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God bless and reward you for your faithful fight in the strenuous campaign just ended—no, not "ended," just begun. No right cause is ever finally defeated.—Robert Jones.

I'll have to ask you to strike my name from your list as I'm really carrying too many papers. I think my time is up in January next. Hope for you all success and blessings in the coming year.—L. T. Reed, Buena Vista, Ga.

From Scottsboro, Ala., where he did a good work, Rev. M. L. Harris has just gone to First Baptist church at Cullman, in the same state. The new field affords a very fine opportunity for work and we hope Bro. Harris will be both happy and useful there.—Baptist Recorder.

Our beloved brother, J. A. Howard, who has served three or four months as field editor of the South Texas Baptist, has accepted a call to Port Arthur. But for the clear conviction that in this rapidly growing town of 12,000 population, there is opened to him a glorious opportunity for service, we would be unwilling to give him up.—South Texas Baptist.

Friends of the University of Montester will be glad to learn of the advance step that has been made in the recent appointment of a dean for women. The student body has now become so large that it was necessary at the beginning of the year to provide separate chapel and other exercises for the women, and the need of further development in this direction has been evident for some time back. Miss Annette Gardner Munroe was selected for the position by President Rush Rees.

Please don't send money for orphanage to John W. Stewart. He has not been connected with the institution since the first of this year, and he has now left Evergreen. Send your gifts and correspondence to the Baptist Orphanage, Evergreen, Ala. Here are four letters containing funds that have been forwarded to me. I must, at extra trouble and expense, return them to orphanage, Evergreen.—John W. Stewart.

We were glad to have with us Pro. J. T. McKee, who is employed by the state mission board, in a Sunday school institute for a few days, and we trust that much good will result from this meeting. Bro. McKee handles the Sunday school question in a most intelligent and convincing manner, is earnest and full of zeal for the betterment of our Sunday schools in Alabama. He is gifted as a teacher, and if his methods and plans are carried out, we will have better equipped teachers and larger and more enthusiastic schools. We feel that we were greatly blessed in having Bro. McKee with us.—C. N. James.



Ye Editor Fears there is an Epidemic of loss of Memory.

Recently a publisher sent us a copy of a work "How to Memorize," and we have seen another along similar lines, "Stop Forgetting." If we were able we would gladly put copies of these aids to weak memories into the hands of our subscribers, for daily we get letters from dear good friends saying we could have sent our subscription sooner, but we just overlooked it. As much as we would like to have the memories of those who do finally remember strengthened, the ones we want to have take a special treatment are those who evidently have suffered a total loss of memory so far as paying for the Alabama Baptist is concerned. Last week we asked, "Is Everybody Dead Broke?" This week we want to know, Has everybody lost their memory? If in funds and clothed in your right mind, please send in your remittance for our Christmas present, and if you want us to think you both rich and wise, pay a year ahead.

Here is a Problem Pastors Can Solve.

Even if we could afford to send our agents they can not reach the people, for they visit the towns and churches on the railroads, but do not come in touch with the country. The time has come when the Alabama Baptist must be pushed or the denomination will suffer. (The editor is already suffering.) It is not so difficult to enlist the sympathies of the people who read and who know something of the work, the open doors of usefulness, and the demands of the times. But we must not lose sight of the fact that there are thousands of our members who never see The Alabama Baptist, and therefore know little of our work.

If the problem is solved it will have to be done by the pastors who are in touch with the people. Remember the special offer of the three papers—Alabama Baptist, Home Field and Foreign Mission Journal—for new subscribers for one year for \$2.00 cash will be withdrawn January 1. Send in list now.

AN EDITOR TELLS THE UNVARNISHED TRUTH.

It occurs to us that two things ought to be said in this connection.

1. That no editor, however much money he might have, and however brilliant and resourceful he might be, can make an all round denominational paper without the co-operation of the brotherhood.

2. That, as the pastors are the local leaders of the people, it is up to them in very large measure to say what the State paper shall be. And let it be understood by all concerned that these Baptist pastors are free. That means that they have the privilege of helping, to the extent of their ability, to make the paper what it ought to be, by their wise, brotherly counsel and by their strong contributions to its columns, or of joining the destructive forces, to belittle the paper by their censures and insinuations, as well as by their unjust comparisons and their failures to write for the paper their best thoughts and ripest experiences. Some brethren take one of these courses, and some the other. It is very encouraging to know that nearly all of our successful pastors are in the ranks of the constructive forces and are going to do more than ever to help along The Baptist Record for the good it will do our Lord's cause. It is a fact that construction is much more difficult than destruction, and those who have not the prowess to engage in construction, we suppose, must be allowed to engage in destruction, or they would be without a job.—Baptist Record.

The Special Offer of the three papers for \$2.00 cash to new subscribers closes January 1st, 1910

I have taken charge of the East Florence Baptist church. Please give notice through the Baptist of my change. Also come to see us. There is an invitation extended.—J. E. Merrill.

The South Carolina and the North Carolina Baptist convention meet at exactly the same time—December 7-10, 1909. We hope our brethren of the Carolinas will have great and good sessions.

The Alabama Baptist nobly devoted the bulk of its space in fighting for the prohibition amendment and hurled brimming columns of prose, poetry and cartoons plump into the heart of the enemies' camp. Latest advices indicate the defeat of the amendment, largely, it is said, through subtle personal politics.—The Baptist Standard.

In the last two months I have received about thirty new members into the First church, making in all over one hundred additions inside of one year. Our congregations are also steadily increasing at every service. The Lord bless you and the paper.—C. L. Wilson, First Baptist Church, Blocton.

All honor to Dr. F. W. Barnett, editor of the Alabama Baptist, for the relentless warfare he is waging for constitutional prohibition in Alabama. His reward will be great in the day of Assizes. We make our best bow to Fleetwood Ball for the above, which appeared in "Among the Brethren," that gossip page he conducts in the Baptist and Reflector.

Rev. T. O. Reese, state evangelist in Tennessee, sent us a stirring account of the great evangelistic campaign in Nashville which was conducted by the home board for these weeks. The total results show over 700 conversions and about 500 accessions to the Baptist churches. Those assisting were Drs. W. E. Hatcher, W. M. Lunsford, Luther Little, H. A. Porter, G. H. Crutcher, H. A. Hunt, A. O. Bamberg, T. O. Reese, Raleigh Wright, H. Boyce Taylor, W. A. McCobb, C. A. Stewart, W. L. Walker, W. D. Wakefield and W. P. Price.

Bro. J. W. Vesey, of Riverside, Ala., conducted a meeting for our church here which resulted in nine candidates for baptism and two by letter. The meeting was a very uplifting one and one full of interest. All of the conversions were bright ones and the church was revived. Surely the Lord was with us. Bro. Vesey showed to us that he had been with the Lord and had learned of Him. He gave us plain, straight gospel sermons, and they went to the hearts of his hearers. Mrs. Vesey also did valuable service in the meeting, for which we feel very grateful. This church bids them God speed in their work wherever it may be.—J. Carl McCoy, Pastor, Stroud, Ala.

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ANOTHER LETTER TO MY FRIEND WHO ASKED ME, "UPON WHAT GROUNDS DO THE BAPTISTS BASE THEIR CLAIM OF ONCE IN GRACE ALWAYS IN GRACE?"

Letter No. 33.

My Dear Friend:

According to promise I am writing you another letter in answer to your question with reference to the Baptists' claim of once in grace always in grace. In my former letter I gave you three of these grounds—Regeneration, the New Life-Center, Grace. This letter, therefore, begins where the other left off:

Fourth Ground—The Fatherhood of God.

In the sense that God made us, He is the Father of everybody. But strictly speaking, God is the Father only of those who believe in Jesus Christ. Gal. 3:26, "For ye are all the children of God by faith in Jesus Christ." Jn. 1:12, "But as many as received Him, to them gave He the privilege to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name."

We are by nature the children of wrath (Eph. 2:3; Ps. 51:5). But the moment one believes on Christ, he ceases to be a child of wrath and becomes a child of God. Well, my boy is none the less mine when he violates my will. In my raising, I violated the relationship that ought to exist between father and son many times. I'd not like to guess at the number of "whippings" I got. I know now, however, that I never got "a lick amiss." And I also know now that there was as much of my father in his chastisement as in any of the other expressions of his love. That is a splendid analogy the writer of the letter to the Hebrews makes in chapter 12, verses five and ten, inclusive.

If any of us should cease to be our father's son every time we violate his will, then whose son would any of us be? Well, do you reckon it fares worse with us with reference to our Heavenly Father than with our earthly?

I do not think so. Now, since God came to be my Father when I believed in His Son, if, because I violate His will, He sends me to hell, I'll spend all my eternity throwing it back to Him that He has sent one of His own children to hell, and that the saying of His Son, Jesus Christ, my elder brother, is not true. "And this is the will of the Father that of all which He hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day. And this is the will of Him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on Him, may have everlasting life; and I will raise him up at the last day."—(Jn. 6:39-40.)

We do not go to Heaven because we are so good; neither do we go to hell because we are so bad! If none but the actually and perfectly good go to Heaven, then none go; and if all who have any bad in their lives go to hell, then, I reckon, so far as I know, all go. We go to Heaven because we get into the kingdom of Heaven down here by believing on Jesus Christ. That is, we become members of God's household when we accept His Son as our Savior. We go to Heaven by believing in Jesus Christ (Jn. 3:16; 6:47-51); but our reward, after we get there, is determined by what we do in this life (1 Cor. 3:11-15).

Fifth Ground—Reason.

If, on account of sins committed, one loses all grace gave him, then he loses all grace gave him every time he sins. Sins is sin with God. There are differences in the kind and degree of sin, but none in the nature of it.

Now, if every sin named in the decalogue, combined, can send a man to hell, then either one of them can. That is what Reason says; and Reason is right.

That is what James teaches (James 2:10). So teaches Paul (Gal. 3:10). Who, then, can be saved? How far down the Decalogue do you reckon I would have to read before you would find yourself condemned? Whose life can stand the searchlight of the Ten Commandments? And, remember, sin can be in the head, or heart, or the different members of the body! And then again, it may be committed in the letter or the spirit. Still sin is sin. Said Christ Jesus: "Let him that is without sin cast the first rock." Could you have thrown it? I

couldn't. I confess that when I look at life from the viewpoint of sin and the Ten Commandments, the prospect of anybody's getting to Heaven is as gloomy as it can possibly be. Now, if it isn't once in grace always in grace, then it's in grace only until one sins his first sin. And if it's the latter, then none are in grace enough to speak of. And in the event of the latter, the moment one gets in grace he ought to die, in order to be saved, don't you think? They told me of a drunkard's conversion, and when his companion in sin heard of it, he said: "Well, they better kill while he is good." Now, if it isn't once in grace always in grace, then I'd find it mighty hard to say that Bill's pal's advice was not good. That is one condition that makes it far better to be dead while good than alive and liable to sin. Seriously, unless it is once in grace always in grace, then whether anybody gets to Heaven when he dies does not depend on his having believed on Jesus Christ, as the Bible says in so many places, but on whether or not the last act in life is one of sin or repentance. My friend, Reason is with the Baptists in this claim of once in grace always so.

Sixth Ground—Experience.

All of us are greater sinners, and sin more, than our friends know about.

Whence this feeling of unworthiness, and this conscious absence of good, that ever and anon come creeping over us? Ay, they are born in the region of an experience that is always saying back to us, "Thou art a sinner."

If you have ever done your best to be good, I reckon none but yourself know how far short of your ideal you fell. Now, this consciousness that we, even when at our best, are sinners, says to us in terms we cannot mistake, and dare not disregard, that if our hope of Heaven depends on the intrinsic righteousness that is within us, then we are practically hopeless. And who of us has never become alarmed when, somehow, he discovered in his life a predilection in the direction of a weakness for some sin? Yes, as conscious as we are that we are sinners, at best, still, I am sure, we shall never know how great sinners we are until we stand before Him in judgment, and see our sin accounts just as we are now making them.

In view of this state of affairs on the inside of us all, it seems to me that our only hope lies in this precious Bible-taught doctrine that "once in grace" means "always in grace." In other words, if grace can not save us in spite of the sins that we are always conscious of (not to mention our unconscious sins), then it can't save us at all.

Mr. Spurgeon tells of a poor widow whose pastor called to see her, but she did not come out to meet him. Later he met her at church and told her that on a certain day he called, but not finding her, he supposed she was not in. "Oh," she said, "was that you knocking? I heard you, but I did not respond to your knocking because I thought you were the man calling for the rent!"

That poor woman is a picture of us all. If God presses us too closely for the rents we find ourselves too poor to pay. But, thank God, we get to Heaven, our everlasting home, not by the rent route, but by GRACE!

Seventh Ground—The Bible.

Yes, the Bible's teaching, unquestionably, is, "Once in Grace Always in Grace."

1. Jesus taught this doctrine. See Jn. 5:24, "He that heareth my word, and believeth on Him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death into life." Now, whatever these expressions, "everlasting life," "shall not come into condemnation," and "is passed from death into life," mean—one comes into the possession of what they stand for when he believes in Jesus Christ. Also see Jn. 6:47; Jn. 3:18; Jn. 3:16; Jn. 3:36. I might give you many other references, but if you will be convinced at all, the above are enough.

2. Paul taught this doctrine. Rom. 8:1, "There is no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit."

And the balance of that chapter proves that Paul did not mean that in Christ there are two classes of walkers, but that the characteristic walk of those

in Christ is "after the Spirit," and not "after the flesh." Also see Rom. 8:33-39. If none of the things named in this list can get a man out of grace, then what can?

I might give you many other quotations from Paul. But these are sufficient. If they will not convince you, you wouldn't be convinced though one should rise from the dead and say to you, "Yes, it's true; once in grace means always in grace."

3. Peter taught this doctrine. Acts 13:39, "By Him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses."

4. John the Baptist taught this doctrine. Jn. 1:29, "Behold the Lamb of God, which beareth away the sin of the world."

5. The angel that announced to Joseph the coming of the Christ, taught this doctrine. Matt. 1:21, "And Mary shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins."

Mark you, it doesn't say "Maybe He will," but "He shall." But if it isn't once in grace always so, then as a matter of fact He doesn't, does He?

6. The gospel is this doctrine boiled down. Here is right good definition of the gospel: The good news of salvation by grace, through faith in Jesus Christ, who died for our sins, and rose for our justification." If that isn't another statement of the Baptists' claim of once in grace always in grace, wherein is it wanting?

Yours sincerely,

R. S. GAVIN.

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A NEW CHALLENGE FOR MAYOR ROSE AT MILWAUKEE.

Former Presidential Candidate Eugene W. Chafin stirred Milwaukee politicians and grafters and provoked the enthusiasm of a great audience at Sumnerfield Methodist church in that city, Wis., November 28.

In ringing words, Mr. Chafin threw down this startling challenge, which he declared was open for any one to take up:

"The bawdy houses and the gambling den are better protected by the city government of Milwaukee from being raided than is your home tonight from robbery by burglars, and if any one in your city wants to take up that challenge, I'll debate it with him in any place on this continent."

Continuing, Mr. Chafin pictured the significant alliance of the white slave traffic with the liquor curse in these strong words:

"The great evil before the country today is the liquor traffic. It is the enemy of the church and of the school and fosters other evils. One hundred and seventy girls under 16 are taken from pure homes every twenty-four hours to fill up the ranks of fallen women. The white slave traffic flourishes in every state and city in the land—20,000 have been imported from Europe and sold on the block as clearly as any African ever was, yet this traffic couldn't exist for a day save for the liquor traffic.

"African slavery was pure Christianity compared with this white slave traffic."

"This is a fight for the life of the church—if the church lives it must kill the liquor traffic. If the liquor traffic lives it will kill the church. The question will be settled any day when people have faith enough in God to put their consciences in the ballot box and have faith in God to take care of the result.

"The word 'success' is found only once in the Bible. God didn't require any one to succeed, but he says a whole lot about 'duty.' Do your duty and trust God to look after the results."

In conclusion, he declared:

"We're going to win this fight. It may be we'll have to pay for our wrong-doing as we did in the case of slavery—nations have penalties as well as individuals—but I want to give you a pointer: For fifteen hundred years we Anglo-Saxons have never lost a moral battle, and as long as there's Anglo-Saxon blood in the United States, we never will."

BOOKS

A good book is the precious life-blood of a master-spirit, embalmed and treasured up on purpose to a life beyond a life.—Milton.

uncut pages We hail such publications with delight, for the reader always gets the benefit when published and authors continue to market their wares. There has always been an aura of romance about the Tyrol. The author, while in no wise dissipating this, yet gives us glimpses of national character which reveal in a flash the singularly interesting people in the too little known Austro-Hungarian empire. The bringing forward of this "new playground for Europe" brings to us charming memories of our Vienna student days. It is a beautiful holiday book. James Pott & Co., New York. \$2.50. 14 cents postage.

The Socialized Church
Is the first extensive publication of the Methodist Federation for Social Service. It consists of a selected list of eleven papers which were read before the First National Conference of the Social Workers of Methodism, held in St. Louis, November 17-19, 1908. All of the writers speak with thorough information. The volume will prove interesting to social workers generally, but will be particularly valuable to ministers, and to the increasing number of laymen who are awakening to the gravity of the social question. The editor, Worth M. Tippy, has done his work well.

The cost of the book has been set at a popular price—one dollar—in order that it may have the widest reading and become available to many who must economize in the purchase of books. Eaton & Mains, New York.

Physiology and Hygiene.

This is for secondary schools and is by Francis M. Walters, A. M., State Normal School, Warrensburg, Mo.

It gives an accurate statement of facts as they are understood at the present time. In special preparation for his work of authorship, Mr. Walters did much post-graduate work in the University of Chicago, chiefly in the departments of physiology and neurology. He has made free use of the latest authoritative works.

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Walters' Physiology is both scientific and teachable. It establishes a new standard in text-books of its kind, and is likely to bring about a great improvement in physiology teaching.

Cloth. 181 illustrations. 434 pages. Price, \$1.20. D. C. Heath & Co., publishers, Boston.

By Ernest Bryant Hoag, A. M., M. D., Lecturer in Hygiene, University of California, with prefatory note by David Starr Jordan, Ph.D., M. D.

"Health Studies" is a text book of applied physiology and hygiene for pupils in the grades. The first third of the book presents simply and directly, yet in a scientific way, important facts of human physiology. The rest of the text deals with many and varied matters of practical hygiene. The subject is brought close to the pupil's experience and environment. It is full of interest for him, for it answers many of his half-formed questions and shows him how and why good habits and intelligent care preserve health. The author's suggestions to teachers, and the topics for discussion and review, open up an interesting field of profitable work. The usefulness of such a book extends far beyond the school room. There is nothing childish about it, and mature readers will find it helpful and satisfactory. Cloth. Fully illustrated. 233 pages. 75 cents. D. C. Heath & Co., publishers, Boston.

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teaching. I always recommend it to those who are beginning the study of the subject. I hope that it may be as much blessed to others as it has been to me.

It can be had of the Bible House, 524 Lissner building, Los Angeles, Cal.

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A Lantern of Luck.

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Following his proposal to the wealthy ward of Eustace Gildersleeve, Ingersoll returns to the summer resort, where they are stopping, to meet the curious stare of his fellow pleasure seekers, who know of his misfortune.

Though hitherto unknown to him, his partner in the Stock Exchange has defaulted and committed suicide, and the first intimation Ingersoll had of the crash was the startling headlines in a sensational newspaper. Being a man of private means, he spares his family's irreproachable name by personally meeting the firm's debts, thereby reducing himself to greatly straitened circumstances, and bringing upon himself the ridicule of less honorable colleagues. Gildersleeve is one of his bitterest critics and least sympathetic patrons, consequently his love affairs

receive a shock at the time of his most severe strain.

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Did the guiding star behold;
As with joy they hailed its light,
Leading onward, beaming bright;
So most gracious God may we
Evermore be led to Thee."

As they offered gifts most rare
At that manger rude and bare;
So may we with holy joy,
Pure and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to Thee, our Heavenly King."

These should be our first gifts on Christmas day. What we have we should bring to Christ. It may be that some of us have hearts which have never been given to Him.

The best gift that we could bring to the Savior would be our full selves.—Sunday School Times.

"Very little can be expected from the efforts of parents to bring back the Christian conception of Christmas so long as our Sunday schools foster the pagan idea of Santa Claus. If we do not strike the right keynote of the day with our children, pray where then shall we begin?

The whole thing resolves itself to one point which

should be an inviolable rule in all Sunday schools: the absolute elimination of Santa Claus and the substitution of the Christ-child. Santa Claus has no place in church or Sunday school, either by personification in entertainment or by pictorial representation in pulpit or on platform, or by the distribution of cards on which he is pictured. The lesson of the church is that of the Holy child, and that story has in it enough beauty and enough pictorial possibilities for any number of celebrations.

It is too often forgotten by those in charge of our Christmas celebrations in Sunday school that the mind of the child is the most sensitive and receptive thing there is, and is just as open to pagan teachings as it is to Christian teachings.—Edward Bok, in Ladies' Home Journal.

Some of the members of the Teachers' Association were having a discussion on the best plans for celebrating Christmas.

"We know," said one, "that the burning question in nearly every child's mind right now is, 'Are we going to have a Christmas tree?' and we almost have rebellion on the part of some scholars when we tell them we won't have one this year," and she sighed, remembering the days of hard work the worn out teachers and heart-burnings which were no small part of such yearly affairs.

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The oldest teacher smiled. "I am not condemning the Christmas tree; I believe it is a beautiful custom, but I no longer approve of them in the Sunday school. Let joy and mirth be unconfined in the home, but in our church and Sunday school let the occasion have the dignity and solemnity befitting the house of God, and the birthday of the Savior of Men."

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"Our gifts are to go to the orphans' home, but there are other institutions—and many homes besides—which might be gladdened by a 'Christmas basket' from this offering.

"We learn by doing, and in no more beautiful way could we impress upon childhood the words of the Lord Jesus when he said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

His Birthday.

By Henderson Daingerfield Norman.

They brought Him their birthday presents—
The incense and gold and myrrh;
The sumptuous Christmas roses,
The cedar and box and fir;
They made all His temple splendid
With tapers of purest ray,
And they said, "'Tis a heavy burden—
This keeping of Christmas Day."

The Child's sweet eyes looked gravely
At glitter of wax and gold.
The gifts that were hard to bring Him
Were hard for His hands to hold.
Gleaming and hard and splendid
They all on the altar lay,
But the Child's dear hands were empty
As sadly He went His way.

He went where a single candle
Burned clear on a window sill;
A cake at the door was ready

That the Christ Child might have His fill.
Outside was the sheaf for Christmas,
The barley and wheat and rye—
That the birds might enjoy the Birthday
Though snowdrifts were white and high.

Within sat a girl-child singing,
A doll held against her breast.
With queer little crooked stitches
The cherished gift was dressed.
For a child had prepared the present,
Her heart with delight aglow
That a poorer than she should have it—
The thing she had treasured so.

The Lord Christ stood on the threshold,
And watching, His dear eyes smiled
On the light, the cake, the Christmas sheaf,
And the child's gift to a child.
The weary feet were rested,
The heart from its sadness freed,
With gifts were the pierced hands laden.
His Birthday was kept indeed.

DR. McARTHUR'S SERMONETTE.

They serve him day and night in His temple.—
Rev. vii, 15.

We cannot think of the inhabitants of heaven as idling by its purling streams and in the enjoyment of its balmy airs. We think of heaven as a place of ceaseless but tireless activity. Shall not David there strike his harp to sweeter songs than he ever sang on earth? Shall not Isaiah speak of the glory and majesty of God in nobler words and loftier strains than marked his divinest earthly prophecy? Shall not Paul there glow with a holy enthusiasm compared with which his highest earthly visions were cold and dark. Shall not the thousand Godly martyrs, preachers, philosophers, poets, scientists and unlettered saints there rise to heights of achievement and possibility such as no language can express and no thought now can conceive? We could not now endure the full sight of the glory which awaits us as the heirs of God.

So many worlds to view, such realms and spaces,
There needs must be
Some room and use for all our powers and graces
In just degree.

—Charles Lancaster Foran.

He rests, but He is never idle,
A thousand years pass like a day
In the glad sunshine of that Paradise
Where work is sweeter than play.

—Rev. Henry J. Van Dyke.

Know ye not that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, which is in you, which ye have from God?—I Cor. vi, 19.

The gospel sanctifies and glorifies the body. It becomes, under the gospel's influence, the temple of the Holy Spirit. It is a false and wicked conception of religion which degrades the body. Religion, when its work is complete, contemplates the resurrection of the body as well as the redemption of the soul. He who sins against his body sins against God. Ever since Christ tabernacled in human flesh, the body has been dignified and glorified. Let us honor it as belonging to Christ and a part of His wonderful workmanship. Obedience to Christ tends directly to make sound bodies. It nips vice in the bud, supplants unholy thoughts and impure desires, substituting the highest aims and the best motives as the ruling principles of life. So that to write Christ upon the soul is often to write health, vigor and beauty on the body.

There is an architecture grander far
Than all the fortresses of war,
More inextinguishably bright
Than learning's lonely towers of light,
Framing its walls of faith and hope and love
In deathless souls of men it lifts above
The frailty of our earthly home,
An everlasting dome,
The sanctuary of the human host,
The temple of the Holy Ghost.

—Rev. Henry J. Van Dyke.

EDITORIAL

ON THE FIRING LINE.

We have a notable group of men and women on the firing line between Christianity and heathenism. At a point where true devotion and unflinching work become the only assurance of triumph. These men and women have been transplanted to climates not generally healthful to foreigners, and among strange people where they meet with but little favor with the masses. Their living must be very expensive, if they secure the articles of food so common in this country, or it must be unhealthful if native food stuffs are used. It is no uncommon thing for them to receive revivings from those whom they would bless; while hindrances of every sort are placed in their way. Even if the physical difficulties were removed, there is still the shock of contact between Christian and heathen ideals, between low moral standards and high, and the continual struggle to overcome an unhealthy spiritual atmosphere where the tendency is to let down one's spiritual tone and ideal.

These men and women voluntarily put themselves on the firing line in response to your call and my call for somebody to carry the gospel for us where we could not go ourselves. Their success is good evidence of their fitness and their Christian character.

All these men and women on the firing line are your workers and representatives. With ample support they are always effective; with poor support they do the best they can, bearing many burdens.

How our heart went out to our dear Bro. Bouldin and his wife away out there in Japan as his pathetic card reached us saying:

"Dear Bro. Barnett: I should have informed you that little Mary Janette left us on August 11th for a better country. We are lonesome without her, but her suffering is over."

As Christmas approaches let us not only remember the foreign missionaries in our gifts, but let as many as can write cheering words of love and sympathy to the men and women on the firing line.

WANT THE CREDIT.

There is a great proneness on the part of the most of people to want the credit for the success of any undertaking with which they may be connected. Others may have had a large share in the performance of a particular work, yet those who were less active and less useful in it demand more credit than they are entitled to. This is not always and in all cases so, yet it is most often so. It may be seen in manifold ways. In a company of church workers there are too frequently certain ones who are jealous of the others, simply because of the fear that they themselves will not have all the credit which they crave for. If there be any manifest success in the work they want the foremost credit for it. If any one be publicly mentioned as deserving a large measure of credit, and their own name is left out, there is not a little indignation, though not always openly expressed. It is a somewhat amusing fact that some church members, once prominent in service, have ceased their activity, solely because they were not praised enough to suit their pride, or, in other words, because they did not receive the amount of credit which they felt was their due. As to giving God the credit that He was entitled to—well, that was an indifferent matter. Is there not much childishness in this kind of thing? It appears to be so. It is well enough to recognize the zealous devotion of those who take part in the work of the church. Commendation of one's work is a just encouragement; but it is not becoming in any Christian to virtually demand that he shall have the larger credit for the success of the church, else he will no longer render any service. Then, too, there are some Christians who want high credit for answers to their prayers. They believe that if it were not for their faith they would have received nothing. This may be admitted; but why should any one praise them for their faith? Must they have more credit for their faith than God is to have for His grace in answering prayer? Let us be more modest, and less selfish.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND ORPHANS' HOME CHRISTMAS.

Instead of a Christmas lesson for December 26th, all the periodicals of the Sunday school board will contain a special lesson on the care of the orphans. The idea is to urge all our Sunday schools on this special day to give consideration to these helpless ones and to the orphanage located in their state.

The Superintendent's Quarterly contains a program and these we will be glad to supply on application by any school. The board urges all the schools to take a collection on this day and forward it to the home in their own state.

This is a splendid idea and we hope all of our pastors will co-operate with the superintendent and teachers and make a great offering for the little ones at Evergreen. Write at once for the programmes.

WE DID OUR BEST.

We greatly appreciate the following very kind words from Dr. Folk, with which he closes a strong two-column editorial under the caption, "The Alabama Election:"

"Just one thing more we want to say. We want to commend very cordially the course of the Alabama Baptist and its brave editor, Dr. Frank Willis Barnett. Week after week, for several months, while the campaign was pending, its columns were devoted largely to the interests of the temperance cause and in favor of the amendment. In editorials and contributed articles the Alabama Baptist urged the adoption of the amendment. While the amendment failed, Bro. Barnett may at least have the satisfaction of knowing that he did his duty, did it nobly, did it fully, and no part of the blame for the failure of the amendment can be laid at his door. He deserves a chaplet of honor for the work which he did, and we take pleasure in pinning this little bouquet upon his bosom."

A CODICIL TO HER WILL.

An exchange of another denomination tells of a pastor who in his life time yearned and prayed and spoke and toiled continually, in season (and out of season sometimes, as his less zealous brethren thought) for the extension of the Lord's kingdom to the ends of the earth. On one occasion he preached a notable sermon, the occasion being the church's annual offering to foreign missions. One member was not content with a gift for the time, but went home and made a codicil to her will, whereby she gave \$30,000 to foreign missions. This thirty-thousand dollars helped the work a great deal—a very great deal. It came at a time when the help was particularly acceptable. A live conscience in her pastor awoke a missionary conscience in her. It is a plain duty of some as well as privilege to remember Christ's work in our wills.

"Johnson City." This head line in the Baptist and Reflector telling of a recent visit there called up in our mind many pleasant memories, for it was in the beautiful little mountain city of East Tennessee that we first served a church, and while our pastorate was not entirely free from care, yet as we look back on it we believe that it was the Lord's doing which set us down in the midst of such sound Baptists, for, fresh from the world, and knowing little of our denominational affairs, we needed just such an atmosphere, and while at the time we thought some of our deacons too unbending where the pedo-Baptists were concerned, still from this distance we better understand their attitude, for they had lived through the stress and storm of controversy which had not raged about our heads. We salute the Fathers in Israel. God's blessings be with the Baptists of Johnson City.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR THE ORPHANS.

The Christian Index of December 9th contains a full page of the faces of the boys and girls in the Georgia Baptist orphans' home at Hapeville. It is one of the loveliest pages ever printed in a Baptist paper. The mere sight of the little motherless and fatherless boys and girls ought to cause Georgia Baptists to send many a Christmas gift to Hapeville. This reminds us that we, too, have our little wards at Evergreen whose hearts ought to be gladdened at Christmas. We confidently count on Alabama Baptists to see that every stocking in the home is well filled.

"Let those who are capable of doing a little plain thinking consider how much prominence the vice of liquor drinking occupies in the national attention today. Consider the waste of character, intellect and productiveness by those who are hopeless victims, and the misery and woe of those who are dependent upon them. Contrast the revels tonight where vice and luxury will flaunt themselves so insanely against the responsibilities of tomorrow, with the scenes where little children and weak women suffer and are wronged. Consider that the money one careless bon vivant pours down in his throat in a year would put and keep some worse than orphaned little child where he might have at least an even chance in the world. How dare the successful thus lavish riotous enjoyment upon themselves where there is so much good to others left undone that they might do? What does it profit to surfeit self with pleasures since these but destroy?"

It is a truism in all lands where the press is reasonably free, that the responsibility of journalism in international affairs is weighty. Great Britain and Japan are allies. The statesmen of each nation recognize that it has vital interests in common with the other, and they have bound the two, for a fixed term, to pursue these jointly, even by armed force. France and Russia are in like case. In Canada and the United States, the press has a considerable influence. At present the press in England and Germany seem to be educating the people of these two nations to hate one another.

The Examiner says there are 120,000 Christian Jews and that 700 Christian preachers are Jews. Many more Jews would be Christians if more effort was made for their conversion. It is too generally thought to be of no use to try to lead Jews to Christ.—Western Recorder.

Somebody gives the following advice: "Drink less, breathe more; eat less, chew more; ride less, walk more; clothe less, bathe more; worry less, work more; waste less, give more; write less, read more; preach less, practice more."

The largest Protestant church edifice in America is Grace Baptist Temple, Philadelphia.

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Their active years have been spent in much labor and small salaries, and their large liberality to our various denominational enterprises have left them with no bank account to meet the temporal needs of their declining years.

Shall we let them suffer when they can no longer serve?

Shall we not rather see that liberal contributions are raised for this most worthy cause?

Let us brighten and enrich these noble hearts, that have loved and labored so long, with appropriate assurances that their brethren love them still.

Send all contributions to R. F. Manly, Birmingham, Ala. GEO. W. MACON.

MOTTO.

"They that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever." Daniel xii.3.

APPORTIONMENT.

Foreign Missions	\$ 700
Home Missions	700
State Missions	400
Training School Student	250
Margaret Home	25
Bible Fund	25
Total	\$2,100

PEACE ON EARTH.

Then, in despair, I hung my head;
 "There is no peace on earth," I said,
 For hate is strong,
 And mocks the song
 Of peace on earth, good will to men."

Then pealed the bells more loud and deep:
 "God is not dead, nor doth He sleep.
 The wrong shall fall,
 The right shall prevail,
 With peace on earth, good will to men."

NEW AUXILIARIES.

During the past month we have had the pleasure of organizing Y. W. A.'s at Evergreen, East Lake, and the Southside church of Birmingham. Each entered into service with a good membership and a fine leader. At the Selma convention we agreed to undertake to organize twenty-five new auxiliaries during this convention year, and we rejoice that three of the coveted number have been so well located. Most heartily do we welcome them, and as a sign of our loving co-operation, we would like to ask of the Alabama Y. W. A. stands.

THANKSGIVING DAY AT TRAINING SCHOOL.

From Miss Clyde Metcalf, the Y. W. A. student at the Training School, we have the following interesting account of how Thanksgiving Day was observed there:

"There was a sunrise praise service at Broadway Baptist church to begin the day. When we went to breakfast we found our dining room beautifully decorated. Mrs. McLure had done the work as a surprise to the girls. A Y. W. A. in Tennessee sent a great big Thanksgiving box to us, filled full of turkey, celery, olives, cake, a box of oranges, and the like. The Board sent beautiful flowers for the table, as well as oysters, candies, nuts, raisins, cake, cream, and ever so many other good things. Mrs. McLure, in her own dear way, told us 'from whence these things come,' and of how much we have to be thankful for, and of how the women of the South are interested in our Training School.

"It was with hearts of thankfulness that we sang, 'Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.' Mrs. McLure gave us a little party down in her room to close the day. Thus you see we had a glad day—all this intermingled with about ten hours' study. We had an examination the day before and two the day after, but we were thankful for the hours in which to study."

JANUARY WEEK OF PRAYER.

Throughout Alabama at this time the auxiliaries are receiving their Week of Prayer literature. This week will be observed January 2-7, and we do sincerely hope that the young women will gather together during those days and prayerfully ask God's blessing upon the mission work. Since we shall during this month of December study the needs of Japan and make our Christmas offering for the education of her daughters, we shall not forget to pray for that field during the January prayer services. The entire program is well planned and if faithfully carried out will bring to us a truer, deeper joy in Christ's service than we have known.

WOMAN'S WORK

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

IN THE WINTRY HEAVEN.

In the wintry heaven
 Shines a wondrous star;
 In the East the wise men
 Watched it from afar;
 Asking, "What this lustre,
 So unearthly bright?"
 Answering, "Christ of glory
 Comes to earth tonight!"

O'er the dusty highway,
 O'er the deserts drear,
 From the East, the wise men
 Watch it shining clear;
 Asking, "Shall we follow
 In this starlit way?"
 Answering, "Yes, 'twill lead us
 To the perfect day."

In a lowly manger
 Lies an infant weak;
 Is it He whom wise men
 Come so far to seek?
 Asking, "Where the Monarch?
 Where Judea's King?"
 Saying, "Gifts and worship
 To His throne we bring."

A PLEASANT TRIP.

With no expectation of a contradiction, I would assert that one of the most vital parts of the church today is the Sunday school. Realizing how helpful this organization is, Judson College is conducting a splendid one for the Baptist students there. December 5 was Mission Rally Day, and the Y. W. A. leader had the pleasure of telling the girls how needy for Baptist education are the Japanese girls, and as a result the school made a Christmas present of one hundred dollars to the school at Shimonoseki. This loving generosity was in perfect harmony with the beautiful Judson College spirit. I would have our friends know how grateful I am for the hospitality accorded me and how sincerely I enjoyed the well appointed meals, the happy spirit of the girls, the splendid teachers, the devotional vesper and sunrise prayer services, and the beautiful chapel singing. I was overjoyed to know that the students will send three of their number to the great Student Volunteer Convention in Rochester, N. Y., during Christmas week. Let us not forget to ask God's tenderest care and guidance over them as they journey and His infilling spirit for them at the meeting. Let us not forget, too, the girls who cannot go back to their homes for the holidays. Many of us recall a Christmas away from home, so in loving prayer let us remember these Judson girls. There will doubtless be only a few left there, and yet there are many kind things we can do for them.

From Marion I went to Grove Hill, where, in spite of the rain, we had a beautiful meeting and came into close touch with the Y. W. A. and W. M. S. there. The Jackson Y. W. A. sent four delegates up to the meeting. All three societies are full of the Christmas love for China and Japan and are planning to show their love by their gifts. It was so helpful to be with them.

The afternoon at Thomasville was exceedingly

cold, so the meeting was not largely attended. The interest shown was good, however, and both the W. M. S. and the Y. W. A. agreed to hold Christmas meetings and to observe the January Week of Prayer. It was sweet indeed to be a guest in the home of Rev. Mr. White, and to talk of the missionary daughter, Miss Floy. From them we learned of her marriage on October 28 to Mr. W. W. Adams, and Mrs. White has promised to write an account of the wedding for publication in January.

From Thomasville I was driven fourteen miles into the heart of the country to Nicholville. Here, though the day was bleakly cold, I found fully seventy-five women gathered for the meeting. These friends represented four churches, many of them having driven twelve miles that morning. We had a morning service and then were served a delicious lunch in the primary room. This was a happy opportunity to meet the delegates. After lunch we had another session. The spirit of the meeting was beautiful. From the church I went to the home of Mrs. J. Mercer Greene, where, before the great open fire, we held a love feast of gratitude for the fine meeting for which Rev. and Mrs. Greene had so faithfully planned ever since the Selma convention. At the convention the Associations were urged to hold these all-day meetings, and congratulations are due these fine women for their successful efforts.

JAPANESE SENSITIVENESS.

From the Correspondence of Lafcadio Hearn, in the December Atlantic.

Sensitiveness exists in the Japanese to an extent never supposed by the foreigners who treat them harshly at the open ports. In Ezumo I knew a case of a maid servant who received a slight rebuke with a smile, and then quietly went out and hung herself. I have notes of many curious suicides of a similar sort. And yet the Japanese master is never brutal or cruel. How Japanese can serve a certain class of foreigners at all, I can't understand. Possibly they do not think of them (the foreigners) as being exactly human beings—but rather Oni, or at best Tengu.

Well, here is another thing. My cook wears a smiling, healthy, rather pleasant face. He is a good looking young man. Whenever I used to think of him I thought of the smile. I saw a mask before me merry as one of those little masks of Ohokumushi-no-kami they sell at Minoseki. One day I looked through a little hole in the shoji, and saw him alone. The face was not the same face. It was thin and drawn, and showed queer lines worn by old hardship. I thought "he will look like that when he is dead." I went in, and the man was all changed—young and happy again—nor have I ever seen that look of trouble in his face since. But I know when he is alone he wears it. He never shows his real face to me; he wears the mask of happiness as an etiquette.



REV. W. N. SWAIN,

a noted Mississippian, who served the Forty-first Avenue church, Meridian, going from there to Augusta, Ky., is now in charge of the Sixty-sixth Street church, Birmingham. We welcome Bro. Swain to the Birmingham district. He began his pastorate with the church he is now serving on the first Sunday in October and has just closed a good meeting, with twenty additions, five by baptism.



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Whereas, It has pleased his Savior to call him up higher to the broader, fuller life of his heavenly kingdom; be it

Resolved by the Ladies' Circle of Southside Baptist church, That our church has lost one of her most consecrated members, one who gave himself unsparingly in her service, one whose keen intellect, unerring judgment and loving heart made him invaluable in her councils.

Be it resolved, That Birmingham has lost one of her noblest citizens, one who stood always for that which is highest and best in every moral issue. Alabama has lost a peerless son, one whose pure, unspotted life she proudly treasures as an example to her young men, one whose influence will be a living force through the years to come.

Be it resolved, That to his wife, to whom he has ever been the lover of her youth; to his children, to whom he has been wise councillor and cheery comrade; to his sister, to whom he has been father and brother in one, we extend our most heartfelt sympathy and love, praying that our Heavenly Father will hold them close in His everlasting arms, comforting them as He alone can comfort.

We pray that their lives and ours may be the fuller and richer for having touched his, that we may all one day hear that same welcome that greeted him, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joys of thy Lord."

MRS. PRESTON BLAKE,
Chairman Committee.
Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 4, 1909.

I appreciate your efforts in the campaign just closed. I am glad I voted for the amendment and also that it was defeated.

1. Glad that I voted for it because in the next struggle for office I can not be counted on to vote for men that favor open saloons and dispensaries. I am no prophet, nor the son of one, for my father was a cobbler, but that will be the undercurrent in the next elections.

2. I am glad I was defeated, because, upon the shoulders of the temperance people would have rested the management of alcohol for medical, scientific and mechanical purposes, and wine for church purposes. Temperance never can succeed with alcohol and fermented wine on its hands. In my judgment whiskey for medicine kills more people than it cures. Vinegar will represent the blood of Christ as well as fermented wine. Sweet wine contains the greatest degree of nutrition. Fermented contains none. Sweet wine does not create a thirst for more; wine wherein is excess does. Note the contrast. Who-soever drinketh of the blood of Christ shall never thirst?

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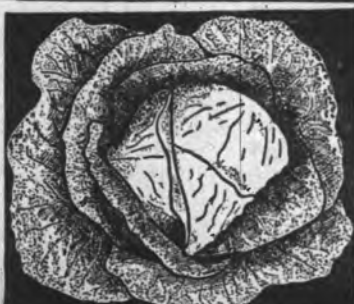
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FROM NORTH BIRMINGHAM.

On the night of the 20th of November the pastor and family were pleasantly surprised by a visit from quite a number of the ladies, some of the brethren and two little boys—Webb Mitchell and R. T. Moore. They gave us a sound pounding—quite a variety of canned goods, flour, meal, sugar, coffee, lard, salt meat and a great many other good things which we appreciate very much. We had something to be thankful for as well as Thanksgiving dinner the next day.

I will say with reference to our Ladies' Aid that they are doing a good work, contributing to missions, and have done some repair work on the church. They gave an oyster supper and raised money and paid a debt of the church of several months' standing. So you see the light has not quite gone out. There are still signs of life and we hope in the near future our church will be thoroughly organized for work.

May the Lord bless you in the work.
J. M. SMOKE.

FROM A SHUT IN.

For more than two years I have been a shut-in. The Alabama Baptist has reached me regularly once a week. It has been very helpful. I haven't tried to preach in over two years; haven't been to church but a few times. My theme has ever been to spread the gospel and education, not thinking of myself nor preparing for this hour that has come upon me unexpectedly. My race is almost run. *My means is almost exhausted. Thirty-eight years of my life have been spent in the ministry. I am 65 years old and I have noticed through the Alabama Baptist that there is arrangements made to aid the aged and worn out ministers. Will you kindly inform me how I may get on the pension roll? My association last year helped me \$13. This year nothing that I know of. I haven't seen any of the brethren to see whether they did anything or not, hence I write to you regarding you as a brother true and tried. I have missed the two last associations, the only two out of 27. I have fallen out by the way. Whatever is necessary that is honorable I am willing to do, and so look after the matter, please, and inform me what I am to do. We lost our fight in the amendment, but we submit, and just have to weep over the slain of the daughters of my people. Do what you can in my case and let me know at an early date and oblige yours brother in Christ.*

C. A. OWEN,

Callman, Ala., R. 1.

The largest churches in Europe, it is said, will seat the following numbers of people: St. Peter's, Rome, 54,000; Milan Cathedral, 37,000; St. Paul's, London, 25,000; St. Sophia's, Constantinople, 23,000; Notre Dame, Paris, 21,000; Pisa Cathedral, 13,000; St. Mark's, Venice, 7,000.—Baptist Banner.

The Baptist State Convention of North Carolina will meet in its seventy-ninth annual session in the First Baptist church of Wadesboro at 7:30 p. m. on Tuesday, December 7, 1909.



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SAD NEWS FROM CHINA.

The death of Mr. King and Miss Hensley and the illness of Mr. Lowe have been like a dark cloud passing over our North China mission; but we are trusting in One who can see even to the end and who doeth all things well—so we lift our eyes above the cloud to the beautiful sky beyond and press forward.

You may have some idea what it means to have the forces strengthened and the ranks filled in, but you could better appreciate that fact if you knew the needs of this work and had been here last week to have witnessed the coming of five new workers for our mission. Mr. Charley Hartwell and wife arrived in Chefoo today. They come out for the school work in our Hwanghien station. We hear that other new workers are coming soon and the old ones are returning. Mr. and Mrs. Owen are now on the Pacific and will be here to re-enter their work in Pingtu in about two weeks. Is this not enough to make us go down upon our knees and pour our hearts out to God in thanksgiving?

I would like just here to ask a question which I think deserves some consideration. What is the matter with our men at home? Out of the five that came last week there is only one man. We have today in our mission twenty-three women and only twelve men. We hail these noble Christian women with great delight, but, brethren, we need more men! It is almost impossible to open up new work without at least one man in the station.

The five who arrived last week were Mr. and Mrs. Turner, for Tengchowfu; Miss Lide, for Tengchowfu; Miss Leggett, for Pingtu. You are asking who is the fifth, what is her name and where is she to be located? Her name is Miss Floy White, daughter of the well known Rev. I. A. White, of Thomasville, Ala., and she is for the Rev. W. W. Adams. Mr. Adams came out last year and has had a most difficult time studying Chinese for the last few months; but he is now happy beyond expression, and I am sure will make rapid progress in the language. Mr. King spoke of him as an "unusual man" and we feel that he is an unusually able, good man. The bride is well known in Alabama, and while in the training school at Louisville she was spoken of as the most popular young lady there. She enters upon the work with her husband at Tengchowfu.

Just a word about this happy wedding. The writer had been invited to speak the words which would make them one, and although it is a three days' journey, the bride was from my own dear state and the occasion was so very unusual in our mission, I was delighted to go. I had good company all the way—Mrs. Hearn. The groom had been too much excited to put many artistic touches on the inside of his house, but loving hands came to the rescue, and before the ceremony it was a bower of beauty. Miss Leggett and Miss Lide were bridesmaids, and Miss Huey, of Lachowfu, maid of honor. Miss White entered the room leaning upon the arm of Dr. Ayers, of Hwanghien, and was met at the altar by Mr. Adams, who was attended by Mr. S. Emmett Stephens. Mrs. Stephens played the march. Besides the above mentioned, there were present Mrs. Ayers, Miss Pettigrew, Miss Moon, Miss Taylor, Mrs. King; and of the Presbyterian mission, Mrs. Erwin, Dr. Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. Strothers.

This delightful event occurred October 28 at 4:30 p. m. The next morning at 7 we started on our return trip, the first stage being twenty miles across the mountains to Hwanghien. On top of these mountains, we had a great view. The bare, rugged peaks stood up all round in majestic beauty, with here and there a temple, and at the foot in full view the old, old city of Tengchowfu, surrounded by high walls built long before Christ; and beyond, the rolling sea. The work of our mission was started in this city more than fifty years ago. We stopped in Hwanghien to have dinner in the home of Dr. Hartwell. It was four o'clock in the afternoon before we left the inn in the city and when we were well upon the road we were overtaken by our dear Brother Glass, who had decided to accompany us as far as Lachowfu to preach there on Sunday. We traveled 'till 9 o'clock in the night and then stopped to rest and spend the remainder of the night in an inn. We were on the road next morning at five, and arrived at Lachowfu that evening at six. We spent

Sunday in Lachowfu and had a good day—eleven were baptized. It is Monday morning, we are again in our shantsi, and five p. m. will bring us to Pingtu. We have made the round trip, 240 miles, safe and sound; although one of our mules decided to wallow in the sand three times, Miss Huey's shantsi turned over once, and Miss Leggett's mules tried to run away, but she was equal to the occasion and jumped out. Some one said she was quite an acrobat—we think she is quite a number of things that's good.

Our work is moving on nicely. Six were baptized at one of our country churches last Sunday, making 115 for this station this year. Several more are to be baptized soon. A new church is to be organized at one of our stations in two weeks, starting with seventy members. This will give our station seven churches. Our Pingtu association meets next Sunday. Pray for us.

Yours sincerely,

T. O. HEARN,
Pingtu, Shantung, China.



DR. AARON J. KEMPTON.

From a Massachusetts Puritan family. Born just before the war and educated in a Michigan seminary. Lectured on temperance at the age of 18. Had long experience in educational, editorial and ministerial work. Founder of the Michigan Prohibitionist. Ordained as a Congregational minister in 1901. Has traveled extensively and is well acquainted with the South. Changed his church relations recently, and, by request of the Camden church, was regularly ordained as a Baptist minister at the Pine Barren Association meeting, October 14, 1909. Physically strong and of recognized ability as a pulpit orator. Prefers to take work either in Alabama or Florida.



ARCHIE D. GLASS.

Son of Rev. A. D. Glass, a Worthy Student in the Academy of Howard College.

THE STATE BOARD MEETING.

Dear Bro. Barnett:

We have been so long accustomed to having you with us, we missed you much at the Board meeting on the 7th. Some of our most valued members were absent. "The tall Sycamore" of the Tennessee valley, R. E. Pettus, was absent. Not often has that happened in the last twenty years. Brother Cox wrote that "all the boards in creation could not pull him away from Mobile," for his wife was to return on that day from China, where she had been since June 15th.

G. G. Miles, our president, anxious to cool off after the anti-amendment election, had gone to Hartford, Conn., on business. Some others were absent, but we had a good meeting.

The work of Brother W. J. Ray, our only evangelist, was found highly satisfactory and he was re-elected. Brother W. W. Howard was elected as evangelist. He has been very successful in this line of work and we look for good results to follow his appointment.

The Woman's Missionary Union

Will be moved, by direction of the Woman's Convention in Selma, to Montgomery and the headquarters established in the same building with the State Board of Missions.

Miss Kathleen Mallory, of Selma, becomes the secretary-treasurer. We confidently look for great things to be done by the women, who have done so much in the past. A study of the growth of interest in this department is an eye opener to one who will look into it. As go the women so go the children. More than the wisest of us can conjecture is good wrapped up in this woman's movement.

Appropriations for Coming Year.

The appropriations were made on a liberal scale, notwithstanding a considerable debt. Some of our brethren do not think we ought to incur a debt. I wish sometimes they could be here for a little while and see for themselves how urgent are the appeals and how hard, after investigating, it is to turn them down. "We walk by faith not by sight"—for God and man in the amount of the whole appropriations is short of \$25,000. The whole amount given was \$23,000. It will be seen that the first appropriation is dangerously near the mark, yet there will be many more applications to come in.

W. B. C.

CONECUH ASSOCIATION.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Conecuh Association held its annual meeting at the Baptist church of Brooklyn, Ala., Tuesday, November 16, 1909.

After the devotional exercises, Mrs. B. F. Brooks, of Evergreen, was elected Associational Secretary, and Mrs. S. P. Lindsey, of Belleville, Superintendent of the Association.

The next thing on the program was the enrollment of delegates. There were from Evergreen, 4; Bermuda, 1; Castleberry, 3; Repton, 0; Belleville, 1.

Our Superintendent then read an excellent report of the year's work, which showed a total of \$409.25 from the different organizations.

We were quite fortunate in having two of the most prominent women of the State with us—Miss Kathleen Mallory, of Selma, and Mrs. T. A. Hamilton, of Birmingham.

After a very interesting talk by Miss Mallory in the interest of Howard College Library, a collection was taken amounting to \$2.95.

Mrs. Lindsey made a few touching remarks about the Margaret Home, which is situated at Greenville, S. C., and the Training School, at Louisville.

Miss Mallory also kept the attention of every one by a talk on "Personal Responsibility."

An interesting and instructive talk on foreign missions was made by Mrs. Richard Hall, of Evergreen, and a paper on home missions was read by Mrs. P. C. Walker, also of Evergreen.

Mrs. Hamilton very graciously made a few appealing remarks on the subject of "Aged and Infirm Ministers," and on Wednesday morning she was made happy by being successful in organizing an enthusiastic Sunbeam Band at Brooklyn, Ala.

Mrs. Lindsey organized a W. M. U. at the same place.

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AN EVERGREEN SUNDAY SCHOOL

For some time down here we have been enjoying such a good time in our little Sunday school here at Evergreen. Of course this is not Evergreen, Ala. It is only a church near Buckadee, Ala.

Not long ago the officers saw fit to make a small change by dividing the classes. We now have class No. 1, all young ladies; class No. 2, young men. For some time we did not think it was going to do well, though now all seem to really enjoy it. It is very strange to see so much interest as both sexes are taking. Of course, the young men's class always has the largest collection on Sunday. In November this year we had a district Sunday school convention. It was a great pleasure to all who attended to hear such fine reports on this great work.

Mr. Maury Howard, of Mulberry, gave us a fine report of his school.

Mr. L. E. Byrum, of Jones, gave us a fine talk on how to improve ourselves in Sunday school work.

Miss Lillian Mills, of Glenwood, read a very fine piece on how we should study to become useful in the work of Sunday school.

We should all feel so proud to know the great work in the Sunday school is growing.

Hoping to be with the Mobile connection next year, truly yours,

CLAUD DURDEN.

Winslow, Ala.

Whereas, Our beloved pastor, Rev. W. A. Taliaferro, who has served us so well and faithfully for the past four years, has resigned and accepted a call from the Baptist church in Dublin, Ga., be it

Resolved, 1. That we, as a church, deeply regret that we had to give him up as our pastor to work in a larger and broader field for the cause of Christ.

2. We feel he has been a divine benediction to our church and the

cause of Christ has prospered under his pastorate and greatly strengthened by his preaching.

3. That we will miss his devoted wife, who has been so earnest and Christ-like in her ministrations and so helpful in the moral uplift of our community.

4. That we commend them to our brethren at Dublin as faithful followers of Christ and pray that they will give them their love and cooperation.

5. That we pray God's richest blessings upon them in their new field of labor.

6. That these resolutions be spread upon our minutes and a copy be sent the family at Dublin, Ga.

J. C. CONDON,
C. R. McCREARY,
E. F. JACKSON,
W. H. MILTON,
H. G. CLIFT,
W. M. HOPSON,

Committee.

A CHILD OF GOD.

Whosoever doeth righteousness is of God, and he that loves all of God's children is a child of the Heavenly Father. The child that has been cleansed by the blood of the Savior, and loves Him who died on Calvary, is accepted of God as His child. Till we have given our life to the Father, and obeyed His commands, we are not His child.

If we have the hope of Jesus with us as we drift to eternity's shore, we know he will gather us in at the golden gate of heaven, and give us rest in the Father's mansion. We look to the blessed Master when in much tribulation, and have not an earthly friend to heal our breaking heart, and ask him to give us strength and grace to cling to the cross. We, the children of God, feed on the spirit and walk in daily communion with Him.

We believe the promises He has given, and live in hope of seeing him

face to face in that sweet day to come.

It is to thee, O omnipotent Father, to whom we cry!

It is for the cause of the one who suffered on Calvary for whom we want to die.

BEULAH WILLIAMS.

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Every Southerner knows the high standing of the Atlanta Constitution, the leading paper in the South. And the late editor of it, Henry W. Grady, was one of the South's noblest sons. Mr. Grady was renowned for his frankness in stating facts and he was just as severe in condemning that which was wrong as he was in praising what was right. As a resident of Atlanta he naturally heard of the work being done in that city by Dr. Woolley for the cure of persons addicted to the use of whiskey and opium. Mr. Grady investigated, and when he had satisfied himself that Dr. Woolley's cure was a genuine one, he came out in an article in the Constitution and said so. He described the treatment as harmless, cited the fact that it caused no shock to the nervous system, no loss of appetite, no severe purging nor any tendency to collapse and reported that no case was on record where any patient had suffered after effects. He detailed the circumstances in two cases treated, in both of which the patients were using from 40 to 60 grains of morphine every day and from 20 to 25 grains of cocaine every day, and he declared that in 30 days both cases were discharged—completely cured. Any one who cares to read the whole article can secure a copy of it by addressing Dr. Woolley's Victor Sanitarium, 200 Lowndes Building, Atlanta, Ga.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO SELL LAND.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County, Probate Court, November 30th, 1909. Estate of Nancy A. Lee, Deceased.

This day came J. M. Huey, as administrator of the estate of said decedent, and filed his application, in due form and under oath, praying for an order for the sale of certain lands described therein, and belonging to said estate, for the purpose of paying debts of said estate. And it appearing to the court from said petition that Mrs. G. M. Gibson, one of the heirs of said deceased, is a non-resident of the state of Alabama and resides in Cartersville, Georgia, it is ordered that the 6th day of January, 1910, be appointed a day for hearing said application, at which time the said Mrs. G. M. Gibson and all other parties in interest can appear and contest the same, if they think proper.

E. GREENE,
Judge of Probate.

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Before starting on his trip to Honolulu and the Orient, Dr. Robert J. Burdette was able to occupy his pulpit in the Temple church, Los Angeles, Cal., on November 28. An immense throng gathered to hear him, and more than 2,000 people, it is said, were turned away for lack of room. When Dr. Burdette took his place on the flower-bedecked platform the audience rose as one person, "a sea of fluttering white handkerchiefs hiding for a moment the vast concourse of people." The tribute of affection conveyed in this chautauque salute brought the tears to Dr. Burdette's eyes. His sermon theme was "Bright Clouds." He also left a message in verse to the church.—Examiner.

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Rise to thy home of rest in yon celestial sphere.

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Now that I am settled again in the pastorate I have more time to write than I had during the eighteen months I was in the strenuous evangelistic work. During the year and a half I was in the evangelistic field I held twenty-six protracted meetings and had I considered no one's interest but my own, I would have continued in that work which lies so near my heart, and which I enjoy so much.

While in the evangelistic work many fields opened up for me to re-enter the pastorate. Some of these fields were in Texas, Mississippi, Alabama, and others in Georgia and Florida. But none of them appealed to me as did the work in Valdosta, where I am now so splendidly located as pastor of the Baptist Tabernacle church. There is a field here of great and many opportunities. I have a lot of as fine men for deacons to work with as I ever saw. Some of them among the leading business men, not only of the city, but of the state. Every one of these men is thoroughly consecrated to the Lord and His cause. I have never met a body of deacons who were more earnest and systematic in prosecuting the Lord's work than are these of the Baptist Tabernacle.

The church is young, having been organized August, 1907, consequently they know nothing of strife, contentions, animosities or divisions among themselves. Everything is most pleasant and perfectly harmonious. Brother L. R. Christie, now pastor of the First Baptist church of Columbus, Ga., did a noble and lasting work while pastor in this city. If any of the Alabama churches want to hear some of as fine preaching as ever fell into their hearts, let them get Rev. L. R. Christie.

It seems that several of the old Howard boys are being turned toward Georgia. H. T. Crumpton, at Lumpkin, and W. A. Tallafarro, at Dublin, and the writer at Valdosta. Is it because Georgia likes Howard college, or is it because Howard college likes Georgia? I know that Howard is hard to beat, and Georgia is as fine as they make them. It therefore must be mutual between them. Georgia treats Alabama so well that Alabama feels perfectly at home in Georgia.

Wishing you the best possible success in the closing out of the old year and praying God's richest blessings upon the brotherhood of Alabama, I am yours in the service,

JOHN E. BARNARD.

Valdosta, Ga.

Rev. J. F. Watson, after a successful pastorate of less than three years at Pomona, in which more than 270 persons were added to the church, mostly by baptism, resigns. He has now accepted a call from the Orchard Avenue church in this city and begins his work under very auspicious circumstances.

The Southern Educational Association will have its twentieth annual meeting at Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 28, 29 and 30, 1909. This association is the only general interstate organization in the south that discusses the professional features of education in practically all lines. The association embraces as its special territory sixteen states.

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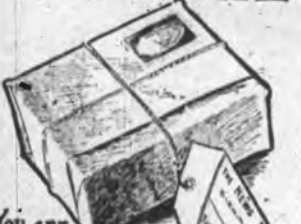
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A Bad Breath Boon

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Her Teeth Like the Pearl;
Her Hair Tangled Curl;
Her Breath Like Sweet Blowing
Clover.

So much for poetry. But STUART'S CHARCOAL LOZENGES are prose as well. They are practical and for every-day use and they will make any one's breath just as sweet and wholesome as the Girl's breath in the song.

And what is nicer than a sweet, clean breath and what more offensive than a bad, foul one? Every one tries to get rid of it themselves and tolerate it in their friends, but—it is awfully trying and puts friendship and sentiment to a severe test.

A bad breath is a sort of unspoken imputation on cleanliness; you can't get away from it and can't explain. You can take foolish little remedies to disguise it for an hour or so; but this is suggestive; your breath is unnatural and your friends wonder why.

Bad breath comes once in a while from decayed teeth, but there is a quick and effectual remedy for this—the dentist. It comes as a rule 99 times out of 100 from a bad stomach. Foods gone wrong; digestion impaired; assimilation imperfect; nutrition misdirected and a consequent misunderstanding all around.

And meanwhile a bad condition of things is inaugurated. There is flatulence, sour stomach, and with these two past masters of evil Pandora's box is opened and a tribe of troubles let loose, any one of which might appeal.

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A brother writes that he will pay later and winds up as follows: "I am in tough luck now." We sincerely hope his luck will change.

A good sister writes: "I feel like I want it (the paper) the balance of my life. I had lots of Dr. Bill expense last year." We sympathize with her, for we, too, have had lots of Dr. Bill's expense.

A brother writes please publish this article "If you find it available," but we have learned from sad experience that this phrase nine times out of ten means literally if you don't publish it you will lose my friendship.

A pastor writes: "I have been thinking of dropping some of my papers on account of money affairs, but cannot suffer myself to give up the Alabama Baptist, which keeps me posted on Baptist affairs."

This is the way to look at it—not like some who drop their religious papers and cling to the secular sheets.

A brother in writing asking me to help get a place for his daughter to teach school used the following paragraph:

"Would like to get a place for her in a Baptist family who make a business of religion and would not mind throwing in a bit of Christian love and kindness once in awhile."

Do you live up to this wish in dealing with those who are in your service?

A preacher writes: "I do love you for what you are doing for the denomination. You, more than any other man in the state, are moulding the public opinion of the brotherhood, and that is gradually assuming a healthier tone. I love any man with grit, and you've got that."

Few people realize that the fight we made for prohibition in the full was at the sacrifice of our private interest, and that the paper's revenues were sadly reduced, and so the brother's letter helped us. We do wish the brethren over the state would now come to our rescue and help us to get the paper into the homes of the people.

We get some letters which go straight to our hearts, for they have back of them genuine men and women. Read this:

"Enclosed please find \$1.50 post-office order, balance due on subscription to your valuable and greatly appreciated paper, and with many thanks for your kindly indulgence in bearing with me so long. Will have to ask you to discontinue, not for fault to you or the paper, but for want of income to pay you. Have never known any way to make money but dig it out of the earth, and by reason of affliction and the weight of well-nigh eighty-three years and want of physical strength and eyesight am not able to dig—and to beg I am ashamed. Trusting and praying that God may bless you and the cause you represent, I am yours in love and fellowship."

A kind brother writes: "I am sorry Frank Willis Barnett, Jr., and his little brother have not a little sister. Hope Santy will bring them one Christmas. We are so anxious for the editor of the Alabama Baptist to raise a missionary to go to darkest China."

A dear woman writes: "The Alabama Baptist gets better all the while; you are giving us a good paper, and I do hope every Baptist family will see the importance of putting before their children Baptist literature."

More and more parents are beginning to realize that unless their children read Baptist literature they are in danger of being proselytized.

A pastor writes: "I feel ungrateful to read as good a paper as you are giving us on a credit. The King's business requires haste. I am trying to get others to see how important it is for Baptists to read and pay for their denominational paper."

From the letters which come we glean that the paid-up subscribers get more pleasure out of reading the paper than do the delinquents.

Somewhere back we sent a statement to a young lady and received the following:

"Enclose you check for \$4, payment of subscription to date. Miss _____ is dead, and I am a orphan. I have enjoyed your paper in our home, but will ask you to discontinue same until further advised, as I may be transferred to another place in a few days. Thanking you for your kindness, etc., I remain, yours respectfully."

Frequently in sending out statements they are returned merely with the statement from some member of the family that the party is dead, without any reference to pay whatsoever, but in some instances like the above some one looks after the matter. We do not know the young man personally, but we predict that wherever he may be he is living an upright, Christian life.

We give this as a sample of the way in which some postmasters perform their duties:

"Gentlemen—Please discontinue paper to _____, this office. He went to his reward two years ago."

Dear Bro. Barnett: I send you an order for \$2 to pay for the Baptist. I would have paid you long ago, but my only son and husband both were taken from me last year, just two and a half months of each other, and having so many debts to settle, couldn't get to pay you before. I do appreciate your kindness so much in continuing to send me the Baptist, which I hope never to be deprived of so long as I can pay for it. May God bless you and yours, and great success to your valuable paper. Do come soon to preach for us; am so anxious to see and hear you preach; will meet you at any time you can come, and my home shall be yours while here. Pray for me and my only daughter, that the Lord may bless us in our lonely condition. Yours gratefully."

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The sick man or woman or child might die before either one of you had got out of sight of the house.

The hired man might be sick himself, or perhaps you couldn't afford one, or perhaps he'd quit the day before.

Turn the crank on your telephone, speak a few urgent words in the transmitter, and the doctor is with you as quick as he can harness his horse and come tearing over the roads. He can tell you over the telephone what to do until he arrives.

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Maybe your house or barn catches on fire. You need more help to save your household goods and prevent the fire from spreading.

Remember the telephone! Maybe you are ready to sell your cotton, but can't afford to make the trip to town until you know what the cotton will bring.

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Two events of this nature, or one, would pay for the telephone for 20 years.

Perhaps you are good to your family and let the boys and girls have a little "social" every now and then.

Still, you can't afford to send the hired man around with the invitations and none of you can take his place as messenger.

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Dec. 6, 1909.