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Rev. J. G. Lowrey, one of our most faithful pastors, has been called to Moundville.

Rev. O. T. Moncrief has resigned as assistant pastor at the First church, Albany, Ga. Bro. Moncrief is a young man of fine attainments.

Hon. R. E. Pettus, the consecrated superintendent of the Sunday school of the First Baptist church, Huntsville, is doing a fine work.

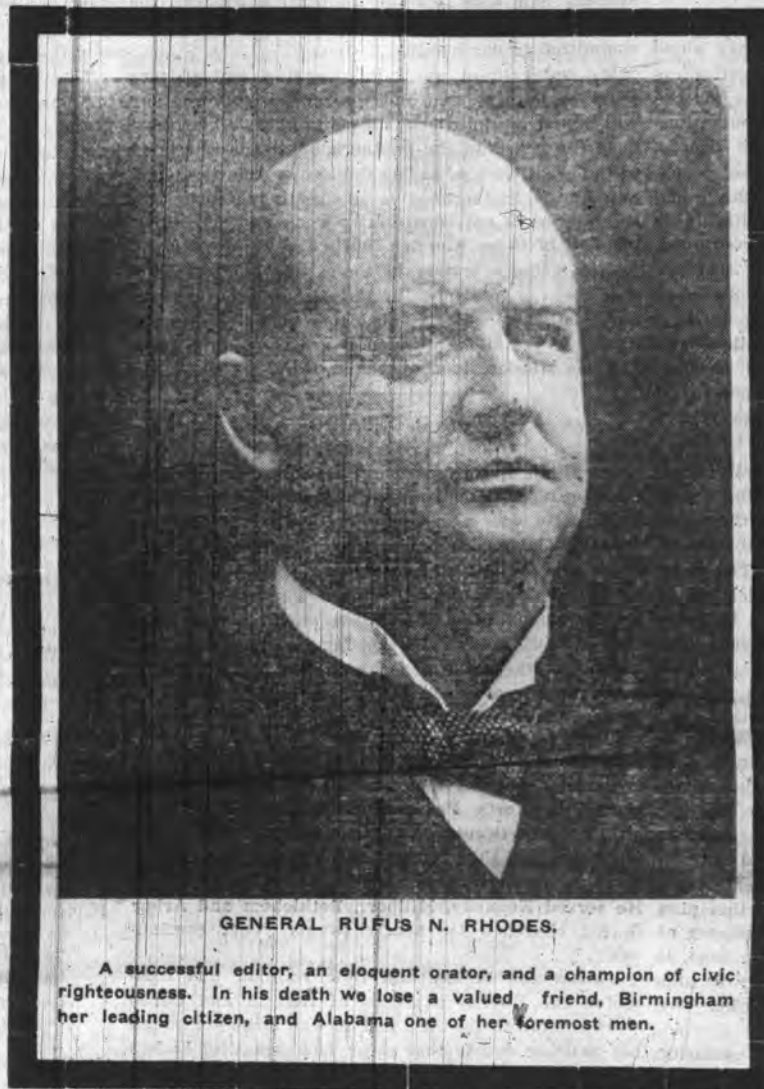
Dr. E. Y. Jameson declines the position of secretary of the Education Board of the Baptists in Georgia, preferring to remain at the head of Mercer University, where he is doing such excellent service.

Spencer Tunnel made good in Alabama, but the call of Tennessee was too strong for him. We knew him in the days of our first pastorate, away up in East Tennessee, and we can hardly blame him for sighing for the mountains, and yet Florence is a lovely city. God's blessing on him and his loved ones.

Dr. C. C. Brown has just closed the thirty-fifth year of his pastorate of the First church, Sumter, S. C., and Dr. H. A. Brown has just closed his thirty-second year at Winston-Salem, N. C. We do not know that these Browns are any blood kin to each other, but they are evidently kin in stickability. Each of them has accomplished a great work in his respective pastorate. Baptist and Reflector.

We have received the Quarterly Review, issued by the Baptist Sunday school at Prattville, and among many interesting items we pick the following: "Forty-eight members of our school will receive Robert Raikes diplomas for faithful attendance during 1909. It requires 100 per cent attendance for a whole year to get a diploma, and we are glad we have so many who have attended every Sunday, or made up their absence with proper excuses.

The second Medical Missionary Conference will be held at the Battle Creek, Mich., Sanitarium, February 15 to 17, inclusive. The first conference of this kind, we understand, was held at the same place a year ago, and it proved so successful that it was decided to undertake to make it an annual feature. That meeting was presided over by Bishop Thoburn, and several prominent missionaries, both medical and evangelical, participated in the program. It is anticipated that the coming meeting will be even more marked than the first. Missionaries on furlough and officers of missionary boards are cordially invited to be in attendance. Entertainment for one week at the sanitarium will be free to those who go for the purpose of attending the conference. Full information will be furnished by addressing The Medical Missionary, Battle Creek, Mich.



GENERAL RUFUS N. RHODES.

A successful editor, an eloquent orator, and a champion of civic righteousness. In his death we lose a valued friend, Birmingham her leading citizen, and Alabama one of her foremost men.

Rev. and Mrs. Clay L. Hudson were given a reception last Friday evening at the North Edgefield church, this city, of which Brother Hudson is the popular pastor, by the members of the church. Brother and Mrs. Hudson returned from Auburn, Ala., on January 6, where they went on a bridal tour. They were presented with a handsome silver service by the members of the church. An interesting program was given, and the evening was much enjoyed.—Baptist and Reflector.

On the night of January 5, 1910, at the bride's home, Miss Alma Dearing and Mr. D. P. Cherry were united in marriage by the writer. Miss Alma is a member and faithful worker in the Hunter Street Baptist church. Mr. Cherry hails from Autauga county, and is a member of the Baptist church at his old home. Mr. and Mrs. Cherry will live in Birmingham.

On the night of January 2, at the parsonage, Mr. Oscar W. Malone and Miss Louise Hagler were quietly married. Mr. Malone is lately from Mississippi, while Miss Hagler is a native Alabamian. At present they are making their home in Birmingham.

May the Lord's richest blessings attend both couples through life.—W. M. Olive.

Saturday—10 a. m., prayer service, conducted by Rev. H. R. Carter; 10:30 a. m., open question box; 10:45 a. m., Exegesis of Ephesians, 6th chapter, verses 1 to 4, inclusive, by Rev. S. Smitherman and others; 1 p. m., discussion of question from the question box; 1:30 p. m., Associational Missions, by Rev. G. W. O'Hara and others; 2 p. m., State Missions, by Rev. J. R. C. White and others; 2:30 p. m., Home Missions, by Rev. W. W. Lee and others; 3 p. m., Foreign Missions, by Rev. G. W. Freeman and others.

Sunday—10 a. m., address on Christian Education, by Dr. A. E. Montague, President of Howard College; 11 a. m., missionary sermon, by Rev. W. T. Ray; collection for Associational Missions. G. W. O'HARA, Chairman Executive Committee.

The New York World says: "The new edifice of the Fifth Avenue Baptist congregation, of which Mr. Rockefeller and other prominent business men are members, will further illustrate the tendency in church architecture to depart from the traditional models and to build upward. Above the auditorium will be located the social parlors, Bible class rooms and other features of the skyscraper institutional work."

Rev. A. E. Page, who goes to Pine Hill, leaves many friends in the Birmingham district. He is one of our coming men.

We regret to learn that Mrs. Calder Willingham, who several years ago had to return to this country from Japan, is now seriously ill at the Battle Creek Sanitarium.

C. S. LeCren, after seventeen years' service as secretary of the Pratt City Sunday school, has resigned because of a change of residence. This is a long record of faithfulness and the church passed suitable resolutions.

Please change Bro. Hill's postoffice from Whatley to Noodle, Tex. He left this morning to make his home in Texas. He and his family will be very much missed here. They were good help in the church and in many other ways. May this be a successful year for you and Alabama Baptists. Your friend, J. H. Creighton.

You made a brave fight in the recent campaign. Nothing is permanently settled until it is settled right, so do not despair. Florida affairs are moving along smoothly, though we are soon to enter upon a prohibition campaign; in fact, the forces are already organizing. With love for old Alabama friends, I am, with kindest regards and very best wishes for the New Year for you and yours, sincerely, Thos. M. Callaway.

Ordination services were held recently by the Cane Creek Church of Christ near Warrior, Ala. The following brethren constituted the presbytery for the purpose of ordaining deacons to serve Cane Creek church, Bros. J. A. Owens and Abe Bradford; W. C. McCrary, moderator; Thomas G. Carr, F. W. Franklin. Bro. McCrary questioned the candidates; prayer by F. W. Franklin; services dismissed by the writer, Thomas G. Carr.

Pleasant Hill church has re-elected Bro. Tom Dean as pastor for this year and Bro. Wyley Deerman as clerk. Bro. Dean is a fine, successful young preacher. Sardis church has elected Bro. E. C. Stone as pastor for this year and has elected Bro. J. L. Kennedy as clerk. Sardis church is building a good new house, which they expect to have ready for use by early springtime.—G. W. Ingram.

In last week's issue you made me say that I would like to go somewhere and hold a meeting "beginning on Monday or Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in February." If my letter read this way I made a mistake. I meant to say "beginning on Monday or Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in January and running through until, say, Friday before the first Sunday in February," thus giving us about ten days' meeting. A meeting of less than ten days' duration is generally unsatisfactory. Your brother in Him, A. A. Walker, Hartselle, Ala.

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FOR REGULARITY IN MISSION CONTRIBUTIONS

By Victor J. Masters.

In the days of the Old Testament prophets, they often cried aloud in admonition and warning to their people, when these had ears and heard not and eyes and perceived not. But the prophets did not cease to cry.

It seems to have become one of the necessary functions of our mission boards to also cry aloud with reference to the irregularity and forgetfulness of the churches in taking their collections for the great work which has been by the denominations committed to the administration of these boards. Even as in the days of the prophets, the people do not always hear when we cry. As with the prophets, so with these constituted agencies, faithfulness demands that the cry be insistently continued, though folk much prefer to hear something else.

There has been a movement among Southern Baptists during several years past looking to regularity and system in taking their contributions and the conduct of the different phases of their missionary and benevolent work. Up until the present it cannot be said that the churches in general have given attention to this detail.

The habitual attitude of the mission boards is one of uneasiness and anxiety as to whether the brethren will come up to their aid in providing the funds necessary to carry on the work which the denomination has instructed the boards to do. The work of gathering in the money is frequently delayed in the churches, to some last-chance day, and is therefore likely to be knocked out altogether by such accidents and contingencies as the weather.

It is scarcely necessary to say that this is not a fair and earnest way in which to treat the great Christian activities to which we are as churches avowedly pledged. A like treatment of business obligations would within six months land the whole country in chaos.

The scriptural plan is to lay by each week in store for Christian work, and there is no way to improve on this. A faithful effort in different states among Southern Baptists to approximate this plan by designating special seasons for such phases of our work as may need emphasizing at the time, is now being put forth. It is too early to try to indicate just how successful this effort may be. We pray that it may have large fruitage.

As one of the results of this lack of regularity, the Home Board last year paid \$3,290 interest on borrowed money. That is, more than one per cent of the money raised for home missions last year went to paying interest that need not have been paid if the churches had been regular in sending on their collections. Basing the results that might have been obtained by the use of this money on similar results attained last year, it could have been used in stimulating the building of sixteen houses of worship for Baptist churches in Oklahoma worth \$2,000 each.

Another result of such lack of method is that far less money is raised than would be with the use of some system. Churches that have an idea that at some time or other they will give something for the cause of home missions, for instance, are in great danger of not giving anything either at one time or another.

As a matter of fact, less than something of one-half of the Baptist churches in the South gave a cent to home missions last year. Many of those churches give a theoretical support to the principle of missions, and had no purpose to utterly neglect the cause, but when a collection is to be taken, any old time, it is very likely never to be taken at any time at all.

To illustrate further, of the one-half of the churches that gave something to home missions last year, 5 per cent, or 21-2 per cent of the entire number in the South, gave practically one-half of the entire amount raised by Southern Baptists for home missions. After making all allowances for difference in ability, the fact will still remain that this large number of churches that gave only just about as much to home missions as did the 21-2 per cent of the churches referred to, were for the most part as low in their gifts as they were largely

from lack of system or definite arrangement or purpose to do something that was worthy to be an expression of a real devotion to the great work of saving the lost in America.

In the Home Board office we do not know what the results of the year will be. We love and believe in our brethren, but we passionately long to see the day when they shall come up with regularity and system, and with careful, thoughtful concern for their contributions to the work which they have committed to our hands.

We speak these words in soberness, and address them to faithful men and women. To others they will sound as dull, meaningless phrases. The Lord open the hearts of the Southern Baptist brotherhood to the great work of saving the lost in America. One-half of the brotherhood is apparently untouched in the interest of any constructive work and more than one-half of those who are touched have never come to any definite system in their benevolence. This indicates the great need of domestic mission work in our Southland, while at the same time it limits the ability of the Home Mission Board to do this work. Home Mission Rooms, Atlanta, Ga.

DR. D. O. BAIRD.

Dr. D. O. Baird was born in North Carolina on October 18, 1831, and reared in Madison county Alabama. He was a resident and citizen of Pickens county, Alabama, for more than fifty years. His home was six miles northwest of Reform, on Tuscaloosa and Columbus road. He died at the old home on November 11, 1909, in his eightieth year, his body being interred in the family cemetery, near his home, the following day in the presence of a large number of relatives, friends and admirers. He leaves one son, two daughters and several grandchildren to mourn his loss.

Dr. Baird was a brave Confederate soldier of the civil war. He was a member of Bethlehem Baptist church in North Pickens, a successful practicing physician for twenty years, a minister of the gospel for more than thirty years, and for the past twenty years he has given his whole time to the ministry. He served Kennedy, Millport, Bethlehem and Arbor Spring churches for nearly twenty years continuously.

After the Mobile and Ohio railroad was completed the Baptist churches at Reform and Gordo were organized by him, and it was largely through his untiring efforts that these now beautiful houses of worship were built. Dr. Baird had been the pastor of Reform and Gordo Baptist churches since their organization, and was at the time of his death pastor of Mt. Pleasant and Bethlehem churches. His services were in demand. He was no doubt the most able preacher within the bounds of the Union Association. He was loved and respected by every one who knew him. He was conservative, and won the good will and esteem of those who were not of his faith and order. He was a man of great energy and promptness. His record for attendance upon his appointments cannot be excelled. He would go through rain, snow and the coldest weather, sometimes sixteen miles, to meet a half dozen brethren at an appointment to preach. Dr. Baird was a hard student. He did not have the advantage of a collegiate education like the young man of today, but made good use of his time—improved the opportunities as they came. He was an independent thinker and solved every problem of life upon his own judgment. He was a fluent and eloquent speaker and was always ready for any emergency upon any occasion. He was on the alert to commend the good and condemn the evil wherever he found it. His manner was pleasant and his voice was clear enough to be thoroughly understood. His logic and reasoning were of the best and never failed to interest and impress a congregation from the sacred desk. His knowledge and understanding of the Scriptures were as nearly perfect as it is possible for man to reach. He was thoroughly conscientious in all his dealings with his fellow-man, and he held an unrelenting faith in God.

The church bell was music to his ear. He was always glad to "go up to the house of the Lord." He was intensely missionary in his nature and in every sermon he left impressions of the great commission

as given by our Savior. Truly no better example of an humble follower of Jesus Christ could be pointed out. His ministerial life is before us as a beautiful scroll; not the least shadow to mar its effect and attractiveness; one in which the little acts of kindness can be pointed out distinctly, and the painting of his sympathetic nature is so prominently portrayed that it gives beauty and symmetry to its every appearance. The outlines of a well guarded life, which would shrink from the very appearance of evil, are clearly shown.

This beautiful character is greatly to be admired for many reasons. He was truly a pastor for many years. He was in the homes of his people in times of sickness as well as in health, and gave comforting and encouraging words under all circumstances of life. He was fully consecrated to the service of God and up to his death was actively engaged in the battle of life for the right against the wrong. He represented the Union Baptist Convention in the Southern Baptist Convention continuously for the past sixteen years. He could truly say in the language of Paul: "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me on that day; and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing." His friend and admirer.

A. T. EZELL,
Clerk Union Association, Gordo, Ala.

"IN THE HAPPY LAND OF LONG AGO."

On mem'ry's fadefless fields of glory,
Where lingering sunbeams glow,
I hear the song of love's sweet story,
"In the happy land of long ago."

As heaves the waves on restless ocean,
Which never cease their ebb and flow,
So heaves my heart in glad commotion,
"In the happy land of long ago."

As time moves on and onward ever,
As burning suns swing to and fro,
Forget the past, my soul can never,
"In the happy land of long ago."

There tinkling bells, like dancing feet,
And skipping lambs with mother ewe,
And those I love come forth to meet,
"In the happy land of long ago."

Tho' chaos reigns in sad confusion,
Yet mem'ry spans the depths of woe—
Dear angel faces, still I see them—
"In the happy land of long ago."

Sometimes we met by shady rills,
Where roses bloom and lilies grow
And daisies kiss th' emerald hills,
"In the happy land of long ago."

Sometimes we met at early morn,
An' then at eve, when the sun was low—
The stars came out, the day was gone,
"In the happy land of long ago."

When winter's nights were long and cold,
And hills an' vales were robed in snow,
Many a tale of love ew told,
"In the happy land of long ago."

By crackling fires we sat till late,
An' watched the burning embers glow,
And heard the old folks tell our fate,
"In the happy land of long ago."

And those dear voices still I hear,
Like angels whispering low,
Or silv'ry streams with music clear,
"In the happy land of long ago."

Past and Present, clasp together,
An' span with mem'ry's golden brow,
An' bend above Time's dark river,
"To the happy land of long ago."

But here we'll work an' here we'll stay,
And reap the fields our hands did sow,
Till in the New Jerusalem
There'll be no "land of long ago."

—R. M. Hunter.

BOOKS

on one's table. We read too little devotional literature. Smith & Lamar, Nashville. \$1.00.

What Shall We Eat?

The food question, from the standpoint of health, strength and economy. Contains numerous tables, showing the constituent elements of all food products and their relative cost and nutritive values, time of digestion, etc., indicating the best food for all classes and conditions. By Prof. Alfred Andrews.

How food is digested, how it nourishes the body and what interferes with this, is presented briefly, and the work then takes up the food question in a most practical way. This work presents the result of hundreds of chemical analyses. It contains the practical information found in many large volumes. Handsomely bound in leaflet. 50 cents. Health Culture Company, Passaic, N. J.

The Cruciality of the Cross.

It is by the well known and able author of "Positive Preaching and the Modern Mind," Dr. P. T. Forsyth, principal of Hackney College, Great Britain. In this day of looseness and worse regarding the atonement, this central doctrine of the Gospel, it is good indeed to have a master mind, backed by a loyal heart, seek to present the fullness of its height and depth and width. These are the chapters: "The Atonement Central to the New Testament Gospel," "The Atonement Central to Christian Experience," "The Atonement Central to the Leading Features of Modern Thought," "The Moral Meaning of the Blood of Christ." Hodder & Stoughton, New York and London. Pages, 218.

It is a good book to have in these critical days when many lances are aimed at the heart of the Gospel, for it shows the weakness and littleness of those who seek to minimize the value of Christ's death.

The Earliest Cosmologies.

By William Fairfield Warren.

In the judgment of those who have seen it, this treatise sheds a new light on not a few important questions. It ought to prove helpful to all students of ancient thought, pre-eminently to all teachers of ancient literature. It deals with a theme fundamental beyond all others. Back of every religion and of every philosophy or science worthy of the name, lies a "world-view"—a concept in which are included all localities and all beings supposed in that religion or philosophy or science to exist. In proportion to its clearness and completeness, it in every case groups and mentally pictures these localities and beings in certain relations to each other, and thus also in their total unity as a universe. The science which critically investigates and expounds the world-view of any people, or of any system of doctrine, is called cosmology; the branch which does this for a group or class of world-concepts is known as comparative cosmology. The present work may be regarded as an introduction to this fascinating study. Eaton & Mains, Cincinnati. \$1.50 net.

A Primer of Hebrew History.

This handbook, by Wallace N. Stearns, with an introduction by Edward P. Robertson, is truly a manual for popular use, and any lay reader will find a brief but sequacious, orderly statement of the main facts to stir one's interest in the Old Testament. The questions, charts and maps will help to fix the history in the memory. It is an excellent little book for busy pastors and Sunday school teachers, and can be used advantageously by B. Y. P. U. workers. Eaton & Mains, Cincinnati. 40 cents net.

The New York Tombs Inside and Out.

By Rev. John J. Munro, Ex-Chaplain of the Tombs. There is no building in New York that has for many a greater interest and about which everything written is more eagerly read than the Tombs. It has been the scene of many tragic episodes and of much self-sacrificing, heroic effort to reclaim and rehabilitate the outcasts committed to the dungeon walls. The author of this latest book on the Tombs, Rev. John J. Munro, is a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, Manhattan, and is now pastor of the Old Bushwick Reformed church, Borough of Brooklyn. What a fund of memories he must have and

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.

how graphically he has set some of them down, will be seen as soon as one begins to read. He came in contact with men and women who put their feet on every commandment. As he sets forth the story of crime it is sometimes hard to distinguish between the criminals. The "grafter," "steerer," the "bosses" are as vile as the inmates. If you want material for sermons, here can be found stores of sin and shame, and withal some gleams of light and hope. The book is profusely illustrated. It can be secured by addressing Rev. John J. Munro, 186 Ainslee street, Borough of Brooklyn, New York, for a short while at the reduced price of \$1.00; 12 cents for postage.

Man, Woman—Know Thyself.

An illustrated treatise on practical psychology for both the medical profession and the laity. By Dr. Elmer Jefferson Bartholomew, 161 State street, Chicago, Ill. 225 pages, 32 illustrations. Price, \$2.00, postpaid.

During recent years the paramount subject for discussion has been the mind, its development and its relation to the body; how the force of mind (thought) propels the body; why the outer man is only an expression of his thoughts, and how man determines his success or failure in life by what he thinks and does. The public is rapidly awakening to the fact that it is the mind that directs affairs to a successful issue, and that the mind can be developed and directed. Therefore, the purpose of this book is to make clear to mankind the origin, development and force of the mind, the relation of mind and body to each other; how mental and physical diseases are largely the result of inharmonious thought and how to eradicate such diseases.

Three Thousand Practical Illustrations in Religion and Morals.

A classified collection of anecdotes, incidents and thought-germs for preachers and platform speakers. Gathered and arranged by J. H. Bomberger, D. D. Central Publishing House, Cleveland, O. Price, \$2.00.

This is a practical book, as the homiletic arrangement is the result of a score of years' use of a filing cabinet. The Homiletic and Topical, Biographical, Textual, Sunday School Lesson and Junior Congregation Indexes make the mine of illustrations easily workable.

The Growing Church.

By Cleland B. McAfee. Northfield Press, Northfield Mass. 50 cents.

The author discusses the essential factors of church growth as seen in the church at Ephesus, which he discusses illuminatingly in eight chapters: (1) A Typical Growing Church, (2) The Divine Elements in Church Growth, (3) The Preaching of the Growing Church, (4) The Separation of the Church, (5) The Discomfiture of the Church, (6) The Changed Lives of the Converts, (7) Some Hints of Method, (8) The Perils and Safeguards. The book is provocative of thought and preachers will find it worth their while to read it.

The Worth of a Man.

By Cleland B. McAfee. Northfield Press, Northfield, Mass. 30 cents.

This book concerns itself with what man is and four facts that raise him above all other creatures. It is prettily bound in white and the title is in gold letters. It's a pretty gift book.

Daily Bread.

The author, the venerable and saintly Bishop O. P. Fitzgerald, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has in this book under suggestive heads assembled scores of helpful and devotional paragraphs for which he is so famous. It's a good book to have

California Sketches.

Bishop Fitzgerald says these sketches wrote themselves, as it were. They were penned at a suggestion of Prof. Alonzo Phelps, of Harvard University, who felt that the bishop was the right man to preserve some of the vanishing phases of California life. The sketches are all from real life. They go back to the fifties, when the gold fever was contagious. They are interesting as well as valuable. Smith & Lamar, Nashville. \$1.00.

Fun on the Farm: In Old Kentucky.

By Ollis Craveisen. The Kuyahara Press, Newport, N. Y.

A party of four, father, mother, two boys, Percy and Paul, make a journey from the far north to a farm in Kentucky—the home of the boys' grandparents—and there spend the summer. The book is said to be an almost true story of what was seen, heard and done during that time, and the telling of it makes an interesting tale. There are twenty-two entertaining chapters to the book. If more northern families would spend awhile in the south there would be a better understanding that the negro question, if settled right, must be done by both north and south. The book, while written for children, will interest the grownups.

Power for Service.

By Rev. J. B. Lawrence, Corresponding Secretary Board of Missions, Baptist Convention of Louisiana; editor Baptist Chronicle, Alexandria, La. Charles O. Chalmers, publisher, No. 512 Camp street, New Orleans, La. Price, postpaid, \$1.15.

This is a book of 270 pages, printed on heavy paper and finely bound in cloth. It discusses in a clear and forcible way one of the great questions of the day. In these days men are preaching a practical gospel, impressing the fact that "we are saved for service." This book discusses "Power for Service," or the secret by which saved men do the work of the Lord. It is written in a pleasing style, and cannot fail to interest and benefit all who have any desire to become one of the Lord's co-workers. It is to the credit of the author that in the very first paragraph of the book, he sets forth very distinctly and truly what our Lord meant when he said to the disciples: "Tarry ye at Jerusalem until ye be endued with power from on high. This is the keynote of the book. (Agents wanted.)"

Men and Missions.

By William T. Ellis.

"Men and Missions" is the only book that explains and embodies the genius of the present remarkable arousal of the laymen in the churches to the solution of the missionary world-problem. The book is the result of an individual investigation of the foreign mission field by a widely known American journalist, who is also familiar with the work of the Laymen's Missionary Movement and other activities in church life throughout this continent as well as in other parts of the world. An idea of his object is conveyed by the title of his opening chapter, "The World Man," as a man whose interests cover the entire world, and whose patriotism extends beyond his own country. The book is a summary of important facts, and a discussion of what may be called business methods in evangelizing the world.

The book gives a vivid interpretation of the present world-currents, and a most comprehensive summary of the important historical and statistical data of missions arranged for ready reference. In the appendix of the book actual working methods for the men of the churches in their relationship to the missionary propaganda are given more fully than in any other publication. One of the most striking of all the results of modern foreign missionary work is described in a single chapter, where is told the story of a Baltimore college president who educated and Christianized fifty thousand Hindus at long range. Sunday School Times Company, Philadelphia. \$1.00, postpaid.

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Victoria, Tex., Jan. 8, 1910.

A WONDERFUL OFFER.

By R. J. Willingham, C. S.

Within the last few days there has come to us an offer from a liberal, consecrated brother, which our board earnestly hopes to accept. I give below the offer in the brother's own words:

"Dear Dr. Willingham—I want to make you a proposition. If your Foreign Mission Board gets out of debt by May 1, 1910, and wishes to send out more missionaries, I will pay outfitting, transportation and first year's salary for one-third of all accepted up to sixty. All appointments must be made before November 1, 1910." This brother already gives largely to foreign missions and other benevolent objects. He is quiet and unassuming, but has a big heart and wants to see God's cause advance. Our board would not be in a position to largely increase its foreign mission force if we close our year with much debt. The brother of his own accord, unsolicited, made another proposition, but when he heard of our financial condition, he put his offer in the form given above. To send out a new missionary, paying for his outfit, transportation and first year's salary, costs about \$1,000, so that really the brother's proposition amounts to this: If the board will get out of debt by May 1 and send out sixty new missionaries, all of them to be appointed before November 1, he will give about \$20,000 to the board, paying the expenses of twenty of these new missionaries. Surely this is a liberal, noble offer, and we ought by all means to see that it is heartily, promptly accepted. Every dollar of our indebtedness ought to be swept away by April 30. Two million Baptists should not sit idly and let such a liberal offer as this from a noble layman pass by. He wants us to accept his offer. He wants to give for God's glory. Shall one man offer \$20,000 and the rest of us not see that the gift is readily accepted? The question is for Southern Baptists to decide. Let us be much in prayer and dead in earnest before God. This is His work and we are His children. Let us honor our Heavenly Father. Foreign Mission Rooms, Richmond, Va., January 14, 1910.

A GENEROUS PEOPLE AND A GRATEFUL PASTOR.

"From the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh." Sometimes the heart is too full for the lips to give utterance to all that is felt; the emotions are stirred too deeply, words seem too meaningless for expression in times of great sorrow or excessive and unexpected joy, but the truly grateful spirit must express itself in some way at some time.

The Christmastide has passed, but we come with a full heart, a deeply grateful pastor and family to a generous and large hearted people for loving and kind remembrance during the past holidays.

First came a full purse for the pastor's wife from the ladies; then a handsome overcoat from the brethren for the pastor; there were special gifts from friends to the children.

Just here let it be said that this is only one time out of the many during a pastorate of ten years that our hearts have been gladdened and our spirits uplifted in this way.

A more loyal, large-hearted people than the people of the Alexander City Baptist church can not be found. They are generous in spirit and liberal in purse toward their pastor, each other, their church, the denomination and the cause of Christianity.

For all these things, and above all for the people themselves, we are earnestly and truly grateful.

We are praying that our church may become a greater power for good in the year 1910. Our body of

laymen are strong and capable of great development; our women are worthy helpers at all times and in everything.

We are all jealous for the upbuilding of the church and the winning of souls. May God give us a spirit-filled church and people for the year 1910.

Sincerely,
ARNOLD SMITH AND FAMILY.

QUICK WORK.

Anniston Evening Star.
Rev. J. C. Hiden, who is now supplying the pulpit of Parker Memorial Baptist church, of this city, is the father-in-law of Mr. Edward Wilkinson, president of the Western Grain Company, Birmingham, Ala. One morning while he was sojourning at "Idle Wild," the beautiful home of Mr. Wilkinson, his son-in-law said: "Father, write me a poetical advertisement of my Jim Dandy Meal." The next morning at breakfast Mr. Hiden handed him the following verses:

I met an aged neighbor
With bright and shining face;
His cheeks were plump and rosy,
Without a wrinkle's trace.
I asked him for the reason;
He answered: "I'll reveal
The memorable secret,
I use Jim Dandy Meal."
Her cheeks are decked with roses,
Her eyes celestial blue;
Her lips two blushing cherries,
Bedight in honey dew;
Of health she is the picture,
And nothing can conceal
The source of all her beauty—
It is Jim Dandy Meal.

Dear Barnett—it has been on my heart to send you a word of appreciation ever since the election. You made a record that any man might be proud of in that contest, and I am sure that the spirit in which you made it has made friends for you not only in Alabama, but wherever the fight is on for better things. The bugaboo of "politics" is only a scarecrow to frighten timid people. We can well afford to be called hard names in a cause for which so many noble men have given up their lives. The strange part of that scarecrow is that any self-respecting man should try to use it. The truth is that until the electorate is purified by making the buying and selling of votes a misdemeanor punishable with disfranchisement, we shall have to fight over every moral improvement. And the men who fight are not politicians unless they are seeking the emoluments. But I did not intend to write an essay. I merely wish to bid you God-speed, and to express the hope that this is to be the best year you have yet had as editor.

Give me a new simile for a busy man. I have "busy as a bee," "busy as a bird dog," "busy as a hen with one chicken." I need another. I am working hard. And I am greatly encouraged with the way things are taking shape. We are well. Happy New Year to Mrs. Barnett, the kids and you. Cordially yours,
S. M. PROVENCE.

WILL THE LAYMEN READ THIS?

In the Baptist State Convention minutes I find the following:

"Committee on Laymen's Movement—D. H. Marbury, R. E. Pettus, G. G. Britton, T. W. Palmer, H. B. Foster, W. B. Bowling, J. S. Carroll, Earnest Lamar and T. G. Bush."

Or February 4-6 there is to be a great gathering of the laymen of all denominations in Montgomery. Probably 2,000 men, members of different churches, will be present. One afternoon will probably be given to meetings of members of each denomination. The Baptists ought to have such a meeting. It is up to the laymen's committee named above to call that meeting and plan for it.

Remember, this is not a preachers' meeting. The greatest opportunity that has ever come to the laymen of Alabama is on now. If they do not avail themselves of it, they deliberately vote that the Baptist laymen care nothing for such things.

I do hope the brethren will get a move on them and be here in great force to attend the general meeting and then be ready to join with the Baptist brotherhood to do something worth while.

It is made prominent in the general meeting that "no collection will be taken." While I have no sympathy with that sort of announcement, it seems to be the laymen's plan and I write it down that way. Maybe the Baptist laymen won't like that way but maybe they will. I shall be proud for them to meet just to talk.
W. B. C.

SNIP! SNIP! SNIP!

There! Those shining, mischievous scissors again at their work of destruction. This time the Christmas issue of the Alabama Baptist falls a victim to their relentless work.

How did it happen! Just a moment ago a busy mother, stealing away to the pastor's study on some mission, exclaimed, "Why, here is the Alabama Baptist that I have missed this week!"

The mission accomplished, the paper tucked snugly under her arm, she returns to the hearthstone and the bairns. Hurdled its pages are scanned, but in these few moments enough had been gleaned to realize that this one issue alone was worth the price of the paper.

A call to some duty, the paper is placed out of reach of busy hands, it was thought, to be read again more carefully; but those scissors!

Oh, darling! What made you cut mother's paper. The look of penitence with the words, "Well, I wanted to cut me a heart," the well-shaped heart cut from the center, and the spirit of the paper, "Peace on earth, good will to men"—that was all; the expression of sorrow on the childish face gave place to one of joy and confidence, and another copy of the paper is wanted.

FIFTH SUNDAY MEETING

To be held at New Prospect Church, five miles northeast of Coal City, Ala. Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 29-30, '10.

SATURDAY.

10 a. m. Song and praise service by Rev. McKenzie.

11. Sermon—Rev. W. P. Lovell. Adjournment one hour.

1:30. Devotional services conducted by Otis Palmer. 1st, The Purpose of the Fifth Sunday Meeting, Rev. Joe W. Veasy; 2nd, Duty of Pastor to Church and Church to Pastor, by J. W. Lewis and J. M. Adkins. Adjournment.

7:00 p. m. Sermon for Criticism—Rev. Joe Mitchell.

SUNDAY.

10 a. m. Song service conducted by James M. Garrett. The Sunday School—

(a) Its Methods—R. A. Green and N. L. Davis.

(b) Its Purpose—Rev. J. W. Perry and W. H. Mewban.

(c) Its Possibilities—Rev. C. J. Leavens and I. M. Simes.

(d) The Sunday School and the Home—James M. Garrett.

11:00. Sermon, Baptist Doctrine—Rev. W. S. Brown.

Adjournment for dinner.

5:00 p. m. To Whom was the Commission Given?—Rev. J. W. Coffman.

5:00. Co-operation of the Baptist Churches—A. O. Campbell and Rev. E. H. Grizzell.

All subjects open for discussion. Everybody cordially invited. Come that we may make this occasion one of spiritual profit. J. W. COFFMAN.

Cornbread is good with bacon,
And fine with Brunswick stew;
It gives a hearty relish
To any good menu.
It comes in very handy
With mutton, 'oat or veal;
So telephone your grocer
You want Jim Dandy Meal.

CHRISTMAS DAWN.

By Cleveland E. Going.
O'er the sky the dawn is creeping
As it rose upon the earth
That in darkness dense was sleeping,
Knowing not the Savior's birth;
For He came not down in power
As a great and mighty king
At whose feet the world should
Cower
And its choicest treasures bring.
In a manger, cold and lowly,
Lay the babe no sin should mar;
As the wise men journeyed slowly,
Guided by the blessed star.
Angels sang the blessed story
To the shepherds in the hills,
Whose undimmed, transcendent glory
O'er the world in grandeur thrills;
His dominion, might, and power
All the earth should know and
Bless;
As the strength should rise and tower
That the world could not repress.
In a manger, cold and lowly,
Lay the babe no sin should mar;
As the wise men journeyed slowly,
Guided by the blessed star.
(This poem was set to music by Mr. Baker Cope.)
Yours for service,
J. W. HAYNES.

Tips to Magazine Buyers

The Pictorial Review—\$1.00 a Year.

This is more than a magazine of pictures, as it has some brilliant contributors who make its stories a feature, and the departments are comprehensive and well edited. "Practical Pin Money Ideas" will appeal to the women, as will "Fashions," while many young debutantes will like to rest in "The Girls' Cozy Corner." The Puzzles, and Housekeeping articles will find friends. In fact, one gets a big dollar's worth when subscribing. Pictorial Review Company, New York.

The Pacific Monthly—\$1.50 a Year.

If you want to know what is going on in the marvelous Northwest, you had better subscribe for this beautiful magazine. Do not imagine, however, that its scope is limited to the great Rockies, for it reaches out for the best wherever it is to be had. Next month one of the features will be "The Reminiscences of Mrs. Lafcadio Hearn." Jack London is also down for an article, and "The Social Message of the Hebrew Prophets," by Dr. Stephen T. Wise, will eagerly be awaited. The Pacific Monthly, Portland, Ore.

Bungalow Magazine.

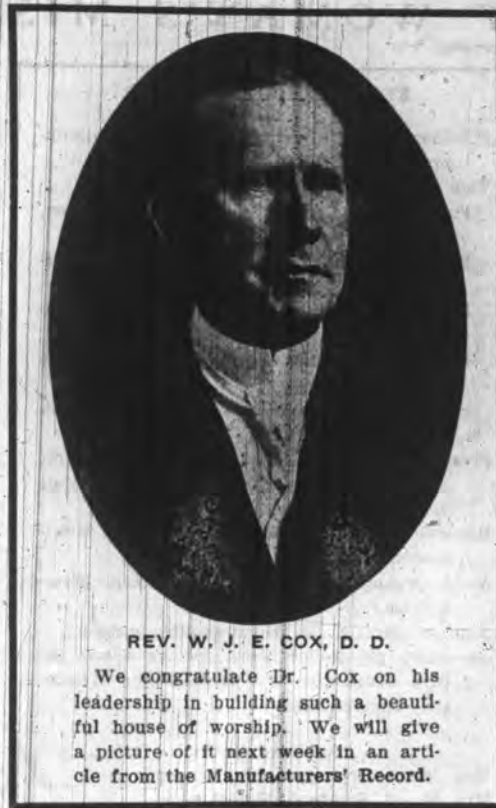
Six consecutive monthly copies sent prepaid for 50 cents. Two hundred pages, showing 42 latest, up-to-date bungalows and houses—from one to seven rooms, one, one-half and two stories—costing from \$300 to \$3,000. Also 18 interiors, 25 mantels and buffets, detail sheets, furniture, doors, etc. Working drawings and specifications for any of these houses, \$10. If you are going to build, you cannot afford to miss this opportunity. Write at once to Henry L. Wilson, 440 Copp building, Los Angeles, Cal. We greatly enjoyed looking over the numbers sent us.

Pictorial Review—\$1.00 a Year.

Pictorial Review is a large, profusely illustrated magazine for women. It has been edited since January 1, 1909, by Arthur T. Vance, who for over nine years was editor of the Woman's Home Companion. Those who are familiar with Mr. Vance's work will need no assurance that Pictorial Review is interesting, helpful and practical, and that no expense is being spared to make it the best woman's magazine published. Its fiction stories and special articles are the best obtainable. Its departments on housekeeping, cooking, home decorating, embroidery, home dressmaking, millinery, etc., its pages for boys, girls and little tots, and its many pages of newest fashions each month, make Pictorial Review a magazine of interest to every member of the family. Pictorial Review, New York.



DR. D. O. BAIRD.



REV. W. J. E. COX, D. D.

We congratulate Dr. Cox on his leadership in building such a beautiful house of worship. We will give a picture of it next week in an article from the Manufacturers' Record.

A DEDICATION.

Dear Bro. Barnett—January 2 marked an epoch in the history of our Baptist cause in Mobile, for on that day the First Baptist church (formerly the St. Francis street Baptist church) dedicated their handsome new house of worship. The new building is located on the corner of Government and Jefferson streets, and the new location is generally considered as the most desirable in the city. It is, generally conceded that our new house of worship is by far the handsomest in Mobile. I may be somewhat prejudiced, but I think it is the handsomest and most convenient church plant in the South. The cut which I am sending you gives only a mild conception of the stateiness of the structure. It will be seen that it is a classic building, being pure Greek of the doric style. The building and lot represent an investment of one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars. The Sunday school building, which is in the rear, is thoroughly adapted to modern Sunday school methods and is regarded by many as one of the most complete buildings of the kind in all the land. This building is known as the Bush auditorium, in honor of Deacon J. C. Bush, who so generously gave thirty-two thousand dollars for its construction.

It was my desire to have all of the four living ex-pastors with us on the occasion of the dedication, but the committee thought this was unwise on account of the large debt occasioned by the new building. Dr. E. Y. Mullins, president of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, preached the dedicatory sermon on "The Law of Service," and it was a great sermon and made a profound impression on the large audience that heard it. In the afternoon we had an interdenominational fellowship meeting, when several pastors of the city took part and extended their congratulations on behalf of the different denominations. I am sending you a copy of the program of the services.

At night, Evangelist J. J. Wicker, of East Northfield, Mass., began special meetings with us, which are now in progress, and up to the present time thirty-three have united with the church, twenty-five of them by baptism. The interest continues and we are expecting many more additions before the meeting closes. Brother Wicker is one of the most effective evangelists I have ever heard. I will write you more fully about the meeting after it closes.

W. J. E. COX.

Mobile, Ala., January 14, 1910.

Tips to Magazine Buyers

American Photography—\$1.50 a Year.

This is the official organ of the Camera Club, of New York, and the Photo-Pictorialists, of Buffalo. This is of great interest both to professional and amateur photographers. In order to encourage its readers in the production of photographs of technical and artistic merit, it awards prizes each month to pictures submitted in competition. Photographic subjects are solicited, and if accepted will be paid for on publication. American Photography Company, Beacon Street, Boston.

The World's Work—\$3.00 a Year.

This is a magazine of once of authority and current politics, economics, social subjects, the most important foreign affairs, books and science. It definitely stands for sound finance, independent political judgments, good health, conservation of the natural resources, good schools, and wholesome, active American life. Every phase of present day history is told accurately and comprehensively. A great series by James J. Hill, the famous head of the Great Northern and the most vigorous master of practical subjects among our captains of industry, begins in November and will continue throughout the winter. More than ever The World's Work is for men and women who do things. You need it. Doubleday, Page & Co., New York.

St. Nicholas—\$3.00 a Year.

A treasure house of happiness for children of all ages, from three to sixteen. The best present that can be given to any boy or girl. A monthly illustrated magazine full of stories, full of pictures, full of articles, full of rhymes. Overflowing with entertainment of just the right kind to make every child rejoice, and exerting a splendid influence for good that has won the approval of parents and teachers. This is one of the old reliables. The Century Company, New York.

Everyday Housekeeping (and Cooking Magazine)—50 Cents a Year.

It is the aim of Everyday Housekeeping to show its home-makers how to keep well-fed, healthy, refined and happy themselves, and how to make their families so. The elegance of simplicity, the beauty of absolute cleanliness and the charm of health are the only elegance, beauty and charm at which it aims. Everything which tends to make the domestic departments of the home wholesome and attractive is the province of this magazine. To make homeliness and drudgery fair and enjoyable, to dignify and ennoble the "common rounds, the daily task," is the object which this magazine will keep steadily in view. Everyday Housekeeping Co., Salem, Mass.



REV. W. G. CURRY, D. D.

ALABAMA BAPTIST WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Headquarters, Mission Room, 1122 Bell Building, Montgomery.

Motto for 1910—"Let us advance upon our knees."

W. M. U. MOTTO:

The people that know their God shall be strong, and do exploits.—Daniel 2:3.

APPORTIONMENT FOR ALABAMA W. M. U.

State Missions	\$ 5,000
Home Missions	7,500
Foreign Missions	6,500
Training School—	
Support	275
Endowment	500
Margaret Home	100
Bible Fund	100
Total for 1910	\$19,975

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK.

"A commonplace life," we say, and we sigh,
But why should we sigh as we say?
The commonplace sun in the commonplace sky
Makes up the commonplace day.
The moon and the stars are commonplace things,
And the flowers that bloom, and the bird that sings.
But dark were the world and sad our lot
If the flowers should fall and the sun shine not,
And God, who studies each separate soul,
Out of the commonplace lives makes his beautiful whole.
—Susan Coolidge.

MISSIONARY OR OMISSIONARY—WHICH WILL YOU ADOPT FOR THE NEW YEAR?

A Missionary Society.

Meets regularly at least once a month.
Interests each member by subdividing the work.
Sends regular reports to the Associational superintendent.

Studies best methods of other societies.
Interests outsiders so that they join.
Opens its meetings promptly and with prayer.
Never allows the meetings to get into a rut.
Always makes all possible use of maps, pictures, etc.

Raises missionary money through systematic giving.

Yes, this and much more does this society do.
President, Miss Faithful.

An Omissionary Society.

Often omits the regular society meeting.
Makes no plans for the year's work.
Is always late in beginning its meetings.
Sends no reports to the Associational Superintendent.

Seeks for no new members.
Introduces no new features into its program.
Omits the devotional service.
Never sends to headquarters for new literature.
Arouses no interest in missions.
Refuses to give systematically to missions.
Yes, this and much more does this society do.
President, Miss Do Little.
To which society do you belong?

—Selected and adapted.

ITEMS OF INTEREST FOR YOUNG WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Some Things Missionaries Have Done.

A Baptist missionary invented the Jirikisna.
Missionaries have translated the Bible into about seven-tenths of the world's speech.

Missionaries have done more than any one class to bring peace among savage tribes.

One missionary alone, Robert Hume, in India, distributed, through a great Indian famine, \$1,000,000 of relief funds.

"Perhaps the most useful drug in medicine is quinine, and the world owes it to the missionaries of South America."

All the museums of the world have been enriched by the examples of the plants, animals and products

STATE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

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(All contributions to this page will please be sent to Miss Kathleen Mallory, editor.)

of distant countries collected by missionaries.

It is to missionary efforts that all South Sea literature is due. There is not a single case on record of the reduction to writing of a Polynesian language by another than a Christian worker.

It was missionaries who discovered the Moabite stone, thus unlocking the records of a forgotten empire; also the Nestorian tablet, by which a new chapter in early Christian history was recovered.

African rubber was first discovered by Wilson, of the Gaboon mission. Khaki, the dye used for soldiers' uniforms, was discovered by a missionary of the Basel mission on the west coast of Africa.

Missionaries were the first to give any information about the far interior of Africa. They have given the world more accurate geographical knowledge of that land than all other classes combined.

THE LEGEND OF THE TWILIGHT BELLS.

"It is said that in heaven, at twilight, a great bell softly swings,

And man may listen and hearken to the wonderful music that rings;

If he puts from his heart's inner chamber all the passion, pain and strife,

Heartache and weary longing that throb in the pulses of life—

If he thrust from his soul all hatred, all thoughts of wicked things,

He can hear in the holy twilight how the bell of the angels rings.

"And I think there is in this legend, if we open our eyes to see,

Somewhat of an inner meaning, my friend, to you and me.

Let us look in our hearts and question: Can pure thoughts enter in

To a soul if it be already the dwelling of thoughts of sin?

So let us ponder a little, let us look in our hearts and see

If the twilight bells of the angels could ring for us— you and me."

Y. W. A. MOTTO:

They that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever.—Daniel 12:3.

APPORTIONMENT FOR ALABAMA Y. W. A.

State Missions	\$ 400
Home Missions	700
Foreign Missions	700
Margaret Home	25
Bible Fund	25
Training School Student	250
Total for 1910	\$2,100

A DIAMOND FOR ROYAL AMBASSADORS.

Any boy who can throw a ball knows what a home base is. The ground of operations for mission work of the Southern Baptist Convention has four cities you might call bases—Richmond, Va., Atlanta, Ga., Nashville, Tenn., and Baltimore, Md. These make a very irregular "diamond," and the run from one base to another is many miles. Let us run around this irregular diamond in imagination. Starting from Atlanta, the home of our Home Mission Board, and going northeast to Richmond, we reach the home of our Foreign Mission Board. Here we can stop long enough to learn that Dr. R. J. Willingham, a big, kind man, is the Corresponding Secretary, and that we can subscribe for the Foreign Mission Journal, and get all kinds of information about foreign missionaries in distant countries.

The next base nearest to Richmond, still going north, is Baltimore, where the big convention will meet next May, and where the Woman's Missionary Union lives. This is a base to which your mothers, your sisters, your aunts and your cousins and you belong; it is a help or auxiliary to the other boards. Here Our Mission Fields is published, with programs in it for Royal Ambassadors and Sunbeams. Leaving Baltimore, we take the longest run of all, going southwest to Nashville, where the Sunday School Board has its busy office. We all know the good help we get for our Sunday schools from Dr. J. M. Frost, the Corresponding Secretary. We might stop long enough to tell him how much we enjoy our Sunday school paper, Kind Words.

Now for the home run back to Atlanta, to our Home Board office. Here you can learn all about mission work among the Indians, the immigrants, the mountain people, Cubans and many other people to whom Dr. B. D. Gray, the Corresponding Secretary, sends his workers. Don't forget to ask for the Home Field.

At Atlanta, Ga., in the Austell building, is the busy office of the Home Mission Board. Here lies the "home base" of our home mission work. On every side are rich and large opportunities. The Home Board can cultivate them only as Southern Baptists come to its support with liberal contributions. The Home Board is merely their agent.

The home base for our foreign work is located, as we all know, at Richmond, Va.

What prayer, thought, tact and care must be used from these centres in operating all the interests of these boards, we little know. In some measure we can judge by results, but these results do not show all the patience, intelligence and industry exercised at the home base.

The Sunday School Board with generous hand helps all branches of our work, establishing the weak places, an almoner to all.

Our own beloved union, as an auxiliary to the three boards of the Southern Baptist Convention, belongs to the home base; and every Southern Baptist woman should be, as one of our state leaders wrote us the other day, "proud to belong to such an organization."

From this base of operations, may such efforts go forth this year that when we come to the convention at Baltimore next May we may see results of the highest practical value. Best of all, let us con-

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THE ALABAMA BAPTIST



SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

The Sunday School Board, though closing a prosperous year, has little to report out of the ordinary. During the year it has made several gifts to denominational enterprises. Among these may be mentioned \$5,000 as the first payment of a gift of \$20,000 to the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary to endow its chair of Sunday school pedagogy; also \$5,000 to the Foreign Mission Board for the Chinese Baptist Publication Society at Canton, and also \$5,000 to the Home Mission Board for its church building fund, and in addition to these there were several other smaller gifts of different amounts, aggregating \$5,000 or \$6,000.

The board for this year published several books, among them the "Convention Normal Manual," "Baptist Principles," "The Heart of the Old Testament," and "Our Church Life: or Serving God on God's Plan." The board is steadily enlarging its book publishing as one of the channels for denominational service.

The board issues also as its chief line of business a full list of ~~convention~~ school periodicals. These have a heavy circulation among the Sunday schools of the Southern Baptist Convention. This has developed a large and successful business and is indeed the very life of the board. As the board does not take any money collection and makes its gifts out of its business the only way our people can help is in increasing its business by the circulation of its periodicals, books and tracts.

J. M. FROST.

Nashville, Tenn.

PROGRAM OF MID-WINTER LECTURES.

Monday, February 14, 10 a. m.—"Pastoral Evangelism," J. C. Mabee, D. D.; 7:30 p. m., "The Laymen Training Teachers," Dr. G. C. Savage.

Tuesday, February 15, 10 a. m.—"Evangelism Among Children," W. W. Hamilton, D. D.; 7:30 p. m., "The Pastor Training His Teachers," O. C. S. Wallace, D. D.

Wednesday, February 16, 10 a. m.—"Every Day Evangelism," W. W. Hamilton, D. D.; 7:30 p. m., "The Christian School Training Teachers," President B. G. Lowrey.

Thursday, February 17, 10 a. m.—"Evangelization of Cities," William W. Bustard, D. D.; 7:30 p. m., "Teacher Training in Sunday School Institutes and Conventions," A. U. Boone, D. D.

Friday, February 18, 10 a. m.—"Evangelization of Cities," William W. Bustard, D. D.; 7:30 p. m., "The Teacher Training Himself," Byron H. DeMont, D. D.

As you will recall, the lectures on the Julius Brown Gay Foundation were delivered by Prof. J. L. Kosler, of Baylor University, in December. It was thought best to separate the Gay lectures from the other lecture courses for this winter. As a result, the evangelistic and Sunday school lectures will cover one week only. Of course, all your readers are most cordially invited to be present at these exercises. It will be noted that the dates have been changed from those originally announced some weeks ago in your columns, and have been placed two weeks later. We found it necessary to make this change. Hence the delay in sending this announcement. Yours sincerely,

E. Y. MULLINS, President.



FOREIGN MISSION BOARD.

The work of our board has greatly advanced in the past few years. The contributions have grown much, running up from about \$200,000 a few years ago to \$461,000 last year. For the past convention year the receipts were \$58,000 ahead of any former year. This is significant when the receipts have been gradually increasing for a number of years. But I do not know that the greatest advance was in receipts. I think it was in strengthening the work on our foreign fields. We have found out that we must provide better homes for the missionaries; also strengthen our schools and colleges and theological seminaries, and give greater efficiency to our printing plants and hospitals. On this account the board made a great forward movement, and notwithstanding the large increase in our receipts, we found that at the close of the year we had a debt of \$30,000. This does not discourage us, however, because we have improvements on the field in the way of better equipment which greatly help and strengthen our work. We rejoice that the Lord gave us over 2,900 converts who were received by baptism into the churches.

It is difficult to say what is the next great advance which the board should make, but it seems to us that what is most needed now is for our laymen in the home land to become interested to such an extent that they will give largely for the work. The Laymen's Movement cannot but accomplish great good if it will train our people to give systematically, regularly and joyfully to the Lord's cause. From the way our work has been developing on the foreign field in the past few years, we could easily use \$200,000 a year more than we are now receiving, and we believe that with this increase the time is near at hand when our people ought to be giving at least \$1,000,000 a year.

Our churches can assist the board most effectively by teaching the people more about missions and adopting better methods for collecting funds for missions. But over and above this, we believe that our people are not praying for this great work as they should. When we learn to pray for missions as we should, blessings will flow not only to the heathen land, but will come in abundance upon our own people.

Richmond, Va.

R. J. WILLINGHAM.



Bro. George W. Bouldin sends us all the way from Japan a beautiful leather bill book. We showed it to a friend, who after examining it said: "It is too short for our American bills." We replied: "Well, our bills are pretty short." Now all this is not merely to thank Bro. Bouldin, and yet we certainly appreciate his lovely gift. It is to try and get you to send us some bills so we can use our New Year's gift from far Japan. Who will be the first to start a bill our way? If you don't act quick we will start one your way.



HOME MISSION BOARD.

The most significant achievements of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention during the past year were: The baptism of 25,109 converts into membership in our churches, the addition of about 48,000 members to mission churches and the aid the board was able to give through its department of evangelism and otherwise in building up among Southern Baptists a sane evangelistic fervor and denominational consciousness.

Probably the most advantageous single advance movement for our board during next year in order to the securing of the greatest results, would be the establishment by the denomination of a \$1,000,000 building fund for the purpose of taking care of not less than 3,000 houseless Baptist churches in the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention. Our board next year could expend advantageously for its regular mission work \$250,000 over its present average receipts.

Southern Baptists can assist this board most effectively, in addition to liberality in gifts, by the stirring up of churches to study home mission problems and by praying for domestic mission efforts. Practically half of the churches of the Southern Baptist Convention have not yet been touched in behalf of home missions. I hesitate to make the confession. A larger effort to reach the churches through denominational literature and faithful preaching about the great and intricate problems of home missions would be of untold value.

We are greatly rejoiced that Southern Baptists have, through the Home Board, gone forward in domestic mission enterprises more than 100 per cent within the last five years. State mission gifts, which are in spirit closely in touch with home mission gifts, have advanced within twelve years 242 per cent, up till this present year. A study of state mission advance as indicated by the reports in five of our fifteen states, indicates that in this present year there is a marvelous advance of 41 per cent.

Southern Baptists are coming to a realization of their own great strength and of their almost unmatched opportunities and obligations.

B. D. GRAY.

Atlanta, Ga.

A DIAMOND FOR ROYAL AMBASSADORS.

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Idently expect the Lord himself to acknowledge our work and send upon us a new effusion of the Holy Spirit.

Let us rejoice when God draws heavily upon us, because this is an evidence that His work is going forward on a larger scale and demands a larger share of human co-operation. The problems to be solved at the home base of Foreign and Home Missions need the prayers and gifts of the Woman's Missionary Union. Let us purpose to do more this year than ever before.—Contributed.

SCRIPTURE THOUGHT.

Let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, Hebrews xii, 1-2.

EDITORIAL

WANTED, A PROPHET, BUT NO PROFITS.

BUSINESS MEN AS PEACEMAKERS.

At a recent banquet given to the forty visiting Japanese business men by the Chamber of Commerce in Boston, in which a number of interesting and conciliatory speeches were made by the Japanese and Bostonians, Edwin D. Mead closed the speaking with a short address in which he deplored the American ignorance of Oriental languages. The Japanese present had set us an example, the two interpreters, Mr. Zumoto and Mr. Waltase, using English with remarkable facility. In Berlin great attention was being given to Oriental languages, and the same was about to be done in London. We are behind. In every gathering where Japanese and Americans meet, the interpreters are almost invariably Japanese. We must see to it that the right kind of English words also are used in the East. Instead of the words "war" and "battleship," which have been borrowed from us and used most commonly, we must teach them our vocabulary of peace.

The evening was pronounced by all a most interesting and profitable one. The Americans present were all strongly impressed with the high character and intellectual strength of the Japanese guests, and with their clear comprehension of the international situation as between their country and ours. One who was present said: "No one who met and heard these men can accept for a moment the wild, senseless idea that Japan is deliberately planning to descend upon our Western coast at the earliest possible moment, as some have predicted."

We are truly glad that the business men of America and Japan do not propose to let a lot of sensational "Jingoists" keep alive a feeling of suspicion and distrust between the two countries.

Business men are more and more beginning to learn that "we speak foreign nations, but in reality there are no foreign nations. The interests of the nations intermingle to such a point that we are united with one another by bonds so strong, even where they are not visible, that if one suffers, all suffer; if one prospers, the others profit by this prosperity."

Social intercourse among the business men of different nations should be extended in every possible way. "Stranger" and "enemy" always have been nearly, if not quite, synonymous terms.

The merchants of the world have indirectly done much to bring about the improved relations between the various nations. Commerce has been a great educator and has broken down many walls of ignorance and animosity, but only incidentally, in the development of trade, not in the unselfish spirit of the peace societies.

Let these merchants now help finance the peace movement of the world and add unselfish practical co-operation to the great cause. If they do this the heavy burden of armies and navies, now becoming so alarming in the rivalry between European nations, will soon be removed and the immense sums now being used for defense and destruction will be converted to saner, constructive uses which will tend toward the elevation of the human race.

SOME FALLEN HEROES.

The sad news comes that two of our honored servants have recently gone to their reward. Dr. W. G. Curry, whose life was well lived out in faithfulness, has passed over the river. As we write the picture of Dr. Baird, the old hero, comes before us as he stood and preached a great missionary sermon at one of our associations. Still another conspicuous figure passed into the great beyond, but at a time when engaged in the strenuous campaign for the amendment. We failed to note it, but nevertheless we felt the loss of the venerable Dr. J. C. Wright, who perhaps in his fifty years of service had stored away as much knowledge of Baptist history as any man amongst us. These men will be missed. We extend to the loved ones our heartfelt sympathy.

Along in the early seventies the saloonkeeper was discovered by a band of women known to the liquor interests as W. C. T. U., which stands for "We'll See 'to You"—and they have kept their promise. Others have joined in the job.

THE COUNTRY EDITOR'S NOTICE.



We have been troubled about the loss of memory, the deficit in their budget, and the frozen condition of our delinquents, but this is to give them the final warning, for like the country editor driven to desperation, we tack up so all can see the following notice:

"All persons knowing themselves indebted to this office are requested to call and settle. All those indebted to this office and not knowing it are requested to call and find out. Those knowing themselves to be indebted and not wishing to call are requested to stay at one place long enough for us to catch them, either in person or by mail!"

Better remit, or you will have to submit either to a personal call or a dunning letter. Please be good and spare us railroad fare or postage stamps.

FACTS FOR OUR CHURCHES IN ALABAMA.

It is known among our people that last year the Foreign Mission Board was instructed by the Southern Baptist Convention to make an advance for this year in our foreign fields. Obeying instruction, the board has sent out a number of new missionaries, but the funds have not come in as was hoped. Up to the 1st of January the receipts are so short that it will take \$400,000 more to the 1st of May to pay all of the obligations incurred. The indebtedness of the board up to January 1st is \$60,000 more than it has ever been at this time of the year before, and it is known that last year we closed with a debt of \$30,000, so if we get out of debt by the 1st of May our churches will have to make an advance on what was given last year in the last four months of about 25 per cent.

From May 1 to January 1, Alabama had contributed \$5,558.85 of the \$35,000 which she was asked to give this year. Will not the brethren and sisters throughout the state see that liberal gifts are made in their churches. The collection ought not to be put off until the last Sunday, or even the last month. In every church it would be well to hold a week of earnest prayer for the great mission enterprise, and then the brethren ought to arrange for a systematic canvass of the church, so that every member will give for this work. It is estimated that last year out of the 1,921 churches in Alabama there were 740 that gave nothing for foreign missions. We hope that this year a large number of these will fall into the line of March and that the 1,181 churches which already give will make a noble advance. Elsewhere we publish an article by Dr. Willingham, "A Wonderful Offer." Read it.

In a recent issue of the Baptist Standard, Dr. J. B. Cranfill had an article touching on its history. We cull the following:

"There was a touch of humor, though he did not mean it so, in the assurance of our beloved brother, Rev. George W. Truett, when he asked for subscriptions to the stock. He said that the brethren might be sure that no dividends would ever be paid on the stock he asked them to buy. If he had struggled for more than twelve years, as one man did, with that problem, he need not have been so clear on this work of supererogation."

Commenting on this and other things in Dr. Cranfill's article, the editor of the Standard says:

"Regarding the opening paragraph of Bro. Cranfill's appreciated article, it is perhaps proper to say that while the property is now held under the same charter, as in former years, it is not held as a personal property, for profit, but is simply held in trust, for the denomination, by a large number of brethren and sisters, in every nook and corner of Texas."

We love the men who are behind the Standard, and we believe if any set of religious patriots could make a profit out of a religious newspaper they could, for they have brains and consecration, but brethren in these days no one engaged in conducting a religious newspaper, whether owned by a convention, backed by a stock company or financed by an individual, need never be worried about profits. We freely confess that there are many better editors than ye editor, but we will not doff our hat to any of them when it comes to the business end, for we have slept on our mailing list, wrestled with ye advertiser, and haggled with ye printer for eight long years without profit to ourselves (and if we accept the views of some of our critics, without profit to anybody). Brethren of the Standard, we salute you and pray God's blessing upon your experiment, and hope that Texas Baptists will rally to you until every Baptist in the Lone Star State will look forward eagerly to its weekly visits. With commendation as a prophet, the stockholders ought to be willing to forego any financial profit.

A CRIME PRODUCER.

The liquor business is a crime producer. It inflicts untold suffering upon the criminal, and burdens the taxpayer with his arrest, conviction and incarceration.

Saloons and jails, saloons and state prisons go hand in hand. The percentage of crime issuing from the doors of the saloon is fully 70 per cent of all the crimes known to us for which arrests are made. How long will we allow this crime breeder to continue when we insist on a red flag where smallpox infests, and a yellow flag for measles? If prohibition is right for these, we cannot quarantine the saloons, the brewery and distillery any too soon.

The people are now right on this question, but the politicians and the selfish dealers in strong drink offer determined opposition.

DR. GAMBRELL AN EDITOR.

Evidently the Baptist World had no premonition that Dr. Gambrell was going to be almost forcibly put into the "easy chair," when it went abroad to get a picture of a man to adorn its front page to write under it the "Greatest Religious Editor in the World." Prestridge is alright, and so is Dr. Nicoll, and so are a lot of our Godly, consecrated, talented brother editors who edit in the North, South, East and West, but the compass will have to be boxed many times to find a fitter man to conduct a religious paper than J. B. Gambrell. A Happy New Year to our brethren of the quill and a special one on the man of the hour in Texas.

In these days when some of the press agents of the professional evangelists are working overtime heralding to the world the number of conversions, it is genuinely refreshing to receive a letter like the following from a well known Baptist preacher:

"Since leaving the pastorate, I've done some preaching in protracted meetings, and with what seemed excellent results, i. e., numerous accessions; but I'm not strong on ecclesiastical arithmetic, and would rather weigh than count."

THE ALABAMA BAPTIST

RESOLUTIONS

In view of the fact that Bro. W. M. Anderson, who has been pastor of the First Baptist church of this city for the past four years, has now come to the close of his ministry with us, to lose the faithful and efficient servant and that his labors have been crowned with such rich results, be it

Resolved 1. That we deeply regret to lose the faithful and efficient service of so strong a man. We feel assured that this loss will fall heavily upon us, and that his place here will be filled with difficulty.

2. That his labors among us have been of the highest type. His Christian zeal and altruistic spirit have endeared him to the members of his church and to the people of the community.

3. That, as a citizen, his affable manner and cheerful words among his fellows have lifted the clouds from many lives, and inspired them with new hope and energy, and given to them a renewed determination to do their best.

4. That, as a pastor, he has rendered to his people a faithful service and has left an indelible impress for good upon their hearts. His sermons have never failed to be interesting, inspiring and uplifting, as is proven by the large and appreciative audiences that have regularly attended his services.

5. That since Bro. Anderson has felt it his duty to sever his connection with this church and people, we most heartily and unreservedly commend him to the Lord, which is so fortunate as to secure his services, and, in conclusion, bid him God speed and pray His blessings upon him and his most excellent family.

6. That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the church and another presented to the departing pastor.

Dothan, Ala.

THE BAPTISM OF JOHN.

W. W. Lee.

Pedo-Baptists and Campbellites persistently teach that John's baptism was not Christian baptism, and many Baptists accept this teaching without knowing why they wish them to believe it and without investigation. This doctrine means that the baptism which Jesus Himself received was not Christian baptism, and that the baptism which Jesus administered through His disciples, John 3:22 and 4:1-2, was not Christian baptism, for they claim that Christian baptism was not instituted until after the crucifixion. It also means that none of the first Christian church ever received Christian baptism. Acts 1:15. Apollos, who "knew only the baptism of John (Acts 18:25) was not baptized again though instructed "more perfectly in the way of the Lord. The only passage that seems to give any support to this doctrine is Acts 19:15. This passage tells of twelve disciples who claimed to have received John's baptism, but whose ignorance of the Holy Ghost proved that they had not been properly in-

structed before baptism and because of this ignorance of the meaning of their baptism it was so defective that Paul baptized them after proper instruction. This passage proves that defective baptism is no baptism. Our brethren try to avoid the force of the example of Christ as an argument for immersion. I heard a Methodist preacher ridicule the idea of taking Christ as our example at all in preaching on baptism. I Peter 2:21, John 13:15. They know those who follow His example will be immersed.

FROM BAYOU LA BATRE.

My work at Bayou La Batre goes on fine and we begin the new year with earnestness and a resolution to make this the best year in the history of our little church.

This has been a sad year in some respects to your humble scribe and family. In February we lost our sweet little girl baby. Then in September my wife's oldest sister died. Then in October I underwent an operation for appendicitis in Mobile and was in the hospital nearly six weeks and Thursday of this week my wife's mother, Mrs. J. H. Jones, of Malcoha, underwent an operation for cancer of the stomach in Mobile and is now in Providence infirmary very sick. But through all these bitter trials we bow in humble submission to the will of the father who knoweth best and doeth all things well.

I have taken up the work at Grand Bay, and while I feel my income is not such a strong, good man as Rev. C. H. Morgan, the retiring pastor, still I trust we may, with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, do a good work together as pastor and people.

We have at Grand Bay a noble, zealous band of workers trained under the leadership of some of Alabama's best, such men as Kallin, Morgan and others.

May the Lord in mercy smile on you and yours and make the Alabama Baptist the greatest denominational paper in the southland.

Fraternally,
D. R. PARKER.

IN MEMORIAM.

On December 2, 1909, the death angel visited our community and called Sister Mary E. Lanford to rest.

Sister Lanford, born Dec. 24, 1838, was a daughter of Mr. Henry and Mrs. Frankie Glenn. She was married to Mr. Simeon Lanford Dec. 23, 1866.

She leaves a husband and six children—Messrs. E. H. and M. D. Lanford, Anniston, Ala.; C. W. Lanford, of Weaver; S. L. Lanford, of Tyler, Tex.; H. R. Lanford, of Marietta, I. T.; and Miss Essie Lanford, of Alexandria, Ala.

Sister Lanford joined Mt. Zion church when about 13 years old, of which she was a member when she died. Her consecrated life was a light in her community. Her life was an inspiration to her children as well as to the whole neighborhood, and her strong sons and noble daugh-

ter will rise and call her blessed.

In her death her pastor loses a warm, sympathetic friend; her community loses one of its unselfish and sincere helpers; her family loses a tender, affectionate wife and a kind and loving mother.

She often told Miss Essie, who cared for her as a loving, obedient daughter ought, that she was going home while she was sick. She asked several times if everything was ready.

She was obedient to her Master in life and submissive to his will in death, and Jesus said, "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; for their works do follow with them."

J. M. ROGERS,

Her Pastor.

My dear wife having passed away, my headquarters will be with my son in Talladega, Ala. I am now employed by the executive committee of Shelby County Association to visit the churches in the interest of missions, doing what I can for the advancement of the Redeemer's kingdom. As you know, I am not physically able to do much, but what I do I desire to be done for my blessed Lord. As I am engaged in this work, it will be my pleasure to do all I can for our paper. I consider this one of the important agencies in furthering the Master's cause. Your brother in sorrow, leaning on the Everlasting Arm, C. O. O'Hara.

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TUSCALOOSA IN 1909.

L. O. Dawson.

Largely, no doubt, because of the pastor's absence during the greater part of the time, the year 1909 was one of the best years' work the Tuscaloosa church has ever done. There were not so many conversions, perhaps, but in several notable directions the church took advanced positions from which no retreat will ever be considered.

To begin with, the finances of the church have always been run on the time-honored (?) "happy-go-lucky plan." Only the plan wasn't any "plan" at all, and we were never very "happy" over it, and it didn't "go," and we were "lucky" if we were not teetotally swamped every few months. But it was one of those precious heirlooms that had come down to us and no amount of persuasion could make us believe that the demands of a modern church called for something else. But 1909 saw a change and it brought considerably more change into the treasury than we had hitherto enjoyed. It has finally dawned upon many of our great church that it is not only a good, but a necessary thing to notify the deacons in advance how much they can be depended upon for the work of the church, and the deacons are making systematic efforts to put the affairs of the church on a practical business basis, greatly to the joy of everybody concerned. The result has been that with the greatest burden it has ever carried, and with the pastor "gyrating" around in furrin parts, the church comes to 1910 in exceptionally good financial condition.

Nor is that all, the Sunday schools have been enlarged, more thoroughly organized and completely graded. Beginning with this new year the church has organized a new school at East End and another at West End. We now have four in all, and each is a splendid force representing the effort of the church to fulfill the teaching part of the great commission. Some years ago the church building grew too small for the Sunday school and a number of commodious class rooms were added. Then a nice house was built for the south side school. We thought we had room enough for twenty-five years, but we are now worse crowded than ever. Then the new schools need houses. Our growth confronts us with problems that will be difficult to meet. If ever as a boy you had "growing pains" you know how it is. It is no small matter to find the funds needed to keep step with the progress of our work.

Judge H. B. Foster is the general superintendent of all the schools, and in the various superintendents and teachers of the several schools he has a splendid body of helpers, about fifty in all, who are doing a work far beyond what any of us imagine. Pastor Barber and his good wife are in the work with a zeal and an intelligent grasp of the situation that has made them a blessing to us all. His preaching is clear, incisive and forceful, while his leadership of the teachers' meeting and the training class is a veritable benediction to all four of our schools.

But we are to lose Bishop Wooley. He has been with us two years and in his own quiet way has won all hearts. Of course, we are all made of dust, but Wooley was made out of gold dust. And his wife is the bet-

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But why not come and see for yourself?

FROM THE BLUE GRASS.

Dear Bro. Barnett: I just feel like you would not mind a few words from this beautiful spot of the world and especially if they come from an ex-Alabama pastor.

First of all I want to attend to your wants and make you feel like you had received a new year's gift—so enclosed find my check for \$2.00 and you can move me up two dollar's worth. Now, how do you like that sort of treatment? I read your article written on the last day of the old year in which you say you were in a retrospective mood, and I could just imagine I could see the serious look on that distinctive face of yours, and really it made me think of the familiar line, "Oh, that old sweetheart of mine."

The year 1909 is dead and gone, and as I look back I find it fraught with many things of sweet and precious memory—some very sad and some very joyful. Just a year ago this month I was in Baltimore with the home board force engaged in that great evangelistic campaign. Little did I dream then of being pastor of the First Baptist church in Winchester. But God moves in a mysterious way his wonders to perform.

As the poet expressed it, "Many things lie hidden under the beautiful snow" in this part of the world just now. We have the deepest snow here now we have had in twenty years. The weather prophet said we would have a snowfall of eighteen inches, and he did not miss it much. So we have winter in good fashion.

Things in the Blue Grass of old Kentucky are not like they are in any other part of the southland. This is, we might say, the home of Campbellism. We have Campbellites galore all over the state of Kentucky, but not so numerous save in the Blue Grass. It takes fine, rich soil for them to grow. The cotton belt will not produce them. They are a progressive folk on some lines. Ten years ago they used to be in a "spute" continually. They are split up into two factions. They are known as the Hardshell Campbellites and the liberals. The old anti-organ Campbellites adhere strictly to the doctrine of their founder, Alexander Campbell, and preach baptismal regeneration, but the liberals have found a new text—they cry continually, union, union! but they don't seem to want to unite with anybody but the Baptists. Really they don't want to do that, but want the Baptists to unite with them, but I am in a position to say that they are a long ways from a marriage feast. They seem to be "wiser in their day and generation than some of the children of light." Their cry for union is, after all, "Come into my parlor, said the spider to the fly." There is no dif-

ference between the Christian (?) church and the Baptists, they say, and a few feeble-minded Baptists have believed it and have found themselves tangled in the beautiful little spider web.

Kentucky is a great state for Baptists. We have over 216,000 white Baptists in this state. Like Alabama, there are more Baptists in Kentucky than all other denominations put together.

I often think of the Baptist hosts of Alabama, and my mind often goes back to the meeting of the state convention at Roanoke. My, what a glorious time we did have.

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NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County, Probate Court, 8th Day of January, 1910. Estate of Walter Scott Murfee, Deceased.

This day came Charles A. Gewin, administrator of the estate of Walter Scott Murfee, deceased, and filed his account, vouchers, evidence and statement for a final settlement of the same.

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MORTGAGE SALE.

Default having been made in the terms of the mortgage and payment of the indebtedness secured thereby, which said mortgage was executed by Joseph J. Klossen and Tennie Klossen on the 24th day of February, 1909, to the undersigned mortgagee, J. Cary Thompson, to secure the debt therein named, and duly recorded in volume 562, at page 68, of the records of deeds in the office of the probate judge of Jefferson county, Alabama, said mortgagee under and by virtue of the power and terms of sale contained in said mortgage, have elected and do hereby declare the entire debt secured by said mortgage due, and in accordance with the terms of said mortgage, will on Monday, February 21, 1910, before the court house door in Birmingham, Jefferson county, Alabama, at public outcry, offer for sale and proceed to sell, within the legal hours of sale, for cash, the following described real estate, situated in East Lake, Jefferson county and State of Alabama, to-wit:

Lot 3 in block 13 "G," more particularly described as follows: Begin 3 feet north of northeast corner of Louis street and First avenue (or East Lake Boulevard), run thence northwardly along east line of Louis street 60 feet, thence eastwardly 130 feet more or less to a ten-foot alley, thence southwardly along the west line of said alley 60 feet to a point 3 feet from First avenue (or East Lake Boulevard), thence westwardly in a direct line to the point of beginning. Said lot being in Frazier and Ebersole's subdivision of block 13 "G," according to the plan and survey of the Walker Land Company at East Woodlawn.

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MORTGAGE SALE.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage executed by Mary Schaefer and J. W. Schaefer, her husband, on the 18th day of September, 1906, to the Orange County Trust Company, a body corporate, to secure the debt therein named, which said mortgage was duly recorded in volume 438, page 120, of records of deeds and mortgages in the office of the probate judge of Jefferson county, Alabama, on the 25th day of September, 1906, and which said mortgage for a valuable consideration has, heretofore, been transferred and assigned with all rights therein to Steiner Brothers, a corporation, the present owners thereof, now, on account of default in the payment of the semi-annual interest amounting to one hundred and sixty-five (\$165.00) dollars, and the principal of said mortgage debt amounting to fifty-five hundred (\$5,500.00) dollars as secured by said mortgage, due on the 15th day of October, 1909, the said undersigned transferee of said mortgage in strict accordance with the terms of said mortgage will, on Saturday, January 23, 1910, before the county court house door, in Birmingham, Jefferson county, Alabama, offer for sale and proceed to sell, within the legal hours of sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described real estate, situated in Birmingham, Jefferson county, Alabama, to-wit:

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MORTGAGE SALE.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage executed by Thomas S. Woods and Laura A. Woods, his wife, to Mrs. Lizzie T. Cartwright, guardian, on the 21st day of May, 1904, to secure the debt therein named, which said mortgage was duly recorded in volume No. 368, page 503, of records of deeds and mortgages in the office of the probate judge of Jefferson county, Alabama, on the 25th day of May, 1904, and which said mortgage for a valuable consideration has, heretofore, been transferred and assigned with all rights therein to T. B. Merriwether, the present owner thereof, on account of default in the payment of said debt and interest thereon, the said undersigned transferee in strict accordance with the terms of said mortgage, will on Saturday, February 19, 1910, in front of the county court house door, in Birmingham, Jefferson county, Alabama, offer for sale and proceed to sell within the legal hours of sale, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described real estate, situated in Birmingham, Jefferson county, Alabama, to-wit: Beginning at a point 50 feet from the northeast corner of the intersection of Thirteenth avenue and Sixteenth street, running thence northeasterly 88 1/2 feet, thence northwesterly 150 feet to an alley, thence southwesterly along said alley 88 1/2 feet, thence southeasterly 150 feet to point of beginning, being the property described and conveyed in the above cited mortgage. **T. B. MERRIWETHER,** Transferree of Mortgage. **Z. T. RUDOLPH, Atty.**



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With the closing of the old year and the opening of the new, the Baptist cause in Montgomery is promising and hopeful. This has been a year of progress in many ways.

Pastor J. H. Bush, at Highland Avenue, has succeeded in arranging for sufficient funds to put the finishing touches on his new building. The masons will begin putting up the brick veneering early in the new year and then the inside work will be finished up. The church ranks along with the best in liberality, loyalty and permanent work done. The numerical increase during the year has been encouraging.

Pastor S. A. Cowan, at Southside, is laying a good, strong foundation. His work is highly pleasing to his people, and he is greatly beloved. He recently declined a call to another church in order to remain here and finish his work. He is this week in Rochester at the student volunteer convention.

Dr. Skakely hopes in the early part of the new year to get into their new Sunday school rooms at the First. This part of their new building is very complete and will add much to the efficiency of their Sunday school force. Every phase of work during the year has shown a marked increase. The ingathering both by baptism and otherwise has been very large.

Pastor J. M. Anderson has taken hold of the Second Baptist church with zeal and determination and things are shaping themselves slowly, but surely, in the right direction. He has had a number of additions since he took charge of the work, and others are about ready to join in with them. He is doing some work in mission fields around Montgomery that will result in great good.

West End has no pastor at present, but will likely secure one in the early part of the new year. There is some talk of making a combination of that field and Chisholm, a suburb of Montgomery, and let one man care for both. It is quite likely that such arrangement will be made.

At Clayton Street, we have had a very successful year. Eighty-six have been received during the year, 35 for baptism. As usual we close the year out of debt. We desire to begin the erection of the new building some time during the new year, but have not decided yet as to the exact time. Our work moves along harmoniously and smoothly.

The various churches have had Sunday school Christmas exercises and made an offering to the orphans' home. None of them had any Christmas trees, but are seeking to teach giving instead of receiving. Southside made a cash offering of about \$20. Clayton Street a cash offering of \$27.06, while the other churches brought gifts of useful and necessary articles for different ones at the home. The First church Sunday secured the names of the children at the home with their ages and sizes, then divided them up among classes and provided for each. The Highland Avenue Sunday school made their offering at the time of their exercise, each class bringing something and depositing it on the rostrum. The amount sent from the Clayton Street Sunday school was designated for furnishings at the home. The other

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churches had similar exercises, which brought great joy to all.

Wishing the Alabama Baptist and its editor great success and happiness during the next year, I am, fraternally,

J. W. O'HARA.

Montgomery, Dec. 29, '09.

The good people over the state sent oranges, apples, nuts and candies to last up to January 7. Bro. J. L. Walthal, of Southside church, Birmingham, sent the best box of clothing that we have had sent at all. Bro. J. H. Bush, of Montgomery, sent the most boxes. He interested me so much that I wrote him that I might know what kind of "Bush" he was. He says that he is just "Bush." I wish that the Baptists of Alabama had one hundred thousand such Bushes in our ranks. Bro. G. L. Comer, of Eufaula, sent three crates of oranges from his Oak Hill nursery (Florida). Put him on the honor roll and keep him there if you can. Aniston and Oxford churches have

done so many nice things for us in giving fruits and toys as well as clothing. That big hearted merchant of Cuba, Ala., that sent so many things to make Christmas attractive to boys as well as to girls will not be forgotten by us soon. Clio Baptist Sunday school sent us a nice box of fruits, butter, etc. Last night we received a nice crate of oranges from the Mt. Carmel Baptist church. The thing that moved my heart most was the \$25 present received from two little boys, Marbury and Ernest Rainer. They requested me to give each child in the home 25c. The children having received from me 25 cents each, they gave \$10 to missions. Since I began this letter a box came from Altoona Sunday school. Before Christmas Mobile Talladega and various churches sent things and the Judson Sunday school sent a barrel of syrup. Paul found that the men of Athens had erected a slab (altar) to the "Unknown." So we erect a monument to the unknown parties who sent nice boxes that were not

marked that they may feel kindly toward us.

I pronounce the orphanage, in good condition. Thank God, she is on her dear old feet again.

Fraternally,
J. W. DUNAWAY.

IN MEMORY OF MONTAGUE MORRIS.

On the night of January 11 the angel of death came to the home of Bro. M. T. Morris, of Sycamore, Ala., and took away their oldest child, Montague. He was sick but a few days, and his death was a great shock to all, as no one thought him seriously ill. He was 13 years old, and while not a member of the church, yet he gave evidence of being a Christian. Montague was an obedient child, and his bright, manly face will be sorely missed from the home. Cheer up, sorrowing ones, for our loss is Montague's gain. A former pastor,
W. M. OLIVE.