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A CALL TO ARMS

The Burning Camp Fires.

For nearly three years the words "We are camping on the trail of the liquor traffic in Alabama and our camp fires will never go out" have stood at the head of this page.

They were penned by a splendid veteran of the more than thirty years' warfare against the liquor traffic in Alabama, Dr. W. B. Crumpton. During all these years this soldier of righteousness has been standing guard with a glorious comradeship of sterling men and women who read in every obstacle encountered, in every defeat sustained, in every victory achieved an augery of the final success they prayed and labored for.

These men and women have kept the camp fires burning. They blazed high over the hills and through the valleys of Alabama in the year 1907. They were beacon lights indicating a great victory—or, rather—a series of great victories.

Then and Now.

With the success of that year there came the temptation to enjoy the ease and the leteure such great victories might afford, but it may be said to the credit and glory of Alabama's manhood and womanhood that there has been no ease taking.

Nineteen hundred and eight was a more aggressive year than 1907. The first six months of 1909 shows a greater measure of aggressiveness than either preceding year. The goodly women of the W. C. T. U. have not laid aside their weapons of warfare against the arch-enemy of womanhood and childhood, but are constantly planning for an advanced position in the conflict.

The pronouncements of Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians, Christians, the church of every name, still continue to ring with no uncertain sound. More than this the works of these confederated churches against the liquor traffic is more manifest than it has been at any time during the fight in Alabama. The ministers, recalling how the success of the past was established by their fidelity in proclaiming the righteousness of this warfare, have continued to call upon their people to follow them into this conflict to save the souls of men from the curse of drunkenness.

The Spoils of War.

The Christian and moral forces of Alabama have gathered together such trophies from this conflict as to totally eclipse the barbaric splendor of the trophies of carnal warfare in all ages past. No flags or banners taken from a conquered foe, each one speaking of scores or hundreds of lives yielded up in the contest.

On the contrary, our fruits of victory are lives saved by the scores and hundreds, aye thousands. Drunkards have been redeemed; homes have been ransomed; wives have lost the pallor and fear of husbands shorn of their manhood and love, and are dwelling now in a peace and contentment they had given up as gone forever. Little children, helpless in their weakness, have lost the terror the staggering footsteps and thick, maudlin voice of drunken parents awakened in their souls. Their bodies have been delivered, too. Now they are clothed, and fed, they feel the inspiration of the change, and realize the equality of their opportunities with other children. Where was fear, turmoil and sorrow now is peace, contentment and joy. THESE ARE OUR SPOILS OF WAR.

To Your Tents, O, Israel.

On this scene of peaceful contentment there comes a disturbing, menacing feature. Men made in the image of the good God not content to allow their fellows to live in peace, prosperity and happiness are clamoring for a return to the open saloon. They would restore the former order of things. They would feed and fatten themselves and their own families on the misery, misfortune, wretchedness and woe of the drunkard and his innocent, helpless family.

The present legislature of Alabama, the names of its members who contributed to this end, will live through all time and eternity for their good work—are responsible for our present conditions. They have outlawed the liquor traffic. That traffic is now lapping the hand that struck it this severe blow, fawning and cringing at its feet; they are working by guile and subtle methods to accomplish their ends—a restoration of their lost power. We must meet this foe again. Let us for the time being forsake our ordinary activities and let us concentrate. all our powers upon guing this persistent agent of the devil his death blow. Let us go out to our tents upon the battle field, and let be known as set until we have self-ite knowledge that the liquor traffic and its gower is destroyed for all time.

What We Must Do.

Today we have one law whose strength has been severely tested and it has stood every test in such a way as to insure its power. That is the prohibition law. The law enforcement sections of the Alapama Code do not meet our needs. They are not as strong as the foundation law. These must be re-enacted, and everything points to an early means of doing this. It is certain that the Legislature of Alabama will meet in special session during the early summer, and the opportunity will be present to repair the weatness of these old law enforcement measures.

Let us not forget how we secured all we have. It was by the concentration of our interests and our activities. Look up your Senator and Representative. Tell them of the needs of today. Ask them to supplement the good work they did in 1907 by giving Alabama the necessary law enforcement measures.

Give of your prayers, give of your means, give of your time that our organized activity may be as fruitful in results as was 1907. Very much of the success in the days just before us depends upon Yog.

Looking Ahead

Do you know that certain active agents of the liquor traffic are boasting togay that they intend to elect a legislature in 1910 that will repeat the state prohibition law in 1911 and throw open Alabama to the saloon system once more?

Such a thing can be done only by YOUR indifference and inactivity. Watch the men who may announce for the next Legislature. Ask tham if they will stand for a continuation of the prohibition law. If they will not, KEEP THEM AT HOME. Do not be satisfied with an equivocal answer. Only a straight from the shoulder, emphatic committal to this law can be trusted.

The camp fires are still burning! Men and women of Alabama, help us keep the blaze bright and regular. The present and the future is in YOUR hands,

—Alabama Citizen

BAPTIST PRINCIPLES AND THEIR PROGRESS

REV. E. H. JENNINGS

mission to contend for certain principles distinct them get saved if they were not already so. from those held by other religious denominations. These principles have not always been popular, because they have not always been understood. Moreover, within past centuries Baptist doctrines have was hardly prepared to appreciate them. Baptists have always been anti-Catholic in their views. Intelligent Romanists recognize us as their most uncompromising opponents, and our principles as furthest removed from theirs. Imagine all denominations on a line with the Catholics at one extreme and you will find the Baptists at the other end of the line with the rest of the Protestants strung between. The fact that there has long been so much of the spirit of Romanism in the world is possibly the greatest reason why Baptists have been so little understood and appreciated. But as Protestantism advances, and with it the spirit of democracy and individualism; as the New Testament grows in favor as the one perfect standard of religion, and as men become more honest and earnest in their search for religious truth in its fulness, Baptist principles gain a larger place in the thought and faith of men.

Three questions face us in this brief discussion: (1) What are the distinctive Baptist principles? (2) What of the present standing and prospects of these principles? (3) How may these principles be best

propagated in the future

First, then, what is the distinctive Baptist principles? For what truth do Baptists stand differentiating them from other religious bodies? What is their special significance in history and theology? Some one has said that the all-inclusive principle of Baptists is, "The Bible and the Bible only as a guide in matters of religion." Others have declared individualism to be the distinctive doctrine of Baptists. Dr. Mullens in his "Axioms of Religion" holds that this distinctive principle is "The competency of the soul in different ways the special truths of our people.

It is sufficient to say, however, that lying at the base of all for which Baptists stand is the absolute authority of Scripture in matters of religion. We conceive of Jesus Christ as Lord and King, and the spirit and teachings of his revealed truth as the allsufficient law of the church and its every individual member. But do not others than Baptists follow the authority of Scripture? Yes, in part; but many of these hold truth so mixed with tradition, or so neglect certain important teachings of the Scriptures, or follow such twisted and unnatural interpretations of the word of God, that as we see it they can not e said to accept the Bible as an only standard. Baptists may not have all the truth, for the mine of God's word is exhaustless in its supply, but they have all the essential truth for which other denominations stand, and much important truth which others neglect; and though as individuals they may not meas ure up to all the requirements of the New Testament as a denomination, they stand uncompromosingly for the absolute authority thereof as over against tradition or custom or the doctrine of convenience.

And who will deny that Baptist teachings measure up to this high and holy standard? The doctrine of converted church membership finds its authority in the fact that the New Testament neither authorizes nor gives precedent for the reception of unbelievers into the church. To the first New Testament church we read that the Lord added those who "were saved," and Paul addressed the churches of his day as com posed of the "sanctified in Christ." Jesus commanded to disciple before baptizing, and the very nature of a church as a spiritual body demands that it be composed of the regenerate. I can never imagine Paul or any of his associates giving an invitation for church membership as did a certain pedobaptist

Baptists have ever been a peculiar people. Since hearers to "come on and join the church whether conceive the church's obligation to world-wide misthe days of their earliest history it has been their saved or not," declaring that the church would help sions. In obedience to the authority of Christ he

ers' baptism solely, as ever against the disgusting do Baptists need to follow the Scriptures in Chrispractice of receiving infants into the church, be-tian endeavor. He who laid down the law of baptism cause such a practice does violence to the principle and soul liberty commanded to preach the Gospel to been so far in advance of their times that the world of individual responsibility and freedom so clearly all men, and we will not have measured up to our taught in the New Testament, and because it steps standard of doctrine and life completely till all our beyond the authority of him who commanded to people are enlisted in giving all the truth to all the baptize believers. In vain do our pedobaptist friends search for scriptural authority for the bagtism of infants-a practice born in Catholicism and based upon Baptist principles? Do present day tendencies favor the infamous idea of baptismal regeneration—and these principles or not? Does modern thought, both this is why Baptists so ardently oppose it.

> that for the rest of our principles, namely, New Tesbolic import of the ordinance as set forth in Romans into the ideal of our Baptist faith.

6. It is exceedingly difficult to understand how honest and Intelligent Christians who acknowledge the acknowledge the justice of the Baptist claim to imsole authority of the Bible in matters of religion can mersion as the original form of baptism. Many nonsubstitute sprinkling and pouring for baptism.

well defined principles of individual freedom and de- as good as a river," and yet acknowledge that immocracy, decides the congregational form of Baptist mersion was the baptism of New Testament times. church government. To the fair-minded of every For this reason all evangelical denominations accept faith who closely study God's word it is clear that immersed believers into their churches without queswherever the word "church" occurs in the New Testa- tioning for a moment their paptism. ment concerning a visible organization it refers not Likewise the doctrine of believers' to a hierarchy, but a democracy, a local assembly of gaining favor among thinking people. law of the church is not that of expediency, as feeble believers', and only believers', baptism. men see it, but New Testament principle and precethe Roman hierarchy.

again, "Render unto Caesar the things that are Cae- you Baptists do." lic rests.

I repeat that the fundamental law of Baptists is

(Paper Read Before Atlanta Pastor's Conference.) preacher some time ago when he urged his unsaved liam Carey, was the first man of modern times to went to India, and thus set the pace for the foreign In the same connection Baptists stand for believ- mission movements of our times. More and more world.

> But what of the present standing and prospects of of the scholar and of "the average man," make ready Baptism by immersion, while not a distinctive Bap- soil for the sowing of Baptist truth? If I can properly. tist doctrine, is one for which they have been most judge the manifest conditions of our times, there signally noted. For this the same claim is made as was never a time when Baptist principles were better understood and more heartily appreciated than today. tament teaching and precedent. In the light of the The principle of the Reformation, which finds its well accepted translation of the Greek word "bap- most perfect expression with the Baptists, has made. tidzo" as meaning only immerse, in its primary rendi- tremendous progress for the past hundred years. tion, and of the recorded incidents of scripture where When this principle is carried to its completion, in baptism took place in water, together with the sym- its hold upon men the whole world will be moulded

The leading scholarship of the world has come to immersionists lay the matter aside with the plea The example of the New Testament, as well as its that it is a "non-essential," that a drop of water is

baptized Christians. The churches at Jerusalem, An- known that some of the leaders in Pedo-baptist ranks tioch, Corinth, Ephesus, etc., are set forth in the lament the falling interest in infant baptism in our New Testament as local, independent bodies, without day. The practice so grossly violates the freedom the least intimation of any centralized ecclesiastical and responsibility of the individual in matters of in religion." These and other statements set forth power lording over them. True, they might co-oper religion, and it is so conspicuously void of Scripate in forwarding the kingdom of God, as they evi- tural authority, that many are fast breaking away dently did in their contributions to the poor at Jerus- from it. The theory offered in explanation of the alem, but this co-operation was purely voluntary, practice, moreover, is difficult to understand, and Some tell us that this democratic polity is not the for this reason the practice is almost abandoned on ideal for our day, that expediency must now decide mission fields. May God hasten the day when all the matter; to which we as Baptists reply that the Protestantism shall come to the glorious doctrine of

> As along with Christian civilization the spirit of dent. The church as related to Christ is an abso-freedom and democracy developes among men the lute monarchy of which He is the supreme law-giver, congregational form of church government grows "Thus saith the Lord" means infinitely more to Bap- in popularity. The principle expressed in the formatists than all the theories of men as to expediency, tion of the American government by the words, "All and we conceive that after all the Lord's plan is the men are created equal" is coming to be recognized most effective when properly enforced. It was the largely in the churches of all creeds. In fact, there doctrine of "expediency," no doubt, which led to the is an inherent desire in the hearts of men to be free. breaking up of the simple democratic and spiritual An ecclesiastical machine with high lords and strict Christianity of the early days and the setting up of laws may seem best for the advancement of denominational interests, but it fails inevitably to satisfy Whatever may be said as to the dectrines of soul the sacred hungering of the soul for freedom and freedom and separation of church and state, for representation in religious government. Then, too, which Baptists have been so well noted, the greatest men are coming to see the disadvantages of episcoreason therefor is the fact that the very nature of pacy and presbyterianism. A prominent Methodist Christianity, as set forth in the New Testament, de-layman confessed to a Baptist not long since, "We mand these principles. When Jesus said, "My king- can never have a strong and acceptable preacher in dom is not of this world," and when he admonished our (local) church till we can choose our pastors as So strong is the tendency toward sar's, and unto God the things that are God's," he democracy that in many of the most prominent gave to the world one of the blood-bought principles churches of those denominations that hold to cenof Baptists, and one upon which the American repub- tralized forms of church government the wishes of the people are practically heeded.

> Concerning the growing popularity of the Baptist the Bible. In addition to being the theological and doctrine of democracy, Dr. Mullens writes interestecclesiastical standard, the Scriptures are becoming ingly in his "Axioms of Religion." He compares more and more to be recognized as a working guide episcopacy to a great machine shop where everyfor Baptists. Scriptural authority for Christian en- thing runs smoothly according to certain fixed medeaver is as important as for church creed and gov- chanical laws; and congregationalism to a mighty erament. It is a significant fact that a Baptist, Wil- orchestra, where the players of individual instru-

the orchestra, not of the machine, that must control wal makes it absolutely necessary that the individual in Aligion. Our strength as Baptists lies in our free- be educated up to his duty. One might be a loyal dog and democracy.
until sal heart of the race."

what of the doctrine of soul liberty today? It is that that the tendency in the political affairs of gent conception of his will in the mind, the latter alignst every nation is toward freedom. The struggle ag rist Catholic dominance in France, the opening of it h world powers as Uning and Sapanille of the modern in h world powers as China and Japan to foreign go enment of Turkey are some of the modern active ements of the principle of liberty. None of there is more significant than the recent change in Tuckey. "This has been one of the most absolute notorious atrocities on earth." The sultan was the seat and source of all power. Nothing that looked tolkied freedom was allowed in the land. The voice press and the propagation of foreign religious Sestrictly limited. Palestine, the very land where Je and his first followers set in motion the doctribut underlying all that is good in civilization, was un es this oppressive rule, and deliverance seemed hereess. But the progressive element of the nation, with absorbed their idea of freedom largely from the school, from the pullit, and on the mission field, we milion schools, gradually gained the ascendency. Sandanly and quietly the change in affairs came. The the world down with our principles. Baptists have sulpa was put down, the constitution of a representa- a peculiar mission to the world, and their tak is title government enforced, and the people set free, far from complete as yet. With all that is faverable A stat the people could scarcely realize their libbut as it began to dawn upon them they met One of these arises from modern destructive critito a der in thousands to celebrate their deliverance, cism of the word of God. We have nothing & fear crees as they went, "We are free; we are free." Have forth the spirit of "liberty, equality, justice and as Baptists we always welcome truth; but we de have fracenity" are to reign in the dominions of Turkey. much to fear from the many unscientific, infide, theo-

his indeed are Baptist principles gaining vital fon the world. These are not always connected Was Baptist organization, many of them having becores embodied in the beliefs of other denominations; therefor. ne sotheless, they are the principles for which Bapare especially responsible, and we rejoice in the triumph as no others can. The immersion of billievers as the only proper baptism; congregational quick government; the separation of church and peculiar doctrines did not belong to essential and soul liberty—all these are gaining larger tianity. It pleads for "liberality" and "charity" nition as belonging to essential New Testament Is fatianity. Even "close communion," which stands kindness existing between the people of God are uncally with our doctrine of baptism, loses much of fortunate for Christianity no one can deny, and the it turalness and consistency of our position. In this ace of these facts was there ever a time of such on lortunity and responsibility for Baptists as now? god under the favorable conditions of our times? is axiomatic to say that such sublime truths as Bracksts have been called to own are worthy of preation at any cost. Baptist history has been noble, all love will never fail to convince the mind and win beir task is not yet complete, and it will not the peculiar ideals of our faith. And after all, truth spoken in the wrong spirit." firesh others have adopted much of our truth, only hardsts can propagate this truth in its fullness.

least three crying needs face Baptists today in only to the furtherance of their cause. First, a betdidual and the local church, makes this needed perchization slow and difficult. Hence thousands of repeople are out of line with the agressive moves of the denomination. These are to be enlisted and developed. This is one of the greatest problems back, the ensign in front stood his ground while the tig our Baptist people today. get are needed in order to do this, but we must are developed up to the ideal concert of action denominational army on earth.

mexis conquer their parts under the direction of a much emphasis on training as Baptists. The very Then he wisely adds: "It is the ideal of fact that with them all things center in the intividand democracy. Herein lies our appeal to the Catholic and know little save to attend mass and pay the priest; but for one to be an ideal Exptist one must know Carist in heart and have an intelliof which can come about only as the individual is taught to know and to perform God's will. It is lamentable that Baptists, who were the first in modern times to conceive the obligation to foreign sions in the person of William Carey, should fillow other denominations to outstrip them in this noble work. And this is largely due to a lack of this ough training of the forces. Christian education, at represented in every institution of the kingdom sfrom the Sunday School up to the denominational inversity, is one of the vital secrets of future Baptist development.

Baptist progress depends also on their teaching the peculiar doctrines of their faith. They must mit forget that they have a heritage and a mission; sheritage of truth, and a mission to give that truth all men everywhere. Around the fireside, in the Sanday as Baptists should selze every opportunity to sow to their ways of thinking, there are many dangers. from the truth, scientific truth or any other kind; what does it mean? Simply another triumph of ries of our times which seek to upset the authority blood-bought Baptist principle of freedom for of Scripture. When men lose faith in the tight of Roger Williams and others of our fathers suf- God's word Baptists are the greatest losers, in this is the foundation pillar of their entire system of truth. The most effective method for defendatruth is to preach it in the power of the S preach it all uncompromisingly and without apology

Another threatening danger arises from the so-called "bread" spirit of our times. This is the spirit of compromise, which says, "Lay aside all differences, and settle down to the essentials," as though our peculiar doctrines did not belong to essential chrisdenominational unity. That the differences and unhorror" as men come to understand better the prayer of our every heart should be for an ingrease of charity and Christian unity; but if these ar had at the sacrifice of important Scriptural Truth, God forbid our theological views may become so low then may Baptist principles be best propa- broad and thin as to be their dignity and strength, and cease their hold on the respect of ment We should speak the truth in love, of course; but as Baptists we must speak it. And all the truth spoten in the heart. As Dr. Gambrell has so wisely sald. all every human soul is brought into full sympathy is not the truth that drives men from us, but the

The peculiar mission of Baptists is to preserve and preach all the truth, a whole Gospel, and who cease to do this we cease our existence as Basists, rganization of their forces. The very nature of and the world will suffer the loss of our sacres prin-Ast policy, the fact that all things center in the cipies. Shall we, in this liberty-loving age, lorget our task and fail in our mission? It is said that in one of the important battles of the Japanese-Rissian war, when a Japanese regiment was being given Time and patient soldiers retreated. The captain cried to him, Tiring back the colors." But the reply of the ensign was, grow weary of the task, for when all the Bap- "Bring up your men to the colors." As Baptist we are holding before the world a great standard of thristian endeavor, ours will be the most effect truth. Let us in no wise compromise with seror. It denominational army on earth. Wegain, Baptists need to train their forces. It is we can find, and then call to all men to bring up their tful whether any denomination needs to lay so creeds and their lives to this noble standard.

BROTHER CRUMPTON'S TRIP NOTES.

The fifth Sunday in May and the Saturday before I spent in Lamar county. The meeting was at Fair-The attendance was good and the interest

Though some of the brethren did not agree with me on some things, we got along well together. Years ago friction was gotten up in the association on the mission question. Some have manifested an ugly disposition, but in the main the preachers are inquiring and are finding out that many of the troubles were purely imaginary.

During these years the cause has suffered. Not much has been given for pastors' support or for missions. In thirty churches of nearly 1800 members, only the Sunday school is reported, though I was informed there were more than that.

Brother W. C. Woods, a farmer preacher, has done much to disseminate information and scatter good books and tracts over the territory. He it was who organized the church at Vernon, the county seat, and has done much in maintaining it to the present.

If possible he wants to see a field formed for a good than with Vernon as the center.

Brother J. M. Roden lives at Sulligent and preach es to churches in reach of that place. He is much loved and is doing a good work. Wherever Roden has gone he has left the people regretting his departure.

Brother Clark lives at Sulligent and churches around there. Besides Brethren Woods, Clark and Roden I met the Brethren Cunningham, W. J. and B. E.; C. D. Stewart, W. T. Caudle, O. L. Corbet, and maybe others.

I had the privilege of discussing all the questions on the program pretty much all Saturday and on Sunday divided the preaching time with Brother W. T. Cunningham.

The soil in Lamar, where I went, is not fertile, but has a good clay foundation and grows good crops. There will be peaches enough in the county to supply the state. I have never seen trees more heavily laden. Here, as elsewhere, there is much complaint of excess of rain.

By accident, speaking after the manner of men, I dropped in at Enterprise for a day. As its name indicates, it is an enterprising place. Every time I visit this section I am surprised at the growth of the towns and the development in the country.

About the biggest thing in all this section is the Baptist house of worship, now in course of erection. I doubt if there will be in the state a more complete and conveniently arranged building. A. G. Moseley, the beloved pastor, has wrought well and the people love him for his worth and his work's

It so happened that the Executive Committee of the Coffee County Association was in session at the Court House with a map of the association before them, locating every church. Of course I was at home in such a meeting and was happy to make any suggestions I could.

The committee is composed of laymen almost entirely; but the pastors were welcomed to the meeting. The ladies of the Enterprise church furnished such a dinner, I fear, when the word goes out, all the brothren of the association will have urgent business with the Ex. Com, at its next meeting.

I know of only one other Association, the Tuscaloosa, in the state where a meeting akin to this is The Coffee county brethren are bent on doing something in that fast improving section.

At Newton, the trustees of the school met. What a report the president made! Continued growth and prosperity and imperative need for more room. What shall we do about it?

everybody come to the convention July 20th at Andalusia, praying the Lord to give us great wisdom in deciding what is best to be done.

Pastor Hunter is happy in his work and his people love him and his good wife.

The best and cleanest crops I have seen are in Southeast Alabama. That is one of the best sections of Alabama. W. B. C.

My Dear Sunbeam Co-Workers:

The peril of the State Mission Board demands our sympathy and assistance in this fateful hour, Make heroic effort and send \$5,00 to relieve the pressure, and then enjoy the distinction of one who "giving quickly gives twice." Send your offering, be it large or small, by the 15th of July.

The bands responding to this appeal shall find their names on the honor roll to be published in the Alabama Baptist during convention week.

My Sunbeams have never failed me, nor will they now. My heart is resting safely in them.

I am ever their loving Sunbeam mother, MRS. T. A. HAMILTON.

Linden, Ala.

Dear Mrs. Hamilton:

We have sent our offering of \$5 for the Sunbeam school at Cardenas, which finishes our ten dollar pledge. We hope to receive the beautiful certificate, for which we have earnestly worked, but at the same time we did not forget the cause of missions. We could hardly forget as long as we are under the influence of our leader, Miss Berta Nichols, who brings missions into every program.

We anticipate hearing our own Miss Willie Kelley tell about her work in China this week.

During vacation we expect to piece some quilts for the orphanage. Won't It be fun to see the boys trying to sew and cut?

tells us about you so often and she shares the pleasure of your letters with us.

We wish you success in all your efforts.

Your friend,

LILLIAN FIELDS, Secretary.

Sylacauga, Ala., April 16, 1909. Dear Mrs. Hamilton:

I am writing you in reference to the Sunb work. Last Sunday we organized a Sunbeam Band with an enrollment of twenty-six. The children seem very eager to get to work and they asked me to write you for information and literature. We are all young in the work and will appreciate all the information you can give. The children hope to send you a favorable report at an early date. Thanking you in advance for the kindness, I am sincerely,

(Miss) JESSIE BERRY.

Huntsville, Ala., April 15, 1909.

Dear Mrs. Hamilton:

The Sunbeams were so delighted with your recent visit that they do nothing but talk about it. Those who attended your meeting told all they had learned to those who did not. We all hope to have you again this summer. You know we hope to have a chapel when you come again, so that we can have you all to ourselves. They have nearly all expressed a de- Dear Mrs. Malone: sire to send you their pictures, so you need not be ed "Sunbeams from Huntsville."

We have reported for the first quarter. Have just do better. Have sent my report to Mrs. Smith. sent Mrs. Malone \$2 as a thank offering.

We are planning some new features in our work, which we will tell you about in our next letter,

With best wishes I am yours in the work, LOCIA FOSTER.

Albertville, Ala., April 22, 1909.

Dear Sunbeam Mother We met and organized the first Sunday in April and met again the second, and rendered a program. We have 35 members, therefore we will send 35 mite

We are very anxious for you to visit us again. Your loving worker, MINNIE MILNER.

Lanette, Ala., May 11, 1909.

My Dear Sunbeam Mother:

forgotten to give it to me.

WOMAN'S WORK

State Executive Board. President-Mrs. Charles A. Stakely. First V. President-Mrs. T. A. Hamilton.

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

MORDEDE HOLDE HOLDE

My heart was filled with joy and encouragement to know that our report was so good. I never hear of the reports of other Bands and dldn't know how we stood.

I give to each child that brings two new members a fish, I have some little tracts published by the American Publication Society which I distribute now and then among them.

Last Sunday I gave a nice little Testament to each child who raised as much as 50 cents for home We do wish you could make us a visit. Miss Berta missions during the first two weeks in April. So every other Sunday all who have Bibles are to bring them and we are to read a chapter.

> We have one half the quilt stars for the orphans finished, but I have lost the address of Mrs. Ross, to whom we were to send them,

> Of course we haven't forgotten the gold star for which we are working. Miss Alma McGaugh has us on a race with the Talladega Sunbeams, so you see e have many things to work for.

For the reason that I am going away the 22d to school and expect to be off almost all next year, I resigned last Sunday as leader. Miss Effic Peek, a girl of eighteen, a member of this church and a regular and faithful Sunbeam, will take my place. She has been a member of this band ever since its organization.

She is always ready and willing to do, and the Lord will bless those who are willing to help others.

Pray God's blessings on her and this band, and after this address all mail intended for the leader to her. I will help her at every opportunity.

I am still your little Sunbeam and will ever remember you with love and kindness.

NETTIE HOLLADAY.

Cecil, Ala., April 13, 1909.

I am sending you \$4 for home missions from the surprised some time if you receive a package mark- Sunbeam Band here. We have only been organized a little over a month and Lope by the next time to

Yours sincerely, (Miss) JOSEPHINE COOPER.

Thomaston, Ala., Jan. 13, 1909.

Dear Mrs. Hamilton: Enclosed please find \$2.75 for our offering to the foreign mission school at Canton, China, Our Sunbeams gave a mite party to help raise the amount, as we didn't have quite enough from our monthly dues. We hope to raise the \$10 before Your loving little friend, tion meets.

EUNICE CHANCY, Treasurer.

March 18, 1909.

Dear Mrs. Malone:

Enclosed you will find check for \$6.40 for home I know you are wondering what's the matter with missions. My Sunbeam sends \$2.50 and the Sunday as soon as you receive this money. My Sunbeam corder.

will wend some more money in June for foreign missions. I remain your friend,

Bessemer, R. 5.

DORA WARNICK.

Tuscaloosa, Ala.

We have a good Sunbeam Band and we have gone to work with renewed earnestness. We have a faithful set of officers. Our president, Miss Vera Jones, is now a student at the Central College preparing herself for her life work as a missionary. We were so disappointed a few months ago when you expected to visit us and didn't get to come. We still hope to have you with us real soon. The Sunbeams all send Very truly,

ADELENE REED, Treasurer.

Uniontown, Ala., March 9, 1909.

Dear Mrs. Hamilton:

Have been intending writing to you ever since my return home, but papa took me by Montgomery to have my eyes examined. The doctor put Belladonna in them and advised me not to use them much for a while and have been trying to catch up in my studies and so have not had time to write. Papa and I have often spoken of the pleasant evening we spent with you all and hope to be able to have you with us in the near future. Mama asks to be remembered and appreciates very much your kindness to us while in your city. With kindest regards to each and all of you and much love for yourself, I am as ever your friend, COLEMAN LONG.

Montevallo, Ala., April 5, 1909.

Dear Mrs. Hamilton:

I send you the report of the Sunbeam Society: The children are very much interested in their work, and they hope to send a larger contribution next time. We have had a fine meeting here. Brother Bernard preached many good sermons to us. There were fifty-one added to our church. Several of the little Sunbeams joined. It just does me good to see them work.

We will be glad to hear from you at any time. With best wishes I remain

(Miss) CLAUDE SANDERS.

For the last three months I've been at work in Alabama, and for the next three I expect to be. My desire is to make my life count for all there is in me as I go. So I am sending you my personal check to cover twenty annual subscribers for the Alabama Baptist to be sent to twenty new families up to January, 1910. This investment is suggested to me by this statement from Bro. W. B. Crumpton's letter in last week's issue: "The best investment any one can make for the cause in Alabama is to put his money into a year's subscription for the Alabama Baptist." My belief in the truth of his statement prompts this \$20 gift. My experience as pastor and as representing the denominational work is that those who read their denominational paper are the ones who most readily help the seminary, foreign, home and state boards, the orphanage and all that we are seeking to do for His glory. God bless you and make you more and more a mighty power for W. Y. QUISENBERRY. His glory,

The daily press reports that the Chicago Baptist Pastors' Conference, after a stormy session lasting four hours, dropped the name of Prof. George B. Foster as a member of that body. Dr. A. C. Dixon led in the fight for the excluding of Mr. Foster and the friends of the latter now question the denominational standing of Dr. Dixon. The position of Dr. Dixon is anything but enviable. Dual membership is a misnomer and how he can at the same time belong to a Baptist and a Pedo-Baptist body is a mystery that baffles explanation. It is a pity that Dr. Dixon should make it possible to use his widespread influence to foster the open membership and me, but it was Sunday morning that I found your school \$3.90, all from Dolomite church. My Sun- open communion idea among Baptists. But strange letter, written April 10, in papa's pocket. He had beam Band is progressing nicely. Please answer me things are happening in these days.—Western Re-

BEOTHER CRUMPTON'S NOTES AND HIS COR-RESPONDENTS.

W. Avery, Horton:

girs fon. Not upon the side of trying to excuse my- tor. There is nothing done. From giving, but why can not all Christian peothe fee the need of giving? Why can not all Chris- patient and get the pastor and others to read the people remember the command, "Go ye into all tracts I send him, they will see the error of the the world and preach the gospel to every creature?" All broach some of the brethren of our church upon the subject of missions and they will say, Oh, leave deepest sympathy with them and their work. Mag of foreign missions and I am with you. Take up a of action for associational missions, as we did toand when they are approached they shake that heads.

alpon the whole, I know that not one-tenth as in to: is being done for missions as could be done, R. A. J. Cumbee, Louisville: as A believe the cause mainly rests with the pastonis They should explain the plan of evangelizing the gorld and the whys and wherefores of it taking not by to do this.

Our people, would give more if only they knew Our people, would give more it only they know long as our latinum board to do so off they were giving. I hope you will answer this labored to help you and shall continue to do so le and give me a ray of comfort along this line." This is a good letter from a brother whose heart is nothe work. "I believe the cause remains mainly there." h's been so often said. Some of the pastors are the of it-they write me and say as much. But, butter pastor, isn't it true? It surely is. God has mes the pastors the leaders of His people. If they fek, there is no one else to do the work. I am in diag sympathy with the pastors. I know all they to contend with, but I know the cause always des move forward without them.

Unfortunately for us, we have never had a strong Misionary pastor, consequently we are good hardis publishing evil reports against our foreign misster work and others against our home mission work. I a sorry to note that our people are believing these

church without the training of a missionary pasis easily the prey of the enemy. It is sad that estimainded men write such reports and it is sadder still that so many of our people are inclined to beline them. There never was a time when the play ful. Get the facts. With them you can meet We have nothing to fear. Every one of their con aints and criticisms can be easily met.

the case of a man writing about things he keed a nothing about personally, his conspicuous and provides being the occasion of his writing.

J. M. McCord, East Lake:

don't always answer your letters, but I rememblattnem when I get on my field. Your work is out work and I want you to feel that every appeal seit to me is read with interest.

To make a good report."

This is from one of the most faithful men in the static See how he puts it-"Your work is our work." If all the brethren could believe that!

a people always were tender-footed on missless and has some agents in this coarriy scattering his literature against missions and our tenderfoots are taking on to it, still they client to be Missionary Baptists."

the rives and never will. "Mark them which cause discrete, and avoid them." They were in nineteen; Turkey, twelve; Alaska, six; Philippins this Surch at Rome. Seldom you find a church where are none. If it is not one thing, it is er countries, twenty-one. The total number of saided and cr. It is missions now. Last year it was some-

"Our pastor is opposed to anything that is done by the Board. He won't take the Alabama Baptical. He says it costs too much. The majority of He says it costs too much. The majority of the mission church is like him—that is why we have such a pa

> This layman states a sad case, yet if he will way and turn over a new leaf. The Secretary is and an enemy to the pastors who will not do. He is of them do not know how many of their best more bers are criticising them for not doing more for me sions. These letters from the brethren are stirring them up.

"I am going to write you this time without send ing you any money, but it won't be this way ways. I feel good in that our church has more than met our obligations, but that does not satisfy med long as our faithful board shall be in debt. Has the last cent of our debt is paid. Hope to do so thing more before the convention. Hope to

A letter like that does a Secretary a lot of gen even when it has no money in it.



REV. RICHARD HALL, D. D.

I expect to leave on the 30th for my old home in England, taking my wife and little girl to see the land of my forbears. But I want to know how this are going on this summer in the land of my cho Will it he too much trouble to mail me seven copy of the Alabama Baptist, beginning with the last w in June until the second week in August? My go people have granted me "two months or as m more as I need" vacation, and I expect to get by the second week in September. My address will be care Dr. J. H. Hall, Inglewhite, Manchester Road Boiton, England.-Richard Hall,

Three hundred and twenty-six student volunters are reported as having sailed during the year 19 They are connected with forty-seven missionary agencies. By counties they are distributed as its "tenderfooted Baptists" are easily turned lows: Africa, thirty-eight; China, but the mass of them never gave anything in twenty-four; India and Burma, 'fifty-eight; Japan, but the mass of them never gave anything in twenty-four; Korea, twenty-nine; South America, "tenderfooted Baptists" are easily turned lows: Africa, thirty-eight; China, one hundred and and West Indies, twenty-seven; Mexico, twelve; volunteers is now three thousand eight hundred and sixty-one.

HELP THE NEGROES HELP THEMSELVES AGAINST THEIR GREATEST FOE.

Brother, B. F. Riley, widely and favorably known among the Baptists of Alabama, after an absence in Texas for years, returns to Alabama.

He is undertaking a work among the negroes which has been long needed. The negro has always been the easy prey to the liquor traffic. The use of liquor ruins him as a laborer and makes him more a menace to society.

In prohibition territory often he is made the tool of the liquor traffic for breaking down the law. Thoughtful negroes who want to save their race look upon the prohibition law as peculiarly favorable to their peofile. One said to the writer: "If prohibition comes, I shall look upon it as the second emancipation proclamation to the negro race.

But few of them can vote in Alabama. They make no laws; they execute no laws. They ask for the privilege of being organized to help the good white men to enforce the law which the white men have made. This to be done, by creating a sentiment among their people against the use of drink and against the violation of the prohibition law. Of course, respect for all laws will grow among them as they get further away from the bondage of drink.

They have asked Dr. Riley to head this movement in their behalf. Many of our white brethren have heartily indorsed the movement.

Dr. Riley realizes that it is a delicate and difficult work. He deserves the hearty sympathy and support of the white people of the state and of the South. Money put into this movement means much to both races. Too long the negro has been the easy prey of the traffic, and now they seek to make him the easy tool for law violation. With all my heart I commend the work to our Brother Riley

W. B. CRUMPTON.

Rev. T. W. Powell, in the Journal and Messenger, says: A few years ago a very improper resolution was adopted by the Chicago Ministers' Conference that no commendatory resolutions were to be passed concerning a departed paster unless he had "departed to his grave." What is a Ministers' Conference for if not to cultivate the warmest and most helpful fellowship? Yet for fear some unworthy man might some time receive commendation at an opportune moment, such a law was passed. 'Smell of these posies," we say to a dead man! But is it not better, as Francis Murphy used to say, to east a little flower in the pathway of the living? So the ministers of the Discomet Club think.

The life of the modern college girl is determined far more by herself than by her environment, and her work should be decided after careful consideration of present and future situations; but even if the decision results in failure there is no reason for discouragement if one's effort has been fruitful. College teaches courage and self-reliance; life teaches infinite patience and hope for the future, and leads the disheartened out of the depths of discouragement with the cheering words, "Begin again."

On April 26 Rev. Dr. Marcus Dods. principal of the New College, Edinburgh, Scotland, died, aged seventy-five years. He had been in failing health for some time, and last year desired to resign, but was prevailed upon not to do so. From 1864 to 1889, Dr. Dods preached in Glasgow. In the latter year he was appointed professor of New Testament Exegesis in the New College, United Free church, and on the death of Principal Rainy, in 1907, he was elected to the principalship.

When Rev. Charles Haddon Spurgeon was yet a young man the Pastors' College Conference in London was established. That was fifty-three years ago and the Conferences have been held without interruption. The one held during April of this year was largely attended and full of interest.-Central Baptist.

FOR PREACHERS PAGE A

By President E. Y. Mullins, D. D.

many religious denominations were examined careevery phase and aspect of opinion. To take only might be named. the ultra elements of this opinion we may say that the views would diverge in two directions.

Two Extreme Views.

above all things the preacher should adapt himself struggles and all the aims and ideals of the age in every age is distinct and peculiar; that the message who preaches an outgrown gospel will fail; Just to based on sound pedagogy as well as sound gospel. be vital a man must think the thoughts and breathe

possibility of such change without destroying the in his own language and from his own point of view. gospel; that the duty of the preacher is not to adapt As soon as he becomes a mere parrot or echo of What is to be said as to these divergent types of opinion? As is usually the case, the thing to say is that both are right and both are wrong.

Where the Truth Lies.

Both are right, as may be seen in the following; The gospel is unchangeable in its essential elements. The gospel in its essential elements represents the fundamental and permanent in human nature and in God. It is God's approach to universal man, and not to any particular generation. Repentance and faith and regeneration are not temporary and transient phases of religious experience in the history of mankind. They are necessities resting upon all human beings who have sinned, if they are to be reclaimed to God. The truth about Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever, even as Christ is the same. The ultra conservative opinion, therefore, is true within these limits; that is to say, the preacher should adapt his message to the times in the sense which the times particularly call for.

Some of these elements will always be called for in all ages alike, but there are moral phases of ages. In our comple: the trust.

Socialism and Trusts.

tion to its highest point, and the demonstration, in capitalize the asset of newness.—Word and Way. the trust is the evolution of the system of competithe form of an anti-climax, so to speak, that the competitive system is a failure. The socialist holds that the trust is the best possible form of busines organization and at the same time the most potent instruall the great instruments of production, such as facheld by the people in common, and let all derive benefit from the same.

THE ATTITUDE OF THE SPIRIT OF THIS AGE. containing principles that are directly against the ministers, Dr. Dixon told me, to follow in the footthe trust in some other way, How to moralize the them. Perhaps one of the most generally discussed topics trust is the problem; how to take away its power of Ralph Connor, the author of "Black Rock" and gospel to the age in which he lives. I cite this as a fully through a series of weeks, there would be found striking example of a problem which is produced by deliverances on this subject which would represent current conditions. There are many others which

A Voice and Not an Echo.

On the one side there is the man war says that in vital sympathy with all the problems and all the tion as his novels.

The New Testament writers at every point vitalize the Sunday evening sermon. the breath of the times in which he lives; that the their message by reference to the actual conditions multitudes will turn away from the man whose mes- of the times in which they lived. Every problem tion of David Corson," is one of the leading pastors sage is an echo of former times, and so on and so dealt with in the writings of Paul, for example, is a of Circinnati, and the list could include still other problem growing out of concrete conditions among ministers who have found it an easy step from the The other extreme of opinion says that the gospel the people. The problem of the preacher is to grasp pulpit to the novel.-From "The Man Behind the is unchangeable; that truth is as eternal as the stars, these principles of the gospel and apply them to life. Novel," in the June Bohemian. nay, as God himself; that there is no modification of If he has a mind which is growing and really vital the gospel possible or destrable; that there is no he will, in the nature of the case, state the gospel his message to the times, but to call the times to what other uninspired men have said with reference adapt itself to his message, and so on and so forth. to the gospel, his message loses its power. Only a Biblical message passed through and vitalized by the spiritual experience of the preacher himself will have any real power. It will be found that the preachers of great power will have in their preaching the same great fundamentals, but that they will vary according to personality, according to circumstances and according to the needs of their times. No man who impresses other men in the pulpit is a mere ocho; much less is he an echo of an echo. Every preacher is in duty bound no matter what his training or where he received it to vitalize his message in his own experience and through his own personal study of the scriptures, and to tell out in terms of himself thus vitalized the message God has given to him. -Central Baptist.

THE NEW PASTOR.

that he should preach those element of the gospel There is something fascinatingly soductive about the sion: There is something fascinatingly seductive about the thought of being fresh on the field.

The new pastor does himself a kindness in conexist in the lower types of civilization. The lower the transition comes with jarring suddenness. By re- reconstruction is the same. counter, and the ethical bearings of the questions of himself from a humbling experience of being disilluhe must steadfastly resist the temptation to over-

SOME CLERGYMEN WHO WRITE NOVELS.

vidualism. Therefore, says he, adopt socialism. Let rapid-fire romances caught the public eye. It is not On the other hand, those who reject socialism, as deed, three Dixon brothers were educated as Baptist Medical College.

well-being of mankind, have to face the problem of steps of their father, who preached the gospel before

in modern religious life is the subject of this paper, oppression without robbing the individual of his "The Sky Pilot," in private life is Rev. Charles W. the attitude of the preacher toward his times. I ven- rights. This, indeed, is a serious question for the Gordon, of Winnipeg, and it was in the spare moture to say if the various papers published in the modern thinker to face who is seeking to apply the ments of his Canadian parish work that his virile characters of the North and West were sketched.

When Cyrus Townsend Brady is not writing historical romances, he is busy in the duties of one of the largest Episcopalian dioceses of the Central West. Until recently he was pastor of the Trinity Let it be said then that the preacher of the gospel church at Toledo, O., and is now located at Kansas is under obligation to be in closest relationship and City, where his sermons attract quite as much atten-

The man who wrote "In His Steps" and "Robert and his message to the age in which he lives; that which he lives. It will be necessary for him to con- Hardy's Seven Days" is Rev. Charles M. Sheldon, of sider the differences between his age and other ages, Topeka, Kan. Mr. Sheldon, in fact, first brought his of yesterday will not answer for today; that the man if he is to be a wise teacher and preacher. This is novels to public attention in his own pulpit, reading them aloud, a chapter at a time, as a substitute for

Charles Frederick Goss, author of "The Redemp-

AN OLD MINISTER.

for the prize of the high calling of God." In hours when I review that one dear life, The life of that one man whom most I owe, And ponder whether rich or vain his strife, His toll repaid with bitter wage or no. If piteous harvest before winter snow, His head unlaureled, though his long race run, By no strong son led where still waters flow, Day hardly softened, though it be near done.

cry in pity, yet the westering sun, With glory not of earth, lights up his face, And heaven hallows him, as who has won His earthly fight; far beyond power to trace My helpless love; and peace rests in his eyes, And God's high calling is his matchless prize. Samuel McCoy, in Scribner.

In speaking of the work that is being done at the McAuley mission, Ray Stannard Baker, in the July The new pastor needs much graze and wisdom to American Magazine, makes the following conclu-

"The point I wish to make most emphatically is that here in this mission of the slums, among the lowest of the low, is demonstrated again and again preaching, social aspects of the gospel, aspects of stantly keeping before him during the few fleeting the power of a living religion to reconstruct the inapplied Christianity, which are not the same in all days of his newness the fact that he is new, and that dividual human life. And it apparently makes not American civilization, for ex- the new has the depraved habit of wearing off. The the slightest difference whether the man is an unletample, we have certain moral problems which do not new pastor gets to be the old pastor and sometimes tered Chris or a university graduate, the power of Once grasped, such recivilization have not the problem of the trusts to en- membering that he is new, the new pastor may save ligious faith changes the whole world for the man who grasps it. It cures, as it did in apostolic times, sioned a little later on. His newness should make both bodies and souls, and it produces, moreover, a him cautious and conservative. He will not, if he be singularly simple and brotherly relationship among wise, depend upon his newness to carry the day. If those who are reached, a desire to serve one anruere is indeed a distinct issue in modern life regarding the trust. The socialist, for instance, says brothers."

"Miss Claudia Evangeline Crumpton, Alabama, A. M., graduate Georgetown College, Ky. Thesis: Thomas Dixon, Jr., is-or rather was-one of the Style of Chapman's Tragedies." This is found in ment of oppression when held under a system of indi- leading pastors of the East when the first of his the Convocation Bulletin from Chicago University. The number of graduates was 184, of all grades. generally known that his brother, Dr. A. C. Dixon, Miss Claudia is among the eight who bore off ditories, etc., become the property of the state and is the present pastor of the Moody church of Chicago, plomas as Masters of Art. Good reports from Robert and one of the men who first brought the Ruggles Crumpton, in the same institution, who has two Street Church of Boston to a national position. In- more years before graduation in medicine at the Rush

THE SALVATION OF THE CITY

C. C. S. WALLACE, D.D. L.L.D.

"Japanning at Jerusalem," said Jesus Sacrusalem was a city. The heads of the first foreign missionwirk was Antioch, a Syrian city. ejent three of the precious years ministry in Ephesus, a city of of a Ash Minor. For more than a year he tau at in Corinth, a city of Greece. While he was still in Ephesus, Paul said, planning his future work, "I must also we Rome." Rome was the chief the world at that time. In many other cities also, continually in Paul and his great colleagues presented the gospel of Jesus Christ.

was that the city might be saved, A was that the city might be saved, and fat the streams of influence where would inevitably flow from the cita light be pure and wholesome.

The City is a Fountain.

cities of the present day are source; of mighty influence. From treams flow forth over all the In the city the great newspaare edited, printed and published. The magazines are made in the city. largely the people of the city books which are most widely The fashions in hats, coats and in games and sports, and in soestoms, originate in the city. The cia majority of the tourists of the present they to for rest or change the manners of thought, conduct and life which they have learned in the city.

A TURIUPE CITY Corrupts the County. In schertain Canadian province there are as ny places where the God of Na turi ias made everything beautiful. Sulptured hills, the rich meadowe the singing brooks, the swinging tide waters, the great orchards, balow skies-all these have attracted the corrist. A generation and a half age the churches in these beautiful villages and country places were filled with everent worshipers, while Sabbath esecration and neglect of God's house were exceptional; but a great change has come about. The tourist from the city, the Sabbath breaker, worldy, ungodly, has come in summer, has id ed away his Sunday, has set an example of irreverence, indifference and godlessness; and the evil contaof it is apparent in the generation by young people in these quiet places of this Canadian province, who in Aspect to religion are utterly differest from their fathers and moth-

New what such a man does by his e, that the book also does, and to magazine, and the weekly paat the daily paper. More and the people of the villages and courses places are reading magazines, and ten daily newspapers. These cong from the city. They are proin the atmosphere of the city. If the are morally defective, the evil of their dissemination in the country is Fig. positive and great.

Fig. the safety of the country the men of the city need to be good. That the sinding of the people of the whole lane may be produced where high ide of morality prevail, and where revitence and faith are held in high

regard, it is of vital importance that the dominant life of the city shall be moral and religious. People, papers, books and fashions, produced in a worldly, corrupt and godless - atmosphere, will spread worldliness, corruption and godlessness throughout the communities of the land far and near.

The Increasing Urgency. The city looms larger than it did a while ago. It is nearer to the country than it was. The city is no longer reached by slow coaches. Its happenings are no longer reported a week or a month after they happen, going by herse and his rider to distant places. Trains pass out of the c'ty in all directions toward the country at the rate of thirty, forty, fifty, sixty miles an hour These carry the mails, the news does not wait for the trains. The telephone talks it; the telegraph tells it; and what happens at a. m. in the city is known far and wide at 7 a, m. in the country.

And the city is bigger than it was, actually and relatively. When the grandfather of the boy of ten was himself a boy of ten, for every boy in the city there were seven boys in the country, for every man and woman in the city there were seven men and seven women in the country. Now for every boy, man and weman in the city there are only two boys, two men and two women in the country, change that has been going on for years is going on still. It is deatined to go on.

Our civilization has changed. industrial life has been revolutionized. The migration to the city will continue. A few years from now the population of the cities of the United States will outnumber the population of the country places. When that day comes the majority of the voters who determine national affairs will be dwellers in cities. That is worth thinking over. The great cities, and many of the smaller cities, are notoriously ill governed. The "boss," the political "bully," the grafter, the conscienceless scoundrel, helps to put into office men of weak or perverted character. Then he fattens on the public treasury, or pursues a course of lawlessness for guilty pleasure or wicked gain, unmolested.

In the past evils of this kind have been known almost entirely in the cities, and the great country vote has saved the nation. But what will happen when relatively the country vote has dwindled to a minority, and when the great mass of voters live in the city? Unless, when that day comes, the character of the voters who live in the city is higher than it is now. this great nation will sink to a moral plane as low as that of the great city. Who can tolerate the thought of that woeful day in which, politically, the United States shall be as bad as New York, or Chicago, or San Francisco. or Boston?

Where the Growth Comes From.

If people stayed where they were born, the city population would not increase faster than that of the country. The families of the car are not larger than those of the country. The city baby has no better chance of growing up than the country bony. Indeed the advantages are on the other side, both in respect to the size of the family and the life of the baby. The city grows with disproportionated rapidity, because it attracts mulifiedes from outside of itself.

de of itself.
Who leave the places where they were born to swell the population of the city? | Partly the country people, partly the people from beyond- the seas. The poor or the restless or the ambitious leave the arms, and the immigrants forsake their foreign homes. They swell the population of the city. The migration from the farm to the city, in the last generation, has been in some parts of the country a mighty and ominor migration. It has been greater in the North than in the South, in the East than in the West. When the water power of the South has been developed, when thou-sands of mills have seen erected for cotton manufacture and other manufactures, and when commerce has greatly expanded, the power of the Southern city to drawishe country people into its fold will be even more in evidence than now. I has come to be very much in evidence in some parts of the South in recent years.

The increase of the American population by immigration has been one of the wonders of the world; and a vast body of this foreign population America may be found in the cities of the country. In some of the cities of New England nearly all the older people were born in the country or in Europe. A city of 100,000 population may be found in which there are well on to 10,000 Grecks, and not less than 25,000 French Canadians and the children of French Sanadians, more than 25,000 Irish and the children of Irish, and a great company of other foreign-born peoples.

On the 15th of December, 1908, there were in attendance in the schools of Lowell, Mass., children of the following nationalities, the gationality being reckoned on the basis of the birthplace and language of the father: frish, French, Canadian French, English, Canadian English, otch, Portuguese, Hebrew, (Russian, colish, German, Roumanian, and other foreign), Swedish, Polish, German, Greek, Italian, Norwegian, Armenian, Syrian, Flem-ish, Welsh, Lithuanian, Danish, Scotch-Irish, Slovak, Finnish, Russian, Rou-manian, Dutch, Magyar, Chinese, Ruthenian, Egyptian, Spanish-American, Japanese, Turkish, Bohemian.

The Immigrants.

When the immigrants arrive in this country they are pear. Those who can not speak English are greatly handicapped. For the most part they can get an opportunity to do only the cheapest kind of work. They are at the mercy of the cualdity of those who are willing to prey upon their ignorance and helplesopess.

A year or two ago, a man came to me hungry. In answer to my ques-

tion he told me, by signs and the few words which we knew in common, that he had eaten nothing for three days. He looked it. I believed him then. Later, when I knew him well, I still believed him. It was at a time when work was almost impossible to find for the man who was out of employment. I offered him money. He refused,

"Job! job! job" he insisted.

He was poor, hungry and a stranger, but a man. He was willing to work. He wanted a "job," He was not willing to eat as a beggar. I found him some chores to do in my cellar and garden. A friend also gave him a little similar employment. He proved himself intelligent and industrious. We paid him fifteen cents an hour. He earned it. I then went to a man who needed farmers to get him a permanent place.

"Yes," answered my friend, "I need men. I will give him work."

"What wages will you pay him?" "Fifty cents a day."

"Will you board him also?"

"No, I will pay him fifty cents a day and he must board himself. I can get plenty of foreigners at that price."

An American would have been paid not less than \$1.50 a day. One dollar was cut off of this man's wages because he could not speak English. This was in New England, and this employer of labor was a Christian. If this is done in a green tree, what may we expect in the dry?

The story of the sufferings of many immigrants in the early months of their residence in the cities of this country is a heart-breaking story. The less fortunate of the immigrants huddle together in narrow quarters. As many sleep in one room as should sleep in six or eight rooms. Food is scanty and poor. Surroundings are unsanitary, and disease spreads. Tuberculosis finds victims. Modesty, decency, virtue, righteousness-how can these flourish when men, women and children are huddled together like sheep in a pit? Under these conditions the foreign quarter of the city becomes a plague spot; and where the plague is, there the peril is liable to start.

The Children of the Foreigner.

They go to school. They learn English. Miss Mary E. Drew, a member of the First Baptist church of Lowell. who has taught in the public schools of that city more than forty years, and has interested herself sympathetically in the homes of those she taught, in answer to a letter, writes:

"I find children of foreign born, non-English-speaking parentage (as a rule) more eager to learn, and easier to keep interested and attentive, though hindered at first by the new language. They acquire that in a remarkably short time. I have known a large number of such children to go through all our grades in half the time that is usually required."

From the records of the schools of New England and New York many (Continued on Page 14)

This is the day in which every Christian worthy of the name should stand fast in his profession of allegiance to God. Very many nominal Christians are wavering in their profession of faith in Christ. They are losing their grip upon the Bible. They are being carried away by the false philosophies of the hour. They are enamored by science of one kind or another. Even the Christians are being misled by the enticements of disloyal theologians. Hence we exhort every Christian reader to stand fast in the true faith. Stand fast in the belief that the Bible is verily God's Word. Be not beguiled by the falsehood that the Bible contains many errors. Give no ear to those who say that it is largely contradictory. Listen not to the assertion of the men who say that the inspiration of the Bible is no greater than that which attaches to other good books. Again we say, stand continually fast in the fallest confidence that the Bible is the only book which God has given to the world as His authoritative revelation to mankind. He blesses the use of other books written by His servants in the interest of Christianity, but He never intended these should take the place of His inspired Word, nor be equal to it; therefore cleave to this Divine Book, in preference to all others, as the matchless treasury of those truths, doctrines, precepts and principles which are absolutely essential to the spiritual welfare of every soul. Then, too, stand fast in your profession of loyalty to Christ. This means very much when very many professed friends of Christ are advocating doctrines which are hostile to His delty, and are contrary to the whole drift of His teachings. He has a right to expect that His real friends will stand staunchly true to Him in all respects and under all circumstances. If all others were to turn traitor to Him, be yourself wholly loyal to Him, even to the end of life. In such an attitude you have the assurance that He will ever stand fast in His full support of you. God and His elect angels are evermore with the Christian who will not be moved away from steadfast fidelity to Christ, Never was a martyr for Christ forsaken by the God of heaven. Stand fast in the day of temptation and testing.

DR. BILEY AND HIS GREAT WORK.

Elsewhere in these columns will be found a commendation from Dr. W. B. Crumpton of Dr. Riley and his movement in behalf of the negro. It will be remembered that some weeks ago Dr, Riley made an extended statement concerning his work in the Alabama Baptist, and in religious papers throughout the country.

He has adopted Birmingham as his headquarters for the South and will push the work with his accustomed vigor from this time forth. He has been tendered a number of prominent positions as pastor of churches and as a college president, but has declined all in favor of this patriotic and philanthropic

No one is more familiar with the delicacy and dif- siderably." ficulty of such an undertaking than Dr. Riley, and yet he regards it as fundamental to the great question of prohibition, and for that reason he has assumed it. The assumption of the work by him has not been without deliberation. He says he has countany one.

Dr. Riley is no stranger in Alabama. He is a na-Howard college and wrote a physical geography of the state and the History of the Baptists of Alabama. He has many friends throughout the state who will doubtless welcome his return.

The work which he has undertaken is a tremendous inated Dr. Riley as a vice president of the Southern already in hand. requires a brave heart to assume a work so tremen- ble,

dous, but Dr. Riley is confident of ultimate success. Should he succeed he will benefit the negro industrially, financially, socially, morally and otherwise. It win prove a great blessing even if Dr. Riley measurably succeeds in his great effort. It will be far-

We bid our brother God-speed in his mighty under- of the churches is, to put it mildly, discouraging. taking, and all who know him believe that he can succeed if any one can.

reaching for good to both races if the negro can be

gotten into line as a moral and industrial factor.

TRADE'S ASTOUNDING LOSSES.

Julius Liebman, president of the association for the past year, in his address, reviewed the year of the drink industry:

"The status of the trade during the past year is one calculated to dishearten us. Analyzed statistics and figures which show a slight increase of 201,569 barrels in the total production of malt liquors, really indicate a tremendous downward trend-an astounding ter of fact, this slight increase was really a forerunner of a considerable positive decline."

Continuing, President Liebmann presented this comparative summary of beer production:

"Going back to 1903, we find the following annual away. increases of production, viz:

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"The average yearly increase during the five years prior to 1908 amounted, in round numbers, to 2,800,-201,569 barrels in 1908, and you will agree with me that the state of affairs was disheartening even then. 1908, to January, 1909, inclusive (excepting only Sepgregate these losses, less the slight gain in September and December, amount to 2,678,878 barrels, nearly equalling, in the number of barrels, the average yearly increase during the five years mentioned be-

"Add the loss of this average increase to the positive decrease and you will find a shortage amounting during eighteen months to about 5,500,000 barrels."

Although attempting to explain this sweeping decline in beer consumption on the ground that the mann presented no argument as to how it happens "In some states, of course, clusion he did admit: prohibition or local option aggravated matters con-

JULY FOR BIBLE AND COLPORTAGE.

The pastors and churches have never put proper estimate on this important department of our work. ed the cost and believes that the cause is worthy The State Mission Board has in charge a fund for this great business, in the way of handling books and treble its present work.

By W. W. Hamilton in last week's issue is a time ly article. The writer would have hesitated to have said as much while he was an evangelist under the board, but now that he is a pastor it comes with good grace and ought to be carefully considered.

That is just what many churches do, where they have the help of a board evangelist. It is better every way for them to go out under appointment of the boards, but the treatment received from some

Many a church, after having failed to pay as much as it would to an independent evangelist, has refused to give a collection for state missions when the BREWERS' NATIONAL PRESIDENT EPITOMIZES regular time came for that interest, giving as a reason that so much had been paid the evangelist.

We get these facts from the corresponding secretary and from members of our Alabama mission board. We are not surprised that they hesitate about continuing this branch of the service.

PASTORS AND SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERIN-TENDENTS.

I have been engaged in my new field of work fall from preceding annual increases; and as a mat- since June 1st. I am open for a few more engagements in connection with Baptist rallies and in holding Sunday school institutes during the summer. Any one desiring my services at any time during the summer or early fall had better write to me right

The thing that is uppermost in my mind in undertaking the Sunday school work of the state is to help raise the efficiency of the Sunday school teach-I am trying to do it by discussing the needs in Baptist rallies by holding institutes of one or more days and by doing personal work with teachers and officers. In doing this personal work I carry with me a full line of the best books on Sunday 000. Compare this with the negligible increase of school pedagogy, child study. Sunday school organization, etc. I shall go to a number of places where it is not convenient to hold meetings of the teachers But it grew much worse. Every month from July, and officers, but I can go into the homes of many of the teachers and officers and help them with their tember and December) shows a decrease. In the ag- individual problems. I have been into towns already and spent one day in talking to and planning with six to ten teachers and officers, selling to nearly every one of them from 50c to \$2.50 worth of books bearing directly on each one's work. To my thinking a day: like that is worth more than a day of speaking.

Allow me to say that I want to do some of the best work of my life, while I am in the employ of the Baptist state board of missions, and furthermore that I am ambitious to make this new department of our state mission work self-upporting. The Bapbusiness depression had caused it, President Lieb- tist Sunday schools of Alabama can easily support a very strong department of Sunday school work. How that the tremendous drop in the beer business during can we do this? Let every Sunday school give one past six months has only kept pace with the steady contribution during the first month of every quarter extension of prohibition territory, although in con- to the support of this work. Send it to Rev. W. B. Crumpton, stating that it is for this special work. Hoping that I may have the co-operation of every pastor, Sunday school superintendent and Sunday school teacher in this work, I am going to put my J. T. M'KEE, life into it.

Superintendent of Normal Work of the Baptist State Board of Missions.

Dr. William M. Vines, pastor for the past year of purpose which ought steadily to grow larger. No the Hanson Place church, Borough of Brooklyn, New York, presented his resignation on June 18. tive of this state, has been pastor of some of the Bibles can be done without capital. Five thousand closing ministrations will occur on June 27, and with churches of the state, was for five years president of dollars as a working basis would enable the board to Mrs. Vines he will sail for Europe on June 30. While abroad he will preach in several churches. On his The policy of the board is not to make money out return Dr. Vines will become pastor of the church at of the colporters, but to furnish them books and Asheville, N. C., for the second time, his former pas-Bibles at as near cost as possible. The expenses of torate having covered a period of five and one-half the department are not large. The most of the money years. The membership of the Asheville church is one. In recognition of its merits Dr. Hawthorne nom- given by the churches goes in to increase the fund more than 1,000, and the church is noted for the extent of its beneficence. The call to Dr. Vines was Baptist convention, recently held in Louisville, and Let every church and pastor remember Bible and especially hearty, and appealed so strongly to him the convention unanimously adopted the work. It colportage in July in as liberal contribution as possi- that he was convinced that it was his duty to go back.—The Examiner,

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Arkate phia.—Baptist and Reflector.

I his protract my meetings at all my churches-Sugget lle, Whatley, Amity and Evergreen-in Au- about \$10,000. Will begin work in a few days. gust and September, after which I hope to furnish you come interesting news .- P. M. Calloway.

An exting on nicely here on my field—Pleasant expect a glorious work here for our Hill and Shiloh churches. We are building a new the Lord bless you.—J. W. Partridge. chur it is since coming here six weeks ago. Hope to see at the association.-H. C. Dunn.

Albert ille. Our house was crowded both at the Americus, Ga., did the preaching. We received mostlyg and evening services. Ten joined the some valuable material into the church. We prechus I two by baptism and eight by letter. Our pros-

Physentire city (Fort Worth) joins its regret with est Baptist church over the going of Dr. Daniel to thanta. He was counted one of the first citizens the city. He was a business man among businen, a layman among laymen. His greatest work was not confined to the pulpit. To say that a who I new day has been brought about in that chuse during his four years' pasterate is to express it and servatively.—Baptist Standard.

the Spurgeon's College anniversary Archibald told an incident in his life. One day he presented for Spurgeon as he sometimes did when Specieon was unwell. Four years afterwards he rea letter from a lady in America, who said her fails was in the congregation that day, having gone ir the great Spurgeon. His daughter wrote he had died in Christ, and had wished word to be sent it young man who preached that morning to tell hita sithough it was an awful disappointment when pped on the platform, it had been the salvation of the soul.-Western Recorder.

bursuance of the instructions of the Baptist Ye'ng People's Union of the South, auxiliary to the Soull'ern Baptist convention, the executive committe its recent meeting in Louisville, Ky., unanimaisly elected Rev. Thomas J. Watts to the posiof corresponding secretary. Mr. Watts will dities the work of the B. Y. P. U. of the south in conrece nection with his labors as field representative of the Soct ern Baptist Theological Seminary and his permanent address will be 660 Fourth avenue, Louisville Ky.-B. A. Dawes, Chairman Executive Commilitee

begin a meeting here today, with Rev. C. M. Merits, of Moss Point, Miss., as help. We are exped ag great things of the Lord, for He has promch fish at Theodore, to which I have the pleasure of praching twice monthly, has just closed a twelve da e, meeting. The consecrated pastor of Newton, Here R. M. Hunter, did the preaching: Our Lord fa- fessor Bragg is a Morgan county man and a teacher vo cd his laborers at that place by giving us an instring of sixteen souls, 15 for baptism. Paster his flock were brought nearer to one another, everybody enjoyed a revival long to be remem- at the First church, Savannah, Ga. There have Hayou La Batre, Ala.

We regret to learn of the death of Dr. J. J. Porter, On the first Sunday in this month we began a Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Bow, of Louisville, Ky., who cerwhich recurred at Winchester, Ky., on Monday, June meeting which came to a close on the 13th. The ebrated their thirty-fourth wedding anniversary repastor did the preaching. Twenty-two additions to cently, have many friends in Alabama. the church, 17 by baptism and 5 by letter. On the Dr. John T. Christian, of the Second Baptist first Sunday in this month I began my third year's church. Our Sunday school has almost doubled in regular attendance. We have arranged for the construction of a new church house, which will cost R. H. Hunt, of Chattanooga, has our plans and specifications about completed. We have some noble people here and when we are in our new house we expect a glorious work here for our Master. May

Bro. Vaughan has been with us six months and our church has made steady progress. We recently Last Sunday was a great day for the Baptists of held a meeting of ten days. Bro. R. L. Bivens, of sented Bro. Bivens with a purse of forty dollars for happy event which took place last Wednesday tening at the home of Bro. and Sister Payne at Lan dale, Miss. Bro. Vaughan will return home with bride on June 22d. Our church is arranging to give them a hearty welcome. Tell Bro. Crumpton he may expect greater things from old Girard in the future.-H. S. Sullivan, Girard.

> In the early part of the year 1891, Hon. Way, E. Gladstone said to Dr. T. DeWitt Talmage: The older I grow, the more confirmed I am in my with in religion. Sir," said he, with flashing eye and uplifted hand, "talk about the questions of the day, there is but one question, and that is the grapel. That can and will correct everything. I am glad to say that about all the men at the top in Great Britain are Christians. Why, sir," he said, "I have been in public position fifty-eight years, and forty-seven years in the cabinet of the British government band during those forty-seven years I have been associated with sixty of the master minds of the country, and all but five of the sixty were Christians."

Can He Be Stopped? A fellow, calling himself a Journal and Messenger. Baptist preacher, for several years has been in veling in the South. He halls from Tennessee, Arkinsas or Missouri, as it suits him. He has been several times published, but he marches right along. His latest was in a Florida town, where he forged a church letter and got in on it. He remained pastor for six months before the end came, I saw high at the Florida convention in January and warned the brethren. He ought to have been arrested of the spot; but the brethren let him go his way. He has victimized parties in Alabama on three trips he has made in the last five years. Look out for him W. B. Crumpton.

iser to do great things for His people. The Baptist contracting parties were Miss Willie Mae Crung ton and Prof. Jas. N. Bragg, of Five Points, Ala. Rev. W. B. Crumpton, of Montgomery, officiated. Willie Mae is a graduate of the Judson College. Proof experience.

Rev. Dr. W. L. Pickard has had an excellent year ay everybody enjoyed a revival long to be remem- at the First church, Savannan, Ga. There may be seen by sed. May God's blessings be upon our beloved R. more than 100 additions, bringing the member hip Hunter and success to the paper.-D. R. Parker, up to 1,150. Nearly \$17,000 was contributed [62] all and Shaffer.-W. J. Elliott, Secretary-Treasurer purposes.

A famous advocate of out-door preaching contends church. Little Rock, Ark., has been elected to the work with this church. Since coming here two that the genuine gospel quality of a preacher's meschaft of Bible and Philosophy in Ouachita college, years ago we have received 85 members into the sage is ested by its hold on the mind of an open air congregation. A gospel which can not endure an airing is no gospel at all.

> Bro. E. N. Walne, missionary to Japan, who is now spending his furlough in Dallas, is gradually-improving. By fall he will be ready to engage in work and he expects to do some writing of a valuable nature to his work in Japan.-Baptist Standard.

> "How early shall we teach? The age will vary, but be sure to let purity have the first word. The child will ask questions early; let not the coarse reply get in its work before the chaste one comes."-Francis E. Willard.

Confirming the recent statement of Dr. William Osler that the anti-tuberculosis campaign is no longer a battle for the doctors only, the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis issues a statement in which it is shown that over 45 per cent of those enlisted in the white plague war are laymen. P

It is rumored that the Baptist Temple of Brooklyn, N. Y., will call Rev. C. H. Rust, of Rochester, N. Y., as successor to Dr. Cortland Myers, who has succeeded Dr. Henson at Tremont Temple, Boston, Mrs Rust, it will be remembered, was for years chapel car/missionary in Minnesota and Wisconsin.-The Standard

Rev. Russeli H. Conwell baptized his five thousandth candidate at the Baptist Temple in Philadelphia on June 6. After the baptism, the congregation sang "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow," and an electric sign above the baptismal font displayed the motto "5,000." Dr. Conwell has com-pleted his twenty-fifth year as pastor of this church. A "home coming" celebration of all the persons baptized by him is planned for next October.

We give the following out of the Pathfinder: Surely it is an age of wonders. A New York woman a few days ago fell sick and upon finding that her physician had sailed for Europe two days before she immediately sent her symptoms by wireless, caught the doctor and got a prescription in the course of a few hours. The costs of the telegraphing were but \$10. The fee has not yet been reported. Presumably diagnosis and prescription by wireless call for a fancy price.

Dear Bro. Barnett: Rev. A. E. Burns, who died A number of friends witnessed a beautiful home recently, was an active member of the Alabama. wedding at the residence of J. R. Crumpton, hear Baptist Ministerial Benefit Society up until about one Pleasant Hill, in Dallas county, on June 21st. The year ago when, for some reason, he allowed his membership to lapse. I believe we should adopt Bro. Gable's suggestion and send Sister Burns and the children the usual fee of \$2 as a voluntary gift. I will state that I am ready to receive and receipt for any amount the brethren may send in. Several have already sent their \$2 for the family of the deceased. I would be glad if every member of the society who has not paid assessments Nos. 4 and 5 would remit as soon as possible and let us have a final settlement with the heirs of Brethren Sandlin Montgomery, Ala.

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RESOLUTIONS FROM THE WOOD-LAWN BAPTIST LADIES' AID SOCIETY.

Whereas, In the wisdom of our Heavenly Father. He has seen fit to remove from our midst our beloved sister, Mrs. Anna Crouch, therefore, be it

Resolved, That in her death our society, our church and our community have sustained a great loss. Her life of purity and consecration, her tender solicitude for the welfare of others, her cheerful smile to all with whom she came in contact, made her life a blessing to all who knew her, and while our hearts are torn with grief. we bow in humble submission to the Divine will, thanking Him that we should have had her with us even for a short time.

Resolved further. That we extend to the bereaved husband and sister our heartfelt sympathies, and pray God to send them that comforting grace which He alone can give.

Resolved further. That our Secretary be instructed to send to Brother Crouch a copy of these resolutions, as well as have them printed in the next issue of the Alabama Baptist and the Birmingham Baptist Bulletin.

> MRS. W. L. ROBERTSON, Chairman.

MRS. MASSEY, MRS. CLAPP,

Committee.

Rev. W. P. Hunt, of Louisville, has been called to the pastorate of the First Baptist church of Chickasha, Okla. The Oklahoma convention will meet there this year in the magnificent new church building. We are glad to know that the pastors of Louisville gave Bro. Hunt a purse of gold for his untiring work as chairman of the entertainment committee.

Dr. Arthur T. Pierson, the great authority on missions, will put in two months in England in attending conventions. The theme of the program of the next world's Sunday school convention will be "The Sunday School and the Great Commission," More and more mission work is being magnified.

The entertainment feature of the assembly program for the Missouri B. Y. P. U. this year is conspicuous by its absence. This does not mean that there will not be plenty of time for recreation, but it does mean that solid work will be done.

The secular press gives it out that Dr. W. M. Vines, pastor of the Hanson Place Baptist church, Brooklyn, N. Y., has been called to the First church, Asheville, N. C. If he accepts, it will be the second time he has served it as pastor.

Mr. J. B. Roberts, of Atlanta, Ga., who has accepted the management of the Baptist sanitorium at Dallas, Tex., has many warm friends in the South, made by him as manager of the branch house of the American Baptist Publication Society at Atlanta, Ga.



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We regret to learn that Henry, the son of Dr. H. W. Battle, is ill with ty-

Dr. H. M. Wharton recently held a series of meetings with Pastor Kerfoot at Port Norfolk, Va.

The Baptist Record of June 17th, devotes its front page to a Sunday school lecture by Rev. W. B. Earnest.

Coliseum Place Baptist church, New Orleans, is still pastorless. This is a good field which requires a strong man

Rev. A. J. Moncrief is evidently getting the hearts of his people at Ralelgh, N. C., as \$12,000 will be spent in remodeling the Tabernacle.

In the meeting with the First Bap tist church at Tifton, Ga., where the pastor was assisted by Rev. John E. Barnard, 33 were added to the church.

Prof. C. R. Henderson, of the University of Chicago, has been appointed a member of the International Prison Commission, representing the United

Dr. W. C. Biting, pastor of the Second Baptist church, S. Louis, Mr. has been appointed by Gov. Hadley, of Missouri, chaplain of the National Guard of Missouri.

The Baptist Visitor states that: During July, Dr. W. M. Vines, of Brooklyn, will supply Union Chapel, Manchester, England, of which Dr. Alexander McLaren is pastor emeritus.

Rev. John McNeill has declined to become permanent pastor of Christ church, Westminster-bridge-road, London, England, and will probably resume his evangelistic mission work,

In the meeting recently held with the First Baptist church, Jackson, Miss., by Dr. Luther E. Little, of the Home Board evangelists, there were 72 additions to the church.

The old comrades and friends of Dr. John William Jones have decided to mark his grave with some suitable memorial shaft. Gifts should be sent to Hon. J. Taylor Ellyson, Richmond, Va.

Dr. Cornelius Woelfkin, of Rochester, N. Y., preached the annual sermon of Richmond college. Dr. P. S. Henson, the first full graduate of the college, was present during the commencement and made an address.

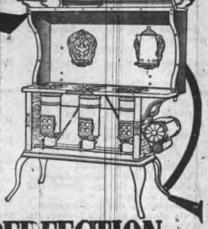
It was a graceful thing for the students of Judson college to dedicate their annual student publication, "The Conversationalist," to Prof. S. S. Sherman, of Chicago.

Alexander McLaren, after a stay of more than three score years in Manchester, England, is going back to Edinburgh, Scotland, to spend his remaining years. He is now over 80 years of age.

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OW that the convention is over we earnestly beg the pastors to get out and try to secure some new subscribers on the \$1.00 offer to Jan., 1910. We hope that those who were at Louisville caught the new spirit of co-operation towards the denominational weeklies as shown in the reports of the Home, Foreign and Sunday School Boards.

Wednesday, 28, Mobile, Bayou la Batre, Ala.

AUGUST.

Tuesday, 10, Selma, Shiloh, P. O. Selma, R. 1.

Wednesday, 25, Butler County, Da-lascus, 8 miles east of Greenville. Friday, 27, Montgomery, Wednimpka. Tuesday, 31, Shelby, Calera.

SEPTEMBER.
Wednesday, 1, Tuscaloosa, Holt.
Fuesday, 7, Bigbee, Pushmataha, 20
miles south of Cuba.

Tuesday, 7, Union, Gordo.
Tuesday, 7, North River, Jasper.
Wednesday, 8, Colbert, Cherry Hill
church, P. O. Waco.
Wednesday, 8, Bethel, Thomaston.
Wednesday, 8, St. Clair Communication.

Wednesday, 8, St. Clair County, Mt. Pisgah church, Cropwell, Ala. Wednesday, 8, Calhoun, Jacksonville.

Thursday, 9, Lauderdale, Florence. Tuesday, 14, Carey, Union Church,

Tuesday, 14, Cherokee, Salem, Rock Run, Ala. Wednesday, 15, North Liberty, Ath-

ens church, 12 miles north of Decatur. Friday, 17, Mineral Springs, Watts Union, near Warrior, Ala,

Wednesday, 21, Birmingham, Ru-hama, East Lake, Ala, Bethlehem, Enon Wednesday, 22, Bethlehem, Enon Church, McNeil, Ala. Wednesday, 22, Coosa River, Winter-

boro, Ala. Friday, 24, Cedar Bluff, Gayles-

ville, Ala. Tuesday, 28, Muscle Shoals, Enon

Cliurch, Danville, Ala.

Tuesday, 28, Cleburne, Chulaffinnee,
10 miles southwest of Heflin, Ala. Tuesday, 28, Clear Creek, New Pros-

pect Church, near Haleyville, Ala Wednesday, 29, Cahaba, Uniontown.
Wednesday, 29, Bibb County, Antioch Church, Centreville, R. 4.
Wednesday, 29, Central, Friendship
church, Tallassee, R. 1.

Thursday, 30, Tennessee River, Cave Springs church, Stevenson, Ala. Thursday, 30, Etowah, Pilgrim Rest church, Gadsden, R. 1.

OCTOBER.

Friday, 1, Macedonia, church, Washington county. Macedonia Friday, 1, Sulphur Springs, Mt. Zion nurch, Warrior. church.

Saturday, 2, Yellow Creek, Shiloh church, 6 miles north of Vernon. Tuesday, 5, East Liberty, Center church, Lafayette, Ala.

Tuesday, 5, Tuskegee, Notasulga.
Tuesday, 5, Harris, Pittsview. Liberty, Center

Clarke County, Jackson, Ala., time

uncertain.
Tuesday, 5, New River, Concord church, 12 miles south of Fayette.
Wednesday, 6, Unity, New Prospect church, 6 miles west of Mountain

Creek. Wednesday, 6, Weogufka, Pleasant Hill church, 6 miles east of Jemison,

Thursday, 7, Big Bear Creek, Little Bear Creek church No. 1, Tuscumbia. Friday, 8, Alabama, Sandy Ridge

church, Lowndes county.
Tuesday, 12, DeKally, Mt. Vernon
Church, 3 miles east of Portervilles
Tuesday, 12, Carey, Union church,

Wadley.
Wednesday, 13, Salem-Troy, Hepzibah church, P. O. Troy.
Wednesday, 13, Zion, Pleasant
Wednesday, 13, Lovel Coy-

Wednesday, 13, Zion, Pleasant Grove church, P. O. Red Level, Cov-

ington County. Wednesday, 13, Pine Barren, Ackerville

Wednesday, 13, Mud Creek, Mud Creek church, P. O. Adger, Ala. Wednesday, 13, Chilton County, New Cedron church, 4 miles north of Bil-

Wednesday, 13, Columbia, Pleasant Hill church, P. O. Gordon, R. 1. Thursday, 14, Harmony Grove, Ham-Ilton, Ala.

Thursday, 14, Blount County, Cleveland, Ala.

Carmel church, Gant, R. 3. Friday, 15, Elim, Pine Barren Ch., P. O. Atmore

P. O. Atmore.
Saturday, 16, Arbocooche, Mt. Pleasant Ch., P. O. Wedowee.
Tuesday, 19, Shady Grove, P. O. Bear Creek, Marion county.
Tuesday, 19, Cullman, Cullman.
Tuesday, 19, Coffee County, Ebenezer Ch., Ozark, R. 2.
Wednesday, 20, Escambia, Brewton.
Wednesday, 20, Judson, Bethel Ch., P. O. Cotton Hill, Barbour county.
Wednesday, 20, Sipsey, Arbor Springs Ch., near Samantha.

Wednesday, 20, Sipsey Springs Ch., near Samantha. Wednesday, 20, Eufaula, Mt. Xion church, Louisville.

Friday, 22, Antioch, Isney, Choctaw

county.
Tuesday, 26, Randolph, New Hope
Ch., P. O. Hightower, R. 1.
NOVEMBER.
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Wednesday, 3, Centennial, Macedonia Ch., P. O. Glenwood, Ala. (R. R.)
Wednesday, 3, Crenshaw County,
Friendship Ch., Glenwood, Ala. Wednesday, 10, Geneva, Pilgrim's Home Ch., P. O. Newton, Ala. Tuesday, 16, Conecuh, Brooklyn.

THE SUGGESTED PROGRAMME OF ALABAMA BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION,

To Be Held at Andalusia, July 20-23, 1909.

TUESDAY.

9 a. m. Devotional Exercises W. Macon, Howard College.

9:30 a. m. Enrollment of delegates and election of officers.

10 a. m. Report of Program Committee-J. S. Carroll.

10:10 a. m. Reception of visitors. 10:20 a. m. Introduction of new pastors.

10:30 a. m. Welcome address;

10:50 a. m. Response.

11 a. m. Introductory Sermon-G. B. Yates.

AFTERNOON.

2:45 p. m. Devotional Exercises-G. W. Macon.

3 p. m. Reading reports:

(a) Board of Directors.

(b) Treasurer of Convention.

(c) State Board of Missions.

(d) Howard College Trustees.

(e) Treasurer of Howard College Endowment Fund.

(f) Ministerial Education.

(g) Judson College Trustees.

(h) Healing Springs Trustees.

(i) Baptist Collegiate Institute Trustees.

(j) Orphans' Home Trustees.

(k) Aged Ministers' Fund.

(i) Federation of Schools. (m) Statistical Secretary.

4:15 p. m. Appointment of committees to report at this session. EVENING.

8 p. m. Devotional Exercises-G. W. Macon.

8:15 p. m. Report on Home Missions-J. H. Foster. Discussed by B. D. Gray and others.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

9 a. m. Devotional exercises—G. W. Macon. Discussion of State Missions-15 minute speeches

10 a. m. Secretary W. B. Crumpton on State Missions, followed by open discussion.

AFTERNOON.

2:45 p. m. Devotional Exercises G. W. Macon.

3 p. m. Sunday School Report-J.

Friday, 15, Gilliam Springs, Mt. S. Carroll. Discussed by representative of the S. S. Board.

3:45 p. m., Sunday School Conference-D. W. Sims.

4:30 p. m. Conference of Vice Presidents of Foreign Mission Board.

EVENING.

Devotional Exercises G. 8 p. m. W. Macon.

8:15 p. m. Foreign Mission Report -A. J. Dickinson. General discussion. Discussed by Secretary Foreign Mission Board

THURSDAY.

Devotional Exercises-G. 9 a. m. W. Macon.

Aged and Infirm Minis-9:15 a. m. ters-Henry H. Foster.

9:45 a. m. Ministerial Education-J. M. Shelburne and A. J. Hendricks. 10:30 a. m. Howard College. Dis-cussed by Jas. B. Ellis, N. D. Denson, W. A. Taliaterro, A. P. Montague.

AFTERNOON.

2:45 p. m. Devotional Exercises-G. W. Macon.

3 p. m. Healing Springs Institute-W. B. Spear and others.

3:30 p. m. Baptist Collegiate Institute-A. W. Tate and others.

4 p. m. Woman's Work, Open Discussion-A. G. Moseley.

EVENING.

8 p. m. Devotional Exercises-G. W. Macon.

8:15 p. m. Laymen's Movement: Stewardship of Business Talents and Possessions - J. T. Henderson,

8:45 p. m. Address-H. S. D. Mal-

9:15 p. m. Open Parlian Movement in a Local Church.

Relation of Pastors to the Movement. Work of State and Association

Leaders. Tithing.

Weekly Giving.

Financing the movement.

FRIDAY.

9 a. m. Devotional Exercises-G. W. Macon.

Temperance Report-G. 9:15 a. m E. Brewer Open discussion.

9:45 a. m. Orphans' Home Report. Open discussion.

11 a. m. Judson College. Discussed by Preston Blake, Birmingham; J. V. Brown, Dothan; J. L. Rosser, Selma, and R. G. Patrick.

AFTEROON.

There will be a mission study class each day conducted by Dr. T. B. Ray. This is a new feature in a state convention. It will be of interest and will be very helpful indeed for those. who will attend.

Committee.

Those who know G. W. Macon, of Howard, know what a treat there is in store for the convention in the devotional exercises. Bro. Macon will lead all devotional exercises. He is giving special attention to this.

J. J. HAGOOD.

Brother Crumpton authorizes us to say that the time of closing State Mission Books will be extended to July 7th because of a misunderstanding of the date by the brethren of the Birmingham district.

OLIVER C. DOBBS RESIGNS.

Surrenders Pastorate of Sixty-sixth Street Baptist Church to Enter Another Field of Work.

Rev. Oliver C. Dobbs has resigned as pastor of the Sixty-sixth Street Baptist church, effective August 1st. Bro. Dobbs came from the Brookside Baptist church about a year and onehalf ago, and though his stay among us has been brief, it has been brilliant. He is one of the most prominent of the younger set of Baptist ministers in Alabama, and his resignation was accepted with reluctance and regret.

No man ever labored more earnestly for souls and more devotedly for the



OLIVER C. DOBBS

church than he, and no man has ever filled a pastorate with more universal satisfaction than he at this place. Always faithful and bold to speak out against every manner of sin, yet tender and forgiving toward the erring; generous and kind with every one until he, we believe, had the love and respect, not only of each member, but of every person in the community. Bro. Dobbs is a man of strong character, lofty ideals, great ambition, and a young minister of the gospel with few peers. His work among us has been fruitful of untold good and marked with harmony in every department. He and his good wife have greatly endeared themselves to us all, and the breaking of those ties peculiar to pastor and people seem especially hard at this time.

Bro. Dobbs leaves us voluntarily and in the face of an increased salary. In resigning he stated that the. cry of dying men and women for the gospel of Jesus Christ was pressing him until he felt that he must help in carrying it to them. He has no definite plans for the future, though he has probably enough demands; at present to carry him through the summer in evangelistic work in Alabama and other states. He is in a meeting at Mineral Springs this week and at Tuscaloosa next week.

May the blessings of heaven rest upon him in whatever field the Master may direct is our prayer.

CHURCH CLERK. East Lake, Ala., June 21, 1909.

WARD COLLEGE MASS MEET-ING IN MONTGOMERY.

Da Sunday afternoon, June 20, at 30 the Baptists of Montgomery asmoled in a mass meeting in the inest of Howard college. Notwithanding the downpour of rain oughout the entire day, there was cod audience present. L. Lasseter, Howard trustee in Montgomery, sided with grace and efficiency. remarks in behalf of the institun were pointed, timely and wise.

D. C. A. Stakely made the opening Cemarks, assuring Dr. Montague hearty welcome he had in the Tay, and also of the interest that Laitgomery Baptists had in the instiand also of the interest that iden. He asked all who would try 3 get at least one new student for the Est session to stand up. About thir men present agreed to the proposi-

Rev. S. A. Cowan, pastor of South-Fide Baptist church, spoke on the need I.a denominational college and who should supply that need. His arguwent was affirming the need, and that Baptists, themselves, must furden it.

So the writer was asked to speak on e alumni and their support of the litution. He mentioned four things they ought to give. 1. Their sym-it is and prayers. 2. Their money as a Lord has prospered and in proporof to their means. 3. Send their bys to the college for their teaching in training. t. trive it their locuse take get to talking for the institu-

The principal address of the afterwas that delivered by Dr. Mon-He gave quotations from arti-Cosmopolitan as to the attitude Worthern, Eastern and Western eges as to religion and God's ord. I give only two of his quotaones. From the president of Stanford of Stanford of President of Stanford of S canol bring temporary insanity, and soes a revival of religion. This is form of drunkenness no more by of respect than the drunken-That lies in the gutter." From Willet, of Harvard. University: doctrine of the virgin birth was an esoteric doctrine. Our genfillon does not share in this old bedoes not feel that it is neces-After giving these quotations, Montague showed the number of ges that had been founded by re-Liteus denominations, the number bemany times more than those f arded by individuals. The prime ar in the rounding of the minisbut when the denominations besy saw that what was good for the bister was also good for the layhence the effort to educate all hoys under the influence of a rightian college. The result, he. * 1. had been a finer type of citizenand a purer form of civic life. Montague's closing statement was "Finally, the denominational Rege of the south, especially, be-

If we in a philosophy that holds to an

immortal soul, a personal God, a divine Christ and a full faith in the Bible. In the curriculum of the denominational college there are no books that teach the sad, false lesson of a dead soul, of death the end of all things here; in its faculty is met no teacher who matching his puny mind against infinite wisdom, would find errors in the Old Testament, flaws in the New."

The address was well received, and great good will without doubt come from it. It is quite likely that a number of students will be sent from Montgomery because of this meeting. At its close a set of resolutions were passed reaffirming our belief in the denominational college, pledging our support to the next endowment movement, and also to secure pupils for the session that will open in September.

The Baptists of Alabma do not realize how rich they are with the influence of such a college as Howard. They have not realized their full responsibility towards its financial and moral support. When they do realize this, it, with the present able management, will rapidly grow into a great Baptist university, which is much needed.

It should have liberal giving, large patronage, abundant support from every Baptist in the State. To my mind, there has never been a wiser plan or more far reaching campaign than the campaign now being prosecuted throughout the state to secure influeace and enthusiasm. May the blessings of the Lord abide upon the insti-tution, its faculty, student body and trustees. J. W. O'HARA. Pastor Clayton Street Baptist Church.

Montgomery, Ala., June 21, 1909.

BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

The Alabama Baptist State Convention will meet in its eighty-eighth session in the town of Andalusia, Ala., at 10 a. m. Tuesday, July 20, 1909.

The convention sermon will be preached that day at 11 a. nº by Rev. G. L. Yates, of New Decatur, or by his alternate, Rev. T. J. Porter, of Roanoke, Ala.

The following is Article 1 of the constitution, viz:

Article 1-This body shall be known "The Alabama Baptist State Convention," and shall consist: (1) Of three delegates from each Baptist district association in Alabama co-operating with this Convention, if said Association shall have five hundred members, or under, and one additional delegate for every five hundred members. or fraction thereof, above the number, whose annual election or appointment shall be duly certified by the printed minutes or certificate of an officer of the Association represented by them; (2) of one delegate from each church co-operating with this Convention, if said church shall have fifty members, or under, and one additional delegate for every fifty members, or fraction thereof, above that number; (3) of persons who contribute funds or are representatives of churches contributing funds for the regular work of this convention, on the basis of one representative for each one hundred dollars actually paid into the treasury of the

boards of this Convention during the fiscal year preceding its assembly. But in all cases must delegates to this body be brethren of Baptist churches in good standing

The committees on transportation will, I suppose, take announcements in a few days.

M. M. WOOD, Secretary of the Convention. Furman, Ala., June 24, 1909.

A TRIP THE UGH MAMMOTH CAVE.

Editor Frank Villis Barnett, of the Alabama Baptist presented to his readers a humorous and interesting description of his visit to the Mammoth Caye. After a voluminous recital of his extensive travels, he characterizes the elegant modern Louis-ville hotels in depreciative French epithets, chants a gean of eulogy for the ancient, dilapide ed and moss-covered eating-house at the cave, draws on a pair of overalls twice too large and dives into the give just in time to see it in the psychological moment; whereupon he spses into a literary and mythological mood and quotes among others Divden, Dante and much pre-historic Greek lore. He concludes with this advice: "I advise you to wear old shoes. His article is illustrated. In the half-tone marked "Mammoth Cave Hotel," the building shows up well by not appearing at all. We do not cherish so exalted and so sacred a meriory for this venerable building as out beloved and brilliant brother editor, though we agree with him that the "Garden" is indeed a spot which makes the soul revel in ecstasy. As for as, we would prefer the Cecil; the Prin e de Galles, of Paris: the Albergo di Milano, of Rome; the Victoria, of Volice; the Monopole, of Cologne; or the Metropole, of Heidelberg.-W. W. Lee, Editor Western Evangel.

Likes the Write-Up.

I like your prticle on the subject of your visit to this place so much that I want to use a part of it in our pamphlet-if you have no objection. It is the production of a cultured gentleman and school, and gives me great pleasure. Your mention of places that you have visited in Europe recalled to my mind my own experiences in that part of the world. I have sent away the two copies of the Baptist I re-ceived, and went a few more. I in-close 20 cents in stamps.

Yours truly,
ALBERT CORINGTON JANIN, Frustee M. C. Estate.

We welcome to the easy chair a brilliant recruit from the pastorate, Dr. J. W. Porter, of Lexington, Ky., who resigns the First church of that city to become editor of the Western Retorder.

Brother Crumpton authorizes us to say that the time of closing State Mission books will be extended to July 7th because of a misunderstanding of the date by the brethren of the Birmingham distract.

NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENTS.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County. In Chancery. Circuit Court of Jefferson County.

Louisa Tarver vs. Birmingham-Ensley Land and Improvement Co., a cor poration.

this cause it being made to appear to the Judge of this Court, in term time, by affidavit of Maud Mc-Lure Kelly, solicitor of complainant, that the defendant, the Birmingham-Ensley Land and Improvement Co. is a domestic corporation of the of Alabama, and that in her belief there is no person in its employ or doing business for it in this State, it is therefore ordered that publication be made in the Alabama Baptist, a be made in the Alabama Bapti newspaper published in the city of mingham, Ala:, once a week for consecutive weeks, requiring the said Birmingham-Ensley Land and Improvement Co. to answer or demur to Bill of Complaint in this cause by 24th day of July, 1909, or after ty days therefrom a decree Pro thirty days

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(Continued from Page 7.) striking illustrations might be taken of the remarkable intellectual alertness of the children of immigrants.

The children of the immigrant, taking advantage of our schools, will become educated. Many of them will take positions of great influence in politics and in the professional world. Many others will establish great business enterprises and will become leaders in industry, commerce and finance. What we have already seen of their alertness, adaptability and mental force, and of their achievements, makes this as certain as the coming of the morrow. What shall be the moral and religious character of these people when they have taken places of eminence and leadership?

What Next?

Into the atmosphere of the city the young people of the country are going. Into the atmosphere of the city the children of the immigrant are being educated. What shall the harvest be?

When the young man goes to the city shall he be lost to the church, to religion and the Christ? Shall he become worldly, perhaps sensual, possibly devilish? In a thousand cases this has happened, and a thousand more. Hearts are breaking in the country because of what has happened to the boy and the girl-the beloved son, and the darling daughter-in the city.

What shall the harvest be in respect to the children of the foreign born? Unless these bright-eved, keen-minded, eager, aggressive young foreigners are brought to know Jesus Christ as Sa viour and Master they will help to drag our civilization down to a lower plane. They will take their full share in destroying the sacredness and quiet of the Lord's day. They will help by example and word, by personal influence, by editorial and magazine article and public speech to dethrone the God of our fathers, and blind the eyes of the next generation to the glory and power of the cross of Jesus Christ.

Concerning these foreign speaking people, from her observation, Miss Drew writes these significant words: The general tendency is for them to throw off restraint in this land of 'freedom.' . Their idea of 'freedom' leads to lawless acts, and general disregard of authority." What this sympathetic and close observer has found true in Lowell has been found true by a multitude of others in many communities.

The city as it is debases the moral and religious standard of many young people who go from country homes.

The city as it is is not capable of leading the children of immigrants to the higher plane of good citizenship and Christian civilization.

These facts are patent and ominous.

Home Life in the City.

When home life decays religion decays. Home life tends to decay among the poor of the city. How can there be home life in the slums? The house with its insufficient rooms, and those ill lighted and often unsanitary, provides shelter from the night air and the rain, a place to lie down in, a place in which to eat; but it is not a home. Can we wonder that the chil-

dre are on the street? And what are they learning there? Can we wonder that the children are on the street? And what are they learning there? Can we wonder that the older sons and daughters are in the dance halls and low theaters? And what are they learning there? Can we wonder that the father is in the saloon?

And how can we expect home life in the cheap lodging house? The cheap lodging house usually is a doorway of hell.

Home life tends to decay among the rich of the city. The club alienates the rich man and the rich woman from their home. The lust for change and travel tends to destroy the home. Many wealthy families are ever flitting hither and thither, ever seeking change, pleasure, and excitement, to see and to be seen. They spend few months in their city house in winter, a few months in their summer house in summer, a few months in Europe. Has not the time come to cry against the wicked waste of time, this iniquitous shirking of responsibility on the part of those who today are running to and fro in the earth for pleasure, and leaving unfilled the places of influence and helpfulness which they might fill, and which they ought to fill? And is it not a shame, a crying and heart-breaking shame, that among those who are constant pleasure seekers there are many Christians who, because they are rich, think that they are at liberty to leave the personal work of the churches to the proper people and to salaried officials?

Varieties of Sin and a Warning.

If there is viciousness down-town in the modern city, there is selfishness up-town. If there is corruption in the slums, there is worldliness in the sub-

Let the suburbs take heed. The plague that breaks out in the slums may spread to the suburbs. A while ago a charity worker in New York city came upon a room less than fifteen feet square in which were huddled together, disgustingly, a dozen or more men and women, American, foreign, negro, vile creatures all; and one of them was the daughter of the pastor of a Brooklyn church! The slum is ever the Avernus into which the son or daughter of the respectable suburbanite may make a rapid descent.

It is not far from up-town to downtown. The young people can walk this short distance in a short time, or can. go by car at the cost of a nickel, and then-what? If the brothel is there with its shocking debauchery, its horrible diseases, its madness of the flesh and mind, its present purgatory, its actual hell; if the corrupt theater is there, pandering to vile and lustful passions; if the gambling den is there, training men to be thieves, defaulters, scoundrels if down-town there is this appalling sowing of the wind, shall uptown expect to reap no whirl-wind of sorrow and waste and moral ruin?

The Retreat of the Churches.

The trend in cities for many years has been for the churches to follow the respectable and well-to-do people as they move up-town and to the suburbs, and to leave the down-town to business, to the poor, to the theater,

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to the gambling den, to the low dive, and to the devil. Illustrations need not be quoted, figures need not be given. Any one who lives in the city knows, and whoever visits the city can find out. The theater thrives downtown in the territory from which the churches have moved away. This is worth thinking about. The well-to-do pleasure seeker can go down-town to the theater for his pleasure. Why is it impossible for the well-to-do Christian to go down-town to the church for the glory of Jesus Christ and the salvation of human souls?

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And this is just why he should stand by the old church, just because people of his character and competency are few, and people who greatly need to be taught and led and helped are many, in the neighborhood of the old church. Many who have moved uptown have done this. Many more must do it, if we are not to lose ground irretrievably in the city.

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A little lad was desperately ill, but refused to take the medicine the doc-tor prescribed. His mother finally gave up. "Oh, my boy will die, my boy will die!" she sobbed. Presently a voice piped up from the bed: "Don't cry, mother; father'll be home soon, and he'll make me take it."

"Medicine, said a little girl, "is something that makes you careful not to catch cold again."

A boy when asked "Why should you be kind to animals?" replied, "If you are very kind to a dog, he will follow you to the grave at your funeral."

Little Mabel described graphically her sensation on striking a dimpled elbow on the bed carving, "Oh, my!" she sighed, "mamma, I've struck my arm just where it makes stars in my fingers!"-Selected.

4. Hold on to your virtue it is above all price to you in all times and places

5. Hold on to your foot when you are on the point of forsaking the path of right.-The Epworth Herald.

We're Busy."

Prof. Brander Matthews, the brilliant writer and teacher, was discussing literary quaintness at Columbia, In. Illustration of the quaint he said:

"A little girl I know was very bad one day. She was so had that, other corrections failing, her mother took her to her room to whip her.

"During this proceeding the little girl's brother opened the door and was about to enter. But in her prone position across her mother's knee the little girl twisted around her head and said, severely:

"'Eddie, go out! Can't you see we're busy?'

God's Day.

Daisy is a little girl. When she comes down to breakfast on Sunday morning, it is usually with a more winsome smile than general on her rosy face; and her voice is always softer



One and One.

Two little girls are better than one, Two little boys can double the fun, Two little birds can build a fine nest, Two little arms can love mother best, Two little ponies must go to a span, Two little pockets has my little man, Two little eyes to open and close, Two little ears, one little nose, Two little elbows, dimpled and sweet, Two little shoes on two little feet, Two little lips and one little chin, Two little cheeks with a nose shut in, Two little shoulders, chubby and strong.

A Few Holds.

Two little legs running all the day

long.

1. Hold on to your hand when you are about to do an unkind act.

2. Hold on to your tongue when you are just ready to speak harshly.

3. Hold on to your heart when evil persons invite you to join their ranks.

and sweeter, it seems, than on other days.

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