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Rev. N. B. O'Kelley, of Dawson, Ga., has been called to Curtis church, Augusta, Ga.

I preached at Saltpa recently and found a fine people, who have a splendid church and a large membership.—L. M. Steae.

The April number of the Review and Expositor was an excellent one. The book review department was unusually full and interesting.

There are twenty-five Baptist churches in Birmingham, Ala. The Baptists have increased mightily there in the last five years.—Baptist Courier.

Recently we had the pleasure of visiting Dothan and preached at the First Baptist church in the morning. We found that the Dothan saints are loyal to Foster Anderson, Rev. R. H. Folmar is bringing things to pass at the Second Baptist church and is talking about a fine new building.

Inclosed you will find postoffice order for renewal. I can't do without the dear old Alabama Baptist. It keeps me informed as to the movements of my brethren, their thoughts, plans and accomplishments. God bless the editor and all the readers of the Alabama Baptist.—W. A. Whittle.

Recently Dr. G. A. Lofton celebrated his twenty-first anniversary as pastor of the Central Baptist church, of Nashville. During the twenty-one years 1,500 members were received into the church and \$90,000 contributed.

Recently we had a hopeful letter from Rev. J. R. Wells, who went to Jennings, La. He serves the church there and the churches at Lake Park and Staesville, Ga. He says: "Rev. W. R. Ives, well known in Alabama, who is pastor at Madison, Fla., about 25 miles west of us, is to help us in a revival meeting at Jennings in May."

The college board of the Oklahoma Baptist State Convention has selected Oklahoma City as the location of the proposed Baptist University. It is intended that it shall be one of the largest denominational colleges of the southwest and will probably cost \$1,000,000. John D. Rockefeller has promised to give \$500,000.—Baptist Commonwealth.

Dr. R. C. Whitinghill, of Rome, Italy, says that up to two years ago there did not exist in Italian a grammar of the Greek New Testament. Prof. Robertson's Short Grammar of the Greek New Testament is being translated into Italian. He considers this a compliment to Baptist scholarship from Rome.—Baptist Courier.



We congratulate the saints at Demopolis on securing Rev. J. A. Cook as their shepherd.

The Pacific Baptist of April 29th contains a splendid picture of Rev. James W. Kramer, pastor First Baptist church, Spokane.

Dr. J. A. Wynne, formerly pastor of the First church, Gainesville, Ga., has resigned the pastorate of the church at Ardmore, Okla.

We certainly will miss J. R. Magill, who gave up the work at Attalla to go to Longview, Tex. Bro. Magill was at one time president of the state B. Y. P. U. He is a strong young man and well equipped for his work.

Rev. J. L. Rosser, of Selma, preached the baccalaureate sermon of the Marion Institute in the Siloam Baptist church on May 9th and the baccalaureate address was delivered by President John W. Abercromble, of the University of Alabama, on May 10th.

Rev. S. B. Rogers was unanimously elected as corresponding secretary of the Florida Baptist convention by the state board of missions in Jacksonville on April 30th and he accepted the difficult task of taking up the work of the lamented Geiger.

Inclosed find one dollar for the payment of the Alabama Baptist from now until January, 1910. I secured a few copies through my pastor and am highly delighted with it. I don't see how I ever did without it. Hope you much success in your work.—Mrs. G. G. Mullins, Calera, Ala.

Mrs. John H. Vincent, wife of Bishop Vincent, of the Methodist Episcopal church, the founder of Chautauqua, has entered into rest. The love and sympathy of the whole country will go out to the man whose whole life has been a display of love for men, Dr. George E. Vincent, dean of the University of Chicago, is the only child.

Bessie, the eleven-year-old daughter of Prof. and Mrs. W. J. McGlothlin, passed away recently at their home in Louisville. For some time she had suffered from heart-trouble, but the immediate cause of death was pneumonia. We deeply sympathize with Bro. McGlothlin and family in their great loss.—Western Recorder.

The Baptist World will tender a banquet to the editors on Friday, May 14. Dr. W. P. Harvey, the president of the company, is doing what he can to contribute to the pleasure of those attending the convention. He has made an arrangement by which the editors can spend a delightful day and night at the Mammoth Cave, the hotel there giving them free entertainment.

The mission of the denominational weeklies in the life and progress of Southern Baptists is too large and far-reaching a theme for proper treatment in the limited space we can here accord to it. We wish, however, to express some convictions on the subject.

There is no agency which has done so much as the denominational press for Southern Baptists while it received so little appreciation from the brotherhood at large for what it did. There is not an agency which works for the progress of the cause that touches the denomination's life helpfully at so many points. There is no agency whatever, except the denominational paper, that lives only to serve the interests of the brotherhood, while at the same time the brotherhood does not sacrifice for it and bear its burdens.

Instead of the denominational paper costing the individual too much a chief difficulty in their reaching the brotherhood more generally is that they have cost the denomination too little. They have cost it so little that instead of appreciating the burdens the papers bear for its weal, not infrequently they have been handicapped by indifference and some times by open opposition.

Within the past month the denominational papers of the South have freely given pages and pages to home and foreign missions. They have done for these interests an amount of educational and informing work that, even estimated by the cold-blooded standard of dollars, has been worth at least from \$50,000 to \$100,000 to missionary interests.

But so far whole-heartedly magnifying an agency that is thus devoted to all the denomination holds dear, and that sacrifices always all hope of patronage from all other sources that it may serve only the brotherhood and the kingdom of our Lord Jesus, there are some pastors, especially in city churches, who seem to think that it is too small a matter to magnify before the assembled host on the Sabbath morning, while some others have been yielded to the Pharisaical or ignorant church functionary who thinks the house of prayer is profaned by mentioning the "private enterprise" run "for gain!"

That such an unjust prejudice should ever be allowed to cripple one of the most important of our denominational agencies shows the urgent need of an arousing on this thing! We have no more unselfish and devoted lot of men in the denomination's service than its weekly paper editors. If we allow them to be crippled by unkind prejudices, the denomination itself will in the end be the heavy sufferer.

An awakened conscience to the mission of the denominational papers is one of the current needs among Southern Baptists. When pastors in their pulpits and superintendents before their schools and woman's society leaders will stand up on occasion and say a courageous word from the heart and conscience for a fair appreciation of the value of this noble agency and the self-sacrificing men who conduct it, we may expect to see more Baptists take and read and pay for and appreciate our denominational papers. And, brethren beloved, not until then! REV. V. I. MASTERS, Atlanta, Ga., Editorial Secretary Home Board.

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THE DENOMINATIONAL PRESS AND MISSIONS.

The press, as a missionary factor, can not be over-estimated. In each of the states of the Southern Baptist convention territory, there is a denominational paper standing for civic righteousness. Dear reader, do you know how much thought, time and expense is expended in making up and printing your own Baptist state paper?

Sometimes you may feel inclined to complain about the meagerness of information contained in its pages, or perhaps you note that the quality of paper is bad and the printing blurred. Your sense of the artistic is shocked by these failures.

But, dear sister, if only you could know the handicap under which most of our Baptist denominational papers work, you would be charitable in your judgment. A peep at the delinquent list of subscribers might reveal your name and mine among those who have forgotten that the editor needed money with which to run a paper.

All hail to our noble band of Baptist editors in the bounds of our convention!

They are doing a mighty work in moulding sentiment, in advancing the cause of religion. If the Woman's Missionary Union or Central Committee in any state fails to have a department in the Baptist paper of the state, we feel sure that such a state of affairs could be rectified.

The Baptist editor gets small pay for his valuable services. He is almost always obliging, sympathetic and genuinely interested in all of the organized work of Baptists throughout the world. Let it be a policy of mission societies to get subscribers for the religious papers of the state, and also mission magazines, and much good will result. The printed page is a silent agent, but a potent one for either good or ill.

When we think of the baneful influence exerted by the trashy literature of the present day, the unreal and unwholesome life portrayed in the "problem novel," it is imperative that we awake to the importance of distributing good literature among our young people. Lend a helping hand and an encouraging contribution to the cause of pure literature at home and abroad. It is a sad fact that many books once excluded from the family library now occupy a place on the center table in many homes. Take care lest in our desire to become broad we become lax and worse than shallow.

This comment seems hardly pertinent to the title under which we are writing, but it is of vital import to the youth of our fair land.—Mrs. B. D. Gray.

THE PRESS AS A MISSIONARY FACTOR—BIBLE DISTRIBUTION.

The translation of the Bible into five hundred and thirty-four of the languages and dialects of the earth is the greatest single literary achievement of all history. That has laid the foundation for all the missionary work that has been built upon it.

The Anvil of God's Word.

Last eve I paused beside a blacksmith's door,
And heard the anvil ring the vesper chime;
Then, looking in I saw upon the floor
Old hammers worn with beating years of time.

"How many anvils have you had," said I,
"To wear and batter all these hammers so?"
"Just one," said he, and then, with twinkling eye,
"The anvil wears the hammers out, you know."

And so, I thought, the anvil of God's word,
For ages skeptics' blows have beat upon;
Yet, though the noise of falling blows is heard,
The anvil is unharmed, the hammers gone.

The First Book.

The printing press in 1450 issued its first book, a Latin Bible. The mariner's compass and the steam engine soon followed, guiding man and giving him a new motive power. And so, just as Luther's hammer was heard nailing his theses to "All Saints' door" God was loudly calling all saints to rally about the

WOMAN'S WORK

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reformed standard and give the Bible to the common folk; and to go on swift keels and wheels to the very bounds of the earth with the message of salvation.

First American Bible.

The first Bible printed west of the Atlantic was the famous Indian Bible, translated into the native tongue by John Elliot, which has now not one living reader.

Ellot likewise created for his beloved children of the forest a new literature, translating a catechism, psalter, grammar and primer, followed by "Baxter's Call."

Baptists and the Bible in Foreign Lands.

Japan, the land long closed against missionaries, was opened through finding a leaf of the Bible on the waters of the sea of Japan. Soon after the gates were opened Baptist missionaries were on the field.

In 1835 a gentleman of high rank found a page of the New Testament on the waters of the Japanese sea and learned through an interpreter that it told the story of the true God. This was one of the incidents that led to the opening of the nation to foreign commerce and the changes that have come in Japan are very clearly traceable to the influence of the Bible. In no land have our missionaries a warmer reception than in this growing island nation.

Mr. Jones, who was sent to Siam by the Baptists of the United States, laid the foundation for the Bible in Siamese. He completed the New Testament in 1844, but was not able to finish the Old Testament when his health failed.

The first work attempted on behalf of the Chinese was by the English Baptists. Dr. Joshua Marshman, in India, began the study of the Chinese language in 1806, the year before Morrison went to China, with the intention of translating the scriptures into that language. After fifteen years of labor he completed the New Testament. This work was followed by the labors of others, but the Baptists have always had a large part in the work in China.

Africa is still a scene of horrors, but even in this dark continent the Bible has gone in its divine power and the black men have been made white of heart, gentle in spirit, forgiving instead of murderous, and these men who are supposed by many to be beyond hope are found seated and in their right mind as a result of the Bible's mighty work.

Bible Work of Southern Baptists.

The Southern Baptists worked with the Baptists of the North until 1845. The organization of the Southern Baptist Convention with its Bible board appointed in 1851 was the channel of work for the southern constituency. In 1852 the Bible Revision Association was organized in Memphis, Tenn., "to aid in conjunction with the American Bible Union in procuring a pure version of the English scriptures." The foreign mission board was made responsible for the Bible work in foreign fields and they have right nobly done their work. In the natural development

of things the Sunday school board with headquarters in Nashville, Tenn., have become responsible for a large share of the Bible work in the home land.

Zeal Without Knowledge.

The practical value of educational missions may be inferred from an incident in the work of certain missionaries in Central Africa. They gave themselves wholly to evangelistic work without any effort at education under the mistaken idea that proclaiming the gospel to those who had not heard it was the beginning and the end of missionary endeavor. After years of faithful preaching, the gospels were translated into the native language when it was discovered that none could read.—Wilson S. Naylor.

A Royal Gift.

One hundred and sixty printing presses are conducted by the Protestant mission boards in various parts of the world, and they issue annually about four hundred million pages of Christian literature and the word of God.

The Empress Dowager of China, on her sixtieth birthday, was presented a copy of the New Testament bound in silver and gold by ten thousand Christian Chinese women. The emperor, because of the interest the gift excited in the palace, purchased a copy for his own use.

Eye Gate and Ear Gate.

Bunyan has taught us how important are eye gate and ear gate, if we would enter the City of Mansoul, and it is not improbable that more knowledge finds entrance through eye gate than any other.

Books hold to missions a vital relation, but only as the treasures of the great facts of the world's religious condition and history, but as the records of missionary history and biography, sacrifice and service, heroism and achievement. Books are the memorials and monuments, without which the very memory of such lives and labors would perish; for, though lasting impress is often left on living human beings, even converts die, and tradition is too untrustworthy to be the custodian of such priceless memories.

Our libraries are the true "catacombs," the dwelling places of the dead; for in their books authors perpetually abide among us, living, breathing, speaking, acting, and moving on mankind.

It is of prime importance, especially to young people, to form habits of systematic, careful, thoughtful reading. Those who properly appreciate the value and virtue of a good book will not neglect this open door to the highest culture, in the companionship of the wise, the great, and the good.—A. F. Pierson.

Newspapers in China.

The newspapers of China are at once an evidence and an instrument of the nation's regeneration. They are a fearless, fighting force for the new day. They attack the ancient abuses, and set forth the claims of the new order. They portray the nature of the "western learning," and show its advantages for China. These editors are patriots, and their honor will be great in a coming day. Already they share with the new schools the distinction of being the most effective public educators. In the leading cities of the empire may be found public reading halls, where the day's newspaper is read to those who can not read for themselves, and there lectures upon modern sciences are given. In Peking there is even a comic journal, devoted to progress and reform, which fearlessly caricatures existing evils. In the same city is published a woman's daily, which is a powerful factor in bringing about the new order.—Missionary Review of the World.

Dr. Junius W. Millard, pastor of the Ponce de Leon church, Atlanta, Ga., tells of the recent ordination to the ministry of five preachers who came to the Baptists of Atlanta from other denominations. We are glad there are so many who are seeing the light and coming to it.—Baptist Record.

TO ONE WHO ASKED ME TO SHOW HIM WHERE BAPTISTS DIFFER FROM OTHER DENOMINATIONS.

(Continued.)

Letter No. 13.

My Dear Friend: In my former letter I set forth three of the great truths centering in Jesus Christ, who is the all and in all of Baptist doctrine. My last deliverance was: Baptists stand alone in maintaining that the new birth is entirely the work of God, without the intermediary work of pope, priest, or any such thing. So this letter begins where the former stopped.

4. Jesus Christ can actually save men and women from their sins. (1) He saves from the guilt and condemnation of sin so completely that the moment one exercises faith in Him, he stands before God as guiltless, and as uncondemned as one who never had sinned and never shall. (Jn. 3:18; 5:24; Acts 13:39.) That is called "Justification by Faith."

(2) He saves from the power of sin so completely that when one has put his life about Him (believed on Him) nothing is able to take it away. (Rom. 8:31-34.) That is called "Assurance;" and "blessed assurance." It is!

(3) He saves from the effects of sin so completely that when the work of grace has been finished the Christ-entered life finds itself not only restored to divine favor, but to the divine likeness as well. (Rom. 8:23; 1 John 3:2.) That is sanctified holiness glorified; or, as theologians say, "That is glorification." The Christ-life has been his life, the Christ-righteousness has been his righteousness; and now, thanks to God, the Christ-glory has become his glory. It is, indeed, from first to last, Christ Jesus only in us the hope of glory. So do Baptists, as do no others, believe and teach. The Baptist position maintains that every man in Christ has a three-fold salvation: (a) He has been saved from the guilt and condemnation of sin; (b) He is being saved from the power and dominion of sin; and (c) He is yet to be saved from the very effects of sin. I back these three important statements up with the old Baptist slogan, "That with the Lord!"

Eph. 2:5, "By grace ye have been saved." That's our present salvation.

1 Peter 1:5, "Kept by the power of God, through faith, unto salvation." That's our present salvation.

Rom. 8:11, "Now is our salvation nearer than when we believed (were saved)." That's our future salvation, our salvation in prospect.

So it comes to pass that what is termed "Regeneration" (the past salvation) is but the quarrying out of the rough block of marble on God's part, which, under the touch of the Divine Artist, the Holy Spirit within (the present salvation) is to be yet changed into a thing of wondrous beauty (the future salvation). As with Israel, God had first to get them out of Egypt.

That took only a few hours. But after He got them out of Egypt, then He had to get Egypt out of them. That took forty years. So it is yet. Death to sin and the death of sin are two things. Christ's death takes us out of sin. That is an instantaneous act. Then Christ's life, by the operation of His glorified spirit within us, takes sin out of us. That is the work of a life-time. But, thank God, He makes no failure. He is still able to save to the uttermost. (Hebrews 7:25.)

5. The Fifth Great Truth Centering in Christ is That the Bible Itself Centers in Him; and, Therefore, Because It Does, the Bible is the Only Standard of Faith and Duty.

In this regard Baptists stand very conspicuously alone.

(1) As to Faith. The Bible tells of man's origin; of the introduction of sin into the world; of the fall of man; and the effects of the fall in alienating man from his God; of the coming of God's Son as man's substitute—of His mean birth, His blameless life, His shameful death, His triumphant resurrection, His glorious ascension, His complete glorification. It assures us that He will come again in the glory of His

father with His angels to judge the quick and dead. It tells of the promise he made again and again that He would send His spirit into the world so soon as He should be glorified, and that, coming, He would abide here unto the end of the age. It tells how and when He came, and of the work He is now appointed to carry on, and how.

And, then, it tells man that all this was wrought out as an expression of God's love and mercy for him, and to supply the only possible remedy for his sins. This is Baptist doctrine with all its clothes (theology) taken off. And let me add that as Baptists studying the Bible as the standard of our faith, we need and invite all intelligent criticism. It is intensely unbaptistic to shut up the Bible in a glass case. Yet, from the standpoint of Baptist doctrine, we can go no further in the investigation of these statements than to ask whether or not they are from God. If they are from Him, that's all we care to know, necessarily; we are willing to pin our faith to them at all hazards—whether we understand all about how we came into the possession of them or not. Unfortunately, in our day, many there are (and some of them call themselves Baptists), who are like the frontier settler was when the "circuit rider" asked him for a Bible that he might read. After a long search he brought out the fragments of one, remarking as he handed it to the preacher: "Fears like we 'uns is most out o' a Bible." Yes, one would think so when with all sorts of positiveness we are told that man was not created specially; but that he has been evolved from what they call "protoplasm;" and that the "historicity" (ah! that's one of their pet terms)—the historicity of many of the stories in Genesis is right doubtful; Job was not a man, but a myth; Jonah and the whale is only an ancient fish-story; the book of Zechariah is merely a compilation; Isaiah was at least two, and, maybe, three or four or nothing; Satan is only an impersonal influence without habitat—a kind of diffused ether; hell is not such a bad place, after all—at least it's certain that there is not enough fire there to speak of, or to make it very unpleasant; the miracles of the Bible are nothing but sensational stories, born of the fertile brain of the writers; and Jesus Christ, as a matter of fact, is not divine! Good Lord!

What's to come next? That remains to be seen what other new thing the next writer can think of to embody in a book and offer to the gullible public as the "finality of thought" in matters religious.

What they have done their best to do to our Bible is even more serious than was the experience of the lady in New York the other day, who, on leaving home, looked up everything carefully, and then for the grocer's benefit, left a card on the back door reading: "All out. Don't leave anything." On her return she found the house had been ransacked, and all the choicest possessions taken; and to the card on the door was added: "Thanks! We haven't left much!" Indeed they haven't! My dear friend, in behalf of the Bible, and nothing but the Bible, is the standard of both faith and duty for the Baptists. In the spirit of Christ to His enemies, let me ask: "If it tells the truth, why not believe it, or why try to substitute something else for it?"

In my next letter I'll tell you what the Baptist position is with reference to the Bible and duty.

Yours sincerely,

R. S. GAWIN

Huntsville, Ala.

DR. MONTAGUE'S TRIP NOTES.

My Dear Brother Barnett: It was my privilege recently in company with Rev. Emmett P. Smith, of Carrollton, to visit the village of Pickensville, in Pickens county, near the Mississippi line.

While at Pickensville, we were entertained in the beautiful home of Brother and Sister J. E. Wilkins. Brother Wilkins is a former student of Georgetown College and one of the kindest, most delightful men that I have ever met. Helping every cause that is worthy, he is alive to the necessities of our institutions, wide-awake and thoughtful. Sitting with him on the steps of his house Sunday night after church, I told him our needs, present and remote. He said, without hesitation, "I shall give you \$100," and the next morning the check was in my hands. Bro. Wilkins furnished, in memory of loved ones, three rooms in Renfroe hall and gave a handsome sum to our endowment, which he keeps paid in advance.

On the Sunday at Pickensville, we had morning service, in the afternoon an adjourned meeting of the Sunday school, at which Bible stories were told, and at night a good audience gathered again. Dr. Gass, superintendent of the Sunday school, a popular physician, gives time and attention to the Sunday school and shows that his heart is in it. It was my good fortune to meet in addition to those named a number of other brethren and sisters.

Monday morning Brother Smith and I drove back to Carrollton behind two fast, wiry Texas horses through as pretty a country as I have seen for a long time. In Carrollton I met again the beloved W. G. Robertson, Judge Hudgins, the popular probate judge and kindly gentleman; Hon. M. B. Curry, a leader of the bar in western Alabama, and a loyal Baptist; Brother Hodge, Editor Struthers and Bro. Owings and his sons, who have recently moved from Birmingham to Carrollton. I was entertained at Carrollton by our good sister, Mrs. Duncan, who has one of the most comfortable hotels in any town. Sister Duncan told me that the L. A. S. of one church there was helping Dr. Willingham and foreign missions, and doing this by taking in sewing.

It is a great pleasure to be with Brother E. P. Smith. His ability as a preacher is equalled only by his energy and kindness. Yours fraternally,
A. P. MONTAGUE

GAS FACTORIES

In People Who Do Not Know How to Select Food and Drink Properly.

On the coffee question a lady says: "I used to be so miserable after breakfast that I did not know how to get through the day. Life was a burden to me. When I tried to sleep I was miserable by having horrible dreams followed by hours of wakefulness. Gas would rise on my stomach and I would belch almost continually. Then every few weeks I would have a long siege of sick headaches. I tried a list of medicines and physicians without benefit.

"Finally, I concluded to give up my coffee and tea altogether and use Postum. The first cup was a failure. It was wishy-washy and I offered to give the remainder of the package to any one who would take it.

"I noticed later on in one of the advertisements that Postum should be boiled at least 15 minutes to make it good. I asked the cook how she made it and she said, 'Just the same as I did tea, being careful not to let it steep too long.'

"I read the directions and concluded Postum had not had a fair trial, so we made a new lot and boiled it 15 or 20 minutes. That time it came to the table a different beverage and was so delicious that we have been using it ever since.

"My sick headache left entirely as did my sleepless nights, and I am now a different woman." "There's a Reason." Read "The Road to Wellville" in pkgs.

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

OUR \$1.00 OFFER TO JANUARY 1.

There is still an opportunity for our friends to help push the special offer. If you have not yet been enlisted please get to work and see what you can do for the paper and for the cause. The following names were sent in this week as voluntary helpers:

Will Help.

PRACTICAL TEMPERANCE IN SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

By W. B. Crumpton.

(Delivered before the State Sunday School Convention at Montgomery.)

In meetings like this I wonder that the teachers do not get out of heart. The ideals are set so high and their duties made so urgent and the results of neglect made so fearful, it certainly would appall a less devoted and courageous people.

All the problems of the nation, the home, and society were brought vividly before us, the other night, in a great address, and we were told the Sunday school teacher, with his little half hour before his class on Sunday morning, has much to do with solving them all. No wonder that emphasis is being put on teacher training. With so much depending on our efforts and so little time, surely the very best training is needed.

I am entirely in sympathy with the suggestion that we are rapidly approaching the time when it will be considered absurd for one to attempt the work without the necessary training.

We are making marvelous progress. The modern Sunday school idea of class organization enables the teacher, if he will, to multiply his half hours with his class through the week. The modern church is building, is recognizing the Sunday school as never before. In a little while, no building will be erected without taking the comfort and convenience of the Sunday school into account.

The Sunday school lecturer and teacher are abroad in the land and the good of their work is everywhere apparent.

But as we increase the opportunities for teaching and the facilities for teaching, we are also enlarging the scope. Always the main object of the teacher is to bring the soul to Christ. That has been and will be the great idea; but character forming is a great consideration, too. We work to save the soul, and we are expected to do what we can to direct the saved life; to guard and protect it and make it a factor in the saving of others.

Here I am to talk about Practical Temperance in Sunday School Work.

A question which has been only incidental heretofore is to be made most prominent in the Sunday school of the future. This brings before us the greatest problem of the age. The liquor business has had the government by the throat. It has kindly paid one-third the expense of running this great nation. It has dictated the election of officers, the enactment of laws, tried to subsidize the press and corrupt the judiciary. It would have us believe we can erect no school buildings nor educate our children nor pave and light our streets without its blood money; its diabolical work is everywhere apparent. It hates the churches, the preachers, the mission boards, the Sunday schools and those engaged in teaching. As fast as we build up, it is ever ready to tear down. It is the Sunday school's worst foe. The Sunday school teacher who doesn't recognize all this or who minimizes the

evil of the traffic or in any way apologizes for it, is not fitted for the work of teacher.

But, to the question, Practical Temperance in the Sunday School Work.

In these days temperance and prohibition are synonymous terms.

The liquor people and their allies would have me get off some old platitudes about temperance in all things; in eating, in sleeping, in drinking, in working. They'd have me arraign in the discussion harmful drugs and narcotics. There is no question about the importance of that sort of teaching, but the public understands you to mean, when you say temperance, the suppression of the liquor traffic.

"Practical Temperance in Sunday School Work," I take to mean, putting it in the shape of a query, how can we so teach in the Sunday schools that the boys and girls will become efficient helpers in maintaining a sentiment for prohibition and in enforcing prohibition laws, and thus perpetuate the present order, which is the final outcome of many years of agitation.

The greatest moral revolution this country has ever known is on right now. It is not a wave, as some would have you believe, that will soon spend its force and leave us in as bad plight as before. It is not a spasmodic attempt at reform or a craze. It is the settled conviction of the sober, moral people, which has been gathering force through years of agitation.

From the highest point about Hot Springs, Ark., I looked down on the old race track, which had contributed so much to make that famous watering place a den of thieves. There was no telling the cost of the buildings and fixtures, so lavish had been the expenditures. But the gates were off their hinges, the fences and buildings were in a state of decay, because of the enactment of an anti-gambling law by the state of Arkansas. Soon after that the state of Louisiana followed in the wake and outlawed gambling on the race courses about New Orleans. It is fresh in the minds of all reading people how Governor Hughes went out, red handed, against race track gambling in the state of New York; how he won the victory before the legislature, and later on was re-elected as governor of the great state in spite of the combined efforts of all the gamblers, thugs and liquor venders in the United States.

Civic righteousness has been so preached that it is becoming hard for a corrupt, immoral, drinking man to be elected to office and very soon it will be impossible. Where did it all come from? So sudden, so wide-spread is it, that the people are wondering, and asking why and where? The liquor people are the worst deceived people on earth if they believe one-half of what they are saying. They are laughing over our attempts to answer the inquiry, and ours is the only rational answer. The answer is easy. Take the liquor question. It is only one of the three or four damnable curses that are always found together. It is the chief of them all. It is the monster that makes the others possible.

Thirty or more years ago I preached

a few times down in old Dallas county against the liquor traffic. I didn't know what the effects were until one night at my home on the farm, a man whom I had never seen, came from another part of the county, bearing a request that I should come here to Montgomery with the petitions of the white voters of Dallas, petitioning the legislature to give us prohibition in the county outside of Selma. I knew none of the legislators except those from Dallas and Wilcox. I had never done any work of the sort before, but I undertook it and succeeded. What was happening in that little corner of Dallas was happening, no doubt, in many parts of the state and nation. That was a focus and these little points of agitation became the foci of the prohibition movement. A New Orleans dandy said:

"Dem stigmia skeeters don't hurt to bite you, but watch out fur dem foci. You's a goner if one of dem foci stings you."

Well, the prohibition foci got in their work and the liquor people are finding they don't easily die and they are well nigh irresistible.

A little later, our women, God bless them, began to form their Woman's Christian Temperance Unions. They had a right to be heard. They have always been the chief sufferers from the evil effects of the rum traffic. How well and effectually they worked with their children in their own homes, with the boys and girls of their neighbors and with the men who cast the ballots, especially with the legislators, the glorious victories won tell.

About the same time, maybe a little later, and largely through the persistent work of the W. C. T. U., one state after another began to enact laws requiring that the evil effects of alcohol on the human system should be taught in the public schools. I doubt not many a public school teacher did it slovenly and reluctantly; but enough of the instruction found lodgment in the brains of the boys and girls to make them enemies of the vile stuff when they became grown.

A little later the International Sunday School Lesson Committee began to prescribe a temperance lesson for the Sunday school children of the whole nation, every quarter. It didn't take long to begin to reap the harvest from these sowings of the seed. Only a very few years passed before these boys and girls were grown. When the temperance agitators came along they discovered a quickening of interest in their audiences. They met a response which they had never discovered before. They were talking to informed minds and when the time for action came a great army of voters among the men, another great army of women workers, and as great an army of children bearing banners and badges rallied under the prohibition flag and marched to victory.

Now I am asked to discuss Practical Temperance Work in the Sunday School. You see what my answer will be.

If work done in the day school and Sunday schools of the past, when surroundings were so unfavorable, were so efficient, what may they not be

now when we are on the crest of the wave and everything is coming our way? If some day school teachers sometimes do the work in a mechanical way, because they must, and the fruit so readily appears, how much more may we expect when the Sunday school teachers, with hearts aflame, with love for souls, and who hate every evil way, lovingly and tenderly teach, not only the evil effects of alcohol on the human system, but the evil effects of alcohol on the moral and spiritual nature, the blighting and damning effects on the home, the state, the church? I have sometimes taken out my watch and timed the teachers in the Sunday schools. In one school, the actual time given to hearing the lesson by one teacher was three minutes; another three and a half, and the one who held out the longest went only five minutes. Of course, that was simply trifling with God's word and throwing away a great opportunity. Any teacher whose heart is in the work can fill up every moment allowed. In newspapers and books and every day life, incidents can be found to fit into the teaching as illustrations of the lesson being taught. In no field are the incidents so numerous and so effective as those drawn from the use of wine and strong drink. The Bible abounds with them. No issue of a newspaper can be found without them and the teachers who have eyes and ears as they walk among men, will see and hear them at every turn. The earnest teacher will not trust his memory to keep them, but will have a small note book in which he will record them. A preacher said: "I read the newspapers and books for my people. I believe God is ruling this old world and when I open a newspaper I say to myself, 'I want to see what God did with the world yesterday.' As I read I make notes and give out to my busy people what I read." Let the teacher in the Sunday school do that and on Sunday it will take him longer than three minutes or thirty minutes to teach his class.

As he reads and gathers incidents, if he uses many illustrations on the subject of temperance, he will likely soon be called a crank on that subject. He must have the spirit of a martyr and bear it; after all, the people who are called cranks are those who are moving this world. Those who are running on a dead level, who have no ups and downs, who spend all their time trimming their sails to catch only the popular breezes, afraid to antagonize anybody or anything, may be having an easy time; but they are not doing things and never will. The greatest danger confronting the temperance people now is over confidence. Since the enactment of the prohibition law in Alabama, I have been in a hundred or more public meetings with programs arranged. In nine-tenths of them there was no provision made for the discussion of temperance; had I not been present not a word would have been said on the subject. Let us never forget that "eternal vigilance is the price of victory." And let us never forget the thousands of young people to whom the subject is ever new. We are deal-

ing with a wily foe and one now thoroughly exposed. For years he has been laughing at us. The preachers' efforts were characterized as the "frantic efforts of long-haired fanatics," the organizations of the women they called "crying brigades." The efforts to reach the children they ridiculed as a foolish waste of the people's money that would result in nothing. The laugh is on the other side now. The wisest among them have had their ears to the ground and the tramp of the millions of young people, fresh from the public school and Sunday school instruction, they have heard with alarm. Witness the frantic efforts of the so-called, "Model License League" to get good and reform the saloons. See their very latest—to have an anti-treating law enacted. Read the literature being sent out over the country by the ton. Hear some of the preachers, God save the mark, who have joined the liquor ranks to help save the country from fanaticism. Think of a godless mayor of a great city, in joint debate, opening the Bible with his polluted hands to try to prove God's book on the side of the liquor traffic. See the attempts through advertisements in newspapers, as one has characterized it, "to secure a hearing with choice selections of dogmatic bluff, falsehood and misrepresentation, attributing in a most plausible fashion every conceivable scientific value to their particular brands of alcoholic beverage."

And later still and more to the point the attempt on the part of some educators in Chicago, backed by the liquor interests, to have a bill passed by the Illinois legislature which would practically nullify the splendid scientific temperance instruction law on the statute books of that state, and doubtless this will be the move in every state where they dare attempt it.

Appeals to patriotism and devotion to duties citizens, the responsibility of the ballot and the duty of cheerfully paying taxes to sustain the government are all in the Bible and the informed, wide-awake teacher will never miss an opportunity to impress them upon his class. All these bear directly on the subject in hand.

At the ballot box men are chosen who are to rule over us, to make laws and enforce them. These nervous, fidgety boys in your class, in a few years will have things of government to deal with. You Sunday school teachers, if you will supplement the work of the parents in the homes and the preachers in their pulpits and faithfully teach the children in your classes their duties to God and home and native land, God will bless your efforts and make them His children through faith in His son and then make them all that the Christian life demands.

Your faithful work in His name can never fail. All the powers of the underworld can't bring it to naught. Some day, maybe when you have gone to your reward, the fruit will appear.

Jack was a bad boy. He promised his dying mother he would never give up the Sunday school. When she was gone, he looked as if all the evil influences of the town were against him. The bad boys would follow him to

ALABAMA'S ANNUAL REPORT—1908-1909.

	W. M. S.	Y. W. A.	S. B. B.	Totals
Foreign missions	\$5,129.65	\$ 410.63	\$582.90	\$ 6,123.18
Home missions	3,625.15	380.58	329.94	4,335.67
Sunday school board	8.25		15.34	23.59
Margaret Home	98.36	4.00	11.25	113.61
Training School—Support	227.50	37.50	10.00	275.00
Endowment	338.59	42.50	20.00	401.09
Student	125.00	220.00		405.00
	\$9,552.50	\$1,155.21	\$969.43	\$11,677.14
Christmas offering				\$2,052.69
Thank offering				2,757.57
Alabama's apportionment for 1908-1909:				
For foreign missions				\$8,724.00
For home missions				6,475.00
Lacked in raising apportionment—				
For foreign missions				\$2,600.82
Home missions				2,139.33
Total				\$4,740.15

The Denominational Press as a Missionary Agency.

The Baptist women of the South during May will have for a subject of special study in the missionary societies the press as a missionary agency.

Of course, the Bible is beyond all comparison the book of missions as well as the book of salvation, and its circulation translation, so that it may reach the people in all the nations, are the fundamental things for Christian progress in printing.

The use of the term "press" may include books and we are of the opinion that our sisters who prepared the May program for the societies had in mind particularly the Book. Still, the term is more generally applied to newspapers and periodicals, and those who write for them, and we are glad that Mrs. Gray, in the Woman's Department in this journal, has specially stressed the significance and usefulness of the denominational weeklies.

church on Sunday morning and linger near to assail him when he came out. He came to his class like a cyclone and never knew his lesson. The patient teacher held on to the slim hold he had on Jack and in all the wide world he was the only one who had any hold for good. One morning on the street the teacher met his boy. Jack told him he was going west. The teacher said, "Well, Jack, I have tried to be faithful to you. I shall always pray for you and I believe some day God will make a good man of you."

Already a bad boy, Jack became worse in his new home. Years passed and he returned to his old home. In the cemetery he strolled on a Sunday afternoon and chanced to see the modest tomb over the grave of his old teacher. Thoughts of the past stole in upon him. He remembered the patient face, some scriptures long forgotten which he had learned in the Sunday school came back to his mind; that last interview with his teacher, especially, rushed back to his memory. Trembling with emotion, convicted of

his sin, he fell upon the grave and said, "Oh, teacher, you have found me at last." That was the beginning of a useful life in the ministry of Jesus Christ.

The old soldier had long ago laid aside his armour, but the arrow of truth he shot from his bow did its work—killed the sinner and resurrected a Christ man.

Much interest is being manifested in the revival at the Baptist church this week. Dr. R. S. Gavin, of Huntsville, who is conducting the meeting, arrived in the city yesterday afternoon and occupied the pulpit last night. He was greeted by a large congregation and preached a powerful sermon. Dr. Gavin is the highest type of pulpit orator, earnest and eloquent, and is thoroughly imbued with the spirit of his work. Few evangelists have been so successful in the conducting of revivals as he. Services are being held each afternoon at 3 o'clock and evening at 7:45.—Huntsville Tribune.

ANNUAL DEBATE AT MARION INSTITUTE.

Marion, Ala., May 8.—(Special).—The annual debate of the Marion Institute, held in the college chapel last night, was one of the most closely contested and ablest in argument ever presented to a Marion audience. The debate revealed exhaustive research on the part of the speakers, and the speeches together with the very valuable researches will be published and should make a permanent contribution of value to one of the vital educational issues of our times. The subject, "Resolved, That the state of Alabama should establish a pension system for the teachers in the public schools," was argued for the affirmative by J. E. Bomar, Marion Rushton and C. H. Savage; for the negative by A. H. Thomas, J. A. Lusk, Jr., and C. S. Johnson. The judges awarded the prize to the negative, and the prize for the best individual speech was won by Mr. C. S. Johnson. Col. H. S. D. Mallory, Rev. J. L. Rosser and Mr. H. C. Howze composed the committee of judges, and Colonel Mallory in a very happy speech delivered the awards.

The exercises were opened by an interesting declamation contest for the declaimers' medal, which was won by Mr. Walter Lusk, of Guntersville. The other contestants were Howard Reynolds, Elliott Williams and Austill Pharr, who acquitted themselves with great credit.

Misses Williams, Hightower and Dickinson, of Judson college, contributed beautiful musical numbers to the program.

The excellence of the debate and oratorical contest is due in large measure to the able coaching of Prof. A. K. Fowler, of Princeton University, who presided, and is professor of English in the college.

DR. HOBSON'S NINTH ANNIVERSARY.

The First Baptist church, Jacksonville, Fla., was dedicated on Sunday, May 2d. The dedicatory sermon was preached by Dr. Lincoln Hulley.

The evening service was devoted to the celebration of the pastor's ninth anniversary. It was an occasion of high joy to pastor and people.

The pastor's souvenir of the occasion was unique. It was a blotter with celluloid front and nine pads. On the white smooth front was a picture of the pastor in the upper curve of the figure nine, with the name, date and "Pastor's Ninth Anniversary" below. In another place was a picture of the church, and between the two the name of the individual to whom the souvenir was given. The souvenir is a useful article and naturally suggests the blotting out of all the mistakes of the past.

Dr. Hobson has done a great work at Jacksonville.

Nine years ago the First Baptist church had a membership of less than two hundred. It now has over seven hundred; nine years ago the Sunday school had an enrollment of fifty; it now has an enrollment of 738. Nine years ago they were paying for all purposes \$2,000; last year their contributions amounted to over \$15,000.


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THE ALABAMA BAPTIST

A NORTHERN-SOUTHERN EDUCATOR.

President S. S. Sherman.

By Simeon Gilbert.

The story of the development of the colleges, seminaries and other agencies of the higher education in the south, under the inspiration and leadership of both men and women from the north, is a shining part of our common national history; a signal part of our history which has never as yet been adequately set forth.

Willing as the country, and the world, may now be to forget the fast-vanishing years of the deadly struggle, there was throughout the first half of the last century a certain educational fellowship that was altogether admirable, and of the utmost consequence. Without that peculiar southern, as well as western, educational migration, so creditable to all concerned, our country would have presented to the world a totally different story.

Unifying American Ideals.

What the multitude of colleges, in the south as in the north, in the south as also in the west, have done to unify American ideals, the American character and spirit, is a subject which must ever challenge public and grateful admiration.

To illustrate: Take the instance of the educational venture and experience of one man, that of the venerable Dr. S. S. Sherman, a resident of Chicago, now well on into his ninety-fourth year. Born in Rupert, one of the beautiful hill-and-valley towns of southwestern Vermont, in 1815, graduating from Middlebury College, that state, in 1838—the largest class in its history—now over seventy years ago, Mr. Sherman, who had it in him to adventure upon greater things than he at the time could have understood, turned his face to the south. He went to Alabama. It took him nearly six weeks to get there. Railways then were few and mostly short. Alabama was then comparatively a new state. The Indians, Seminoles, Choctaws and Cherokees, had but recently been transferred to the other side of the Mississippi, to the Indian Territory. Rev. Dr. Basil Manley, the leading Baptist clergyman of the state, gave the young Vermont graduate, himself also a Baptist, a magnificent welcome. A place was immediately found for him as "tutor" in the University of Alabama, at Tuscaloosa. President Manley proved to be to the end a most generous and appreciative friend. Associated with Mr. Sherman was Prof. F. A. P. Barnard, afterward president of the Mississippi University, and after the war, president of Columbia University, New York city.

Adjustment to Conditions.

After three years Mr. Sherman, with the instinct for more independent management, accepted the call of the Alabama State Baptist Convention to found and take charge of a new college of its own, in Marion. First known as the Howard Literary and Theological Institute, it soon became known as Howard College. Beginning with nine boys, it was not long in becoming one of the most important colleges in the state. After ten years, however, of eminently successful service as president of Howard College, Dr. Sherman saw fit to purchase the school property known as the Brownwood, near La Grange. His leaving the college was deeply regretted. A public meeting was called of the citizens of Marion and vicinity to give expression to their appreciation of his great work in founding and building up the college. Howard college was after some years removed to Birmingham, "the magic city," where it has now grown to be one of the best colleges in the Middle South. Dr. J. M. L. Curry was for ten years its president, afterward becoming the agent of both the great educational funds, the Peabody and the Slater, which have had such a notable part in fostering and advancing the higher education throughout the south.

After three years, however, President Sherman was induced to return to Marion, to purchase and take charge of the Judson Institute, which already had wide popularity. Under the new management it presently became the most important "female seminary" in the state. It was built up on the most lib-

eral lines both as to studies and the fine arts. Incidentally it may be mentioned, as indicating the liberal support accorded the school, the financial success during the next four years proved to be quite remarkable.

Being so successful an educator in the mid-south, why, it may be asked, did not President Sherman remain there longer, especially as his personal relations had from the first been so completely agreeable and pleasant? The answer is simple, and only too easy. By 1859, the political feeling in the south had reached the danger point. President Sherman simply saw that the crisis had come. Although his sympathies had caused him to be most deeply interested in the southern point of view, he knew that it was about to be no place for him and his growing family. Sagaciously disposing of all his property interests while he could, he with a sad heart, and not saying all that he thought, returned to the north, making his home in Milwaukee. Thereafter, with the exception of three years in charge of the Milwaukee Female College, which had been founded by Miss Catherine Beecher, he engaged for the remainder of his active life in various forms of business, in which he was also notably fortunate.

Kindness Overcomes Sectionalism.

When a few months after the war, Mr. Sherman visited Marion once more, there was given him an enthusiastic public reception, as "Marion's most eminent citizen." The bitterness of the reconstruction period had not then begun. But what especially touched the hearts of all had been Mr. Sherman's kindnesses shown to southern soldiers here in Camp Douglas, Chicago, and on Johnson's Island. In many instances and at times when he did so at some risk to himself, he had managed to get money to them for their immediate necessities. The expressions of gratefulness on the part of citizens, in some instances of parents of the soldier "boys in gray," as well as for his former educational services, were as honorable to themselves as to him.

Only a few days ago, February 12, 1909, at the Alabama Baptist State Convention, held in Montgomery, another strikingly beautiful thing was thought of and done. Fifty years had passed since President Sherman had done his far-reaching educational work in that state; but the venerable educator had not been forgotten. Pausing in the regular proceedings of the convention, it was unanimously voted to instruct the present presidents of the two colleges which Dr. Sherman had done so much to build up, Howard College and the Judson Institute, to "convey by letter the greetings of the Baptists of Alabama" to him, and to assure him of the "appreciation in which his eminent services in the cause of education are held by the Baptists of the state." A beautiful act indeed!

Verily, the work of the broad minded and devoted educator is not a thankless service. The north and the south in the vast and varied educational reciprocities which, both before and since the war, have been going on—have they not all these years been weaving those mystic chords, innumerable, which tend so mightily to bind the hearts of all, and more and more, into the majestic and inclusive oneness of our common national life? And what sweeter memories could a man in his ninety-fourth year have to look back upon, or to be more devoutly grateful for, than that of having had given him of God to have a life consecrated to such beneficent services; a kind of public service which touches vitally and so graciously all the better life of our country?—The Standard, Chicago.

GRANDFATHER'S GLASSES.

"I do wonder if I shall ever wear glasses?" said little curly-headed Tom. "Do you think I will, grandpa?" "I hope so, my boy, for I could hardly get along without mine." "Well, I think they are pretty, and if they make you see better and understand what you read I suppose I shall want them when I am older."

Grandfather gently took off his glasses and began talking to Tom, who was always glad, as David Harum would say, to get grandpa "a-going." "Now, Tommy, you know I have been here in this very

room by a nice warm fire with the curtain drawn just enough to make a soft light. I have been looking through my glasses most of the time. They have helped me over some very rough places on a spin to the Polar regions. I don't really believe I could have made the trip at all without their aid. We read much of Nansen and his explorations; but travel over the snow and ice and come in contact with an ice quake or to have an ice quake come in contact with me. It seems that one of the most recent explorers had an experience of this kind, mountains of ice would loom up where only a few minutes before a level surface was known. Then the driving of these Norwegian dogs, six to each sledge, was very trying, even to the most patient and painstaking explorer. No animals save man and these dogs can live in this frozen atmosphere. The dogs dig a hole in the snow if the wind is very strong; if not, they just lie down and take the cold with no apparent discomfort. It takes but little food for these animals is another reason they are so valuable—but the man makes up for the dog. The explorers have the most fearful appetites. Any kind of food is eaten with a relish. The man never undress at night. Don't even pull off their gloves or hats."

"Why, grandpa, how uncomfortable they must be to not undress after hours and hours of toil."

"Well, Tommy, I can't say about that. Men who have gone out on a trip of this kind must certainly have had some idea how it would be, and as we have different temperaments I can't say that there is not a fascination to them in every little event which calls for courage or an effort to maintain it. These men all go to bed in a big rubber bog, and when one turns over during the night they must all turn, even if they had not thought of the move before. Their Arctic houses are carried rolled in a bundle during the day and it often takes hours to make the bed at night, it being so stiffly frozen it takes much beating and punching to make it pliable enough to crawl into, which they do backward, or foot foremost. They warm their supper and make their coffee over a lamp, which they put out as soon as the supper is finished. You see, Tommy, they have to study to save everything."

"Now, grandpa, you have been all along over the snow hunting the north pole with your glasses and McClure's Magazine, when it takes these men months to get ready for the trip?"

"Yes, Tommy, and have been setting here as comfortably as Cato there on the rug by the fire."

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New Books



The Fashionable Adventures of Joshua Craig

We have little time now for novel reading and do very little of it, having done our full share of it before we entered the ministry, but we read the above book on the instalment plan, it having come out as a serial in the Saturday Evening Post. We read the first instalment and after that the others never came fast enough. Josh Craig is no ordinary novel here. Some one in trying to size him up tells the story as follows:

"He is a typical westerner—quick as lightning in



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movement, keen of sight, ready for each and every opportunity that offers, and compelling in the force of a personality as strong as it is rude.

"Craig came to Washington to take the post of assistant to the attorney general. He tried to do the 'society act,' aided and abetted by a one-time chum who belongs to one of Washington's 'exclusive sets.' Josh would take society by storm—he has snobbish instincts, for all his boasts to the contrary.

"Politically he represents the 'people'; he is promised the attorney generalship itself, and he aims to become president. All this without counting on a romance to upset his career. The romance, however, comes; the redoubtable Josh marries—in his usual unconventional and cyclonic way—a beautiful society girl. She takes him to the Adirondacks to tame him; instead, he tames her. As a result, they give up Washington and go west, where Josh intends to become governor of his state."

David Graham Phillips, the author, has a wholesome contempt for the man who has a suit for every hour of the day, and lolls about in a silk bath robe without ever accomplishing a man's work in the world. Let him have his luxuries if he must, but let him be a man, not a gorgeously decked-out manikin. With woman the same way. Porcelain is beautiful, but it must be put to a use to make its beauty really worth while.

It is a stirring and strong study of some of the forces at work at Washington. D. Appleton & Co., New York, are the publishers.

The Living Temple.

In this volume J. H. Kellogg, the author, has sought to present in a simple but comprehensive way those facts which are of greatest interest and importance in relation to the structure, the functions, and the

proper care and training of the body. Dr. Kellogg believes that the apostle Paul in his declaration, "Your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost," simply gave expression to a fact which the most profound scientific researches in the fullest degree corroborate. The author in making a systematic study of the body and its care from the standpoint of Paul's declaration, while making use of many passages of scripture, disavows any idea whatever of writing a theological treatise, but simply attempts to study man from a physiological standpoint.

The book is well made and contains many valuable illustrations and is an interesting contribution to a subject which is receiving more attention at the present than ever before, and from the fact that thousands make the pilgrimage yearly to Battle Creek to place themselves under Dr. Kellogg's care will insure it a wide reading. It is published by the Good Health Publishing Company, Battle Creek, Mich.

Our Plymouth Forefathers.

This story of the real founders of our republic, by Charles Stedman Hanks, is well done and intensely interesting. This is no hurried work patched together just to market, but is backed by industry and scholarship and can be trusted. The pictures by Edmund H. Garrett, who gave much time to studying from the viewpoint of an artist the section of country where our forefathers lived, visited with the author many of the localities which he has illustrated. It is the kind of a book we delight in. It is pleasing to the eye, the touch, and the imagination. Dana, Estes & Co., of Boston, the publishers, have certainly given the text and illustrations a beautiful setting.

The Prophet's Raven.

This delightful book by Mark Guy Pearse, published by Eaton & Mains, New York, at 75 cents, is filled with much that makes life sweet. The story of how Zella Tremeneere got the name, "The Prophet's Raven," is worth the price of the book. We have seldom read a more humorous and yet soul-stirring scene than that in which an old local preacher came to the village and by oversight no one asked him to have dinner, and when he appeared next time brought something tied up in a great red pocket handkerchief, which he hung up on the pulpit lamp, telling the congregation that it was his dinner. But you will have to read the whole story to get the full joy of it.

Prohibition—Is It Right?

The great debate between President Samuel Dickie, of Albion College, Mich., and Mayor David S. Rose, of Milwaukee, has been published by the Phalanx Printing Co., Indianapolis, Ind. Authorized edition—proofs revised by speakers themselves. Contains portraits of the debaters, estimates of the debate from three viewpoints—wet, dry, and independent. Also letters from Milwaukee brewing companies referred to in President Dickie's address. Neat pamphlet, with cover. Single copies, 5 cents. Twenty-five copies, \$1.00.

JUDSON COMMENCEMENT ANNOUNCEMENT.

Calendar for the Week.

Thursday, May 20—8 p. m., annual expression recital.

Friday, May 21—8 p. m., annual concert.

Saturday, May 22—9:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m., annual art exhibition; 8 p. m., senior class play.

Sunday, May 22—11 a. m., baccalaureate sermon by Rev. John E. White, D. D., Atlanta, Ga.; 8 p. m., sermon before the Anne Hasseltine and Morning Watch Societies by Rev. Preston Blake, D. D., Birmingham, Ala.

Monday, May 24—10 a. m., annual meeting of Society of Alumnae. Address by Mrs. Phares Coleman, of Montgomery, Ala.; 8 p. m., graduating exercises. Address by Rev. T. J. Shipman, D. D., of Meridian, Miss.

The One Volume Bible Commentary.

This commentary on the Holy Bible by various writers and edited by the Rev. J. R. Dummelow, M. A., Queen's College, Cambridge, England, with general articles and maps, meets a real need. It is an attempt to provide in convenient form a brief meaning of the scriptures. Introductions have been supplied to the various books, and notes which will help to explain the principal difficulties, textual, moral or doctrinal, which may arise in connection with them. A series of articles has also been prefixed, dealing with the larger questions suggested by the Bible as a whole. The book was on our desk when Prof. A. T. Robertson, of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, was in the office, and he spoke very highly of it. It contains more than 1,000 pages and the Macmillan Company, New York, give credit for putting in on the market at \$2.50 net, which is a low price for such a work.

The Art of Selling Things.

According to the latest available figures more than six millions persons in this country are engaged in selling things; and of this vast army fully one million are commercial travelers.

Few persons have studied American selling methods to better purpose than Mr. Collins, or with deep-six million persons in this country are engaged in certain quarters it has been fashionable to look upon the drummer as a parasite—as a useless middleman and profit-snatcher, standing between the producer and the consumer. Mr. Collins overturns this silly fallacy, and shows that a live drummer is a real educator and a veritable advance agent of progress.

The author's main contention is that the man with the best practical knowledge of human nature will make the most successful salesman. The scope of his little book is unusually broad and discusses the selling of every imaginable commodity from life insurance to fireproof safes. The general reader will be amazed by the extent to which the larger houses have reduced salesmanship to a science. Many of them maintain regular schools and give their green men a thorough and as exacting a course as is to be found in any business college. Furthermore, they offer abundant practice before the embryo salesman is allowed even to approach a real "prospect."

"Human Nature in Selling Goods," by James H. Collins. Henry Altemus Company, Philadelphia. Book price fifty cents, postpaid.

Studies in Character Building.

This is a book for parents written by Mrs. E. E. Kelley, A. M., author of "Science in the Kitchen," "A Talk with Girls," etc. This book is the epitome of studies and lectures given by the author in the "Inkwell Home Training School for Missionary Mothers." The range of study is broad, including not only the physical care of children in health and illness, but their intellectual and moral nurture. The author says: "If in its pages these mothers shall find a light in some dark hour, a help in some time of need, a solution to some every-day problems, whereby they are enabled the better to accomplish their God-given task, this little book will have fulfilled its mission." The book is published by the Good Health Publishing Co., Battle Creek, Mich., and is profusely illustrated.

Epochs in the Life of Paul.

This is a study of development in Paul's career by Dr. A. T. Robertson, professor in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, and is up to the high standard of the scholarly literary work being done by this gifted southern Baptist. The author says: "I do not claim that this volume represents all modern scholarship. It is my own interpretation of Paul after prolonged study of what others have had to say. I have come back to Luke and Paul to hear what they have to tell about the young Jew who turned about face and turned the world to Christ." Dr. Robertson acknowledges his indebtedness to Paul Bomar, of Marion, for help in making the indexes. The book can be had of Charles Scribner's Sons, New York for \$1.25 net. It is well worth buying.

EDITORIAL

A GRAND OLD MAN.

Josiah William Bailey has in last week's Biblical Recorder an appreciation of Thomas Dixon, Sr., who recently died at the age of 89. Among other things he wrote:

"He was pastor of one church fifty-six years. He founded it and shepherded it until within two months of his death. He baptized five thousand believers—not as a traveling evangelist or missionary, but as a pastor, and for the most part within the confines of one county, the population of which to this day is not more than 25,000. He was the patriarch of a great tribe—the tribe of the Kings Mountain country. He lived all his life among these people, and his power with them never failed. His ministry never grew stale; his usefulness was never spent. It was the ministry of a great life. He drank out of the fountain which springs up and bubbles over into the eternal river of water of life. His pastures were ever green."

What a record! What a heritage to leave one's children. We remember seeing the grand old man on his way to the Southern Baptist convention and hearing him talk, and well could Bailey say:

"He an old man and I a very young man, we fell in often together. I never found better company on the long journey to the Southern Baptist convention. He looked old ten feet away, but when he talked face to face there was light in his eyes and geniality in his words that any youth might well give his kingdom for. No gallant about a throne but might covet his manners—their natural ease and sweetness. His humor was transparently beautiful. His interest in the world about him was the liveliest; and yet it all was shot through with his sense of God. The Master was so real to him, his faith was so sure that it seemed knowledge, and better than knowledge."

THE JUBILEE CELEBRATION OF THE SEMINARY

The fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the seminary is being observed in various ways during the year 1909. The convention, which resulted in the establishment of the seminary was held in Greenville, S. C., in April, 1858. The first charter was obtained from the legislature of South Carolina in December, 1858, but this charter was formally accepted in 1859, and the first session of the school began in the fall of 1859. Thus it becomes proper to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary in 1909.

When the Board of Trustees met in Richmond, Va., in May, 1907, a resolution was passed with a view to raising \$400,000 to be added to the endowment funds of the seminary. A circular was issued by a committee appointed by the trustees for the purpose, and the work was tentatively begun. At the meeting of the trustees in connection with the Southern Baptist convention in Hot Springs, Ark., in May, 1908, it was unanimously decided that the sum of \$400,000 previously named should be increased to \$600,000, which was done, the Southern Baptist convention indorsing unanimously the movement and recommending to the various states in its territory what was considered the proper proportion of the total amount to be raised in each state. The Southern Baptist convention meets in Louisville with a view to emphasizing the fiftieth anniversary of the seminary's establishment.

It is also proposed to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the seminary by special exercises at the opening of the session of 1909-1910. It has been arranged that September 29 and 30, 1909, shall be devoted to this celebration. A program of addresses is being prepared and distinguished representatives of various other schools are expected to be present to take part in the exercises.

Southern Baptists have a seminary with a history in which they may well take pride. We pray that they will raise the needed funds and extend its usefulness.

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SOME STRIKING HOME MISSION FIGURES.

A recent number of the Home Field, the mission monthly of our Home Board, had a very suggestive editorial in which the relative standing of the Baptists of the North and South in home mission work is shown. The editorial did not cover the entire ground. For instance, the last annual report of the Northern Home Mission Society shows 7,404 baptisms for the year, while the last annual report of the Home Mission Board shows 20,725 as the result of our Southern Board's activities. The Home Field editorial modestly forbears to state the comparative results of the work of the two agencies.

The Home Field editorial shows that the Northern society has about four and a half times as much territory in which to work as does our Home Mission Board. This territory embraces not only that in the United States, but Mexico, Alaska, Cuba and Porto Rico.

Then it is shown that while in the Northern churches there are 1,144,000 members, there are in the Southern white Baptist churches 2,015,000 members, besides practically 2,000,000 more in the negro churches of the South. And the Northern operations are among a population of about 91,000,000, while the Southern operations are among a population of about 31,000,000.

In other words, the Northerners have about one church member to every eighty of population in their territory, while the Southerners have one member to every fifteen of population in their territory if only the white membership is considered; or one in every seven and a half of population if the negro membership be counted in.

In the light of such facts as these we are decidedly of the opinion that the Home Field is correct in its concluding deduction, namely, that "Southern Baptists, with all of their strength and efficiency, should have a larger proportion of the country in which to work than they now have. In fact, the one question is, How shall this be brought about? And on that we have nothing at present to say in the journal."

It may be inexpedient for the Home Field to anticipate any action of the denomination in regard to this proposition, but it is not so for the denominational weeklies to express their views. For our part, we believe that our Home Board ought to have the entire work in Oklahoma and Missouri, and in addition thereto it should, at least, have Arizona and New Mexico. There is a great work to do in those two States which the Northerners have not done, and the Board has received requests from these States to enter in and possess the land.

Our Home Board once did work all the way across to California. We think it is entirely fit that it should stretch its line of action once more to the far-away shores of the Pacific and take the whole southern part of the country in its heart and in its contributions in order that it may bring our Southland to Christ.

WHY PROHIBITION IS NOT CONFISCATION.

"The pivotal point in the whole discussion of prohibition as alleged confiscation," declares the Detroit News, Saturday, March 27, 1909, in a leading editorial, is that "the liquor business has no standing before the law. It has no rights. It is merely tolerated by society. A license is not property; it is not negotiable; when it is expired, that is the end of the state's special obligation. It carries with it no promise of indefinite renewal; the same power that grants it may refuse to grant it, without incurring liability."

Regarding the liquor traffic's threat to appeal to the United States supreme court for "compensation," the News said:

"Where, then, can the distillers and brewers stand while they appeal to the courts? On what ground can they gain admission to the courts? Not only have they no cause for action, but they have no ground on which they can proceed far enough to get a "no cause" verdict. The contract has been fulfilled and is dead—what is there to do about it?"

PRAISE FROM THE PRAISEWORTHY.

We are glad to note that the Home Board is generously acknowledging the assistance rendered by the denominational press, as will be shown by articles published elsewhere from the gifted pen of V. I. Masters, the new editorial secretary of the H. M. B. and we ask your indulgence for printing in full the letter below:

Atlanta, Ga., May 5, 1909.

Rev. Frank Willis Barnett,
Alabama Baptist,
Birmingham, Ala.

Dear Brother Barnett:

I write a word to thank you for your great services in behalf of Home Missions during the past year. You have done us vast good and we could not have made the great advance that has been accomplished without your helpful leadership through the Alabama Baptist. Accept sincere thanks for your help. Shall hope to see you at the convention.

Yours cordially and fraternally,

B. D. GRAY,
Corresponding Secretary.

The Foreign Mission Board has from time to time been equally as generous in their praise, and Willingham, Smith and Porter have not failed to speak and write their appreciation of our efforts. The saintly Frost, of the Sunday School Board, is always speaking a good word for the newspaper fraternity in general and never lets an opportunity pass to let us know that he is conscious of our help and sympathy. Dr. Mullins and other members of the seminary faculty likewise realize and show their appreciation of the aid the papers give the seminary and never let an opportunity slip to say kind things to this editor.

Brother Crumpton in the paper, at associations and wherever he lifts up his voice, is stressing the value of the religious press and closes nearly every letter to us with a "God bless you."

Elsewhere we print a tribute that will touch the heart of every editor in the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention, for Mrs. B. D. Gray is but voicing the sentiment of the W. M. U., which has never been slow to be grateful for the space given to it by the various papers.

Dr. Montague, for Howard college, and Dr. Patrick, for the Judson, publicly and privately, on various occasions, have gone out of their way to pay tribute to their indebtedness to the Alabama Baptist, as have the other brethren who represent the Baptists of Alabama in the work of secondary education.

Rev. S. O. Y. Ray, together with the Board of Trustees of the orphanage, are not half hearted in expressing their appreciation. We prize the love and sympathy of all the workers whom Baptists have put in places of honor.

We prize the love and sympathy of the pastors and the good men and women who week by week give evidence of their disinterested helpfulness.

We do not for one moment discount the value of the praise of all those mentioned and we are conscious that much that we do is with a view of helping our great secretaries, but in our heart of hearts the motive power which guides and sustains us is the knowledge that we are doing what we do for Him and in His name.

THE ORPHANS' HOME.

Last week we had a strong appeal for the orphanage from Rev. S. O. Y. Ray, the financial secretary, that ought to be heeded. Surely with the knowledge that money is needed for the complete sanitation of the premises and the fitting up of the hospital in order to prevent illness and care for the sick, will cause our Baptist people to loosen their purse strings.

SIXTEEN WAYS OF FIGHTING CONSUMPTION.

The great International Tuberculosis Congress recently held in Washington City has quickened interest in all plans for fighting this great scourge of the human race. It seems fitting and timely therefore for us to reprint herewith a prominent placard exhibited at the congress telling "How Tuberculosis is Prevented." On this placard sixteen ways were named as follows:

1. By preventing the infection of well people, through germs in consumptives' spit.
2. By teaching the consumptive to destroy his spit.
3. By providing light and ventilation in the homes of the people.
4. By teaching people not to live or work in badly ventilated rooms.
5. By securing adequate ventilation and proper sanitary conditions in factories, stores, theaters and other places of public assemblage.
6. By abolishing dry sweeping of the streets and compelling the use of water.
7. By abolishing the use of feather dusters.
8. By abolishing sweat-shop made clothing.
9. By exterminating the common house-fly.
10. By teaching the consumptive how not to infect his family or neighbors.
11. By removing advanced cases that are free from infection, from tenement homes to hospitals.
12. By discovering the disease in its early stages and curing the patient, thus removing a source of infection to others.
13. By educating the community to the nature of the disease, that it is preventable, curable, and communicable.
14. By educating people to keep their general physical condition in such shape as to enable them to resist the germs.
15. By advocating fresh air, outdoor life, sunshine, rest, no overwork, wholesome food, temperate habits.
16. By protecting the milk supply, thus preventing infection from cattle.

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THE CHAIN PRAYER STILL CIRCULATING.

"An Ancient Prayer: Oh, Lord Jesus, I implore Thee to bless all mankind, keep us from all evil by Thy presence and take us to dwell in eternity with Thee."

This was sent me by a friend. Copy it and see what happens. It is said that those who will not write this prayer will meet with some great calamity, and those who will write it for nine days, commencing the day it is received, will on the ninth day experience some great joy. It is said in Jerusalem that he who writes the prayer will be delivered from all calamities. Don't break the chain. Make a wish while writing and don't fail to send to some friend each day for nine days. Don't sign your name."

I received the foregoing communication recently from some well meaning person who is evidently a little superstitious as well as pious. I have previously received several of these letters from friends. Note, I am cautioned against breaking the chain, yet I always break it, or at least it breaks when it strikes me. With all my heart I believe in prayer, and I love to have people ask me to join them in prayer for a special object. But the remarkable thing about this communication is that you are not asked to pray, you are advised to write it once a day for nine days, at which time you are to receive "some great joy." The joy of feeling that the task is done and the intimated calamity averted, of course. "It is said in Jerusalem," etc. But why go on. The whole thing smacks of the occult and appeals so much to one's superstition as to make it disgusting. The whole thing is the work of a crank, the product of a diseased imagination. The only good that can result will be the revenue to the government through the postoffice department. Perhaps ten millions of these

letters will pass through the mails and this will mean twenty thousand dollars to Uncle Sam's treasury, and he seems to need the money. I sometimes wonder if the time will ever come when Christian people will exercise pure and simple faith in God and put superstition forever from them. May the Lord hasten the day!
L. N. BROCK.
Pine Hill, Ala.

SENIOR PIPE ORGAN RECITAL.

The friends of Dr. and Mrs. Paul Vernon Bomar, known and loved throughout the state, will read with pleasure the following account of the Senior Pipe Organ Recital given on May 3d by Miss Harriet Bomar in the Judson auditorium. Miss Bomar is a young lady of musical talent and played the varied program with a range of musical feeling which displayed her superior intellectual abilities. Selections from the classic and modern schools made great demands upon the resources of the performer which were fully met.

The two movements of the opening number, Sonata No. 3, Mendelssohn, called for a broad grasp of the composition and thorough control of the organ, which was manifest throughout the entire program. Communion in F (Grison) was of an entirely different style and the registration and manner of treating it made it most effective. Berceuse (Shelley) was rendered with a delicacy and tenderness delightfully contrasting with the strength and stern emotion illustrated by the Prelude and Fugue (Bach). Here Miss Bomar's mastery of the pedals was especially in evidence.

Andante Cantabile from the Fourth Symphony (Widor) and Elevation in A Flat (Gulmanti) showed an originality of conception and beauty of registration. Vision (Bibl) was one of the most pleasing numbers of the program, being attractive in its colorings and rich in the contrasting effects.

In Allegro in D (Tours) a splendid rhythmic control, firm touch, depth of feeling and a thorough mastery of the instrument was apparent, while the Triumphal March (Buck) was a brilliant and effective close to a most excellent recital.

Miss Bomar will receive her third diploma at the coming commencement, having taken the A. B. and B. S. degrees last May.

Miss Mary Patrick, who recently gave her senior song and piano recitals, assisted Miss Bomar with three very attractive songs—"You" (Denza), "Awake, My Love" (Neidlinger) and "April Morn" (Batten). The last number was especially adapted to display the range and flexibility of her voice.

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KIND WORDS FROM PARIS.

We are pleased to know that Rev. H. P. McCormick, D. D., of Paris, France, who has so many friends in Alabama, expects to visit America in June. In a note he says: "Gavin's letters are remarkably good, and some of them should be put into tract form. They have greatly pleased some of the French brethren to whom I have shown them."

He also says: "Wish you could have been over to see me. In the afternoon we had a pleasure call from Mr. and Mrs. Sam Broadus, and little John A. all of Decatur. It did our hearts good to see these Alabama faces. Mr. Robert Hiden's statement, "Results of Prohibition in Birmingham," came to me the other day just in time to furnish the material I was wishing for to fill out an address on the temperance question in America before a club here. Thank you both for your help."

Rev. F. C. McConnell, pastor of Calvary church, of Kansas City, is planning to spend a year in making a tour around the world. Mrs. McConnell will accompany him. Brother McConnell has many friends among the missionaries in many foreign lands.

SOME NOTES FROM BRO. CRUMPTON.

Why not, in the beginning of the crop year, have it in mind to make some cotton for the Lord? That bale of cotton from good Sister Fancher at Montevallo ought to be a sort of first fruit. It ought to become common for cotton bales to be given to missions. Why shouldn't an army of good women join with Sister J. E. Crow, of New Decatur, and religiously save their Sunday eggs for the cause of missions? When marking the pigs, why not mark one for God and next winter, when it is fat, turn it into money for His cause? These are little suggestions that would mean thousands if adopted.

Suppose, just suppose! His people would religiously give a tenth!! My, my, what could we not do? Many are doing it and more will do it.

May and the Schedule.

Associational missions is on in May, according to the schedule; but so many of the churches seem to see no need of associational mission collections.

The orphanage puts in a strong plea for something in May. The debt on the orphanage can easily be wiped out and the children made happy. The churches might take one collection for the two objects, then divide it, giving the larger share to the orphanage, if they thought best.

Few of our city churches give anything to associational missions and I fear they do not remember the orphans as they should. Here is a chance for both these objects to be remembered.

I hope the committees took advantage of the opportunity and wrote to the churches about associational missions. It nearly breaks my heart to have our young preachers in college and seminary write me for work this summer, and I can not give it to them. Many of them are real good preachers and would give fine service if employed for associational work.

Both of the boards will report debts to the convention at Louisville. Will the state mission board be compelled to do the same at Andalusia in July?

I am tired of debt and if the brethren will join me we will make the hills and valleys ring in June with a great state mission campaign. Don't let anybody say, "We are tired of so many collections."

Collections are great educators. That is what we are here for, to give of our means to God's cause. We are all the better for giving and worse when we do not give. It is an absolute favor to a church to give it a chance to give. Speaking of giving, reminds me of the Anti-Saloon League.

It is certain we are to have an extra session of the legislature. Our prohibition laws must have a few amendments so we can get at the violators. It could not be made perfect in the beginning. These few months have been a time of testing. Thanks to the liquor men, we have discovered the weak points and can put up a new rail or a barbed wire here and there to make the fence higher and stronger. The Anti-Saloon League must have the money for necessary expenses. They have made a good showing for all the money entrusted to them.

Let the preachers open their churches to the agents of this great organization which has done so much for us. They take no high pressure collections. They only ask for the privilege of presenting the cause and then to give the people a chance to sign their cards, if they will. There is no question about what the people will do if they have the chance. Will the preachers give the League a chance? The people are willing; will the preachers let in the League workers, so this work can go on? The League has nowhere else to go but to the churches.

Alabama will be entitled to about 186 messengers at Louisville, four less than last year. We had 122 present last year. We ought to have a full delegation and running over this year, but at this writing only 64 have applied. W. B. C.

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Died, at the family home near Sunny Side April 21, 1907, Mrs. Mollie E. Ash, aged 36 years and 14 days, wife of Charles F. Ash. A sorrowing husband and eight children survive. Lynda, 17 years; Mamie B., 15 years; Freddie E., 13 years; Birtie M., 11 years; Claude V., 9 years; Myrtle Lee, 7; Clifford C., 4; Grace G., 7 months. Deceased was ill only about 24 hours. Interment was in Elmwood cemetery April 23. Mrs. Ash was a consistent member of the M. E. church since girlhood, and was a noble Christian, a model wife, a kind and loving mother and a neighbor who will be long remembered, for she was always ready when necessity called her. Her eldest daughter, Lynda, is a member of the Baptist church and is a noble Christian girl, whose heart and hands are full, as she tries as best she can to be "little mother sister" to the sorrowing little brothers and sisters left to her care. May she always remember to ask the guidance of Him whom she has learned to love and trust and may she never forget to always lead them to the God that mother has always tried to teach her to love and serve. While our hearts go out in sympathy to Brother Ash and his motherless little ones in this their deepest sorrow, yet we know that God makes no mistakes, but in His infinite love and wisdom has called her to be with Himself, where she will ever beckon her loved ones to that glorious world beyond.

A precious one from us has gone,
A voice we loved is stilled;
A place is vacant in our home,
Which never can be filled.

God in his wisdom has recalled
The boon His love has given,
And though the body moulders here
The soul is safe in heaven.

A FRIEND.

A Sad Death.

Today was a day of sadness with our little band of 35 Baptists and many others here. Sister Mary Jane Busbee, after a few days' illness crossed the river last night and today is "resting under the shade of the trees" in the presence of our Lord. She is another one of the old landmarks gone. February 29, 1826, was her birthday. She has lived a consistent Christian in the Baptist church for sixty-six years, and a member of the Garland Baptist church about thirty years. Six of her children went before her across the icy river and her helpmeet was taken twelve years ago. She leaves two daughters in her immediate family to mourn the great loss. Her last words on earth were "Jesus have mercy on me and receive my soul." The writer was her pastor. Just one month ago today I went to see her for the first and last time. She moved away from Garland about two years ago and called for her letter at the church here, which was granted, but sickness had prevented her from attending meeting and the letter was never used. She gave me the letter at that time, and it was placed back in the church here on Sunday night, March 28, 1907. The step from earth to heaven with such is truly short. The tender mercies of God and the bountiful love of our Lord Jesus Christ teach us humbly to bow to His will, wound up and heal the broken spirits is our prayer. C. J. Leckie, April 25th.

Uncle Joe Solley.

While it has been months since our Heavenly Father called our beloved brother to his place in glory, his place in our church and in our hearts still remains vacant. It was our brother's custom to be at his place at every service. His prayers, his tears and his hearty hand-grasp we miss so much. His former pastor, O. P. Bentley, said of him that his presence, prayers and tears were a great inspiration to him while preaching. A dear, good man, a faithful Christian soldier has laid



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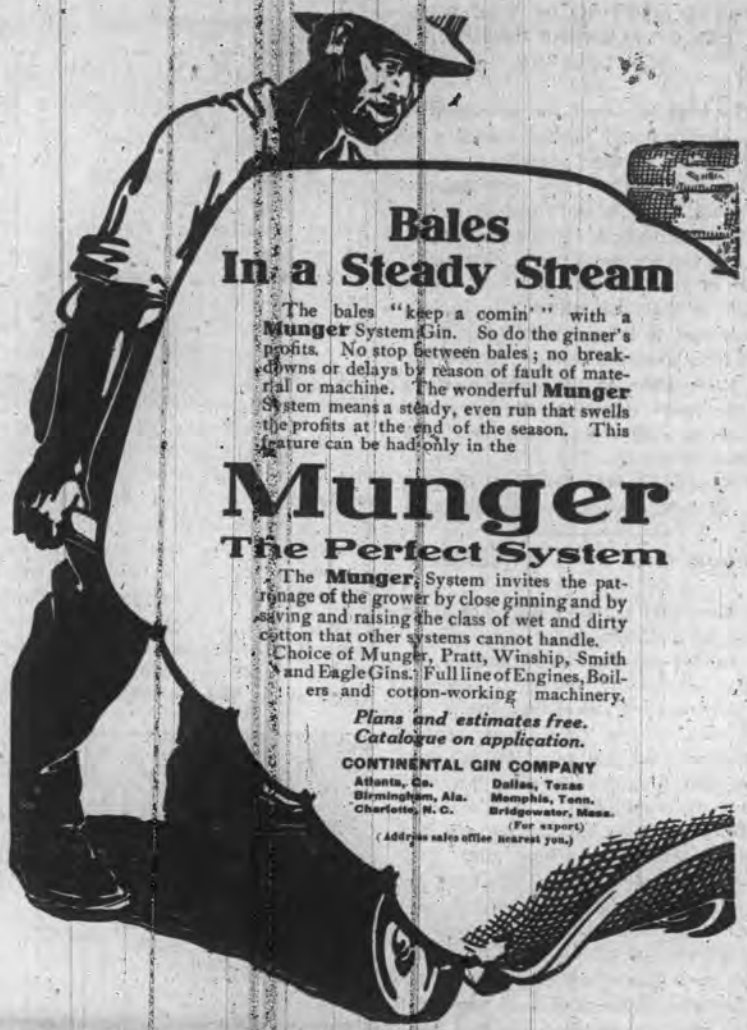
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A precious one from us has gone,
A voice we loved is stilled;
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The boon His love has given,
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A FRIEND.

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Today was a day of sadness, with our little band of 35 Baptists and many others here. Sister Mary Jane Busbee, after a few days' illness crossed the river last night and today is "resting under the shade of the trees" in the presence of our Lord. She is another one of the old landmarks gone. February 29, 1826, was her birthday. She has lived a consistent Christian in the Baptist church for sixty-six years, and a member of the Garland Baptist church about thirty years. Six of her children went before her across the icy river and her helpmeet was taken twelve years ago. She leaves two daughters in her immediate family to mourn the great loss. Her last words on earth were "Jesus have mercy on me and receive my soul." The writer was her pastor. Just one month ago today I went to see her for the first and last time. She moved away from Garland about two years ago and called for her letter at the church here, which was granted, but sickness had prevented her from attending meeting and the letter was never used. She gave me the letter at that time, and it was placed back in the church here on Sunday night, March 28, 1907. The step from earth to heaven with such is truly short. The tender mercies of God and the bountiful love of our Lord Jesus Christ teach us humbly to bow to His will, wound up and heal the broken spirits is our prayer. C. J. Leckie, April 25th.

Uncle Joe Solley.

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(Mrs.) JULIA MURFEE LOVELACE,
President Alumnae Association.

LOOK THIS WAY, SUNBEAMS.

I know you are all wanting to know how the Sunbeam quilts are progressing, and I am wanting to answer the many dear sweet letters I received from little girls and sisters, too.

I can't answer them all personally. I answered all that asked for information, but I appreciate them all. It made me very happy to find so many willing workers, but I knew we had only to show them how and they would be ready to help. You have my thanks for responding so readily, and I continue to thank God for blessing my efforts and give Him all the glory. You have made me very happy because God is glorified. At present I have received 106 squares and one good sister—Mrs. J. D. Anderson, of Mobile—sent a whole quilt, one she happened to have on hand. (Excuse me, sister, for mentioning your name, but you don't know how I appreciated it.) On account of sickness in my family we have not been able to get any work done on the quilts; but by and by if God gives me health we will get it done by the time the little folks need them, and they can sleep snug and warm next winter.

One sister wants to know how many squares it will take to make a quilt. You will find thirty squares enough to make a quilt by putting them together with strips. My whole family is afflicted (including father and mother. I ask the prayers of the brethren and sisters that God may work out these light afflictions to our good and his glory.—Vida Norris, Fayette, Ala.

George Thorndike Angell, who was born at Southbridge, Worcester county, Massachusetts, June 5, 1823, of the Rev. George and Rebekah Thorndike Angell, died on Tuesday, the 16th of April. He was the editor and founder of Our Dumb Animals and devoted scores of years to the prevention of cruelty to animals. Mr. Angell came from a Christian family and was ever proud of the words engraved on his father's tombstone, "He was a good man and full of the Holy Ghost, and much people was added to the Lord."

The Educational Commission of Texas, Dr. A. J. Barton secretary, has planned to put four educational evangelists in the field.

PERSONAL & OTHER NOTES

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Dear Bro. Barnett: Will you please put another notice in the Alabama Baptist, the very next issue, stating that I am still pastor of the First Baptist church of Roanoke, in spite of the newspapers reporting to the contrary. I beg you to do this not so much as an accommodation to me, but to the members of the church here and the brethren over the state. Letters are still coming in by the wholesale containing recommendations of many brethren. Tell the brethren not to dig my grave and buy my coffin until I am dead. Now, the good brethren will just have to wait a while longer. I knew when the brethren came to the state convention and got a look at our beautiful church it would make their mouths water. I



sympathize with my good brethren, but I can't help them on to Roanoke. I am going to keep every one of them away from here just as long as it seems to please the Lord. So, brethren will have to cast their hooks into other ponds.

I published a long statement saying that I had declined the position as Home Board evangelist and a call to Florida, and still our papers publish that I am going and gone, and the brethren fire the letters into the Roanoke brethren until one good brother said he was going to have the job man run off some post cards in regular stereotype form so as to be ready to make reply. Perhaps, Bro. Editor, you had better publish this letter. Please do so at once or a little sooner, and you will greatly oblige the pastor and people of Roanoke.

Yours very fraternally,

T. J. PORTER.

(P. S.—Please put this in box car letters on front page so that every poor Israelite may look and know.)

Dr. Fred D. Hale, pastor of First church, Wilmington, N. C., will conduct a series of meetings at McKinney Avenue church, Dallas, beginning the first Sunday in May.

RESOLUTIONS OF REGRET.

On motion of the Woodlawn Baptist Ladies' Aid Society, we, the committee, submit the following in regard to the departure for a time of our sister, Mrs. Annie Stinson Montgomery.

Be it resolved, first, That during the years she has labored with us, she has enriched and strengthened us by her faithful character and many Christian virtues.

Second, That we for a time have lost a faithful, consecrated member, and we feel keenly the loss of her whose presence has been a benediction in our midst and we are eagerly looking forward to the time when she will be with us again.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Alabama Baptist, one to Mrs. Montgomery and one be spread on our minutes.

MRS. O. G. EVANS, Chairman.
MRS. F. P. DUNNAM,
MRS. J. B. SANDIFER,

Committee.

FROM AUSTINVILLE.

Bro. Barnett: I thought I would give you a short sketch from Austinville. Our church is getting along reasonably well. We like \$200 having our house paid for, which cost \$1,300. Our membership is 130. Sunday school every Sunday. Prayer meeting every Tuesday night. I preach twice a month—first and third Sabbaths. Our protracted meeting commences the fifth Sunday in this month. I will be assisted by Bro. Walker, our pastor at Hartselle. Hope for a great ingathering. Well, something about the mission work of our sisters. Sister J. T. Weatherley sold in five months \$3.28 worth of eggs laid by her hens on Sunday. Hope many of the sisters will fall in line. Much success to the Alabama Baptist.—J. D. McClanahan, Pastor Austinville Baptist church.

Misled by a contemporary, we recently stated that Dr. P. S. Henson had retired from the editorship of the Baptist Teacher, and that Dr. A. T. Robertson had become associate editor. We learn that both of these statements are incorrect. Dr. Henson, at his own request, has become associate editor and Dr. Robertson, contributing editor. As a matter of fact, Dr. C. R. Blackall has been the main editor of the Baptist Teacher for 25 years, in which position he, of course, continues.—Baptist and Reflector.

"We, too."

Great sorrow has come to Bro. B. S. Ralley, of Florida, Ala., of the class of '03 Mercer, on account of the death of his mother, who passed away at her Georgia home last week. We extend to him and other bereaved relatives and friends our sincere sympathy.—Christian Index.

FROM WYLAM.

We have recently closed a good meeting in Wylam Baptist church with fifteen additions, fourteen by baptism. A crowded house witnessed the baptismal scene yesterday at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Last night we had a great song service by the young people bearing on the subject of a risen Savior.

Mrs. A. H. Sawyer, who directed this song service, and the young friends who assisted her all deserve praise for their work.

We now trust that under the leadership of our earnest Sunday school workers, and of our Ladies' Aid Society, and of our recently revived B. Y. P. U., and of our deacons, Brethren Evans, Futrell, Harrison and Thomas, that Wylam Baptist church shall take her rightful place in our Master's great harvest field of work.

Brother R. S. Gavin, of Huntsville, who so ably did the preaching in our meeting, did us fine service and endeared himself to our people here.—C. J. Bentley.

GOOD MEETING AT PARKER MEMORIAL.

We have just closed a most enjoyable and profitable meeting at Parker Memorial. Dr. C. A. Stewart, evangelist of the home board, did the preaching. It was done with power. God greatly honored his word. Christian people were edified and sinners were converted. The immediate visible results were 64 accessions—12 by letter and 52 by baptism. Others have joined since for baptism and there will be still others on next Sunday. I can commend in most emphatic terms Bro. Stewart to any pastor wishing a helper in a meeting. He preaches the Word and trusts in the Lord. When he leaves there are no unpleasant memories. His work is absolutely free from sensation and from clap-trap.—J. H. Foster, Anniston, Ala.

Prof. A. T. Robertson's grammar of the Greek New Testament is being translated into Italian.

Dr. C. C. Carroll, of Ocala, Fla., a son of Dr. B. H. Carroll, has been called to the care of the Third church, Owensboro, Ky., to succeed Dr. W. D. Nowlin, who recently went to the Mayfield church.

Rev. G. T. Webb, secretary of the Baptist Young People's Union of America, is to preach one of the convention sermons at the coming meeting of the Christian Endeavor societies at St. Paul.

Editor H. E. Tralle retires from the Central Baptist to re-enter Sunday school work. His resignation took effect the 1st of May. Bro. Tralle was a success as an editor and is a specialist in Sunday school work.

Gen. William Booth, commander-in-chief of the Salvation Army, whose 80th birthday was recently celebrated, is at present in St. Petersburg negotiating with the government for permission to establish a branch of the Salvation Army in Russia.



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Dr. H. Allen Tupper has been pastor of Calvary church, Brooklyn, for nine years. His church shows a net gain of five hundred in membership during that time.—Baptist Banner.

Prof. David Gordon Lyon, Harvard University, once of Alabama and Kentucky, has been made a deacon in the Cambridge, Mass., Baptist church. Prof. Lyon studied at the Theological seminary several years, but has given his life to teaching.—Baptist World.

Mr. A. W. Payne, for nearly a score of years the business manager of the Central Baptist, has been unanimously chosen by the directors of the Central Baptist Publishing Co. to the position of managing editor. We congratulate the directors on getting a man who knows so well both sides of the newspaper work.

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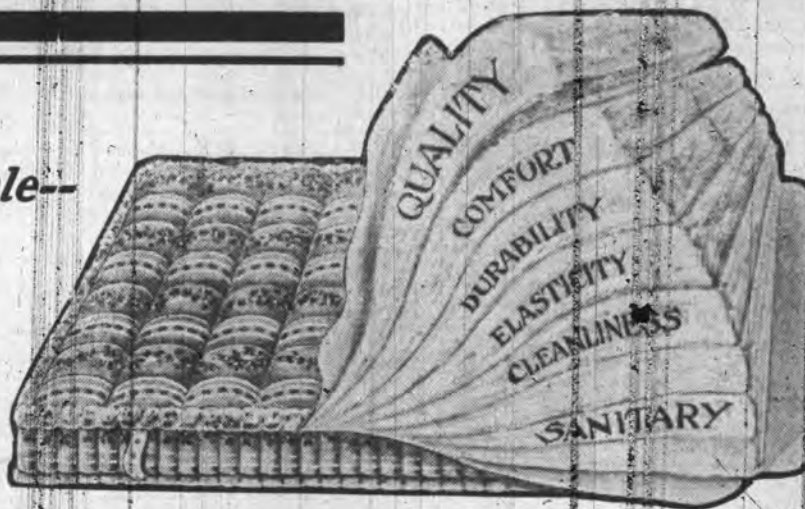
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In Memory.

On March 25, 1909, our beloved brother, Dr. W. E. Perry, of Perry county, died. Dr. Perry was born January 13, 1879, united with Hepzibah Baptist church in 1891. First married Miss Nettie Motley, of Autauga county, Ala., in December, 1896; in December, 1897, she died. Then he married Miss Ollie Garner, of Chilton county, who survives him. The doctor was the son of Rev. A. M. Perry, of Perry county, Alabama, and was widely known and much liked, being a kind and sympathetic friend, a devoted son, an affectionate husband, a kind and loving father. He finished his medical course in 1908. He leaves a wife and four little children, an aged father and mother, three brothers and two sisters, besides a host of friends to mourn his loss.—A Friend.

In Memoriam.

A little after the dawn of day on the morning of June 9, 1908, Miss Mattie A. Lamar, at Talladega, Ala., fell into that mysterious and dreamless sleep usually called death. As the beams of the rising sun chased away the shadows of the night the glorious light of the "sun of righteousness" broke upon the death chamber with its supernal splendor, dispelling the darkness from a scene often full of gloom, and though aching hearts mourned the departure from their circle, one so dearly beloved, yet to witness her calm, peaceful, triumphant death, called from each heart the cry: "Let me die the death of the righteous—let my end be like his." For some months the health of Miss Lamar had been rather feeble, causing much anxiety to her kindred and friends. A few weeks before the end came she returned from south Alabama, where she had spent the preceding winter, to Talladega, where she made her home with Mrs. Alonzo Hall, eldest daughter of the late Rev. Washington Wilkes, D. D., whose wife was a sister of Miss Lamar. As the days went by it soon became evident that her stay on earth must be short and the end was near. Mrs. Hall's sisters, Mrs. Crosland, of Atlanta, Ga., and Mrs. J. T. Brown, of Andalusia, Ala., and a brother, Mr. J. Lamar Wilkes, of Aberdeen, Miss., came to the bedside of the dying saint, their beloved aunt. Mr. and Mrs. J. DuBose Lamar, a nephew and niece, residing in Talladega, were also at her bedside. During this last illness she sweetly and submissively talked of leaving her earthly home and bade her loved ones to meet her in heaven.

From Mrs. Crosland the writer learned that during the night of June 8th Miss Lamar's strength so far failed that she became unconscious and remained in a stupor until the morning of the 9th, when a little after dawn she opened her eyes, recognized those at her bedside, and without attempting to speak, sweetly smiled, and in a moment had gone from them. That smile was a loving farewell to the dear ones, who, with loving hearts and ready hands, had been with her during the silent hours of the night, anxious to minister to her comfort. At that supreme moment, as she looked for the last time upon earthly scenes who can tell whether or not she may have caught a vision unseen by those around her, and her smile may also have been a happy greeting as she beheld the loved ones gone before as they stood with outstretched arms to welcome her coming to the joys of their heavenly home.

"Dreams cannot picture a world so fair,
Sorrow and death may not enter there;
Time doth not breathe on its fadeless bloom,
Far beyond the clouds and beyond the tomb.

Doubtless had Miss Lamar's falling strength permitted she would have

shouted thanks for her victory over the last enemy, death.

"There is no death—what seems so is transition,
This life of mortal breath
Is but the suburb of the life elysian
Whose portals we call death."

It was the highly esteemed privilege of the writer of this humble tribute to have known Miss Lamar for some ten years before she passed over, and he always felt, after an interview with her, that he had learned something worth knowing, and had his estimate of Christian character elevated. At his first meeting with her he recognized in her a woman of extraordinary traits. She was modest, unassuming, firm in her convictions of truth, mild and gentle in her manner of expression, yet uncompromising in her regard and defense of all she thought right and all that she said or did was thoroughly sincere. Since she passed over one of her friends said of her, "She was as gentle as a dove." Another wrote, "Her daily life spoke volumes." And yet another friend, in a letter of sympathy to her kindred wrote, "I will sadly miss her gentle greeting when I visit Talladega, because I always felt assured it was sincere."

In reflecting upon her lovely, beautiful character, the writer will venture to add one more thought that sometimes touched his heart as he looked upon the countenance of Miss Lamar, that appeared to him at times pensive, even sad, as if brooding over the memory of some great sorrow that had at some time fallen on her and left its indelible impress upon her heart. And yet there was an expression on her face as if she had put that sorrow away in some chamber of memory, too sacred to be paraded before the world, to be borne with patient resignation, thus adding one more evidence of her unflinching trust, that although she could not now know she would hereafter know how and why a loving Father had placed that cross upon her. At the time of her death Miss Lamar was in the 69th year of her age. She was born and reared in Autauga county near Selma, Ala., was educated at the Judson, and in early life became a Christian and joined the Baptist church. And now that she has gone from earth to heaven it may be said, as was written by that sweet-spirited woman, Mrs. Hemans:

"Dust to its narrow house beneath,
Soul to its place on high,
They that saw her look in death
May no more fear to die.

A Friend.
(This obituary was sent in promptly, but was misplaced in the office, and is published now with apologies to the bereaved ones for the long delay.)

A Good Man Passed Away.

God in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to call home another one of His children from us. That death loves a shining mark was truly verified in the death of our beloved brother, J. W. Sandlin. Brother Sandlin died at his home in south Alabama April 20th and was brought here for burial Thursday. The funeral services were conducted by the writer, assisted by Brother R. T. Wear, at the Baptist church at Wren. The house was packed with sorrowing friends and relatives who came, many of them, from a distance to show their appreciation of the life work of this good man. After the services the body was laid to rest in the Montgomery cemetery, two miles south of town. The grave was completely covered with flowers from all sections of the country, possibly the most beautiful ones coming from south Alabama churches which he had so acceptably served as pastor.

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It is with a sad heart that we report the death of so good a man as J. W. Sandlin. He was a devout, God-loving, sacrificing Christian, ever ready to serve his Master at any cost. His noble, strong life was cut short, right in the midst of his usefulness, when life is sweetest and when hopes of future accomplishments shine the brightest. His life was bright and full of promise. He was kind-hearted, cheerful and true and these virtues with many others made him a favorite wherever he went. Although his life ended so suddenly it was not before its influence was felt by many hearts. It will take eternity to reveal all the good done by this worthy Christian man and devoted pastor.

But as ripened grain, ready for the harvest and rich in its fullness, so rich in the honors which came to a well spent life, this good man was gathered into the storehouse of God, there to be ready for the great harvest home.

Resignation bids us all be brave, and with the Christian's hope we look beyond the mist of tears to a glorious reunion not timed by days nor years.

"There is no death, the stars go down,
To rise upon some fairer shore,
And bright in heaven's jeweled crown
They shine forevermore.

R. L. Quinn.

The Hatchechubbee Baptist church has recently enjoyed a splendid series of meetings in which the pastor was assisted by Evangelist W. J. Ray, of Montgomery, and Cornetist J. M. Parker, of Ozark. Notwithstanding the supposed unfavorable season of the year and the inclement weather during much of the time, the services were all well attended and were attended we believe by abiding results. Brother Ray has a bright future as an evangelist. He has grown wonderfully in the thirty-five months of his service as such and should be ranked in the same class with our more noted evangelists of other states. Bros. Ray and Parker both greatly endeared themselves to our people, and any pastor or church desiring sound, forceful and effective preaching and excellent singing can not do better than to procure their services.

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I am with my brother, who for more than two weeks has been quite sick. I began a meeting with him on the second Sunday, but by reason of his illness it was closed after the first week with several additions.—L. J. Gwaltney.

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