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## ANNOUNCEMENT.

The fourteenth annual convention of the Baptist Young People's Union of the South, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist convention, will be held in Louisville, Ky., May 12, 13, 1909. The meetings of the body will be held in the Armory building, where a strong and helpful program will be carried out. The complete program appeared in the columns of this paper some days ago. It is hoped that a large attendance will be had from the beginning to the close of the convention. Young people's work in the South has entered upon a new day of prosperity and usefulness. The Baptist Young People's Union is to impatiently achieve along the lines of its purpose through the coming years. It has received the imprimatur of the Southern Baptist convention; indeed, that body has instructed its Sunday school board to extend to it a helping hand in all the ways that may be needed for its furtherance. The executive and educational committees of the Southern B. Y. P. U. will make interesting reports to the convention. We trust that all who attend the Southern Baptist convention will come early and avail themselves of the information and inspiration to be derived from the Southern B. Y. P. U. program. This note is especially addressed to such as are interested in young people's work. The first session begins Wednesday, May 12, at 2:30 p. m.

THOS. J. WATTS, Chairman Program Com.



AT REST.  
A Missionary Statesman.

REV. WILLIAM ASHMORE, D. D.

Who was born Dec. 25, 1824.

This beloved and veteran missionary died on April 31, in Toledo, Ohio, at the home of his stepson, Dr. Worth Brown, when he had reached the age of 84 years three months and twenty-six days.

In Dr. William Ashmore the Baptists had one of its greatest missionaries since Adoniram Judson; a man of statesmanship and comprehensive grasp of world problems; a master of assemblies and orator of singular power; a man of remarkable intellectual acumen, and one who was a valiant defender of the faith alike against paganism and rationalism at home.

Special sleepers from Birmingham to Louisville via Queen and Crescent. Tickets sold May 10 to 13, inclusive, at 11.95, and may be extended to June 9th. Write H. F. Latimer, T. P. A., Birmingham, for space in sleeper or further information.

## APRIL 30TH, THAT STRENUOUS DAY.

Here in the office at Montgomery last night, while the storm raged without, we were answering the telephone, receiving messages, and opening letters until after 10 o'clock. Just at 10:15 a telegram was sent to each board, "Draw on me for \$——." Then the curtain fell and the campaign for home and foreign missions in Alabama for the year 1908-1909 closed.

What must have been the anxiety at Richmond and Atlanta. Secretaries Gray and Willingham deserve the sympathy of every one of us.

So far as I can judge, we have given only a little more than last year for home missions and we are behind about \$2,500 for foreign missions.

If the storm had not been on, I would have tried to raise the deficit by wiring the brethren.

### Some Lessons We Ought to Learn.

Don't put off is the biggest one. Put that down in large letters. Last Sunday was our undoing. So many put off collections to that fatal day.

Putting off to the last month is wretchedly unbusinesslike, too. Money ought to reach the boards all through the year. Twenty or thirty missionaries could be supported on the money paid out for interest. Why can't the pastors see it? The laymen must take hold and see that this useless, foolish, wicked waste is stopped. We have been saying, "The pastor is the key to the situation." "The situation" will remain forever locked if the pastor is to remain "the key." It is just not in him to systematize the finances of the church.

### Seriously, Brethren, Is It His Business?

I do not believe it is. He can instruct and exhort and put on the rousements; but somebody else, the deacons and other business men, must do planning along business lines.

More than ever I am impressed with the importance of the

Schedule, Worked According to the Collection Calendar.

If the convention orders it in July, it will be introduced August 1st. This will give every object something every month. Let the brethren be thinking about it and talking it among themselves. If this is not the best plan, let us have another.

Some plan must be devised and worked. "This poor dying rate" must not be continued. It is suicidal to do so.

W. B. C.

Dr. J. M. Frost writes that the Sunday school board has had a glorious year.

Glorious year. Alabama \$19,353. Total, \$283,436. Debt, \$15,000.—B. D. Gray.

Alabama, \$26,835. Debt, \$32,000. Largest receipts in our history. Total, \$459,000. Psalm 126:3.—R. J. Willingham.

Mrs. D. M. Malone, secretary-treasurer of the W. M. U., regrets that they lacked more than \$2,000 in raising the apportionment for foreign missions and there will be a like deficit for home missions. A detailed statement will appear next week.

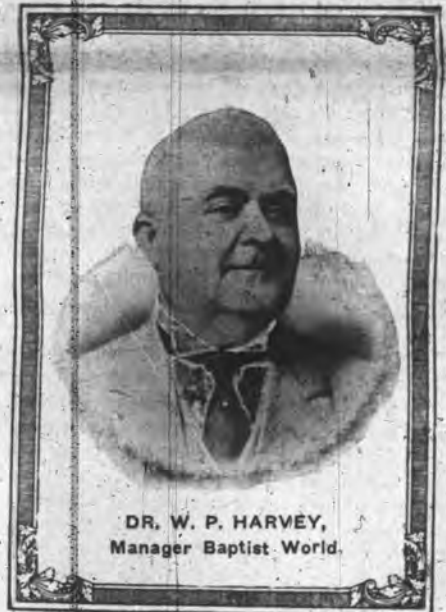
## MOTHERS' DAY IS FOR ALL.

Mothers' Day for every creed, class, race and country. It is not denominational or inter-denominational. Social, fraternal, civil, military and religious organizations; official, professional and business classes are all asked to pay homage to mothers through the wearing of the white flower and observance of the spirit of the day.

Mother's Day affords opportunity for us as a nation to pay tribute to our countrywomen who, as pioneers, colonists and as "best citizens" in war and peace rendered to their country noble and vallant service through their sufferings, privations and heroism.

These "heroes of heroes" in many instances not only sacrificed their own lives through their sufferings, hardships and sorrow, but loyally gave to their country lives more precious to them than their own—the lives of their husbands, sons, fathers and brothers!

Mothers' Day may be observed through special sermons, exercises or addresses, in honor of "Our Mothers," and by the wearing and distribution of the white flower in connection with such occasion. Generous provision should be made for getting to the special services the aged and other "shut-ins."



DR. W. P. HARVEY,  
Manager Baptist World.

## FIVE YEARS AS EDITOR.

Rev. A. D. Berry, editor and manager of the Baptist Observer, which admirably supplies the Indiana Baptists with a state paper, among other things, says:

"Five years ago last week the present writer came to the editorial management of this paper. We came because of the conviction that, in order to succeed, Indiana Baptists must have a paper that could adequately represent to them their peculiar needs in an adequate way, as it could not be done by a paper representing a constituency covering several states. The experience of these five years has done us good. We have learned somewhat the lesson of patience; of sympathy for those who occupy similar positions; that an editor and business manager does not have a sinecure, and that to obtain the best results, we must have the co-operation of the pastors."

(We know how to sympathize with Brother Berry, for like him we, too, have had the burden of a state paper on our shoulders.)

## EVILS OF INFANT BAPTISM--BY W. W. LEE

## III.

In my former articles I have spoken altogether of the positive evils of infant baptism. In this article I begin by mentioning just one negative point, which is

1. Infant Baptism Does No Good, either to the child or to the parent or to the church. There is not now, and there never has been, a valid reason why infant baptism should be practiced that was not true when Jesus was on earth. Then, if infant baptism is a blessing now, either Jesus was so ignorant that he did not know it would be a blessing, or he was so unkind, that, knowing it would be a blessing, he concealed it from his disciples. One or the other must be true. For Jesus certainly did not mention infant baptism even in the remotest way in the divine word. Can any lover of Jesus say that the blessed Lord was either ignorant or unkind? What a pity the Lord did not have as advisers those wise and loving and tender hearted men who after many generations learned that infant baptism was such a blessing! Then he could have given a revelation that would have been sufficient as a guide to his people in all generations without the additions and subtractions of men. Really in his last words to John or Patmas he seemed to think he had given such a revelation.—Rev. 22:18, 19.

But those brethren who think infant baptism is a blessing do not agree among themselves as to what the blessings are that result from it. Of course the large majority of those who practice it believe and teach boldly without apology that it degenerates the child and that infants dying unbaptized can not be saved. But I have reference to those godly people in our own country who believe in spiritual religion—the evangelistic Pedo-Baptists who reject the doctrine of baptismal regeneration. They are as uncertain as to the benefits of infant baptism as the half-witted boy was as to his reasons for shooting. He said, when asked why he had shot, "Well, I thought a bird might be flying by and I might kill him. And then I didn't know but that the devil might be close around and I might give him a scare. And then the smoke will drive off the mosquitoes anyway." Our Pedo-Baptist brethren can think of many things which "might" happen as a result of infant baptism, but nothing certain. In fact, there is no result of infant baptism certain, but its evil results.

2. Infant Baptism Hinders Christian Union. That the divisions among the followers of the Lord are a great evil and do great harm can not well be denied. But it is error, not truth, that has caused these divisions, and error perpetuates them. If all had adhered to the truth division would have been impossible, for truth can not be inconsistent with itself. Infant baptism is responsible for many of the bitterest controversies and persecutions that have distracted and cursed the people of God. As good a man as John Calvin had a Baptist, named Servetus, put to death because Calvin could not answer his arguments against infant baptism any other way. Many Pedo-Baptists have been loud and insistent in their clamors for Christian union. But when the Baptists propose to unite on the basis of Bible teaching Pedo-Baptists draw back and can not accept the only basis upon which union is either possible or desirable. In 1890 the Southern Baptist Convention passed resolutions inviting the general bodies of other denominations to select scholars who should seek to find the teaching of the Bible upon all the points of difference in doctrine and polity between the denominations, and to publish the results in all denominational papers. But the Pedo-Baptists could not accept the invitation because the informed among them knew the Bible said nothing of infant baptism. So there were only three ways in which Pedo-Baptists could treat these resolutions: To accept the invitation and have infant baptism condemned by the conference; or to refuse and to thus confess that they do not stand on the Bible as the only and sufficient rule of faith and practice; or just simply to hush up about

Christian union until these resolutions should be forgotten by the most of the people. They did the last. We ought to remind these broad and liberal brethren who are again talking union that the Baptist invitation to union stands on record unaccepted and has been a standing invitation for nineteen years to any denomination that can unite on the teaching of the Bible. For Baptists, the world around, are anxious to follow the teachings of the Bible without addition or subtraction on every point. And if the Pedo-Baptists can find infant baptism taught in the Bible and will but show five million Baptists that it is, there will then be five million more Pedo-Baptists. No Pedo-Baptists have ever seemed to notice the resolutions passed by the Southern Baptist Convention and the Northern Anniversaries—the Campbellites being the only denomination so far as I know that have in any way responded to them. Infant baptism stands as a permanent barrier to union as long as it stands at all. The New York Examiner said recently:

"We believe that in the practice of so-called 'infant baptism' lies the germ of the awful heresy of sacramentalism. It is at the bottom of the great departure of the early church from the simplicity of the gospel. There is peril in it now. So long as this non-scriptural practice continues there must be no organic union between Baptists and Pedo-Baptists unless indeed the former are ready to surrender the vital principle of their faith."

So long as Baptists are Baptists there can be no such union with Pedo-Baptists.

3. Infant Baptism Causes Many Devout People to Speak Irreverently of the Lord's Baptism. It is sad, indeed, that the adversary has succeeded so well in making many of the Lord's redeemed children speak in an irreverent and even contemptuous manner of the ordinance which the Lord himself gave as the picture and symbol of his own death and burial and resurrection. It is not uncommon to hear earnest, devout servants of the Lord call baptism "a mere form," "a non-essential," "unimportant." They say "water baptism is no baptism at all," and many have said scriptural baptism is "inconvenient," "indecent" and "vulgar," although it is as certain as the word of God can make it that Jesus was immersed in the Jordan, and it is almost as certain that he walked more than fifty miles to receive the baptism that some, who profess to love and revere him, call "vulgar" and "indecent." Of course, it was inconvenient, and scriptural baptism may be inconvenient now, but no more inconvenient than to deny self and to bear a daily cross. How sinful must be that invention of man which succeeds in making lovers of Jesus say he did a "vulgar" and "indecent" thing and to say that the last command he gave his people is "not important," "non-essential," "nothing at all," "vulgar," "indecent!"

4. Infant Baptism Adds to and Takes from the Word of God. This point has already been referred to, but its importance will justify repetition for emphasis. Infant baptism is not commended in the word of God and to teach it as a command of God is not only false teaching, but is adding to God's word. Believers' baptism is taught and infant baptism takes believers' baptism away from the word of God. Immersion is the only thing recognized in the Bible as baptism, and as infant baptism is practiced it takes that away from God's word. In fact, most Pedo-Baptists labor most ardently to obscure the plain teachings of God's word about immersion and so far as they can they take immersion away from God's word. "What things soever I command you that shall ye observe to do; thou shalt not add thereto nor diminish from it."—Ex. 12:32; also Ex. 4:2. Christ himself came from the throne in glory to "testify" as to what would be the awful consequences of adding to and subtracting from his word. Read these, among the last words ever recorded as spoken by the Lord, and that on a special visit to deliver this message: "I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book. If

any man shall add unto them God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book; and if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part from the tree of life and from the holy city which are written in this book."—Rev. 22:18,19. But this point is closely related to, and strengthened by, the next indictment I bring, which is,

5. Infant Baptism is Rebellion Against God. For one who knows there is no command of God to baptize infants, to solemnly sprinkle an infant before a congregation and publicly say "I baptize thee in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost," is an act of open rebellion against God, setting up man's authority above God's and speaking and acting in the name of God—in the most awful name of the Trinity—that which God has not commanded. It is awful to speak in the name of God that which he has not commanded. "The prophet that shall speak a word presumptuously in my name, which I have not commanded him to speak, . . . even that same prophet shall die."—Deut. 18:20. Can any man honestly, sincerely as before God, say God has ever commanded him to sprinkle a baby and say he baptizes it in the name of the Trinity? How about men like those already quoted who acknowledge that there is no command in God's word for it and yet practice it? "I sent not these prophets, yet they ran; I spoke not unto them, yet they prophesied."—Jer. 23:21. "For ye have perverted the words of the living God, of Jehovah of hosts, our God." Jer. 23:36. "They speak a vision of their own heart and not out of the mouth of Jehovah."—Jer. 23:16. The "vision of their own heart" is exactly equivalent to Mr. Buden's reasons for infant baptism and those who "perverted the word of the living God" have their successors in those who teach the people that certain passages teach infant baptism which do not refer to it, even in the remotest way.

6. Infant Baptism is practiced by Many of the Best People on Earth. This is thought by many to be a defense of it. But on the other hand, this fact multiplies and intensifies its power for evil in every one of the several points I have before enumerated. That infant baptism has arrayed so many good people against the Lord's baptism, and the church as constituted by him, and has caused so many godly men to reject God's word that they might keep a tradition of men, and has led them to add to and take from that word and to speak in the name of God what God did not command; and has cheated so many of God's redeemed children out of all the blessings God means his baptism to be and has arrayed these good people against other good people who are contending for the baptism as given by the Lord and the church as constituted by him—these things are made so much worse in their power for evil because really good people are so influenced. Had infant baptism been left with its mother, Rome, it would never have had any more power to corrupt the evangelical churches than the doctrine of purgatory and auricular confession and the infallibility of the pope. These errors are easy to oppose because defended only by the Catholic church, which is the anti-Christ of the New Testament. But infant baptism, which had the same origin, and rests upon the same authority, is defended by many godly men, and this makes opposition a difficult and unpleasant task, yet are the more necessary. I have written of the evils of infant baptism with a feeling of sadness because I have been conscious that so many of my brethren, whom I dearly love, practice it and I have feared that some of them might become offended at me for telling the truth faithfully about this great evil. This same feeling of dread at offending good people has kept many a man from being faithful to his Lord. It is often the case, too, that the very people who should encourage the preacher discourage him. God says, "He that hath my word let him speak my word faithfully." I believe the evils of infant baptism are worse than I have portrayed them. Few, if any, who are informed and unpreju-

decided will think I have in any particular overdrawn the picture. I believe this is the greatest hour for the waging of a successful warfare against this evil. The baptismal controversy of the last century was such a complete victory for the Baptist position that almost all scholars worthy the name admit every Baptist contention as to Bible teaching and primitive Christianity. But unless the people are taught from the pulpit, the legitimate fruits of our fathers' victory in argument will be lost. "Truth is mighty and will prevail" only as it has faithful teachers. Let us "contend earnestly for the faith, once for all delivered to the saints" in the spirit of love and faithfulness. The victory of the Baptists as to the unscripturalness of infant baptism has been so complete and overwhelming that the only hope Pedo-Baptist preachers have of keeping their people practicing it, is to stop the controversy as far as possible, and draw attention away from the subject. This they have done almost completely: It is certainly seldom that a Baptist preacher mentions infant baptism and if in conversation it is mentioned between Baptists and Pedo-Baptists the Pedo-Baptists at once change the subject and usually to "close communion." They know they can not defend infant baptism and they shrewdly throw the Baptist on the defensive. Why should not Baptist preachers preach against infant baptism until our people are informed as to the arguments against it and as to its evil results? Is not the baptism which Jesus gave worth defending? Are not the deadly errors taught by infant baptism worthy of opposition? Our fathers preached against these things though Pedo-Baptists fined, imprisoned, whipped, drowned, hanged, beheaded and burned them for it. If they had not been faithful in the face of the bitterest persecution perhaps there would have been no Baptist church now to oppose infant baptism. Shall we of the twentieth century despise the heritage that cost our fathers thousands of lives and rivers of blood and centuries of struggle and sorrow?

**Addendum.** Just after I had concluded the above and was ready to mail it, a friend sent me the Louisville Christian Observer of August 5, 1908, containing an article on infant baptism by Rev. J. G. Patton, D. D., of Decatur, Ga. Until I read this article I thought all Presbyterians rejected baptismal regeneration and infant damnation, although I have shown that their doctrine and practice lead logically to both. I am still sure that this extreme position of Dr. Patton is not endorsed by the majority of Presbyterians, though the fact that this article is published by such a great Presbyterian paper shows that many Presbyterians do hold these awful doctrines. I quote a paragraph that this doctrine may be read in Dr. Patton's own words:

**"Child Baptism and Faith.**

"Another objection is this. Baptism is conditioned on faith, and since the infant can not believe therefore the child should not be baptized. This is possibly the most plausible objection that can be raised. We answer this objection in the words of another. Certainly baptism is conditioned on faith either the faith of the individual baptized or of the parent." Acts 16:15. Baptism is conditioned on the faith of the individual only as far as salvation is conditioned on individual faith, for the same scripture that says He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved, also says He that believeth not shall be damned. If infants can not be baptized because they can not believe, then they can not be saved, because they can not believe. If, as all Christians agree, infants can be saved although they can not believe, then infants can be baptized although they can not believe. This text leaves you infant baptism or infant damnation. Take your choice. God has chosen the first and commands you to observe it.

That Presbyterians are boldly teaching that we are left to "infant baptism or infant damnation," and that we must choose the one or the other, will be a surprise to many, although it is the logical result of their doctrines and practice.

**Will your Church  
send its pastor to the  
Southern Baptist Con-  
vention and pay the ex-  
penses of the trip?**

**TROUBLE IN THE COUNTRY, AS ONE BROTHER  
SEES IT, WITH BROTHER CRUMPTON'S  
REPLY.**

"I am sending you \$2.15 for home missions. We have had no collection for foreign missions yet but will next Sunday.

I am ashamed of this small amount, but it is the best I could do. I know you are very busy, but I want you to read what I have to say about missions. I shall try not to talk at random or say things I do not know to be facts.

"I know I am a strong believer in every branch of missions; I talk it, I teach it in my Sunday school class, I study the Mission Journal and Baptist and all tracts I can get. Those you sent me were highly appreciated, and oh, how I wish I could do more for the cause of missions.

"Now, listen, here is the point: The majority of country people oppose missions in most all its branches, yet they have their name on our church books and boast of being Missionary Baptists. They always plead poverty, and I know they are able to give. The Lord has blessed them bountifully; they are living well, as a whole. The truth is, they are not willing.

"The country churches have one very great curse to put up with, especially the Sunday schools in the country—that is, this so-called "all day singings," or rather, Sunday picnics, that is all they are in a true sense. The people who will spend \$5, if they have it, and if not they will make a note to get the notions to carry out to feed the great crowds who gather to see and be seen, eat, drink booze, curse and swear, will not give 25 cents to missions.

"It is awful to think of. I don't mean that all for those evils, but a great many do. Our Sunday school pupils go because they had rather go to a picnic than to Sunday school.

"The country people must be taught missions before they will ever give. Do you know there are a great many country preachers who oppose missions, that is, in some form? I know one who talks against state missions and says he believes sometimes you almost lose sight of the religion of the Lord Jesus and see only the dollar. I heard another say he would not read the Baptist because your mission notes were so disgusting. They were both pastors of four churches each. Now, how could you expect much from the country under such conditions. I am writing what I know from actual experience. I have told you the conditions of the surrounding country here as I see them.

"I can see only one way to promote the cause of missions in the country at large—that is to teach

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missions to them. You can't do this by organizing mission classes either; they would not buy the text books; they will not take the Foreign Mission Journal nor the Baptist. Now, what must we do? I say the best and only thing to successfully promote the cause of missions in the country is to put a man out to teach missions, and let the board pay him. Say, let him take China for his subject on the first round, then another for his next round, and so on, and teach missions from a map or some other plain way so they can see it. They must see it before they respond to its great needs.

"Brother Crumpton, pardon me for this long letter, for I had these things on my mind and wanted to tell some one that possibly could do something.  
Montgomery, Ala., April 26, 1909.

Dear Brother: I have read with much interest your letter. It was long, but I am glad you wrote it.

I know you describe accurately much of the country in Alabama. Let me say this word of encouragement to you—conditions are improving, of this there is not the least doubt.

The letters and tracts from here are reaching many thousands, and as they are read, their eyes are opened. I can see great changes in the last few years. Don't you allow yourself to get blue over the situation. Read the tract I inclose, "How not to do, or A plea for sunshine in the preaching." Keep in a good humor with people, especially with those who don't agree with you. Don't call anybody stingy hard-shells. They may be all that, but you will drive them from you if you call them names. We can win them. If they are Christians, they love God's word. There is nothing in that book more plainly taught than missions. It is in almost every chapter. God's children will see it after a while and they will give.

Yes, there are some poor, foolish preachers who talk ugly about me and they abuse the Alabama Baptist, but that makes no difference. It will hurt them worse than it will hurt me. Not many years will pass before the churches will not have the services of such men. In many parts of the state churches are doing without preaching, rather than have preachers who abuse those who are trying to do something. The people who co-operate with the boards have something to show of their work.

As to "all day singings," good people ought to try to get hold of the leaders and reason with them.

Singing is a good thing. We can sing the gospel sometimes to a greater advantage than we can preach it. The singing people don't want any more folks than the house will hold. They can have that any day in the week, especially on Saturday. Reason with them and get them to leave the Sundays for preaching and Sunday school instruction.

You are right about what is needed. We need a good, strong man, traveling and preaching and selling Bibles and religious books. And I hope to see the day when every association will have such a man.

God bless you and give you patience with the brethren and faith in God. Fraternally,

W. B. CRUMPTON.

**Send Your Pastor to the Convention.**

There are scores of churches in Alabama who ought to send their pastors to the Southern Baptist convention at Louisville this year. They have been working hard on small salaries and have given liberally to the support of all phases of our work. Many of them have given twice as much as lots of business men in their churches whose income is several times as large. They have given it cheerfully and ungrudgingly, and now you can do them a great service, that will result in better service to you after they return, and not be burdensome to any one, if you will pay their way to the convention. You are willing to do it if some one will just take it in hand. Why not do it yourself instead of waiting for some one else, who is perhaps just as busy as you are, to take the lead. Don't neglect it, but go to him at once and tell him to begin to get ready to go and don't be too stingy about the amount you place in his hands for the trip. Make it a real joy to him and a blessing to those who make it possible for him to go.

ECHOES FROM STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The opening session of the Alabama State Sunday School Convention was called to order Tuesday afternoon at the city auditorium in Montgomery by Judge Armstead Brown, at which over 1,000 delegates were assembled. After the opening of the meeting, the assembly first appropriately adopted and sent resolutions of sympathy to State President George G. Miles on account of the illness of his wife through the following committee: George W. Ellis, G. W. Barnett and Rev. S. A. Cowan.

After the singing of the opening hymn and the invocation by Rev. N. M. Wood, Judge Brown, chairman of the state executive committee, who presided in place of President George G. Miles, read a stirring letter from Gov. B. B. Comer, who was down on the program to give the address of welcome, but who was out of the state. The governor sent to the convention 1,000 roses from the capitol grounds each day, and said he hoped every messenger would wear one as a gift from him.

Miss A. L. Williams, superintendent of the primary department of the South Side Baptist church, of Birmingham, greatly pleased the convention by her address on the "Child in Our Midst." She divided the subject into three heads—mental, physical and spiritual—and stated that 85 per cent of what children learned came through their eyes. Concluding she made a strong appeal to the teachers and parents to be careful what they allowed their children to witness. Miss Williams is one of the state's foremost workers with children and her talks are always helpful.

Dr. H. M. Hamill, of Nashville, gave a training lesson on "A Bird's Eye View of the Book of Acts." Dr. Hamill used the blackboard throughout his address and asked the assembly many questions in connection with the book and also had them repeat after him several times.

Dr. W. A. Duncan, of Syracuse, N. Y., who addressed the assembly on "The Making of the Home Department Effective," in which he made a strong appeal for the betterment of child life and stated that every Sunday school in the country today ought to have an active and effective home department.

After the Wednesday evening session had been called to order by Judge Brown, a resolution of sympathy to Miss Edith B. Rice, of Selma, state primary superintendent, was passed on account of the recent death of her sister.

Dr. E. B. Chappell, of Nashville, the Sunday school editor of the Southern Methodist church, was the first speaker Wednesday evening, and begun his address on "Denominational Co-Operation."

An encouraging feature of the convention was the report of the state teachers' training committee showing 251 graduates this year against nine last year.

This is an evidence that some work is being done.

Marion Lawrence, the international general secretary, on coming to the platform, was given the chautauqua salute by the entire assembly. In his introductory remarks about his subject, "The Recognition Service of State Teacher Training," Mr. Lawrence said that he was always glad when the time came for him to turn his face toward Alabama, for he was always given a warmer greeting here and a warmer hand shake. He next congratulated the new class, saying that it was a great thing to be a teacher, as the Savior himself chose to be a teacher, and that teaching was the greatest factor in the church today outside of the ordained minister.

The singing at the convention was unusually good with the Torrey Mission Choir almost intact, and under the leadership of Dr. E. O. Excel, of Chicago, it

was one of the most attractive features of the great session. We have pleasant memories of a month spent at the Moody Institute in Chicago several summers back, where the singing was great. Dr. Excel is a great leader.

Led by a band of some twenty pieces, and singing "Onward, Christian Soldiers" and other hymns, the enthusiasm of the 2,000 delegates to the convention, led by Judge N. D. Denson and Marion Lawrence, paraded through the streets Wednesday afternoon. The Advertiser says: "It was an inspiring scene, and one well calculated to raise the enthusiasm of the delegates to the convention, as well as the people of Montgomery, to the highest pitch. It was the feature of the convention, and unique in the annals of all state conventions of Sunday school workers held during the past five years."

On account of the fatal illness of his wife, George G. Miles, state president, was unable to deliver his annual address to the delegates, which is always looked forward to with great interest.

General Secretary D. W. Sims made a splendid report to the convention. Among other things, he said: "As general secretary since October 1st, the office has required about one-third of my time. I have attended thirty-six county conventions, eighty-one institutes, district conventions, and other meetings; delivered 338 addresses and traveled 17,480 miles. Last year forty-four banner counties were reported. We now have fifty-nine and Macon and Dale are up to the Gold Star standard. Each county in the state except Lamar has held a county convention. There has been, according to estimates based on the reports, 715 district conventions held, which had a total attendance of 116,295. These district conventions almost without exception have been held by the splendid county officers without state help, thus making it possible for the state force to devote their time to county conventions and institutes."

Miss Minnie E. Kennedy, field secretary of the state association, gave a splendid report of the work in her department during the past year, the convention recognizing its merits with the chautauqua salute.

M. M. Sweatt made the treasurer's report, showing that the state association was in excellent financial condition. That of the \$6,000 pledged for the work, \$5,678.35 had been collected, and that after the convention had concluded its sessions, the treasury would show a slight balance on hand instead of the small deficit rather expected on the part of the members of the association.

Rev. J. S. Bridges, superintendent of the adult Bible class, made a report showing a most encouraging condition from all districts of the state. The report showed that there were organized classes in all of the larger cities, and that many of the smaller communities had taken the work of the department with avidity.

Miss Mary E. Smith, superintendent of the home department; Mrs. S. P. Moore, superintendent of the teachers' training department; Dr. E. C. Anderson, superintendent of the temperance department, and Miss Alice Hale, superintendent of the missions department, all made splendid reports, showing the growth of Sunday school work in their respective departments during the past year.

Chairman Brown called upon Rev. Frank Marston, of Birmingham, to discuss the topic "That Class of Boys." Mr. Marston emphasized the lack of home training, saying that the teaching of the Sunday school is not backed up during six days in the week by the authority and influence of the home life.

Commenting upon the prohibition laws of the state, the question, "Does the Sunday School Pay Civilly?" Marion Lawrence said emphatically that no prohibition laws would be successful in Alabama or any other state until the succeeding generation had been raised up in the Sunday school to hate the very sight and smell of liquor, and the consequent evils of the traffic.

The Montgomery Advertiser, referred to our great layman, D. H. Marbury, as Rev. D. H. Marbury. "Dave" is no preacher, but when it comes to the specialty on which he spoke at Montgomery, "A Teachers' Meeting," he can give many a preacher valuable pointers. Marion Lawrence paid a great tribute to D. H. Marbury, of Birmingham, Alabama's committeeman to the international association, in his talk on "Alabama's Opportunity."

The Advertiser says: Dr. G. W. Macon, of Birmingham, a teacher in the Howard college, was called upon to speak on the topic, "A Teacher's Preparation." For the first time since the opening of the convention, many delegates over the hall were seen to take out their pencil and note book that the suggestions of the speaker might be remembered the better. Mr. Macon's address called forth great applause from the assembled delegates. Throughout the address Dr. Macon made his talk pointedly personal, producing laughs at many points.

Rev. Haught C. Moore, of North Carolina, who spoke on "The Teacher on Twelve Sides," divided his subject into twelve points, according to his topic. The first of his twelve points were taken from the Old Testament, while the latter six were chosen from the New. From the Old Testament Mr. Moore illustrated "the call," "the powerful teacher," "the prepared teacher," "the maternal teacher," "the hireling teacher," illustrating his points by quotations from different chapters of the Bible.

"The destructive teacher" he illustrated from the New Testament, and the "experimental teachers" he illustrated through the words of the apostles. "The persevering teacher" Mr. Moore illustrated by Peter and John, "the trained teacher" by Paul, showing that Paul was first student, assistant or associate and then leader, "the diligent teacher" was illustrated by Appollas, and the "authoritative teacher" by Jesus Christ.

After Marion Lawrence had finished his address on Alabama's Opportunity, pledges were called for, and with Mr. Lawrence leading the movement a total of \$7,500 was subscribed by the delegates for the purpose of carrying on the Sunday school work in this state for the ensuing year.

At the opening of the session R. F. Lewis, of Birmingham; B. Davis, of Clayton; W. T. Atkins, of Selma; J. B. Greene, of Opelika, and Judge Armstead Brown, of this city, the former state presidents, who were present at this year's convention, were called to the platform and given the Chautauqua salute.

Marion Lawrence in his great address on Alabama's Opportunity, stated that he had never seen a man who had made so many friends or who had accomplished so much organized work in so short a time and in a new field as D. W. Sims, the state secretary. That is high praise for our modest, hard-working young Baptist brother.

After a spirited contest the convention voted to go next year to Mobile, Montgomery and Birmingham asking for it, but the Gulf City got it.

The appended list are banner counties, which have felt the full requirements; that is, evergreen, good record; graded, teachers' meetings, teacher training, adult classes, cradle rolls, home department and co-operation with state and district conventions:

Autauga, Baldwin, Barbour, Bibb, Bullock, Blount,

Butler, Calhoun, Chambers, Cherokee, Chilton, Clarke, Clay, Claiborne, Coffee, Colbert, Conecuh, Coosa, Covington, Crenshaw, Cullman, Dale, Dallas, DeKalb, Elmore, Escambia, Etowah, Fayette, Franklin, Geneva, Hale, Henry, Houston, Jefferson, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, Limestone, Lowndes, Macon, Madison, Marion, Marshall, Mobile, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Perry, Pickens, Pike, Randolph, Russell, Shelby, St. Clair, Sumter, Talladega, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Walker, Washington, Wilcox.

The executive committee brought in a splendid report. The following recommendations were made:

1. That county officials and individuals carefully plan the work to bring each county and district up to the standard.
2. That county associations lay emphasis upon support of the work.
3. That those pledging pay at least half before October.
4. That advantages of a "banner school" be emphasized and discussed.
5. That subjects of "Increasing Attendance," of "Organized Adult Bible Classes" and "Teacher Training" be discussed.
6. That county and district presidents carefully plan and thoroughly advertise their conventions.
7. That newspapers be given programmes and other items of the work.

Executive Committee: G. G. Miles, Montgomery; B. B. Bonner, Birmingham; Michael Cody, Montgomery; John W. Durr, Jr., Montgomery; W. F. Feagin, Montgomery; G. W. Barnett, Montgomery; W. E. Holloway, Montgomery; Thomas M. Owen, Montgomery; W. F. Thetford, Montgomery; S. B. Slighter, Montgomery; J. B. Greene, Opelika; R. F. Lewis, Birmingham; R. O. Harris, Mobile; T. H. Johnston, Birmingham; M. Lee Bonner, Birmingham; B. C. Bynum, Birmingham; D. H. Marbury, Birmingham; W. D. Dillard, Matthews; J. B. Wadsworth, Birmingham; J. P. Roach, Mobile; J. T. Gardner, Anniston; L. H. Corre, Anniston; J. S. Carroll, Troy; W. T. Atkins, Selma, and W. H. Taylor, Uniontown.

Instead of meeting in a body at the City Auditorium for the afternoon session Thursday, the delegates split up into four bodies, holding sessions at four different churches of the city for the departments of elementary training, adult conference and teacher training. All of the sessions at the four churches were under the supervision of experts in the departments. Miss Kennedy was in charge of the services at the Court Street Methodist church; Rev. S. J. Bridges at the Convention hall and R. O. Harris, with Dr. H. M. Hamill, expert at the Central Presbyterian church.

"Practical Temperance Work in the Sunday School" was ably discussed by Dr. W. B. Crumpton, secretary of the Baptist State Board of Missions and a foremost leader in the anti-saloon league movement in Alabama. Dr. Crumpton spoke briefly of the reforms which have taken place in Louisiana, New York state and other states, tracing the success of the movement to the work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and the Sunday school. The statement was made that the work was progressing rapidly throughout the whole of the United States, declaring that the liquor traffic was tearing down much of the careful, hard work of the Sunday School teacher. Yet, declared Dr. Crumpton, the Sunday school teacher has a great opportunity now to plant the truth and direct the moral life of the youth of the community, to mould the character of the child against the evils of liquor.

The speaker declared that the work of the preacher must be supplemented by discussion at public gatherings of all kinds. He called attention to the fact that the liquor traffic was not discussed at many such public gatherings, and that until the discussion became general at all meetings, aiding the work of the Sunday school teacher and the preacher there was much work to be done all the time against the evil of strong drink.—Advertiser.

Officers Elected.

President—Jerome T. Fuller, of Centerville.  
 General Secretary—D. W. Sims, of Montgomery.  
 Recording Secretary—S. H. Blain, of Troy.  
 Treasurer—M. M. Sweatt, Montgomery.  
 Field Worker—Miss Minnie Kennedy, Opelika.  
 Field Worker—Leon C. Palmer, Burnsville.  
 Elementary Department Superintendent—Miss Edith B. Rice, of Selma.  
 Home Department Superintendent—Miss Mary E. Smith, Opelika.  
 Temperance Department Superintendent—Dr. E. C. Anderson, Anniston.  
 Adult Department Superintendent—W. B. Davidson, Montgomery.  
 Teachers' Training Department Superintendent—Mrs. S. P. Moore, Birmingham.

Owing to the illness of Marion Lawrence, who was on the programme to be the last speaker of the great convention, but who left for his home in Chicago Thursday afternoon, it fell to the lot of Dr. H. M. Hamill to deliver the final address at this year's convention.

Miss Alice Rice was elected as superintendent of the department of foreign missions.

The class of J. L. Rhoades, of the Presbyterian Sunday school, of Selma, was awarded the beautiful silk banner for having the largest number of men in the great adult Bible Class parade Wednesday evening.

This year's great convention at which there were delegates from every county in the state, adjourned for another year with the calling of all those who had charge of this convention, and the chairman of the various local committees, as D. W. Sims, State Secretary; Miss Minnie Kennedy, Field Secretary; R. O. Blakey, W. B. Washburn, G. W. Barnett, M. M. Sweatt, Armstead Brown, C. P. Lassiter, G. W. Barnett, H. F. Martin, W. B. Davidson and many others to the platform and giving them the chautauqua salute as it was due to their untiring efforts that so many delegates were gathered together, and that everything passed off so smoothly, and it was to their satisfaction that this Montgomery convention was the success it was.—Advertiser.

The first address of the final day's program was made by E. Richmond, of Philadelphia. The blackboard illustrated the series of international Sunday school lessons which have been adopted by all organized Sunday schools throughout the country. The blackboard temperance drill was most effective.

MAY FOR THE ORPHANAGE.

The month of May has been given to the orphanage for the first time by the other benevolent interests of our denomination.

This arrangement has been thought proper on account of the fact that little is being done by us for associational mission work, this month having been given heretofore to that interest.

We are appealing to the churches, societies and other friends of the home during this month, as we will not have another opportunity until November. We are sorry to say to the friends of the institution that we are having serious sickness in the home, which will necessitate a considerable outlay of money for the complete sanitation of the premises and the fitting up of the hospital so as to comfortably care for the sick children.

Besides this, a large debt has accrued on account of having erected a large school building last year, and also an increase in the inmates of the home, making it necessary for a larger contribution to the home than ever before. We make this appeal to you in behalf of these helpless children which have been committed to our care. Yours fraternally,

S. O. Y. RAY, Financial Sec.

BROTHER CRUMPTON WRITES SOME NOTES.

I do not know the result of the campaign. We will know before these lines are in print. If we fall below last year I shall feel awfully humiliated. Let us not lay it on the panic or anything else, but own up to a failure to do our duty.

Many pastors put off the collections until the last Sunday and were rained out. Don't lay it on the rainy Sunday, brother, but to the sin of procrastination. It is too late to worry now. Let every church that missed the fourth Sunday take good collections for home and foreign missions on the first Sunday they meet. This can't go into this year's collections, but it will help mightily on the next year. Let us all determine to do better the next year. I pledge every reader to be more strenuous from the beginning than I have ever been. Won't the pastors join me in this resolve?

Alabama must move up her figures every year. Shame on us if we do not!

Are you going to the Southern Baptist convention? Many a pastor will read that and say "I wish I could write you a postal this minute and say yes I am going, but my salary is too small to bear the expense and my churches have said nothing about it."

I hold in my hand while I write a letter from a good, earnest preacher, who says, "I want to go to the convention, but I don't believe my people are going to send me."

How different is this one: "At the suggestion of one of my deacons, my churches are raising the money to pay my expenses to the convention at Louisville. I would be glad to be enrolled as a delegate."

Blessing on the deacon or the good woman who will "suggest it." That is all that is needed.

In one congregation I named a young lady to take the matter in hand for her pastor, and in a little while she was pushing the work with every prospect of success. The churches hadn't thought of it.

How grateful the pastors will be! How much better preachers will they be for having gone!

W. B. C.

Special sleepers from Birmingham to Louisville over Queen and Crescent. Tickets sold May 10 to 13, inclusive, at \$11.95, and may be extended to June 9. Write H. F. Latimer, T. P. A., Birmingham, for space in sleeper or further information.

IN INTEREST OF HOWARD COLLEGE.

At the meeting of the Baptist ministers of Birmingham on Monday, April 26, it was, at the request of the president of Howard college, agreed without dissenting voice that on the evening of the first Sunday in June a great meeting should be held at the First Baptist church of Birmingham in the interest of the college; all Baptist churches of the city and the immediate vicinity to close their doors and their congregations to take part in the educational meeting. Dr. A. J. Dickinson graciously promised the use of his church.

This will be the first of a series of meetings in the interest of Howard college to be held in the cities and larger towns of the state during June and July.

At the Birmingham meeting it is hoped that Colonel T. G. Bush, an able and attractive speaker, will preside, while the committee appointed by the Baptist Ministers' conference will select a number of other prominent men who will make stirring and instructive speeches.

Howard college must move on to 5,000 students and a half million endowment. Other Baptist schools are forging ahead; we can not afford to lag in the rear.

A. P. MONTAGUE.

April 30, 1909.

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TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN HONOR OF OUR MOTHERS

"HER CHILDREN RISE UP AND CALL HER BLESSED"

MOTHER'S DAY.  
Second Sunday in May.

About three years ago an appreciative daughter desired to commemorate the anniversary of her mother's death. It was not only the thought of laying some flowers on mother's grave, but it occurred to her that it would be a beautiful tribute to all mothers, the living as well as the dead, if their children, on a given day, would unite in the simple wearing of a white flower and thus make Mother's Day universal. The papers everywhere caught up the idea and in two years it swept over not only all of North America, but was heartily welcomed in other lands. The purpose of Mother's Day, as conceived by Miss Anna Jarvis, of Philadelphia, U. S. A., with whom it originated, is a day in which all lands as one nation may unite in honor of mother.

The second Sunday in May of each year is proposed as the day when mother is to be specially remembered and universal motherhood exalted in the esteem of every man, woman and child. The plan is to make it not only a sentimental observance, but as far as possible to clothe it with the sanctity and dynamic power that comes from concerted action. The wearing of a white carnation, or other white flower, the beautiful emblem of truth and purity, will be filial evidence that the wearer loves to honor his mother living, or her memory if dead.

If away from home on this day, write mother a love letter, send her a telegram, use the long distance phone, or the special delivery of the postoffice.

Send her some flowers, an appropriate present, go and spend the day with her, or in some way make her heart glad. Show her that you appreciate her, and that you give her credit for a large part of your success.

Let us do all we can to make up for past neglect of the little-known, half-appreciated, unheralded mothers who have had so little credit in the past, and are so seldom mentioned among the world's achievers, by openly, and especially in our hearts, paying our own mothers every tribute of honor, respect, devotion and gratitude that love and a sense of duty can suggest. Let us acknowledge to the world the great debt we owe them by wearing, every one of us, boy and girl, man and woman, on Mothers' Day, a white carnation—the flower chosen as the symbol and emblem of motherhood.

Happily chosen emblem! What could more fittingly represent motherhood, with its whiteness symbolizing purity; its lasting qualities, faithfulness; its fragrance, love; its wide field of growth, charity; its form, beauty!

What an impressive and beautiful tribute to motherhood it would be for a whole nation to unite one day in wearing its chosen emblem, and in song and speech, and other appropriate exercises, to honor its mothers!

**Mothers Should Have Their Rights.**

There is no one in the average family, says O. S. Marden, writing in Success Magazine, the value of whose services begins to compare with those of the mother, and yet there is no one who is more generally neglected or taken advantage of. She must always remain at home evenings, and look after the children, when the others are out having a good time. Her cares never cease. She is responsible for the housework, for the preparation of meals; she has the children's clothes to make or mend, there is company to be entertained, darning to be done, and a score of little duties which must often be attended to at odd moments, snatched from her busy days, and she is often up working long after every one else in the house is asleep.

No matter how loving or thoughtful the father may be, the heavier burdens, the greater anxieties, the weightier responsibilities of the home, of the children, always fall on the mother. Indeed, the very virtues of the good mother are a constant temptation



to the other members of the family, especially the childish ones, to take advantage of her. If she were not so kind, so affectionate and tender, so considerate, so generous and ever ready to make all sorts of sacrifices for others; if she were not so willing to efface herself; if she were more self-assertive; if she stood up for and demanded her rights, she would have a much easier time.

**Mother.**

"All that I am or hope to be," said Lincoln, after he had become president, "I owe to my angel mother."

"My mother was the making of me," said Thomas Edison, recently. "She was so true, so sure of me; and I felt that I had some one to live for; some one I must not disappoint."

"All that I have ever accomplished in life," declared Dwight L. Moody, the great evangelist, "I owe to my mother."

"To the man who has had a mother, all women are sacred for her sake," said Jean Paul Richter.

The testimony of great men in acknowledgment of the boundless debt they owe to their mothers would make a record stretching from the dawn of history to today. Few men, indeed, become great who do not owe their greatness to a mother's love and inspiration.

How often we hear people in every walk of life say, "I never could have done this thing but for my mother. She believed in me, encouraged me, when others saw nothing in me."

REV. J. N. PRESTRIDGE, D. D.



The genial editor of the Baptist World, who proposes to make the visiting editors to the convention have a good time.

"A kiss from my mother made me a painter," said Benjamin West.

A distinguished man of today says: "I never could have reached my present position had I not known that my mother expected me to reach it. From a child she made me feel that this was the position she expected me to fill; and her faith spurred me on and gave me the power to attain it."

It is a strange fact that our mothers, the molders of the world, should get so little credit and should be so seldom mentioned among the world's achievers. The world sees only the successful son; the mother is but a round in the ladder upon which he has climbed. Her name or face is never seen in the papers; only her son is lauded and held up to our admiration. Yet it was that sweet, pathetic figure in the background that made his success possible.

**Maternity.**

But man as warrior or pioneer,  
Or he who living labors in the mine,  
A tomb where any moment he may hear  
The crash of sudden death, need not repine  
Ah, motherhood, real agony is thine;  
Upon thy sainted brow the iron crown  
Of misery doth rest its perfect weight,  
And half the anguish as it presses down  
No man has ever felt—ah, let him bless his  
fate! —Jas. Armstrong.

**"Mother."**

I have known many women who have brought the picture of the Christ into my thoughts as I noted their daily work. Smiling over the humblest service. That's mother. Cheerfully doing the things of which the rest of us have said, "You catch me!" That's mother. After the long long day's work—five or six or seven hours over union time—girding herself and kneeling to wash the feet of guests that were unworthy to cross the threshold of her sweet home. That's mother. Sinking into a chair, weary and faint, only to rise from it with the unflinching smile on her dear, tired face, to wait on some man who has worked eight hours that day; or to mend a jacket or catcher's mitt for a boy who has played all day; or to sew on a bit of lace or adjust a gown for a girl who has had such a good time all day that she can't stop, but must go out for a better time in the evening. That's mother. Staying at home, that the others may go out and enjoy themselves. That's mother. Sacrificing this hope, that comfort, and that rest, for people who forget to say "thank you." That's mother. Laying off her wraps and staying home from prayer-meeting or church because somebody else danced herself or played himself into a headache. That's mother. Getting accustomed to hear the rest of the family say, as they get ready for the evening's entertainment: "Oh, no; mother doesn't care to go. Church and prayer-meeting are mother's only dissipations." Well, those are about all some families allow her. They don't cost anything, and the rest of the family don't want to go.—Robert J. Burdette.

**Old Mothers.**

I love old mothers—mothers with white hair,  
And kindly eyes, and lips grown softly sweet  
With murmured blessings over sleeping babes.  
There is a something in their quiet grace  
That speaks the calm of Sabbath afternoons;  
A knowledge in their deep, unfaltering eyes  
That far outreaches all philosophy.  
Time, with caressing touch, about them weaves  
The silver-threaded fairy-shawl of age,  
While all the echoes of forgotten songs  
Seem joined to lend a sweetness to their speech.  
Old mothers!—as they pass with slow-timed step,  
Their trembling hands cling gently to youth's  
strength;  
Sweet mothers!—as they pass, one sees again  
Old garden-walks, old roses and old loves.  
—The Century.

## The True God.

This is a modern summary of the relations of theism to naturalism, monism, pluralism and pantheism by Rev. Frank Ballard, D. D., M. A. B. SC. (London), and was the theses approved for the degree of D. D. in the University of London.

An English clergyman's view of the complete reconciliation of revealed religions and the most advanced science. In denying Haeckel's doctrine of Monism, the author nevertheless accepts the results of modern biological research. He considers theism not only demonstrable, but absolutely essential; otherwise there would be no conscious ego. The book is reverent and eschews polemics. It is designed especially for those who find difficulties in reconciling the phenomena of today with the God of revelation. Eaton and Mains, publishers, New York, at \$1.00.

A Primer of Internationalism. By Wilbur F. Crafts, Ph. D. Washington: International Reform Bureau. 96 pages. Price, cloth, 40 cents; paper, 25 cents.

The book is an expansion of the speech of Dr. Crafts on "World Politics as Related to Morals and Markets," and is issued with reference to the opium conference of American, Asiatic and European powers called by President Roosevelt to meet at Shanghai January 1, 1909. The subject of international moral legislation is treated in small compass, but completely.

Present Day Conditions in China. By Marshall Broomhall, B. A., with diagrams, maps and illustrations. Table of contents: Introductory, China Moving, but Whither? The Reform Movements. The New Spirit of Nationalism. The Forces of Disorder. China and the World. From the Chinese Point of View. "Keep them Alive in Famine." The Best Book for China. China's Spiritual Destitution. A Call to Sacrifice. More than 2,000 copies of this book were ordered by the trade before publication.

Of Present Day Conditions in China, Mr. Eugene Stock writes: "This book is very impressive to those who do know something of present day conditions in China, and most startling to those who do not. Maps, tables and letterpress combine to give a marvelous presentation of facts. How up-to-date the book is appears from its noticing a statement in the Times of a date only a few days before publication."

Sold by China Inland Museum, 235 School Lane (German town), Philadelphia, Pa.

Comparative Religion. This is the first volume of the Hartford-Lamson Lectures which are designed primarily to give students who are preparing for missionary work a thorough understanding of the religious beliefs and practices of the peoples among whom they are expected to labor. It is a compilation of eight lectures delivered before the students of the Hartford Theological Seminary. The subjects discussed in this special course are as follows: Introduction, Immortality, Magic, Fetichism, Prayer, Sacrifice, Morality and Christianity. These lectures were the first to be held on the Charles M. Lamson foundation, established at Hartford by friends of the late president of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. Dr. Jevons, the author, is principal of Bishop Hatfield's hall, Durham University, Durham, England. He is already known to scholars by his Manual of Introduction to the History of Religion and other briefer contributions in the same field. Dr. Dickinson read the book and was greatly pleased with it.

The book brings back pleasant memories of a happy semester at the University of Berlin, where I took my first course in comparative religions. (An introduction to the Study of Comparative Religion.) The Macmillan Company, New York. Price \$1.50.

The Philosopher's Martyrdom. This satire by Paul Carus is gotten out in lovely form by the Open Court Publishing Company, Chicago, at \$1.00. The illustrations are in keeping with the text. The Christian Observer says: "This little story is a clever satire

## New Books



written to point out the fallacies of agnosticism. It is both humorous and serious and very timely."

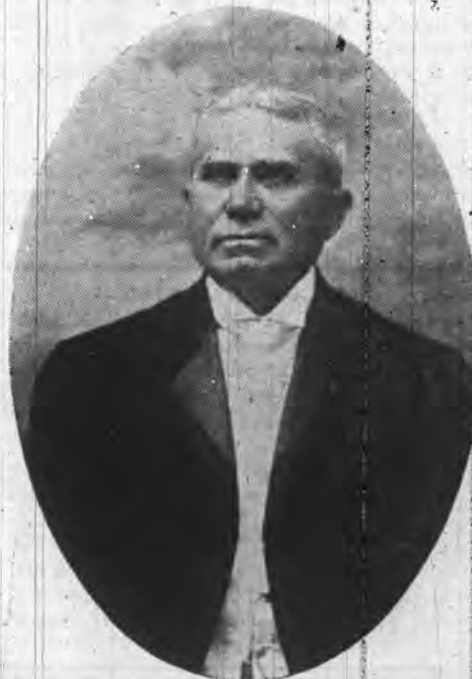
"The scene of the story is laid in the city of Paris, and the chief characters are members of a club whose president declares himself an agnostic. The philosophical interest of the story, however, hinges on the challenge to make agnosticism an ethically practicable system; and its weakness as such appears in the final collapse under temptation of those who had declared themselves its adherents."

A keen critic says: "In the form of a satire, he thrashes Spencerian philosophy as badly as he has seemed to taunt orthodoxy and in so doing he makes good points and will win smiles out of old frowns. Underneath the story is the demonstration that morality does not rest on the acquisition of happiness and that the doctrine of the unknowable is a blight and a pull-back."

It is a new role for Dr. Carus, who has heretofore used his satire against the orthodox. The present work is enough to make the Spencerites feel that there is one man able to show up the fallacies of their master. Dr. Carus has earned the gratitude of sane, conservative moral philosophers for his portrayal of the moral inadequacy of the philosophy of negation.

Between Two Rebellions. By Asepath Carver Coolidge, Watertown, N. Y. The Hungerford: Holbrook Co., 1909. Cloth, 222 pages. Price, \$1.00.

This her latest book treats of the civil war and the Riel rebellion. She says of all wars none are so painful, wasteful, brutal as civil wars. In speaking of the civil war she says: Its cost in money was estimated long ago. It amounted to many millions of dollars, more than enough to have bought every slave in the South and sent him back to Africa free in limb and with life pensions in their pockets, but of



REV. A. L. BLIZZARD,  
Who is Doing a Fine Work in South Alabama.

the human wrecks, the home wrecks and heart wrecks no estimate can be made. She hates war with a bitter hatred and wishes that the peacemakers of the world would try and persuade Bertha Krupp to cease manufacturing man killing instruments. The Baroness Von Suttner has shown that a thrilling narrative and a touch of romance make peace all the more interesting to the average reader. Miss Coolidge is one of those writers who teach peace principles through the novel.

Human Body and Health. Really one of the pleasantest features of book reviewing comes from the fact that many of the text books now gotten out by the leading publishers are as attractive in form as novels and much more interesting as reading matter. The Human Body and Health in these days of Christian Science and the Emanuel and other movements comes as a tonic and congratulations should be given the American Book Company for issuing this elementary text book of essential anatomy, applied physiology and practical hygiene for schools by Alvin Davison, M. S., A. M., Ph. D., and professor of biology in Lafayette college. The book has a mission.

The Land of Promise. An account of the material and spiritual unity of America. By Richard De Bary. Crown 8vo, pp. xvi-311. \$1.50 net. Longman's Greer & Co., New York. Contents: The Site and Meaning of New York. The Lie of the Land. A Visit to the Central States. The Prairie World. The Comparative Study of American Nationalism. The Centennial State of Colorado. Young America. The Women of America. The Mountain and Desert Empire. San Francisco and Its Worship of Spontaneity. New England and the American Civic Religion. The Originality of American Thought. The Canonical Books of Civic Religion. The American Press. A Common Christianity in America. Social Conversion.

This book is by an appreciative Englishman who spent several years in the United States. While one may not agree with all his conclusions, yet it is manifest that he was anxious to get to the bottom of the matter and be fair to Americans and their institutions. In many of his characterizations he says: "The typical American sermon is a short, interesting, extempore discourse, delivered without much mannerism, touching upon topics of current life and invariably appealing strongly to American patriotism." It is intensely interesting because it gives us a chance to see ourselves as others see us.

## Help Cure or Kill It.

The Chicago Interior, in speaking of the influence of the religious press, says:

"The church in the large is for action. But for the church to work together it must be pervaded with information that makes known to individual members what to do and how it's proposed to do it. The religious newspaper is the only entirely efficient way to spread that information.

"There is no substitute. Books won't do; they are too slow getting out and too hard for the average man to read. Secular papers won't do; they underestimate spiritual necessities and spiritual remedies. Uplift magazines won't do; they talk reform but haven't divined the secret of regeneration.

"To pack the ordinary every-day church member—the average Christian—full of the facts that make him feel how much the world needs his sacrifice and service; to teach him where he can take hold with his own hands and where he can lend power to the hands of somebody else; to bring him up at double quick to the help of the Lord in a sudden emergency; to hold him steady with a constant concern in all the great interests of the incoming kingdom—the church paper can do this for militant, aggressive Christianity; and nothing else can.

"A generation of Christian ministers and elders who believed in the Christian press as a power to bring in the kingdom of God would stop the questioning of the world about the use of it.

"As to any one religious journal that you may have in mind—"If where it goes it makes Christians want to work, help it go farther; if it doesn't do that, have the nerve to help cure or kill it."

## ADVISES MAYOR ROSE TO DO BETTER NEXT TIME.

That the Dickie vs. Rose debate on the prohibition issue Friday, March 26th, stirred up the beer metropolis to a higher pitch of excitement than any practical issue of recent years, is evident in the echoes of the event which are still resounding not only in the local press of that city, but throughout the country.

Under the title, "Lessons from the Debate," the Milwaukee Free Press, March 28th, 1909, one of the daily newspapers of Milwaukee, and by no means friendly to the prohibition movement, holds up the argument advanced by Mayor Rose to ridicule and declares that the prohibitionists have set a pace which the champions of regulation and the liquor traffic must follow more closely if they desire to hold public sentiment. In part the Free Press says:

"Being put on the defensive, they (the anti-prohibitionists) rail at prohibition, belittle and accuse it, minimize the well known evils of drink, laud the commercial value of the traffic, when they should be building up a strong, constructive and offensive argument in behalf of their plan of effective regulation.

"The prohibitionist speakers have largely cut out their old-time rant and cant and have gained largely by it; let their opponents do the same, and they will not be the losers.

"It became very evident to the unbiased and thoughtful listener at the Dickie vs. Rose debate, Friday night, that the antagonist of the prohibition movement will have to adopt a vastly different line of argument than that employed by Mayor Rose if they wish to make headway against the facts and figures of its dry advocates.

"The champions of regulation will have to elaborate some line of attack to an equal degree of effectiveness if they would not continue to come out of the small end of the horn in every verbal battle.

"The stock arguments of anti-prohibition from time immemorial such as the hypocritical reference to the Bible, the pathetic appeal in behalf of personal liberty, the stress laid on the value of the liquor traffic as a revenue producer or its great value as an economic and industrial factor, will no longer prevail against the modern bulwark of prohibition.

"The prohibitionists deal with facts—facts either drawn from common human knowledge or the figures and statements of authority.

"It will not do to attempt their refutation with buncombe, with generalizations and deductions drawn from inconsequential and inapplicable census figures. To argue that because a dry state has more insane than a wet state, prohibition breeds insanity, is to talk the veriest rot. A clever speaker like Mayor Rose delivers this sort of thing effectively, but it does not last in sober second thought.

"Public sentiment just now is strong against the liquor traffic, and the average citizen will want grounds more relative and convincing than moonshine like this to woo him from the glamour of prohibition."

### A SAD DEATH.

The tragic death of Mrs. George B. Miles, of Montgomery, on Wednesday night, who lingered three days with a bullet in her brain, being fatally shot Monday morning immediately after she had returned from a visit in search of health. While in the act of hanging up her clothing in one of the rooms of her home, on Sayre Street, an old army revolver, which had lain on a shelf of the closet for a number of years, was knocked off the shelf and the explosion which followed sent a bullet through her brain.

Mrs. Miles was a lovely woman, a loving wife, a devoted mother, an exemplary Christian.

As Mattie H. Hines, the deceased became the wife of George G. Miles, at her home in Athens, February

## THE ALABAMA BAPTIST

# EDITORIAL

20, 1884. To the union was born four children, George G., aged 21; Bessie, aged 19; Thomas J., aged 18, and Maggie, aged 16. She was an active member of the First Baptist church, and was a leader in the charity work of Dr. Stakely's congregation.

The State Sunday School convention, in honor to her blessed memory, held a memorial service, at which loving tributes were paid to virtues. Mrs. Miles was the highest type of southern womanhood. We join our tears with those of the bereft husband, broken-hearted sons and daughters, and sorrowing brothers and sisters, for we, too, loved her and have many precious memories of hours spent under her hospitable roof.

### RECEIVING AND NOT GIVING.

No one ought to consent to be all the while receiving free benefits from another person without a willingness to reciprocate the kindness by giving helpful things to him. To merely acknowledge gifts by a word of thanks is not enough. Such an acknowledgment is entirely too cheap. As a matter of mere politeness, it is incumbent on the receiver of a favor to express thanks. But politeness is only superficial courtesy. It has its place, but it does not fill the whole place of moral obligation. There are generous givers who appreciate words of hearty thanks from the receivers, but they become tired of giving favors to those who show no disposition to go beyond saying thanks. They conclude that if the receivers do not enough appreciate the gifts to respond in some tangible and useful ways, they are altogether unworthy of receiving further favors. This does not mean that a free-hearted giver desires to be fully compensated for whatever he gives to another, but it does mean that he becomes disgusted with the person who is ready to receive all of the free benefits that may come to him, while manifesting no desire or purpose to help the giver when it is in his power to do so. There are many of such ones in our land, and far too many of them in Christian churches. They evidently delight in receiving all that can be obtained by them, but have no delight in making any returns which cost them real sacrifice. Receiving and not giving! This does not look well. It looks badly, even meanly! It is bad in purely human relations, but how much worse it is in one's relation to God! Think of it steadily and honestly. A professed Christian, calling himself a child of God, daily and hourly receiving the greatest gifts from Him, and yet unwilling to make any genuine sacrifices for His sake! This man, pleading his inability to give more than a mere pittance to God's dear cause, seeks to fulfill his obligation to Him by saying, "I thank thee, Lord!" Why, it does not cost that receiver one cent to say that much! He "gives" thanks; yes, but what "gift" could be smaller and less expensive? And there are church members, with thousands of dollars, by the grace of God, who return to Him only words of thanks, and not often.

### 1,000 LAYMEN WANTED.

There ought to be at the very least 1,000 active, capable, consecrated laymen present at the Southern Baptist convention in Louisville. If you have never been, brother, go this time. If you have been before, brother, don't stay at home this year.

Scores of churches can easily send their pastors to the Southern Baptist convention if some deacon will only take the trouble to see the members and get up a purse. It will not cost any one much and it will help the pastor a whole lot. Won't some one in each church volunteer and do it NOW?

## TO FIGHT CONSUMPTION.

There are, it is said, 200,000 deaths from tuberculosis in the United States annually. Let us be conservative and say 150,000. The average age at time of death is thirty-five years. The normal life would go on for thirty-two years longer or until the sixty-seventh year. Frederick L. Hoffman, a noted statistician, has estimated that the real loss of life of these 150,000 victims of consumption measured in time, is 4,800,000 years per annum. "If we assume that the net value of a year of human life is at least \$50 the real loss to the nation resulting from the disease, a large portion of which is needless, may be estimated at \$240,000,000 per annum."

It is not merely a question of ameliorating suffering, but is also a great economic one and the states are beginning to realize it.

Thirty-three legislatures out of thirty-nine in session up to May 1st, 1909, have been considering laws pertaining to the prevention or treatment of tuberculosis. In a large number of states legislation affecting this subject has already been enacted and more laws will be passed before the close of the spring session.

The National Association reports that this past year has been more successful in the amount of interest shown in the anti-tuberculosis campaign, and in the number of institutions and associations established than the entire period previous to May 1, 1908.

### DO YOU WANT TO GO?

Let all those who wish to be put on the list of delegates send their names to Brother Crumpton and he will return each a card entitling him to a seat in the convention. This duty was put upon our secretary by the Board of Directors, who were authorized by the convention to receive the names and appoint as many as we were entitled to.

We can't understand why the brethren are so careless about the matter. A postal card with your name on it and on the other side W. B. Crumpton, Montgomery, Ala., will do the work.

The following names have been enrolled on the list of Alabamians who wish to be appointed on the delegation to the Southern Baptist convention. The Board of Directors at a called meeting for that purpose directed these to be enrolled with all others who may apply until the number allowed for Alabama is complete. Only one church has given notice of the appointment of delegates.

How are we to know who are entitled to cards unless the brethren send in their names? The undersigned was designated to receive the names and fill out the cards.

W. B. CRUMPTON.

J. H. Bush, J. W. O'Hara, J. A. French, F. W. Barnett, W. E. Pettus, John L. Ray, P. A. Caldwell, Geo. W. Freeman, J. H. Longcler, S. H. Campbell, D. W. Ramsey, J. G. Donald, J. R. Stodghill, J. W. Lowry, S. O. Y. Ray, J. H. Crighton, J. J. Johnson, A. D. Glass, J. E. Barnes, J. H. Chapman, W. C. Woods, W. J. E. Cox, T. B. Pace, H. G. Barclay, H. B. Folk, J. L. Thompson, W. S. Brown, I. A. White, W. M. Olive, Charles A. Stakely, W. N. Huckabee, R. S. Gavin, Withers Gavin, W. M. Kerridge, S. A. Adams, N. D. Denson, W. A. Tallafiero, W. B. Crumpton, S. A. Cowan, W. J. Elliott, J. C. Maxwell, Dr. A. L. Harlan, W. A. Parker, Sr., T. T. Sims, J. S. Carroll, Richard Hall, M. C. Reynolds, A. L. Blizzard, J. A. Jenkins, T. W. Crumpton, C. S. Rabb, W. T. Foster.

W. B. C.

### JUBILEE ALUMNI BANQUET.

Places for the Jubilee Alumni Banquet, May 12th, will be reserved for seminary men until May 1st. After this date other friends will be admitted. Plates are one dollar. Everything pointing to a great occasion. Plates should be reserved at once. Tickets can be had on arrival.

LEONARD W. DOOLAN, President.

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## MONTGOMERY NOTES.

We are all greatly grieved here about the sudden death of Mrs. G. G. Miles. Her hearts turn in deepest sympathy to the bereaved family in this time of their sorrow. A vast concourse of people attended the funeral services at the residence of Bro. Miles on Friday, and floral and other tributes were lavishly yet worthily bestowed.

The flags of the kingdom are moving along well here. The results from the Troy meeting have been very satisfactory. I believe the effect to be abiding. Southside has received in the neighborhood of fifteen since the meeting. Highland avenue, 25; Adams street, 25; Clayton street, 30, and the First church, 104. These are not accurate figures, but are near the true results. Some have come as a direct result from the meeting and others as indirect. The most of these have been for baptism. The spiritual life of the churches has been greatly quickened.

There is progress along the line of church building also. The First church is finishing up the Sunday school part of its magnificent building, and will soon be in it. It is admirably adapted to the most up-to-date Sunday school work. The Highland Avenue church has gotten the roof on the main building, the baptistry finished and baptized in it, but has not seated the main building yet. There is much to do yet on the building before it is complete. Southside has added an annex for Sunday school work that has cost about \$20. Clayton Street has made all the payments upon our new property except one, which is due in September, after which we will begin to build such a structure as will accommodate our rapidly growing school and congregation.

The Sunday schools are evidencing vigorous life. At Clayton Street we recently started a new class for boys, and on Sunday will begin a Philathea class and a Baraca class. This gives us a completely graded school throughout. Our attendance now is about 50. Southside recently had "Grading Day." J. B. Greene, of Opelika, came over and assisted Pastor Cowan in grading the school. The other schools are doing good work. Highland Avenue and Clayton Street are crowded for room for their schools.

Rev. R. Brasher has resigned at West End to take effect the third Sunday. He has not yet decided where he will locate, and his place has not been filled. This leaves one of our churches without a pastor.

Pastor A. V. Pickern seems to be getting along well at Adams Street. He has received about 75 in the eight months he has been there. There are occasional tremors and seismic shocks, but the conditions seem to be settling down to honest, earnest work. Many of the members have gone to other churches, leaving those in charge who to a large degree agree on the work. Evangelist Wells begins a meeting there Sunday, and it is hoped that all the church will be much revived and strengthened.

W. B. Davidson's class of business men gave a demonstration of the work

of their class at the Sunday school convention, which not only spoke well for the class, but was an inspiration to many others who were in attendance upon the convention. The class has been developed along all lines helpful to men. The Baraca class of the First is doing a great work also.

One of the most inspiring scenes in Montgomery for many a day was the men's parade on Wednesday evening of the convention. More than 1,000 men marched in it. An impression was left for good that will abide here many days. It was really an army marching on to victory.

The dollar offer of the Alabama Baptist ought to be accepted by every Baptist not taking the paper. No Baptist family ought to be without it, and I for one am trying to place it in every home in my church. Wishing the paper success, and with best wishes to the editor and the junior editors, I am, fraternally,

J. W. O'HARA.

I have just returned from Samson, where we had a splendid meeting. Rev. H. R. Schramm is pastor and he had done much work in preparation, but for nearly the whole week there seemed to be an impenetrable hardness, but on Thursday night the Lord broke up the fallow ground for us and by Friday night nine had united with the church, most of them for baptism. There were twelve or fifteen other conversions and several reclamations and the church was greatly strengthened. Under the preaching of the simple gospel attended by the Holy Spirit they were led into resolutions for daily Bible reading and prayer and a much higher standard of Christian living. I was there only one week, and the meeting ought to have gone on, but the Sunday school convention here called me back. Samson is a thriving little town of about 2,000 with unlimited resources of timber and turpentine in easy reach, and with great future possibilities in agriculture to attract people. It will be a very important point for years to come, and Bro. Schramm will do a good work there.—J. W. O'Hara.

On next Sunday morning, May 2nd, we will begin a series of meetings in which Bro. Frank M. Wells, of Jackson, Tenn., will do the preaching. Our April meeting continued for three weeks. The church was greatly benefited and twenty were added to the membership. We are looking forward to the coming of Bro. Wells and earnestly praying that God will give us a great meeting. At the request of Bro. Wells and of the church I wish to request that the brethren throughout the state will offer special prayer for us that we may be used of God for the accomplishment of much good and that many souls may be led to Jesus Christ in the coming meetings.—Ashley V. Pickern, Pastor Adams Avenue Baptist church, Montgomery.

## PERSONAL &amp; OTHER NOTES

Winnie Olivia, precious child of Dr. Z. B. and Mrs. Ada Chamberlee, of North Birmingham, Ala., was given these parents August 16, 1907, and brightened their home until April 22, 1909, when God recalled her to Paradise to be with him until the parents should come on later. She was a lovely and beautiful little child whose smiles were bright as the light and to whom her parents looked for comfort and strength when she should grow to mature years, and measure up to an ideal standard under their care and prayers. Her funeral services, conducted by Rev. Bro. Smoke, pastor of the Twenty-first Avenue Baptist church, and aided by the writer, were attended by hundreds who loved her. A perfect wealth of florals adorned and covered her casket, while little Olivia seemed only asleep, and was not asleep in the arms of Jesus, who said: "Suffer the little children to come unto me." She did not live in vain. Her sweet life begun here, reaches perfection in Paradise and she blooms among the flowers forever.

L. F. WHITEN.

I hand you herewith enclosed one dollar for which you will please send me the Alabama Baptist. I am a stranger in this part of our Lord's vineyard, having moved from southwest Mississippi to Hartselle the first of last month. The Lord is graciously blessing us—have had seventeen accessions (two for baptism) since we came. Our Sunday school is in a thriving condition—regular attendance over one hundred. The mid-week service is decidedly a success. We expect to have a great awakening here this year—we are living in Jer. 23:3—and God never fails in His promises. Pray for us, that we may be a mighty weapon in the hands of the Holy Spirit in tearing down the strongholds of sin and Satan, and that we may be instrumental in building up the cause for which our dear Lord suffered, bled and died.—A. A. Walker.

We welcome Bro. Walker to Alabama and pray God's blessing upon his work at Hartselle.

Dr. L. D. Gelger, corresponding secretary of the state board of missions of Florida, died Tuesday night, the 20th. This is a great blow to the organized work in Florida, as he was a great leader.

The members of the First Baptist church of Tuscaloosa have honored themselves beyond expression in their beautiful kindness to their beloved pastor. It is a rare and most gracious token of appreciation, as honorable to those who have given as it is to the pastor who receives it, and it will return in multiplied blessings on their own heads.—S. M. Provenca.

Rev. S. M. Provenca, D. D., has accepted the pastorate of the First Baptist church at Victoria, Tex.

## GREAT MEETING AT TROY.

We have just closed a most gracious revival in our church in which there were 53 additions to our membership and the entire membership greatly revived. The sweet-spirited, tender, earnest, logical, scriptural, profound and captivating F. C. McConnell, of Kansas City, Mo., did the preaching, and did it in his own inimitable way. It was a joy to my heart and a blessing to my town and people to have him with us. We were so well pleased that we were ready at the close of the meeting to sign up a contract to have him every year. He has no methods. He just preaches the pure gospel and has faith in God to believe He will bless the message and save souls, hence there are no hurtful after-effects for the pastor to correct after he is gone. Happy is the church and pastor that can have F. C. McConnell to help them in a meeting. I don't know that I ever enjoyed a series of sermons more in all my life than those preached by him while in Troy. Another feature of the meeting, which greatly enriched it in effectiveness and power, was the sweet singing of Mrs. Harry Eddins, of Tuscaloosa, Ala., who sang a solo at every service. She sings the gospel with a power I have never heard equaled. Frequently she melted the audience to tears as she would sing. What incalculable good she could accomplish if she would give her entire life to the singing of the gospel in revival meetings. This is the first meeting we have had in my church since I came here nineteen months ago, and this brings the total who have been added to the church since I came up to 208. To God we ascribe all the praise and glory. Fraternally,

SAM H. CAMPBELL.

In their arrangements for tickets to Louisville during the convention the Louisville and Nashville railroad and the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railway have both made arrangements so that tickets purchased via Nashville will allow stopover both at Nashville and at Murfreesboro, thirty miles southeast of Nashville. This last is done for the advantage of any persons wishing to do so can visit the new and handsome Baptist Woman's College at that place. I earnestly hope that brethren making the trip to the convention will find opportunity to stop at Nashville and give us a call at the Baptist publishing house. A visit from them and a kindly word will be a greeting to us that will serve as inspiration. There is indication that we shall have a great session of the convention. May the Lord give us his presence in much power for the advancement of his cause.—J. M. Frost, Nashville, Tenn.

Fukuoka, Japan, March 7, 1909.—Dear Bro. Barnett: Since March 3, 1909, we are the proud parents of a nine-pound baby girl. She sends her best to F. W., Jr. Best wishes for you and the Alabama Baptist. Yours fraternally, George W. Bouldin. (We hope the babe and mother are doing well. F. W., Jr., will be delighted to have a little Japanese sweetheart.)

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### O. P. LOONEY.

The Fayetteville community, Talladega and Coosa counties are poorer and heaven sweeter because of the death of Oliver Powell Looney, which occurred at his home near Fayetteville, Ala., on the morning of the 17th of April, 1909. Brother Looney was born on the same place where he died and spent all his long life time there. He was 69 years, seven months and 16 days old at the time of his death, born Sept. 1, 1839. He attended the country schools in his young boyhood days and joined the army as a volunteer under Bradford, Twelfth Alabama regiment, and served throughout the war and had part in the battles of Seven Pines, Seven Days, Sharpsburg, Spotsylvania, Gettysburg and the Wilderness. He was a brave and faithful soldier and was honorably discharged at Appomattox. He was married in 1869 to Mrs. Piety Looney. Of this marriage there were born six children, four of whom are still living—Mr. Charles Looney, of Sylacauga; Messrs. Walter and Gordon Looney, of Fayetteville, and Mrs. T. D. Craig, of Ensley. Two daughters, Mrs. Edna Bentley and Mrs. Kate McDonald, died some years ago. He united with Union Springs Baptist church in Coosa county at the age of thirty-one years and was a consistent member and deacon of that church until about six years ago, when he united with Fayetteville Baptist church, of which he was a faithful deacon and wise counsellor. As a Christian he was unassuming, but cheerfully took on himself any church work that was assigned to him. He was faithful to his church and his pastor and a strong supporter of his church. He joined the Masonic fraternity when a young man and was a true and loyal Mason of the Royal Arch degree. He loved Masonry, his lodge and his brethren. He was a loyal friend, a high-toned, honorable and successful business man. He was a friend to the poor and needy. He always stood for the things that were right. We commend his widow and children to the tender care of the Heavenly Father, who was the consolation and hope of our brother.

We will all miss him in our homes, church, lodge and community, but we shall meet him again at the beautiful gate.

In the cemetery at Fayetteville, where he sleeps, the mound will be kept green by loving friends, and when the trumpet shall sound that calls the children home he will be among the first to rise. Dear brother, farewell, until we all shall meet in the sweet bye and bye.

Respectfully and lovingly,  
O. P. BENTLEY.

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### LETTER NO. 12.

#### To One Who Asked Me to Show Wherein Baptists Differ from All Other Denominations.

My Dear Friend: You want me to tell you wherein Baptists differ from all other denominations. I can not do this better than by writing you a few brief letters setting forth in the simplest way I can what is commonly regarded as "Baptist doctrine." Now, there is a difference between a "creed" and a "doctrine." A doctrine is a statement of belief regarding a single point; a creed is a summary statement of doctrine. The Westminster Confession of Faith is the creed of the Presbyterians; but the faith which the confession professes to confess, when dissected into its parts, is Presbyterian doctrine. And the "Twenty-five Articles of the Methodist Episcopal Church" is the creed of the Methodists; but what these twenty-five articles stand for, separately considered, are Methodist doctrines. Now, the main difference between the Baptists and all other denominations—the difference about which all the other differences gather—is, Baptists have but one doctrine. That is why they have no fixed creed. It takes summaries of doctrines to constitute a creed, and the Baptists haven't doctrines, but a doctrine. And what is Baptist doctrine? It is a system of truths, of which systems, the Christ of the Bible is not only central, but essential and supreme. Baptist doctrine is, indeed, christocentric. If it were a wheel, and every spoke in that wheel were some one of the system of truths constituting our faith, then Christ would be the hub and every spoke would have an inseparable connection with Him. Take away our Lord Jesus Christ, so that we can not know where you have laid Him, and as Baptists, we have no doctrine left that is worth our while. There is but one really correct Baptist credal statement, and that can be expressed in three words: "Jesus Christ Only."

As we are and always have been a creedless people. But centering in Jesus Christ are certain truths—some of which are no longer the exclusive belief of the Baptists—but truths for which they stood before there were any Protestant denominations, or even pedobaptists, and of which they are today the best exponent.

#### 1. The Lost Condition of Man.

The Christ Himself said that He came to seek the lost. Whatever He meant by the word "lost," it applied to all men and women in a state of nature.

Spelled-out full it means the depraved state of the human heart. And Baptists accept it without parading it down. They contend that men and women are lost by nature—lost in Adam; and that when they are born they need a Savior before they need clothes to wear.

#### 2. No one can save himself in whole or in part.

To say that man is born lost is but another way of saying that he is born dead. There is no life-giving within him. If he reform himself to the extent that he keep the whole law, still he is but a spiritually dead man, who by sheer will-power forces himself to do right. A corpse is none the less dead because it's dressed up. Yes, men are born spiritually dead.

Reform them as much as you may. That can't give them life. It is like washing the dead man. Instead of washing him, if you could put life into him, he would get up and wash himself. That is what regeneration is, and that is what it always does. None can regenerate but Jesus Christ only; but the regeneration He works in us always produces reformation in our outward lives. But no sort of reformation can give birth to regeneration. Men are no more self-born the second time than they are self-born the first time.

#### 3. Jesus Christ Only can give life to dead men.

And this is another way of saying that Jesus Christ only can save men from their sins. He himself affirms that He is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. The life-germ which all men must have, if they have spiritual life at all, is in Him only. Before He came they had spiritual life like we have had it since He came. Necessity forced them, like the Old Testament which has so much to say about Him, to look forward to Him as the promised life of men; while we, like the New Testament which has so much to say about Him, look backward to Him as the promised life of men. But, thank God, under grace, the forward look at the cross and the backward look at it is just a great distinction without a difference. Every sacrifice that was ever laid on Jewish altar was efficacious to atone for sins because it typified the Christ of both Testaments, who, as the Lamb of God slain from the foundation of the world, was to be offered up as the atonement for the sins of all.

No bleeding bird, nor bleeding beast,  
Nor hissop branch, nor sprinkling priest,  
Nor running brook, nor flood, nor sea,  
Can wash the dismal stain away.  
Jesus, my Lord, thy blood alone  
Hath power sufficient to atone;  
Thy blood can make the foulest clean—  
Thy blood avails for me."

All the infants that die go to Heaven—not because they have life within themselves, however. They go as sinners saved by grace—just as all others go there.

There is a moment in every one's life when at one instant he is not responsible to God on his own account. The next instant he is. Now, when these two moments, so close together and yet so wide apart, come, every one must ratify for himself what has already been done for him in Christ Jesus.

To illustrate: They did not ask me where I wanted to be born. I was born in Mississippi. My father moved into Alabama before I was old enough to act for myself. But when I began to act for myself I ratified what my father did for me, by staying in Alabama. And while Mississippi is a great state (and here the analogy fails me), and while I often go back into that state, yet I always speak and think of Alabama as my home. So when the time comes in every one's life when he must ratify what has been done for him in Christ Jesus, if he could see the situation just as it is, he would see his life moving about sin as its center, and the Christ of the Bible standing over him and begging to be allowed to take that life, which has been guilty all along in a general way by the act of Adam, but now becomes guilty in a specific way by its own choice, from about its sin center and to put it about His own life-producing life as its new center. How helpless man by nature is! A dead life moving about a death-producing center! But if he will listen to God, and let God have His way with him, God by His Holy Spirit, will take his life from about that old center which keeps on producing death, and He will put it about that new center which produces life first, and then life more abundant.

Now, the desire on the part of man for his dead life to be taken from about its old center, and the determination that it shall be, they call "repentance." The desire for it to be put about Jesus Christ as the new center, and the determination that it shall be, they call "faith." It isn't possible to exercise the other desire and form the one determination without exercising the other desire and forming the other determination.

It is either letting loose one thing in order to take another, or in taking hold on the one, the other is let go. What is the difference? I think that whether we repent first or believe first depends largely on the way we think about it.

A lawyer was cross-examining a German relative to the positions of the doors, windows, etc. in a house in which a certain transaction was alleged to have occurred. "And now, my good man," said the lawyer, "will you be good enough to tell the court how the stairs run in the house?" The German looked dazed for a moment, and then he asked: "How the stairs run?" "Yes, how do the stairs run?" "Vell," continued the witness, "ven I am oop-stairs dey run down, and ven I am down stairs dey run oop." I think he was correct, don't you? And just so it is with repentance and faith. I may say I turn my face to Jesus Christ. And that is making the claim that I repent first, and then believe because I have repented. What is the difference? The answer—the result—is the same.

Now, the entire transaction on man's part is called "conversion," and the entire transaction on God's part is called "regeneration," and by the work of the spirit, first on the life and then in it, the birth of it all is a new creature in Christ Jesus. This is the meaning of 2 Cor. 5:17, "If any man be in Christ, he is a new creation."

Baptists stand alone in maintaining that the new birth is entirely the work of God, without the intermediary effort of pope, priest or any such thing, denying in no uncertain terms that even the sprinkling of a little water on a baby's head helps God out any in the great work of his regeneration. I'll write you further later. Yours sincerely,

R. S. GAVIN.

The ground-breaking exercise for the new Dauphin Way Baptist church, Mobile, was a most interesting occasion. We congratulate Pastor George and his noble flock.

#### Description of New Church.

During the past decade the mission has grown into a church of 170 members, known as the Dauphin Way Baptist church. And the congregation has adopted plans and will erect on this beautiful site this handsome new edifice shown in the cut.

The building will be gothic in style. It will sit back thirty-six feet from the sidewalk, will face Dauphin street. The main entrance will be in the center. There will be a side entrance at rear, on Ann street, with a hallway extending across the rear of the building, leading to the primary room of the Sunday school. There will also be two entrances in the rear. The house will be built of brick with stone trimmings and will extend across the entire width of the lot. The Sunday school department will be modern in every respect. The large lecture room in the Sunday school will be separated from the main auditorium of the church by folding or sliding doors. The ladies' parlor will be in front of the Sunday school room. There will be on the first floor, around the room six class rooms and a very large primary department. The balcony floor will contain one large Baraca room. The Philathea class room will correspond in size. There will be six other class rooms around the balcony. The platform can be easily seen from every class room. The balcony will seat 120. The entire Sunday school department will seat over six hundred. There will be three or four class rooms back of the church auditorium. The pulpit platform will be in the corner. The baptistry will be on the left of the platform. The choir and organ-chamber will be back of the platform to the right, across the little hall back of platform will be the pastor's study, and to the right will be two large dressing rooms, divided into individual rooms by screens and to the right of these rooms will be the toilet rooms.

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Come with your message and prayers.

Dr. and Mrs. Carter Helm Jones, of Oklahoma City, announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Mary Christian, to Dr. Lewis Jefferson Moorman, April 27, at White Temple Baptist church.

In the Circuit Court of Jefferson County, Alabama. In Equity.

Rachel 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, a term 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 affiant, 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 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, a the said mayor of Annote, departme... 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, age and residence 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.

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2. The Work of the Baptists of Alabama for the Last Century—Rev. J. S. E. Robinson and N. A. Hood.
3. The Needs of and Proposed Baptist Work for the Next Century—H. N. Hess and Joe W. Vesey.
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**GOOD MEETINGS AT TROY.**

At the invitation of the pastor of the First Baptist church of Troy, Ala., Rev. Sam H. Campbell, it was my good fortune to aid in meetings in this choice town. Reaching them on Tuesday, the 6th, I was with them until the 16th inst. The meetings were held at 10 a. m. and at 8 p. m. with magnificent audiences at every service.

The pastor had everything in such perfect readiness there was nothing left the visiting brother to do but preach and behold the blessing of God fall on their loved ones.

The people of Troy are royal. No where have I found a nobler church. The days spent with them were filled with heavenly joy. The people all seemed to be akin to me, and they received my Master's message as seed fallen into good ground. There were many triumphs of grace that freshened the story of the acts of the apostles and strengthened the faith of God's people. Every service was pervaded by a spirit of reverend eagerness that gladdened the preacher's heart and gave zest to his service of love.

There are always several elements which go to make a good meeting. Not small among them is the pastor's own interest. This interest will quicken the church and sustain the preacher and is itself often created by the amount of genuine effort to get ready for the meeting. Bro. Campbell and his people were prepared and ready as for the siege of a walled city. They had a large choir of younger and older people, who sang for Jesus' sake and prayed for the blessing of God upon

the meetings. In addition to the splendid choir they had called to their aid one of the charming daughters of the Tallapoosa church, Mrs. Eddings, who assists the widely loved L. O. Dawson by singing stately in his great church. Mrs. Eddings is worthy a place high up among the sweetest singers in the world. Bro. Editor, I may whisper it in your ear, though it ought to be led in the rock forever, that the singing may be made the most devout and impressive part of evangelistic services. Mrs. Eddings sang only hymns. She did not feel called upon to regale us with long chapters from the masters, but all the more sweetly and tenderly she sang to us of THE MASTER and his undying love for men. Mrs. J. S. Carroil was the very quiet directress whose poise gave tone to the gracious music which did so much toward the success of the meetings.

I will not trust myself to speak further of all the good helpers by name lest I should find no stopping place within the limits of your space.

The ushers who do so much toward the good results of a meeting were wise and thoughtful and the personal workers watched every opportunity to render service as unto the Lord.

Altogether, my brief stay in Troy was one of the best visits of my life. The pastor, together with every member of the church, knows how to make the visitor happy.

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W. R. WHATLEY.

**IN MEMORY.**

Mrs. Elvira Hovey was born in 1852 and departed this life the 7th day of April, 1909. Married to H. H. Hovey in 1869. To this couple were given eleven children, eight of whom are members of the church. She left to mourn her loss an affectionate husband and ten children and other relatives.

Sister Hovey was a member of the Baptist church at Louisville and gave her life for those of her household, and we, as a church and community, join in mourning with the loved ones in this sad bereavement.

Resolved, That a copy of this be spread upon the minutes of our church book, and a copy be sent to the Alabama Baptist.

- W. P. PATTERSON,
  - C. GOCHET,
  - B. F. BENNETT,
  - M. N. McEACHERN,
- Committee.

Late Thursday night, April 22, Col. Caswell C. Huckabee, one of the oldest residents and pioneer developers of the iron industry in Alabama, passed away at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Robert L. McCalley, 1220 Whitaker street. Funeral services were held at 2:15 o'clock at the residence Saturday afternoon. The remains were sent to Marion, Ala., where interment took place Sunday morning. He was born in North Carolina, but moved to Alabama when a small child and settled in Marion. He joined the Shiloh Baptist church in Marion more than 80 years ago and retained his membership there until his death. His wife, who was Miss Rachel Brown, of Louisville, Ky.; his daughter, Mrs. McCalley, and a grandson, C. C. Huckabee, Jr., superintendent of the Yolande Coal Company, survive him, to whom we extend our sincere sympathy.

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The following outline will give some idea of the Courses of Study. While instruction is largely individual, classes are formed as far as it is advantageous, and the school is perfectly graded and systematized with a view to obtaining the best results. The school has no vacations, and pupils may enter any week day of the year with equal advantage.

#### The Commercial Course.

- Arithmetic,
- Rapid Addition,
- Bookkeeping by Single and Double Entry,
- Correspondence,
- Spelling,
- Grammar,
- Penmanship,
- Commercial Law,
- Business Forms,
- Office Practice,
- Insurance,
- Real Estate,
- Commission,
- Banking,
- Finance,
- Transportation, etc.

#### The Shorthand Course.

- Shorthand,
- Typewriting,
- Business Writing,
- Correspondence,
- Spelling,
- Letter Press Copying,
- Manifolding,
- Business Forms,
- Legal Forms,
- Office Practice,
- Care of Machine,
- Filing Letters, Invoices, etc.

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