worse—that I must look to diet and quit drinking coffee.

"I cried out in alarm, 'Quit drinking coffee!' why, what will I drink?"

"Try Postum," said the doctor, "I drink it and you will like it when it is made according to directions, with cream, for it is delicious and has none of the bad effects coffee has."

"Well, that was two years ago and I am still drinking Postum. My stomach is right again and I know Doctor hit the nail on the head when he decided coffee was the cause of all my trouble. I only wish I had quit it years ago and drank Postum in its place."

Never too late to mend. Ten days' trial of Postum in place of coffee works wonders. "There's a Reason."

Look in packages for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true and full of human interest.

A NEW EMPHASIS ON HOME MISSIONS.

We are glad to give space this week to some chapters from a booklet by Rev. Victor I. Masters, editorial secretary of our Home Mission Board at Atlanta, Ga. The booklet is a neatly printed, forty-page pamphlet and illustrated. Its name is "Southern Baptists and the Frontier."

It is the first of a series which the Home Board expects to issue. Each of the proposed books will deal with some particular phase of the work of the Home Mission Board. This series will, it is expected, in turn become the basis of a more extended volume on home missions.

We are glad that the Home Board will give more attention to creating a home mission literature. Southern Baptists have done more home mission work probably than any other denomination in the United States. They have certainly written less about the work than any other leading denomination. This is an anomalous situation and should be corrected.

The work which Brother Masters has done in this booklet is entirely worthy of the man and the subject and gives bright promise as to the effectiveness of the other books which are to follow.

We wish to call particular attention to one fact that is brought out in the frontier booklet. We refer to the fact that after all these years of successful mission work by our Home Board in Texas there is yet so much work there to be done. It is true that Texas has been saved to the Southern Baptists by the work of our Home Mission Board, and it is also true that home missions is as much needed in Texas today as at any period of its history.

The reason for this is explained in the little volume before us. From 1845 up until 1890 the population of Texas had increased to 2,235,000 people. From 1890 to 1909 it had increased to 4,000,000. The last figures are by the estimate of the governor of Texas, recently given in the World's Almanac. In other words, forty-five per cent of the increase in the population in Texas has transpired within the last nineteen years.

By far the largest part of this increase has been by immigration. Giving Texas Baptists all the credit for resourcefulness, the question still recurs, Can Texas Baptists keep the state saved in the face of such a marvelous influx of people? There is surely great need still of home mission work in Texas.

And that need is even intensified in the case of Oklahoma, in which youthful commonwealth nearly 2,000,000 people have taken up their abode within nineteen years. The increase in Texas and Oklahoma together within the period named has been nearly half as much as the entire population of the South was at the time when our Southern Baptist convention was originated.

There are other phases of our home mission work to which we would like to call special attention, but the space is lacking. For instance, we are definitely of the opinion that there is no equal investment of money possible to one of our people that will produce such large results in the building of character as that which is contributed to the maintaining of the mission school of our Home Board among the mountain people of the South.

If we did not believe that God reigns and that He is leading our nation and preparing it to do great and valiant things toward the coming of His kingdom on earth, we should not be able to think upon this immigrant business as anything less than a nightmare. That one citizen in eighty in America should come in each year from the ends of the earth, without knowing our language or our traditions or our religion or our national ideals—ignorant, downtrodden, the under stratum of an effete civilization—that these things should be going on every year and every week is enough to appal us. It certainly ought to be enough to forever shake out of lethargy and indifference our Baptist churches.

We are glad that our Home Mission Board is now actively engaged, as it has not been before, in stirring up the conscience and informing the minds of our people as to missioning in America.

THE ALABAMA BAPTIST EDITORIAL

ARE YOU HELPING?

A number of pastors and many friends are helping us to push the \$1.00 offer. Have you enlisted yet? If not, please do so at once and send us a batch of new subscribers. These have sent us their names this week:

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H. M. Rikard, Arlington.
Mrs. M. A. Ramsey, Ohatchee, R. 1.
Rev. S. W. Andress, Ft. Deposit.
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BRO. CRUMPTON'S LAST WORD OF THE CAMPAIGN

Only one Sunday more!

The large churches yet to be heard from! One thousand dollars a day came in the past five days. Can we keep it up to the end?

Our women are doing grandly. After Sunday there remain five days for hand to hand work. See everybody who was not at church. Ask those who gave to increase their gifts.

The case now goes to the jury! Baptists of Alabama, what is your verdict?

Shall your Boards report a large debt?

God help you to say NO!

W. B. C.

HOW ALABAMA STANDS.

Montgomery, Ala., April 16, 1909.

For Home Missions	\$15,312
Short of last year's gifts	3,200
Short of the 25 per cent advance ..	7,828
For Foreign Missions	17,004
Short of last year's gifts	11,257
Short of the 25 per cent advance ..	18,314

To be even with last year we must raise in two weeks \$13,451 for the two boards.

To make the 25 per cent advance we must raise the next two weeks \$26,142. Can we do it? YES.

Will we do it? ? ? ? What do you say?

Dear Brother:

The statement above ought to stir us. There is no need of discouragement. We can have the \$26,142 if we will all work. Where 50 cents has been given heretofore, let's ask for \$5. It is easier to do a big thing than a little one. People think more of us when we ask for something worth while. The Lord bless you. Fraternally,

W. B. CRUMPTON.

Dear Brother Barnett: The above shows that we raised in five days nearly \$5,000. Of this our women sent more than \$2,000. In next ten days we ought to get \$25,000. The large churches are all to be heard from.

W. B. C.

EX-PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S HUNTING TRIP.

Much has been and will be written anent the ex-president's spectacular journey across Africa and we confess that if he was merely going to show his love of picking big game that we would not care to give it any further notice, but as great as is his love for adventure, we believe he has a deeper purpose than even the hunter's bag or scientist's curiosity, and that his trip will do nearly as much for foreign missions as did David Livingston, a returned missionary from Africa, and southern Baptists ought to have great interest in the work because of our stations there.

If the American ex-president, as he hunts lions and elephants, antelopes and gazelles, will do more, he will do well. He will find the animals and the neglected millions. He will shoot the enemies of the deer and the domestic animals, and his powder and ball will covet places through the hearts of slave drivers and rum-traffickers. Writing as a missionary observer, it is pleasurable to know that because of his visit the eyes of the American people will be turned upon a country and peoples strange to Christian and civilized retinas hitherto, who make an appeal for that which we have to offer. The darkness of the Dark Continent is there, and it is a horror and a terror. If the Roosevelt hunt will do anything to lift the clouds and show the civilized world that the sun has place and space for its rays, it will not be in vain. If, on the next year's map the place where will be marked the locality where a lion was shot, shall be indicated that which witnessed a new interrogation point for the "Eastern question," then the hunt will not have failed to illuminate the true meaning of sport.

A GREAT CHURCH AND A GREAT PASTOR.

Last week's paper contained a note from L. O. Dawson, in which he praises his people and the resolutions by the church showing love for the pastor. We specially commend the act of the church. We have long believed in the saints at Tuscaloosa, and they have acted saintly. There is only one Dawson. He has a warm place in the hearts of Alabama Baptists, which he won by his simplicity, manliness and consecration. He not only served his church well, but the denomination in Alabama has felt his power—a loving pastor, a great preacher and a tireless worker, he has not only carried on his heart the members of his own flock, but has watched over the boys and girls from all parts of the state in attendance upon the schools of his city. Only last week we received the following card written to Hon. R. E. Pettus, of Huntsville, and forwarded by him to us because of our interest in his manly son:

Tuscaloosa, April 4, 1909.

My Dear Brother: It would have done your heart good to have heard the most excellent talk made by your boy at our Sunday school rally today. I am glad for you and congratulate you on having such a son. Sincerely, L. O. Dawson.

This written at a time when every one was urging Dawson to take a rest evidences the fact that he never spared himself, but took time not only to notice one of the university boys, but to write an appreciative word to his father. This little incident is an index to the man. God bless him and give him health is our prayer.

I have enjoyed so much every copy of the dear Alabama Baptist. It is a sunlight to every lonely home, and a blessing to one and all. May every sentence that you express with tongue, pen and press enlighten those who are groping their way in darkness and distress, and may each regenerated heart be filled anew with "godly" love, and go into the Master's honest fields to gather souls for heaven above. May every blessing God sees proper to bestow rest and abide with you and family while here on earth below, and when your pilgrimage is ended may your pilot anchor you safely on the "golden shore."—Lucy L. Harlan.

YOUNG WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Motto: They that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.—Dan. 12:3.

A Prayer.

We are evil, oh God, and help us to see it and amend. We are good and help us to be better. Look down upon thy servants with a patient eye, even as Thou sendest sun and rain; look down, call upon the dry bones, quicken, enliven; recreate in us the soul of service, the spirit of peace; renew in us the sense of joy.—Robert Louis Stevenson.

Y. W. A. Items.

On Saturday, the 10th, the State Executive Board met in Birmingham. The officers of the board and the advisory committee were present and a most helpful meeting was the result. Our leader knows that every Y. W. A. will rejoice to hear that our beloved president, Mrs. Charles Stakely, of Montgomery, was able to be with us to preside over the meeting. We are unusually thankful to our Heavenly Father for sending her come to us, for we truly needed her counsel, especially at this meeting, when we had to plan for the Louisville convention. Mrs. T. W. Hannon, of Montgomery, was also most welcome, representing she most ably does the work which Alabama Baptists are doing for the Margaret Home.

At the Board meeting the place and time for the November convention were decided upon. The invitation from the Woman's Missionary Union, the Ladies' Aid and the Y. W. A. of the First Church, of Selma, was accepted and the time for assembling set for Tuesday, the 2d of November. Since Selma is the home town of the Y. W. A. leader, we are especially desirous of a full Y. W. A. representation from all over the state. A cordial invitation is extended with the promise that every effort will be made to make the program particularly interesting to every Y. W. A. We have written to Miss Crane, of Baltimore, to ask her to attend. She, as is known to all of us, is deeply interested in and an authority upon Y. W. A. work.

The Louisville convention was also thoroughly discussed. The report was made that several of our Alabama auxiliaries will be represented there. Since the training school appeals to us as our own peculiar possession, and since Miss White has sustained Alabama's ranks at first in all things good, we can but wish that even more than several of our auxiliaries will send delegates. It will be such a privilege to see the training school and Miss White and to come into vital touch with the work which we are trying to do. At the convention Alabama will be given her apportionment card. From this card there will be taken the amounts expected from the Alabama Y. W. A.'s. By the vote of the State Executive Board on Saturday the request was made that upon receipt of these amounts your leader apportion to the various auxiliaries such sums as may reasonably be expected from them. The associational vice presidents will thus be relieved of this duty for the Y. W. A.'s in their respective associations and will only be asked to receive the quarterly reports as formerly. Your leader will want a quarterly report from each auxiliary, too, and thus by sending out the apportionment cards and by gathering in the quarterly reports, she hopes to keep in closer touch with the auxiliaries. This new responsibility is undertaken in the full belief that every Y. W. A. will co-operate. Otherwise it will not succeed, so plan, dear friends, to do your part.

And now, before closing, we wish to introduce to our members several new auxiliaries. In Tallapoosa a Junior Y. W. A. has been organized, while the auxiliary at Opelika has been reinstated. Most encouraging reports have come from both. We also welcome with much joy auxiliaries in Dothan and Uniontown. In all sincerity we crave heaven's richest blessing upon these new or renewed organizations.

WOMAN'S WORK

State Executive Board.

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

TO EVERY ONE A CALL.

A dozen young women meet every week in a certain vestry as a Sunday school class. They may be divided into three classes, the business young woman, the school or college girls, the girls of leisure. Bright, thoughtful, gay, earnest, careless, studious, such is there in her place. This dozen is typical. They are winning, we are attracted to them. We want them in our missionary work. We yearn to see them come closer to the heart of things, drawn closer to the great heart, the inspiring force of all earnest life.

The Business Woman's Call.—All honor to this alert, active, well-trained young woman. Your clear thinking, your practical common sense, your business training has a market value. It has another value. The church needs it. The great cause of missions needs it. A young woman, earning a fine salary as a dressmaker, adopted the plan of giving a tenth of her income to the Lord's work. Her business ability and consecration has since been turned in another direction, for she is married and the joyful mother of children. But the systematic giving will be taught her children, a useful heritage surely! One of the few statues in this country erected in honor of a woman is that of Margaret, whose business as a baker enabled her to amass a sum large enough to endow an asylum for orphans. To the large number of business young women I call, "Come up to the work of the Lord in our country."

The College Woman's Call.—She, the one preparing for life's work, with a definite fitting, with hands full to overflowing of golden opportunities. In a far-away corner of our land, we find such a one. She was cheerfully working to uplift a whole town of child-like, superstitious people. She was teacher, evangelist, physician and good angel. On the walls of her sitting room hung the pictures of college days, the friends of those days, herself in cap and gown, changed into prose. Her alma mater was the outcome of home missionary labors. She was typical of a large number of college girls all over the land. Far different was the work of such a one as Mrs. Alice Freeman Palmer; but who more ready than she to give voice, pen, influence, tireless energy into the great causes nearer her own fireside? Welcome, young college sister, to the company of those who need your help in missionary work.

The Young Woman of Leisure's Call.—Where is the young woman of leisure? Who is she? "I am so busy," sighs every one. The fact remains that large numbers find time for reading, fancy work, golf, clubs, travel. Two women utilized their opportunities of travel to visit mission schools and workers in the South and West. They have since given time going about among churches making real the needs of the work. Would that many young women with leisure to travel would do likewise!

"Time is your treasure." Plan to give some of it to that which is worth while. Give to the city, state, country.

"A heart at leisure from itself
To soothe and sympathize."

—Mrs. Louise Ordway Tead.

A WISE AND GENEROUS LAYMAN'S WAY.

He was not a Baptist nor was he a rich man. He said: "A friend of mine sent me a magazine which came to me every week. While I read many things I did not like, I soon found that it gave me information of the very best character about things that were happening all over the world. I discovered, too, that I had new visions of things. I got a grip on things as I never did before. My friend had done me a great favor. I got the names of seventy ministers of my own denomination and had that magazine sent to them. Of course, I had a hope that they would keep it up after reading it a while. I am sure it will help any preacher in his pulpit ministrations. Don't you think so? Now, I want to do the same for as many of the preachers of your denomination. When the preachers get that magazine I ask them to read it carefully, set out of it all the good possible to help them in their preaching, and thank God for the good layman whose good heart prompted the gift."

The Way One Pastor Did.

I want to tell you a bit of my experience when I was pastor of a country and some village field. The times were harder than they are now. I had worked up a pretty good list of subscribers to the Alabama Baptist in each of my churches. Some complained of hard times and said they could not spare \$2 to renew, so I must have the paper discontinued. I declined to do it, because I felt that they needed the paper. I wrote the editor to send me a list of all his subscribers. At the several offices and I'd see what I could do. I collected from my members 50 cents a quarter and kept the name of every subscriber paid up in this way for two years. It was a little trouble, of course, but the good I did far more than compensated for all my trouble. I know of no agency which carries into the homes so great a blessing as the Alabama Baptist.

Won't the pastors imitate the example of this worthy brother?
W. B. C.

If you could save the Foreign Mission Board from the awful embarrassment of a \$50,000 debt by giving \$5 above your usual mission gift, wouldn't you do it? How the cause must suffer if this large debt is reported in May! If by giving \$5 extra you could save the day, would you not make every needed sacrifice and give the \$5.00? You would, you know you would. Well, then, give it. Dr. Willingham's word for it, your \$5 will save the day. If 10,000 Southern Baptists, among them 900 Alabamians, give the extra \$5 we may go to Louisville with shouts of victory. Let not your non-action be the cause of defeat. Let your action be the cause of victory.

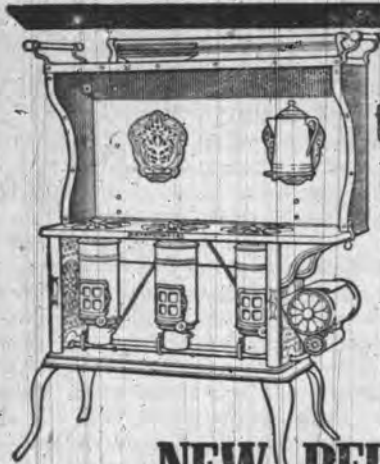
What's your \$5 among so many? It's the \$5 that enables the Master to feed a multitude.

If you could, wouldn't you? Well, you can. Will you? And if you will you must act today.

PAUL V. BOMAR.

I am writing to say to the brethren that I am on the ground at Evergreen, have just moved into our new quarters. I am sure I will be happy in my new work. I hope the brethren will remember to address all communications to me at Evergreen instead of East Lake.

We have some very serious sickness in the home at this time. Thus far the lives of all the little ones have been spared and the doctor is very hopeful of a speedy recovery of them all. We are getting ready an appeal to the brethren of the state for the month of May, which has by common consent been given to the orphanage. Heretofore we have had only the month of November, but since our expenses have been so much increased on account of the new school building and the increased number of children we are compelled to have more attention paid to us. We will send out these appeals at once and we bespeak for them in advance a prayerful consideration and a liberal response.
S. O. Y. RAY.



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A Christian's God.
My Dear Brother Ray: Last Tuesday the One who once took little children in His arms and blessed them took from my arms my beautiful little brown-eyed three and a half year-old William into His own arms and blessed him by taking him out of his sufferings and saved him from the surgeon's instruments. I was taking him to Dr. Hill in Montgomery and my plans were to take him from there to Dr. Parks in Birmingham if his condition was not soon changed for the better. My fond hopes and cherished plans were crushed when I had to leave the train at Ozark with my darling in a dying condition. A physician was summoned, but the angels soon bore my darling away. There was nothing on earth that was nearer and dearer and it would have been like taking my life, "but the Healer was there pouring balm on my heart, and wiping the tears from my eyes. He strengthened the chain he had broken in twain, and fastened it firm to the skies!

There had whispered a voice—
'Twas the voice of my God—
"I love you, I love you,
Pass under the rod."

'Twas hard, so hard, to say "Thy will be done," but He gave me the grace to say it. Brother Ray, I have tried so hard not to be selfish, but have thought of the sorrows of others, and I have his little rompers and little "Buster Brown" suits, little shoes, stockings, hats, underwear, playthings and other things, and I am going to have them sent to you by loving friends, and if there is a little motherless boy in the Orphans' Home that can use them you may tell him his mother sent them, and I would like to be a mother to him, only I prefer him to remain there, because I am not physically able to care for him as a mother should. Brother Ray, please pray earnestly for me, for only God's grace has borne me up this long. My heart is bruised and sore. I am wonderfully blessed by having left to me little William's (almost idolizing) father and his two sweet little brothers, and yet there is such a vacancy the baby has left. Your true and loving friend,
MRS. J. E. JAMES.
Enterprise, Ala., March 29.

Death of Little Sunbeam.

Whereas, God in His infinite love and wisdom, has seen fit to take from our midst unto Himself our beloved little Thelma Kicker, one of our sweetest and brightest Sunbeams, be it Resolved, first, That we be submissive to His will.
Second, That Thelma's little life be an example to us of loving faith and sweet patience under affliction.
Third, That we extend to the bereaved family our deepest heartfelt sympathy and love, praying that God's richest blessings may rest on them in this their time of deep sorrow.
Fourth, That we spread these resolutions on the minutes of the Sunbeam Band, sending a copy to the bereaved family.
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tion arises as to Texas, as it does of many other fields and phases of the work. Now that it has been moved to the Baptists, have they strength unaided to keep it saved?

There are no more resourceful and progressive Baptists than those in Texas. They have breathed enthusiasm with the ozone of the plains, and courage and hope with every day of contact with the huge constructive forces which are everywhere and always operative in Texas. But will 250,000 of even Texas Baptists be able to care for the religious needs of a million people who have from the ends of the earth come into Texas within nine years, and that we top of an 800,000 who had come during the ten years before 1900, whom they had not yet had time half to assimilate? There is a great home mission work to be done in Texas!

Can We Realize the Opportunity in Oklahoma?

Nearly everybody who can write, and surely all who can talk, have remarked on the wonderful things doing in Oklahoma. Nothing new can be said, suppose, and one feels like contenting himself with a long row of exclamation points. But the opportunity to take a great State captive to Christ is too great a thing to be silent about, even if one does nothing more than reiterate great facts which have been uttered over and over, and seemingly have not yet got next to the conscience of the average Baptist back in the old States, where things are established. Why is it fit that every Southern Baptist pulpit should ring with the story of the great opportunity to carry the gospel to the destitute in Oklahoma? A small book might be written in answer to the question, and the work and expense would not be wasted. I shall try a briefer way.

A Few Oklahoma Facts.

It is a great opportunity. When before in the history of America did a State settle with such amazing rapidity? Before 1890 there were some Indians scattered over the State, covering a territory as large as Kentucky and South Carolina combined. There were also a handful of bad men and pale-face government agents. The 61,800 of that year had increased to 393,300 in 1900.

By that time the sleeping pioneer blood of thousands of Americans had got stirred up by the Oklahoma stories, and westward they went like the moving of an army. So that in January, 1900, Oklahoma's governor sent forth 1,950,000 as the estimated population. In nineteen years that El Dorado had increased in population such old and stalwart commonwealths as South Carolina, Maryland and Louisiana and become practically as populous as Mississippi, Tennessee, Kentucky and Virginia.

We have never seen it on this fashion. Probably we never shall again, though we will see this phalanx (3 a don the figure) of 100,000 a month as it still marches on, tramp! tramp! into the land of promise in the Southwest!

Of course they do not really tramp, nor do they ordinarily any more affect the canvas-covered wagon and lonely months of creeping across the Mississippi valley. The railways carry them, and even the railways have had to adopt a new theory of construction in order to make the most of the situation. They no longer wait for the settlers, and estimate the probable business that will accrue, but build out into the open plains and give the people a chance to come, for a chance is all they need.

Why the Frontier Story Should Be Told.

The story of the needs of Oklahoma and the frontier should be told to every Christian worker because those States of the Central West will be mighty in their influence in the nation's counsels and in sociological significance in the years to come. It should be told because ninety-six per cent of those new settlers are native-born Americans. They are our kin and our kind.

It should be told because they can be easily saved now, but the forces of evil will sweep them from their moral moorings if they are not saved now. Americans are much prone to travel about, and in every community there are some who know that professing Christian people are demoralized relig-

iously by even a week's transplanting to a summer resort place or a strange city. The settled social order which is about us is a moral and religious support. There are persons about us concerned in our rectitude and faithfulness. This helps men to be better than they would be. Can any one doubt it, when a week in an atmosphere of irresponsibility is confessedly injurious to many of our church members?

Where the Spiritual Ordeal is Intense.

If this is true, who can question whether the moral and spiritual ordeal of the frontier is intense? Every one has come from a different place, and no one knows the past of the others. Few care what it has been. In the new settlement there is inevitable confusion. Moral, religious, social, political ideals are in a flux. The anchorage which bound the settler to others in the old home place, and tended to sustain him, is broken. He is in an intense struggle, first for existence, then for material prosperity. Moral and religious values have little exaltation in the inevitable general confusion, and he is disposed to wait.

But all experience has shown that that religious denomination which is aggressive and consecrated and far-sighted enough to go to those sheep without a shepherd and to help and sympathize with them in the days of their trial and struggle and heart-loneliness is the denomination which they will stand by in the later years of their prosperity. That is why Southern Baptists have Texas today.

Oklahoma Presents a Problem of Multiplied Intensity.

But the problem of Oklahoma is of four-fold intensity to the one which our denomination faced a generation ago in Texas. In fact, it would now be also of four-fold intensity in Texas had not the denomination, in the meanwhile, developed a local strength partly able to cope with the needs of the ever-increasing stream of in-comers. Early settlers went to Texas in wagons and settled the farms and gradually built towns. They came in large numbers, but spread out over almost unlimited territory. They had been, and most of them remained, people of the soil. Comparatively tardy mission activities were sufficient to save the day.

Not so with Oklahoma. They came on railway trains, from city, town, hamlet and country young, hopeful, daring, intense. They formed cities in a day and dwelt in tents till they could build them. They toed the mark at the opening of various government reservations, from 10,000 to 100,000 strong, and at the signal of a gunshot ran pell mell, men and women, to "stake a claim" for a home.

Reproach and Failure Lurk in Slow Methods.

Slow methods of evangelizing will not do for Oklahoma, if we really wish it to be saved to the religion of our Christ. They are a strictly up-to-date product of the intense life of the early twentieth century, and have now cities with every imaginable modern convenience, and facility where, nineteen years ago, the prairie grass, the coyote and the gliding Indian inhabited the landscape, and the cerulean sky canopy looked down in silence upon the great, lonely plains where the winds blew.

There are over 47,000 Baptists in Oklahoma, and they are relatively much stronger than other denominations. What a small number it is among the 1,950,000 that Oklahoma's governor estimates as the citizenship. One Baptist to forty-one of the population is all too little. And it is among people who are more inclined to us than to any other denomination, 97 per cent of whom are native Americans, many of whom are not without religious conviction, but in the inchoate religious conditions of the new habitat they are like sheep without a shepherd.

BROTHER CRUMPTON SURPRISED.

A cotton firm in Montgomery wrote me the other day saying that Mr. J. M. Fancher had left a bale of cotton with them for me. I learned that the brother sent it on account of his good wife to help support a native missionary.

When it was sold it brought 95c. The merchants generously remitted all charges. That check for

046.87 somehow looked mighty good. It is the first experience of the sort I have ever had, though I have often suggested to the brethren who were holding cotton that I could handle a bale in my business. I asked a brother for \$5 once. He replied: I have 260 bales of cotton in the warehouse I am holding for better prices. When I suggested that he give me an order for one, he said I was awful. He afterwards told me of the thousands he lost on that cotton. Blessed be the man who is able to hold cotton! More blessed the man who will turn it loose for God.

W. B. C.

A HOME MISSION CRISIS—CAN WE MEET IT?

It would be calamitous to close the year, April 30th, with a heavy debt on the home mission board.

The debt brought over from last year has been a great burden. It has hindered us at every point, prevented engagement in many places, caused us to borrow money from the beginning of the year and filled us with anxiety all the while. We are doing our utmost to come to April 30th with a clear balance sheet, but a \$50,000 or \$60,000 debt stares us in the face.

Thousands of churches and individuals must send their small offerings, which in the aggregate will make a good sum, and the smallest gifts made in sacrifice and love are as acceptable as the largest, but in this emergency the strong churches and laymen must come to the front. They will decide the matter.

Twenty-five or fifty of the strongest churches in each state, by real giving can settle it right. Some of them ought to go far beyond the \$1,000 mark and scores of them ought to range between \$500 and \$1,000, and the balance should come with \$100 to \$500 each.

Brethren, pastors, deacons and mission committees, wheel your churches into line and see that during the next two weeks they come to our help.

The appeal is to the laymen. If the laymen are ever to make good it must be in an emergency like this. God has a thousand Baptist laymen in the south who can avert this debt, if they will give at once an average of \$50 each. Some large-hearted, greatly prospered ones can, and I venture to hope will, lay \$1,000 upon the altar.

Beloved brethren, blessed of God and redeemed by the blood of His Son, will you not make glorious account of your stewardship in behalf of this great cause? We must not fail. Yours in the service,

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3. Primary Problems—Round Table—Mrs. E. B. Miller.
C. Juniors, Miss Edith Rice, presiding.
1. Story Told.
 2. Lesson Construction.
 3. Junior Problems—Round Table—Miss Edith Rice.

ADULT CONFERENCE.

Rev. J. S. Bridges, Presiding.
Mr. Marion Lawrence, Specialist.

- 2:30 Devotional—Rev. J. W. Frazer.
2:40 Class Demonstration—By W. B. Davidson's class.
3:00 How We Built Up Our Class—Twenty minutes each by Col. Amos E. Goodhue, J. S. Rhodes and M. Sollie.
Open Parliament—Mr. Marion Lawrence.

TEACHER TRAINING CONFERENCE.

R. O. Harris, presiding.
Dr. H. M. Hamill, Specialist.

- 2:30 Devotional—Rev. S. A. Cowan.
2:40 How to Organize and Conduct a Teacher Training Class—Mrs. S. P. Moore.
3:10 Self-Training of the Teacher—Dr. H. M. Hamill.
3:40 Open Parliament—Dr. H. M. Hamill.

HOME DEPARTMENT CONFERENCE.

W. F. Thetford, presiding.
Dr. W. A. Duncan, Specialist.

- 2:30 Devotional Exercises—Rev. J. H. Busch.
2:40 The Work of the Visitor—Dr. W. A. Duncan.
3:10 Demonstration—Miss Mary E. Smith.
3:30 How to Maintain Interest in the Home Department—Mr. L. E. Page.
3:50 Open Parliament—Dr. W. A. Duncan.

THURSDAY EVENING.

- 7:30 Song and Prayer Service—Prof. E. O. Excell; Rev. H. T. Johnson.
7:45 Hundred Years of S. S. Progress—Dr. H. M. Hamill.
8:30 What Shall the Harvest Be?—By Mr. Marion Lawrence.

NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County, Probate Court, March 31st, 1909.
This day came Louise S. Ellerman and filed her petition, in writing, and under oath, therewith producing and filing in this court an instrument of writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of Caroline S. Ellerman, deceased, and praying for such orders, decrees and proceedings as may be proper and requisite, for the due probate and record of said alleged will in this court. And it appearing to the court from said petition that the following named next of kin of said deceased are non-residents of the state of Alabama, viz., Ferdinand B. Ellerman and Albert H. Ellerman, brother and nephew, respectively, of said deceased; both of whom reside at New Orleans, La., and William H. Ellerman and Mrs. Susie Dufour, brother and sister, respectively, of said deceased, both of whom reside at Covington, La., and Charles Dufour, William Ellerman and Malvina Ellerman, nephews and niece, respectively, of said deceased, all of whom reside at Covington, La.;

And whereas, the 12th day of May, 1907, has been set as a day for hearing testimony in proof of said instrument as such will.

It is therefore ordered that notice of the filing of said petition and of the day set for hearing same be given the said Ferdinand B. Ellerman, William H. Ellerman, Mrs. Susie Dufour, Albert H. Ellerman, Charles Dufour, William Ellerman and Malvina Ellerman by publication once a week for three successive weeks in the Alabama Baptist, a newspaper published in this county.

S. E. GREEE,
Judge of Probate.

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special work. Industrial work is especially suited to conditions in Africa and we missionaries on the field rejoice that the board has sanctioned an advance of our work along these lines.

Encouraging Outlook for Our Mission.

The missionaries on the field are agreed that not for many years has the outlook for our African mission been as bright as it is now. Dr. and Mrs. MacLean have been appointed for work at Saki. Brethren Compere and Pinnock are expected to return to the field this year, and our hearts are full of the hope that Brother Smith, our veteran missionary, will also return. This will give us six missionary families on the field. We have a good staff of native workers, men who have been trained to teach and preach and whose service God has been pleased to own and bless in the past year. The country is opening up on all sides. Railroads, motor cars, telegraph, trade and commerce are making live, busy towns, and these are offering splendid opportunities for missionary work.

Our Needs.

A great work with great opportunities must present great needs. We need (a) the co-operation of every Southern Baptist. This is your work. You are the people who, through your missionaries, are building this West African pyramid. We need that you yourselves, your sons and daughters come to this field as missionaries to engage in this work. We need your prayers, your practical sympathy and help. God needs you, Africa needs you and we missionaries need you. (b). New Missionaries. All told the staff of missionaries for our African

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Please change my address for the Alabama Baptist from Demopolis to Columbiana. I wish you could run down here and see us some time soon. There are hosts of Baptists in this country that ought to be taking their denominational paper.—J. R. G. White

In the Circuit Court of Jefferson County, Alabama. In Equity. R. P. Russell Pelligren vs. Simon Klotz, et al.

In this cause, which is a bill filed to remove the administration of the estate of J. Antoine Pelligren, deceased, from the probate court of Jefferson county into this court, and to sell the lands of said estate as set forth in said bill, it being made to appear to the judge of said court, taken time, by the affidavit of Richard B. Kelly, solicitor of record for complainant, that the name of the mayor of Annote, department des Bas-Alpes, in the republic of France, is unknown to complainant, and that the names, ages and residence of the heirs at law of said J. Antoine Pelligren, deceased, if he had died intestate, are also unknown to said complainant, and neither can be ascertained on diligent inquiry, and that their residence, as he believes, is not in this state, and further that in the belief of said complainant, said defendants are over the age of twenty-one 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 the mayor of Annote, department des Bas-Alpes, in the republic of France, whose name is unknown, and the heirs at law of said J. Antoine Pelligren, deceased, if he had died intestate, whose names, ages and residences are unknown, to answer or demur to the bill of complaint in this cause by the 15th day of May, 1909, or within thirty days thereafter a decree pro confesso may be taken against each of them.

This the 6th day of April, 1909.
A. A. COLEMAN,
Judge Tenth Judicial Circuit of Alabama.

Now, therefore, pursuant to said order, this publication is made, at the said mayor of Annote, department des Bas-Alpes, in the republic of France, and the heirs at law of said J. Antoine Pelligren, deceased, if he had died intestate, whose names, ages and residences are unknown, are each required to answer or demur to the bill of complaint in this cause by the 15th day of May, 1909, or after thirty days therefrom a decree pro confesso may be taken against them.

This the 6th day of April, 1909.
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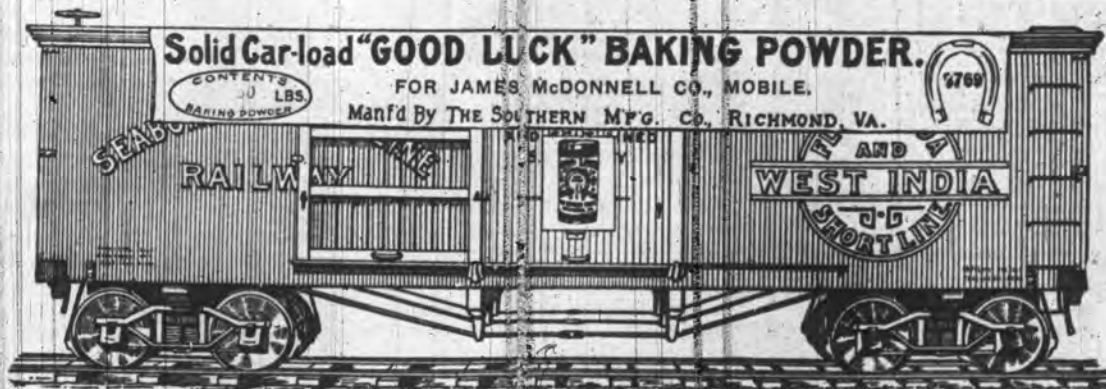
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Resolutions of Sympathy.

Whereas, it has pleased our Heavenly Father in His infinite wisdom to take from our midst our beloved sister, Mrs. O. T. Anderson, who was a member of this society, who died on the 26th of January, 1909, and who was a faithful Christian, a loving and devoted wife and mother; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Ladies' Aid Society of the First Baptist church, Cullman, Ala.,

1. That this society, the church and community at large have in the death of Sister Anderson lost a valuable and lovable member, and her family a most devoted and dutiful wife and mother.

2. That this society hereby extends to the bereaved members of her family their deepest and most heartfelt sympathy in their great loss.

3. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family and the Alabama Baptist for publication.

Mrs. J. A. Shannon, Mrs. T. E. St. John, committee.

In the providence of God the death angel came to the home of Dr. W. E. Perry, the pioneer preacher of this county. Dr. Perry had just completed his medical education under very trying circumstances, having a wife and three children. He left them to go off to college that he may prepare himself for the practice of medicine. It is heart-rending to think of the sacrifice he made leaving his loved ones and spending much money and time and hard work to fit himself for his chosen work, and then when he is ready to begin his life work to be called from them. But God doeth all things well. He was a devoted husband, a tender father, a good member of Hephzibah church, a splendid citizen and had flattering prospects in medicine. He leaves a father and mother, several brothers and sisters, a wife and four small children. May the Lord be their stay.

H. C. SANDERS.

Resolutions of respect adopted by Calvary Baptist church, Perry county, Ala., on the death of Brother J. B. Smith.

Death for the first time has invaded our church and removed from our midst our beloved brother, John Burks Smith, who died the 24th of February, 1909.

Resolved, first, That while we deplore the sad death of our brother, yet we bow in humble submission to the will of our divine Master, feeling a just assurance that our loss is his eternal gain.

Resolved, second, That we tender his bereaved friends our heartfelt sympathy in their great affliction, hoping that He who does all things for our good and His own glory may comfort them in their great grief and distress.

Resolved, third, That a copy of these resolutions be spread on our minutes; also a copy be sent to the Baptist and Marion Standard for publication.

J. T. Curb, Miss Grace Roberts, Miss Mary Merrell, committee.

Lines written on the death of Sister Lula R. Jordan, member of Mt. Gilead Baptist church, Rose Hill, Covington county, Ala.

Sister Jordan was born in Texas February 12, 1871. She was married to John R. Jordan October 28th, 1888; died April 28, 1908. She was a consecrated member of the church eleven years. She leaves a husband, eight children and many friends to mourn her loss. To know her was to love her. We deeply sympathize with Bro. Jordan and the children, though their loss is her eternal gain. As a wife, she was affectionate. She was a patient mother, and as a church member a true Christian. May the bereaved find grace sufficient in this time of need, and may we all emulate her godly life.

Dear Sister Jordan is no more,
 Her form lies in the grave,
 Her spirit on that shining shore,
 Her soul the Lord did save,
 She's missed by husband and each child,

By relatives and friends,
 On every one on whom she smiled,
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BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA.

Died, Mrs. W. T. Johnson, of Sylacauga, Ala., March 9, 1909, in the 77th year of her age.

Mrs. Johnson was a native of Harris county, Ga., having moved from that county about fifty-three years ago with her husband, Mr. P. H. Rogers, and three small children, and settled in Coosa county, Ala. She united with the Bethany Baptist church in Harris county, Ga., at the age of twelve. After moving to Alabama she united with Sardis Baptist church, where she remained a member until she went back to Georgia after her husband's death. Her husband died while in the war and left a widow and six small children to endure the hardships of those dreadful days with no strong arm to lean upon. Like many others this brave woman and noble Christian mother battled against sorrow and the struggles of widowhood and reared her children to be dutiful and devoted. They are Mrs. M. V. Culpepper, of Coosa county; Mrs. H. W. C. Kelley, of Sylacauga; Messrs. T. P. and F. M. Rogers, of Autauga county and Mr. J. H. Rogers, of Talladega.

After remaining a widow for eight years Mrs. Rogers was married to Mr. W. T. Johnson, of Harris county, Ga., and removed to Coosa county, Alabama. She united again with Sardis church, but after many years became a member of the Rockford church. Mr. Johnson died in August, 1897. There were no children born to this union. Since Mr. Johnson's death Mrs. Johnson made her home with her daughter, Mrs. H. W. C. Kelley, of Sylacauga.

Mrs. Johnson was fond of talking of her experience in grace. She was a great believer in prayer and enjoyed remembering and referring to the family prayers of her married life. She loved the Lord's people and loved to be with them. She had been spared a long time to her children and a host of friends, but in her old age they loved her greatly and would have kept her longer if death had not been determined. Her six children, many grandchildren and a great many friends mourn her departure. It was her request that she be taken to her home at Rockford for interment, but owing to the very high water in all the creeks this could not be done.—J. J. Johnson.

E. D. Wamble Dead.

He was taken ill at 6 o'clock on the evening of March 10th and died at 10 o'clock in the night. He was submissive and died without a struggle. He was in his seventy-fourth year and was a deacon of Shoal Creek Baptist church. He was a devoted husband and loving father. He leaves a devoted wife and eight children to mourn his loss. The family relation is extensive, 37 in all, among them ten great-grandchildren.

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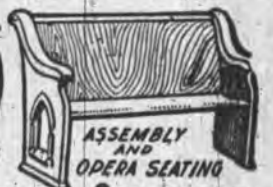
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