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Dr. W. D. Nowlin, of Mayfield, Ky., has decided to enter the evangelistic field.

Rev. A. W. Bealer, of Thomasville, Ga., has been called to Murfreesboro, Tenn. He is worth transplanting.

The Georgia Baptist State Convention will meet at Dublin Nov. 16 to 20. How ye editor wishes he could meet with the Georgia saints.

The campaign is resolving itself more and more into liquor or no liquor, saloon or no saloon, in this part of the state. May the Lord give us victory.—J. W. Griffith, Slocomb.

Dr. W. H. Smith, editorial secretary of the foreign mission board, recently visited the Birmingham district, where he has a host of friends. We regret having missed his visit to our office.

I am now leaving for my new field at Gurley. I shall be well pleased up there. Will do all that I can for the amendment; also for the paper. Please change my paper from Shelby to Gurley.—R. R. Brasher.

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Please change my address from Scottsboro, Ala., to Cullman, Ala. I have accepted the care of the First church of Cullman. We will be glad to have you with us any time. We are in the fight for the amendment.—M. L. Harris.

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I enclose you check for two dollars on Alabama Baptist. I enjoy the dear old paper. With best and kind regards to you on your 44th birthday, and may you have many more birthdays.—Chas. L. Hearn.

On the first Sunday in October, Dr. David M. Ramsay celebrated his second anniversary as pastor of the Grace street church, in Richmond. The two years have been fruitful to a notable degree.—Religious Herald.

Rev. J. Sid Woods moves from Marbury to Billingsley, where he accepts work for two Sundays. This leaves him two vacant Sundays and gives some church or churches an opportunity to secure a good pastor.

Please change my paper from Scottsboro to Pisgah, Ala. I hope not to miss a single paper. Should I lose one I certainly would feel that I had lost something. It means very much to me and my family. I am already convinced that I am among a noble people.—W. R. Thomas.



Vote for the
AMENDMENT



MAN OR MONEY? - THE REAL ISSUE
WHICH WAY WILL SHE VOTE?

Rev. J. A. Beal, one of our Alabama boys at the Seminary, recently supplied at Jeffersonton, Ky.

I like the paper very much. I like the stand it is taking toward the amendment.—Walter Vinson.

Dr. Henry B. Battle accepts the pastorate of the High street church, Charlottesville, Va.

Rev. H. A. Porter has just closed a great meeting in his church, Walnut street, Louisville, Ky. There were 43 additions.

President E. Y. Mullins recently delivered a series of addresses in Kansas, where he went to attend the Baptist State Convention.

I am proud of the fight the Baptist and good people of Alabama are making for the amendment proposition. I expect it to win when the voting time comes.—Paul Keeton.

John R. Mott declines the proposed secretaryship of the federal council of the denominations and will continue in the work for the student volunteers.

I love my paper. I enjoy reading it more and more. I pray God's blessing on you and yours. I also pray God's blessing on the amendment.—Mrs. S. E. Kelly.

You put my address 233 Fairfax avenue, Birmingham, and my phone 3032, Birmingham. Please call attention to the fact that I am at Bessemer and oblige.—J. R. Stodghill.

Bro. Barnett: May God bless you and your paper for the efforts you are putting forth for the amendment. We are working, hoping and praying for it over here.—B. W. Mathews.

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I begin a revival meeting at Newton Sunday and after that will speak on the amendment the rest of November. I am quite sure it will be carried by a large majority. God is on our side.—W. J. Ray, Cedar Springs, Ga.

Walnut Street church, of Louisville, is planning to celebrate with great rejoicing its sixtieth anniversary, it having been formed in 1849 by the union of the First and Second Baptist churches of Louisville.—The Western Evangel.

The Alabama Baptist, true to its character and to the hour in that great State, is brimming these days with vital prohibition matter.—Baptist Standard. Thanks. The paper is in the fight for all it is worth and the editor is doing what he can on the stump.

AMMUNITION FOR THE FIRING LINE

If our liquor sympathizers want peace why don't they help us put the amendment in the Constitution. This will show that they mean to quit trying to foist the traffic on Alabama.

Are you looking for political peace? Do you really want agitation stopped? Why do they not line up for the amendment? We fear that they still cling to the outworn theory that to forever banish whiskey will "hurt business."

It was easy to tell from the applause at the anti-amendment conference that it was not packed by prohibition, despite the claims of the orators that they were at heart temperance sympathizers. Local option, dispensary plans and regulation of the traffic had the delegates gripped.

Did you scan closely the names of the leaders at the anti-amendment conference in Montgomery? Did you look into the faces of the delegates? Did you listen to the addresses? Names, faces and speeches were most familiar, for most of them were leading in the fight against state-wide prohibition. Just enough new blood to fool the uninitiated.

If, as the resolutions passed at the great Montgomery conference against the amendment be true, that it will be ineffective, useless and foolish to put prohibition in the Constitution, why in the name of common sense is the liquor interest so anxious to defeat it. If it won't do any good, why are they flooding the State with whiskey literature and why are they spending so much money to influence the press and to put on the stump so many hired orators. To say the least of it, their actions indicate that they fear it will help to keep Alabama in the dry column.

There is a way to present our temperance cause which overcomes opposition to the amendment. Clear statements about the laws will change some who are opposing it when exaggeration or abuse will make them cling all the closer to their delusion. Appeal always to their common sense, be moderate in statement, use patience in argument. We have the right on our side and there is no use in getting mad. Clear heads, warm hearts and guarded tongues are greatly needed in winning the fight.

If the amendment is defeated a fight for the return of the sale of liquor will be projected that will give those who seemed pained at the present agitation something really true to weep over. We confess, however, that we take little stock in the crocodile tears being shed by those who accuse the temperance folk of bringing on the present agitation. If the liquor people want agitation ceased why don't they quit flooding the State with their literature, money and hired orators and call off the pro-liquor press.

We heard a dear little woman say recently that she loved "peace" so much that she was willing to fight to get it. That is just the way we feel about this continuous agitation of the liquor people in Alabama. We are so anxious for peace that we are willing to fight to put them out forever, for as long as they have a foothold or any hope that a corrupt Legislature can be elected that will repeal the present prohibition laws, so long will they keep us in a turmoil, but if the amendment carries we believe they will fold their tents and go to more inviting fields.

If a few timid, time-serving, truculent politicians think they are going to keep the preachers out of this fight by lifting up their feeble voices against it, before it is over they will get such a fright that they will either join in with them or hunt cover, for as sure as we live the preachers of Alabama are going to rise in the strength of the Lord and buckle on the armor of righteousness and go out on the warpath until every man, woman and child in the State will know that they are lined up against the liquor interests. No man or set of men can make them afraid. It is a preachers' fight.

We are hearing so much about Maine these days and how all through the years it has suffered under prohibition, and therefore we wish to quote the late James G. Blaine, who can hardly be counted a freak or fanatic, for while speaking in that great State he said: "Maine for the last thirty-seven years has been under a prohibitory law. I think the State has derived great advantage from it. I think that the State is far richer and far better because of the law than it would have been without it." "The State has been growing richer every year," wrote Senator Frye in 1890. "I believe I am entirely safe in saying there is no State in the union enjoying more general prosperity than is to be found in Maine. There has been no depreciation of property; on the contrary, a general appreciation."

J. O. Thompson, collector of internal revenue and chairman of the Republican State Executive Committee, has come out for the constitutional amendment. Mr. Thompson has refused to call a meeting of his committee to institute a campaign against the amendment, and in a letter to a member of the committee, who had sought to have it called together to fight the amendment, he expressed himself as heartily in favor of it. He also expressed the view that it is not a political question, but a moral one, and that the Republican party should hands off.

Then said David (the voter) to the Philistine, Thou camest to me with a sword (political wires) and with a spear (the open whiskey faucet in prohibition territory) and with a shield (a bag of money), but I come to thee in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel whom thou hast defied. This day (Nov. 29, 1909, the day we vote for constitutional prohibition) will the Lord deliver thee in mine hand and I will smite thee.—I Samuel, xvii, 45-46.

"When I became Governor and had the power to put an end to saloon lawlessness in the cities, I endeavored to have the law enforced. For doing this I have been constantly abused and vilified by the liquor interests and their allies. It is a business the natural tendency of which is toward lawlessness, and the time has come when it will either run the politics of the State or be run out of the politics of the State."—Governor J. W. Folk, of Missouri.

The church should keep ahead of the aggressive movement for better prohibition legislation until the state and the nation shall both by statutory law and constitutional enactment prohibit the importation, manufacture and sale of all intoxicating liquors, including ale, wine and beer as a beverage. Church members ought to use their influence for the amendment.

When asked how he stood on the amendment, Prof. John L. Dodson wrote on a small slip of paper: "Let my name stand, where long it has stood, 'Gainst all that is bad, for all that is good; 'Gainst whiskey and evils that whiskey has sent, For prohibition and for the amendment."

I have said one hundred times, and am willing to say again, that if anybody will take charge of the poverty and crime which result from drunkenness, the South Congregational church, of which I have the honor to be the minister, will alone take charge of the poverty which needs relief in the city of Boston.—Edward Everett Hale.

A vote for constitutional prohibition will be a vote for home protection against the evils of rum and for sobriety of our commonwealth. A vote against it will line one up with the crowd who have done more to corrupt the morals of our land than all other evil forces combined.

The liquor traffic strikes at the home, the church and the state, and why should fathers, church members and good citizens be chided for trying to knock it out by voting for the amendment?

We cordially commend the effective work of the Anti-Saloon League and other organizations seeking the suppression of the traffic and give to them our co-operation and support to the extent of our ability.—Resolution of Southern Baptist Convention.

We believe in temperance as the law of the gospel, and total abstinence as a rule of conduct, and therefore we mightily urge our fellow-man to throw himself wholeheartedly into working for the amendment.

Look up and not down, and vote for the amendment. Look forward and not backward, and vote for the amendment. Look out, or some one will hoodwink you into voting against it. Lend a hand and help some weaker brother to get on the prohibition platform.

While fully conceding to every man the right to decide, in the exercise of his Christian liberty, whether or not he will support the amendment, yet we earnestly pray that no man will treat the matter as of no importance, but that every one will ask for the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

It is absolutely impossible to have a permanent, decent municipal government where the saloon dominates municipal politics. The elimination of the saloon will help municipal politics everywhere, even in those places where the saloon does not dominate municipal politics, and therefore we beg our country brethren to vote for the amendment and make it impossible for saloons to get back in the State to debauch our cities.

General "Fred" Grant, as his friends and admirers know him, is quoted as saying, apropos of his recently riding in full uniform at the head of a temperance procession in Chicago, that he would "get out of the army" or make any other personal sacrifice if it would advance the cause of prohibition. We wonder how many politicians in Alabama would be willing to give up office or the hope of office to put prohibition in the Constitution?

The records of civilization abound with exemplifications of the fact that a single voice may determine the greatest crisis in the affairs of men, and in an eloquent and persuasive article, written for the Youth's Companion, ex-Governor Folk, of Missouri, emphasizes the responsibilities of young men when they cast their first vote. In this crisis we wish all our young men who will reach their majority by November 29th could read this article.

"The saloon seeks to save its neck from the hangman's noose by a cry of local self-government, but it will not permit a single town or county in the State to enjoy that right if it is allowed one single distributing point in the State, and you will find before you are through with this fight that the issue is as broad as the nation. The brewers of St. Louis, Cincinnati, Chicago and Milwaukee will flood you with bottled poison in defiance of your laws, as they are doing in Georgia and Alabama today."—Clinton Howard.

The average factory worker of the United States receives \$490 per year in wages, and there are 6,152,000 of such workers. Deduct from this \$250 a year for liquor and its miseries, and half of the family's income is taken away. The average wage-earnings per year in the North Atlantic States of this Union are \$479; in the South Atlantic States, \$335; in the North Central States, \$503; in the Western States, where mining is profitable, \$670; or an average per year per man for the whole United States of \$477. Take from this the \$250 put into a habit and the blow which is dealt the individual and the family is too palpable to be ignored. Figures of this character cannot be disputed. They are having extraordinary weight in this progressive day with thinking people, and in some ways they are doing more for the cause of temperance than a hundred other arguments that might be advanced.—Franz V. Feldman.

OLD SOLDIERS NOT IN POLITICS.

An enthusiastic meeting of Confederate veterans who favor the prohibition amendment was held at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at the auditorium of the Chamber of Commerce. A number of speeches were made, but the main business of the gathering was the adoption of campaign plans as outlined in a report made by Dr. J. C. Abernathy, chairman of the special committee named some time back to represent the Veterans' Amendment Club in the campaign.

The report made by Dr. Abernathy was as follows:

"We respectfully suggest to your body that you insist upon all veterans to refrain from all harsh and insulting language in discussing the prohibition amendment with your opponents. One's respect and kindly consideration for veterans differing from you should be carefully guarded, remembering that the election will soon be a thing of the past and we desire no ill-feeling or loss of friendship to follow it.

"Through your organization we appeal to the women of Alabama for their aid in this great work. They are more directly and intensely interested in the struggle than we are. We know this appeal to them will fall on willing ears and a glad heart. They were with us heart and soul in the darkest day of the South's history, and will not forsake us now in this effort to drive from our State and keep out of the State man's greatest enemy.

"Your committee desires to emphasize in strongest terms our sincere thanks and highest appreciation of the ministers of different denominations, for the active and zealous course they are pursuing in defense of the constitutional amendment.

"We can but feel that they would be recreant to their God-given trust, and crucify a new savior of mankind, were they neutral in this struggle. We deplore the abuse that has been heaped upon them from some quarters, but not from Confederate veterans on either side of this question.

"Naturally, by reason of age, experience and observation, the younger generation respect us and look to us for counsel and advice.

"Let us then impress upon them the fact that we and look to them to guide us in all things that are pure, upright and holy."

The Issue Clear.

After the report of Dr. Abernathy, the meeting adopted a strong set of resolutions, in which they make clear that they regard the issue as a clear-cut one between saloons or no saloons, and urge their comrades to not deceive themselves that any man's personal political ambitions will be advanced or retarded by the result of the election. The resolutions follow:

"Whereas, Alabama is in the midst of a campaign which involves a great moral issue, and the welfare of thousands of our citizens, our children, our grandchildren and the future generations that are to come; and,

Whereas, We believe that the ratification of the prohibition constitutional amendment means forever closing the doors of Alabama to the entrance of liquor and that its defeat is sought by the allied liquor interests of the nation as an entering wedge to pave the way for the reopening of the saloon in Alabama; and,

Whereas, The opposition seems to have sought to confuse the issues in order to cover up the real significance of a vote against the prohibition amendment; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That this body of Confederate veterans go on record before the world and before our comrades as fighting for the amendment purely on moral grounds, regarding it as a clear-cut question of saloons or no saloons; and be it further

"Resolved, That we urge the men who composed the brave armies of the Confederate States not to be misled by the claims that any man's political ambition is to be advanced or retarded by the result of the election on November 29, or that the homes of Alabama are in any way endangered by the ratification of the prohibition amendment to the constitution; but that they consider the vital protection that the perpetuation of the present homes of Alabama in the drunkenness and crime it will prevent, the hunger and suffering it forestalls; and be it further

"Resolved, That we especially call attention to the

fact that statistics show that in the last year of the saloon system in Alabama 31 of the unmentionable crimes were committed, while the first nine months of state-wide prohibition has brought only one attempt at such a crime, and in order to emphasize the importance of keeping liquor away from the negro because of its effect in preventing the invasion of unprotected homes by ignorant negroes turned into fiends by the unbridled sale of vile concoctions in low saloon dives; and that we further urge that the prevention of one such crime is worth more to the manhood and womanhood of this State than all the revenue that could be derived from the sale of liquor in a century; be it further.

"Resolved, That we publish this set of resolutions for the purpose of putting clearly before our people and our comrades that we are fighting for the amendment because it means protection against the saloon; because it means that our homes are not to be invaded by liquor and the fiends it creates; and that because, as patriotic and God-fearing men, we cannot sit idly by when our beloved State is threatened by the return of the saloon or permit our comrades to be misled or to misconstrue the real meaning of this fight without a strong protest.

"J. LAWLER DANBY, Chairman.
"D. R. DUNLAP, Committee."

HOW HE REFORMED.

Father Mathew, the Irish advocate of temperance, whose name, said Dr. William Ellery Channing, deserved "to be placed in the calendar not far below that of the apostles," often had to listen to personal experiences which did not sound so tragic as the penitent meant them to be. One evening, says the Rev. Edward Gilliat in "Heroes of Modern Crusades," an old toper had been explaining to a sympathetic audience how he had been given to long sponges:

"Well," said he, "of course I kind o' thought I couldn't go on widout bringing me and the poor wife and childher to sup sorrow.

"I first drank me own clothes into paws; then I drank me wife's cloak off her back; then I drank her flannel petticoat and her gound; then I drank the cups and saucers out of the cupboard; then I drank the pot and the kettle off the fire; then I drank the bedclothes from the bed, and the bed from under meself and me wife.

"Well, what brought me to me senses at last was the cold flure and the poor childher crying, 'Daddy, we're so hungry!'

"I remember the last night of me b'guarding there wasn't a bit to eat or a sup to taste for the poor little things; and the big boy, he said, 'Poor mudder didn't eat a bit all day; she gave all she had to Katy and Billy.'

"'Daddy, I can't go to sleep, I'm so cowed,' says the littlest boy.

"'God forgive your unnatural father!' said I, 'and hould yer whisht,' said I, 'and I'll make ye comfortable'; and with that, saving your presences, ladies, I takes me breeches—'tis no laughing matter, I tell ye—and I goes over to the grayckers, and I sticks one of the childher into one of the legs, and smother of the childher into the other leg, and I buttons the waistband round their necks; and I tould 'em for their life not to sneeze.

"But be cockcrow in the morning Billy, who was a mighty airy bird, cries out:

"'Daddy! daddy!'

"'What's the matter?' says I.

"'I want to get up, daddy?' says he.

"'Well, get up, and bad scan to ye!' says I.

"'I can't,' says the young shaver.

"'Why can't ye, ye cantankerous cur?' says I.

"'Me and Tommy's in the breeches,' says he, sadly.

"'Daddy, don't ye remimber? We're buttoned up,' says the little chap, 's smart as ye please.

"'So up I got and unbuttoned the crayckers, and I says to meself, 'twas a burning shame that the childher of a Christian man should be buttoned up yonder instead o' lying in a dacint bed.

"'So I slips the breeches on me shanks," concluded the penitent, "and off I goes to your riverence and takes the pledge; and 'twas the crown piece that your riverence, God bless ye! slipped into the heel o' me fist that set me up again in the world!"

USE OF THE CORRUPTION FUND.

The publication of the effort of a party representing himself as a political agent of the whiskey interests to bribe an editor in this State to take an editorial stand against the adoption by the people of the constitutional amendment putting prohibition in the organic law, has naturally attracted attention of the law-abiding people to the tactics that are likely to be undertaken by the organized liquor interests against the adoption of the amendment. It appears that the agent of the liquor interests struck the wrong man in his proposition to the editor to print editorials against the amendment for a financial consideration, with a hundred dollars advanced as a "retainer," and more to come according to the editorial service rendered, and the editor who received the proposition turned the letter over to parties who desire that the amendment be adopted in the interests of the moral welfare of the State. The proposition will therefore be given general circulation as an example of some of the methods shaped up to thwart the will of the people through the undue use of money.

Aside from the bunglesome job on the part of the agent who put himself in the position to be exposed in this sort of business, the disclosure suggests the course of the campaign against the adoption of the amendment will take at the hands of those interests that are willing to resort to more or less desperate measures of this kind to debauch the people. When the liquor interests as an organized factor to fight the adoption of local option, and afterward state-wide prohibition in this State, were repeatedly warned that the people of Alabama would not stand for a movement by special interests to control their public affairs, they disregarded the warning, practically flaunted before the people their defiance and brazenly jumped into the breach with financial backing to defeat the will of the people. Large amounts of money were used to obstruct the progress of prohibition, but the methods adopted served as an illustration to the people that the situation had become one of whether the people or the liquor interests should control the State. The history of the fight between the people and the liquor interests is familiar. Now here it is again.

The people of Alabama will resent this sort of tactics as a gross insult to their intelligence and their integrity, and they will increase the strength of their position against the danger of corruption from this source. It is perfectly natural that they should realize the danger of the power that is undertaking to antagonize the public interests through such methods. It is widely believed that the liquor interests will make a fight against the adoption of constitutional prohibition. The case cited above, together with reports from elsewhere in the State that financial propositions of this kind have been made to other editors, suggests the kind of campaign the liquor interests may engage in.

Attempts to debauch the press of Alabama to use its influence to thwart the will of the law-abiding citizens ought to make the majority for the amendment even larger than it would otherwise be, for the reason that such methods to prevent the passage of a measure that is designed for the public welfare should convince the decent citizen of the danger arising from such a source and the need for a decisive stand accordingly. A few more exposures of this kind question arises before them whether the people of the State to do more for the adoption of the constitutional amendment than they would have done. The question arises before them whether the people of Alabama are to control their affairs as seems wisest and best to them, or allow a special interest to come in and take charge through the use of a fund with which to corrupt the voters.—Birmingham News.

FACTS ABOUT THE STATE OF MAINE.

In 1851 the Legislature passed a statutory prohibition law.

In 1856 the liquor people elected a Legislature that repealed it.

In 1858 the prohibitionists elected a Legislature that re-enacted the prohibition law.

At every election that question was up, until 1884, when it was put in the Constitution by a vote of 3 to 1, and there it is to this day.

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CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

The fifth annual session of the Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Central Association, convened with Friendship church, near Tallassee, Sept. 30th, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Mrs. A. L. Harlan, vice president, conducted devotional exercises. Committee on enrollment appointed as follows: Misses Carrie Pruitt, Nora May Neighbors and Roxie Carmack.

There were representatives present from seven of the organized societies. Verbal reports of the work were made by

Mrs. J. A. Howle, Eclectic.
Mrs. Moore, Tallassee.
Mrs. N. S. Walker, Alexander City.
Miss Bessie Bently, Rockford.
Miss Luxie Graves, Mt. Zion.
Miss Mamie Rush, Mt. Olive.
Miss Hamilton, Bethlehem.

Each society reported some advance over the previous year's work.

The review of the year's work by the vice president showed that there are ten active societies in the Central Association which contributed about \$800 for the purposes of the past associational year. There were two Y. W. A. and two Sunbeam societies—with prospective Sunbeam Bands at Eclectic, Tallassee, Rockford and Shiloh.

The band at Alexander City deserves special mention for their fine report, having contributed \$25 to the orphans' home, besides gifts to other causes the past year.

Resolutions of the State Executive Board were read by Mrs. J. A. Howle.

Officers elected for the year:

Mrs. A. L. Harlan, vice president.
Mrs. N. S. Walker, secretary.

At the afternoon session devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. J. W. Gullledge with prayer by Mrs. Ben Walker.

A paper on Foreign Missions was read by Mrs. Howle.

Home Missions was presented by Mrs. N. S. Walker.

The Sunday School Board by Mrs. P. H. Land, and the Margaret Home by Miss Mamie Spivey.

Miss Hamilton read an article on the training school for our young women.

Miss Carrie Pruitt presented State Missions in a forceful selection.

A reading by Miss Land on the orphans' home was interesting to all the hearers.

At the close of the meeting the Woman's Missionary Society of Friendship was organized with the following officers:

Miss Carrie Pruitt, president.
Miss Pearl Oliver, vice president.
Miss Mattie Oliver, secretary.
Mrs. N. C. Lett, treasurer.

They have over twenty members and we trust that much and lasting good may be accomplished through their efforts for the Master's cause.

BIGBEE ASSOCIATION.

The W. M. U. of the Bigbee Association held its annual meeting in the Baptist church at Cuba, Ala., Oct. 21, 1909. There was a fairly good representation of W. M. U.'s, Y. W. A.'s, Sunbeams and Royal Ambassadors. Our faithful and efficient vice president, Mrs. F. B. Stallworth, was re-elected, and the usual order of business was carried out, each object fostered by the union receiving due attention. Miss Mary T. Brock read an interesting paper on Y. W. A. work. The aged and inform ministers' fund was presented in a concise way by Mrs. J. E. Herring. Mrs. Rucker, of Missouri, spoke of the progress of the work in her state. Mrs. Wood, of Meridian, and Mrs. D. M. Malone both gave some most helpful suggestions for Sunbeam and Royal Ambassador leaders. Mrs. Wood also spoke most interestingly of the co-operation of the W. M. U. with the three boards of the Southern Baptist Convention, the state board and the association, using material illustration.

Mrs. Malone read resolutions of the executive board which, after discussion, were adopted by the union. A visit to our training school given by Mrs. Malone's fascinating way was a revelation to many of us, and especially to our Y. W. A.'s, who declared

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.)

their intention henceforth to do better things for the Master.

But the sweetest pleasure of the day came to us in the person of our own Miss Willie Kelly, of China. We had since her return to the states cherished the hope of having her with us, and our joy knew no bounds when we learned that we were to have our hearts' desire at the last moment. But alas! It was for only one short, sweet hour; and in our jealousy of Father Time and other inevitables, we almost wished that we might have the regulation of railroad schedules for just one day.

Truly our hearts did burn within us as she unfolded to us China, its needs, its possibilities and our opportunities. Then, like a ray of sunshine, she was gone; and, with a feeling of subdued joy in our hearts, we realized that of a truth, "Blessings brighten as they take their flight." But pleasant memories, like a sweet perfume, linger and an inspiration to cherish the things that endure hallow our lives.

MRS. PHILA CARDEN,
Associational Secretary.

CULLMAN ASSOCIATION.

The Ladies' Aid and Missionary Societies of the Cullman Association met in their annual session on Wednesday, October 20, 1909, with the vice president, Miss Rosa Herrell, in the chair. After song and reading part of the 15th chapter of John, several good talks and papers were heard on missions, orphanage and other institutions fostered by our societies after which regular business was taken up.

On investigation we found we had only one active missionary and aid society in Cullman association, that being the ladies of the First Baptist church, Cullman.

Several ladies were present from other churches which had once had societies and all promised to make another effort to reorganize.

Next came election of officers for the ensuing year.

Miss Rosa Herrell was unanimously re-elected vice president and Mrs. W. O. Kelley corresponding secretary. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned to meet at Holly Pond, Ala., Tuesday after the third Sunday in October, 1910.

FLOYDE FULLER SHANNON, Sec'y.

COOSA ASSOCIATION.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Coosa River Association held its second annual meeting at the First Baptist church of Sylacauga, Ala., Friday, October 22, 1909. Mrs. John C. Williams, of Talladega, is vice president; Miss McGaugh, of Talladega, was elected secretary.

The program comprised three sessions—Friday afternoon and evening and Saturday, closing at 4 p. m. State, home and foreign missions were discussed, and some interesting papers read on these subjects.

Mrs. O. M. Reynolds, of Anniston, vice president in Cehoun County Association, was introduced, and instructed and encouraged us with lovely addresses on various subjects during the sessions.

Friday evening at 7:30 a missionary conference was held. By request the pastor, Rev. J. J. Johnson, conducted the exercises. After a delightful program of special music, Mrs. Baxter Allen, of Anniston, the beloved leader of the Sunbeams of her home church,

read an interesting paper on the importance and results of an organized band in the churches.

Miss McGaugh made an impressive talk on the specific work of the Y. W. A. and its indispensable place in every church. After remarks by the pastor this session adjourned with music and prayer.

An interesting item of the closing program of Saturday was the "Reports from Churches." These were read by the dear sisters who had come to represent woman's work in their home churches, and how it interested and cheered us to hear them. The vice president, Mrs. John C. Williams, our efficient and consecrated leader, needs and urges the co-operation of every church in our association.

During the meeting of Saturday afternoon, special prayer service led by Mrs. J. J. Johnson was offered for the success of the constitutional amendment.

Having been delightfully entertained by the Aid Society of the Sylacauga church, we found this to be a lovely sisterhood of active Christians, and we shall cherish the memory of their hospitality and kind attentions during our sojourn with them.

LULU WILKES HALL.

Talladega, Ala.

In the report of the W. M. U. convention at Selma this omission was noted: "Office of first vice president not filled." Mrs. T. W. Hannon, of Montgomery, who for five years has been recording secretary of the body, was made first vice president.

The following officers were elected for 1910:

President, Mrs. Chas. A. Stakely, Montgomery.

First Vice President—Mrs. T. W. Hannon, Montgomery.

Second Vice President—Mrs. D. M. Malone, Birmingham.

Third Vice President—Mrs. O. M. Reynolds, Anniston.

Fourth Vice President—Mrs. N. B. Stallworth, Cuba.

Fifth Vice President—Mrs. J. W. E. Cox, Mobile.

Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer and Editor of Woman's Page—Miss Kathleen Mallory, Selma.

Chairman of Advisory Board—Mrs. W. B. Crump, Montgomery.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. J. W. O'Hara.

State Organizer of Woman's Work, Mrs. T. A. Hamilton, Birmingham.

Leaders for Y. W. A., Sunbeam Bands and Royal Ambassadors to be appointed by Advisory Board.

PROHIBITION IN KANSAS.

In a statement made by Governor W. R. Stubbs, of Kansas, September 1, 1909, in reference to the effects of the prohibition laws of that State, he said:

"The demands upon my time will not permit me to discuss the value of the prohibition law at length, and especially can I not enter into a literary campaign to counteract the false statements regarding the value and operation of that law which have been circulated in distant states. I believe that these false statements mislead none except those who desire to be deceived.

"The fact that Kansas is now, and for a number of years has been, the most prosperous State in the Union; that her banks, barns and bins are full to overflowing; that in some of her counties no criminal prosecutions for any crime have been had for more than ten years; that 50 per cent of her jails are empty; that 75 per cent of her poor-houses are empty, and in many counties have been sold and disposed of as no longer needful; that almost one-third of her entire population is enrolled in public schools and private colleges; that Kansas is a land of plenty and that nowhere on the globe exists a more sober, happy and prosperous people—all these, and a multitude of other facts as pregnant and patent as these, compel students of government the world over to search for the causes of our abounding prosperity; and most of these students have correctly divined that the prohibition law, and more particularly its enforcement, has had much to do with the present felicitous conditions in the Sunflower State.

"It is trite but true that money spent for intoxicating liquors cannot be used by the spenders to buy farms, to build churches, houses, high schools and colleges, nor to buy pianos, automobiles and horses and carriages; yet the material evidences of prosperity are now as common as the sunshine itself."

BOOKS

A Standard Bible Dictionary

Edited by Melancthon W. Jacobus, Edward E. Nourse and Andrew C. Zenos, in association with American, British and German scholars. New York: Funk & Wagnalls Company. Price, cloth, \$6; half morocco, \$10; full morocco, \$12. Indexed, 50 cents extra. Carriage charges, 47 cents.

This attractive volume of 920 pages will be welcomed by a host of pastors and Bible students. It is prepared with reference to the needs of those who are not technical scholars; and in the main it presupposes no expert knowledge in order to understand the articles. Every effort has evidently been made to make it easy to consult and profitable to study. The typography is pleasing, illustrations help to interpret the texts, proper names are accompanied by a guide to pronunciation and brief bibliographies are appended to the main articles. Theological scholars will perhaps miss something of the sense of original research which would naturally appear in more extended works. But for the layman and for the ordinary pastor it is an advantage to have a subject expounded without undue emphasis upon elements still under dispute.

The Funk & Wagnalls Company has rendered a real service to Bible students, and in this we include Sunday school teachers, by bringing out in a single volume an up-to-date Standard Bible Dictionary. We notice the name of our own Prof. Shailer Mathews and of Prof. Ira M. Price, professor of Semitic languages in the University of Chicago, in the list, while among the foreign contributors are Professors Marcus Dods, of Edinburgh, Denney of Glasgow, Bartlet of Oxford, Dobschutz of Strasburg, Konig of Bonn, and Thumb of Marburg. The American contributors represent the best brains of our seminaries.

It undertakes as its leading aim to be "a dictionary of the Bible and not a volume of speculations about the Bible;" and certainly it is a veritable thesaurus of scripture knowledge, a scholarly, evangelical, comprehensive and popular guide to the study of the Bible. The work is printed in clear readable type; embellished with numerous colored maps and three hundred illustrations; and is substantially bound both in cloth and morocco. The illustrations are excellent, as is the letter press; the latter especially praiseworthy for clearness and admirable arrangement. The sunken headings catch the eye at once, and nothing is wanting that could aid the student.

Dr. A. T. Robertson says of it: "The aim of the volume is to be simple, clear, handy, readable, and up to date. The critical position is intermediate, though more radical in the Old Testament than in the New. The pictures are many and excellent. Of special value are the articles of Dr. James Denney on Jesus Christ and Paul, Jerusalem by Dr. L. B. Paton, the New Testament books by Jacobus and Dods, etc. Prof. Samuel Dickey, of McCormick Theological Seminary, furnished photographs of many scenes in Palestine. The book lacks an index of authors with subjects discussed by them and the bibliography is occasionally deficient. But it is a distinct success taken as a whole. In the article on baptism Dr. Jacobus argues against the necessity of immersion."

"Our Church Life."

By Dr. J. M. Frost, Sunday School Board, Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, Tenn.

The beloved author of this book sends the writer a copy with the assurance that it was not written for such as he. It is passing strange that he should have shut his eyes to our edification when producing a book, and yet have so greatly contributed thereto in what he has so well written. Whether intended for the writer or not, he has from it been greatly refreshed and inspired in heart and life, and wishes to commend it to all of his kind as well as of those for whom it was penned. The book belongs to that class which we call devotional. It is not a treatise on ecclesiology, and brushes aside nearly all the problems which make that study so difficult. Even controversial matters are ignored, and the reader will not discover where its author stands on such disputed questions as alien immersion, etc. In this he is to be commended, for he has a better and more useful purpose in view. He is speaking to the hearts of the Baptists of the south about church

life in all of its capacities to improve our situation and cultivate a healthy, wholesome piety. He puts out before his brethren his own heart, and the book is full of Frost. That will be a great compliment to the book in the ears of the many who have known and loved the author through these years. It is replete with the finest Christian feeling, and its attitude towards the subjects treated is that of rhapsodical and inspirational emotion. Every page bears the fragrance of the purest piety, and it matters little whether you agree with the author's thinking or not; for the edifying power of the book is not limited to its intellectual strength, which, however, is by no means of little value. You will read it as a letter from a dear friend, not as a dissertation to be criticised. It is the kind of book which a pastor will seek to circulate among his people for the promotion of their church life, and for this mission it would be difficult to find a better. In this connection I would commend it to the pastors in Alabama, and you will, I am sure, realize good returns from it in the edification of your flock. How is this as an inventory of what constitutes church fellowship? "1. Spiritual affinity, a common experience of grace? 2. Doctrinal affinity, a consensus of faith and practice. 3. Ceremonial affinity, holding the same views of the ordinances. 4. Co-operative affinity, serving God with a common purpose. The purpose of the book is to make worthless church members appreciate their obligations and privileges, and the benefits of their church membership; and probably no church in the south is without need of such a service. I trust it will have the wide reading its nature and mission so richly deserves.—A. J. Dickinson.

A Certain Rich Man.

Dr. Washington Gladden says: "This book is a text from Luke xiii:16, and the book itself is a great sermon. The kind of folly which the certain rich man of Luke's parable exemplifies is illustrated in Mr. White's story. It is the craze for accumulation. The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully, and he reasoned within himself, saying, 'What shall I do, because I have not where to bestow my fruits.' And he said, 'This will I do; I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there will I bestow my fruits and my goods.' That is the form of the madness, it was accurately noted far back in history, but it is raging today tenfold worse than it was then. 'What shall I do?' This is the cry of the prosperous everywhere. 'My ground has brought forth plentifully; my goods are abounding; I have enough for health, enough for life, enough for love—enough—but what is enough? A little more.'

"Take heed and beware of covetousness, for a man's life consisteth not in the things which he possesseth. Deep in our hearts most of us fight ourselves openly at war with Jesus on this proposition. The certain rich man of Luke's parable may or may not have been an exceptional man in Luke's generation, but he is the typical man of Mr. White's generation. To trace the workings of this abnormal passion in the human heart and in human society is the purpose of this novel—for it is a novel with a purpose. The scene is laid in Kansas. The story begins in the early sixties and is brought down to date. The hero, or principal character, is John Barclay, a small boy when the story opens, a delinquent when it closes, dying in a redeeming effort. Barclay gets rich by manipulation, becomes a monopolist. In the process of getting wealth he sacrifices his even his best friends, and in the possession of wealth finds that he has sacrificed himself. Repentance, conversion, restoration follow. He burns the certificates that represent seventy-five fictitious millions.

"Mr. White has dared to suggest to us that a plutocrat may repent and be forgiven. That is a good hope which may well be cherished, not only by the plutocrats, but by the rest of us."
Published by the Macmillan Co. \$1.50.

The Person and Works of Jesus Christ.

This is a noteworthy exposition of Christian doctrine by Rev. Nathan E. Wood, D. D., late president of the Newton Theological Institution. In the foreword we read: "Too often in these days the always living problems of a Christian theology are emptied of their meaning through jugglery of words or are altogether waived aside as being unmodern. The Christian thinker may cheat himself for a time, but he can not remain in any long contentment until he honestly faces the irreducible facts of life which are at the heart of these theological problems and finds a solution which will satisfy the eternal hunger of the soul." Now Dr. Wood was not a man to dodge an issue, but in this work he faced the problems as he found them honestly and fearlessly and has given us a book well worth our study. Published by American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, at \$1.00 net.

Baptist Principles.

The letters which make up the book recently sent out by our good friend, Dr. E. E. Folk, were published in the Baptist and Reflector and proved so interesting and helpful that he yielded to the clamor of the public and now gives them in attractive book form. The first twenty-one letters cover very thoroughly the leading topics of our Baptist principles. The five last letters are well worth the price of the book for reference. We congratulate Dr. Folk on his good work and pray that Edgar Estes Folk, Jr., whose handsome boyish face adorns the title page and to whom the book is dedicated, may realize his father's ambition and be of as much service to his fellow man as has his distinguished progenitor. The book can be had of the S. S. Board, Nashville, Tenn., for \$1.00 postpaid.

The Real God.

This is one of the New Philosophy of Life Series, in which the author, J. Herman Randall, sets forth the universal mind or the imminent God. Its purpose is to make God more real to us and to get us to identify ourselves more with Jesus, not merely by believing things about Christ, but by catching His viewpoint, by sharing His spirit, by holding His thoughts, by living His life, etc. Published in a beautiful booklet by H. M. Caldwell Co., New York, at 50 cents.

Precious Jewels.

This is a collection of the most popular gospel songs and hymns, new and old, for use in the church service, prayer meeting, Sunday school, young people's societies, evangelical and other religious meetings, by W. H. Doane, Mus. Doc., and published by the World Pub. Co., Louisville, Ky. Single copy, postpaid (cloth), 35 cents, or 100 copies \$25.00.

THE SALOON IMPEACHED.

How? By what? By the commandments of Almighty God. Impeached by the First Commandment—is not ill-gotten gain its god? By the Second Commandment—its idolatry is without parallel. By the Third—profanity pollutes its very atmosphere. By the Fourth—Sabbath is its orgie time in many of the large cities. By the Fifth—who can count the parental heartbreaks its sins have caused? By the Sixth—its denizens occupy most of the criminal rows. By the Seventh—lewd women and their paramours have their haunts there. By the Eighth—the taking of what is not its own is its undeniable vice. By the Ninth—lying, lying, lying, is the staple of its trade. By the Tenth—covetousness is foster-mother of its brood of unaccountable villainies. By the Eleventh—who thinks of loving one another there?

Friend, brother, God challenges you and me to stand up for Him against this thing that His commandments thus impeach. If the people should vote the Ten Commandments and the Almighty out on the 29th of this month, and thus allow the re-establishment of the saloon in Alabama, we can have nevertheless the satisfaction of having stood up for Him.
JAS. D. GWALTNEY.

GOVERNOR COMER'S STATEMENT

In a lengthy statement given out from the executive offices, Governor B. B. Comer announces that he is not a candidate for a seat in the United States senate, and maintains that his administration as governor is not on trial before the people in the campaign now being waged over the question of the adoption of a prohibition amendment to the state constitution.

In the course of his statement, which is prefaced by an outline of what the legislature has done since he has been in office, the chief executive says:

"The state-wide prohibition law was passed against my advice, and was largely the result of almost state-wide prohibition brought about by counties voting separately under the local option law. The bill was passed by more than a three-fourths majority of the legislature and, as understood at the time, met the wishes of a large majority of the people. Although the state-wide prohibition law was passed against my advice at the time, my experience and observation has since convinced me that the legislature acted wisely. I firmly believe that prohibition is essential to the well being of our state. Our temperance laws are now the most effective of any state in the union, and I would regard as a calamity to the best interests of the state the repeal or emasculation of the laws."

Administration Not on Trial.

Further, he says:
"The (prohibition) amendment is not an administration measure. It was suggested and urged by the prohibitionists of the state for the purpose of safeguarding our homes, our women and our children. It is not Comer, nor the Comer administration that is on trial."

The governor denies all statements that the confederate pensioners have been deprived of any part of the appropriations passed by the legislature. "I am astonished," he states, "that any person or reputable newspaper should directly or indirectly deceive these old soldiers. The old soldiers have received every penny of the appropriation."

The governor says that whether or not the amendment is adopted November 29th, he will not call a special session of the legislature for the purpose of passing further laws. "Behind the amendment," he says, "I hide no political aspirations. I am in no sense a candidate for any office."

The Governor of Alabama.

Montgomery, Ala., May 1908.—Before I entered upon my official duties as governor, while a strong temperance man, I was in no sense of the word a prohibitionist, believing that a state prohibition law was of doubtful utility. But after a year as chief executive, I am an intense prohibitionist, having been made so by the mothers, wives and children who have come to my office for the purpose of securing pardon or stay of execution for their sons, husbands or fathers. Many times have women come to my office with babes in their arms and young children by their side to beg that I give them back their husbands; give them back from the penitentiary, where they have been sent in many cases for murder committed in nearly all cases while they were under the influence of whiskey.

"It is not the man who does the drinking and commits the deed who suffers most. The man in prison is cared for; his victim, God knows where! It is the mothers, wives and orphans of these men who do the suffering. Suffering is not only caused by these criminals within the walls of the penitentiary, but by those at home who frequent the saloons, spending their money for drink, leaving their wives and children in squalor without the protection of their rightful guardian.

"Our larger towns, Birmingham, Decatur, Gadsden, Huntsville and Dothan, under prohibition, have greatly decreased their criminal record. We estimate that with a few years of prohibition our penitentiaries will show a marked decrease in the number of their inmates.

"I think the above statement of facts would be sufficient to make any humane party do all that he can for prohibition. Aside from this, we think our state will save several millions a year that has hitherto gone for liquor. This leaves a margin for il-

licit and other sales."—Governor B. B. Comer, of Alabama.

Anti-Saloon League's Statement.

It is very clear that many people are just now waking up to find the real force and leaders behind the prohibition fight. The saloon orators and speakers have been telling the people it is "Comerism" or Weakley or Brooks Lawrence. The real force behind it all which originated, sustains and forces this fight is the Alabama Anti-Saloon League. The league is composed of all churches and all people who are willing to help destroy the liquor traffic.

The National President.

The 1909 year book of the league shows that Bishop Luther Wilson is its president. There are twelve vice presidents scattered throughout the states, prominent among whom are: Bishop Mathews, of Chicago; Dr. Burrell, Presbyterian, of New York; Rev. Father James M. Cleary, of Minneapolis; Dr. Crumpton, Baptist, of Montgomery; Bishop Morrison, of Florida, and Dr. Gladden, of Ohio.

The organization is now working in most of the states.

Began in 1904.

The league of Alabama started in 1904 at a temperance meeting called for temperance people to meet at the First Methodist church in October of the same year. The mass meeting continued for two days. They elected trustees for the various parts of the state of Alabama and officers of the Anti-Saloon League and requested the officers to organize and fight the saloons under the head of the National Anti-Saloon League. The officers met for the first time in the parlors of the Morris hotel in Birmingham November 30, 1904. They were organized by the Rev. Dr. George W. Young, of Kentucky, an old confederate soldier who served under Stonewall Jackson. He was then, and is now, assistant national superintendent of the American Anti-Saloon League. At this said meeting Dr. W. B. Crumpton, of Montgomery, was elected president; Dr. S. L. Dobbs, vice president; Dr. I. D. Steele, secretary and treasurer; Dr. J. H. McCoy and Dr. John W. Stagg, Mr. P. C. Ratliff and a number of others were elected headquarters committee. Rev. S. E. Wasson was elected acting superintendent. Birmingham was made the headquarters of the State League. Rev. S. E. Wasson did much work as state superintendent, giving only part of his time to the work. At Mr. Wasson's earnest request the league called Dr. George W. Young, of Kentucky, to take up the work of state superintendence and relieve Mr. Wasson of the work. Dr. Young was engaged for a year and spoke at many places in the state and aroused great interest on the temperance question. Dr. Young was called by Dr. Baker, national manager, to come to Ohio as the saloon fight was fierce there.

Headquarters Committee.

The headquarters committee composed of Dr. W. B. Crumpton, Rev. S. L. Dobbs, Rev. I. D. Steele, secretary, Rev. Dr. McCoy, Dr. John W. Stagg and P. C. Ratliff, proceeded to call Brooks Lawrence from Ohio as an exchange for Dr. Young, who was earnestly called from Alabama to Ohio. The league took Mr. Lawrence on two months' trial to see whether he could successfully carry on the fight against the saloons. He had been recommended by Dr. Young. The league was delighted with his work and engaged him by the year. He had Dr. Young return to Alabama for a short time to help the league secure local option from the legislature so the people could vote on the saloon by counties. With the help of these two men the legislature granted local option, though saloon attorneys were present before the committee and resisted the issue. The league then asked the people to take up the fight against the saloons in every county, which they did with a vim, and wiped them out in twenty-three counties. The next step the league asked the legislature, which was called in session in October, 1907, to give the people state-wide prohibition, and submit a constitutional amendment. The state-wide bill was passed, but the amendment was not submitted. Mr. Lawrence is not making the fight on his own responsibility, nor on his own initiative; he is responsible to the officers of the league for all official work and actions. The prohibition movement is not his

fight; it is the people's fight, which means all the churches and all the temperance people who are willing to help exterminate the saloons, led by the officers of the Anti-Saloon League.

The league has no politics and no candidate for office. Here is what the Liquor Dealers' Journal of Pittsburg, Pa., says about the Anti-Saloon League:

"But, it is the Anti-Saloon League which is chiefly responsible for so much dry territory; the league has no politics, it works as well with democrats as with republicans. All parties look alike to the league. The liquor trade never went through such a period of untold dangers as at the present. The league has done more work in the south than in any other part of the country."—Feb. 26, 1908, Liquor Dealers' Journal.

Not Personal.

The anti-amendment orators and workers have been trying to make the people believe that Governor Comer, Brooks Lawrence and Judge Weakley originated and brought on the prohibition fight. The league began the fight, and had two state superintendents to serve it before Brooks Lawrence was heard of. Many of the trustees had never even met Governor Comer nor Judge Weakley until after the fight had been on for years.

In the annual convention of the Alabama Anti-Saloon League, held in Birmingham in February, 1909, a resolution was unanimously adopted that the league desired the submission to the people of a prohibition amendment to the constitution, and instructed the trustees to work for the same.

When the governor in his call for the extra session in July, 1909, included the submission of such an amendment, the trustees gladly availed themselves of the opportunity and with the superintendent got behind the measure with all their power and it was submitted.

So the constitutional amendment now pending before the people was conceived by the trustees of the league in October, 1907, nearly two years before the governor's call for the last session, was endorsed by the full league in convention assembled last February, and was planned for and worked for by the trustees accordingly. Thus it is a part, a most important part, of the league's fight on the liquor traffic. The Alabama Anti-Saloon League is the creature and agent of all the Christian and temperance people of the state. It confidently asks all its friends and all who oppose the legal liquor traffic to rally to the support of the amendment, and we expect to win.

Signed by headquarters committee of Anti-Saloon League.

J. H. MCCOY,

Owenton College.

P. C. RATLIFF,

First National Bank Building.

I. D. STEELE,

Secretary and Treasurer, Fifth Avenue and Eighteenth Street.

TYRANNY AND TYRANNY.

Whenever there is enacted a law or even a spoken plea against the right of the liquor dealer to conduct his business, there is an hysterical cry that personal liberty is being interfered with; that the advocates of temperance are becoming tyrannical and cruel to those who are trying to make a living, that they are denying to a citizen the right to order his life and home, his meat and drink according to his own taste. This may all be true, but how about the other side? What of the tyranny against good things, as well as bad? Colonel Bain puts it this way: "Every woman who fills the holy office of wife or mother has a right to a home. The sumptuary law of the saloon says to hundreds and thousands, 'You shall not live in a home, but in a hovel; you shall not order your home, nor your food, nor your drink, nor your clothing, to suit your pleasure and convenience, but let the saloon say where you shall live, and what you shall eat, and what you shall put on. You shall toil as a slave all through the day, and when night comes you shall not even order restful slumber, but wearily watch the stars out for the return of drunken husband and sons.'" Of course, there is tyranny; it runs all through life, but what kind is best?—Selected.

THE ALABAMA BAPTIST

THE OUTLOOK ABOUT MERIDIAN.

By W. E. Fendley.

So many good things are happening in our city that I feel like it would be unjust to Alabamians to withhold from them the privilege of rejoicing with us; especially do I think so when we take into consideration the near relationship of Meridian to Alabama geographically and denominationally. The city is flooded with Alabamians, especially at this season of the year, when crowds of people come from Choctaw and Sumter counties to sell cotton and do their fall trading, the state line being less than 15 miles away. Then we are somewhat indebted to Alabama for many good citizens she has contributed toward the building up of not only the largest city in the state, but also the best and withal the most generous; but I must change lest I make my good brethren jealous who have the same opinion of their home town. Meridian now has a population of about 40,000 with six Baptist churches and approximately 3,000 Baptists in the city, though there are less than 2,000 members of the city churches. People moving in from other places bring everything but their church letter and live here for years in that way, many of them until they lose membership with their old home church. Yet many things happen to encourage us.

Highlands church has recently tendered Bro. J. D. Cook a call and we are informed that he has accepted. This is good news. Bro. Cook was once pastor of Southside and still lives in the city, but preaches to a church outside. He is an ex-Alabamian, a fine preacher and pastor. Bro. J. W. Mayfield came to Southside and is doing good work. The church has recently treated their pastor to a home and their house to new pews of the most up-to-date model. We learned to love and value Bro. Mayfield while classmates in the seminary.

Bro. Bryant, who has been with the Eighth Avenue church two years, came near going to Columbus, where he was given a flattering call, but has decided to remain another year, and they are planning to build a pastor's home.

Fifteenth Avenue will begin work on their church building and pastor's home at once, the church having become too small to accommodate their attendance. Pastor Halley has recently passed through deep waters in the death of his noble wife than whom there is not a greater, and she gave to her day and generation her very best. This sad event has seemingly drawn the pastor and people closer together and we are constrained again to say, "All this work together for good to them that love God."

Pastor Shipman and his people are rejoicing over their magnificent new pipe organ, which is the finest in the state. First church has made some valuable improvements also, and have the finest suit of Sunday school rooms to be found anywhere.

Last, but by no means least, we at Forty-first avenue are fully alive. We have just gone through the greatest revival in the history of the church. As a visible result 54 were added to the church and the people greatly awakened. Dr. C. A. Stewart, of the home board, was with us two weeks and preached the finest series of revival sermons we ever heard, and we

heartily recommend him to any church needing a genuine old-time revival.

We will begin at once to enlarge and better equip our Sunday school rooms preparatory to meeting the demands.

The writer has now been with this church one year. During that time the Sunday school has increased threefold, more than 100 have been added to the church and our gifts exceeded that of last year more than \$500. To God be all the glory.

In closing let me tell you Evangelist T. T. Martin has been conducting a tent meeting here for three weeks, in which he is proving himself a great preacher and thousands are hearing him each day. He is considered one of our strongest doctrinal preachers. He handles the Bible as though he had known it all his life. He leaves for Wetumpka to begin a meeting November 2.

Now again Meridian and Lauderdale Baptists are in the contest for a female college. There is no question as to the matter of winning. We must win, and by the close of another year we expect to boast of a beautiful college building on Mt. Barton that will do credit to the denomination everywhere. Then you will not have to worry about a place to send your daughter. No finer location can be found.

FROM BRO. WEAR.

I am still here in meetings. I had expected to have been back in Alabama ere this, but the calls for meetings have been so urgent I could not get away. I have held four meetings, each lasting two weeks, and we are now well into the third week here. We tried to bring the meeting to a close Sunday night, but could not. Last night the people would not leave the church until near midnight. Strong men and settled women are giving their hearts and lives to Jesus Christ. I have two meetings yet to hold, which will carry me through November, but I will be home in time to vote. I want to help Jefferson swell the majority for the amendment.

The people of Western Kentucky are very kind and appreciative both in expression and with their purses. I am in the tobacco section of the state. I saw for the first time this summer a field of tobacco. Tobacco is the staple crop here just as cotton is in Alabama.

I hear of our chieftain, W. B. Crumpton, over here in Kentucky. One of his tracts was freely circulated at an association I attended two weeks ago. The tract was on prohibition, which is the main question before the people here. The time is not far distant when western Kentucky will be dry. Paducah is the only place between New Orleans and Louisville where whisky can be bought legally now. May God speed the time when Paducah will rise up and put it out. I have been quite lost for the past three months because I could not get the Baptist. I know but little of what is being done by the Baptists at home. May God bless you and your paper.

Yours in Him,
WALLACE WEAR.

P. S.—I am trying to slip away to my father's home at Mount Hope, Ala., for ten days' rest next week.

REPORT OF WOMAN'S WORK IN COLUMBIA ASSOCIATION.

The woman's meeting of the Columbia Association held its fourth annual meeting with the Pleasant Hill Baptist church Oct. 14, 1909.

Mrs. W. P. Stewart gave us a very appropriate and helpful scripture reading, after which Mrs. Charles H. Davis, our vice president, made a very cordial address of welcome.

The different societies were well represented, and reports were very encouraging. Total amount given by all societies, \$1,661.81, which was a very large increase over last year.

A society was organized at the Pilgrims' Rest church consisting of thirteen charter members. The prospects for the organization of several other societies during the next year were very promising.

Mrs. John A. Hayes gave a very instructive talk on missionary work, urging that we attempt greater things during the coming year.

Mrs. W. P. Stewart gave a very thrilling message on missions.

Mrs. Charles H. Davis told in a very attractive manner about the Marguerite home and orphan home, setting forth their needs in the coming days.

Mrs. James Allen Smith presented the work of the W. M. U. training school.

Our meeting was far-reaching and we know much was accomplished. Every message was full of the Holy Spirit, and our hearts burned within us as we sat and listened. Each woman seemed eager to hear that she might be better prepared for the work that lay before her. All were impressed to expect greater things from God, and attempt larger things for him.

Thus closed the meeting, our eyes having been opened to behold wondrous things out of God's law. Our souls were rekindled with a passion for the lost and our prayers and efforts shall be to spread the good news of salvation to every island of the sea.

(Mrs.) JAMES ALLEN SMITH,
Secretary.

A GOOD COLLECTION.

Dear Bro. Ray:

Enclose find my check for \$12.61. This was the collection last Sunday at our little Sunday school, the Thomas Sunday school, or Antioch No. 2. I asked the school to give one day's work as you suggested, and they did. At this time our cotton is very near all picked and no one picked as much as a hundred pounds, but they all had a good time and gave the day freely. But the best part of this is it was given by parties that have never given anything before. I think we will easily double this another year.

With best wishes I am yours,

W. L. THOMAS.

When Ion Keith Falconer was a young man at school he was a champion cyclist and athlete and he was acclaimed by thousands. For a little time he took pleasure in these things; but the pleasure did not last. It was only when he gave himself, without reserve to the service of others, working first in London missions, and afterwards as a missionary to Arabia, where he laid down his life, that he learned how to really enjoy existence.

MRS. HARRIET E. WOOD.

On the night of November 5, 1909, this aged saint fell asleep. For three weeks she had been very sick; the end came peacefully; and in the early morning hour her spirit was with God.

Eighty-four years were the span of her earthly pilgrimage. During her long life she was a consistent Christian, and in the latter years, so strong was her faith, so beautiful her life, so complete her service for church, friends, and God, that her name became a synonym of the high virtues, of the splendid attributes, that should mark the elect lady, whose God is Jehovah. In her home the humble were welcome; there the leaders of our people visited, and, leaving, kept remembrance of "Aunt Harriet" as type of the Christian woman, to be held up as model and exemplar.

To pay tribute to such a character is an honor; to extol her virtues is to speak no word of exaggeration, but simply to chronicle truth.

Sister Wood's absolute sincerity found happy rival in her tender kindness to all men and women; her resignation, when loved ones were taken, was blended with a courage in meeting difficulties; in facing disasters, which might have been the desire of strong men; her fidelity to her church gave added power to that church in leading others to the performance of kindred duty. Above all, her simple, changeless faith in God, bright and clear, lighted her pathway through the ways of earth until it led her into the Christian's home in glory.

In a powerful sermon at a recent association Dr. Crumpton, speaking of the work of the faithful preacher in comforting his flock, used this beautiful sentence: "He paints in rainbow colors the joys of the glory world." And the joys of that glory world are now the possession of this noble woman.

Thinking of her, we may fittingly quote the words of another great Baptist leader, Dr. R. S. MacArthur, of New York: "The soul of faith sees the stars shine through the cypress trees, and in the hour of death hears the singing of the choir invisible."

Belief in the eternal providence of God closes the eyes of death, not with darkness and terror, but with a flash of immortal light. Death for the Christian on earth is daybreak for the soul with God."

Of Sister Wood we may say what Mrs. Charles S. Gardner, of Louisville, wrote of another aged saint:

"When life's evening shadows had crept apace,
With light in her eye, a smile on her face,
Descending the slope,
She met the dear Lord in the twilight gray,
And He led her steps in His chosen way
To the larger hope."

Ruhama church, Howard college, all in the Birmingham district, who knew Sister Wood, friends scattered in many states, the beloved Shelburne in his distant home, will mourn her loss; all will rejoice that they knew and loved this brave, faithful Christian woman.

A. P. MONTAGUE.

EDITORIAL

GOD AS EMPLOYER.

Perhaps we but seldom think of God as an employer. We often speak of His works. We talk about Christian workers for God. But now think of Him as being a vast employer of people. As Christians, He employs us to do such work for Him as meets His pleasure. There is much in this truth that may be a stimulus to everyone who is engaged in some branch of Christian work. It is a cheering truth that God is the very best employer that one can have. Who can direct one's work as He can? And who can so well make choice of the form of work to which one is particularly adapted as He can? As surely as one asks God to make known to him the kind of labor which He would have him perform, so surely will He reveal it to that one. Do not many Christians decide upon the sphere of their life-work without getting instructions from God? Are they not governed much more by their own choice, or by the wishes of their friends, than they are by a consultation with God, and by a determination to abide by His decision? It is too often so, and hence consequent failures. You may be sure of the fact that the Christian who, recognizing God as his employer, asks Him to choose for him his line of labor, and then pursues it, will never be a failure in it. His success is assured from the very beginning of his employment. God's specific orders to the servant are a guarantee of success. There can be no real failure. As an employer, God stands intimately, intensely and perpetually with the one employed, guiding and inspiring him amid all perplexities and perils. And woe unto the man who attempts to drive the worker from his employment! Attacks upon such a person are attacks upon God, his great employer. Malice toward the man who is employed as God's minister of the gospel, is malice toward God Himself. Keep this in mind, you who are disposed to abuse a true minister of God. To all true servants we say, Be of good courage, for you are employed by the God of all power, who will be with you to the end!

ALCOHOL ENEMY OF THE RAILROAD MAN.

Chairman A. Faulkner, J. P., of the United Kingdom Railway Temperance Union, says:

"The information which I have been able to put before you, gathered from the best sources, proves that in all civilized countries, those who direct the railway services, are awakening to the important fact that alcohol is not conducive to efficiency, and that in those countries which are comparatively new, and which are untrammelled by ancient traditions and customs, the abolition of intoxicating drinks from the railway service is most drastic. The verdict, therefore, of the railways is that alcohol is dangerous, and the signals are set against it, for without doubt it impairs the brain power and physique of the workers, and it is essential that it be abstained from by the railway men, that they may be as efficient as the service requires, and the safety of the public demands."

We are glad to know that not only are many of the great railroad organizations taking drastic steps against liquor drinking by their employes, but that many of the men are heartily lending their aid in the fight. Many trainmen in Alabama, and notably the conductors and engineers, are favoring the amendment.

The Birmingham News well says: The people of Alabama may expect to see the opponents of the amendment continue to impugn the motives and purposes of the Governor, whether or not he openly declared that he is not a candidate for the Senate. It is the purpose of those opponents of the amendment who are anxious that the sale of liquors and the saloons be re-established in Alabama to muddy the waters and distract the attention of the voters from the real issue of saloons or no saloons. And hence they, too, will continue to dwell on and denounce the Governor and the administration. Governor Comer's statement is frank. He declares, among other things, that he was not in favor of the passage of the state-wide prohibition law; that it was passed against his advice, but that its results have vindicated the wisdom of the Legislature in taking this action.

NOT A POLITICAL QUESTION.

The headquarters committee of the Alabama Anti-Saloon League has issued a statement in which it is shown that the league is entirely responsible for the efforts to write a prohibition clause in the State Constitution. The statement is issued primarily to clear the issue which those opposing the amendment are trying to becloud. Anti-amendments have claimed that the originators of the movement are Governor Comer, Judge Weakley or Brooks Lawrence, and attempt in this way to throw a personality into the fight. The statement of the Anti-Saloon League is conclusive that the campaign against liquor has nothing of politics or personalities, but is simply and directly a fight against the liquor evil.

This statement, in conjunction with the published statement of Governor Comer that he is not in any sense a candidate for the United States Senate; that he respects that section of the Constitution which provides that the Governor shall not be eligible to election or appointment to any office under the State or to the Senate of the United States during his term and within one year after the expiration thereof; that the amendment is not an administration measure, and that in the fight for the amendment the Comer administration is not on trial, ought to put a quietus on those who have been trying hard to make it appear that Governor Comer and the administration are an issue in this campaign, and no doubt would if the orators who are fighting the amendment could find anything else to use in its place to cloud the issue.

ARE WE SUFFERING FROM HYSTERIA?

To read the editorials in some of our leading papers, one would be led to think that the ministry of Alabama was suffering from hysteria, that in fact the majority of the people in the State were undergoing a severe attack of hysteria, and all because an amendment is proposed to the Constitution whereby prohibition will be engrafted into the organic law. These wise editors seem to think the movement is deranging our citizenship in the efforts of "religious fanatics," as they are lovingly called, to prevent some brother from taking a drink in a public place, giving it away, or selling it. They are worried because they seem to think that the entire ministry in the State is suffering from religious unbalance, and are projecting a religious movement, involving bizarre methods of reasoning, born in theologically disturbed brains. They fear that the infection will spread and that the people will be swept away by a contagion, and therefore they have started a "Safe and Sane movement" as an antidote, but up to this writing it is so little that it resembles a homeopathic pill and will wholly fail as a purge.

WHISKEY AND WOMEN.

Some papers and "Safe and Sane" apostles sneeringly speak of the agitation against whiskey being inspired by and kept up by women. If any people on the face of the earth have cause to hate whiskey it is women, for no man can calculate the shame and suffering it has brought on them. Many men who prate about their "Pussonel Liberty" are willing that they may be free to drink at the expense of their wives. In nearly every home in Alabama some woman has had her life ruined because her boy or her husband was a victim of drink. We talk much about Southern chivalry, and we believe it, but the highest type of Southern chivalry is that which election day will go to the polls and vote for the amendment, and save our women from the return of saloons in Alabama. Honest men may differ as to the mode of best enforcing prohibition laws, but no man can gainsay the fact that whether intentional or not, a vote against the amendment is opening a way for the legalized sale of whiskey in some form in Alabama. Think of this and then think of your mothers, wives and daughters, oh, you true men of Alabama, and then go to the polls and vote for the amendment.

CLAIMING EVERYTHING IN SIGHT.

The saloon men are always alert, aggressive and assertive. Just at present they are passing through the "assertive" era. They look out over the State and claim everything in sight. They assert that the preachers are losing their grip. They assert that the women and the children will not line up as they did in the last campaign. They assert that whole legions of true-hearted and valiant prohibitionists are against the amendment. They assert that the business interests are determined that agitation shall cease. They assert that the city people will no longer put up with "blue laws." They assert that the country people are having their eyes opened and are crying for a change. They assert that the amendment is already defeated overwhelmingly—and yet if they are sure that their "assertions" are correct, why are they so strenuous in their campaign. If all their assertions be true, they are putting themselves to a great deal of trouble. Somehow we have a sneaking idea that they are nearly scared to death, and, like the little boy, whistle to keep up their courage. They are too sanguine thus over-soon.

THE OPPORTUNITY OF A LIFETIME.

This is no time for a division of our temperance forces, and we pray God that he will not let any man's political ambition get in the way of the amendment, and we urge our readers for the time being to work, pray and vote for the amendment, and later on support the candidates of their choice for political preferment. If we present a solid front to the enemy we can seize the opportunity of a lifetime. It may be possible for us to do more for the cause of temperance in the next few months in Alabama than we have done in all our lives before. You may have wanted something different in the way of legislation, you may have even opposed the submission of the amendment to the people, but if you love the cause of prohibition, now is no time to sulk, but get in line. If we will do our part, God will do his part.

THE TERM "LIQUORITES."

When we use the term "liquorites" we refer to the men who have been engaged in the sale of liquor and who want open saloons again in Alabama. There are some men who are opposing the amendment who worked side by side with us in the fight for state-wide prohibition, but who cannot see their way to go with us at present. We concede to them honesty of purpose. While regretting that they have lined up with the forces arrayed against us, it is un-Christian to stigmatize them. It is true that if they vote against the amendment it will be a sad blow to prohibition in the State, for their vote will count just as much as the most blatant "liquorite," yet we know that some do not yet see it in this light. They are now in the twilight zone. Let those of us who are torch-bearers lead them out into daylight where they can get a good look at the crowd into which they have placed themselves.

THE CHURCH IS RESPONSIBLE.

The need of the hour is to arouse the Christian church, and to encourage and assist it to shoulder its responsibility, in the fight against the whiskey evil, for when the Christian churches in Alabama unite on this great moral question it will be settled and settled right. If the whiskey traffic gets a footing again in Alabama, will not God call the church to account? As the church is made up of individuals, He will call each individual to account. He will hold each one of us responsible, not merely for what we have done, but for all that we had in our power to do. It's a time for awakening. Each one of us must accept responsibility.

"If thou forbear to deliver them that are drawn unto death, and those that are ready to be slain; if thou sayest, Behold we knew it not, doth not He that pondereth the heart consider it? And He that keepeth thy soul, doth not He knoweth it? And shall not He render to every man according to his works?"

THE ALABAMA BAPTIST

COL. T. G. BUSH DROPS DEAD.

Col. Thomas G. Bush, one of Alabama's foremost and most distinguished citizens, died from a stroke of apoplexy Thursday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock on the golf links of the Birmingham Country Club. Death came without any warning, and Colonel Bush was dead before any of his friends could reach his side.

Colonel Bush was born in Pickens county, Alabama, in 1847. His parents were Albert P. and Sarah A. (Williams) Bush. The elder Bush was a native of Georgia, but came to Alabama in 1835 and settled at Pickensville, where he pursued the mercantile business for several years.

The mother of Colonel Bush was a daughter of Curtis and Patience Williams, and was a native of Alabama.

Colonel Bush was married to Miss Alberta Williams, daughter of the Rev. Albert and Anna Williams, in June, 1871. Mrs. Bush's father was said to have been the owner of the first cotton factory in Georgia.

Colonel Bush is survived by his widow and five children, namely: Mrs. William D. Nesbit, wife of Associate Railroad Commissioner Nesbit; Albert P. Bush, secretary and treasurer of the T. G. Bush Grocery Company, at Mobile; Thomas G. Bush, general manager of the Coosa Pipe and Foundry Company and the Gadsden Pipe and Fitting Company; Mossir W. Bush, general manager of the Woodward Iron Company, and Edwin Hollis Bush, a student at Denver, Col.

The funeral services were held at his home, Dr. Preston Blake, his pastor, and Dr. Eager officiating. The body was interred at Elmwood cemetery.

THE DEATH OF COLONEL BUSH.

The sudden death of Col. T. G. Bush on Thursday afternoon of last week from a stroke of apoplexy while playing golf on the links of the Country Club removed one of Alabama's most prominent men in civic, church and commercial life. He was a high type and the good, and during his busy career always found time to give his talents and his money to the civic and the religious betterment of his city and state. He was a generous giver and few worthy appeals were ever turned down by him. He was for years one of the leading laymen in our state, and recently at the Southern Baptist Convention he was highly honored by being made a vice-president. He numbered his friends in every walk of life. To the bereaved family we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

A SAD DAY AT EAST LAKE.

October 31st, Bro. J. M. Shelburne, after a pastorate of nine years and three months, preached his farewell sermon. When the test was made in the large Sunday school, it was found that nearly one-half of the number had been received into the church during the years of his pastorate.

The enrollment in the Sunday school has grown to 925, with nearly 500 in regular attendance.

The night service was peculiarly impressive, with Prof. A. D. Smith, one of the faithful deacons, presiding. Every department of the church made response when called upon and spoke with enthusiasm of the work accomplished by the pastor as the great leader. Probably the most touching were the remarks of Col. Sumter Lea, now seventy, and stone blind. At one time Colonel Lea was one of the most popular speakers in Dallas county. He was once a lawyer of note. He pictured the work of the faithful pastor coming to him and others, in his condition, who had retired from the activities of life only waiting the summons from the Master. He told how the pastor had awakened new interest in them for the study of God's word; how they ventured to come once to the Sunday school, then again and then regularly every Sunday; how the class had grown so that they had to have new quarters, and how, with the help of the good women, they built the addition on the ground; how the pastor had led them from month to month in the study of the great Apostle Paul's missionary journeys and how their interest had grown until the Bible had become a new book

to them. Then feelingly he added: "Brother Pastor, we old men can never forget what you have been to us, and as a slight testimonial of our feelings for you, I have the honor to present to you this watch charm and fob, and may God's richest blessing be upon you in the new field to which you go."

I am very sorry a stenographer was not present to take down, as it was spoken, the chaste and eloquent language of the blind veteran.

Another very impressive talk was by a good woman, who told how the busy mothers had been induced by the pastor to form "The Odds and Ends" class—to come only when they could slip away from their home duties. How they came once and then again, and how they became so interested they couldn't miss it, and how the class grew and grew until, with the old men's class, they were compelled to have new quarters.

And so the evening went on, until some one representing every department of the Sunday school and church had told with tearful interest what the pastor had been to them. The last was the superintendent's talk, at the conclusion of which a beautiful watch was presented the pastor.

All the time this was going on the writer was thinking, "Ought this separation to take place. True, the pastorate has been long, much longer than the average; but isn't the pastor, by reason of these years of experience, more capable to do the work? Then, what becomes of his wide acquaintance and grip upon men in the district and in the State. All this, an important part of his working capital, must be thrown away. Surely both pastor and people are pursuing a very unwise course. There was no reason for it. It ought not to have been done."

These were my musings as I left the church that night, and, looking at it from the standpoint of human reason there is no flaw in the reasoning, but who can tell? God overrules. Even our mistakes, He will make to praise Him. W. B. D.

FROM AN OLD CONFEDERATE VETERAN

Who Followed the Stars and Bars on Twenty-seven Battlegrounds, and was Knocked Down on Georgia Soil and Lay in Hospital Until His Hip Bones Were Through.

There recently came into my hands a batch of printed matter, one piece of which was headed, "Grim Humor of Politics in Old Alabama." This sheet had no marks, words or signs whereby its origin or identity might be discovered. Another choice (?) bit of literature came in same envelope under letter-head of "First National Bank of Jasper, Ala.," addressed to Mr. Leon McCord, Montgomery, Ala., and signed J. H. Cranford, dated July 22, 1922.

This is certainly strange literature to be sent through the United States mail to a Baptist minister, and Moderator of an Association, and only tends to show to what desperate straits the anti-prohibition is driven. This "Grim Humor" sheet is headed with a cartoon which shows some one as "Judge," in whose hat, branded "Special Legislation," Governor Comer is represented as pouring the pension fund, and as saying, "Yes, we'll have a deficit, and I'm glad of it." An old, crippled Confederate veteran is shown holding forward an unpaid voucher.

This "Grim Humor" says the "extra session of the Legislature forced the expense of a special election on constitutional prohibition," and "when he saw it could not come out even, the Governor told the Legislature they must put all the special funds into one. There was the fund for the old soldiers, there was the fund for education, and the general fund."

"The last dollar had gone from the general fund. So they scrambled the old soldiers' fund in with the general fund and the others. And the expenses are to be paid from this mix-up."

As the above quotation from "Grim Humor" has no responsible authority, the truth or falsity of its statements is of no consequence. However, as it seems to have been sent out to all Confederate veterans in Alabama, for no other purpose than to affect their vote in the coming election, I therefore deem it of importance to say a few words in behalf of the noble men who went to the front during the sixties in defense of their country's honor, and who are now in their dotage being assailed by such vile sheets

as "Grim Humor," with the selfish motive of a few dollars in the hope of buying their honor and remaining manhood. God forbid! Comrades, you who stood like an iron wall against the shot and shell of a million men; you who lived on hard-tack and withstood the fiercest conflict of modern times without flinching for four long years; you whose wives, sons and daughters supported during this awful struggle, are now called upon to face another foe more terrible than an army with banners, a serpent more subtle than all the beasts of the fields, more venomous than all the worms of the Nile. And you are told by this "Grim Humor" of uncertain origin that it will cost you something—yes, that it will, or has, curtailed your pension for the time being at least, and for that reason you are expected to vote to perpetuate the hellish whiskey traffic, or at least to vote against constitutional prohibition.

The conditions in the sixties had to be met; you met them. Are you less patriotic now than then? Is there less at stake? Nay, there is more, a thousand-fold more; it is not only the future of our country that now hangs in the balance, but it is the very souls of our sons and daughters, the honor, the virtue, if you please, of our homes are at stake. Can you afford to waver?

This J. H. Cranford letter has this choice (?) expression in it: "People are learning to respect themselves and their neighbors to the extent that they are in a large measure abandoning the habit described by Tom Long as Funneling."

Now, if it is a matter of respect to abandon "funneling," I would respectfully suggest that the First National Bank of Jasper put itself on record, through its president and board of directors, as at least being on the respectable side of this great question.

A great deal is being said just now about ministers of the gospel going into politics. Since when have we disfranchised ourselves? Please put your finger on book, verse or chapter that disqualifies us for taking part in any great moral issue, though it does smack of politics. However, this question has been taken out of politics by its being made a special order in November, whereas the general election does not occur until next year.

I wish to say in conclusion that it is to be hoped that the cause of our country and humanity, to say nothing of the weight and worth of immortal souls, will bear so heavy on the hearts of all Confederate veterans and ministers of the gospel, as well as all Christian people throughout old Alabama, that for one time at least they will stand together for civic righteousness and vote to forever banish the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors from our fair land. Yours fraternally, T. J. WEAVER. Arab, Ala.

Isn't This Fair?

A good deal has been said as to the difficulty of modifying the prohibition laws in the event the people should decide to do so in future. If the amendment is adopted the people can change their decision and nullify the measure by exactly the same process as they adopted it. In other words it took three-fifths of the legislature to submit the amendment to a vote of the people, and it will take a majority of the votes cast by the people to adopt the measure. Should the people desire to change back to local option or any other modification of the prohibition laws, all they have got to do is to get three-fifths of the legislature to submit the question of the repeal of the amendment to the people and then get a majority of the votes of the people to support the change. A repeal of the amendment requires exactly the same process as the adoption of the measure. Could anything be fairer than that?—Birmingham News.

That the drink habit blights and blasts every holy purpose of government is no discovery of the prohibitionist. It is the universal, undisputed, unquestioned verdict of mankind. Nor is the prohibitionist alone in acknowledging and bewailing the manifold sins and wickedness, vice and crime that are grievously committed through the saloon's diabolism. He becomes unique only in that he works to abolish the crime. His patriotism is differentiated from the patriotism of others neither in brain nor in heart, but in hand. To win the fight gloriously we must pray, and then vote.

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GOOD MEETINGS.

It was my privilege to hold seven protracted meetings this year. Five were with my own churches and two at other churches. At Fellowship, Dallas county, Bro. J. W. Mitchell was our helper. This is his old home church and it was a great pleasure to have him with us. There were five accessions, four by baptism. Bro. J. R. Wells, of Jennings, Fla., was with us at Gilead, Bibb county. This was a meeting of great spiritual power. Many new workers were developed in the work. Nine accessions, five for baptism. Bro. Wells' wife's people live here.

Our next meeting was at Mt. Zion, near Gilead. Bro. J. O. Williams, now of Howard college, was with us. The church was united and we are expecting great things another year. Bro. Williams greatly endeared himself to the people.

Bro. J. M. Thomas, Union Springs, helped us at Antioch in Bibb county. He was sent out by this church and it is needless to say that the church is proud of his record. His fine, fearless preaching drew large crowds. Eight accessions, seven baptized. Old Antioch church is the mother of seventeen preachers, eight of whom are still living, seven in regular work.

Our greatest meeting was perhaps at Pleasant Grove, Chilton county, the writer's home church. The meeting was conducted by Bro. Willie Seymour, of Howard college. There were thirty-nine accessions to the church, thirty baptized, of whom twenty-five were grown persons, some of whom were getting up in years.

It was a great privilege to the writer to help Bro. Sutton Smitherman at Enon, Shelby county. There were thirteen accessions. This is a large church, capable of great development. Also to help Bro. O. P. Langston at Duncanville, in which there were fourteen accessions. This is indeed a fine, generous hearted people, and their church is steadily growing. Brother Langston, the pastor, is a son of old Antioch church.

P. G. MANESS.

MINISTERS' CONFERENCE.

The Baptist ministers' conference met at 9:30 a. m. Monday. The following reports were received:

From First church, Columbus, Rev. Christie reported 266 in S. S.; preached 11 a. m. on "The Infinite Ideal," from John 18:37; received one for baptism; 7:30 p. m. on the "Doctrine of Confession," from John 12:42.

From First church, Phenix, Rev. O. C. Dobbs, reported 98 in S. S.; preached 11 a. m. on "Choosing for the Lord," from Ex. 32:26; two additions by letter; 7:30 p. m. on "The Great Invitation," from Luke 14:37.

From North Highland Rev. Mann reported 64 in S. S.; preached 11 a. m. on God's Inexhaustible Patience with His People," and "God's Inexhaustible Love for the Lost," from Matt 21:23-46; 7:30 p. m., "God's Inexhaustible Storehouse," from Matt. 14:15-18.

From Comer Memorial, Columbus, Rev. A. D. Woodle reported 123 in S. S.; preached 11 a. m. on "Lifting up a Standard for the People," from Isa. 62:10; 7:30 p. m., "A Forsaken People," Jud. 10:14.

Rev. H. T. Vaughn reported nine baptized in his church, Girard, as a result of recent revival led by Rev. W.

J. Ray. His own brother in the flesh as well as the spirit, Rev. R. S. Vaughn, supplied the pulpit in both morning and evening services.

A. D. WOODLE,
Chairman, Columbus, Ga.

W. W. SMITH,
Cor., Phenix, Ala.

FROM TEXAS.

I read with great interest the doings of Alabama Baptists. I will always love my native state and rejoice in her achievements. I am praying for the success of your campaign to forever banish liquor from her borders. I will always cherish the fondest love for Alabama Baptists. In Texas the Lord is doing great things. Our great convention meets in Dallas in two weeks and we expect the best report ever made. The Lord prospers His work in my hands. The First Baptist church of Lufkin, of which I have the honor to be pastor, is finishing the enlarging and beautifying of her church building at a cost of \$4,000, and every department of our church work is enthused and encouraged over our future prospects. My heart's greeting and best love to the saints in the dear "homeland."—I. N. Langston.

FROM TEXAS.

It is always fitting to send good news back home. On my field in Yoakum, Tex., I have had a year of merciful good things. During the year our Sunday school has increased from 100 to 190 in attendance, with a good graded system at work. Our contributions to missions will amount to \$1,500. There have been over 100 additions to the church with a continual deepening of spirituality. My church here now has a membership of over 500. We are now in the annual round up with Dr. J. B. Gambrell as leader, and that always means that there is something doing, and something great. Our state convention meets in Dallas on November 11th and we should like to see some of the home folks over to look on the glory of the victory. Blessings on the old home paper.

F. H. WATKINS.

FOR THE AMENDMENT.

I have been preaching the gospel for 39 years. Thirty-eight years of that time there has not been one drop of intoxicating liquor that went into my mouth as a beverage. I have preached to twelve churches, some from four to ten years. The greatest enemy is the drink habit. Nine cases out of ten that come up in church you can trace it back and locate it in the drink habit. I am not able to get out far at a time. My health is bad, but I want you and all the people to know that I stand for the amendment of the constitution, hoping and trusting that I see the son of righteousness arising with healing in his wings to deliver the churches from the greatest enemy it has ever had. We expect, through prayer in Christ's name, to gain the victory. Not our will be done, but thine. Amen.

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REV. A. J. KEMPTON.

It is due Bro. Kempton and our Baptist churches especially in this section of this state, that something more be said about him than was said in my article in your issue of November 3.

Bro. Kempton came to us recently from the Congregationalists, bearing testimonials of the highest character both as a gentleman and a minister of the gospel.

On the request of the church at Camden, where his membership is, the ordination took place at Ackerville during the recent session of the Pine Barren Association, the ordaining council being composed of Elders D. W. Ramsey, W. N. Huckabee, L. N. Brock, J. R. Griffith, W. D. Martin and M. M. Wood. The examination was thorough and entirely satisfactory, showing Bro. Kempton to be a Christian, called of God to preach, sound in the faith, a bright mind, and unusually well equipped for this ministry, capable of filling creditably any pulpit in the state.

He is a valuable accession to our forces and heartily commended to pastorless churches anywhere.

M. M. WOOD.

Denominational colors are indicated by Rev. I. E. Hill, of Chicago. He says: "The Baptists are true blue; the Methodists, fiery red; the Episcopalians, royal purple; the Quakers, somber gray; and the Christian Scientists sickly green."

MR. AND MRS. BRAMWELL BOOTH'S TESTIMONY.

One of the most suggestive and impressive papers of the whole Congress was that written by Mr. and Mrs. Bramwell Booth, of the Salvation Army, and which was read by Mrs. Booth. The subject was "Alcohol in Relation to the Home." Significant points developed were as follows:

The home is not only the seed plot of a nation's continued existence, but it is the spring from which proceeds all that is essential to the true patriotism of a people to the real power of any community, and to the sustained influence of national life and institutions. Anything, therefore, which bears for good or ill upon the homes and upon the home life of a people is of supreme importance to every nation.

A wide experience of the conditions of life in many countries, and a somewhat close acquaintance with the inner facts of social progress among the working and peasant classes over a large part of the world, has brought an important body of information on this and kindred subjects to the officers of the Salvation Army. Here are some of the principal conclusions at which we have arrived as to the influence of strong drink upon the life of the people as that life is seen in their homes:

1. And first we remark—alcohol in the home dissipates and wastes the substance and material resources of the family.
2. Alcohol dissolves the vigor and spirit which make and keep the home a living factor.
3. Alcohol humbles and only too often, destroys the natural dignity and prestige of home and of family life.
4. Alcohol tends to weaken and ultimately overthrow the authority of the family to the great injury of the children.
5. Alcohol opens the door of the home to the most vicious forms of self-indulgence and impurity.
6. Alcoholism is the implacable enemy of all that belongs to the ethical advance of the community.

For the reasons here briefly referred to, we of the Salvation Army say that strong drink ought to be banished from the home, from the church—which is the earthly home of the family of Christ—and from the use of all civilized peoples. And on these grounds, we have, in God's name already and forever banished the accursed thing from all our borders.



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Progress is the name of the new missionary periodical which, in January, 1910, will take the place of the Baptist Missionary Magazine, the Baptist Home Mission Monthly, and Good Work, according to the official action of the American Baptist Missionary Union, the American Baptist Home Mission Society, and the American Baptist Publication Society—this action receiving the hearty endorsement of the Northern Baptist Convention at Portland. Progress will represent the whole field of missions, and the united forward movement of the denomination in its missionary enterprises. Rev. Howard B. Grose, D. D., its editor, is a man of large experience and deserves the place which he has won for himself in the hearts of the brotherhood.

Rev. H. E. Tralle has accepted a call to the First Baptist church, Carthage, Mo., and entered upon his work on November 1. The Central Baptist says: A native Missourian, a graduate of William Jewell College, Columbia University and of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, thoroughly orthodox in his views and aggressive in his methods, he is well fitted to lead the Baptist forces in Carthage into greater fields of activity and usefulness.

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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 146, 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 13th 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.

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W. J. JONES, Administrator.

WARD & RUDOLPH, Attys.

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.

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I had to resign at Linden on account of my wife's health and brought her here for treatment. I am in the evangelistic work and would be glad to correspond with any pastor who wants a meeting. Please send my paper here. May the Lord bless you. W. W. Howard, St. Elmo, Tenn.

(We greatly sympathize with Bro. Howard and pray that the change may restore his dear wife to health.)

"A Sad Day for Homeville."

Men of Alabama, read the following editorial, not published in a religious paper, but in a great metropolitan daily, the New York Evening Mail:

Taking up a daily paper published in a quiet, orderly little city of homes, where naught but peace and gentleness and thrifty industry have lately reigned, we have just come upon a sinister notice, displayed in the local columns. We shall not name the city where this notice appears, because it is the last town which we should care to hold up to any sort of reproach. We shall call the place Homeville, because it is a town that is thoroughly representative of the best class of eastern small cities, and shall publish the notice just as it appears:

Saloons to Open Tomorrow.

Tomorrow will see the opening of saloons in the city after a year of no license. The licenses are at the city hall ready to be given out to holders on the payment of their license fees.

A melancholy tomorrow that, for Homeville!

A melancholy tomorrow, first of all, for the women and children of the town. A whole year they have known peace, because the doors were closed out of which there once came to them disgrace, and want, and hunger and horror. For a year they have been free from the constant menace of a brute beast returning to the household in the place of a loved man or boy; for a year they have felt secure from blows, and from things that were worse than blows. But tomorrow—the saloons will be open again; and that means that misery and disgrace are once more let loose upon them. Could there be a sadder announcement for the women and children of Homeville?

And now for the men and boys—what kind of news does the notice in the paper bring them? There is not one of them that has reached the understanding age who does not know in his heart that through the saloon's open door he can walk straight into loss of employment, loss of reputation, loss of the peace of the family and the fireside, loss of love, loss of hope, loss of courage, loss of soul. And yet, because the saloon is there, and its open door beckons with its promise of good fellowship and hilarity, and the allurements of the passing pleasure of the cup, many know that they will enter, and that afterward they will sink, and suffer, and hate themselves and be hated. Is there any good news for them in this?

No; for the whole community the reopened saloon means waste, degradation, crime. In cold dollars and cents the awful cost can be computed from Homeville's past experience. So many thousands went for what is at the best mere hurtful self-indulgence; so many thousands diverted to sorrow and shame that would else go into homes, and the comfort and welfare of wives and mothers and sisters and babies; so many thousands taken straight away from the elevation, progress and happiness of the community, and given over to the peopling of jails and almshouses and insane asylums. Every man knows how that the moment the drink begins to pass over the counters of the saloons, fresh seeds of tuberculosis, and insanity, and nervous exhaustion, and dillirium, and all manner of disease to which alcohol predisposes the body, are being sown, as well as of moral death.

When mothers and daughters and old fathers are glad to see the specter of devastating war stride in where peace has been; when the death cry of a strong man slaughtered in his prime is a sweeter sound than the laughter of a babe; when the rattle of the gallowsdrop is more pleasing to the ear than the sound of the church bells across the valley on a Sunday morning—then, and not a moment sooner, will that fateful announcement, "Saloons to Open Tomorrow," be a happy one for the people of Homeville.

If you want "A Sad Day in Alabama," a day that will mark the return of the saloon, go to the polls on the 29th and vote against the amendment, but if you want "A Glad Day in Alabama," vote for it and see to it that no-morrow will ever see an opened saloon in Alabama.

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Dr. J. S. Dill, of Bowling Green, recently delivered a most instructive and inspiring address on "Statesmanship in Home Missions as Illustrated in the Life of Dr. Isaac Taylor Tichenor," at the Seminary.

Collector Loeb, of the port of New York, finds frauds on the government by means of short weights on imports are not confined to the Sugar Trust, but that many importers have for years been thus entering their goods.

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Witness my hand, this 2d day of November, 1909.

S. E. GREENE, Judge of Probate for Jefferson County.

FROM LARKIN, ALA.

I will tell you of another good meeting that the blessed Lord and Master blessed me with. Bro. H. E. Rice, of Huntsville, and I began a series of meetings the 31st of October, being the fifth Sunday. The meeting was held at Mt. Nebo church, near Holly-tree, Ala. I was elected pastor of that church on the third Sunday in October. It being later than people usually hold their meetings, the people thought at first we couldn't have a revival, but Bro. Rice and I insisted on those that were there on Sunday, and Sunday night the great importance of giving this week to the service of the Lord and they being noble hearted Christians, heeded the advice and went to work in earnest for the salvation of the lost. The interest increased greatly up to the close on last night, being Friday night. We would have continued if it had been in our power. The results of the meeting were as follows: Twenty-three conversions, which were composed of three Sunday school girls and the remaining 20 were principally Sunday school boys from the age of 10 to 20 years old. There were two men of the number, one 35 or 40 years of age, the other some 50 or 60. The church was wonderfully revived and all prejudice and malice was dropped. There were two additions to the church on the third Sunday by restoration and one by experience. During the meeting this week one restored, two by statement, eleven by experience and baptism. One of the eleven was a good sister that had belonged to the Cumberland Presbyterians for 21 years and one was her good husband, who embraced Christ in his boyhood days, but had never joined anywhere until this week. And another one was a good sister that had been a Christian for a long time, but hadn't attached herself to the church until this week. Her husband joined at the same time. Three others were my dear cousins, all being brothers, aged about 10, 13 and 15 years. Two other brothers, ages 14 and 21 years. These two are grandsons of Rev. C. Howell. On yesterday the church liberated Bro. Ira Tomea, a grandson of Rev. C. Howell to exercise his gift in public. He is a bright young man of about 19 years of age. May all of the brotherhood pray God's richest blessings to rest upon him that he may be the means in God's hands of winning souls for Christ. Any community wishing a God-send would act wisely in getting Bro. Rice and his good sister, Mrs. Bettle Power. Success to the dear old Alabama Baptist.—W. T. Hall.

P. S.—Please correct error in name of writer on Mountain Thoughts. The name should be W. T. Hall, not W. T. Larkin, as it has misled some. Date of mistake, Oct. 20.

The "white slave" issue was injected in a spectacular manner into the recent municipal campaign in New York by the publication, in a popular magazine, of a detailed review of the development of immorality in the metropolis and of the shameful traffic which panders to it. This traffic, it is charged by the author of the article, Mr. George Kibbe Turner, has been fostered by Tammany for purposes of revenue until the city of New York has been placed in the unenviable position of being the international center of the "white slave" trade.

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Our parent hearts make bitter moan
Since o'er the silver sea he's flown,
And tho' we hold the Savior's hand,
We can not—can not understand.

Some time, somewhere, we, too, shall go

Unto that far-off longed-for home,
And up there in that place of joy
We know we'll find our little boy.

And heaven will be brighter far
Because of this wee guiding star
That shines in faith for you and me,
Beyond the wide dividing sea.

ESSA ELLARD SLOAN,
His Aunt.

Whereas, God, in His wisdom, has seen fit to remove from among us our friend and brother, John M. Jones, who was born Jan. 11, 1838, and died July 6, 1909. He was one of the most respected citizens of our community, and was for several years a member of Bethesda Baptist church at Independence, Ala.; therefore, be it

Resolved 1. That we as a church realize the loss we have sustained by his departure, and that we will miss his wise counsel in the future.

Resolved 2. That we extend to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathies.

Resolved 3. That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the church record and a copy be given to the bereaved family.

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. DE RAMUS,
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IN MEMORY OF MISS ANNA RASCO

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