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A WARNING TO THE PATRIOTIC PEOPLE OF ALABAMA

The Birmingham News, realizing that the success of the campaign for the adoption of the amendment depends largely upon instructing the voters of the State to understand the great issue involved and to appreciate the commendable purpose of the measure as a movement for the improvement of the moral and material conditions in Alabama, presents some facts in this issue showing the financial aims of the brewing interests in another State that are involved in their vigorous fight against the amendment, and suggesting the vital importance of a firm stand by the voters of Alabama against the control of their public affairs by foreign brewers and distillers.

The article, which was prepared by one of the editors of a leading daily newspaper of St. Louis, a trustworthy man, who is in close touch with conditions among the brewing interests of that city to combat prohibition in Alabama and other States for their own financial advancement, gives the voters of Alabama a comprehensive view of the methods adopted by the brewing interests that are spending fabulous sums to defeat the will of the people of this State.

Here is the spectacle as presented by the action of the St. Louis brewery interests. The great majority of the people of Alabama are in favor of prohibiting in this State the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. They have said so by abolishing the saloon and the dispensary in nearly every city and town and village and rural district where these institutions existed. They have said so by instructing their representatives in the Legislature to enact state-wide prohibition laws. When these laws were evaded and defied by certain people who engaged in the liquor traffic through tricks and subterfuges and through the vicious blind tiger system, the great majority of the people of Alabama instructed their representatives in the Legislature to enact more stringent laws against the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors in the State, which was promptly done. The great majority of the people of Alabama, realizing the frightful criminal record, the sloth, poverty, suffering and disease, and the terrible results of drunkenness on the home, on labor conditions, on the moral status of the people growing out of intemperance, are in favor of permanently prohibiting the liquor traffic in Alabama as a means of promoting the public health, the public safety and the public welfare, and as an uplifting influence for peace, progress, prosperity and happiness of all the people.

But the powerful allied brewing interests of St. Louis step in and spend the enormous sum of three hundred thousand dollars in desperate efforts to prevent the passage of the amendment in Alabama. How much the brewers interests of other centers like Chicago, Cincinnati,

Milwaukee and other cities are spending for the same purpose; how much the distillers of Louisville, Baltimore and other cities are dumping into Alabama with the same end in view; another storey which will probably be set forth in these columns later.

What is the purpose of the expenditure of these vast sums? The allied brewing interests of St. Louis admit that their object is to protect their own properties and continue to get their enormous profits from the traffic of pouring their beer down the throats of the people of Alabama. They know that if Alabama adopts the constitutional amendment other States will follow. The proposition is already up in Missouri for 1910, and as Alabama goes so goes Missouri, is the cry from the brewery interests already. They regard it as legitimate to dump these vast sums of money into Alabama to prevent the adoption of a measure that will deprive them of their vast profits carried out of this State through the business of making men drunk. They say nothing of the sanctity of the home and so-called sacredness of the constitution. They want the money of the people of Alabama, and they are therefore spending hundreds of thousands of dollars to defeat the will of the majority of the people of Alabama so as to get money in much larger quantities, money sent out of the State never to return, but to make more millionaires brewers in St. Louis, Milwaukee and other distant cities.

The confession of the brewery interests is no secret. It is known in St. Louis that they are spending fabulous sums to defeat the amendment in Alabama. Some of their representatives admit it, and claim that they have a right to do it. It is a matter of business with them. It is a matter of business with the brewery interests and liquor interests of other cities. It is the same old story of strenuous efforts to control the internal affairs of Alabama by powerful foreign brewery and whiskey interests spending fabulous sums in the process of the enjoyment of the millions of dollars carried out of the State annually, and nothing left to show for it but crime, sloth, poverty, disease, misery and death.

Such is the sad story. The people of Alabama are self-respecting, patriotic, home-loving and loyal to the old State. Will they retain the control of their own affairs by voting for the amendment and thereby serving notice on the foreign allied brewery and whiskey interests that they cannot come into this State and largely reduce its manhood, its virtue, its local pride, its love for independence, by debauching its young men, endangering its women, corrupting its public affairs and throttling its self-respect through the iniquitous liquor traffic and the re-establishment of the crime-breeding, sloth-producing, home-wrecking saloon?

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THE SEMINARY ENDOWMENT NEEDS PRESSING

Introductory Statement.

In view of the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, the Faculty of the Seminary included in its report to the Board of Trustees, at the meeting in Louisville in May, 1909, a general outline of the policy of the Seminary. A resolution was passed by the Board of Trustees instructing the Faculty to publish this in such form as might seem most expedient and useful. In obedience to the instructions of the Trustees, this leaflet is issued.

At the Southern Baptist Convention itself, which immediately followed the meeting of the Board of Trustees, a series of resolutions was offered by Dr. T. P. Bell, of Georgia, bearing upon the work of the Seminary. These resolutions, also, were offered in view of the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the Seminary. The Convention unanimously and heartily adopted the resolutions offered by Dr. Bell. The Faculty have concluded that the friends of the Seminary will be pleased to have the Convention resolutions published along with the Faculty report. The report of the Faculty is given first below and the resolutions of the Convention follow. As is generally known by the brethren, the Seminary is now engaged in a great campaign to obtain adequate endowment. We solicit most cordially the co-operation of our brethren everywhere in this great effort.

E. Y. MULLINS, President.

The Policy of the Seminary.

The following is taken from the report of the Faculty of the Seminary to the Board of Trustees in May, 1909, and explains itself:

"In view of our jubilee anniversary, it may not be out of place for us to say a few things regarding our conception of the relation of our Seminary to our Baptist life and work. During its fifty years of history, the Seminary has maintained consistently the great historic Baptist position in matters of doctrine. Two tendencies it has avoided. First, the tendency toward radicalism and liberalism, which seeks to discredit the Biblical records and renounce the Biblical authority for a purely subjective conception of religious authority. This tendency the Seminary has avoided. It has also avoided the tendency to ecclesiasticism and ultra-conservatism. There is a tendency among some Baptists to ignore missions and the development of the spiritual life of our people in the effort to enforce an extreme type of orthodoxy which Southern Baptists as a whole never have adopted and we believe never will adopt. We have to the utmost of our ability sought to be impartial and helpful to these brethren and to all others. There are, however, certain points on which the Seminary, during the fifty years of its history, has been careful to assert its own liberty and to recognize the liberty of others. Repeated efforts have been made to compel it to adopt the shibboleths of this or that party among us, and thus depart from the great historic and central Baptist positions. It has been often attacked on this account, but the Seminary has steadfastly refused to become the organ or institution of a party. We seek to serve all our people for the Master's sake. Its articles of faith have stood well the test of time, and today we believe they are a sufficient outline of teaching as to the historic Baptist doctrines. Our attitude toward those who have assaulted us has been one of patient endurance, and for the most part our policy has been one of silence. We have replied to attacks only when the truth has been so perverted as to require a statement from us to protect ourselves in the minds of our friends. It has become increasingly clear to us that this position and attitude on our part are endorsed by the great body of our Baptist people who stand for the aims and ideals of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The Seminary has stood consistently and uniformly for freedom of research, combined with loyalty to the truth as held by the Baptists. We rejoice to say that perhaps never in its history have its position and attitude been more clearly understood at large than at present. There has never been greater unity of spirit and aim and ideal in the Faculty than

today. Conscious of our obligations to God and His Kingdom and to the interests of the Baptists, conscious that we are servants of the brethren for the Master's sake, and entrusted with great interests, and stewards of a divine trust, we hold ourselves ready to serve in all possible ways as God may give us strength.

"As we look into the future, there are many cheering signs of promise. The growing unity of Southern Baptists in their great missionary enterprises, their evident purpose to do constructive work instead of wasting time discussing minor issues, the increasing wealth of the South, our vast and increasing numbers, all these things remind us of the new opportunity which has come to the Seminary, and its increased responsibilities. The fact that the South is undergoing rapid development commercially, and that we are rapidly becoming transformed from the status of a predominantly rural into that of an urban people also accentuates powerfully the need for a ministry equipped to meet all conditions in country and city alike.

"There is one ominous fact which has been mentioned previously in our reports, to which we recur. There is not an adequate supply of men, called of God to preach the Gospel, entering the ministry. While there has not been an actual decrease, there has not been a ratio of increase according to our growth in numbers. Carefully gathered statistics



REV. J. R. STODGHILL.

The Executive Committee of the Birmingham Association made a wise choice in securing Rev. J. R. Stodghill as superintendent of missions for the association. His address is 233 Fairfax Avenue, Birmingham. Bell phone 3032.

from our Southern colleges and elsewhere show that the above statement is strictly within proper limits."

The following resolutions were offered at the Southern Baptist Convention by Dr. T. P. Bell, of Georgia, and unanimously adopted:

Whereas, God, who has regard to the needs of His people, both in time present and to come, put it into the hearts of some of his servants, fifty years ago, to establish a theological training school for Southern Baptists, which was exactly suited to their needs and in fullest accord with their doctrines and policy; and,

Whereas, The school thus established, our Beloved Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, has, through these years, held true to the doctrines of the Book, as God has given us Southern Baptists to see these; and true to the practices which constitute us a peculiar people among the denominations—a people insisting upon literal obedience to the King of Zion in

all that pertains to form, membership and ordinances of his churches; and,

Whereas, During these years, hundreds and thousands of the men in our ministry, men of varying ages and equally varying educational attainments, have in it found mental and spiritual equipment for the great work they had to do as ministers of the Word; and,

Whereas, There have gone forth from it, and are still going forth, influences that tend to the very best life of our people at home, and are being felt in power in many lands beyond our borders; and,

Whereas, The institution, in its teachings, practices, policies, and in its fruitage in men, is meeting, in fullest degree if not in fullest quantity, the needs of our people in the theological and practical training for the ministry; and,

Whereas The Seminary is this year celebrating the semi-centennial of its noble existence, and is seeking at the hands of our people an addition of \$600,000 to its endowment—that it may increase its usefulness, and meet the large demands that are made upon it; therefore, be it

Resolved, first, That we as a Convention, representing the active, progressive churches of the denomination, hereby express our full approval of the Seminary in its teachings, both doctrinal and practical.

Resolved, second, That we heartily endorse the recent advance steps it has taken in the way of providing practical training for the students in mission and Sunday school work, thus the better fitting them for the full work of the ministry.

Resolved, third, That we feel, with the Faculty and Trustees, the limitations that are imposed on the institution by the meagreness of its income, and realize the growing need it has for enlarged facilities for more extended work, as well as for some measure of relief to the present Faculty from the overwork which has been theirs by reason of the limited number of teachers and the increasing number of

Resolved, fourth, That we most heartily urge upon the churches and upon individual brethren a careful investigation into the needs of the Seminary, and co-operation with the Trustees in supplying these needs at the earliest practicable moment—which means just now.

Resolved, fifth, That we, the members of the Convention, hereby pledge to the Trustees our heartiest co-operation in the effort they are making to secure the \$600,000 needed, which they are endeavoring to raise by direction of this Convention.

BIRMINGHAM NEWS BULLETS.

There has been so much ignorance on both sides of the amendment controversy as to just what was involved, that it became the duty of the Birmingham News to get the facts, that all men, whether for or against the measure, might know how it is viewed by the liquor people.

The real campaign against the constitutional amendment is being directed from St. Louis. The brewers are fighting the issue in their own way through their own agents.

What is admitted in St. Louis can scarcely be denied in Alabama, for, so far as the public knows, there is no one in this State who is authorized to speak for the brewers.

With the brewers it is a fight for self-preservation. With the people of Alabama it is a fight for the preservation of morals.

Many good people have been deceived in this fight over the amendment, but the light is breaking.

The mask has been removed and the fact stands out bold and strong that there is but one issue in Alabama—saloons or no saloons.

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LETTER NO. 30—TO A PASTOR WHO ASKED ME, "WHEN DO YOU FIND TIME TO DO SO MUCH WRITING?"

My Dear Brother:

In answering your question yesterday I said: "I reckon I do most of my writing while you are either resting or are asleep." I did not make that answer in the spirit of one who wishes to rebuke; for rest is wholesome, and sleep is indispensable. I only meant what I said.

My time, as pastor, is divided into two parts—the part I spend in my study and the part I spend in doing pastoral work—and these two parts, in the main, take it all. I find that the people expect me to preach as though I had never taken time for a visit; and then they expect me to visit as though I never had to preach a sermon. I suppose that you, too, know something of these strenuous demands. That, doubtless, is why you ask me when I find time to do so much writing.

1. Use of my "spare moments."

If I should never write any except when I find it right and proper to take plenty of time from my study hours, or my pastoral duties, then I would write about as often as some busy mothers I know go to church. Now, you know these busy mothers do not go, not because they do not care to, but because they can't. Most any busy pastor can easily make himself believe that he hasn't time to write. And he wouldn't have, provided it should take as much unbroken time for him to write as it does for our busy mothers to go to church. Busy mothers and busy pastors are the busiest people on the earth; I reckon. But with reference to the special thought about which I am now writing, it may be laid down as a rule that it isn't the individual who has the most time on his hands who does the most writing, but it is the one who knows best how to use his "spare moments."

I do most of my writing very much like the ladies make their scrap-quilt tops—star at a time.

And it is remarkable how much time one can get together, bit at a time, and use it so that the result looks like the efforts of an unbroken whole. The "spare moments" of several days, though in its reading you shall not be able to locate where one "spare moment" ends and another begins. Nowhere else in life does the admonition of our Lord, "Gather up the fragments, that nothing be lost," find a ripe field for its practical application than in this very habit of writing, concerning which I now write.

One of our fathers said that writing makes an exact man. It does! No matter what it costs to write, writing pays. It does for him who writes what the man with the pruning-hook does for the vineyard. But the kind of writing, concerning which I now write, develops far more than exactness in one; it makes an alert man; it makes a resourceful man; it makes a discriminating man. Until I began this kind of writing, I did not know a spare moment from any other. All moments looked alike to me! But the busiest man you know has his "spare moments" the time when he is neither working, nor resting, nor sleeping. It requires an expert to discover all these moments, and an artist to know how to use them. One of our most charming writers tells us that much of his work was done while waiting at depots, riding on trains, etc. I think Dr. J. M. Frost claims that his book, "The Moral Dignity of Baptism," was largely written in this way. Another claims that he did most of his best work as an author by rising an hour or two earlier than the other folks. Well, the individual who knows how to use one of the early hours of every day as "spare time" gains over the individual who does not utilize this hour forty-five working days of eight hours each in one year! In eight years he gains an entire year of 365 working days of eight hours each. If I can find an average of but fifteen minutes of "spare time" every day, in one year the whole amounts to more than ten days of eight working hours each. Our "spare moments" are like the bricks that go into a great building—one does not amount to much, but the whole building is that one repeated. Sixty "spare minutes" make a "spare hour"; twenty-four "spare hours" really make three working days of eight hours each, instead of one. You see how "spare moments" accumulate!

2. This use of my "spare moments" has taught me many valuable lessons.

(1) It has given me some wholesome instruction in economics.

I believe that most of us could live on what we waste, if we but knew how to utilize it. They tell me that the best grade of steel is now made from that part of the ore which, until recently, was considered useless.

I went through a cotton-oll mill the other day. I saw many bales of cotton made from re-ginning the seed. And then when I saw how every product of the green seed was being utilized, I didn't wonder any more that the seed from a bale of cotton is now worth more than \$25. I am still a young man, but I can remember when cottonseed were hardly considered worth hauling from the gin! Ninety-five per cent of the heat generated in our grates goes up the chimney; 75 per cent of the power generated in our engines is lost in overcoming friction. We are great spendthrifts, but we do not know it yet. The families of the great-grandsons of the boys of this age will live, and do well, on what it now costs to rear one boy. Our prodigality and extravagance are now in the saddle, and with whip and spur they are carrying us on. That is one of the reasons why we are living so fast! That is why now it is considered so stylish to be in style! That is why living is so expensive now. And we are going it at such a rate that it is going to take us a long time to "slow up," even after we begin to try. Likely we shall only give up when we reach the last ditch. And then we shall begin to learn wisdom! Every acre of land in this country ought to grow richer rather than poorer for the next one hundred years. And it will when we get away from our primer in economics. I think the time will come when our lands shall be enriched with fertilizers extracted from sunbeams!

I do not smoke. You do. Now, if you use but one cigar a day, at 5 cents each, your cigar bill is \$18.25 by the year. If it takes you fifteen minutes to smoke your cigar, then while you are smoking, I can write several books. Or, if it takes me an average of five minutes to memorize a verse from the Bible, then while you are smoking, I can memorize the whole Bible more than once. If you smoke but one cigar a day for fifty years, you will have burned up \$1,000. But every dollar at compound interest, at 4 per cent more than doubles itself in eighteen years; at 6 per cent, it more than doubles itself in twelve years; and at 8 per cent, it more than doubles in ten years. That is one of the ways we burn up a big sum of money, "bit at a time."

But time is as precious as money; and what we can do with our five-cent pieces, we can do with our other things—even our "spare moments."

(2) It has taught me the might of little things.

The greatest enemies of twentieth century life are represented by four m's—mites, mice, moths and microbes. The enemies we must dread most of all are not those that fill our streets with banners and charging cannon. It has been well said: "We must wave our fiercest warfare against the dust mote ambushed in the sunbeam; we must fight against weapons hurled from those battleships called troops of rise from four streets and fall from poisoned clouds." They tell us that the great catastrophe that overtook Holland a little more than a century ago is not explained by a tidal wave that pierced the dike. The disaster came through the crawfishes that opened their tiny holes, and thus weakening the bulwarks, let in the on-rushing sea. Yes, life's little things are mighty big! The coral islands have their being because the reef-building polyps, infinitesimally small, piled up their little lives beneath the seas. Emerson says: "The creation of a thousand forests is shut up in one acorn." A Scotch proverb says: "The mother of mischief is no bigger than a midge's wing."

"A pebble on the streamlet scant
Has turned the course of many a river;
A dew drop on the baby plant
Has warpt the giant oak forever."

Two drops of water, falling side by side, were separated a few inches by a gentle breeze. That made them strike the opposite side of the roof of a court house in Wisconsin. One drop rolled southward through the Rock river and the Mississippi to the Gulf of Mexico. The other drop rolled first to Fox river, then Green bay, Lake Michigan, the Straits of Mackinaw, Lake Huron, St. Clair river, Lake St.

Clair, Detroit river, Lake Erie, Niagara river, Lake Ontario, the St. Lawrence river and finally reached the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

Stanley tells us that when he was passing through darkest Africa, the most formidable foes he encountered, and those that came nearest defeating his expedition, were the Wambutti dwarfs. These little men had only little bows and arrows for weapons. They were so small that they looked like children's playthings. But upon the tip of every tiny arrow was a drop of poison so deadly that it would kill an elephant or man as quickly as a rifle ball. These little men would steal through the dense forest, and waiting in ambush, would let fly their deadly arrows before they could be discovered. They would also dig ditches, and then carefully cover them over with leaves; they would fix spikes in the ground and tip them with poison. Into these ditches and on these spikes man and beast would fall or step to their death. And one of the strangest facts about it all was that this poison was made of honey!

I tell you, my brother, the little things of life, after all, are the great things. Those who say they know, tell me that if every Chinaman would add one inch to the length of his shirt-tail it would exhaust the cotton supply of the world and run that staple to fifty cents a pound.

An Indian story says a morsel of a dwarf asked a king to give him all the ground he could cover with three strides. The king, seeing the beggar was so little, said, "Certainly I will!" And then the little dwarf suddenly shot up into a tremendous giant, covering all the land with the first stride, and all the water with the second, and with the third he knocked the king down, and took his throne.

All of which argues the truthfulness of the old saying we received from our mothers, "Take care of the nickels and the dollars will take care of themselves." Yours sincerely,
R. S. GAVIN.

No. 7333 First Avenue, East Lake, Ala.

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM OUR FOREIGN BOARD.

We announce the election of Mr. R. Ryland Gwathmey as Treasurer of the Foreign Mission Board. Brother Gwathmey is a deacon in Calvary Baptist church, of Richmond. For five years he has been connected with the board as office assistant, and has served faithfully and well. In putting him into the important office of Treasurer, the Board feels that they have a true and tried man. It is not a small matter to handle about a half million dollars a year. Brother Gwathmey is accurate and painstaking, and we can most cheerfully and heartily commend him to the confidence of the brotherhood for the important position which he will hold in our denomination. He is a brother of Dr. William Henry Gwathmey, who for many years served the Board as Recording Secretary, and who has left a precious memory in Richmond and the denomination.

Mr. John C. Williams, the former Treasurer, resigned a few months ago on account of feeble health. For several years he has been in greatly impaired health, but his son, Mr. Russell C. Williams, has nobly carried on the work for his esteemed father. It will be of interest to the denomination to know that Brother John C. Williams was elected a member of the Board in 1863, and was made Treasurer in 1876. It will thus be seen that for forty-six years he was a member of the Board and for thirty-three years he was its efficient Treasurer. This noble old soldier of the cross, who has been for many years one of our leaders in all that was good, still lingers among us, though he cannot do the public work that he once did.

In this connection we may state that Mr. George Sanders has been employed as office assistant in the foreign mission rooms. He is a young man who stands well in business and religious circles in Richmond. For about ten years he has been connected with the National State Bank, of this city, and is esteemed for his high moral character and his business qualities. At times he will have to write to the brotherhood in reference to the business of the Board, and we want them to know who he is. Yours fraternally,
R. S. WILLINGHAM,
Corresponding Secretary.

THE ALABAMA BAPTIST

A WARNING TO THE PATRIOTIC PEOPLE OF ALABAMA.

(Continued from Page One.)

The Birmingham News believes that there are many people in Alabama who are opposed to the amendment because they do not realize the facts as set forth in the article in this issue. There are patriotic and good men in Alabama who are opposed to the adoption of the amendment because they do not see the issue as it is. The Birmingham News asks these men to consider seriously the dangers arising from attempts of the foreign allied brewery and whiskey interests in their desperate efforts to defeat this amendment, and to think seriously of the terrible effects of these foreign interests getting control of the public affairs of Alabama through the use of vast sums of money.

EDITORIAL NOTE.

The following article, showing the activity of the great brewing and distilling interests of St. Louis in the battle to defeat the constitutional amendment in Alabama, was prepared for the Birmingham News by one of the editors of a leading daily newspaper of St. Louis, and a man intimately acquainted with conditions in that city. It is the result of a careful personal investigation by this gentleman—who will probably be heard from again before this campaign is at an end. This article deals more particularly with the activities of the brewing interests. Another article touching specifically upon the work of the whiskey forces in the fight to defeat the amendment is now in course of preparation in one of the great distilling centers of the country, and it will probably be ready for publication in a few days. The Birmingham News concedes to the brewing and distilling interests the right to fight the prohibition wave by all lawful means, but it maintains that the people of Alabama are entitled to the facts when these powerful agencies are centering their efforts upon this State and their attempt to control its public affairs.

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 4.—Three hundred thousand dollars—possibly \$50,000 less, probably \$50,000 more—is the price the allied brewing interests of St. Louis are paying in their desperate battle to stem the tide of prohibition in Alabama.

Two hundred thousand more is being poured into Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky, but that is another story. From a luxurious suite of offices in the Wainwright building in this city a campaign is being conducted, the like of which the late Senator Marcus A. Hanna never knew. A corps of henchmen is maintained for work of high and low degree.

These statements, bold as they may seem, are not based on hearsay evidence. The facts are secured first hand. They come from a man high in the councils of the officers of the city's greatest brewery.

If Alabama adopts an amendment to the State constitution forever prohibiting the sale and manufacture of liquor at the election of November 29, Missouri is expected to do likewise. The amendment to be submitted in Missouri in 1910 has been drawn by Judge W. W. Wallace, of Kansas City, and is patterned after the Alabama amendment.

OF FAR-REACHING IMPORTANCE.

The brewing interests believe—and that opinion comes from the same official source as the opening statement in this dispatch—that if the constitutional amendment can be beaten in Alabama this year they can win in Missouri in 1910. If the amendment is adopted in Alabama this month the hope of "saving" Missouri will be a forlorn one. That would mean the elimination of the brewing interests in St. Louis, and therein the danger lies.

Make Alabama "wet" at any cost, is the word that has gone forth from

the breweries. That is the battle-cry; that is the word the campaign orators are carrying forth into every section of Alabama; that is the demand and ward henchmen are handing out to the former liquor dealers of Birmingham and every other city throughout the State. Truly the struggle is gigantic.

HE GIVES THE SCHEME AWAY.

My informant said in answer to questions:

"You want to know what is being done in Alabama to offset the prohibition movement and how we view the fight. Under the pledge that my name shall not be used in this connection, I am willing to tell you the facts. Not that I cannot prove what I say, for I know what I am talking about, but the use of my name would only cause trouble.

AS DANGEROUS AS DYNAMITE.

"We have put a quarter of a million dollars, or will put it, and probably \$300,000, into Alabama. The crisis for the brewery business is at hand. Money has to be spent—lots of it. The other side is spending it.

"Have you stopped to think what it means to fight the Christian churches in this land, including the women and children? Well, that is what we are doing. A mother whose boy has gone wrong because, as she believes, of whiskey, will gladly give half she possesses to stamp out the evil, as she sees it. The Anti-Saloon League is conducted by some of the shrewdest men in the nation. The organization has all to gain and nothing to lose. The struggle is desperate. Our property is at stake.

"Alabama is but a cog in the wheel. Just at this time it happens to be an important cog. The sentiment is against us. The 'drys' have made tremendous gains there. No one knows this better than I, for I have been over the State. I believe we are going to win there, but much depends on the next three weeks. Our men have been into most of the counties. Our reports indicate victory.

"No political campaign was ever conducted on more business lines than this. It takes money to buy newspapers, and we have bought them; it takes money to prepare and handle literature and we have done this. We have sent a steady stream of money into Alabama. The occasion demanded it. It was either do this or sit idly by and see our business go for good. We could not do that. We have maintained a bureau here from which the work has been directed and that has proved no small expense.

"It is not that we care so much for Alabama, but we fear the influence in Missouri. The same action here will drive us from the State. We are assailed by the cry of 'Dry Missouri in 1910,' on every hand. We have the State safe now and we want to insure the future by winning in Alabama, Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana and Illinois. Do you know those States are on the danger line? Well, they are.

"The battle has hardly begun. It will take millions to win, but win. The man who tells you it is not, either doesn't know or he is a liar. If we can stem it for the next two or three years we hope for a reaction. If it does not come—well, there is no use crossing the bridge until we come to it—but you will see every brewery in St. Louis dismantled."

"In all, the allied brewing interests of St. Louis have planned to spend half a million dollars in the dangerous States. Possibly before the end comes it will be necessary to double this amount. Possibly it will not all be required, but if it is there is nothing for the breweries to do but put up the money. You may call it a slush, boodle or any other fund you care to, but for me it is money spent in the protection of my property. I believe every man has the right to do that. The reaction will come and finally we will win. Just how soon I cannot say."

FROM FLORALA, ALA.

Yesterday (the fifth Sunday) was a busy day with the Baptist pastor and his church. As the pastor greeted the two large congregations in his usual pleasant way, there was a strain of pathos in his tone and the thought of next Sunday being his last day with us moistened many eyes and dampened a number of cheeks. For three years, and as we look back it seems but as yesterday since he began his work with us, we have looked into his earnest, anxious face each Sabbath as God sent His message to us through him. Oh, the thought of his leaving seems more than many of us can agree to. His visits in the home were so pleasant and inspiring. His tender way of approaching the sick bed. The children wherever they saw him would "holler at Bro. Railey." His place we feel can not be filled, but may the Lord send us another whom we may labor with as successfully as the one that is leaving.

The town at large mourns the loss of this man of God. He would always stop and listen to every complaint and had a word of advice and comfort to

leave with every one. It is in the mouth of every one, "We are sorry that he is going to leave."

Next Sunday the town at large at the Auditorium will join with his congregation in the sad farewell service. May the Lord give us a great day, a Pentecostal service.

We do not know just what his future plans are, but the church that is fortunate enough to secure his service may rest assured that no regrets will ever follow. We only hope that he will not go too far from this part of the state.

May God's richest blessings ever rest on he and his faithful wife is our sincere prayer.

A MEMBER.

Rev. Junius W. Millard, D. D., and Rev. J. J. Wicker will conduct a Bible study tour to the Holy Land, leaving New York March 5th, 1910. We hope they will have a large party. Dr. Millard was for nine years pastor of the Eutaw Place church of Baltimore, and is now the pastor of the Ponce de Leon Avenue church of Atlanta, Ga. Mr. Wicker is the well known evangelist of East Northfield, Mass.

MINISTERS' CONFERENCE.

Baptist ministers of Columbus and vicinity met at 9:30 a. m. Monday and reported from their respective churches as follows: Rev. O. C. Dobbs, First church, Phenix, 140 in Sunday school. Preached Sunday morning from I John 4:8. Subject, "Love." One reinstated. Sunday evening from Luke 14:18. Subject, "Excuses." Rev. R. C. Granberry, Rose Hill, 232 in Sunday school. Preached Sunday morning from Isa. 40:6. Subject, "Passing World and Permanent Word." Sunday evening from Gal. 6:7. Subject, "The Harvest that is Sure." Two baptized. Rev. Christie, First church, Columbus, 236 in Sunday school. Preached Sunday morning from Luke 23:37. Subject, "The Crime of the Cross." Sunday evening from "Gratitude" from 103 Psa. Rev. A. D. Woodlee, Comer Memorial. He preached Sunday morning from Jud. 7:20. Subject, "Partnership with God." Sunday evening, Luke 17:32. Subject, "Profit by the Mistakes of Others." Rev. Mann, North Highlands, received two by letter Sunday evening, and an increase of 12 in the

Sunday school.—A. D. Woodlee, President, Columbus, Ga.; W. W. Smith, Corresponding Secretary, Phenix, Ala.

That "Sarchen" Law.—In Section 7321 of the criminal code of Alabama, there is a law instigated by the drink interests authorizing the issuance of search warrants for bottles, etc., in the homes of people and other places after they have been emptied of their contents, and not accounted for. Is it not strange that the liquor and anti-amendment crowd cry out so vehemently against the search warrant proposition to prevent the sale of their stuff in their bottles, etc., from the homes of the people out of pretended regard for their "sanctity," with a law for them to do the same thing? The whole truth of the whole thing is, they are confident they would not have as many empty bottles by far to search for. Tell this on them, preachers, from all of your pulpits.—W. R. Whatley.

Dr. Gregory recently was assisted by Rev. S. W. Cole in a meeting at Staunton, Va., which resulted in great good.



New Books

yet open our eyes to a source of denominational weakness. It has long been a conviction in our minds that the Baptists, owing to their attitude and principles towards the Bible, are best suited to solve the many perplexing problems of Biblical interpretation for the promotion of the religious life of the world.

Here is an exposition of the Book of Jeremiah which is both scholarly and wholesome. It gives the reader a grasp of the contents and spirit of the book which will satisfy his mind on critical points and his soul with religious truth promotive of the healthiest piety. The author deals with the questions of the higher criticism of the book without obscurantism or prejudice.

A. J. DICKINSON.

IN MEMORIAM

Robert Leven Grantham passed from this world of affliction to join loved ones on the other side. He joined the Masonic fraternity in January, 1905, Sunny South lodge No. 497, and lived a consistent member until his death. He was buried at Engon cemetery with Masonic honors, Bro. E. S. Pugh reading the lesson. Bro. L. G. Lowery conducted the funeral services. He was of a quiet, modest disposition with a smile and kind word for every one he met, but the sweet thought that comes to us in this dark hour is that he was ready to meet his Master and receive a crown with many stars for the good he has done here. It seemed as if every heart was melted unto tears as the pallbearers marched to the grave bearing the lifeless form of him whom they all loved; from childhood he was loved by all who knew him. He engaged in the mercantile business at Sunny South about six years ago; He is greatly missed as business man and as citizen, but it was in the home where he so loved to be that he was best known and almost worshiped. Faithful, tender, kind, true, how he loved to labor for them and in the little rest time he had how he loved to have them about him. Now he can come no more. He was a member of the Baptist church. His good deeds are recorded in heaven and remain as a monument to his memory on earth. He leaves a wife, two children, a mother, three brothers, three sisters and a host of friends to mourn his loss. Leven is not dead, but sleepeth. Let us not mourn as those who have no hope.

MRS. S. W. MORGAN.

We acknowledge with pleasure the following wedding invitation: Mrs. George Washington Hopson invites you to be present at the marriage of her daughter, Ruth, to Rev. Jesse Allen Cook on Wednesday afternoon, the tenth of November, 1909, at 2:30 o'clock, at 631 Second avenue, South, Birmingham, Ala.

Judge W. S. Thorington, former dean of the University of Alabama law school, who is one of the most earnest advocates for the cause of the prohibition amendment, in a clear-cut and logical statement declares that the fear of the second section of the proposed amendment is unfounded.

The Christian State.
By Samuel Zane Batten, D. D.
The state in its origin and development is coincident with the welfare and progress of the human race. A book dealing with the former gains added importance because of the latter. This Dr. Batten has kept in mind in the preparation of his volume. He has not treated his subject as an abstract theme, but as something part and parcel of the people. In dealing with the state in its origin and functions, in treating of democracy, its advantages and dangers, and in applying the principles of "the kingdom" to all state relations and concerns, he has had in mind the human interests involved. In addition to covering the whole area of literature bearing on its theme, the book throbs with the pulsations of human life. For both reasons it is worthy of being read and studied.
Price, \$1.50 net; postpaid, \$1.65. The Griffith & Rowland Press, Atlanta.

The Plain Man and His Bible.
By Len G. Broughton, D. D.
In a concise, straightforward manner Dr. Broughton in this book gives an account of the origin of our Bible and the production, etc. of translations. God kept it from perversion or error, and in all he had a distinctive plan. Dr. Broughton traces this plan. Science can not successfully meditate against it, and corruption can not divide it, as shown by its conquests of the eighteenth century under the Wesleys and Whitfield. The force of the Bible is found in part in its impression on literature. Attention is called to what the Bible is in the Christian life. Plans for its study, and the mastery of its contents are suggested. We need these in order to make the Bible our own, and to be able to use it for the good of others. The book will be found an exceedingly useful one.
Price, 60 cents net; postpaid, 68 cents. American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia.

Social Service Series No. 2.
The ethical and religious significance of the state is herein set forth by Dr. James Q. Dealey, professor of social and political science at Brown university, and published by American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, 10 cents. It is timely reading here in Alabama just at this crisis.

Duplate History.
Book 4 in the Church History hand books treats of Baptist history by Henry C. Vedder, professor of church history in Crozer Theological seminary, in a way to make it adapted to class use. Dr. Vedder tells the story with clearness and simplicity. It is really a little gem and will be of help to pastors who undertake to instruct classes. There is no need of not knowing something of our precious history when so much is compressed into such a small space. American Baptist Publication Society, 1701-1703 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia. 40 cents net.

Ward Hill, the Teacher.
This work by Everett T. Tomlinson has characteristic sketches of boarding school and college life equally as entertaining and somewhat similar to

"Tom Brown at Rugby."
So many calls came for a story of Ward Hill's experiences immediately after he graduated from college that Mr. Tomlinson consented to publish a fourth volume.
Ward Hill follows along a pathway by no means easy but what he gained and how he gained it are wrought out in the course of the story, which is as engrossing as its predecessors.
Price, per copy, \$1.25. The Griffith & Rowland Press.
The book is beautifully bound and has attractive illustrations.

At School in the Cannibal Islands.
The first volumes of "The Pacific Series" have been so well received by their juvenile readers that the author has consented to prepare a fourth book, with the above title. The story describes the same persons as those which appeared in the preceding three volumes, and, in addition, introduces some new characters.
Professor Houston, who is, as is well known, an electric expert, knows personally 50,000 boys, and is known as "The Boy's Friend." He has been working for boys all his life, and spends much of his valuable time writing story books for boys which will give them valuable scientific information of practical use in everyday life.

No other author now writing for boys, so far as we are aware, combines the ability to tell a vigorous and fascinating story of adventure and, at the same time, to weave into it in an unobtrusive and entertaining way the exact and authentic scientific facts.
The Griffith & Rowland Press, 1701-1703 Chestnut street, Philadelphia. \$1.25.

The Baptist Teacher-Training Manual.
The introductory book of the First Standard Course by H. T. Musselman is not intended to furnish a short cut to training for teaching, but does point out the essential elements of teacher-training. We are glad to know that a growing number of our teachers want to take up more thorough work and this book will be of great service to any teacher inspired with such an ambition. 30 cents net in paper binding, 50 cents net in board. American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa.

Ridgway's Religion.
This book by W. H. Ridgway, C. E., Ironmaster, is written for folks who don't have any, being some notes on John as taught to the Iron Rose Bible class. Mr. Ridgway is a civil engineer by profession, a machinist by trade, and a manufacturer by business, and for many years has been the superintendent of two Sunday schools—the church school in the morning, and a mission school in the afternoon, and for nearly a score of years has taught a class of nearly 100 men. The subject matter of the book has already been read by millions of people. Sometimes it pays to read after a business man and this is one of the

cases. The book is published by the Griffith & Rowland Press, 1701 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, at 50 cents net; 6 cents postage.

Worldly Amusements.
This little paper back booklet by Dr. W. W. Hamilton is written for those who want to know how to decide aright the question.

Young men and young women ought to read this booklet. 10 cents. American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia.

Social Service Series No. 1.
In this booklet we have a reasonable social philosophy for Christian people set forth by Dr. Charles R. Henderson, professor of sociology in the University of Chicago, and published for the Social Service Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention. American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia. 10 cents.

The Book of Jeremiah.
American Commentary Series. American Baptist Publication Society, Atlanta, Ga.

This book by Prof. Charles Rufus Brown, of Newton Theological Seminary, is worthy of its predecessors in this series, and that is no small praise. The fact is that Baptists are about to make a contribution of no small value to the better understanding of the Bible in this series of commentaries. If the rest of this series shall come up to the standard fixed in this and other volumes already given to the public, it will be one of the best series of expositions now available for the preacher of average scholarship. It is in order to congratulate the denomination, and the publication society as a denominational leader, that now at last the scholarship of the denomination is beginning to fruit in some contribution of real worth to the improved understanding of the Old Testament. Until recent years Baptists have not been very hospitable to what went by the name of Biblical scholarship; and in that they may have showed their sense. To brand a book as a scholarly production has been to provoke towards it hostility and opprobrium. We have allowed others to furnish the world with its learning; while we ourselves borrowed heavily from them along this line. But times have changed in this regard, and we are producing books of the highest scholarly nature. That sturdy common sense of our fathers served us so well in the situation which then faced us that we did good work in the world without much scholarly learning. But we are beginning to discover that the times have changed, and common sense is but the more effective when it is educated. We have never lacked for the best raw material for making scholars; but we lacked opportunity. What Dr. Broadus might have accomplished for the scholarship of the world, if only he had had opportunity to prosecute his researches unhindered by exacting duties, may be a problem which shall

The Alabama Baptist Missionary Union, which held its seventeenth annual session at Selma Nov. 2-4, was great in every way. It was the first time, however, that the good women in Alabama met in session at a different time from the Alabama State Convention. We are indebted to the corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. W. O'Hara, of Montgomery, for the good report of the meetings.

Selma, Ala., Nov. 4.—Mrs. Richard Hall led the devotional exercises at the morning session of the Baptist Women's Missionary Union.

The recommendations of the Southern Baptist Women's Missionary Union were read by Mrs. D. M. Malone. These recommended that the weeks of prayer in January and March be observed. That Enlistment Day be observed in October.

That all societies follow the programs given in Our Mission Fields.

That every society observe Children's Day, the contributions on that day to be appropriated to the Sunday school work and Bible fund.

That associational W. M. U. meetings be held separate from the association.

That the plan for securing an endowment fund for the relief of aged and infirm ministers be adopted.

That one member from each society be appointed to secure subscriptions for the various mission journals.

Each society shall aim to establish a mission study class.

That the woman's page of the Alabama Baptist be made a greater factor for the dissemination of news items pertaining to Baptist woman's work over the state.

That each society make an effort to collect a library of mission literature.

The following objects are embodied in the plan of work for the coming year:

The training school for young women at Louisville, Ky.; Margaret Home for missionary children; Howard college Bible fund, of the Sunday school board; home, state and foreign missions; and an expense fund for the state W. M. U.

The state W. M. U. adopts as a motto: "Let us go forward upon our knees."

At this juncture a message was read from Miss Heck, the president of the Southern Baptist W. M. U.

A greeting was sent to Miss Heck by the convention.

Visitors from the woman's board of the Christian church, which is having a convention also at this time, were accorded recognition, and a few words of good fellowship were spoken by Mrs. Harrison, secretary of that body.

Dr. Smith, of the foreign mission board, of Richmond, Va., made a touching appeal for the evangelization of the world through the many societies who can give talents and money.

The report of the associational vice presidents were heard with interest. Twenty-three are present from different parts of the state.

Evening Session.

The evening session met in the First Baptist church. A splendid orchestra rendered a Largo from Handel. God's blessings on the convention were invoked by the pastor, Rev. J. L. Rosser.

An able address on "The Problem of the Mountains" was delivered by Dr. J. E. White, of Atlanta, Ga. The mountain people are sometimes referred to as the "backwoods people." In some respects, however, the people of the south are a backward people. We have 30 per cent illiteracy; physically backward and backward intellectually.

There are in the mountain regions of the south some 3,000,000 of the people to whom this term will apply. Of the purest Anglo-Saxon blood, yet by their sequestered and shut off lives, they are the creatures of arrested development. They have not come in touch with modern progress. For the most part these people are largely affiliated with the Baptist faith.

The Mountaineers.

The mountaineers are God's great store house from which we are to draw in the future. What have Baptist people done to help their mountain brethren? Twenty years ago work was begun. Now there are 26 schools, 5,000 pupils and properties valued at \$450,000.

WOMAN'S WORK

State Executive Board.

President—Mrs. Charles A. Stakely.
First Vice-President—Mrs. T. A. Hamilton.
Second Vice-President—Mrs. A. J. Dickinson, 517 N. 22d street, Birmingham.

State Organizer and Sunbeam Superintendent—Mrs. T. A. Hamilton, 1127 S. 12th street, Birmingham.

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

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

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

In the south 5,000,000 "poor whites" in the mill districts and 1,000,000 negro population cry out for the saying power of Jesus and Christian education. They are a "backward" people.

Will Southern Baptists and Alabama Baptists rise to their opportunity?

Y. W. C. A. Work.

The Y. W. C. A. report was read by Miss Mallory, the state leader. This showed 88 organized young women's societies. Total amount of money raised during the year, \$1,771.36.

Mrs. T. A. Hamilton, the state Sunbeam leader, reported this phase of the work. There are in the state 280 Baptist Sunbeam bands. In connection with these there are ten Royal Ambassador or boys' societies. They have raised during the year \$1,239.10.

Miss Willie Kelly, the Alabama Baptist woman missionary, who is soon to return to her labors in China, was listened to with deep interest, as she spoke feelingly of the great needs in far-off Shanghai. Miss Kelly is connected with a school for girls at that place.

An address by Dr. W. Y. Quisenberry was earnest and forceful. He spoke of the great need for more recruits for the ministry of today. Dr. Quisenberry is traveling in the interest of the Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., trying to raise an endowment fund for that institution.

The women of Alabama are asked to help in arousing interest and enthusiasm in this enterprise.

A new feature of the organized work, "Aged and Infirm Ministers' Relief Fund," was ably presented by Mrs. T. A. Hamilton.

Wednesday Afternoon Session.

Mrs. J. Mercer Green, of Nicholasville, conducted the devotional exercises of the afternoon session. Her talk was on the verse "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth."

The Margaret Home was discussed by Mrs. T. W. Hannon. This home at Greenville, S. C., was given by the daughter of Mrs. Margaret Waller, of Montgomery, as a home for the children of missionaries who have died or those that must be sent to America to be educated.

"What Alabama Baptist Women May Do for the Orphanage at Evergreen" was the subject of an interesting paper by Mrs. N. D. Denson, of Lafayette.

A letter was read from Mr. Reynolds, of the orphanage, in which he asks the convention for \$250 for the girls' industrial work there.

There are 91 children at present in the home. Mrs. Hall spoke of the special needs, some of which are house furnishings and kitchen utensils.

A cash collection was taken to be used for these necessities.

Recognition was made of several young ladies representing the "Ann Haseline" society of the Judson college. Miss Watt, of that society, made their report of the past year's work.

The social side of the missionary society was presented by Mrs. A. J. Dickinson. The way to keep young is to have a great many interests in life. The altruistic spirit must be developed if life is to be full and rich.

Miss Edith Crane led a discussion on the missionary society from a literary standpoint.

Members were urged to make use of missionary magazines, leaflets and books in the preparation of their programs.

A most delightful reception was tendered the delegates at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Law Lamar. Delicious refreshments were served and a pleasant, happy time was enjoyed in this beautiful and hospitable southern home.

Last Session.

The last session of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union of Alabama was led in their devotional exercises by Mrs. P. V. Bomar, of Marion.

The report of the Howard College Literary Association was made by Mrs. J. A. Hendricks, of East Lake. This report occasioned considerable interest among the delegates and it was a most gratifying one. It was adopted.

At the instance of Mrs. D. M. Malone, contributions were received, this to go as a loving parting gift to Alabama's Baptist missionary, Miss Willie Kelly.

Reports of the different committees were received as follows:

Plan of work, Mrs. Wade Carlisle, chairman, recommends the adoption of all the plans suggested by the Southern W. M. U. and the state executive board. It is specially recommended that twelve institutes be held in different parts of the state. That the associational superintendents be elected by the Associational Union in their annual meeting. An important change is contemplated in the removal of the woman's mission rooms from Birmingham to Montgomery, where they are to be conducted in connection with the Baptist State mission board. This has not been decided definitely. It is recommended that a helper be provided for the state organizer of woman's work during the association months.

The Y. W. A. report was read by Mrs. Henry Martin. Every church shall endeavor to enlist the young women in Christian service.

The Sunbeam report was given by Mrs. J. M. Barnes. That as youth is the habit forming time, all children of the elementary grades shall become members of these bands.

Committee on time and place announced Evergreen as the next meeting place in 1910.

Resolutions endorsing the recommendations of the Southern W. M. U. Mrs. A. J. Dickinson, who made the report on state missions, asks that special emphasis be placed on the observation of the state mission day in October, and that the societies meet the apportionment of \$5,000.

Training School.

Report on the Louisville training school was given by Mrs. Law Lamar.

This report was spoken to by Miss Edith Crane, who has visited the school. This school furnishes a course in missionary training for young women of the Baptist denomination. Many have gone from this school to labor in the foreign fields. Mrs. Maude R. McClure, a cultured Christian Alabama woman, is the gracious president of this institution.

Miss Floy White, of Pratt City, has recently sailed for China, and Miss Clyde Metcalf, of Albertville, is now at the training school preparing for labor in the foreign field.

The report on constitutional amendment was read by Mrs. A. P. Montague. These amendments provide for the election of the associational superintendents by their associational union; that the term central committee be changed to executive board, and that the officers of said board reside in or near the city where headquarters are located.

Memorials.

The committee on memorials reported the following deaths during the past year: Mrs. A. F. Dix, Mrs. George Miles, Mrs. Davis, Miss Rosa Sewell, Mrs. John Davis, Mrs. McLeod, Mrs. Clark Swan, Mrs. W. E. Sissions, Mrs. Will Mallory.

Officers.

The report of the Committee on Nominations was then made, as follows: Mrs. Charles Stakely, Montgomery, president; first vice president, not filled; second vice president, Mrs. D. M. Malone, Birmingham; third vice president, Mrs. Reynolds; fourth vice president, Mrs. Cox, Mobile; corresponding secretary and treasurer and editor of the woman's page in the Alabama Baptist, Miss Kathleen Mallory, Selma; recording secretary, Mrs. J. W. O'Hara, Montgomery.

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WASTE OF CHILDREN'S LIVES.

About 200,000 Die Annually from Preventable Death Causes.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 2.—American race waste—more serious than race suicide—is pointed out in Census Mortality Bulletin No. 104, in which it is estimated that annually in the United States from 100,000 to 200,000 babies under five years of age die from preventable causes. This great loss of life among the little ones at the period when they are most loving and most lovable could be prevented, is the opinion of Dr. Cressy L. Wilbur, Chief Statistician for Vital Statistics of the Census Bureau, who prepared the bulletin, on the basis of present-day knowledge of sanitary measures. For the accomplishment of effective preventive work in this direction, Dr. Wilbur holds that the prompt registration of all births and the more careful and precise statement of causes of death by physicians are essential.

In analyzing and comparing the totals obtained in the compilation of transcripts of death returns received for the year 1908 by the Census Bureau from the entire death-registration area of the United States, as set forth in the bulletin, those for age periods show a somewhat increased per cent of deaths of infants under one year for 1908, although the ratios for each of the individual years from one to four are identical for 1907 and 1908. Of the total number of deaths, 691,574 returned for 1908 from the entire registration area, it is stated in the bulletin that nearly one-fifth were of infants under one year of age and over one-fourth of children less than five years of age. It is declared that the brute force of the figures representing the actual deaths is more impressive, however, than any ratios or than the rates of infant mortality, even if the latter could be computed in the absence of proper registration of births. Here are the figures:

More than one-eighth of a million babies under one year of age, and fully 200,000 children under five years of age, died among about one-half of the total population of the United States in the year mentioned. It is considered probable that fully 200,000 of these deaths could be prevented and states not included in the Census Bureau death-registration area. In this connection Dr. Wilbur quotes Prof. Irving Fisher's conclusion that of all the diseases of infancy, having the median age one year, 47 per cent may be prevented; and that of the diseases of childhood, having the median age two to eight years, 67 per cent may be prevented.

"It does not seem unreasonable," Dr. Wilbur states, "when we consider the fact that there is apparently no reason why infants, if properly born, and this means simply the prevention of ante-natal disease and the improvement of the health and conditions of life of their parents, should die at all in early infancy or childhood, except from the comparatively small proportion of accidents that are strictly unavoidable."

The bulletin continues with a statement that the general death rate of a country is largely dependent upon its infant mortality, because the death rates of infants and young children are high and they affect a relatively numerous element of the population. Exact study of the incidence of disease upon infancy and childhood is most important, and it is imperatively necessary that there should be more effective registration of births throughout the United States for this purpose. The extremely important ratio known as "infant mortality" is the ratio of deaths of infants under one year of age, not to population, but to the number of children born alive during the year. The most important ratio should be readily available for the comparative study of deaths of infants in all of our states and cities, but, the bulletin states, in the great majority of them, unfortunately, the registration of births is worthless, and ratios calculated upon the returns would be deceptive and unreliable.

"The possibility of great saving of human life during infancy and early childhood is emphasized by the estimates made by Prof. Irving Fisher, on the basis of independent medical opinions, for his Report on National Vitality to the National Conservation Commission, as to the 'ratio of preventability' (postponability), that is, ratio of 'preventable' deaths from

cause named to all deaths from cause named for certain diseases of early life.

"Out of every 100 deaths that occur from each disease in which the median age at death is under five years, there could be prevented the following numbers: Premature birth, 40; congenital debility, 30; venereal diseases, 70; diarrhoea and enteritis, the most important cause of infant mortality, 60; measles, 40; acute bronchitis, 30; broncho-pneumonia, 50; whooping cough, 40; 'croup' (which means diphtheria), 75; meningitis, 70; disease of larynx other than laryngitis, 40; laryngitis, 40; diphtheria (under its proper appellation), 70; scarlet fever, 50.

"Other diseases especially fatal to infants and children would perhaps show equally great ratios of preventability; they do not appear in the above list because their median ages are above the limit chosen or because, as is the case with 'convulsions,' they are grouped with other and incongruous causes.

"The possible saving of life for 'general, ill-defined and unknown causes,' including 'heart failure,' 'dropsy' and 'convulsions,' median age 35 years, is 30 per cent. The median age of convulsions alone is less than one year, and it is probable that at least the ratio of preventability of diarrhoea and enteritis (60 per cent) would apply to it. The term is an indefinite one, being expressive merely of the symptoms attending the true cause of death; nevertheless, no fewer than 6,450 deaths were compiled therefrom for 1908, although, in compilation, any other definite cause is preferred. The term is no longer employed by well informed physicians in reporting causes of death, and it is possible, by inquiry made by the local registrar immediately after the receipt of this and other unsatisfactory statements, to practically eliminate them from the returns, as has lately been done for Chicago.

"In the light of the figures quoted above, it would seem that practical sanitation has only made a beginning in the work of preventing the occurrence of infant and child mortality. The ground has only been scratched over. Deep stirring of the soil and thorough cultivation of all the means available, with our present scientific and medical knowledge, for the guarding of young human lives would produce startling, and from all past human experience almost unbelievable, results. Public health, as a function of government, is itself only a creation of the middle part of the last century, dating from the utilization of the knowledge available as a result of the operation of the English laws for the registration of vital statistics (1837). Even in England, however, no systematic efforts have been made until very recent years to utilize to their utmost possibilities the facts already known. The infant mortality of England was higher for the years 1896 to 1900 than for the years 1861 to 1865, and no marked reduction in the early rates occurs until the present decade.

"It is time that greater attention be given to the subject in the United States. The prompt registration of all births and the more careful and precise statement of causes of death by physicians are essential. Such terms as 'convulsions,' 'marasmus,' 'debility' and the like should no longer be tolerated when the true cause of death can be determined."

Baptist Pastors of Limestone, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Morgan, Cullman and Jefferson Counties:

Dear Brethren—The month of November has been set apart for your contributions to the "Aged and Infirm Ministers' Relief Fund."

This most worthy cause has been too long overlooked and neglected. Many of our aged and infirm ministers have been uncared for, during their helpless years, because of our thoughtless indifference toward their needs.

Your "Board of Aged and Infirm Ministers' Relief Fund" is trying to bring this season of neglect to a close.

Will you not see that a liberal contribution is made by your churches and forwarded promptly to R. F. Manly, Birmingham, Ala. We need your help now.

GEORGE W. MACON.

All cannot go on the platform to speak for the amendment. All cannot write for the papers for the amendment. But no one need feel that they have no part in its passage, for there is much personal work to be done, and so why not volunteer to do it.

Mrs. W. B. Crumpton was added to the advisory board of the union.

The selection of the leaders of the Young Women's Auxillary and the Sunbeam Band was left with the advisory board.

The retirement of Mrs. D. M. Malone, of Birmingham, from the office of corresponding secretary and treasurer on account of ill health was greatly regretted by the members of the union, and several of the officers and delegates paid her tribute.

Mrs. Stakely, in a few remarks, accepted her re-nomination as president of the union. The other officers who had been elected also spoke of the honor which the convention had bestowed upon them.

Mrs. Cameron moved that the associational secretaries be delegates to the annual convention as well as the associational superintendents, and the motion prevailed.

The last act of the convention just before adjournment was the offering of a fervent prayer in the cause of prohibition in Alabama and for the passage of the proposed amendment to the constitution.

The motion to take some action in the amendment fight was made after the hymn "Blest be the tie that binds," had been rendered and after the prayer had been offered the convention adjourned.

The result of the meeting in the furtherance of the causes of missions will be lasting and effective upon future meetings.

THE PARTY TO THE PREACHERS.

In the memorable campaign of 1892, when the Democratic party was almost overwhelmed by the wave of populism which swept the State, the late Gen. Charles M. Shelley, then chairman of the State Democratic Campaign Committee, issued an appeal to the ministers of Alabama, urging them in the strongest possible language to come to the aid of the Democratic party and save it from the danger by which it was threatened.

In the columns of the Birmingham News, it showed that the Democratic party of Alabama is not only on record as favoring political activity on the part of ministers of the gospel, but makes it clear that the Democratic party believes it to be the duty of the ministers to throw the weight of their influence in the balance when important questions are before the people for solution. Stronger language than that used by the Democratic chairman in his address to the preachers could scarcely be employed. He said:

"I believe that the influence of the Godly men of this country could not be better employed than in uniting the political power of the citizens in behalf of good government, because good government fosters the church and advances the cause of Christianity. I therefore appeal to you in the most earnest and solemn manner, begging you to use every effort consistent with your high and sacred calling to bring our people together in the support of the most eminent living expounder of the true principles and correct position of our government."

If it is the duty of the ministers of the gospel to take part in a State campaign involving the success of the Democratic party, it is certainly the duty of these men of God to exert themselves when a great moral issue such as is involved in this fight against the saloon is presented.

In view of the record of the Democratic party upon this subject, the slurs that are now being cast upon the ministers of the State who have exerted themselves in behalf of the constitutional amendment come with poor grace. If the ministers are in politics they are in politics at the invitation of the great Democratic party, and for any Democrat to say that they have no right to take part in a political campaign is to repudiate what the party itself has said upon this subject through its state campaign committee.

So far as Democrats are concerned, the letter of the late General Shelley should put an end to harsh and unjust criticisms of the ministry because of its attitude upon the great moral question now before the people of Alabama.—Birmingham News.

EDITORIAL

ROBERT JUDSON WALDROP.

The death of this good and beloved man will carry sorrow into the hearts of many homes in Alabama. Professor Waldrop was the son of Rev. Andrew Jackson Waldrop, one of the Baptist "fathers" of Alabama. He was born at Ruhama, now East Lake, in August, 1846.

In 1872 Professor Waldrop was married to Miss Malinda Wood, daughter of the late William J. Wood, one of the early pioneers of the Birmingham district. When the civil war broke out he joined the Truss scouts and saw service during this long fight. After the war he attended the University of Virginia, graduating from that institution in 1872. Returning to Alabama, he was elected principal of the Ruhama school, and when Howard College was removed from Marion to East Lake in the 90's he was elected to the chair of mathematics. This position he held until 1903, when he was stricken with apoplexy while attending a faculty meeting. He was never able to resume his duties in the college after that date. Out of honor to him he was granted an indefinite leave of absence and an acting professor was named to take up his work.

Professor Waldrop is survived by his wife, one daughter, Mrs. J. D. Heacock, and one son, William J. Waldrop.

To the beloved family we extend our heartfelt sympathy. "Big Jud," as he was affectionately called by the students, was an educator who knew the art of getting hold of young men. It was truly said of him he was a "diamond in the rough," stricter with the students than any of the other teachers, but behind all of his firmness there was a warm heart that always went out to the boys in trouble.

THE DRINK PROBLEM.

If we followed blindly the lead of some of our secular papers, we would be forced to conclude that the determination to be rid of the whiskey power in Alabama is fomented by cranks, women and preachers, and that they have overdrawn the need for further legislation; that, in fact, the wisest thing to do would be to return to regulated (?) saloons, as if such a thing ever was or ever will be. Is the drink problem overdrawn? In one year over one-half million people were arrested in this country charged with intoxication and petty crimes associated or following from inebriety. This does not take cognizance of the more serious offenses chargeable to drink. It is impossible to set forth the extent and fatality of the drink evil. Said a prominent man who fought against prohibition in Birmingham, "I would not for a moment return to saloons." And yet he is fighting the amendment, and nearly all those who are lined up against it hope to have the sale of whiskey legalized in Alabama in some way. We call on all foes of whiskey to work, pray and vote for the amendment and thereby help to solve the drink problem in this State.

MORE STABLE THAN ORDINARY LAWS.

A great authority on constitutional law, while deploring the fact that the newer state constitutions contain such a code of directions and inhibitions as to leave very little real legislative power to the legislatures, admits that the constitutional provisions are, of course, much more stable than ordinary laws. This admission, coming from one who believes that putting so many things in the constitution is practically direct legislation, "legislation by the people," only confirms us in our contention that the proposed amendment will strengthen the temperance cause in Alabama and remove it from party politics. Let all those who oppose whiskey, work, pray and vote for the amendment.

The Age-Herald in its write-up of the mass meeting at the Jefferson Theatre in Birmingham said: "And in a common breath, the amendment was assailed, torn to pieces, and in gleeful abandon, hung in derision before the eyes of the people." And yet we predict that enough pieces will be found before the polls close in November to insert the full text into the Constitution, and the glee of the "liquorites" will be turned into gloom.

THE CHURCH'S CHANCE.

The Christian church must be aroused to help the ignorant and helpless people from the rapacity of the distillers and brewers who are flooding Alabama with their leaders and literature and money, and must be heard in no uncertain sound when men high in church, civic and commercial life seek to make it possible for whiskey to be once more legally sold in Alabama. This is no time to leave the fight merely to the temperance organizations, but the call is for a united church to move forward on the firing line and forever put to flight those who are moving on our homes under a whiskey banner. The church militant is needed, and we believe it will be seen mighty in action during the next next twenty days.

THE PARENT'S DUTY.

The parent is the natural leader in the reading of the family, and a family paper will be the best—a paper, that is, which is interesting to young and old alike, which they read and discuss together, and which makes for real companionship between all the members of the family. No parent, recognizing his responsibility for the family reading, can fail to see what opportunities for correcting, stimulating and directing the family taste are afforded by the constant, familiar family discussion of what is read in common by himself and his wife, his daughter and his son.

Our aim and purpose is to make the Alabama Baptist more and more interesting to the whole family.

The saloon element, having the support of so many prominent men and of the leading morning dailies, are wise enough to see that their campaign would suffer by conducting a whiskey-sellers' agitation. They learned this wisdom some years back, when a noted firm of brewers discouraged public discussion, saying: "We should advise you not to hold any public meetings, as those very good prohibitionists won't attend them, and you will have the hall filled with a gang of loafers, which will make you look like state's prison birds, and the papers will come out the next day with 'A man is known by the company he keeps.'" This ought to set some of our backsliders to thinking.

Anti-prohibitionist lawyers are busily engaged in arguing that the success of constitutional prohibition would tend to diminish the respect in which the constitution is held. While it is true certain eminent jurists in Alabama entertain this view, those who are familiar with the political history of Alabama know full well that some of them are nursing political grievances because the people decided at the polls to let them remain private citizens. It is untrue, however, to say that the amendment is being fought by practically all the lawyers in the state, for there are many of the ablest and sanest of them who are working with all their might for it.

It was Roger Q. Mills who in the great prohibition fight in Texas, in which Dr. B. H. Carroll was chairman of the prohibition executive committee, bitterly attacked the clergy who were favoring the amendment, saying that the "political preachers" ought to be "scourged back to their pulpits." This hue and cry has been raised in Alabama by certain disappointed politicians and disgruntled editors, but we dare say that the good people of Alabama, instead of taking a hand in the "scourging," will rather prefer to "purge" themselves from the men who seek to mould such vicious sentiments.

The prohibition constitutional amendment of North Dakota is in greater favor with the people than ever before in its history. It has been in force ever since the entrance of the state into the union, but never before have its provisions been so strictly enforced as during the past two years.

Woman's work in Alabama received a great impetus at the seventeenth annual convention of the Alabama Baptist Woman's Missionary Union, which met in Selma last week. From all accounts it was a great meeting and the good women made no mistakes in deciding to have their convention at a separate time from the Alabama Baptist State Convention. The program was an excellent one and the addresses were of a high order. It was with genuine regret that the union gave up Mrs. D. M. Malone as their corresponding secretary, and doubly so when it was on account of ill health. Mrs. Malone has not spared herself in the work and in the years to come her strenuous toiling will be felt. The union, however, made a fortunate selection in calling Miss Kathleen Mallory to the responsible position made vacant by Mrs. Malone's retirement. Miss Mallory is remarkably well equipped for the work, having culture, consecration and enthusiasm. The union greatly enjoyed the presence of Mrs. Chas. A. Stakeley and honored itself in re-electing her president. We heartily congratulate the central committee, the officers, and the members on the past year's work and pray that the coming year will be the best of all.

THE FIRING LINE.

"Oh! what a tangled web we weave,
When first we practice to deceive."

The present campaign being waged in this State for and against constitutional prohibition has brought out this truth in a most striking fashion.

When the battle was opened for the prohibition amendment the opposition sought to line up the old Confederate veterans against prohibition by a campaign of deception. Exaggerated cartoons were scattered broadcast over the State representing the Confederate veteran as a beggar asking for alms, while Governor Comer was paying out big fees to his attorneys, portrayed as belonging to the old soldier.

The heroes of the sixties recent being placed in the class of beggars. This feeling of righteous indignation was revealed in the meeting of the Jefferson county Confederate veterans recently, when the amendment was heartily and enthusiastically endorsed. The warriors of old are responding to the bugle call to arms. They are not content to be on the retired list. They are already on the firing line and will be seen in the thickest of the fight from now until the victory is won.

According to the most careful estimate fully three-fifths of the Jefferson county veterans are for permanent prohibition. The attempt to make capital out of the seeming neglect of the administration of the old soldiers has drawn the web closer and closer around the deceivers. Their very extravagant statements and cartoons now bob up like Banquo's ghost. The reaction has set in and the ants are already rueing their campaign methods.

Confederate veterans of Birmingham and Alabama have seen a practical demonstration of prohibition. When the reunion met in Birmingham in 1908 not a single accident marred the occasion. Record-breaking crowds attended the great reunion, and this was the grandest vindication that prohibition has ever had. Compared with the reunion at Memphis, a saloon city, the year following, at which time seven deaths cast a sadness and gloom over the gathering, prohibition did indeed score its greatest triumph.

The Ledger appeals to the Confederate veterans, for whom the heart of every Southerner must ever beat warmly, to join in the fight to rid Alabama for all time from the saloon incubus. All Alabama honors and reveres the veterans for the blood that they have shed for our homes. In this critical time the Ledger appeals to them to rally to the standard of the homes and vote for the womanhood and manhood of Alabama.—Birmingham Ledger.

We have little use for the politicians who have climbed up on the temperance band wagon in order to try and ride into office. We would mildly suggest that it would be more modest in them to occupy seats on the "water-wagon" for awhile.

THE ALABAMA BAPTIST

JOHN BULL'S PERSONAL LIBERTY.

By Richard Hall.

"Rule Britannia, Britannia rules the waves,
Britons never, never, never shall be slaves."

So the song goes, and many a jolly Briton sings it with peculiar gusto as he goes staggering down the street, proclaiming with the same breath that Britons never shall be slaves and that he himself is a hopeless slave to drink.

I am moved to make this observation by the fact that I have received from time to time through the mail various letters and other printed matter setting forth the iniquity of the interference with personal liberty involved in prohibition, and especially in the proposed constitutional amendment. My mind carries me across the wide ocean to that favored land where personal liberty is held so sacred that even the most progressive temperance advocates have scarcely dared to utter the word prohibition, but are content to fight for high license and fewer saloons, and here and there, where there are no large towns or cities, to pray for local option.

England is a country where almost no restraint is put upon a man's personal liberty in the matter of drink. He is a freeman, free to buy and drink that which steals away his brains practically anywhere and at any time, for in country, village, town and city, with some trifling limitations on Sunday, the thirsty Briton can quench his consuming thirst at innumerable licensed inns, taverns, public houses, restaurants and hotels. And right royally he—male and female—exercises that liberty, as I have seen hundreds of times, and especially, to my disgust and shame, on one occasion this summer.

Landing from the White Star liner "Celtic," at Prince's Landing Stage, Liverpool, one Sunday evening in July last, we found we had three hours to wait for our train. The church bells were ringing for evening service, and except for those who were on their way to the down-town churches, the streets were deserted. After supper, or rather tea, we walked leisurely to the Exchange railway station. The station was empty when we reached it, but in a few minutes the crowd began to stream onto the covered from end to end with hundreds of "trippers," who had been out for a day's excursion by rail and sea to the Welsh seaside resorts. And what a crowd! Men and women, but men in the majority and mostly young men, operatives in the cotton mills of Lancashire and the woolen factories of Yorkshire; a jolly, good-humored, boisterous, tipsy crowd, scores upon scores of them drunk, many of them reeling about and staggering against each other. Just in front of us a couple of young fellows, each with a bunch of flowers in his hand, roared out with boozey enthusiasm, though not unmusically, the words of a song, of which the chorus ran,

"For she's a lassie from Lancashire,
and what else I could not catch. But it was evidently very satisfactory and inspiring to the surrounding ring of admirers, who left sufficient space for the two principal artists to advance and retreat, and bow and scrape, and wave their bouquets at each other, and at the end of each verse joined with them lustily to the chorus.

To my inexperienced eye it seemed that this crowd had quite sufficiently refreshed themselves. But I was mistaken. These were worthy descendants of their mighty ancestor, Thor, who boasted that he could drain at one draught the biggest horn of ale that could be found, and kept his boast, until one day his crafty challenger attached the end of the horn to the bottom of the North sea. Bottles had taken the place of horns with these twentieth century Thors. But one bottle was not enough for an able-bodied man. I saw several noble Britons, who by their appearance had already imbibed pretty freely, lugging hampers full of bottles into the railway carriage with them to while away the tedium of the journey. And even the railway employes had not escaped the epidemic of conviviality. Before the crowd arrived, the first man to speak to us on the platform of the deserted station was a man whose breath and general silliness of conversation proclaimed him to be—well, say half drunk. From his uniform I took him to be the guard of one of the outgoing trains, but I can scarcely believe a man in

that condition would have been permitted to go out on such responsible duty.

I saw no accidents, but how some of those "trippers" got safely into the crowded trains remains a mystery only explained on the theory that Providence keeps special watch over drunken men and children."

It was all very interesting; it would have been amusing had it not been so sad. I saw more drunken men in one hour on that Sunday night, in that terminal at Liverpool than I have seen in more than twenty years in America. And that is the end of "personal liberty." No wonder that pauperism is increasing by leaps and bounds; no wonder that the distribution of government old age pensions has revealed an unsuspected number of destitute, honest people; no wonder that English statesmen are at their wits' end to find employment for hundreds of thousands of industrious workmen; no wonder, with such unrestricted personal liberty as this.

There are a multitude of things in which Alabama and the United States might take lessons, needed lessons, from the mother country, but in this matter of personal temperance and temperance legislation, and the limitation of personal liberty to indulge in that which makes fools and beasts of so large a proportion of its users, the mother country would do well humbly to sit at the feet of her daughters.

God speed the day when the personal liberty of the people of Alabama shall be so far interfered with that "the manufacture, sale and keeping for sale" of this pauperizing, demoralizing, brutalizing stuff shall be forever prohibited.

STATE ELEMENTARY DEPARTMENT

Mrs. J. W. O'Hara, Superintendent.

In view of the fact that the new graded lessons are agitating the minds of teachers all over the State just at this time, it is well to devote some space to opinions on this subject:

"I am amazed at the eagerness with which the new graded lessons are being received everywhere. Their adoption should be urged in every possible way. They are fine!"—Miss Minnie Kenney, Field worker, Alabama Sunday School Association.

"Twenty schools in the Birmingham District have adopted the graded lessons, and I think that all the Sunday schools in Greater Birmingham will have them by the first of the year."—Miss Alice Hale, County Elementary Superintendent, Jefferson.

In the Pilgrim Teacher a good explanation of the lessons is given by Mrs. J. W. Barnes:

"For thirty-five years the International Uniform Lessons have reigned supreme all over the Sunday school world. The Uniform Series have aimed at one Scripture for the whole school. All ages young and old, at work upon the same lesson. With equal authority the same committee which selects the International Uniform Lessons has now given us an additional series of lessons called 'The International Graded Series of Lessons,' the construction of which recognizes principles greatly at variance with those employed in the selection of the uniform series. Where the 'uniform' series has one passage for the entire school—all ages—the 'graded' series calls for one passage, only within a grade or group of grades. The new course seeks unity in the school through the building up of a course of study which shall be progressive in character; where the 'uniform' series aims at a universal use of the same Scripture lesson, differing in plan and scope according to the subjects treated, and in harmony with the needs of the pupil to be taught, while the equipment for the pupils, starting with simple work for the child, will gradually advance in difficulty in keeping with the growing powers of the child."

The "Keystone," or Baptist graded lessons, will differ slightly from the syndicated lessons.

Dr. Blackall, editor of the Northern Baptist Publication Society, says:

"Our 'Keystone' series will follow in every detail the outlines agreed upon; their basic educational principles will be observed, but whenever and wherever there is need the Scripture teachings will be all over the world, the graded series could only be said to have the same aim in that the same grades or departments the world around could study the same lesson.

"The Bible school is a distinctively religious institution, and aims to reach the emotional and volitional centres that the Christ may be enshrined in the heart and served in the life. But there is only one way that these can be reached. That way is the way of intellectual activity. It therefore means much to the Sunday school that its course of study should be so selected that what the pupil shall know shall also be the means of contributing to that which the pupil should be."

We quote from Dr. E. B. Chappelle, Editor Publication Board M. E. Church, South:

"The form of the several publications has been given careful consideration, that the course issued from year to year may be related to that which precedes and that which is to follow.

"The courses are permanent, and the publications will present a series of text books for the teacher faithfully presented without regarding any scheme as of more importance than a clear teaching of sin and its awful consequences, of salvation through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, and a personal acceptance of Jesus as a Savior, at the earliest period when such decision can intelligently be made by a child."

The graded lessons were begun the 1st of October. So far they have been prepared only for the beginners, primaries and juniors.

A school may adopt one or all of the courses.

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After ten years of teaching and studying the needs of childhood, both in day school and Sunday school, I am led to declare in favor of the graded lessons.

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The lessons may be procured from your denominational publication houses:

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Presbyterian Board of Publication, Nashville, Tenn.

A LETTER FROM BROTHER CRUMPTON.

Brother Barnett: I have been so much away from the office the last two months, attending associations, I have seen but few of my letters. They are stacked several inches deep on my desk. After three more associations, I can then give time to the work in the office.

As far as I have been able to observe, the new schedule is taking well in the churches.

Right soon I am going to get up a list of churches using the schedule. I think the number must be seven or eight hundred.

Glancing over a part of my mail, I am gratified at the number of country and village churches which are sending in regularly, according to the schedule. If our large churches in the cities would fall into line, it would be very encouraging.

Later on I want to give an estimate of the associations I have attended.

Fraternally,
W. B. CRUMPTON.

To the Baptist Pastors of Alabama:

Dear Brethren—According to our "schedule," you will observe that the contributions of one month during the conventional year are to be devoted to the 'Aged and Infirm Ministers' Relief Fund.'

This fund has never been sufficient to meet more than a small part of the demands made on it, and your Board is endeavoring to increase it to the point where it can meet the needs of every worthy claimant.

To this end we are asking that you fully inform your churches in reference to this worthy cause, so that, when your month for contributing comes, your people may have thorough information and interest as a basis for large liberality.

GEORGE W. MACON.

BROWNE-BARNETT.

The following invitation has been received by friends in Eufaula:

"Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin F. Browne request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Benella Octavia, to Mr. John Treutlen Barnett on the evening of Monday, the eleventh of October, nineteen hundred and nine, at six o'clock, 1812 Fairfield avenue, Shreveport, La."

The bride-to-be has spent much time with relatives here and is a charming young woman, cultured and accomplished, whose womanly graces has endeared her to a large circle of friends, who are rejoicing at her coming back to them.

Mr. Barnett is one of the best known and most highly honored and esteemed young men Eufaula has ever called her own. His splendid Christian character since childhood has been of the type that calls for the admiration of a community. His friends congratulate him on his coming happiness in winning for his life's companion so charming a young woman. Both are representatives of distinguished families and the union is most auspicious.—Eufaula Times and News.

ON THE HONOR ROLL.

Please put the Eleixis Baptist church and Sunday school on the honor roll, as they have given more to the orphanage than any country church at one time. They sent us this week \$16.30. The Spring Hill Baptists Sunday school near Millport ought to go on the honor roll, as they gave three nice collections to the orphanage in three months. Then we have some towns like Newbern, Jackson that have made nice contributions in money, and a number of towns are sending the boys and girls nice boxes valued at from \$15 to \$30. We do trust that every Sunday school of our denomination will send us a collection each month in the year.—J. W. Dunaway.

THE EAST LIBERTY ASSOCIATION.

This association has recently held its seventy-fourth session. It is composed of 38 churches with a membership of 4,357. Its financial report shows that \$4,161.87 had been contributed for the support of the various causes our people foster. The outlook for the current association year is most encouraging. We have entered the seventy-fifth year of our history, and it is proposed that we make it the very best we have ever had in all these years. We want to celebrate this seventy-fifth anniversary by the largest number of converts, the most liberal contributions, and the greatest advance along all lines of Christian work. The next meeting of the association will be held in Lafayette, where the association was organized, and where the fiftieth anniversary was celebrated. At that meeting we hope to erect our Ebenezer to the glory of God who through all the years has so signally blessed our churches.

Some of our best churches are still pastorless—notably Dadeville and Camp Hill. The two churches just named usually co-operate and make a very desirable field. We hope that a good man will soon be found for the work.

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The Significance of A Poor Appetite

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In nearly all cases of good kept appetite, and a hearty relish for food are significant of good health and indicative of a strong digestion—one which is capable of handling properly all of the food eaten, so that the person will not be annoyed for hours after each meal with bloating sensations, a feeling of weight in the epigastric region, sour eructations, heartburn and waterbrash.

Practically every one is aware of the fact that if the appetite fails for any length of time, the strength and energy wane considerably, and the blood and nerves are appreciably affected, the condition of the one indicating anaemia, or thin blood, and of the other, neurasthenia, or nervous exhaustion. Then follow such symptoms as want of energy, "that tired feeling," a state of languor, lassitude and weariness, together with melancholia and despondency.

A good hearty appetite usually indicates a good, healthy digestion, though, of course, there are exceptions to this rule, for example, as in diabetes, or in bulimia, conditions in which the appetite is tremendous, in fact, downright ravenous, and can not be satisfied no matter how much food may be eaten. The "exaggerated appetites" of these diseases are just as unnatural, and just as sure indications of stomach disorder, either directly or indirectly, as is anorexia, or loss of appetite.

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The Brethren.

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Montgomery.

I was in this dear old place a few weeks ago for some days on business. My heart was made glad to hear such good things about the Master's kingdom as was being brought to pass by all the pastors there. The last addition to their number, Bro. Anderson at Adams avenue, has taken hold with earnestness and determination. Many were the good things I heard of him. When I recently declined their call to come back I told the brethren I believed Bro. Anderson would be the man for the place. The prophecy is fast coming true. The state at large will never fully appreciate what Bros. Crompton and Miles are bearing and doing for the cause of prohibition. They are making the fight of their lives, and God is with them. If they do have to suffer here, He will richly reward.

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Let's vote for the little ones and wives.
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And each peace-loving human
Will save many good and precious lives.
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Should get sick, oh, yes, much sicker,
For the harm they are doing here on earth.
It is wrong, yes, quite degrading,
Human lives to be thus trading,
To this world but little are they worth.

Liquor men's vile occupations
Are disgraceful to all nations.
They're scattering whisky letters now like chaff,
Hard they're striving now for voters,
Should they win, they will be "gloaters."
We should boast not, nor be bragging,
But should mount the water wagon
And do for our cause, yes, all we can.
Let us banish "booze" forever
So it can return, no, never,
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Let them keep on fighting to the end.
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While we have this ideal weather,

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We beseech you, we admonish,
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ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

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The fourth installment coupons are due this month. One subscriber who moved away from the state has remitted me for his fourth and fifth installments. The high price of cotton ought to make collections of current and past due coupons very good. Remit to WM. A. DAVIS, Treas., Anniston, Ala.

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County, In Chancery. City Court of Birmingham.

Rosa A. Causey vs. Robert A. Causey.

In this cause it being made to appear to the undersigned judge of this court in term time by the affidavit of James M. Russell, solicitor for and agent of complainant, that the defendant, Robert A. Causey, is in said affiant's belief a non-resident of the state of Alabama and his particular place of residence is unknown to affiant; and further, that, in the belief of said affiant, the defendant is over the age of 21 years, it is therefore ordered that publication be made in the Alabama Baptist, a newspaper published in Jefferson county, Alabama, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring him, the said Robert A. Causey, to answer, plead or demur to the bill of complaint in this cause by the 15th day of November, 1909, or after thirty days therefrom a decree of pro confesso may be taken against him.

This 7th day of October, 1909.

H. A. SHARPE,

Judge of the City Court of Birmingham.

JAS. M. RUSSELL, Attorney.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO SELL LAND BY ADMINISTRATOR.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County, Probate Court.

Estate of Rufus Spake, Deceased.

This day came Mary E. Spake, administratrix of said estate, and filed her application in due form and under oath, praying for an order of sale of certain lands described therein, and belonging to said estate, for the purpose of division, and upon the ground that said land cannot be equitably divided. And it appearing to the court from said application that A. T. Spake, one of the heirs of said deceased, is in the United States navy and a non-resident of the State of Alabama.

It is ordered, that on the 17th day of November, 1909, be appointed a day for hearing such application, at which time the said A. T. Spake and all other parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

SAMUEL E. GREENE,
Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Walter S. Murfee, Deceased.

On the 1st day of October, 1909, the probate court of Jefferson county, State of Alabama, granted to the undersigned letters of administration on the estate of Walter S. Murfee, deceased. All persons having claims against the estate are notified to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

CHAS. A. GEWIN,
Administrator of Walter S. Murfee.
WARD & RUDOLPH,
Attorneys

A great feature of the Gipsy Smith meetings in Chicago last month was the chorus singing, in charge of Dr. D. B. Townner, musical director of the Moody Bible Institute. Out of an enrollment of about 2,500 singers there was an average nightly attendance of 1,000 for thirty nights, in addition to those present at the afternoon meetings, the best known in Chicago for a long period. The organization of the chorus has been maintained and it will be led by Mr. Charles M. Alexander during the mid-winter conference under the auspices of the Moody Bible Institute, December 2-5.

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The Baptist Training School, of Nashville, is being held this week, with addresses every afternoon and night by Messrs. B. W. Spilman, L. P. Leavell, C. E. Crossland, Arthur Flake, W. D. Hudgins, Miss A. L. Williams, Drs. William Lunsford, R. W. Weaver and R. M. Inlow. The attendance upon the meetings is large. The addresses are helpful and instructive and are greatly enjoyed.—Baptist Reflector.

MORTGAGE SALE.

Under and by virtue of a mortgage executed to the undersigned by Caroline E. Watson and husband, Gordon Watson, on the 28th day of September, 1908, and recorded in vol. 512, record of deeds, at page 149, in the office of the Judge of Probate of Jefferson county, Alabama, the undersigned will proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, in front of the court house door in Birmingham, Ala., on the 18th day of December, 1909, within the hours of legal sale, the following described property, situated in Jefferson county, State of Alabama, to-wit: A part of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter, section three, township nineteen south, range three west, and situated therein as follows, viz.: From northeast corner of said sub-division run south three degrees and forty-five minutes, east eight hundred and eighty-four feet to corner on quarter line to obtain an initial point, from thence south eighty-nine degrees west five hundred and thirty-five feet, from thence north fifty degrees east five hundred and sixty-one feet to corner on west side of Cow Gap public road, thence south thirty-nine degrees east one hundred and thirty-nine feet to corner on quarter line, thence south three degrees and forty-five minutes east two hundred and fifty-three feet to the initial point, containing two acres and 40.5 acres.

JOHN W. PRUDE, Mortgagee.

State of Alabama, Jefferson County. Estate of John B. Kennedy, Deceased. Letters of administration upon the estate of said decedent, having been granted to the undersigned on the 18th day of October, 1909, by the Honorable S. E. Greene, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate will be required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or that the same will be barred.

W. J. JONES, Administrator.

WARD & RUDOLPH, Attys.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County. Probate Court. Taken up by Jim Bell on the 17th day of October, 1909, and estrayed before J. H. Banners, Judge of Inferior Court of Jefferson county, a certain mouse colored horse male, blind in right eye, about (12) twelve years old and valued at \$65.

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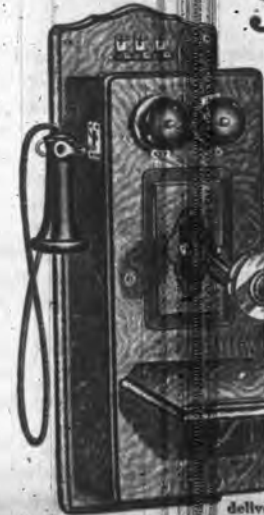
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OBITUARY.

Truly God loves a shining mark, as one star different from another star in point of glory, so our beloved sister and friend, Mrs. M. A. Love, was this light among her family and friends. So modest and retired was her life that it made her light the brighter. After an illness of two weeks (appendicitis) her body yielded to the dreaded disease in the hands of skillful physicians and nurses November 1, 1909.

Her daughter, Daisy, and four sons remain to follow their mother when the Father says, "Come, I have need of thee."

Will all be ready to answer the call? Robert, a leader in Christian work, having filled the place of church clerk, Sunday school teacher and faithful to the prayer services of his church.

God's blessings upon this home. May each one see the beauty of the higher Christian life and follow close their mother's steps. All are members of the West End Baptist church, Birmingham, Ala.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

We, the committee appointed by the First Baptist church of New Decatur, Ala., in conference Oct. 15, 1909, for the purpose of drafting resolutions in regard to the resignation and work of our much beloved pastor, Rev. J. E. Merrell, beg to submit the following:

Resolved 1. That in the separation which is soon to take place between pastor and people here, we shall lose one of the Lord's most earnest servants and wish to express to him our recognition and appreciation of his faithful and loyal work for the Master at this place since May, 1908; that his departure from us will be distinctly felt by our church and people.

2. We cordially commend him to any sister church that wishes to have the glorious gospel of the Son of God preached in its purity. In him they will find one who is full of the spirit and ever faithful in the service of our blessed Master.

3. We have not language to express our love to one who has so nobly and untiringly led us to higher and better lives during his sojourn with us, and our prayers and hearts' tenderest affections go with him and his devoted wife, who is ever ready to do anything that will help forward the cause of her Master; and with the sweet little ones that God has given them. May

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WOMANHOOD'S PRAYER.

Lucy Strickland.

Give us a land where we may walk in freedom,

Give us homes where we may dwell in peace,

Give us hearts that may be conquered by kindness—

From the wine demon give us release.

Give us men who are strong, brave and noble,

Who would dare stand for God and the right,

Give us unsullied purity in all its sweetness—

Deliver us from the saloon door's darksome night.

Let us reign supreme in the hearts of our beloved,

Let us hold them closely to our yearning mother-breasts.

Heal the wounds that are gaping and bleeding,

Wrought by the saloon keeper and intemperate beasts.

For we long with a deep and painful yearning

For peace and joy and surcease from pain,

And we look ever with eyes tired with watching

For the appearing of "that boy" we want home again.

Oh, the anguish that has been suffered,

Oh, the pain that womanhood has borne.

We pray the dreaded curse may be wiped out forever

From our hearts, our lives, our hearths, our homes.

With eyes full of pleading we bend in supplication—

We beseech the Power that rules above

To give us men who are brave enough and noble

To save the dear ones who hold woman's love.

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